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Cum tabulis animum censoris sumet honesti: Audebit quaecunque parum splendoris habebunt, Et sine pondere erunt, et honore indigna ferentur, Verba movere loco; quamvis invita recedant, Et versentur adhuc intra penetralia Vesta: Obscurata diu populo bonus eruet, atque Proferet in lucem speciosa vocabula rerum, Quæ priscis memorata Catonibus atque Cethegis, Nunc situs informis premit et deserta vetustas.

HORACE.

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F, † A consonant generally reckoned 2. A fiction in general.

Triptolemus, so sung the among the semi-vowels, and according to that opinion distinguished in the enumeration of the alphabet by a name beginning with a vowel, which yet has so far the nature of a mute, that it is easily pronounced before a liquid in the same syllable. It has in English an invariable sound, (except in the preposition of, where it is pronounced like v,) formed by compression of the whole lips and a forcible breath. Its kindred letter is V, which, in the Icelandick alphabet, is only distinguished from it by a point in the body of the letter.

This letter is derived to us from the Romans, who adopted it from the Æolians; among whom it is called digamma.

See DIGAMMA.

FA.* [In musick.] One of the notes or syllables, invented by Guido Aretine, to mark the fourth sound of the modern scale of musick; do or ut, re, mi, fa.

O, these eclipses do portend these divisions! fa, sol, la, mi! Shakspeare, K. Lear. FABA'CEOUS. adj. [fabaceus, Latin.] Having the nature of a bean. Dict.

FA'BLE. n. s. [fable, Fr. fabula, Lat.] 1. A feigned story intended to enforce some moral precept.

Jotham's fable of the trees is the oldest extant, and as beautiful as any made since. Addis. Spect. VOL. II.

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Triptolemus, so sung the nine, Strew'd plenty from his cart divine; But, spite of all those fable makers, He never sow'd on Almaign acres.

Dryden. Palladius coming to die somewhere in the north part of Britain, may seem to give some kind of countenance to those fables that make him to have lived many years among the Scots. Lloyd.

3. A vicious or foolish fiction. But refuse profane and old wives' fables.

1 Tim. iv. 7. 4. The series or contexture of events which constitute a poem epick or dramatick.

The moral is the first business of the poet: this being formed, he contrives such a design or fable as may be most suitable to the moral.

Dryden, Dufresnoy. The first thing to be considered in an epick poem is the *fable*, which is perfect or imperfect, according as the action, which it relates, is more or less so. Addison, Spect. 5. A lie; a vicious falsehood. This sense

is merely familiar. It would look like a fable to report that this gentleman gives away a great fortune by secret

To FA'BLE. + v. n. [old Fr. fabler; Lat.

fabello.7

1. To feign; to write not truth but fiction. That Saturn's sons receiv'd the three-fold reign Of heav'n, of ocean, and deep hell beneath, Old poets mention, fabling. P
Vain now the tales which fabling poets tell,
That wav'ring conquest still desires to rove!

In Marlbro's camp the goddess knows to dwell. Pr.

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2. To tell falsehoods; to lie. He fables not; I hear the enemy. Sh. Hen. VI. To say verity, and not to fable; We are a merry rout, or else a rabble,

Or company, or, by a figure, chorus, That for thy dignity will dance a morris.

Beaum, and Fl. Two Noble Kinsmen.

She fables not; I feel that I do fear

Her words set off by some superior power. Milton, Comus.

To FA'BLE. v. a. To feign; to tell falsely. We mean to win, Or turn this heav'n itself into the hell Thou fablest. Milton, P. L.

Ladies of th' Hesperides, they seem'd Fairer than feign'd of old, or fabl'd since Of fairy damsels met in forest wide,

Milton, P. L. By knights. FA'BLED. adj. [from fable.] Celebrated in

Hail, fabled grotto! hail, Elysian soil! Thou fairest spot of fair Britannia's isle! Tickell.

FA'BLER.† n. s. [from fable; old Fr. fableor.] A dealer in fiction; a writer of feigned stories; "a teller of fables."

The courtier ought to give credit neither to funeral sermons, nor to Gallobelgicus, or other such idle fablers. Stafford's Niobe, (1611,) p. 20.

The bold legends of lying fablers.

Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 130.

To FA'BRICATE. † v.a. [fabricor, Lat.] 1. To build; to construct; to frame.

New fancied and new fabricated republicks. Burke, Lett. to a Noble Lord.

2. To forge; to devise falsely. This sense is retained among the Scottish lawyers; for when they suspect a paper to be forged, they say it is fabricated.

FABRICA'TION. n. s. [from fabricate.] The act of building; construction.

This fabrication of the human body is the immediate work of a vital principle, that formeth the first rudiments of the human nature.

Hale, Orig. of Mankind. FA'BRICATOR. * n. s. [Lat. fabricator; old Fr. fabricateur.] One who builds, constructs, or frames. Cotg. and Sherwood. The Almighty fabricator of the universe doth Howell, Lett. iii. 9. nothing in vain. The translator or fabricator of the works of Mason on Church Musick, p. 191. Ossian.

FA'BRICK. † n. s. [fabric or fabrique, old Fr. fabrica, Lat.]

1. A building; an edifice.

There must be an exquisite care to place the columns, set in several stories, most precisely one over another, that so the solid may answer to the solid, and the vacuities to the vacuities, as well for beauty as strength of the fabrick.

2. Any system or compages of matter; any body formed by the conjunction of

dissimilar parts.

Still will ye think it strange, That all the parts of this great fabrick change; Quit their old station and primeval frame. Prior. To FA'BRICK. v. a. [from the noun.]

To build ; to form ; to construct. The discipline of Geneva, framed and fabricked already to our hands. Milton, Areopagitica.

Shew what laws of life The cheese inhabitants observe, and how Philips. Fabrick their mansions.

FA'BRILE.* adj. [old Fr. fabrile; Lat. fabrilis.] Of stone or timber; belonging to the craft of a smith, mason, or Cotgrave. carpenter.

FA'BULIST.† n. s. [fabuliste, French.]
A writer of fables.

They come in lamely, with their mouldy tales out of Boccacio, like stale Tabarine, the fabulist. B. Jonson, Fox.

For the most part, when better evidence fails us, we lay the crime to the charge of Fortune, who very fitly by the fabulist is represented with a great complaint in her mouth upon that occasion. Dudley, Ld. North, Light to Par. (1682,) p. 93. Quitting Æsop and the fabulist, he copies

Our bard's a fabulist, and deals in fiction. Garr. FABULO'SITY. 7 n. s. [fabulosité, old Fr. fabulositas, Lat.] Fulness of feigned stories; fabulous invention. Huloet. In their fabulosity they report, that they had observations for twenty thousand years.

Abbot, Descript. of the World. FA'BULOUS. adj. [fabulosus, Lat.] Feigned; full of fables, invented tales.

A person terrified with the imagination of spectres, is more reasonable than one who thinks the appearance of spirits fabulous and groundless. Addison, Spect.

FA'BULOUSLY. † adv. [from fabulous.] In fiction; in a fabulous manner.

These gods [Hymen, Comus, Hebe, &c.] so fabulously and foolishly made — they did celebrate in hymns. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 667. Figuring the place from whence, as I have been, not fabulously, informed, the honourable family of the Radcliffs first took their name.

B. Jonson, Masques at Court. Giants - fabulously supposed begotten by spirits upon Dioclesian's or Danaus' daughters. Seldon on Drayton's Polyolb. S. 8.

There are many things fabulously delivered, and are not to be accepted as truths. Brown, Vulg. Err.

FA'BULOUSNESS.* n. s. [from fabulous.] Invention of fables. Sherwood. The fabulousness of the heroical age of Greece. Stilling fleet, Orig. Sac. i. 6.

His [Boethius's] history is written with ele-gance and vigour, but his fabulousness and credulity are justly blamed. Johns. Journey W. Islands. FA'BURDEN.* n. s. [Fr. fauxbourdon.] In

musick, simple counterpoint.

The fresh descant, pricksong, counterpoint, and faburden.

Bale on the Revel. (1550,) P. iii. B b. 8. FACA'DE.* n. s. [French.] Front. A word of late much used in speaking of buildings.

King Henry the Seventh - standing at the façade or western portal of a Gothick church. Warton.

FACE. n. s. [face, Fr. from facies, Lat.] 1. The visage. The children of Israel saw the face of Moses,

that the skin of Moses's face shone.

Erod. xxxiv. 35. A man shall see faces, which, if you examine

them part by part, you shall never find good; but take them together, are not uncomely. From beauty still to beauty ranging,

In ev'ry face I found a dart. 2. Countenance; cast of the features; look; air of the face.

Kickt out we set the best face on't we could. Dryden, Virg

Seiz'd and ty'd down to judge, how wretched I! Who can't be silent, and who will not lye: To laugh, were want of goodness and of grace;

And to be grave, exceeds all power of face. Pope. 3. The surface of any thing.

A mist watered the whole face of the ground. 4. The front or forepart of any thing.

The breadth of the face of the house, towards the East, was an hundred cubits. Ezek. xli. 14.

5. Visible state of affairs. He look'd and saw the face of things quite chang'd,

The brazen throat of war had ceas'd to roar;

All now was turn'd to jollity and game, Toluxury and riot, feast and dance. Milton, P.L. This would produce a new face of things in

6. Appearance; resemblance; look. Keep still your former face, and mix again With these lost spirits; run all their mazes

with 'em: B. Jonson. For such are treasons. At the first shock, with blood and powder

stain'd. Nor heav'n, nor sea, their former face retain'd; Fury and art produce effects so strange,

They trouble nature, & her visage change. Waller. His dialogue has so much the face of probability, that some have mistaken it for a real conference.

7. Presence; sight; state of confrontation. Ye shall give her unto Eleazar, and one shall slay her before his face. Numb. xix. 3. Jove cannot fear; then tell me to my face, That I of all the gods am least in grace.

Dryden, Iliad. 8. Confidence; boldness; freedom from bashfulness or confusion.

They're thinking by his face,

To fasten in our thoughts that they have courage; Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs. But 'tis not so. How many things are there which a man cannot, with any face or comeliness, say or do himself? A man can scarce allege his own merits with modesty, much less extol them: a man cannot sometimes brook to supplicate or beg.

You'll find the thing will not be done

Hudibras. With ignorance and face alone. You, says the judge to the wolf, have the face to challenge that which you never lost; and you, says he to the fox, have the confidence to deny that which you have stolen. L'Estrange.

This is the man that has the face to charge Tillotson, Preface. others with false citations.

9. Distortion of the face. Shame itself!

Why do you make such faces? Shaksp. Macbeth. FACE to FACE. [An adverbial expression.] 1. When both parties are present.

It is not the manner of the Romans to deliver any man to die, before that he which is accused have his accusers face to face. Acts, xxv. 16.

2. Nakedly; without the interposition of other bodies.

Now we see through a glass darkly; but then 1 Cor. xiii. 12. face to face. To FACE. to.n. [from the noun.]

1. To carry a false appearance; to play the hypocrite.

Thou needs must learn to laugh, to lye, To face, to forge, to scoff, to company.

Spenser, Hubb. Tale. Fair Margaret knows,

That Suffolk doth not flatter, face, or feign. Shakspeare, K. Hen. VI. P. I.

Addison, Spect. 2. To turn the face; to come in front. Face about, man; a soldier, and afraid of the enemy!

Then thrice the mounted squadrons ride around The fire, and Arcite's name they thrice resound; Hail and farewell they shouted thrice amain, Thrice facing to the left, and thence they turn'd again. Dryden.

To FACE. T v.a.

1. To meet in front; to oppose with confidence and firmness. I'll face

This tempest, and deserve the name of king.

We get intelligence of the force of the enemy, and cast about for a sufficient number of troops to face the enemy in the field of battle. Addison on the War.

They are as loth to see the fires kindled in Smithfield as his lordship; and, at least, as ready to face them under a popish persecution. Swift.

2. To oppose with impudence: commonly with down.

Here's a villain that would face me down He met me on the mart. Shaksp. Com. of Err. We trepann'd the state, and fac'd it down

Hudibras. With plots and projects of our own. Because he walk'd against his will, He fac'd men down that he stood still. Prior.

3. With out also, which Dr. Johnson has omitted to notice.

Now, face out your matter with a card of ten. Bale, Yet a Course, &c. (1543,) p. 59.

A mad-cap ruffian, and a swearing Jack, That thinks with oaths to face the matter out.

Shakspeare, Tam. of the Shrew. I would speak unto you — that you will neither

be drolled, nor disputed, cajoled, nor faced, out of your religion. Bp. S. Ward's Apol. for the Myst. of the Gos., 1673, p.43.

4. To stand opposite to.

On one side is the head of the emperour Trajan; the reverse has on it the circus Maximus, and a view of the side of the Palatine mountain Addison on Italy. that faces it. The temple is described square, and the four

fronts with open gates, facing the different quarters of the world.

5. To cover with an additional superfices; to invest with a covering.

Addison.

Where your old bank is hollow, face it with the first spit of earth that you dig out of the ditch.

Mortimer, Husbandry.

6. To turn up a garment with facings of a different colour. See FACING.

Grumio. Thou hast faced many things. Tailor. I have, Shaksp. Tam. of the Shrew. To face the garment of rebellion

With some fine colour. Shak. K. Hen. IV. P. I. FA'CECLOTH.* n. s. [face and cloth.] A linen cloth placed over the face of a dead person.

The facecloth is of great antiquity. Mr. Strutt tells us that, after the closing of the eyes, a linen cloth was put over the face of the deceased.

Brand, Popular Antiquities. More bitter must have been the anguish of the latter, standing by the coffin, when, with wild impatience, she pushed aside the facecloth. Seward's Lett. i. 249.

FA'CED.* adj. [from face.] Denoting the sort of countenance; as, " plumpfaced." Sherwood. Usually in composition.

Spenser, F.Q. The ill-faced owl. Every ill-faced husband. Beaum. & Fl. Philas. FA'CELESS. adj. [from face.] Being with-

Bailey. out a face. FACEPAI'NTER, n. s. [face and painter.]

A drawer of portraits; a painter who draws from the life.

FACEPAI'NTING. n. s. [face and painting.] The art of drawing portraits.

Georgione, the cotemporary of Titian, excelled in portraits or facepainting. Dryd. Dufres.

FA'CET. n. s. [facette, French.] A small surface; a superficies cut into several

Honour that is gained and broken upon another, bath the quickest reflection, like diamonds cut with facets. Racon.

FACE'TE.* adj. [Lat. facetus.] Gay; cheerful; witty.

Ludovicus Suessanus, a facete companion. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 149. Your wit, I perceived, strived to be facete. Dr. Mayne, Answ. to Cheynell, 1647, p. 13.

FACE TELY.* adv. Wittily; merrily. The eyes - are the chief seats of love, as James Lernutius hath facetely expressed in an elegant Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 470.

FACE TENESS.* n. s. [from facete.] Wit;

pleasant representation.

Parables -- work upon the affections, and breed delight of hearing, by reason of that faceteness, and wittiness, which is many times found in them. Hales, Rem. p. 133.

FACE'TIOUS. adj. [facetieux, French; facetiæ, Lat.] Gay; cheerful; lively; merry; witty. It is used both of persons and sentiments.

Socrates, informed of some derogating speeches used of him behind his back, made this facetious reply, Let him beat me too when I am absent. Gov. of the Tongue.

FACE TIOUSLY. adv. [from facetious.] Gaily; cheerfully; wittily; merrily. FACE TIOUSNESS. † n. s. [from facetious.]

Cheerful wit; mirth; gaiety.

Facetiousness is allowable, when it is the most proper instrument of exposing things, apparently base and vile, to due contempt.

Barrow, Serm. on Ephes. v. 4. Much facetiousness passes betwixt the Frere and the Sompnour. Warton, Hist. E. P. i. 455.

The fortification of Soleurre is faced with mar- | FA'CIENT.* n. s. [Lat. faciens.] A doer; one that does any thing good or bad. The fact is here confessed: but is sin in the

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fact or in the mind of the facient? Hacket's Life of Abp. Williams, p. 66.

FA'CILE. adj. [facile, French; facilis, Latin.]

1. Easy; not difficult; performable or attainable with little labour.

Then also those poets, which are now counted most hard, will be both facile and pleasant.

Milton on Education. To confine the imagination is as facile a performance as the Goteham's design of hedging in the cuckoo.

By dividing it into parts so distinct, the order in which they shall find each disposed, will render the work facile and delightful. Evelyn, Kal.

This may at first seem perplexed with many difficulties, yet many things may be suggested to make it more facile and commodious.

Wilkins, Math. Magick.

2. Easily surmountable; easily conquerable. The facile gates of hell too slightly barr'd.

Milton, P.L. 3. Easy of access or converse; not

haughty; not supercilious; not austere. I meant she should be courteous, facile, sweet, Hating that solemn vice of greatness, pride;

I meant each softest virtue there should meet, B. Jonson. Fit in that softer bosom to reside. Raphael now, to Adam's doubt propos'd, Benevolent and facile thus reply'd. Milton, P. L.

4 Pliant; flexible; easily persuaded to good or bad; ductile to a fault.

Too facile then, thou did'st not much gainsay; Nay did'st permit, approve, and fair dismiss. Milton, P. L.

Since Adam and his facile consort Eve Lost Paradise, deceiv'd by me. Milton, P. L. Some men are of that facile temper, that they are wrought upon by every object they converse with, whom any affectionate discourse, or serious sermon, or any notable accident, shall put into a fit of religion, which yet usually lasts no longer than till somewhat else comes in their way.

FA'CILELY.* adv. [from facile.] Easily. Huloet.

Seeing the one might be as facilly impetrate as Ld. Herbert, Hen. VIII. p. 227. the other. FA'CILENESS,* n. s. [from facile.] Easi-

ness to be persuaded to good or bad. Alas,

That facile hearts should to themselves be foes, When others they with facileness befriend! Beaumont's Psyche, xv. 175.

To FACI'LITATE. v. a. [faciliter, French.] To make easy; to free from difficulty; to clear from impediments.

Choice of the likeliest and best prepared metal for the version will facilitate the work.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. They renewed their assault two or three days together, and planted cannon to facilitate their passage, which did little hurt; but they still lost many men in the attempt. Clarendon.

Though perspective cannot be called a certain rule of picture, yet it is a great succour and relief to art, and facilitates the means of execution. Dryden, Dufresnoy.

What produceth a due quantity of animal spirits, necessarily facilitates the animal and natural motions. Arbuthnot on Diet. A war on the side of Italy would cause a great diversion of the French forces, and faci-

litate the progress of our arms in Spain. FACILITA'TION.* n. s. [from facilitate.] The act of making easy, of freeing from

A facilitation towards fidelity.

W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. P. i. (1648,) p.118. Who can believe that they, who first watched the course of the stars, foresaw the use of their discoveries to the facilitation of commerce, or the mensuration of time? Johnson, Ramb., No. 108.

FACI'LITY. n. s. [facilité, French ; facilitas, Latin.

1. Easiness to be performed; freedom from difficulty.

Yet reason saith, reason should have ability To hold these worldly things in such proportion,

As let them come or go with even facility. Sidney.
Piety could not be diverted from this to a more commodious business by any motives of profit or facility. Ralegh.

A war upon the Turks is more worthy than upon any other Gentiles, both in point of religion and in point of honour; though facility and hope of success might invite some other choice. Bacon, Holy War.

2. Readiness in performing; dexterity.

They who have studied have not only learned many excellent things, but also have acquired a great facility of profiting themselves by reading Dryden, Dufresnoy. The facility which we get of doing things, by

a custom of doing, makes them often pass in us Locke. without our notice.

3. Vitious ductility; easiness to be persuaded to good or bad; ready compli-

Facility is worse than bribery; for bribes come now and then; but if importunity or idle respects lead a man, he shall never be without them.

'Tis a great errour to take facility for good nature; tenderness without discretion, is no better than a more pardonable folly. L'Estrange.

4. Easiness of access; complaisance; condescension; affability.

He opens and yields himself to the man of business with difficulty and reluctancy; but offers himself to the visits of a friend with facility, and all the meeting readiness of appetite and

FACINE'RIOUS. See FACINOROUS. FA'CING. n. s. [from To face.]

1. An ornamental covering; that which is put on the outside of any thing by way of decoration.

These offices and dignities were but the facings and fringes of his greatness.

A garment which had a border at the bottom, and a facing at the hands of another colour, different from the garment. Bp. Pat. on Gen. xxxvii. 3.

2. Simply, a covering.

Being dug out of a bed of chalk, and belting the hills far and wide with white, more especially if we suppose some assistance from an artificial facing, they must have been visible at a vast dis-Warton, Hist. of Kiddington, p. 67.

FACI'NOROUS.† adj. [Lat. facinus, facinoris. In Shakspeare the corrupt spelling of facinerious is found in an old copy of the play, which Dr. Johnson considers as the poet's own mistake in regard to the word. No example of facinorous is given by Dr. Johnson; but the word about Shakspeare's time was not uncommon.] Wicked; atrocious; detestably bad.

'Tis strange, 'tis very strange, that is the brief and the tedious of it; and he is of a most faci-B 2

norous spirit, that will not acknowledge it to be the very hand of heaven. Shakspeare, All's well. The more facinerous malefactors.

Sir G. Buck, Hist. K. Rich. III. p. 28. Things highly charged with sin, even to a more facinorous and notorious degree.

Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p.131.

FACI'NOROUSNESS. n. s. [from facinorous.] Wickedness in a high degree. FACSI'MILE.* n. s. [Latin; an abbreviation

of factum simile, i. e. made like.] An exact copy.

You should publish these [exemplars of various modes of writing] in drawings, copied per factum simile. Pownall on Antiq. Lett. to Astle, p.178. A fac simile of the first page of an ancient

manuscript of St. John's Gospel. Archæol. xvi. 21.

n. s. [faict, French ; factum, FACT. Latin.

1. A thing done; an effect produced; something not barely supposed or suspected, but really done.

In matter of fact they say there is some credit to be given to the testimony of man; but not in matter of opinion and judgement: we see the contrary both acknowledged and universally practised also throughout the world. Hooker.

As men are not to mistake the causes of these operations, so much less are they to mistake the fact or effect, and rashly to take that for done which is not done.

Those effects which are wrought by the percussion of the sense, and by things in fact, are produced likewise in some degree by the imagination : therefore if a man see another eat sour or acid things, which set the teeth on edge, that object tainteth the imagination. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Matter of fact breaks out and blazes with too great an evidence to be denied. South, Serm.

2. Reality; not supposition; not speculation.

If this were true in fact, I do not see any colour Addison on the War. for such a conclusion. Manifold sins, though in speculation they may be separable from war, in reality and fact never fail to attend it. Smalridge.

3. Action; deed.

Unhappy man! to break the pious laws Of nature, pleading in his children's cause: Howe'er the doubtful fact is understood, 'Tis love of honour and his country's good; The consul, not the father, sheds the blood. Dryd.

FA'CTION. † n. s. [faction, French; factio, Lat.]

1. A party in a state.

The queen is valued thirty thousand strong; If she hath time to breathe, be well assur'd Her faction will be full as strong as ours. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

He has been known to commit outrages, Shakspeare, Timon. And cherish factions. Shakspeare, Timon. By one of Simon's faction murders were committed. By the weight of reason I should counterpoise

the overbalancing of any factions. King Charles. 2. Tumult; discord; dissension.

There is among you envying, and strife, and dissensions, [in the margin, factions.] 1 Cor. iii. 3. They remained at Newbury in great faction among themselves.

FA'CTIONARY. n. s. [factionaire, Fr.] One of a faction; a party man. A word not

Pr'ythee, fellow, remember my name is Menenius; always factionary, of the party of your Shakspeare, Coriol.

FA'CTIONER.* n. s. [from faction.] One of a faction.

All the factioners had entered into such a seditious conspiracy.

Bp. Bancroft, Dangerous Positions, iv. 12.

FA'CTIONIST.* n. s. [from faction.] who promotes faction, or discord.

We live with Puritans and opposite factionists, that have the cross of Christ in as great contempt and despight, as ever had Julian or any Pagan. Mountagu, App. to Cas. p. 271.

Some busy factionists of the meaner sort. Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 419.

FA'ctious. adj. [factieux, Fr.]

1. Given to faction; loud and violent in a party; publickly dissentious; addicted to form parties and raise publick disturbances.

He is a traitor; let him to the Tower, And crop away that factious pate of his.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

Be factious for redress of all these griefs. Shakspeare, Jul. Cas.

2. Proceeding from publick dissensions; tending to publick discord.
Grey-headed men and grave, with warriors

mix'd, Assemble; and harangues are heard; but soon

Milton, P. L. In factious opposition. Factious tumults overbore the freedom and King Charles. honour of the two houses. Why these factious quarrels, controversies, and

battles amongst themselves, when they were all united in the same design? Dryden, Juv. Dedic. FA'CTIOUSLY. adv. [from factious.] In a

manner criminally dissensious or tumultuous. I intended not only to oblige my friends, but

mine enemies also; exceeding even the desires of those that were factiously discontented.

FA'CTIOUSNESS. † n. s. [from factious.] Inclination to public dissension; violent clamourousness for a party. Sherwood. The factiousness, disobedience, and disorders of the nonconformists.

Puller, Moderat. Ch. of Eng. p. 499.

FACTI'TIOUS. adj. [factitius, Lat.] Made by art, in opposition to what is made by nature.

In the making and distilling of soap, by one degree of fire, the salt, the water, and the oil or grease, whereof that factitious concrete is made up, being boiled up together, or easily brought to incorporate.

Hardness wherein some stones exceed all other bodies, and among them the adamant all other stones, being exalted to that degree that art in vain endeavours to counterfeit it; the factitious stones of chymists, in imitation, being easily detected by an ordinary lapidist. Ray on the Creation.

FA'CTIVE.* adj. [Lat. factus.] Having the power to make.

You are, creator-like, factive, not destructive. Bacon, Lett. to James I.

FA'CTOR. n. s. [facteur, Fr. factor, Lat.] 1. An agent for another; one who transacts business for another. Commonly a substitute in mercantile affairs.

Take on you the charge And kingly government of this your land; Not as protector, steward, substitute, Or lowly factor for another's gain. Shaks. R. III.

Piercy is but my factor, good my lord, T'engross up glorious deeds on my behalf.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. You all three, The senators alone of this great world,

Chief factors for the gods. Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop.

We agreed that I should send up an English factor, that whatsoever the island could yield should be delivered at a reasonable rate.

Ralegh, Apology. The Scots had good intelligence, having some factors doubtless at this mart, albeit they did not openly trade. Hayward. Vile arts and restless endeavours are used by

some sly and venemous factors for the old republican cause.

All the reason that I could ever hear alleged, by the chief factors for a general intromission of all sorts, sects and persuasions, into our communion, is, that those who separate from us are stiff and obstinate, and will not submit to the rules and orders of our church, and that therefore they ought to be taken away. Smith. Forc'd into exile from his rightful throne,

He made all countries where he came his own; And viewing monarchs secret arts of sway,

A royal factor for their kingdoms lay. Dryden. 2. [In arithmetick.] The multiplicator, and multiplicand.

FA'CTORAGE.* n. s. [from factor.] In commerce, wages or commission for agency in purchasing goods.

FA'CTORSHIP.* n. s. [from factor.] A Sherwood. factory.

FA'CTORY. † n. s. [from factor.]

1. A house or district inhabited by traders in a distant country.

The company of stationers in London, are now erecting a factory for books, and a press, among

Alp. Usher's Letters, &c. dat. (1618,) p. 64. 2. The traders embodied in one place.

They humbly conceive, that the settlement of chaplains in our British factories, at Smyrna and Aleppo, is allowed by the Turks, as a right due by the law of nations.

Merchants at Leghorn, Pet. to Q. Anne, 1710. 3. A place where any thing is made.

Our corrupted hearts are the factories of the devil, which may be at work without his presence. Brown, Chr. Mor. i. 20.

FACTO'TUM. n. s. [fac totum, Lat. It is used likewise in burlesque French.] A servant employed alike in all kinds of business: as Scrub in the Stratagem. Tip. Art thou the dominus?

Host. Factotum here, sir. B. Jonson, New Inn. FA'CTURE. † n. s. [French.] The act or manner of making any thing; work-

manship. Cotgrave, and Sherwood. There is no doubt but that the facture, and framing, of the inward parts, is as full of difference Bacon on Learning, B. 2. as the outward.

FA'CULTY. n. s. [faculté, Fr. facultas, Lat.]

1. The power of doing any thing; ability whether corporeal or intellectual.

There is no kind of faculty or power in man, or any creature, which can rightly perform the functions allotted to it without perpetual aid and

concurrence of that supreme cause of all things. Orators may grieve; for in their sides,

Rather than heads, their faculty abides. Denham. Reason in man supplies the defect of other faculties wherein we are inferiour to beasts, and what we cannot compass by force we bring about L'Estrange. by stratagem.

2. Powers of the mind, imagination, reason, memory.

I understand in the prime end Of nature, her the inferiour; in the mind And inward faculties, which most excel.

Milton, P. L. In the ordinary way of speaking, the understanding and will are two faculties of the mind.

Locke.

explain to us the nature of God, because it would be impossible, without bestowing on us other faculties than we possess at present.

Mechanical power.

The fifth mechanical faculty is the wedge used in cleaving wood.

4. [In physic.] A power or ability to perform any action, natural, vital, and and animal: by the first they understand that by which the body is nourished, or another like it generated: the vital faculty is that by which life is preserved, and the ordinary functions of the body performed; and the animal faculty is what conducts the operations of Quincy.

5. A knack; habitual excellence; dex-

terity.

He had none of those faculties, which the other had, of reconciling men to him. Clarendon.

Our author found out monarchical absolute power in that text, he had an exceeding good faculty to find it himself where he could not shew it others. Locke. He had an excellent faculty in preaching if he

were not too refined. Swift. 6 Quality personal; disposition or habit of

good or ill. I'm traduc'd by tongues which neither know

My faculties nor person, yet will be The chronicles of my doing. Shaks. Hen. VIII.

7. Natural virtue; efficacy.

He would-in requital ope his leathern scrip, And shew me simples of a thousand names, Telling their strange and vigorous faculties. Milton, Comus.

8. Power; authority.

This Duncan Hath born his faculties so meek, hath been So clear in his great office, that his virtues Shakspeare, Macbeth. Will plead like angels.

9. Privilege; right to do any thing. Law hath set down to what persons, in what causes, with what circumstances, almost every faculty or favour shall be granted. Hooker.

10. Faculty, in an university, denotes the masters and professors of the several sciences: as, a meeting of the faculty or faculties.

FA'CUND.† adj. [facundus, Latin; facond, old French.] Eloquent. Dict.

With faconde voice said, Hold your tonguis there. Chaucer, Assemb. of Fowls, v. 521.

FACU'NDITY.* n. s. [Latin, facunditas.] Cockeram. Eloquence. To FA'DDLE. v. n. [corrupted from To

fiddle, or toy with the fingers.] To trifle; to toy; to play. A low word. FADE.* adj. [French.] Faint; insipid.

Tar-water may extract from the clay a fade sweetishness, offensive to the palate.

Bp. Berkeley on Tar-water, To FADE. v. n. [fade, French, insipid, languid, Dr. Johnson says; but it is rather the Latin vado; and the primary sense of fade, formerly written also vade, is to disappear instantaneously; of which Dr. Johnson has taken no notice.]

1. To disappear instantaneously. See also

To VADE.

He stands amazed how he thence should fade. Spenser, F. Q. i. v. 15. It faded on the crowing of the cock. Sh. Ham.

grow weak; to languish.

His imperfect good desires, his fading reso-South, Serm. viii. 51.

3. To tend from a brighter to a weaker colour.

The greenness of a leaf ought to pass for apparent, because soon fading into a yellow, it scarce lasts at all, in comparison of the greenness of an emerald. Boyle on Colours.

The spots in this stone are of the same colour throughout, even to the very edges; there being an immediate transition from white to black, and the colours not fading or declining gradually. Woodward on Fossils.

4. To wither, as a vegetable.

Ye shall be as an oak whose leaf fadeth, and as a garden that hath no water. Is. i. 30.

5. To die away gradually; to vanish; to be worn out.

Where either through the temper of the body, or some other default, the memory is very weak, ideas in the mind quickly fade.

L
The stars shall fade away, the sun himself

Grow dim with age, and nature sink in years,

Addison, Cato.

6. To be naturally not durable; to be transient; easily to lose vigour or beauty.

The glorious beauty on the head of the fat Is. xxviii. 4. valley shall be a fading flower. The pictures drawn in our minds are laid in

fading colours, and, if not sometimes refreshed, vanish and disappear.

Narcissus' change to the vain virgin shows Who trusts to beauty, trusts the fading rose.

Gay, Fab.

To FADE. v. a. To wear away; to reduce to languor; to deprive of freshness or vigour; to wither.

This is a man old, wrinkled, faded, withered; And not a maiden, as thou say'st he is. Shakspeare.

His palms, though under weights they did not

Still thriv'd; no winter could his laurels fade.

Restless anxiety, forlorn despair, And all the faded family of care.

Garth, Dispensary.

To FADGE. v. n. [zerezan, Saxon; fugen, German.] 1. To suit; to fit; to have one part con-

sistent with another. How will this fadge? my master loves her dearly,

And I, poor monster, fond as much on him; And she, mistaken, seems to doat on me. Shaks. Clothes I must get, this fashion will not fadge

Beaum. and Fl. Wit without Money.

2. To agree; not to quarrel; to live in

They shall be made, spite of antipathy, to fadge together. Milton, Doct. and Discipl. of Divorce.

When they thriv'd they never fadg'd, But only by the ears engag'd;

Like dogs that snarl about a bone, And play together when they've none. Hudibras.

3. To succeed; to hit. All this will not fadge !

Milton, Reason of Church Gov. B. 1. The fox had a fetch; and when he saw it would not fadge, away goes he presently. L'Estrange.

4. This is a mean word not now used; unless perhaps in ludicrous and low compositions.

FADGE.* n. s. [Sw. fagga, onerare.] A bundle, as of sticks. A northern word. Craven Dial. and Brockett.

Neither did our Saviour think it necessary to | 2. To tend from greater to less vigour; to | FA'DING.* n. s. [from fade.] Decay; weakness; loss of strength. Sherwood.

FA'DINGNESS.* n. s. [from fading.] Decay; proneness to fade.

The fadingness of beauty is the greatest detector and impeacher of our frailty.

W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. P. II. (1654,) p. 281.

Since it [joy] was meerly earthly, it must needs partake of the fadingness of its original.

Decay of Chr. Piety, (1667,) p. 203. FA'DY.* adj. [from fade.] Wearing away;

decaying. Survey those walls in fady texture clad.

Shenstone, Economy, P. III. FÆ'CAL.* adj. [from fæces.] Denoting

excrements; as, "facal matter."

FÆ'CES. n. s. [Latin.] Excrements;

settlings after distillation and infusion. Quincu.

To FAFF.* See To FUFF.

To FA'FFLE.* v. n. [of uncertain etymology; unless a corruption of famble, which is probable. See To FAMBLE.] To stammer. Barret's Alvearie, 1580, where under the present word reference is made to stammer; and there maffle occurs in the definition. Thus in the north of England faffle and maffle are both used to denote hesitating in

To FAG. † v. n. [fatigo, Latin, or perhaps from the Sw. fagga, onerare. See FADGE. To grow weary; to faint with

weariness.

Medyll thou not ferther, but let hym gone, Make he never so pytyose a mone; For then the fox can fagg and fayne,

When he wold faynyst his prey attayne. Old Poem in Ashmole's Theat. Chem. 1652, p.159. Creighton with-held his force till the Italian begun to fag, and then brought him to the ground. Mackenzie's Lives.

To FAG.* v. a.

1. To tire; to weary. A Cumberland word. 2. To beat. A vulgar expression.

FAG. * n. s. [from the verb.] A slave; one who works hard. It is a colloquial expression; nor is fag, either as a verb or substantive in this sense, seriously used by good writers.

From the above teazing and tormenting the junior scholars, has originated the present custom of having fags at Eton school, i. e. little boys who are the slaves of the greater ones.

Brand, Popular Antiquities. FAG. * n.s. [perhaps from the Sax. regan,

to join together.] A knot or excrescency in cloth, used in the stat. 4 Edw. IV. c. 1. It is also used for the fringe at the end of a piece of cloth. See FAGEND,

FAGE'ND. † n.s. [from fag and end.] 1. The end of a web of cloth, generally made of coarser materials.

2. In naval language, the end of any rope untwisted by frequent usage, which is secured from being further loosened by

winding a piece of small line round it. 3. The refuse or meaner part of any thing. The kitchen, and gutters, and other offices of noise and drudgery, are at the fag-end.

Howell, Lett. (1619), i. ii. 8. At the worlds fag-end-Fanshaw, Poems, p. 318. A land - doth lie.

It seems, Mr. Hobbes, by the fag-end of your book Of Body in English, that you have a mind to say your lesson. Wallis, Correct. of Hobbes, p. 1. When they are the worst of their way, and fixt

in the fag-end of business, they are apt to look not kindly upon those who go before them.

Collier on Envy. FA'GOT. † n. s. [fagod, Welsh and Armorick; fagot, French. Caseneuve pretends that the word comes from the Lat. fagus, a beech-tree, the first fagots being, as he says, made of the wood of this tree. Others think it connected with the Lat. fasciculas, a bundle; fascicularia, bundles of wood.]

1. A bundle of sticks bound together for

the fire.

About the pile of fagots, sticks and hay, The bellows raised the newly kindled flame. Fairfax.

Spare for no fagots, let there be enow;

Place pitchy barrels on the fatal stake. Shakspeare, Hen. VI. Mitres or fagots have been the rewards of different persons, according as they pronounced these

consecrated syllables or not. Watts on the Mind. 2. A bundle of sticks for any purpose. The Black Prince filled a ditch with fagots as successfully as the generals of our times do it with

3. A soldier numbered in the muster-roll,

but not really existing.

There were several other counterfeit books upon the upper shelves, which were carved in wood, and served only to fill up the number like fagots in the muster of a regiment.

Addison, Spect. No. 37. To FA'GOT. v. a. [from the noun.] To tie up; to bundle together.

He was too warm on picking-work to dwell, But fagoted his notions as they fell,

And if they rhym'd and rattled, all was well. Dryden, Abs. and Achit.

To FAIL. v. n. [faillir, French; faeln, Welsh, Pezron.

1. To be deficient; to cease from former plenty; to fall short; not to be equal to demand or use.

The waters fail from the sea, and the flood decayeth and drieth up. Job. xiv. 11. Wherefore should not strength and might

There fail where virtue fails, or weakest prove Where boldest, though to fight unconquerable? Milton, P. L.

Where the credit and money fail, barter alone

2. To be extinct; to cease; to be no longer produced.

Help, Lord, for the godly man ceaseth; for the faithful fail from among the children of men. Ps. xii. 1.

Whether such virtue spent of old now fail'd More angels to create. Milton, P. L.

3. To cease; to perish; to be lost. By fate the strength of gods

And this empyreal substance cannot fail. Milton, P. L. For Titan, by the mighty loss dismay'd,

Among the heavens th' immortal fact display'd, Lest the remembrance of his grief should fail. Addison.

4. To die; to lose life.

Had the king in his last sickness fail'd, Their heads should have gone off.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. Both he that helpeth shall fall, and he that is holpen shall fall down, and they all shall fail to-

5. To sink; to be born down; to come to an end.

Neither will I be always wroth; for the spirit Is. lvii. 16. should fail before me. His works, which in our fall.

For us created, needs with us must fail, Milton, P. L. Dependant made.

6. To decay; to decline; to languish.

Let none henceforth seek needless cause to approve

The faith they owe; when earnestly they seek Such proof, conclude, they then begin to fail. Milton, P. L.

I perceive Thy mortal sight to fail: objects divine Must needs impair and weary human sense. Milton, P. L.

7. To miss; not to produce its effect.

Consider of deformity not as a sign, which is deceivable, but as a cause which seldom faileth of

All these puissant legions, whose exile Hath emptied heav'n, shall fail to re-ascend. Milton, P. L.

This jest was first of th' other house's making, And, five times try'd, has never fail'd of taking. Druden.

A persuasion that we shall overcome any difficulties, that we meet with in the sciences, seldom fails to carry us through them.

He does not remember whether every grain came up or not; but he thinks that very few failed. Mortimer, Husbandry.

8. To miss; not to succeed in a design; to miscarry.

I am enjoin'd, by oath, if I fail Of the right casket, never in my life To woo a maid in way of marriage.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. At least our envious foe hath fail'd, who thought Milton, P. L. All like himself rebellious. In difficulties of state, the true reason of failing proceeds from failings in the administration.

Men who have been busied in the pursuit of the philosopher's stone, have failed in their design. Addison, Guardian.

9. To be deficient in duty.

Or Nature fail'd in me, and left some part Not proof enough such object to sustain.

Milton, P. L. Endeavour to fulfill God's commands, to repent as often as you fail of it, and to hope for pardon of him.

To FAIL. + v. a.

1. To desert; not to continue to assist or

supply; to disappoint.

The ship was now left alone, as proud lords be when fortune fails them. So hast thou oft with guile thine honour blent: But little may such guile thee now avail,

If wonted force and fortune do not much me fail. Spenser, F. Q. There shall be signs in the sun, the moon, and

the stars, men's hearts failing them for fear. Luke, xxi. 26.

Nor could the muse defend Her son; so fail not thou who thee implores.

Milton, P. L. I laugh, when those who at the spear are bold And vent'rous, if that fail them, shrink and fear. Milton, P. L.

Her heart failed her, and she would fain have compounded for her life.

L'Estrange. He presumes upon his parts that they will not

fail him at time of need, and so thinks it superfluous labour to make any provision before hand.

2. Not to assist; to neglect; to omit to help.

Since nature fails us in no needful thing, Why want I means my inward self to see? Davies.

3. To omit; not to perform.

The inventive god who never fails his part, Inspires the wit when once he warms the heart.

4. To be wanting to. There shall not fail thee a man on the throne.

1 Kings, ii. 4. 5. To deceive; to cheat. [A Latinism, fallere.] Obsolete.

So lively and so like, that living sense it fail'd. Spenser, F. Q. iii. xi. 46. FAIL. n.s. [from the verb; old Fr. faille,

a fault.] 1. Miscarriage; miss; unsuccessfulness.

2. Omission; non-performance.

Mark and perform it, seest thou? for the fail Of any point in't shall not only be Death to thyself, but to thy lewd tongu'd wife.

He will without fail drive out from before you Jos. iii. 10. the Canaanites.

3. Deficience; want. Goodly and gallant shall be false and perjur'd From thy great fail. Shakspeare, Cymb.

4. Death; extinction. How grounded he his title to the crown Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. Upon our fail?

FA'ILANCE.* n. s. [Old Fr. faillance.] Omission; fault.

Our failances and aberrations. Decay of Chr. Piety, Pref.

FA'ILER.* See FAILURE. FA'ILING. n. s. [from fail.]

A trembling heart, and failing of eyes, and sor-Deut. xxviii. 65. row of mind.

2. Deficiency; Imperfection; fault not atrocious; lapse.

Besides what failings may be in the matter, even in the expressions there must often be great obscurities. To failings mild, but zealous for desert;

The clearest head and the sincerest heart. Pope. Even good men have many temptations to subdue, many conflicts with those enemies which war against the soul, and many failings and lapses to lament and recover.

FA'ILURE. † n. s. [from fail. Formerly the word was failer; which Dr. Johnson has not noticed. " Armour of proof I have not any, wherewith to hide the failers of this undertaking." Pref. to Biblioth. Regia, 1659.]

1. Deficience; cessation.

There must have been an universal failure and want of springs and rivers all the Summer season. Woodward.

2. Omission; non-performance; slip. He that, being subject to an apoplexy, used still to carry his remedy about him; but upon a time shifting his clothes, and not taking that with him,

chanced upon that very day to be surprised with a fit: he owed his death to a mere accident, to a little inadvertncey and failure of memory. South.

3. A lapse; a slight fault.

FAIN.† adj. [Icel. feigin, Su. fagna, Goth. faginon, to be glad, to rejoice; Sax. ræzman, the same, and ræzn, glad.]

1. Glad; merry; cheerful; fond. It is still retained in Scotland in this sense, Dr. Johnson says. It thus occurs also among the words of our northern counties given by Ray; and was thus formerly in our lexicography: "to be fayne or well pleased," Prompt. Parv. What is rendered fain in one of our translations of the Psalms, is in the other greatly rejoice.

And in her hand she held a mirrour bright, Wherein her face she often viewed fain.

Spenser, F. Q. My ligs will be fain when I sing unto thee, and so will my soul whom thou hast delivered. Psalm lxxi. 21.

2. Forced; obliged; compelled. [This signification seems to have arisen from the mistake of the original signification in some ambiguous expressions; as "I was fain to do this," would equally suit with the rest of the sentence, whether it was understood to mean I was compelled, or I was glad to do it for fear of worse. Thus the primary meaning seems to have been early lost.]

Every wight to shroud it did constrain, And this fair couple eke to shroud themselves

were fain. Whosoever will hear, he shall find God; whosoever will study to know, shall be also fain to Hooker.

I was fain to forswear it; they would else have married me to the rotten medlar.

Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas. When Hildebrand had accursed Henry IV. there were none so hardy as to defend their lord; wherefore he was fain to humble himself before Hildebrand. Ralegh, Essays.

The learned Castalio was fain to make trenchers at Basle, to keep himself from starving.

FAIN. adv. [from the adjective.] Gladly; very desirously; according to earnest wishes.

Now I would give a thousand furlongs of sea for an acre of barren ground: I would fain die a dry death. Shakspeare. Why would'st thou urge me to confess a flame

I long have stifled, and would fain conceal. Addison, Cato.

Fain would I Raphael's godlike art rehearse, And show th' immortal labours in my verse.

Addison. The plebeians would fain have a law enacted to lay all men's rights and privileges upon the same

Swift. level. To FAIN. v.n. [from the noun.] To wish;

to desire fondly. Fairer than fairest, in his faining eye,

Whose sole aspect he counts felicity Spenser, Hymn on Love.

To FAINT. tv. n. [Dr. Johnson adopts, with Minshen and Skinner, the French faner, to fade, to wither, to die, as the origin of our word. Mr. Horne Tooke pronounces faint to be the past participle of the Sax. rynizean, which means, to grow musty, to spoil, to decay.]

1. To decay; to wear or waste away

Gilded clouds, while we gaze upon them, faint before the eye, and decay into confusion.

The show'ry arch

Delights and puzzles the beholder's eyes, That views the watry brede with thousand shews

Of painture vary'd; yet unskill'd to tell Or where one colour rises, or where one faints.

2. To lose the animal functions; to sink

motionless and senseless. Their young children were out of heart, and

their women and young men fainted for thirst and Judith, vii. 22. fell down. We are ready to faint with fasting.

1 Mac. iii. 17. Upon hearing the honour intended her, she fainted away, and fell down as dead. Guardian.

3. To grow feeble; to decline in force or | courage.

They will stand in their order, and never faint in their watches. Ecclus. xliii. 10.

The imagination cannot be always alike constant and strong, and if the success follow not speedily it will faint and lose strength.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. O pity and shame, that they who to live well, Enter'd so fair, should turn aside to tread

Paths indirect, or in the midway faint. Milt. P. L. How while the fainting Dutch remotely fire, And the fam'd Eugene's iron troops retire.

To sink into dejection.

Lest they faint At the sad sentence rigorously urg'd, Milton, P. L. All terrour hide.

To FAINT. v. a. To deject; to depress; to enfeeble. A word little in use.

It faints me Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. To think what follows.

FAINT. adj. [fane, French.]

1. Languid; weak; feeble.

In intemperate climates, the spirits, exhaled by heat or comprest by cold, are rendered faint and Temple. Words pronounced at length, sounded faint and languid.

2. Not bright; not vivid; not striking.

The blue compared with these is a faint and and dark colour, and the indigo and violet are much darker and fainter. The length of the image I measured from the

faintest and utmost red at one end, to the faintest and utmost blue at the other end, excepting only Newton, Opticks. a little penumbra. From her naked limbs of glowing white,

In folds loose floating fell the fainter lawn. Thomson.

3. Not loud; not piercing.

The pump after this being employed from time time, the sound grew fainter and fainter. Boyle.

4. Feeble of body. Two neighbouring shepherds, faint with thirst, stood at the common boundary of their grounds.

5. Cowardly; timorous; not vigorous; not ardent.

Faint heart never won fair lady.

Proverb in Camden's Remains. Our faint Egyptians pray for Antony; But in their servile hearts they own Octavius.

Dryden.

6. Dejected; depressed.

Consider him that endureth such contradiction against himself, lest ye be wearied and faint in Heb. xii. 3. your minds.

7. Not vigorous; not active.

The defects which hindered the conquest, were the faint prosecution of the war, and the looseness of the civil government.

Davies on Ireland. of the civil government.

FAINTHEA'RTED. adj. [faint and heart.] Cowardly; timorous; dejected; easily depressed.

Fear not, neither be fainthearted. Is. vii. 4. They should resolve the next day as victorious conquerors to take the city, or else there, as fainthearted cowards, to end their days.

Knolles, Hist. of the Turks.

I from faint-

Now the late fainthearted rout, O'erthrown and scatter'd round about, Chac'd by the horrour of their fear, From bloody fray of knight and bear, Took heart again and fac'd about,

FAINTHEA'RTEDLY.† adv.

As if they meant to stand it out. Hudibras. Villain, stand off! base, groveling, worthless wretches, Mongrels in faction; poor fainthearted traitors.

Addison, Cato.

hearted.] Timorously; in a cowardly Sherwood. manner.

FAINTHEA'RTEDNESS. n. s. ffrom fainthearted.] Cowardice; timorousness; want Sherwood. of courage. There is no hold of faintheartedness, no lock

against falsehood. Archd. Arnway, Table of Mod. (1661,) p. 44.

FA'INTING. † n. s. [from faint.] Deliquium; temporary loss of animal motion. Thence faintings, swoonings of despair.

Milton, S. A. These faintings her physicians suspect to pro-Wiseman, Surgery. ceed from contusions.

FA'INTISH.* adj. [from faint.] Beginning to grow faint; a colloquial expression. FA'INTISHNESS. n. s. [from faint.] Weak-

ness in a slight degree; incipient debility. A certain degree of heat lengthens and relaxes the fibres; whence proceeds the sensation of faint-

ishness and debility in a hot day. Arbuth. on Air. FA'INTLING. adj. [from faint.] Timorous; feeble-minded. Aburlesque or low word.

There's no having patience, thou art such a faintling silly creature. Arbuth. Hist. of J. Bull.

FA'INTLY. adv. [from faint.] 1. Feebly; languidly.

Love's like a torch, which, if secured from blasts, Will faintly burn; but then it longer lasts: Expos'd to storms of jealousy and doubt,

The blaze grows greater, but 'tis sooner out.

2. Not in bright colours.

Nature affords at least a glimm'ring light; The lines, tho' touch'd but faintly, are drawn right.

3. Without force of representation.

I have told you what I have seen and heard but faintly; nothing like the image and horrour of it. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

An obscure and confused idea represents the object so faintly, that it doth not appear plain to the mind.

Without strength of body. With his loll'd tongue he faintly licks his prey, His warm breath blows her flix up as she lies.

5. Not vigorously; not actively. Though still the famish'd English, like pale ghosts,

Faintly besiege us one hour in a month. Shakspeare, Hen. VI. 6. Timorously; with dejection; without

Loth was the ape, though praised, to adventure ;

Yet faintly gan into his work to enter. Spenser, Hubb. Tale.

He faintly now declines the fatal strife; So much his love was dearer than his life. Denh. FA'INTNESS. 7 n. s. [from faint.]

1. Languor; feebleness; want of strength. As she was speaking, she fell down for faint-Esdr. xv. 15.

If the prince of the lights of heaven, which now as a giant doth run his unwearied courses, should through a languishing faintness begin to stand.

This proceeded not from any violence of pain,

but from a general languishing and faintness of spirits, which made him think nothing worth the trouble of one careful thought. Temple. 2. Inactivity; want of vigour.

This evil proceeds rather of the unsoundness of the counsels, or of faintness in following and effecting the same, than of any such fatal course appointed of God.

Timorousness; dejection. Upon them, that are left alive of you, I will send a faintness into their hearts in the land of their enemies, and the sound of a shaken leaf shall Levit. xxvi. 36. chase them. The paleness of this flow'r

Bewray'd the faintness of my master's heart. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

FA'INTY. † adj. [from faint.] Weak; feeble; languid; debilitated; enfeebled. Esau - was fainty.

Genesis, xxv. 29. Matthewe's Transl.
When winter frosts constrain the field with cold, The fainty root can take no steady hold.

Dryden, Virgil. The ladies gasp'd, and scarcely could respire;

The breath they drew, no longer air, but fire: The fainty knights were scorch'd, and knew not where

To run for shelter; for no shade was near. Dryd.

FAIR.† adj. [pægep, Saxon; faur, Danish; fager, Goth. Feg, in our northern dialect, is fair.]

1. Beautiful; elegant of feature; handsome. Fair seems in the common acceptation to be restrained, when applied to women, to the beauty of the face. He only fair, and what he fair hath made,

All other fair like flowers untimely fade. Spenser. Thou art a fair woman to look upon.

Gen. xii. 11. 2. Not black; not brown; white in the complexion.

I never yet saw man, But she would spell him backward; if fair fac'd, She'd swear the gentleman should be her sister; If black, why nature, drawing of an antick, Made a foul blot. Shakspeare, Much

Shakspeare, Much Ado. Let us look upon men in several climates; the Ethiopians are black, flat-nosed, and crisp-haired: the Moors tawny: the northern people large, and fair complexioned.

3. Pleasing to the eye; excellent or beautiful in general to the eye or mind.

That which made her fairness much the fairer was that it was but an ambassadour of a most fair Sidney.

Carry him gently to my fairest chamber, And hang it round with all my wanton pictures. Shakspeare.

Thus was he fair in his greatness, and in the Ezek. xxxi. 7. length of his branches.

For as by depredations wasps proclaim The fairest fruit, so these the fairest fame. Young.

4. Clear; pure; clean.

A standard of a damask rose, with the root on, was set in a chamber where no fire was, upright in an earthen pan, full of fair water, half a foot under the water. Bacon.

The table, at the communion time, having a fair white linen cloth upon it. Rubrick, Commun. Serv. Even fair water, falling upon white paper or linen, will immediately alter the colour of them, and make it sadder than that of the unwetted parts. Boyle on €olours.

5. Not cloudy; not foul; not tempestuous. Fair is foul, and foul is fair;

Hover through the fog and filthy air. Shak. Macb. Fair weather cometh out of the earth.

Job, xxxvii. 22. About three of the clock in the afternoon the weather was very fair and very warm. Clarendon.

Favourable; prosperous: as, a fair wind. In vain you tell your parting lover, You wish fair winds may waft him over. Prior.

7. Likely to succeed.

Yourself, renowned prince, stood as fair As any comer I have look'd on yet, For my affection. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. The Caliphs obtained a mighty empire, which was in a fair way to have enlarged, until they fell Ralegh, Essays. out.

O pity and shame, that they who to live well Enter'd so fair, should turn aside to tread Paths indirect, or in the midway faint. Milt. P.L.

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8. Equal : just.

The king did so much desire a peace, that no man need advise him to it, or could divert him from it, if fair and honourable conditions of peace Clarendon. were offered to him.

9. Not effected by any insidious or unlawful methods; not foul.

After all these conquests, he passed the rest of his age in his own native country, and died a fair and natural death.

10. Not practising any fraudulent or insidious arts: as, a fair rival, a fair dis-

Virtuous and vicious every man must be, Few in th' extreme, but all in the degree; The rogue and fool by fits is fair and wise, And ev'n the best, by fits, what they despise.

11. Open; direct. For still, methought, she sung not far away; At last I found her on a laurel spray Close by my side she sat, and fair in sight, Full in a line, against her opposite.

12. Gentle: mild: not compulsory. All the lords came in, and being by fair means wrought thereunto, acknowledged king Henry. Spenser on Ireland.

For to reduce her by main force, Is now in vain; by fair means worse. Hudibras.

13. Mild; not severe. Not only dost degrade them, or remit To life obscur'd, which were a fair dismission; But throw'st them lower than thou did'st exalt Milton, S. A. them high. 14. Pleasing; civil.

Good sir, why do you start, and seem to fear Things that do sound so fair? Shaksp. Macbeth. When fair words and good counsel will not prevail upon us, we must be frighted into our L'Estrange.

15. Equitable; not injurious. His doom is fair,

That dust I am, and shall to dust return. Milton, P.L.

16. Commodious; easy.

Hereby, upon the edge of yonder coppice, A stand where you may make the fairest shoot. Shakspeare. I looked for the jugular veins, opened the

fairest, and took away a dozen ounces of blood. Wiseman.

17. Liberal; not narrow.

He through his virtue was as free from greediness, as through his fair livelihood far from needi-

FA'IR. adv. [from the adjective.]

1. Gently; decently; without violence. He who fair and softly goes steadily forward, in a course that points right, will sooner be at his journey's end, than he that runs after every one, though he gallop.

2. Civilly; complaisantly.

Well, you must now speak Sir John Falstaff One of the company spoke him fair, and would

L'Estrange. have stopt his mouth with a crust. In this plain fable you th'effect may see

Of negligence, and fond credulity; And learn besides of flatt'rers to beware, Then most pernicious when they speak too fair.

His promise Palamon accepts, but pray'd To keep it better than the first he made Thus fair they parted till the morrow's dawn; For each had laid his plighted faith to pawn. Dryden.

Kalib ascend, my fair spoke servant rise, And sooth my heart with pleasing prophecies.

Druden. Addison on Italy. This promised fair at first.

3. Happily; successfully.

O, princely Buckingham, I'll kiss thy hand, In sign of league and amity with thee: Now fair befal thee and thy noble house ! Thy garments are not spotted with our blood. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

4. On good terms.

There are other nice, though inferior cases, in which a man must guard, if he intends to keep fair with the world, and turn the penny. Collier on Popularity.

FA'IR. n. s.

1. A beauty; elliptically, a fair woman. Of sleep forsaken, to relieve his care, He sought the conversation of the fair.

Dryden, Fab. Gentlemen who do not design to marry, yet pay their devoirs to one particular fair. Spectator.

2. Honesty; just dealing.

I am not much for that present"; we'll settle it between ourselves: fair and square, Nic, keeps Arbuthnot. friends together.

3. Fairness, applied to things. Not now

As the green meads, whose native outward fair Breathes sweet perfumes into the neighbour air. Marston, Satires.

4. Fairness, applied to persons. Obsolete. Pope changed the word, in the first of the following passages, without authority, to face. Let no face be kept in mind,

But the fair of Rosalind. Shak. As you like it. My decay'd fair

A sunny look of his would soon repair. Shakspeare, Com. of Err.

FAIR. +. n.s. [old Fr. fiere; modern foire; feriæ, or forum, Lat.] An annual or stated meeting of buyers and sellers; a time of traffic more frequented than a market. The privilege of holding fairs in England is granted by the king.

With silver, iron, tin, and lead they traded in Ezek. xxvii:12. His corn, his cattle, were his only care,

And his supreme delight a country fair. Dryd.

The antient Nundinæ, or fairs of Rome, were kept every ninth day: afterwards the same privileges were granted to the country markets, which were at first under the power of the consuls. Arbuthnot on Coins.

FA'IRING. n. s. [from fair.] A present given at a fair.

Sweetheart, we shall be rich ere we depart, If fairings come thus plentifully in.

Shakspeare, Lov. Lab. Lost. Like children that esteem every trifle, and prefer a fairing before their fathers. B. Jonson.

Now he goes on, and sings of fairs and shows; For still new fairs before his eyes arose : How pedlars stalls with glitt'ring toys are laid,

The various fairings of the country maid. Gay, Pastorals.

FA'IRISH.* adj. [from fair.] Reasonably fair; passable; so so. Cotgrave in V. Bellastre.

FA'IRLY. † adv. [from fair. Sax. pæzep-

1. Beautifully: as, a city fairly situated. 2. Commodiously; conveniently; suitably

to any purpose or design. Pass ye away thou inhabitant of Saphir, [in

the margin, thou that dwellest fairly.] Micah, i. 11.

Waiting till willing winds their sails supply'd, Within a trading town they long abide, Dryden.

Full fairly situate on a haven's side. 3. Honestly; justly; without shift; without fraud: not foully.

There is due from the judge to the advocate some commendation and gracing where causes are fairly pleaded.

To the first advantages we may fairly lay claim; I wish we had as good a title to the latter.

It is a church of England man's opinion, that the freedom of a nation consists in an absolute unlimited legislative power, wherein the whole body of the people are fairly represented, and in an executive duly limited.

4. Ingeniously; plainly; openly. The stage how loosely does Astrea tread, Who fairly puts all characters to bed!

5. Candidly; without sinistrous interpret-

As I interpret fairly your design, So look not with severer eyes on mine.

Dryden, Aurengzebe.

6. Without violence to right reason. Where I have enlarged them, I desire the false

criticks would not always think that those thoughts are wholly mine; but that either they are secretly in the poet, or may be fairly deduced from him. Dryden.

This nutritious juice being a subtile liquor, scarce obtainable by a human body, the serum of the blood is fairly substituted in its place. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

7. Without blots.

Here is th' indictment of the good lord Hastings,

Which in a set hand fairly is engross'd. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

8. Completely; without any deficience. All this they fairly overcame, by reason of the continual presence of their king. Spenser on Irel. Let them say, 'tis grossly done; so it be fairly Shaks. Mer. W. of Windsor. done, no matter. Our love is not so great, Hortensio, but we may blow our nails together, and fast it fairly out.

Shakspeare, Tam. of the Shrew.

9. Softly; gently. But sober Guyon hearing him so rayle, Though somewhat moved in his mighty heart, Yet with strong reason master'd passion fraile, And passed fayrely forth. Spens. F. Q. ii. vi. 40. But here she comes; I fairly step aside, And hearken, if I may, her business here.

Milton, Comus. FA'IRNESS. † n. s. [from fair, Sax. pæzep-

1. Beauty; elegance of form.

That which made her fairness much the fairer, was that it was but a fair embassador of a most fair mind, full of wit, and a wit which delighted more to judge itself than to show itself.

2. Honesty; candour; ingenuity. There may be somewhat of wisdom, but little of goodness or fairness in this conduct.

3. Clearness; not foulness; as "fairness of weather."

FAIRSPO'KEN. † adj. [from fair and speak.]
Bland and civil in language and address. Arius, a priest in the church of Alexandria, a subtlewitted and a marvellous fairspoken man, but discontented that we should be placed before him in honour, whose superior he thought himself in desert, because through envy and stomach prone unto contradiction. Hooker.

From his cradle He was a scholar, and a ripe and good one, Exceeding wise, fairspoken. Sh. K. Hen. VIII.

These his fairspoken words shall be here fairly confronted. Milton, Eiconoclastes.

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He is one of the fairspoken swordmen that | David speaks of, "whose words are softer than butter, and yet are they very swords."

Hammond, Works, iv. 470.

FA'IRY.† n. s. [pephő, Saxon; fee, French. "Ab έρα, terra, fit & pega Macedonium dialecto; unde evepol, evrepou, & Romanis inferi, qui Scoto-Saxonibus dicuntur feries, nostratiq; vulgo corruptius fairies, καταχθόνιοι δαίμονες, sive dii manes." Baxter's Glossary. So far Dr. Johnson. But the Sax. repho will not apply in the sense of a spirit to these pretended beings; for it means the mind or soul. Perhaps the old Fr. faerie, a fantom, a spectre, is the parent of our word. The French word is sometimes written féerie, and Borel derives it from the ancient fee, a nymph, and also a divineress. The French have likewise the old verb faer, to enchant. See Lacombe and Roquefort. Probably from the Lat. fatuor. " Par feerie," says Cotgrave, is "by appointment of the fairies;" which also he renders fatal and destined. Some indeed suppose the Latin fatum to be the etymon; whence fata, in Italian, a fairy, witch, or enchantress; and the low Lat. fada, a kind of demon. The French fae or fee is also found to have been used for a diviner or enchanter. The Irish faidh is a foreteller, a prophet. Fairy has been, after all, considered as derived from the east, that is, from the peri, the imaginary beings of the Persians. See ELF and FAY.

1. A kind of fabled beings supposed to appear in a diminutive human form, and to dance in the meadows, and reward cleanliness in houses; an elf; a fay.

Nan Page, my daughter, and my little son, And three or four more of their growth, we'll dress Like urchins, ouphes, and fairies, green and white.

Then let them all encircle him about, And fairylike too pinch the unclean knight; And ask him, why, that hour of fairy revel, In their so sacred paths he dares to tread In shape prophane. Shaks. Mer. W. of Windsor.
By the idea any one has of fairies, or centaurs,

he cannot know that things, answering those ideas, Fays, fairies, genii, elves, and demons, hear!

Pope. Warburton. 2. Enchantress.

To this great fairy I'll commend thy acts, Make her thanks bless thee. Shak. Ant. and Cleop.

FA'IRY. adj. 1. Given by fairies.

Be secret and discreet; these fairy favours Are lost when not conceal'd. Dryd. Span. Friar. Such borrow'd wealth, like fairy money, though it were gold in the hand from which he received it, will be but leaves and dust when it comes to

2. Belonging to fairies.

This is the fairy land; oh, spight of spights. We talk with goblings, owls, and elvish sprights.

FA'IRYLIKE.* adj. Imitating the practice

Let them all encircle him about, And, fairylike, to-pinch the unclean knight. Shaks. Mer. W. of Windsor.

FA'IRYSTONE. n. s. [fairy and stone.] A stone found in gravel pits.

FA'ISIBLE. * . See FEASIBLE.

FAITH. + n. s. [foi, French; fede, Italian; fides, Latin. So Dr. Johnson traces our word. Mr. Horne Tooke asserts, that it is the third person singular of the indicative of the Sax. verb pægan, to engage, to covenant, viz. ræyő; and that our word was formerly written faieth, which indeed was common enough. Others consider it as connected with the Greek wειθώ, persuasion, belief.]

1. Belief of the revealed truths of religion. The name of faith being properly and strictly taken, it must needs have reference unto some uttered word, as the object of belief.

Faith, if it have not works, is dead. Jam. ii. 17. Vision in the next life is the perfecting of that faith in this life, or that faith here is turned into vision there, as hope into enjoying.

Hammond, Pract. Catechism.
Then faith shall fail, and holy hope shall die; One lost in certainty, and one in joy.

The system of revealed truths held by the Christian church; the credenda. Felix heard Paul concerning the faith.

Acts, xxiv. 24.

This is the catholick faith. Ath. Creed, Com. Pr. 3. Trust in God.

Faith is an entire dependence upon the truth, the power, the justice, and the mercy of God; which dependence will certainly incline us to obey him in all things.

4. Tenet held.

Which to believe of her, Must be a faith, that reason, without miracle, Should never plant in me. Shaks. K. Lear.

5. Trust in the honesty or veracity of another.

Fidelity; unshaken adherence. Her failing, while her faith to me remains, I should conceal. Milton, P. L.

7. Honour; social confidence. For you alone

I broke my faith with injur'd Palamon. Dryden, Knight's Tale.

8. Sincerity; honesty; veracity. Sir, in good faith, in mere verity. Sh. K. Lear. They are a very froward generation, children in whom is no faith. Deut. xxxii. 20.

9. Promise given.

I have been forsworn, In breaking faith with Julia whom I lov'd. Shaks.

FAITH.* adv. A colloquial expression, meaning in truth, verily, on my faith.

Faith, like enough. Beaum. and Fl. Maid's Tr.

FA'ITHBREACH. n. s. [faith and breach.] Breach of fidelity; disloyalty; perfidy. Now minutely revolts upbraid his faithbreach; Those he commands, move only in command, Shaksp. Macbeth. Nothing in love.

FA'ITHED. adj. [from faith.] Honest; sincere. A word not in use.

Thou bastard! would the reposal Of any trust, virtue, or worth in thee, Make thy words faith'd.

FA'ITHFUL. adj. [faith and full.] 1. Firm in adherence to the truth of re-

ligion. To the saints which are at Ephesus, and the

fuithful in Christ Jesus. Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give Rev. ii. 10, thee a crown of life. 2. Of true fidelity; loyal; true to the al-

legiance or duty professed.

I have this day receiv'd a traitor's judgement, And by that name must die; yet, heav'n bear witness.

And, if I have a conscience, let it sink me, Ev'n as the axe falls, if I be not faithful.

Shakspeare, Henry VIII.
So spake the seraph Abdiel, faithful found;
Among the faithless, faithful only he. Milt. P. L. 3. Honest; upright; without fraud.

My servant Moses is faithful in all mine house. Numbers, xii. 7. 4. Observant of compact or promise; true to his contract; sincere; veracious.

Well I know him;

Of easy temper, naturally good, And faithful to his word. Dryd. Don Sebast.

5. True; worthy of belief; that may confidently be relied on. It is a faithful saying; for if we be dead with him, we shall also live with him. 2 Tim. ii. 11. 2 Tim. ii. 11.

FA'ITHFULLY. † adv. [from faithful.]

1. With firm belief in religion.

Thus shall ye do in the fear of the Lord, faithfully, and with a perfect heart. 2 Chron. xix. 9. Beloved, thou doest faithfully whatsoever thou doest to the brethren, and to strangers.

2. With full confidence in God.

He that hath my word, let him speak my word faithfully. Jerem. xxiii, 28.

3. With strict adherence to duty and alle-

His noble grace would have some pity Upon my wretched women, that so long Have follow'd both my fortunes faithfully. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

4. Without failure of performance; honestly: exactly.

If on my wounded breast thou drop a tear, Think for whose sake my breast that wound did bear :

And faithfully my last desires fulfil,

As I perform my cruel father's will, Dryd. Ovid. 5. Sincerely; with strong promises.

For his own part, he did faithfully promise to be still in the king's power. Bacon, Hen. VII. 6. Honestly: without fraud, trick, or

They suppose the nature of things to be truly and faithfully signified by their names, and thereupon believe as they hear, and practise as they believe. South, Serm.

7. In Shakspeare, according to Warburton, fervently; perhaps rather confidently; steadily.

If his occasions were not virtuous, I should not urge it half so faithfully. Shak. Tim.

FA'ITHFULNESS. n. s. [from faithful.]

1. Honesty; veracity.

For there is no faithfulness in their mouth; their inward part is very wickedness. Ps. v. 9. The band that knits together and supports all compacts, is truth and faithfulness.

2. Adherence to duty; loyalty.

The same zeal and faithfulness continues in your blood, which animated one of your noble ancestors to sacrifice his life in the quarrel of his sove-

FA'ITHLESS. adj. [faith and less.]

1. Without belief in the revealed truths of

religion; unconverted.

Whatsoever our hearts be to God and to his truth, believe we, or be we as yet fuithless, for our conversion or confirmation, the force of natural reason is great. Never dare misfortune cross her foot,

Unless she doth it under this excuse, That she is issue to a faithless Jew.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven.

profession, promise, or allegiance.

Fell by our servants, by those men we lov'd most;

A most unnatural and faithless service. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. Abdiel, faithful found; Milton, P. L.

Among the faithless.

FA'ITHLESSNESS. † n. s. [from faithless.]

1. Treachery: perfidy. Fair Italy's faithlessness. Donne, Poems, p. 148. Sharp are the pangs that follow faithlessness.

Edwards, Can. of Crit. p. 318.

2. Unbelief as to revealed religion.

FA'ITOUR. 7 n. s. [Norm. Fr. faitour, sometimes a slothful person, sometimes a factor. Minsheu pretends that it is a corruption of faiseurs, i. e. factores, doers. Dr. Johnson merely notices faitard as the supposed original, which means idle, slothful.] A scoundrel; a rascal; a mean fellow; a poltron; a vagabond; an evil doer. Obsolete.

Those faytours little regarden their charge, While they, letting their sheep run at large, Passen their time, that should be sparely spent,

In lustihede and wanton meryment. Spenser, Shep. Cal. May.

Into new woes unweeting I was cast, By this false faitour. Spenser, F. Q.

Down! down, dogs! down, faitors! Shakspeare, K. Hen. IV. P. II. Another took the gain;

Failour ! that reapt the pleasure of another's pain. P. Fletcher, Pisc. Eclog. i. 12.

FAKE. n. s. [Among seamen.] A coil of Harris.

FA'KIR.* See FAQUIR.

FALCA'DE. n. s. [from falx, falcis, Latin.] A horse is said to make falcades when he throws himself upon his haunches two or three times, as in very quick curvets; therefore a falcade is that action of the haunches and of the legs, which bend very low, when you make Farrier's Dict. a stop and half a stop.

FA'LCATED. adj. [falcatus, Latin.] Hooked; bent like a reaping hook or

scythe.

The enlightened part of the moon appears in the form of a sickle, or reaping hook, which is while she is moving from the conjunction to the opposition, or from the new moon to the full; but from full to a new again, the enlightened part appears gibbous, and the dark fal-Harris.

FALCA'TION. n. s. [falcis, Latin.] Crookedness; form like that of a reaper's

The locusts have antennæ, or long horns before, with a long falcation or forcipated tail behind.

FA'LCHION. n. s. [ensis falcatus; in French fauchon.] A short crooked sword; a cymeter.

I've seen the day, with my good biting falchion, I would have made them skip; I am old now. Shakspeare.

Old falchions are new temper'd in the fires; The sounding trumpet every soul inspires. Dryden, En.

What sighs and tears Hath Eugene caused! how many widows curse His cleaving falchion ! Philips.

2. Perfidious; disloyal; not true to duty, FA'LCON. n. s. [faulcon, French; falconne, Italian; falco, Latin. Credo, a rostro falcato sive adunco, from the falcated or crooked bill.]

1. A hawk trained for sport. As Venus's bird, the white, swift, lovely dove, O! happy dove that art compar'd to her, Doth on her wings her utmost swiftness prove,

Finding the gripe of falcon fierce not far. Sidney. Air stops not the high soaring of my noble

Apulian farms, for the rich soil admir'd, And thy large fields where falcons may be tir'd.

Say, will the falcon, stooping from above, Smit with her varying plumage, spare the dove?

2. A sort of cannon, whose diameter at the bore is five inches and a quarter, weight seven hundred and fifty pounds, length seven foot, load two pounds and a quarter, shot two inches and a half diameter, and two pounds and a half weight.

FA'LCONER. n. s. [faulconnier, French.] One who breeds and trains hawks; one who follows the sport of fowling with

hawks.

Hist! Romeo, hist! O for a falc'ner's voice, To lure this tarsel gentle back again. Shakspeare. The universal remedy was swallowing of pebblestones, in imitation of falconers curing hawks. Temple.

I have learnt of a falconer never to feed up a hawk, when I would have him fly.

Dryden, Don Sebast. A fulc'ner Henry is, when Emma hawks; With her of tarsels and of lures he talks. Prior.

FA'LCONET. n. s. [falconette, French.] A sort of ordnance, whose diameter at the bore is four inches and a quarter, weight four hundred pounds, length six foot, load one pound and a quarter, shot something more than two inches diameter, and one pound and a quarter weight. Harris.

Mahomet sent' janizaries and nimble footmen, with certain falconets and other small pieces, to take the streights.

FA'LCONRY.* n. s. [faulconnerie, Fr.] The art of breeding and training hawks. In vain you expect much information "de re accipitraria," of falcoury, hawks or hawking, from very ancient Greek or Latin authors; that art being either unknown, or so little advanced among them.

Sir T. Brown, Miscell. p. 111.

FA'LDAGE. n. s. [faldagium, barbarous Latin.] A privilege which anciently several lords reserved to themselves of setting up folds for sheep, in any fields within their manors, the better to manure them; and this not only with their own, but their tenants sheep. This faldage in some places they call a fold-Harris. course, or freefold.

FA'LDFEE, n. s. [fald and fee.] A composition paid anciently by tenants for the privilege of faldage.

FA'LDING. n. s. [reals, Sax. a kind of coarse cloth, Skinner; a sort of fold or wrapper, as we may suppose, like the Irish mantle, fallin, which Giraldus Cambrenis describes in low Latin by " phalingis laneis." Faldones in low

Latin also signify coarse garments. V. Du Cange in voce. A kind of coarse cloth.

All in a goune of falding to the knee.

Chaucer's Shipman, Prol. C. T.

FA'LDSTOOL. n. s. [old Fr. fandesteuil; low Lat. faldisterium; from the Sax. rals.] A kind of stool placed at the south side of the altar, at which the kings of England kneel at their coronation; the chair of a bishop, enclosed within the rails of the altar; an armchair; a folding chair.

At the right side of the east window, on the wall, are fixed plates of brass, whereon is engraved the figure of a judge in his robes, kneeling at a faldstool, with three sons behind him.

Ashmole's Berk. i. 10.

To FALL to. n. pret. I fell; compound pret. I have fallen, or faln. [reallan, Saxon; fallen, German.]

1. To drop from a higher place.

Thou shalt make a battlement for thy roof, that thou bring not blood upon thine house, if any man fall from thence.

I shall fall

Like a bright exhalation in the evening, And no man see me more. Shak. Hen. VIII. 2. To drop from an erect to a prone

posture. Saul fell all along on the earth.

1 Sam. xxviii. 20.

That is a step On which I must fall down, or else o'erleap;

For in my way it lies. Shakspeare, Macbeth. 3. To drop; to be held or adhere no

His chains fell off from his hands. Acts, xii. 7.

4. To move down any descent.

All liquid bodies are diffusive; for their parts being in motion, have no connexion one with another, but glide and fall off any way, as gravity and the air presseth them.

5. To drop ripe from the tree.

As the leaf falleth off from the vine, and as a falling fig from the fig-tree. Is. xxxiv. 4. 6. To pass at the outlet: as a river.

Cæsar therefore gave orders to build his gallies on the Loir, and the rivers that fall into it.

Arbuthnot on Coins.

7. To be determined to some particular direction.

Birds and fowls that rest one foot to ease the other, naturally lay their heads under their wings, that the centre of gravity may fall upon the foot they stand on.

8. To apostatize; to depart from faith or goodness.

Labour to enter into that rest, lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief. Heb. iv. 11. They brought scandal

To Israel, diffidence of God, and doubt In feeble hearts, propense enough before To waver or fall off, and join with idols. Milton, S. A.

Whether some spirit on holy purpose bent, Or some fall'n angel from below broke loose, Who comes with envious eyes, and curst intent, To view this world and its created Lord. Dryden. 9. To die by violence.

God and good angels fight on Richmond's side, And Richard fall in height of all his pride.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. If one should be a prey, how much the better To fall before the lion than the wolf! Shakspeare. What other oath,

Than honesty to honesty engag'd? That this shall be, or we will fall for it.

Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs.

A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come from intenseness to remission. Psalm xci. 7

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Ye shall chace your enemies, and they shall fall before you by the sword. Len xxvi. 7.

They not obeying, Incurr'd, what could they less? the penalty; And manifold in sin, deserv'd to fall. Milt. P.L. Almon falls, old Tyrrheus' eldest care, Pierc'd with an arrow from the distant war.

Dryden, Æn.

10. To come to a sudden end.

The greatness of these Irish lords suddenly fell and vanished, when their oppressions and extortions were taken away.

He first the fate of Cæsar did foretell, And pity'd Rome when Rome in Cæsar fell; In iron clouds conceal'd the publick light, And impious mortals fear'd eternal night.

Dryden, Virg. 11. To be degraded from an high station; to sink into meanness or disgrace: to be plunged into sudden misery.

What can be their business With a poor weak woman fall'n from favour!

Shakspeare. 12. To decline from power or empire; to be overthrown.

What men could do, Is done already: heaven and earth will witness, If Rome must fall, that we are innocent. Ad. Cato.

13. To enter into any state worse than the

He fell at difference with Ludovico Sfortia, who carried the keys which brought him in, and Bacon, Hen. VII. shut him out. Some painters taking precepts in too literal a

sense, have fallen thereby into great inconveniencies. Dryden.

14. To come into any state of weakness, terrour, or misery.

These, by obtruding the beginning of a change for the entire work of new life, will fall under the Hammond.

One would wonder how so many learned men could fall into so great an absurdity, as to believe this river could preserve itself unmixt with the Addison on Italy.

The best men fall under the severest pressures.

15. To decrease; to be diminished, as in

From the pound weight, as Pliny tells us, the As fell to two ounces in the first Punick war: when Hannibal invaded Italy, to one ounce; then, by the Papirian law, to half an ounce. Arbuthnot on Coins.

16. To decrease; to shrink; to fall away. A good leg will fall; a straight back will stoop. Shakspeare, K. Hen. V.

17. To ebb; to grow shallow: as, the river falls.

18. To decrease in value; to bear less

When the price of corn falleth, men generally break no more ground than will supply their own

But now her price is fall'n. Shaks. K. Lear. Rents will fall, and incomes every day lessen, till industry and frugality, joined to a well ordered trade, shall restore to the kingdom the riches it had formerly.

19. To sink; not to amount to the full. The greatness of an estate, in bulk and territory, doth fall under measure; and the greatness of finances and revenue doth fall under computation.

20. To be rejected; to become null. This book must stand or fall with thee; not by any opinion I have of it, but thy own.

He was stirr'd,

And something spoke in choler, ill and hasty; But he fell to himself again, and sweetly In all the rest shew'd a most noble patience. Shaks.

At length her fury fell, her foaming ceas'd; And ebbing in her soul, the god decreas'd. Dryden, Æn.

22. To enter into any new state of the body or mind.

In sweet musick is such art,

Killing care and grief of heart,

Fall asleep, or hearing die. Shaks. Hen. VIII. Solyman, chafed with the loss of his gallies and

best soldiers, and with the double injury done unto him by the Venetians, fell into such a rage that he cursed Barbarossa.

When about twenty, upon the falseness of a lover, she fell distracted. Temple.

A spark like thee, of the man-killing trade, Fell sick, and thus to his physician said: Methinks I am not right in ev'ry part,

I feel a kind of trembling at my heart; My pulse unequal, and my breath is strong;

Besides a filthy furr upon my tongue. Dryden, Pers.

And have you known none in health who have pitied you; and behold, they are gone before you, even since you fell into this distemper?

Wake, Prep. for Death. He died calmly, and with all the easiness of a man, falling asleep.

Portius himself oft falls in tears before me, As if he mourn'd his rival's ill success. Ad. Cato.

For as his own bright image he survey'd, He fell in love with the fantastick shade. Ad. Ovid. I fell in love with the character of Pomponius

Atticus: I longed to imitate him. Blount to Pope. 23. To sink into an air of discontent or

dejection of the look. If thou persuade thyself that they shall not be taken, let not thy countenance fall. Judith, vi. 9.

If you have any other request to make, hide it not; for ye shall find we will not make your countenance to fall by the answer ye shall receive. Bacon, New Atlantis.

I have observ'd of late thy looks are fallen, O'ercast with gloomy cares and discontent.

Addison, Cato.

24. To sink below something in compa-

rison. Fame of thy beauty and thy youth,

Among the rest me hither brought: Finding this fame fall short of truth, Made me stay longer than I thought. Waller

25. To happen; to befall.

For such things as do fall scarce once in many ages, it did suffice to take such order as was requisite when they fell.

Oft it falls out, that while one thinks too much of his doing, he leaves to do the effect of this think-

A long advertent and deliberate connexing of consequents, which falls not in the common road of ordinary men. Hale.

Since this fortune falls to you,

Be content and seek no new. Sh. Merch. of Ven. If the worst fall that ever fell, I hope I shall make shift to go without him. Sh. Merch. of Ven.

O, how feeble is man's power,

That if good fortune fall, Cannot add another hour,

Nor a lost hour recall! Donne.

Since both cannot possess what both pursue, I'm griev'd, my friend, the chance should fall on Dryden.

I had more leisure, and disposition, than have Swift. since fallen to my share.

26. To come by chance; to light on.

I have two boys Seek Percy and thyself about the field; But seeing thou fall'st on me so luckily, Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

I will assay thee. The Romans fell upon this model by chance, but the Spartans by thought and design.

27. To come in a stated method.

The odd hours at the end of the solar year, are not indeed fully six, but are deficient 10' 44"; which deficiency, in 134 years, collected, amounts to a whole day: and hence may be seen the reason why the vernal equinox, which at the time of the Nicene council, fell upon the 21st of March, falls now about ten days sooner. Holder on Time.

It does not fall within my subject to lay down Felton on the Classicks. the rules of odes.

28. To come unexpectedly.

I am fallen upon the mention of mercuries. Boyle. It happened this evening, that we fell into a very pleasing walk, at a distance from his house. Addison, Spect.

29. To begin any thing with ardour and vehemence.

The king understanding of their adventure, suddenly falls to take pride in making much of them.

Each of us fell in praise of our country mis-Shakspeare. And the mixt multitude fell a lusting. Numb. xi. 4.

It is better to sound a person afar off, than to full upon the point at first; except you mean to surprize him by some short question.

When a horse is hungry, and comes to a good pasture, he falls to his food immediately.

n Hale, Orig. of Mankind. They fell to blows, insomuch that the Argonauts slew the most part of the Deliones. L'Estrange. 30. To handle or treat directly.

We must immediately fall into our subject, and treat every part of it in a lively manner.

Addison, Spect.

31. To come vindictively: as a punishment. There fell wrath for it against Israel. 1 Chron. xxvii. 24.

32. To come by any mischance to any new possessor.

The stout bishop could not well brook that his province should fall into their hands.

Knolles, Hist. of the Turks.

33. To drop or pass by carelessness or imprudence.

Ulysses let no partial favours full, The people's parent, he protected all. Pope, Odys.

Some expressions fell from him, not very favourable to the people of Ireland.

Swift.

34. To come forcibly and irresistibly. Fear fell on them all. Acts, xix. 17. A kind refreshing sleep is fallen upon him: I saw him stretcht at ease, his fancy lost

In pleasing dreams. Addison, Cato. 35. To become the property of any one by lot, chance, inheritance, or otherwise. All the lands, which will fall to her majesty thereabouts, are large enough to contain them.

penser on Ireland. If you do chance to hear of that blind traitor, Preferment falls on him that cuts him off.

Shakspeare, K. Lear. Then 'tis most like The sovereignty will fall upon Macbeth.

After the flood, arts to Chaldea fell; The father of the faithful there did dwell,

Who both their parent and instructor was. Denham. You shall see a great estate fall to you which you would have lost the relish of, had you known yourself born to it. If to her share some female errours fall,

Look on her face, and you'll forget them all. Pope. In their spiritual and temporal courts the labour falls to their vicars-general, proctors, apparitors, and seneschals.

36. To languish; to grow faint.
Their hopes or fears for the common cause rose

or fell with your lordship's interest. Add. on Italy.

37. To be born; to be yeaned.

Lambs must have care taken of them at their first falling, else, while they are weak, the crows and magpies will be apt to pick out their eyes. Mortimer, Husbandry.

38. To Fall aboard. An expression borrowed from naval language, and applied (like fall to) to beginning eagerly to eat. A vulgarism.

He next meale finds the like, and falls aboard, Eating what then his stomach could afford.

Parrott's Epigrams, B. 1. Ep. 207. 39. To FALL away. To grow lean.

Watery vegetables are proper, and fish rather than flesh: in a Lent diet people commonly fall Arbuthnot on Diet.

40. To FALL away. To revolt; to change allegiance.

The fugitives fell away to the king of Babylon. 2 Kings, xxv. 11. 41. To FALL away. To apostatize: to

sink into wickedness. These for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall away. St. Luke, viii. 13.

Say not thou, it is through the Lord that I fell away; for thou oughtest not to do the things that Ecclus, xv. 11.

42. To FALL away. To perish; to be lost. Still propagate; for still they fall away; 'Tis prudence to prevent th' entire decay.

Dryden, Virgil. How can it enter into the thoughts of man, that the soul, which is capable of such immense perfections, and of receiving new improvement to all eternity, shall fall away into nothing, almost as soon as it is created? Addison, Spect.

43. To FALL away. To decline gradually; to fade; to languish.

In a curious brede of needlework one colour falls away by such just degrees, and another rises so insensibly, that we see the variety without being able to distinguish the total vanishing of the one from the first appearance of the other other. Addison.

44. To FALL back. To fail of a promise or purpose.

We have often fallen back from our resolutions. Bp. Taylor. 45. To FALL back. To recede; to give

46. To Fall down. [down is sometimes added to fall, though it adds little to the Surely, signification. Dr. Johnson. however, it adds emphasis to the examples under the next definition, No. 47; and in that under No. 48 it implies, what might not be perceived without it, adoration or supplication.] To prostrate himself in adoration.

All kings shall fall down before him; all nations shall serve him. Psalm lxxii, 11. Shall I fall down to the stock of a tree?

Is. xliv. 19. 47. To FALL down. To sink ; not to stand. As she was speaking, she fell down for faintness. Esth. xv. 15.

Down fell the beauteous youth; the yawning wound Gush'd out a purple stream, and stain'd the ground.

Dryden. 48. To FALL down. To bend as a sup-

They shall fall down unto thee; they shall make supplication unto thee.

49. To FALL from. To revolt; to depart from adherence.

Clarence Is very likely now to fall from him. Sh. Hen. VI. The emperour being much solicited by the Scots not to be a help to ruin their kingdom, fell by degrees from the king of England. Hayward.

50. To FALL in. To concur; to coincide. Objections fall in here, and are the clearest and most convincing arguments of the truth.

Woodward, Nat. Hist. His reasonings in this chapter seem to fall in with each other; yet, upon a closer investigation, we shall find them proposed with great variety and distinction. Atterbury.

Any single paper that falls in with the popular taste, and pleases more than ordinary, brings one in a great return of letters.

When the war was begun, there soon fell in other incidents at home, which made the continuance of it necessary.

51. To FALL in. To comply; to yield to. Our fine young ladies readily fall in with the direction of the graver sort.

It is a double misfortune to a nation, which is thus given to change, when they have a sovereign that is prone to fall in with all the turns and veerings of the people.

You will find it difficult to persuade learned men to fall in with your projects. Add. on Medals.

That prince applied himself first to the church of England; and, upon their refusal to fall in with his measures, made the like advances to the dissenters.

52. To Fall in. A military term. To form in ranks.

53. To FALL into. To yield to. To fall into all his commands and directions.

Atterbury, Serm. iv. 288. 54. To FALL off. To separate; to be broken.

Love cools, friendship falls off, brothers divide; In cities, mutinies, in countries, discord.

Shakspeare, K. Lear. 55. To FALL off. To perish; to die away.

Languages need recruits to supply the place of those words that are continually falling off through disuse. Felton.

56. To FALL off. To apostatise; to revolt; to forsake.

Oh, Hamlet, what a falling off was there. Shaks.

Revolted Mortimer?

- He never did fall off, my sovereign liege, But by the chance of war. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. They, accustomed to afford at other times either silence or short assent to what he did purpose, did then fall off and forsake him. Hayward.

What cause Mov'd our grand parents, in that happy state, Favour'd of heaven so highly, to fall off

From their Creator, and transgress his will? Milton, P. L.

Those captive tribes fell off From God to worship calves. Millon, P. L. Were I always grave, one half of my readers Addison, Spect. would full off from me.

57. To FALL on. To begin eagerly to do any thing.

Some coarse cold sallad is before thee set; Bread with the bran perhaps, and broken meat; Fall on, and try thy appetite to eat. Dryd. Pers.

58. To FALL on. To make an assault; to begin the attack.

They fell on, I made good my place; at length they came to the broomstaff with me; I defied Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. Fall ou, fall on, and hear him not;

But spare his person for his father's sake.

Dryden, Span. Friar. Draw all; and when I give the word, fall on. Edipus.

He pretends amongst the rest, to quarrel with me, to have fallen foul on priesthood. Dryden, Fab. Pref.

59. To FALL over. To revolt; to desert

from one side to the other. And dost thou now fall over to my foes?
Thou wear a lion's hide! doff it, for shame, And hang a calf's skin on those recreant limbs.

Shakspeare, K. John. 60. To FALL out. To quarrel; to jar; to

grow contentious. Little needed those proofs to one who would have fallen out with herself, rather than make any conjectures to Zelmane's speeches.

How fell you out, say that? - No contraries hold more antipathy,

Than I and such a knave. Shakspeare, K. Lear. Meeting her of late behind the wood, Seeking sweet favours for this hateful fool,

I did upbraid her, and fall out with her. The cedar, by the instigation of the loyalists, fell out with the homebians, who had elected him to be their king. Howell.

A soul exasperated in ills, falls out

Add. Cato. With every thing, its friend, itself. It has been my misfortune to live among quarrelsome neighbours: there is but one thing can make us fall out, and that is the inheritance of Arbuthnot, John Bull. lord Strut's estate.

To FALL out. To happen; to befall. Who think you is my Dorus fallen out to be?

Now, for the most part, it so falleth out, touching things which generally are received, that although in themselves they be most certain, yet, because men presume them granted of all, we are hardliest able to bring proof of their certainty.

It so fell out, that certain players We o'er-rode on the way; of those we told him. Shakspeare.

Yet so it may fall out, because their end Is hate, not help to me. Milton, S. A. There fell out a bloody quarrel betwixt the frogs L'Estrange. and the mice. If it so fall out that thou art miserable for ever, thou hast no reason to be surprised, as if some unexpected thing had happened. Tillotson.

62. To Fall to. To begin eagerly to eat. The men were fashion'd in a larger mould, The women fit for labour, big and bold; Gigantick hinds, as soon as work was done, To their huge pots of boiling pulse would run; Fall to, with eager joy, on homely food. Dryd. Juv.

63. To FALL to. To apply himself to. They would needs fall to the practice of those virtues which they before learned. Sidney. I know thee not, old man; fall to thy prayers; How ill white hairs become a fool and jester!

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. Having been brought up an idle horseboy, he

will never after fall to labour; but is only made fit Spenser. for the halter. They fell to raising money under pretence of the

relief of Ireland. Clarendon. My lady falls to play : so bad her chance,

He must repair it.

64. To FALL to. To submit himself to; to go over to.

He that abideth in this city, shall die by the sword, and by the famine, and by the pestilence; but he that goeth out, and falleth to the Chaldeans that besiege you, he shall live. Jerem. xxi. 9.

65. To FALL under. To be subject to; to become the subject of.

We know the effects of heat will be such as will scarce fall under the conceit of man, if the force of it be altogether kept in. Bacon, N. Hist. Those things which are wholly in the choice of another, fall under our deliberation.

Bp. Taylor, Rule of living holy.

The idea of the painter and the sculptor is undoubtedly that perfect and excellent example of the mind, by imitation of which imagined form all things are represented, which fall under human Dryden, Dufresnoy.

66. To FALL under. To be ranged with; to be reckoned with.

No rules that relate to pastoral can affect the Georgicks, which fall under that class of poetry which consists in giving plain instructions to the Addison on the Georgicks.

67. To FALL upon. To attack; to invade; to assault.

Auria falling upon these gallies, had with them a cruel and deadly fight. Knolles.

An infection in a town first falls upon children, weak constitutions, or those that are subject to other diseases; but, spreading further, seizes upon Temple. the most healthy.

Man falls upon every thing that comes in his way; not a berry or a mushroom can escape him. Addison, Spect.

To get rid of fools and scoundrels was one part of my design in falling upon these authors. Pope to Swift.

68. To Fall upon. To attempt.
I do not intend to fall upon nice philosophical

disquisitions about the nature of time.

Holder on Time.

69. To Fall upon. To rush against.
At the same time that the storm bears upon the whole species, we are falling foul upon one Addison.

70. FALL is one of those general words of which it is very difficult to ascertain or detail the full signification. It retains in most of its senses some part of its primitive meaning, and implies either literally or figuratively descent, violence, or suddenness. In many of its senses it is opposed to rise; but in others has no counterpart, or correlative.

To FALL. v. a.

1. To drop; to let fall.

To-morrow in the battle think on me, And fall thy edgeless sword, despair and die. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

If that the earth could teem with woman's tears, Each drop, she falls, would prove a crocodile. Shakspeare, Othello.

Draw together; And when I rear my hand, do you the like,

of all it on Gonzalo. Shakspeure, Tempest. I am willing to fall this argument: 'tis free To fall it on Gonzalo. for every man to write or not to write in verse, as he thinks it is or is not his talent, or as he imagines the audience will receive it. Dryden.

2. To sink; to depress: the contrary to raise.

If a man would endeavour to raise or fall his voice still by half notes, like the stops of a lute, or by whole notes alone without halfs, as far as an eight, he will not be able to frame his voice Bacon, Nat. Hist. unto it.

3. To diminish; to let sink: opposed to raise.

Upon lessening interest to four per cent. you fall the price of your native commodities, or less sen your trade, or else prevent not the high use.

4. To yean; to bring forth. They, then conceiving, did in yeaning time Fall party-colour'd lambs, and those were Jacob's. Shakspeare.

FALL. † n. s. [from the verb.] 1. The act of dropping from on high. High o'er their heads a mouldering rock is plac'd,

That promises a fall, and shakes at every blast. Dryden, Æn.

2. The act of tumbling from an erect

I saw him run after a gilded butterfly; and when he caught it, he let it go again, and after it again; and over and over he comes, and up again, and caught it again; or whether his fall enraged him, or how it was, he did so set his teeth, and Shakspeare, Coriol. did tear it.

3. The violence suffered in dropping from on high.

My son coming into his marriage-chamber, happened to have a fall, and died. 2 Esdr. x. 48. Spirit of wine, mingled with common water, if the first full be broken, by means of a sop, or otherwise, stayeth above; and if once mingled, it severeth not again, as oil doth.

Bacon, Physical Remains. A fever or fall may take away my reason. Locke. Some were hurt by the falls they got by leaping upon the ground. Swift, Gulliver's Travels.

4. Death; overthrow; destruction incurred.

Wail his fall,

Whom I myself struck down. Shaks. Macbeth. Our fathers were given to the sword, and for a spoil, and had a great fall before our enemies. Judith, viii. 9.

I will begin to pray for myself and for them; for I see the falls of us that dwell in the land. 2 Esdr. viii. 17.

5. Ruin; dissolution.

Paul's, the late theme of such a muse, whose flight

Has bravely reach'd and soar'd above thy height; Now shalt thou stand, though sword, or time, or

Or zeal more fierce than they, thy fall conspire.

6. Downfall; loss of greatness; declension from eminence; degradation; state of being deposed from a high station; plunge from happiness or greatness into misery or meanness, or from virtue to corruption. In a sense like this we say the fall of man, and the fall of angels.

Her memory served as an accuser of her change, and her own handwriting was there to hear testimony against her fall.

Perhaps thou talk'st of me, and dost enquire Of my restraint; why here I live alone; And pitiest this my miserable fall. Dan. Civ. Wars.

He, careless now of int'rest, fame, or fate, Perhaps forgets that Oxford e'er was great; Or deeming meanest what we greatest call, Beholds thee glorious only in thy full. Pope to Parnel.

7. Declension of greatness, power, or dominion.

Till the empire came to be settled in Charles the Great, the fall of the Romans huge dominion concurring with other universal evils, caused those times to be days of much affliction and trouble throughout the world.

8. Diminution; decrease of value.

That the improvement of Ireland is the principal cause why our lands in purchase rise not, as naturally they should, with the fall of our interest, appears evidently from the effect the fall of interest bath had upon houses in London. Child.

9. Declination or diminution of sound; cadence; close of musick.

That strain again; it had a dying fall : O, it came o'er my ear, like the sweet South That breathes upon a bank of violets, Stealing and giving odours. Shakspeare, Tw. Night.

How sweetly did they float upon the wings Of silence, through the empty-vaulted night, At every fall smoothing the raven down Of darkness till it smil'd! Milton, Comus. 10. Declivity; steep descent.

Waters when beat upon the shore, or straitned, as the falls of bridges, or dashed against themselves by winds, give a roaring noise.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

11. Cataract; cascade; rush of water down a steep place.

There will we sit upon the rocks, And see the shepherds feed their flocks By shallow rivers, to whose falls

Melodious birds sing madrigals. Shakspeare. A whistling wind, or a melodious noise of birds among the spreading branches, or a pleasing fall of water running violently, these things made

Wisdom, xvii. 18. them to swoon for fear. Down through the crannies of the living walls

The crystal streams descend in murm'ring falls. Dryden, Virg.

The swain, in barren deserts, with surprize Sees lilies spring, and sudden verdure rise; And starts, amidst the thirsty wilds, to hear New falls of water murm'ring in his ear.

Pope, Messiah.

Now, under hanging mountains, Beside the falls of fountains,

He makes his moan; And calls her ghost,

For ever, ever, ever lost! Pope, St. Cecilia.

12. The outlet of a current into any other water.

Before the fall of the Po into the gulph, it receives into its channel considerable rivers. Addison on Italy.

13. Autumn; the fall of the leaf; the time when the leaves drop from the trees.

What crowds of patients the town-doctor kills, Or how last fall he rais'd the weekly bills. Dryden, Juv.

14. Any thing that comes down in great quantities.

Upon a great fall of rain the current carried away a huge heap of apples. L'Estrange.

15. The act of felling or cutting down: as, the fall of timber.

16. A part of the female dress, in former times; a kind of veil, according to Cotgrave, "worn by nuns and widows of the better sort." [faille, French.]

Obsolete. Which gown, what fall, what tire! B. Jon. Alch. There is such a deal of pinning these ruffs, when the fine clean fall is worth all.

Marston Malcontent. FALLA'CIOUS.† adj. [fallax, Latin; fallacieux. French; or rather fallasiosus, Latin.

1. Producing mistake; sophistical. It is never used of men, but of writings,

propositions, or things.

The Jews believed and assented to things neither evident nor certain, nor yet so much as probable, but actually false and fallacious; such as the absurd doctrines and stories of their rabbies. South, Serm.

2. Deceitful; mocking expectation. The force of that fullacious fruit,

That with exhilarating vapour bland About their spirits had play'd, and inmost pow'rs
Made err, was now exhal'd.

Milton, P. L. False philosophy inspires

Milton, P. L. Fallacious hope. FALLA'CIOUSLY. adv. [from fallacious.] Sophistically; with purpose to deceive; with unsound reasoning.

We shall so far encourage contradiction, as to promise not to oppose any pen that shall fallaciously refute us. Brown.

We have seen how fallaciously the author has stated the cause, by supposing that nothing but unlimited mercy, or unlimited punishment, are | FA'LLING down.* n. s. Prostration. the methods that can be made use of.

FALLA'CIOUSNESS. n. s. [from fallacious.] Tendency to deceive; inconclusiveness.

FA'LLACY. † n. s. [fallacia, Latin; fallace, French. Our own word was at first fallace or fallas. "Through coverture of his fallas." Gower, Conf. Am. B. 1.] Sophism; logical artifice; deceit; deceitful argument; delusory mode of ratiocination.

Most princes make themselves another thing from the people by a fallacy of argument, thinking themselves most kings when the subject is most basely subjected.

Until I know this sure uncertainty,

I'll entertain the favour'd fallacy. Sh. Com. of Err. It were a mere fallacy, and mistaking to ascribe that to the force of imagination upon another body, which is but the force of imagination upon the proper body.

All men, who can see an inch before them, may easily detect gross fallacies. Dryden.

A term FA'LLAX.* n.s. [Latin.] formerly used by disputants; cavillation. To utter the matter plainly without fallax or cavillation. Abp. Cranmer to Bp. Gardiner, p.240.

This appearance, though it seem of strength rather logical than rhetorical, yet is very often a

FA'LLENCY.* n. s. [Lat. fallens.] Mistake;

Alexander and Felinus do assign five fallencies unto these rules. Hayward, Answ. to Doleman, c. 4. Socinus sets down eight hundred and two fallencies, (that's the word of the law,) concerning the contestation of suits and actions at law.

Bp. Taylor, Duct. Dub. Pref. p. ix. FA'LLER.* n. s. [from fall.] One who

He made many to fall [in the margin, mul-Jerem. xlvi. 16. tiplied the faller.]

FALLIBI'LITY. n. s. [from fallible.] Liableness to be deceived; uncertainty; possibility of errour.

There is a great deal of fallibility in the testimony of men; yet some things we may be almost as certain of as that the sun shines, or that five Watts. twenties make an hundred.

FA'LLIBLE. adj. [fallo, Latin.] Liable to errour; such as may be deceived. Do not falsify your resolution with hopes that

are fallible; to-morrow you must die.

Shaks. Meas. for Meas. He that creates to himself thousands of little hopes, uncertain in the promise, fallible in the event, and depending upon a thousand circumstances, often fail his expectations. Bp. Taylor. Our intellectual or rational powers need some assistance, because they are so frail and fallible in

Watts. the present state. FA'LLIBLY.* adv. [from fallible.] In a Huloet. fallible manner.

FA'LLING.†
FA'LLING in. } n.s. [from fall.]

1. Indenting opposed to prominence.

It shows the nose and eyebrows, with the several prominencies and fallings in of the features, much more distinctly than any other kind of fi-Addison on Medals.

2. That which falls.

'Tis the beggar's gain To glean the fallings of the loaded wain. Dryden, Hind and Panther. FA'LLING away.* n. s. Defection; apos-

That day shall not come, except there come a 2 Thess, ii. 3. falling away first.

It would have pitied a man to see the falling down of the multitude of all sorts. 2 Macc.iii. 21.

FA'LLING off.* n. s.

1. Declension from virtue to vice. O, Hamlet, what a falling-off was there! Shaks.

2. In naval language, the direction or movement of the ship's head to leeward of the point whither it was lately directed, particularly when she sails near the wind, or lies by. Chambers.

FA'LLINGSICKNESS. n.s. [fall and sickness.] The epilepsy; a disease in which the patient is without any warning deprived at once of his senses, and falls down.

Did Cæsar swoon? — He fell down in the

market-place, and foam'd at mouth, and was speechless .- He hath the falling-sickness.

Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs. The dogfisher is good against the falling-sick-Walton's Angler.

FALLO'PIAN.* adj. [from Fallopio, a physician of Modena, the reputed discoverer of what are called the Fallopian tubes. Belonging to two ducts arising from the womb, usually called tubes.

FA'LLOW. adj. [ralepe, Saxon.] 1. Pale red, or pale yellow.

How does your fallow greyhound, sir? I heard say, he was out-run at Cotsale.

Shaks. The king, who was excessively affected to hunting, had a great desire to make a great park for red as well as fallow deer between Richmond and Hampton-court.

2. Unsowed; left to rest after the years of tillage. [Supposed to be so called from the colour of naked ground.]

The ridges of the fallow field lay traversed, so as the English must cross them in presenting the 3. Plowed, but not sowed; plowed as

prepared for a second aration.

Her predecessors, in their course of government, did but sometimes cast up the ground; and so leaving it fallow, it became quickly overgrown with weeds. Howell, Vocal Forest.

4. Unplowed; uncultivated. Her fallow lees

The darnel, hemlock, and rank fumitory, Shakspeare, Hen. V. Doth root upon.

5. Unoccupied: neglected. Shall saints in civil bloodshed wallow

Of saints, and let the cause lie fallow? Hudibras. FA'LLOW. n. s. [from the adjective.]

1. Ground plowed in order to be plowed

The plowing of fallows is a benefit to land. Mortimer, Husbandry. The best ploughs to plow up Summer fallow

with. Mortimer. 2. Ground lying at rest.

Within an ancient forest's ample verge, There stands a lonely but a healthful dwelling, Built for convenience, and the use of life; Around it fallows, meads, and pastures fair, A little garden, and a limpid brook, By nature's own contrivance seems dispos'd. Rowe, Jane Shore.

To FA'LLOW.† v. n.

1 To plow in order to a second plowing.

2. To fade; to grow yellow. Obsolete. There beth roses of red blee, And lily, likeful for to see;

They falloweth never day ne night. ' Old Norman-Sax. Poem, printed by Ellis, i. 89.

FA'LLOW-FINCH.* n. s. A name of the cenanthe or wheat-ear.

FA'LLOWING.* n.s. [from fallow.] The act of plowing, in order to a second plowing.

Begin to plow up fallows; this first fallowing ought to be very shallow. Mortimer, Husbandry. Fallowing is the principal operation, by which exhausted lands are restored to fertility.

Kirwan, Manures, p. 22. FA'LLOWNESS, n. s. [from fallow.] Barrenness; an exemption from bearing

Like one, who, in her third widowhood, doth profess

Herself a nun, ty'd to retiredness,

So' affects my muse now a chaste fallowness.

Donne, Poems, p. 150. FA'LSARY.* n. s. [old Fr. faulsaire, Lat. falsarius.] A falsifier of evidence.

Alike you calumniate, when you make Mr. Mason a falsary, as though he had cited some unauthentic records.

Sheldon, Miracles of Ant. (1616,) p. 133.

FALSE.† adj. [Sax. ralre, fals, fauls, faulse, Celt. and old Fr.; falsus, Lat.]

1. Not morally true; expressing that

which is not thought. Innocence shall make

False accusation blush, and tyranny Tremble at patience. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

There are false witnesses among men. L'Estr. 2. Not physically true; conceiving that which does not exist.

For how can that be false, which ev'ry tongue Of ev'ry mortal man affirms for true? Which truth hath in all ages been so strong,

As loadstone like, all hearts it ever drew.

A farce is that in poetry which grotesque is in a picture; the persons and action of a farce are all unnatural, and the manners false; that is, inconsistent with the characters of mankind,

Dryden, Dufresnoy.

3. Succedaneous, supposititious.

Take a vessel, and make a false bottom of coarse canvass: fill it with earth above the canvass. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

4. Deceiving expectation; not solid; not sound.

He fell, as a huge rocky cliff,

Whose false foundation waves have wash'd away, With dreadful poise is from the main land reft. Spenser, F. Q.

When that flood in its own depth was drown'd, It left behind it false and slipp'ry ground. Dryd. The heart of man looks fair, but when we come to lay any weight upon't, the ground is false under L' Estrange.

5. Not agreeable to rule, or propriety. Now, fy upon my false French; by mine honour, in true English, I love thee, Kate.

Shakspeare, Hen. V.

6. Not honest; not just.

The true prince may, for recreation, prove a false thief; for the poor abuses of the times want countenance. Shakspeare.

Men are spunges, which, to pour out, receive; Who know false play, rather than lose, deceive.

7. Treacherous; perfidious; traitorous; deceitful; hollow.

I grant him bloody Luxurious, avaricious, false, deceitful, Sudden, malicious, smacking of ev'ry sin
That has a name.

Shakspeare, Macbeth. False of heart, light of ear, bloody of hand.

A man to whom he had committed the trust of his person, in making him his chamberlain; this man, no ways disgraced, no ways discontent, no ways put in fear, turns false unto him.

Bacon, Hen. VII.

So hast thou cheated Theseus with a wile, Against thy vow, returning to beguile Under a borrow'd name; as false to me, So false thou art to him who set thee free. Dryd. The ladies will make a numerous party against him, for being false to love, in forsaking Dido.

Dryden, Virgil. 8. Counterfeit; hypocritical; not real: as a false diamond.

False tears true pity moves; the king commands To loose his fetters. Dryden, Æn.

9. In all these senses true is the word op-

FALSE. adv. Not truly; not honestly; not exactly; falsely.

What thou would'st highly, That thou would'st holily; would'st not play false, And yet would'st wrongly win. Shaksp. Macb.

To FALSE. † v. a. [falser, old Fr. falsare, Ital. and Lat.

1. To violate by failure of veracity. Is't not enough that to this lady mild, Thou falsed hast thy faith with perjury?

Spenser, F. Q. 'Tis gold

Which buys admittance; oft it doth; yea, and makes Diana's rangers false themselves. Shaksp. Cym.

2. To deceive.

Fair seemly pleasance each to other makes, With goodly purposes there as they sit; And in his falsed fancy he her takes To be the fairest wight that lived yet. Spens. F.Q. Watson, Sonn. 32. With a falsed sorry jest.

3. To defeat; to balk; to evade. But, Guyon, in the heat of all his strife. Was wary wise, and closely did await Avauntage, whilst his foe did rage most rife; Sometimes athwart, sometimes he strook him straight,

And falsed oft his blows, t'illude him with such Spenser, F. Q.

4. This word is now out of use.

FA'LSEFACED.* adj. [false and face.] Hypocritical; deceitful.

When drums and trumpet shall I' the field prove flatterers, let courts and cities be Made all of falsefac'd soothing! Shaksp. Coriol.

FA'LSEHEART.* adj. [false and heart.] Perfidious. See FALSEHEARTED.

I am thy king, and thou a falseheart traitor. Shakspeare, K. Hen. VI. P. II.

FALSEHEA'RTED. † adj. [false and heart.] Treacherous; perfidious; deceitful; hollow.

The traitorous or treacherous, who have misled others, are severely punished; and the neutrals and falsehearted friends and followers, who have started aside like a broken bow, he noted. Bacon, Advice to Villiers.

Our faithless nephew, that falsehearted peer. Mir. for Mag. p. 576.

A factious or falsehearted army. Hammond, Works, iv. 572.

FALSEHEA'RTEDNESS.* n. s. [from falsehearted.] Perfidiousness; deceitfulness. There was no hypocrisy or false-heartedness, no artifice or design in all this. Stilling fl. Works, i. 521. FA'LSEHOOD, n. s. [from false.]

1. Want of truth; want of veracity.

Artificer of fraud: he was the first That practis'd falsehood under saintly show.

All deception in the course of life is, indeed, nothing else but a lie reduced to practice, and falsehood passing from words to things. South. 2. Want of honesty; treachery; deceitfulness; perfidy.

Nothing wants, but that thy shape, Like his, and colour serpentine, may show Thy inward fraud, to warn all creatures from thee Henceforth; lest that too heav'nly form, pretended To hellish falsehood, snare them. Milton, P. L.

3. A lie; a false assertion. In your answers there remains falsehood.

Job, xxi. 34.

4. Counterfeit; imposture.

For no falsehood can endure Touch of celestial temper, but returns Milton, P. L. Of force to its own likeness. FA'LSELY. † adv. [from false.]

I. Contrarily to truth; not truly. Simeon and Levi spake not only falsely but insidiously, nay hypocritically, abusing proselytes Gov. of the Tongue.

Already were the Belgians on our coast, Whose fleet more mighty every day became By late success, which they did falsely boast, And now by first appearing seem'd to claim. Dryden, Ann. Mir.

Tell him, I did in vain his brother move, And yet he falsely said he was in love; Falsely; for had he truly lov'd, at least, He would have giv'n one day to my request.

Dryden, Aurengzebe. Such as are treated ill, and upbraided falsely, find out an intimate friend that will hear their complaints, and endeavour to sooth their secret resentments. Addison, Spect.

2. Erroneously; by mistake.

He knows that to be inconvenient which we falsely think convenient for us. Smalridge, Serm. 3. Perfidiously; treacherously; deceitfully. Nor has Coriolanus

Deserv'd this so dishonour'd rub, laid falsely I'the plain way of his merit. Shakspeare, Cor.

FA'LSENESS. † n. s. [from false.] 1. Contrariety to truth.

Pr'ythee speak;

Falseness cannot come from thee, for thou look'st Modest as justice. Shakspeare, Pericles. Want of veracity; violation of promise.

Suppose the reverse of virtue were solemnly enacted, and the practice of fraud and rapine, and perjury and fulseness to a man's word, and all vice were established by a law, would that which we now call vice gain the reputation of virtue, and that which we now call virtue grow odious to human nature?

3. Duplicity; deceit; double dealing. Piety is opposed to hypocrisy and insincerity, and all falseness or foulness of intentions, especially to personated devotion. Ham. on Fund.

4. Treachery; perfidy; traitorousness. King Richard might create a perfect guess, That great Northumberland, then false to him, Would of that seed grow to a greater falseness.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. The prince is in no danger of being betrayed by the falseness, or cheated by the avarice of such Rogers.

FA'LSER. n. s. [from false.] A deceiver; an hypocrite. Now obsolete.

Such end had the kid; for he nould warned be Of craft, coloured with simplicity; And such end, perdie, does all them remain,

That of such falsers' friendship been fain. Spenser, Shep. Cal. May.

FALSE'TTO.* [Ital.] A musical term; a feigned voice.

The mock heroick falsetto of stupid tragedy. Burke on a Regicide Peace.

FA'LSIFIABLE. † adj. [old Fr. falsifiable.] Liable to be counterfeited or corrupted. Cotgrave.

FALSIFICA'TION. n. s. [falsification, Fr. from falsify.]

1. The act of counterfeiting any thing so as to make it appear what it is not.

Concerning the word of God, whether it be by misconstruction of the sense, or by falsification of the words, wittingly to endeavour that any thing may seem divine which is not, is very plainly to abuse, and even to falsify Divine evidence, which injury, offered but unto men, is most worthily counted heinous.

To counterfeit the dead image of a king in his coin is an high offence; but to counterfeit the living image of a king in his person, exceedeth all falsifications; except it should be that of a Mahomet, that counterfeits Divine honour. Bacon.

2. Confutation.

The poet invents this fiction to prevent pos-terity from searching after this isle, and to preserve his story from detection of falsification.

FA'LSIFICATOR.* n. s. [Lat. falsificator.] A falsifier.

He discovereth a malign itch to have made me a fulsificator like himself.

Bp. Morton, Discharge, &c. p. 175. FA'LSIFIER. + n. s. [from falsify.]

1. One that counterfeits; one that makes any thing to seem what it is not. Huloet. That punishment which is appointed for the forgers and falsifiers of the king's coin.

Ascham, Toxophil. B. 1. It happens in theories built on too obvious or too few experiments, what happens to falsifiers of coin; for counterfeit money will endure some one proof, others another, but none of them all proofs.

2. A liar; one that contrives falsehoods. Boasters are naturally falsifiers, and the people, of all others, that put their shams the worst together. L'Estrange.

To FA'LSIFY. † v. a. [falsifier, French.] 1. To counterfeit; to forge; to produce something for that which in reality it is not.

We cannot excuse that church, which through corrupt translations of Scripture, delivereth, instead of divine speeches, any thing repugnant unto that which God speaketh; or, through falsifted additions, proposeth that to the people of God as Scripture which is in truth no Scripture.

The Irish bards use to forge and falsify every thing as they list, to please or displease any man.

Spenser on Ireland. Falsifying the balances by deceit. Amos, viii. 5.

2. To confute; to prove false.

Our Saviour's prophecy stands good in the destruction of the temple, and the dissolution of the Jewish œconomy, when Jews and Pagans united all their endeavours, under Julian the apostate, to baffle and falsify the prediction. Add.

3. To violate; to break by falsehood. It shall be thy work, thy shameful work, which is in thy power to shun, to make him live to see

thy faith falsified, and his bed defiled. Sidney.

He suddenly falsified his faith, and villainously slew Selymes the king, as he was bathing himself, mistrusting nothing less than the falsehood Knolles, Hist.

This superadds treachery to all the other pestilent ingredients of the crime; 'tis the falsifying the most important trusts. Decay of Piety.

4. To pierce; to run through.

His crest is rash'd away, his ample shield Is falsify'd, and round with jav'lins fill'd.

Dryden, Æneid. Of this word Dryden writes thus: My friends quarrelled at the word falsified, as an innovation in our language. The fact is confessed; for I remember not to have read it in any English author; though perhaps it may be found in Spenser's Fairy Queen. But suppose it be not there; why am I forbidden to borrow from the Italian, a polished language, the word which is wanting in my native tongue? Horace has given us a rule for coining words, si Græco fonte cadant, especially when other words are joined with them which explain the sense. I used the word falsify, in this place, to mean that the shield of Turnus was not of proof against the spears and javelins of the Trojans, which had pierced it through and through in many places. The words which accompany this new one, make my meaning plain:

Ma si l'Usbergo d'Ambi era perfetto, Che mai poter falsarlo in nessum canto. Ariosto, cant. xxvi.

Falsar cannot otherwise be turned than by falsified: for his shield was falsed, is not English. I might indeed have contented myself with saying his shield was pierced, and bored, and stuck with ja-Dryden.

Dryden, with all this effort, was not able to naturalise the new signification, which I have never seen copied, except once by some obscure nameless writer, and which indeed deserves not to be re-Johnson.

The word certainly deserves not to be received in this sense; but it appears to have been a phrase of the fencing-school for thrust, from a passage in Beaumont and Fletcher, which Dryden probably had once noticed, (for he had the highest opinion of the language of these dramatists,) but had forgotten. Dr. Johnson says, that he had once seen the word copied; but he was not aware that Dryden himself was a copier.

How can he stand Upon his guard who' hath fidlers in his head, To which his feet must ever be a dancing? Beside a falsify may spoil his cringe, Or making of a leg, in which consists Much of his court-perfection.

Beaum. and Fl. Coronation. To FA'LSIFY. v. n. To tell lies; to violate

This point have we gained, that it is absolutely and universally unlawful to lie and falsify. South. FA'LSITY. † n. s. [faulseté, old French; falsitas, Latin.]

1. Falsehood; contrariety to truth.

Neither are they able to break through those errours, wherein they are so determinately settled, that they pay unto falsity the whole sum of whatsoever love is owing unto God's truth. Can you on him such falsities obtrude?

And as a mortal the most wise delude? Sandys. Probability does not make any alteration, either in the truth or falsity of things: but only imports a different degree of their clearness or appearance to the understanding.

2. A lie; an errour; a false assertion or position.

By falsities and lies the greatest part

Of mankind they corrupted. Milton, P. L. That Danubius ariseth from the Pyrenean hills, that the earth is higher towards the North, are opinions truly charged on Aristotle by the restorer of Epicurus, and all easily confutable falsities.

Glanville, Scepsis. To FA'LTER. v. n. [faltar, to be wanting, Spanish, vaulttur, a stammerer, Icelandick, which is probably a word from the same radical.

1. To hesitate in the utterance of words. With faltering tongue, and trembling ev'ry vein, Spenser, F. Q. Tell on, quoth she. The pale assistants on each other star'd,

With gaping mouths for issuing words prepar'd; The still-born sounds upon the palate hung, And dy'd imperfect on the fall'ring tongue. Dryd. He changes, gods! and falters at the question:

His fears, his words, his looks declare him guilty.

2. To fail in any act of the body. This earth shall have a feeling; and these stones

Prove armed soldiers, ere her native king Shall falter under foul rebellious arms. Shakspeare, Rich. II.

He found his legs falter. Wiseman, Surgery.

3. To fail in any act of the understanding. How far ideots are concerned in the want or weakness of any or all faculties, an exact observation of their several ways of faltering would dis-

To FA'LTER. v. a. To sift; to cleanse. This word seems to be merely rustick or provincial.

Barley for malt must be bold, dry, sweet, and clean faltered from foulness, seeds and oats

Mortimer, Husbandry.

FA'LTERING.* n. s. [from falter.] Feebleness: deficiency.

The deliquium and faultering of our spirits, the violence and torment of bodily pains. Killingbeck's Serm. p. 238.

FA'LTERINGLY. adv. [from falter.] With hesitation; with difficulty; with feeble-

To FA'MBLE.† v. a. [Goth. fimbul, stuttering; Danish, famber.] To hesitate in the speech. This word I find only in Skinner, Dr. Johnson says; but it is in Sherwood's old dictionary, viz. "to famble with the mouth, beguayer," i. e. to speak imperfectly; as also with its descendants, "a fambling," and "a fambler." Cotgrave also renders beguayer, " to famble, to maffle in the mouth, to speak as a child that but begins to speak." And this strengthens my opinion, that our northern word faffle is a corruption of the present. See To FAFFLE.

FAME.† n. ε. [fame, old French; fama, Latin; φάμα, Dorick.]

1. Celebrity: renown.

The house to be builded for the Lord must be exceeding magnifical, of fame and of glory throughout all countries. 1 Chron. xxii. 5.

The desire of fame will not suffer endowments to lie useless. Addison, Spect. What is this fame, for which we thoughts employ, The owner's wife, which other men enjoy? Pope.

2. Report; rumour.

We have heard the fame of him, and all that he did in Egypt. Jos. ix. 9. I shall shew what are true fames. Bacon.

To FAME.* v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To make famous.

Your second birth

Will fame old Lethe's flood.

B. Jonson, Masque of Christmas. Pr'ythee who fames thee?

Beaum. and Fl. King and no King. 2. To report.

That Richard - should fame king Edward the fourth a bastard. Sir G. Buck, Hist. K. R. III. p. 82. FA'MED. part. adj. [from fame.] Renowned; celebrated; much talked of. He is fam'd for mildness, peace and prayer. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

He purposes to seek the Clarian god, Avoiding Delphos his more fam'd abode, Since Phlegian robbers made unsafe the road.

Dryden.

Aristides was an Athenian philosopher, famed for his learning and wisdom; but converted to Christianity.

Addison.

FA'MELESS.† adj. [from fame.] Having no fame; without renown.

May he die fameless and forgot.

Beaum. and Fl. Bonduca.
Then let me, fameless, love the fields and woods,
The fruitful water'd vales and running floods.
May, Virgil.

FAMI'LIAR.† adj. [familiaris, Latin.]
1. Domestick; relating to a family.

They range familiar to the dome. Pop

2. Affable; not formal; easy in conversation

Be thou familiar, but by no means vulgar.

Shakspeare, Hamlet.

Be not too familiar with Poins; for he misuses thy favours so much, that he swears thou art to marry his sister Nell.

Shakspeare.

3. Unceremonious; free, as among per-

· sons long acquainted.

Kalandar streight thought he saw his niece Parthenia, and was about in such familiar sort to have spoken unto her; but she, in grave and honourable manner, gave him to understand that he was mistaken.

Sidney.

 Well known; brought into knowledge by frequent practice or custom.

I see not how the Scripture could be possibly made familiar unto all, unless far more should be read in the people's hearing than by a sermon can be opened.

Hooker.

Let us choose such noble counsel, That war, or peace, or both at once, may be,

As things acquainted and familiar to us.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

Our sweet

Recess, and only consolation left,

Familiar to our eyes. Millon, P.L.
One idea which is familiar to the mind, connected with others which are new and strange, will bring those new ideas into easy remembrance.

Watts on the Mind.

5. Well acquainted with; accustomed; habituated by custom.

Or chang'd at length, and to the place conform'd, In temper and in nature, will receive

Familiar the fierce heat, and void of pain. Mil. P. L.
The senses at first let in particular ideas, and
the mind, by degrees, growing familiar with some
of them, they are lodged in the memory, and names

got to them.

Locke.

He was amazed how so impotent and groveling an insect as I, could entertain such inhuman ideas, and in so familiar a manner, as to appear wholly unmoved at all the scenes of blood and desolation.

Swift, Gulliver's Travels.

Patient permit the sadly-pleasing strain;
Familiar now with grief, your tears refrain.

Pope, Odyssey.

6. Common; frequent.

To a wrong hypothesis, may be reduced the errours that may be occasioned by a true hypothesis, but not rightly understood: there is nothing more familiar than this.

Locke.

7. Easy; unconstrained.

He unreins
His muse, and sports in loose familiar strains.

8. Too nearly acquainted.

A poor man found a priest familiar with his wife, and because he spake it abroad and could not prove it, the priest sued him for defamation.

 Often applied, in the Bible, to spirits; supposed by some to allude to those who imposed on mankind by pretending to have a spirit or demon speaking from within their bodies.

Thy voice shall be as of one that hath a familiar pirit.

Isaiah, xxix. 4.

FAMI'LIAR. n. s.

1. An intimate; one long acquainted.

The king is a noble gentleman and my familiar.

When he finds himself avoided and neglected by his familiars, this affects him.

Rogers.

2. A demon supposed to attend at call.

Love is a familiar; there is no evil angel but

FAMILIA'RITY. n. s. [familiarité, French; from familiar.]

1. Easiness of conversation; omission of ceremony; affability.

2. Acquaintance; habitude.

We contract at last such an intimacy and familiarity with them, as makes it difficult and irksome for us to call off our minds. Atterbury.

3. Easy intercourse.

They say any mortals may enjoy the most intimate familiarities with these gentle spirits. Pope.

To Fami'liarize. † v. a. [familiarizer, Fr.]

1. To make familiar; to make easy by habitude: to make common.

Being familiarized to it, men are not shocked at it.

Butler, Analogy of Religion.

Wethamstede, the learned and liberal abbot of

We enamsteace, the learned and noeral about of St. Alban's, being desirous of familiarising the history of his patron saint to the monks of his convent.

Warton, Hist. of E. P. ii. 53.

2. To bring down from a state of distant superiority.

The genius smiled upon me with a look of compassion and affability that familiarized him to my imagination, and at once dispelled all fear and apprehensions.

Addison, Spect.

FAMI'LIARLY. adv. [from familiar.]
1. Unceremoniously; with freedom like that of long acquaintance.

Because that I familiarly sometimes Do use you for my fool, and chat with you, Your sawciness will jest upon my love.

Shakspeare, Com. of Err.
He talks as familiarly of John of Gaunt as if he had been sworn brother to him; and I'll be sworn he never saw him but once in the Tiltyard, and then he broke his head.

Shakspeare.

The Governour came to us, and after salutations, said familiarly, that he was come to visit us, and called for a chair and sat him down.

Bacon, New Atlantis.

Commonly; frequently: with the unconcernedness or easiness of long custom.

Lesser mists and fogs than those which covered Greece with so long darkness, do familiarly present our senses with as great alterations in the sun and moon. Ralegle, History.

 Easily; without solemnity; without formality.
 Horace stills charms with graceful negligence,

And without method talks us into sense;
Will, like a friend, familiarly convey
The truest notions in the easiest way.

FA'MILISM.* n. s. [from family.] The tenets of a deluded sect called the fumily of love, by their artful founder, H. Nicholas, a Westphalian, who introduced his doctrine into England in the reign of Queen Elizabeth, and occasioned no small confusion, as the history of that reign shews.

We see one tainted with popery,—another with familism; and all these run a madding after their own fancies.

B. Hall, Rem. p. 5.

FA'MILIST.* n. s. [from family.]

One of the sect called the family of love.
 Though the fumilists, libertines, and anabaptists, stand in opposition to papists; yet the great fowler of souls catcheth them all with the same foul birdlime of impure lusts.

 Pagitt, Heresiography, p.208.

2. A master of a family.

If you will needs be a familist, and marry, muster not the want of issue among your greatest afflictions. Osborn, Advice to a Son, (1658,) p.70.

FAMI'LLE. [en famille, French.] In a family way; domestically.

Deluded mortals, whom the great Chuse for companions tete à tete; Who at their dinners, en famille,

Get leave to sit whene'er you will. Swift.

FA'MILY. n. s. [familia, Latin; famille, French.]

1. Those who live in the same house; household.

The night made little impression on myself; but I cannot answer for my whole family; for my wife prevailed on me to take somewhat. Swift.

Those that descend from one common progenitor; a race; a tribe; a generation.

Of Gershon was the family of the Libnites.

Numb. iii. 21.

3. A course of descent; a genealogy. If thy ancient but ignoble blood

Has crept through scoundrels ever since the flood, Go and complain thy family is young, Nor own thy fathers have been fools so long. Pope.

4. A class; a tribe; a species.

There be two great families of things, sulphureous and mercurial, inflammable and not inflammable, mature and crude, oily and watry.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

FA'MINE. n.s. [famine, French; fames, Latin.] Scarcity of food; dearth; distress for want of victuals.

Our castle's strength
Will laugh a siege to scorn: here let them lie,
Till famine and the ague eat them up. Sh. Mach.

Famines have not been of late observed to be rare, partly because of the industry of mankind, partly by those supplies that come by sea, but principally by the goodness of God.

Hale.

This city never felt a single before

This city never felt a siege before, But from the lake receiv'd its daily store; Which now shut up, and millions crowded here, Famine will soon in multitudes appear.

Dryden, Ind. Emp.
To FA'MISH. v. a. [from fames, Latin;

famis, old French.]
1. To kill with hunger; to starve; to de-

stroy by want of food.

What, did he marry me to famish me? Shaks.

What, did he marry me to famish me? Shaks. The pains of famish'd Tantalus he'll feel, And Sisyphus that labours up the hill

The rolling rock in vain; and curst Ixion's wheel.

Dryden.

 To kill by deprivation or denial of any thing necessary to life. Milton uses it with of.
 Thin air

Above the clouds will pine his entrails gross, And famish him of breath, if not of bread. Milton, P. I. To FA'MISH. v. n. To die of hunger; to suffer extreme hunger.

You are all resolved rather to die than to famish.

Shakspeare.

FA'MISHMENT: † n. s. [from famish.] The pain of hunger; want of food.

So sore was the famishment in the land.

Gen. xlvii. 13. Mathewe's Trans.
Laugh and be fat, sith all you touch is gold,
Though that food your soul's famishment affords.
Davies, Wi's Pilgrimage, sign. V. 2. b.

Apicius, thou did'st on thy gut bestow
Full ninety millions, yet when this was spent,
Ten millions still remained to thee; which thou,

Fearing to suffer thirst and famishment, In poison'd potion drank'st. Hakewill on Prov. FAMO'SITY. n. s. [from famous.] Renown;

FA'MOUS.† adj. [fameux, French; famous, Latin.]

1. Renowned; celebrated; much talked of and praised.

Henry the Fifth, too famous to live long; England ne'er lost a king of so much worth. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

There rose up before Moses two hundred and fifty princes of the assembly, famous in the congregation, men of renown.

She became famous among women; for they had executed judgment upon her.

Ezek. xxiii. 10.

Pyreius was only famous for counterfeiting all base things; as earthen pitchers, a scullery, rogues together by the ears, and swine tumbling in the mire; whereupon he was surnamed Rupographus.

Peacham on Drawing.

I shall be nam'd among the famousest

Of women, sung at solemn festivals. Milton, S. A. Many, besides myself, have heard our famous Waller own, that he derived the harmony of his numbers from the Godfrey of Bulloign, turned into English by Fairfax.

Dryden.

 It has sometimes a middle signification; and imports fame, whether for good or ill. Menecrates and Menas, fanous pirates, Make the sea serve thom. Shaks. Ant. and Cleop.

Make the sca serve them. Shaks. Ant. and Cleop. 3. Sometimes, notorious; like the Latin famous, which has also the sense of infamous.

The death of slaves and famous malefactors.

Tillotson, Serm. on 1 John, iv. 9.

FA'MOUSED.* adj. Renowned; much talked

of; famous.

The painful warriour fumoused for fight.

Shakspeare, Sonnet, 25.

The wine is indeed the most generous grape

The wine is indeed the most generous grape of Persia, and famoused all over the Orient.

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 130.

FA'MOUSLY.† adv. [from famous.]

1. With great renown; with great cele-

Then this land was famously enriched With politick grave counsel; then the king Had virtuous uncles to protect his grace.

Shakspeare, Rich. III.
They looked on the particulars as things famously spoken of, and believed, and worthy to be
recorded and read. Grew, Cosm. Sacra.

Notoriously.
 He had never been praised by Gabriel Harvey for his labour, if therein he had not been so fa

mously absurd.

Nash, Apol. of Pierce Pennilesse. (1593.)
FA'MOUNNESS.† n. s. [from famous.] Celebrity; great fame. Sherwood.
Famousness, unattended with endcaring causes, is a quality so undesirable, that even infamy and folly can confer it. Boyle, Style of H. Scr. p. 186.

To FA'MULATE.* v. n. [famulor, Latin.]
To serve. This word is in the vocabulary of Cockeram. Chaucer has "fa-

muler foe," for domestick foe, March. Tale. And the word famulist is in use at Queen's College, in Oxford, for an inferior member of it.

FA'MULIST.* See To FAMULATE.

FAN. n. s. [rann, Saxon; vannus, Lat.]
1. An instrument used by ladies to move

the air and cool themselves.
With scars, and fans, and double change of

bravery,

With amber bracelets, beads, with all this knavery.

Shakspeare,

'Tis a sweet walk; and if the wind be stirring,
Serves like a fan to cool. Beaum. & Fl. Kn. of Mal.
Flavia, the least and slightest toy

Flavia, the least and slightest toy Can with resistless art employ; In other hands the finn would prove An engine of small force in love; But she, with such an air and mien, Not to be told or safely seen, Directs its wanton motions so,

That it wounds more than Cupid's bow; Gives coolness to the matchless dame, To every other breast a flame.

The modest fan was lifted up no more,
And virgins smil'd at what they blush'd before.

Pone.

2. Any thing spread out like a woman's fan into a triangle with a broad base.

As a peacock and crane were in company, the peacock spread his tail, and challenged the other to shew him such a fun of feathers. L'Estrange.

3. The instrument by which the chaff is blown away when corn is winnowed. [van, French.]

Flaile, strawfork, and rake, with a fan that is strong.

Asses shall eat clean provender, winnowed with

the shovel and with the fan. Isaiah, xxx. 24.

In the wind and tempest of fortune's frown,
Distinction with a broad and powerful fan,
Puffing at all, winnows the light away.

Shakspeare, Tr. and Cress.

For the cleansing of corn is commonly used either a wickerfan, or a fan with sails.

Mortimer, Husbandry.
4. Any thing by which the air is moved;

The pris'ner, with a spring, from prison broke;
Then stretch'd his feather'd fans with all his might,
And to the neighb'ring maple wing'd his flight.

5. An instrument to raise the fire.

Nature worketh in us all a love to our own counsels: the contradiction of others is a fan to inflame that love.

Hooker.

To FAN. v. a.

 To cool or recreate with a fan. She was fanned into slumbers by her slaves.

Spectator.

2. To ventilate; to affect by air put in

motion.

Let every feeble humour shake your hearts;
Your enemies, with nodding of their plumes,

Fan you into despair. Shakspeare, Coriol.

The Norweyan banners flout the sky,

And fan our people cold. Shaks. Macbeth.

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The air

Floate as they pass fann'd with unnumber'd

Floats as they pass, fann'd with unnumber'd plumes:

From branch to branch the smaller birds with song Solae'd the woods, and spread their painted wings, Till ev'n.

Milton, P. L.
The fanning wind upon her bosom blows;

To meet the fanning wind the bosom rose:
The fanning wind and purling streams continue
her repose. Dryden, Cymon and Iphigenia.
Calm as the breath which fans our eastern groves,
And bright, as when thy eyes first lighted up our
loves.
Dryden.

And now his shorter breath, with sultry air, Pants on her neck, and fans her parting hair. Pope.

To separate, as by winnowing.

 I have collected some few, therein fanning the old, not omitting any. Bacon, Apophithegms.
 Not so the wicked; but as chaff, which, fannid, The wind drives, so the wicked shall not stand In judgement. Milton, Ps. i. 11.

FANA'TICAL.* adj. [Latin fanaticus.]
Enthusiastick; wild; mad.

I cannot but earnestly desire, and pray for, an effectual reformation of manners and propagation of the Gospel by all sober and christian methods; but may venture to foretel, without pretending to the spirit of prophecying, that this great work will never be accomplished by an enthusiastick and fanatical head.

Bp. Lavington, Enthu. of Metho. and Papists compared, Pref.

FANA'TICALLY.* adv. [from fanatical.]
In a wild enthusiastick way.

The liberty they pursued was a liberty from order, from virtue, from morals, and from religion; and was neither hypocritically nor fanatically followed.

Burke.

FANA'TICALNESS.* n. s. [from fanatical.]
Religious frenzy.

That temper of profaneness, whereby a man is disposed to contemn and despise all religion, how slightly soever men may think of it, is much worse than infidelity, than funaticalness, than idolatry; and of the two 'tis much more eligible for a man to be an honest heathen and a devout idolator, than a profane Christian. Wilk. on Nat. Rel. ii. 1.

FANA'TICISM. n. s. [from fanatick-] Enthusiasm; religious frenzy.

A church whose doctrines are derived from the clear fountains of the Scriptures, whose polity and discipline are formed upon the most uncorrupted models of antiquity, which has stood unshaken by the most furious assaults of popery on the one hand, and fanatacism on the other; has triumphed over all the arguments of its enemies, and has nothing now to contend with but their slanders and calumnies.

Rogers.

FANA'TICK. adj. [fanaticus, Latin; fanatique, French.] Enthusiastick; struck with a superstitious frenzy.

Osiris, Isis, Orus, and their train, With monst'rous shapes and sorceries abus'd Fanatick Egypt, and her priests, to seek Their wand'ring gods disguis'd in brutish forms.

FANA'TICK. n. s. [from the adjective.]

An enthusiast; a man mad with wild notions of religion.

The double armature of St. Peter is a more

The double armature of St. Peter is a more destructive engine than the tumultuary weapon snatcht up by a fanaticle. Decay of Piety. FANCIFUL. adj. [fancy and full.]

Imaginative; rather guided by imagination than reason: of persons.

Some fanciful men have expected nothing but confusion and ruin from those very means, whereby both that and this is most effectually prevented.

Woodward, Nat. Hist.

2. Dictated by the imagination, not the reason; full of wild images: of things.

What treasures did he bury in his sumptuous buildings? and how foolish and fanciful were they?

Hayward.

It would show as much singularity to deny this,

as it does a fanciful facility to affirm it.

Garth, Pref. to Ovid.

FA'NCIFULLY. † adv. [from famiful.] According to the wildness of imagination.
What conceited old man is this, said he, that

talks thus fancifully?

More, Antid. against Idolatry, Pref.

FA'NCIFULNESS. n. s. [from fanciful.] Addiction to the pleasures of imagination; habit of following fancy rather than reason.

Albertus Magnus, with somewhat too much curiosity, was somewhat transported with too much fancifulness towards the influences of the heavenly motions, and astrological calculations. Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

FA'NCY. n. s. [contracted from phantasy, phantasia, Latin; φαντασία, Greek. It should be phansy.]

1. Imagination; the power by which the mind forms to itself images and representations of things, persons, or scenes of being.

Then to the well-trod stage anon, If Jonson's learned sock be on, Or sweetest Shakspeare, Fancy's child, Warble his native wood-notes wild. Milton, L'All. In the soul

Are many lesser faculties, that serve Reason as chief: among those fancy next Her office holds; of all external things, Which the five watchful senses represent, She forms imaginations, airy shapes, Which reason joining, or disjoining, frames All what we affirm, or what deny, and call Our knowledge or opinion. Milton, P. L.

Though no evidence affects the fancy so strongly as that of sense, yet there is other evidence, which gives as full satisfaction and as clear a conviction to our reason. Atterbury.

Love is by fancy led about,

From hope to fear, from joy to doubt : Whom we now a goddess call, Divinely grac'd in every feature, Strait's a deform'd, a perjur'd creature; Granville. Love and hate are fancy all.

2. An opinion bred rather by the imagination than the reason.

Men's private fancies must give place to the higher judgment of that church which is in authority over them.

A person of a full and ample fortune, who was not disturbed by any fancies in religion. Clarendon.
I have always had a fancy, that learning might be made a play and recreation to children. Locke.

3. Taste: idea: conception of things. The little chapel called the Salutation is very neat, and built with a pretty fancy. Ad. on Italy.

4. Image; conception; thought.

How now, my lord, why do you keep alone; Of sorriest fancies your companions making, Using those thoughts which should indeed have died

With them they think on? Shakspeare, Macbeth.

5. Inclination; liking; fondness. His fancy lay extremely to travelling L'Estrange.

For you, fair Hermia, look you arm yourself, To fit your fancies to your father's will; Or else the law of Athens yields you up To death, or to a vow of single life. Shakspeare.

A resemblance of humour or opinion, a fancy for the same business or diversion, is a ground of Collier.

6. In Shakspeare it signifies love. Tell me where is fancy bred, Or in the heart, or in the head?

How begot, how nourished? It is engender'd in the eyes,

With gazing fed, and fancy dies In the cradle where it lies. Shaks. Merch. of Ven.

7. Caprice; humour; whim.

True worth shall gain me, that it may be said Desert, not fancy, once a woman led.

Dryden, Ind. Emp. The sultan of Egypt kept a good correspondence with the Jacobites towards the head of the the course of that river. Arbuthnot. One that was just ent'ring upon a long jour-

ney, took up a funcy of putting a trick upon Mercury.

8. False notion. The altering of the scent, colour, or taste of fruit, by infusing, mixing, or cutting into the bark or root of the tree, herb, or flower, any coloured, aromatical, or medicinal substance, are but fancies: the cause is, for that those things

have passed their period, and nourish not. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

9. Something that pleases or entertains without real use or value. London-pride is a pretty fancy for borders.

To FA'NCY. v. n. [from the noun.] To imagine; to believe without being able to prove.

The heart fancieth as a woman's heart in tra-Ecclus. XXXIV. 5. vail.

All are not always bound to hate and punish the true enemies of religion, much less any whom they may fancy to be so: all are always obliged to love its true friends, and to pray for its very Sprat, Serm. enemies.

If our search has reached no farther than simile and metaphor, we rather fancy than know, and are not yet penetrated into the inside and reality of the thing; but content ourselves with what our imaginations furnish us with.

To FA'NCY. v. a. 1. To portray in the mind; to image to himself: to imagine.

But he whose noble genius is allow'd, Who with stretch'd pinions soars above the crowd; Who mighty thought can clothe with manly dress, He whom I fancy, but can ne'er express. Druden, Juv.

2. To like; to be pleased with. Ninus both admiring her judgment and valour, together with her person and external beauty, fancied her so strongly, as, neglecting all princely respects, he took her from her husband. Ral. Hist.

It is a little hard that the queen cannot demolish this town in whatever manner she pleaseth to fancy.

FA'NCYFRAMED.* adj. [fancy and framed.] Created by fancy.

He his own fancyframed foe defies; In rage, "My arms, give me my arms," he cries! Crashaw, Poems, p. 53.

FA'NCYFREE.* adj. [fancy and free.] Free from the power of love. See the sixth sense of Fancy.

The imperial votaries passed on, In maiden meditation, fancyfree. Sh. Mids. N. Dr.

FA'NCYMONGER. n. s. [from fancy.] One who deals in tricks of imagination.

There is a man haunts the forest, that abuses our young plants with carving Rosalind on their barks; hangs odes upon hawthorns, and elegies on brambles; all, forsooth, deifying the name of Rosalind. If I could meet that fancymonger, I would give him some good counsel; for he seems to have the quotidian of love upon him.

Shaksp. As you like it. FA'ncysick. † adj. [fancy and sick.] One whose imagination is unsound; one whose distemper is in his own mind.

All fancysick she is, and pale of cheer. Shakspeare, Mids. N. Dream. 'Tis not necessity, but opinion, that makes men miserable; and when we come to be fancysick, L'Estrange. there's no cure.

FAND for found. It is retained in Scotland. This when as true by tryal he out fand, He bade to open wide his brazen gate. Spenser.

Nile, for fear they should take a fancy to turn | FANDA'NGO.* n. s. [Spanish.] A kind of very lively dance which the Spaniards have learned from the Indians, V. Cormon, Dict. Sobrin. Aumentado, Antwerp, 1769. Labat, the French missionary, says it was brought from Guinea by the negroes into the West Indies, and thence into Spain.

Our evening ended with a ball, where we had for the first time the pleasure of seeing the fan-dango danced. It is odd and entertaining enough, when they execute with precision and agility all the various footings, wheelings of the arms, and crackings of the fingers; but it exceeds in wantonness all the dances I ever beheld.

Swinburne, Trav. through Spain. L.6. FANE. n. s. [fane, French; fanum, Latin.] A temple; a place consecrated to religion. A poetical word.

Nor fane, nor capitol, The prayers of priests, nor times of sacrifice, Embarments all of fury, shall lift up Their rotten privilege! Shakspeare, Coriol. Old Calibe, who kept the sacred fane

Of Juno, now she seem'd. Dryden, Æn. Yet some to fanes repair'd, and humble rites Perform'd to Thor and Woden, fabled gods,

Who with their vot'ries in one ruin shar'd. Philips. A sacred fane in Egypt's fruitful lands, Hewn from the Theban mountain's rocky womb.

Tickell. The fields are ravish'd from th' industrious

From men their cities, and from gods their funes.

FA'NFARE.* n. s. [French.] A sounding of trumpets, or a coming into the lists with sound of trumpets; hence also any publick bravado, or flourish; any loud-resounding brag, or ostentation. Cotgrave. See Fanfaron, which Menage traces to an Arabick expression.

Fanfare [is] a sort of military air or flourish commonly short and lively, which is performed by trumpets, and imitated by other instruments. Appendix to Mus. Dict. (1769,) p. 20.

FA'NFARON. n.s. [French, from the Spanish. Originally in Arabick it signifies one who promises what he cannot perform. Menage.]

1. A bully; a hector.

Virgil makes Æneas a bold avower of his own virtues, which, in the civility of our poets, is the character of a funfuron or hector.

Dryden on Dram. Poesy. 2. A blusterer; a boaster of more than he can perform.

There are funfarons in the trials of wit too, as well as in feats of arms; and none so forward to engage in argument or discourse as those that

are least able to go through with it. L'Estrange. FANFARONA'DE. † n s. [fanfaronnade, Fr.] A bluster; a tumour of fictitious dignity.

The bishop copied this proceeding from the fanfaronade of Monsieur Bouffleurs. To FANG + v.a. [Goth. fang, seizure,

Serenius; Sax. rangen, seized, from rengan; Dutch, vangen; Germ. fangen, to seize.] To seize; to gripe; to clutch. To vang is yet used in Devonshire.

Destruction fang mankind! Shakspeare, Timon. But whilst he this hot humour hugs,

Death fang'd the remnant of his lugs.

Verses cited in Clar. and Whitl. comp. 1727. p. 54. FANG. n.s. [from the verb.]

1. The long tusks of a boar or other animal by which the prey is seized and held; any thing like them.

Here feel we but the penalty of Adam, The season's difference; as the icy fang. And churlish chiding of the Winter's wind; Which, when it bites and blows upon my body, Ev'n till I shrink with cold, I smile and say,

This is no flattery. Shakspeare, As you like it. Some creatures have overlong or outgrowing, teeth, which we call fangs or tusks; as boars, pikes, salmons, and dogs, though less.

Prepar'd to fly, The fatal fang drove deep within his thigh, And cut the nerves: the nerves no more sustain The bulk; the bulk, uprop'd falls headlong on the plain. Dryden, Ovid.

Then charge, provoke the lion to the rage
Of fangs and claws, and stooping from your horse, Rivet the panting savage to the ground. Ad. Cato.

2. The nails: the talons.

3. Any shoot or other thing by which hold is taken.

The protuberant fangs of the yuca are to be Evelyn, Kalendar. treated like the tuberoses. Furnished FA'NGED. adj. [from fang.] with fangs or long teeth; furnished with any instruments of destruction, which can be exercised in imitation of fangs.

My two schoolfellows, Whom I will trust as I will adders fang'd, Shakspeare, Hamlet. They bear the mandate. Not Scythians, not fierce Dacians, onward rush With half the speed, nor half so swift retreat: In chariots, fang'd with scythes, they scour the field.

Drive through our wedg'd battalions with a whirl, And strew a dreadful harvest on the plain. Philips, Briton.

FA'NGLE.† n. s. [from rengan, Sax. to attempt. Skinner.] Silly attempt; trifling scheme. It is never used, or rarely, but in contempt with the epithet new; as, new fangles, new fangleness. So far Dr. Johnson, who cites no example. But it is used, without the epithet new, and in the sense of any trifle; and, as Mr. Pegge has also observed, may be considered a cant or arbitrary word rather than deduced from the Sax. renran, or from a fanciful etymon assigned to newfangle. See Newfangled.

There was no feather, no fangle, jem, nor jewel, -left behind. Greene, Mamillia, (1583.)

A hatred to fangles and the French fooleries of - left behind. A. Wood, Ath. Ox. ii. col. 456. his time.

FA'NGLED. adj. [from fangle.] This word seems to signify gawdy; ridiculously shewy; vainly decorated: new fangled, is therefore new fashioned; dressed out in new decorations.

Quick wits be in desire new fangled, and in purpose unconstant. Ascham.

A book! oh, rare one! Be not, as in this fungled world, a garment Nobler than it covers. Shakspeare, Cym. FA'NGLESS. adj. [from fang.] Toothless; without teeth.

The king hath wasted all his rods On late offenders, that he now doth lack The very instruments of chastisement; So that his pow'r, like to a fangless lion,
May offer, but not hold. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

FA'NGOT. n. s. A quantity of wares; as raw silk, &c. containing from one or two hundred weight three quarters. Dict.

FA'NNEL. † n. s. [fanon, Fr. See FANON.] A sort of ornament like a scarf, worn Dict.

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Item, a suite of vestmentes of blewe velvette, or frised with needle worke, with albes, stoles, and fannels agreeable to the same.

Will of Sir T. Pope, Life, p.338.

FA'NNER. † n. s. [from fan.] 1. One that plays a fan.

I will send unto Babylon fanners that shall fan Jerem. li. 2.

2. A winnower of corn. Barret.

FA'NNING.* n. s. [from fan.] Ventilation. Huloet.

He will be often very agreeably entertained with grateful sounds in the natural musick of birds, the fannings of woods, the purling of streams, or the falls of water.

Coventry, Phil. to Hyd. Conv. 2. FA'NON.* n. s. [Fr. fanon; low Lat. fano; Goth. fana; Lat. pannus.]

1. A sort of ornament, worn about the arm of a mass-priest; the fannel. See FANNEL.

Tunicles, stoles, fanons, and mitres. Bale on the Revel. P. ii. sign. k. vj. b.

2. A banner; and in blazon, any large bracelet that hangs down in fashion of the maniple, or fanon aforesaid, from Cotgrave.

FA'NTASIED. adj. [from fantasy.] Filled with fancies or wild imaginations.

As I travell'd hither through the land, I found the people strangely fantasied.

Shakspeare, K. John. FA'NTASM. † n.s. [fantasme, old Fr. phantasma, Lat. See PHANTASM.] A thing not real, but appearing to the imagin-

FANTA'STICAL.† | adj. [fantastique, FANTA'STICK. | Fr.; from fantasy. 1: Irrational; bred only in the imagination.

The delight that a man takes from another's sin, can be nothing else but a fantastical, preternatural complacency, arising from that which he really has no feeling of.

2. Subsisting only in the fancy; imaginary. Present feats

Are less than horrible imaginings:

My thought, whose murther yet is but fantastical, Shakes so my single state of man, that function Is smother'd in surmise; and nothing is, But what is not. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

Men are so possessed with their own fancies, that they take them for oracles; and are arrived to some extraordinary revelations of truth, when indeed they do but dream dreams, and amuse themselves with the fantastick ideas of a busy imagination. Decay of Piety.

3. Unreal; apparent only; having the nature of phantoms which only assume visible forms occasionally. Thus fantastical colours are the same as emphatical. See EMPHATICAL.

Are ye fantastical, or that indeed

Which outwardly ye shew? Shakspeare, Macbeth. Many of them [lying wonders] shall be fantastical, deceiving the eye like the tricks of juglers. Such were the rods and serpents of Pharaoh's enchanters, which were devoured of Aaron's rod; because they were but shadows, and his a sub-Shelford's Learned Discourses, p. 307.

An aerial funtastick body. South, Serm. vii. 16. 4. Uncertain; unsteady; irregular.

Nor happiness can I, nor misery feel, From any turn of her fantastick wheel. Prior.

about the left arm of a mass-priest when [5. Whimsical; fanciful; capricious; humourous: indulgent of one's own imagination.

They put such words in the mouths of one of these fantastical mind-infected people, that children and musicians call lovers.

I'll knit it up in silken strings, With twenty odd conceited true love knots: To be fantastick, may become a youth,

Of greater time than I. Shak. Two Gent. of Ver. Duumvir is provided with an imperious, expensive, and fantastick mistress; to whom he retires from the conversation of a discreet and affectionate wife.

We are apt to think your medallists a little fantastical in the different prices they set upon their coins, without any regard to the metal of which they are composed.

FANTA'STICALLY. adv. [from fantastical.] 1. By the power of imagination.

2. Capriciously; humourously; unsteadily. England is so idly king'd. Her sceptre so fantastically borne,

By a vain, giddy, shallow, humourous youth, That fear attends her not. Shakspeare, Hen. V.

3. Whimsically; in compliance with imagination. One cannot so much as fantastically choose,

even or odd, he thinks not why.

Grew, Cosmol, Sacra. FANTA'STICALNESS. † 1 n. s. [from fantas-FANTA'STICKNESS. tical.

1. Homourousness; mere compliance with fancy.

Vain Delight, thou feeder of my follies With light fantastickness, be thou in favour!

Beaum. and Fl. Four Plays in One.

2. Whimsicalness; unreasonableness.

I dare not to assume to myself to have put him out of conceit with it, by having convinced him of the fantasticalness of it. Tillotson, Preface. 3. Caprice: unsteadiness.

Nor is this corruption happened to the Greek language, as it useth to happen to others, either by the law of the conquerour, or inundation of strangers; but it is insensibly crept in by their own supine negligence and fantastickness. Howell, Lett. ii.57.

FANTA'STICK.* n. s. A fantastick, conceited, or whimsical person.

A vain fantastick, that takes proud clothes to be part of himself. Dr. Jackson, Works, iii. 62. New-fangled toys, and trimming slight Which takes our late fantasticks with delight.

Milton, Vac. Exercise. FANTA'STICKLY.* adv. [from fantastick.] Irrationally; whimsically.

He is neither too fantastickly melancholy, or too rashly cholerick. B. Jonson, Cynth. Revels. FA'NTASY. n.s. [fantasie, Fr. phantasia, Lat. φαντασία, Gr.

1. Fancy; imagination; the power of imagining. See FANCY.

How now, Horatio? you tremble and look pale! Is not this something more than fantasy? Shaksneare, Hamlet.

I talk of dreams, Which are the children of an idle brain, Begot of nothing but vain fantasy;

Which is as thin of substance as the air, And more unconstant than the wind. Shakspeare, Rom: and Jul.

He is superstitious grown of late, Quite from the main opinion he held once Of fantasy, of dreams, and ceremonies.

Shakspeare Jul. Cæs. Go you, and where you find a maid, That ere she sleep hath thrice her prayer said,

Rein up the organs of her fantasy Sleep she as sound as careless infancy. Shaksp. These spirits of sense, in fantasy's high court, Judge of the forms of objects, ill or well; And so they send a good or ill report Down to the heart, where all affections dwell.

By the power of fantasy we see colours in a dream, or a mad man sees things before him which are not there.

2. Idea; image of the mind.

And with the sug'ry sweet thereof allure,

Chaste ladies' ears to fantasies impure.

Spenser, Hubb. Tale.

3. Humour; inclination.

I would wish that both you and others would cease from drawing the Scriptures to your fan-

tasies and affections.

To FA'NTASY. v. a. [from the noun; old Fr. fantasier.] To like; to fancy.

Fantasying, or having a mind to, a thing.

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The king, during his favour, fantasied so much his daughter, that almost all things began to grow out of frame.

Cavendish, Life of Wolsey.

FA'NTOM. n. s. [See PHANTOM.] Something not real, but appearing to the imagination.

FA'NTOM-CORN.* n. s. Lank or light corn. A northern word. Grose, Brockett, &c. Fantom-corn is corn that has little bulk or solidity in it, as a spirit or spectre.

Ray, N. C. Words, p. 25.

FAP. adj. Fuddled; drunk. It seems to have been a cant word in the time of Shakspeare.

The gentleman had drunk himself out of his five senses; and being fap, sir, was, as they say, cashiered.

Shakspeare.

FA'QUIR.* n. s. [Arab.] A kind of Mahometan religious; a sort of dervis; travelling about, and collecting alms. Written also fakir and fakeer, and usually pronounced with the accent on the last syllable.

Such ill-tim'd gravity, such serious folly, Might well befit the solitary student, Th' unpractis'd dervise, or sequester'd faquir. Johnson, Irene.

FAR.† adv. [Sax. peop, far; peoppe, farther; peopperc, farrest or farthest; and our comparative was formerly ferrer, as our superlative was ferrest or farrest; "then walked I ferrer," P. Plowman's Crede;—"a vice—farrest from humanity," Sir T. Elyot, Governour; Chaucer, "ferrest," Prol. C. T. fairra, Goth.

To great extent in length.
 Pay sacred reverence to Apollo's song,
 Lest wrathful the far-shooting god emit
 His fatal arrows.
 Prior.
 To a great extent every way. This is

fara, Icel. to depart, to go away.]

2. To a great extent every way. This is less proper.

Vast and great
Is what I love: the far extended ocean
To a little riv'let I prefer.

With costly cates Rome stain'd her frugal board; Then with ill-gotten gold she bought a lord: Corruption, discord, luxury combin'd, Down sunk the far fam'd mistress of mankind, Arbuthnot.

Prior.

From the same lineage stern Æætes came,
The far fam'd brother of th' enchantress dame.

Pope

3. To a great distance progressively.

Be factious for redress of all these griefs,
And I will set this foot of mine as far

As who goes farthest, Shakspeare, Jul. Cas.

Is it far you ride?

— As far, my lord, as will fill up the time
'Twixt this and supper. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

Far from that hated face the Trojans fly; All but the fool who sought his destiny.

Dryden, Æn.
4. Remotely; at a great distance.

In a kingdom rightly ordered, after a law is once published, it presently takes effect far and wide; all states framing themselves thereunto. Hooker. And after that long strayed here and there,

And after that long strayed here and there, Through every field and forest far and near. Spenser, Hubb. Tale.

Far be it from me to justify the cruelties used towards them, which had their reward soon after.

Bacon, Holy War.

He sent light horsemen into Mesopotamia with a guide, because the country was unto him best known; following not far after himself with all his army.

his army.

And yet the lights which in my tower do shine,
Mine eyes, which view all objects nigh and far,
Look not into this little world of mine.

Davies.

God hath bid dwell far off all anxious cares,
And not molest us; unless we ourselves

Seek them with wandering thoughts, and notions vain. Milton, P.L.I have been hunting up and down, far and near,

since your unhappy indisposition, to find out a remedy.

L' Estrange.

The nations far and near contend in choice,

And send the flow'r of war by publick voice.

The painted lizard and the birds of prey, Foes of the frugal kind, be far away. Dryd. Virg-But from the reading of my book and me, Be far, ve foes of virtuous poetry!

Who fortune's fault upon the poor can throw, Point at the tatter'd coat and ragged shoe.

Dryden, Pers.

Upon the topmost branch.

These words are so far from establishing any dominion, that we find quite the contrary. Locke.

Till on the Po his blasted corps was hurl'd.

Till on the Po his blasted corps was hurl'd,

Far from his country, in the western world.

Addison, Ovid.

5. To a distance.

As far as the East is from the West, so far hath he removed our transgressions from him.

Ps. cm. 12.

Neither did those that were sent, and travelled far off, undertake so difficult enterprises without a conductor.

Ralegh.

But all in vain! which when he saw, he ceas'd Contending, and remov'd his tents far off.

Milton, P.L.

I had always a curiosity to look back into the sources of things, and view in my mind, so far as I was able, the beginning and progress of a rising world.

Burnet, Theory.

A lion's hide around his loins he wore;
The well-poiz'd javelin to the field he bore,
Inur'd to blood; the far destroying dart,
And the best weapon, an undaunted heart.

Addison, Ovid.

In a great part.
 When they were by Jebus the day was far spent.

When they were by Jebus the day was jar spent.

Judg, xix.11.

7. In a great proportion; by many degrees.

It is commonly used with some word noting the comparative, but Dryden has used it absolutely.

Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies.

Such a communication passeth far better through the water than air.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Those countries have far greater rivers, and far higher mountains to pour down waters, than any part of the old world. Bacon, New Atlantis.

The face of war.

In ancient times, doth differ far
From what our fiery battles are.

Waller.

Of negatives we have far the least certainty, and they are usually hardest, and many times impossible to be proved.

Tillotson.

Latin is a more succinct language than the Italian, Spanish, French, or even than the English, which, by reason of its monosyllables, is for the most compendious of them.

The field is spacious I design to sow,

With oxen far unfit to draw the plough. Dryden. Besides, he's lovely far above the rest, With you immortal, and with beauty blest. Pope. Ah! hope not yet to breathe thy native air;

Far other journey first demands thy care.

Pope, Odyssey.

8. To a great height; magnificently. This is perhaps only in Shakspeare.

I do not think

So fair an outward, and such stuff within, Endows a man but him.

— You speak him far.
— I don't extend him, sir.

I don't extend him, sir. Shaksp. Cymb.
 To a certain point; to a certain degree.

The substance of the service of God, so far forth as it bath in it any thing more than the law of reason doth teach, may not be invented of men, as it is amongst the heathen; but must be received from God himself.

Answer them

How far forth you do like their articles.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV.
Not to resolve, is to resolve; and many times it

Not to resolve, is to resolve; and many times it breeds as many necessities, and engageth as far in some other sort, as to resolve.

Bacon.

Of this I need not many words to declare how

far it is from being so much as any part of repentance,

My discourse is so far from being equivalent to

the position he mentions, that it is a perfect contradiction to it.

Tilloson.

The custom of these tongues sometimes so fur

The custom of these tongues sometimes so fur influences the expressions, that in these episules one may observe the force of the Hebrew conjugations.

Locke on St. Paul's Epistles.

10. FAR off. At a great distance.

For though I fied him angry, yet recall'd To life prolong'd, and promis'd race, I now Gladly behold, though but his utmost skirts Of glory, and far off his steps adore. Milt. P. L.

11. FAR off. To a great distance. Cherubick watch, and of a sword the flame Wide-waving, all approach far off to fright, And guard all passage to the tree of life.

Millon, P. L.

12. Off is joined with far, when far, noting distance, is not followed by a preposition: as, I set the boat far off, I set

the boat far from me.

13. Fan is used often in composition: as,

far-shooting, far-seeing.

FAR-ABOUT.* n.s. A going out of the

way; a departure from the subject.
What need these far-abouts? They go the shortest cut, who give him [the pope] a temporal power over all the kingdoms of the world!
Fuller, Holy War, p. 280.

FAR-FE'TCH. n. s. [far and fetch.] A deep stratagem. A ludicrous word. But Jesuits have deeper reaches,

In all their politick far-fetches;
And from their Coptick priest, Kircherus,
Found out this mystick way to jeer us. Hudibr.

FAR-FETCHED. adj. [far and fetch.]

1. Brought from places remote.

By his command we boldly cross'd the line,

And bravely fought where southern stars arise:
We trac'd the far-fetch'd gold unto the mine,
And that which brib'd our fathers made our prize.

Dryden.

2. Studiously sought; elaborately strained; | FA'RAND.* See FARRAND. not easily or naturally introduced.

For far-fetch'd rhymes make puzzled angels strain,

And in low prose dull Lucifer complain. Smith. Under this head we may rank those words, which signify different ideas, by a sort of an unaccountable far-fetch'd analogy, or distant resemblance, that fancy has introduced between one thing and another; as when we say, the meat is green when it is half roasted, Watts, Logick.

FAR-FET.* adj. [far and fet, our old word for fetched. Dr. Johnson, in two instances, converted this word into farfetched, without authority.]

1. Brought from places remote.

Your far-fet viands please not.

Beaum. and Fl. Hon. Man's Fortune. Milton, P. R. The far-fet spoil,

2. Studiously sought; elaborately strained. York, with all his far-fet policy. Shakspeare, K. Hen. VI. P. II.

Metaphors, fur-fel, hinder to be understood. B. Jonson, Discoveries.

FAR-PIERCING. adj. [far and pierce.] Striking, or penetrating a great way. Atlas, her sire, to whose far-piercing eye The wonders of the deep expanded lie; 'Th' eternal columns which on earth he rears, End in the starry vault, and prop the spheres. Pope, Odyssey.

FARSHOOTING. adj. [far and shoot.] Shooting to a great distance.

Then loud he call'd Æneas thrice by name; The loud repeated voice to glad Æneas came; Great Jove, he said, and the far-shooting god, Inspire thy mind to make thy challenge good. Dryden, Eneid.

FAR. + adj.

1. Distant : remote.

He meant to travel into far countries, until his friend's affection either ceased or prevailed. Sidney, Arcadia.

A man taking a far journey. St. Mark, xiii.34. But we must beg our bread in climes unknown, Beneath the scorching or the freezing zone; And some to far Oaxis shall be sold, To try the Lybian heat, or Scythian cold.

Dryden, Virgil.

2. It was formerly used not only as an adverb but an adjective with off.

These things seem small and undistinguishable, Like far off mountains turned into clouds. Shaks. If we may behold in any creature any one spark of that eternal fire, or any far off dawning of God's glorious brightness, the same in the beauty, motion, and virtue of this light may be perceived

Ralegh, Hist. of the World.

I hear the far-off curfew sound. Milt. Il Pens.

3. From FAR. In this sense it is used elliptically for a far, or remote place. The Lord shall bring a nation against thee from far, from the end of the earth. Deut. xxvii. 49.
4. Remoter of the two; in horsemanship,

the right side of the horse, which the rider turns from him when he mounts. No true Egyptian ever knew in horses

The far side from the near. Dryden, Cleomenes. 5. It is often not easy to distinguish whether it be adjective or adverb: as, The nations far and near contend in choice. Dryden.

FAR. n. s. [contracted from farrow.] The offspring of a sow; young pigs.
Sows, ready to farrow at this time of the year, Are for to be made of and counted full dear; For now is the loss of the far of the sow More great than the loss of two calves of the cow.

To FARCE + v. a. [farcio, Latin, farcer, French.

To stuff; to fill with mingled ingredients. This was formerly a common word in cookery, and is now converted into forced. So farsure was used for stuffing. See Pegge's Forme of Cury.

His tippet was ay farced ful of knives, And pinnes, for to given fayre wives.

Chaucer, C. T. Prol. I should pass the limits of a large book, farsed with only testimonies to that end.

Anderson, Expos. on Benedict, (1573,) fol. 33. What

Broken piece of matter so e'er she's about, the

Palamon lards it, that she farces every business. Beaum. and Fl. Two Nob. Kins. Some used to embalm the belly cleansed with

wine, farced with cassia, myrrh, and other spices. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 308. The first principles of Christian Religion should

not be farced with school points and private tenets. Bp. Sanderson. 2. To extend; to swell out. Tis not the balm, the sceptre and the ball,

The sword, the mace, the crown imperial, The entertissued robe of gold and pearl, The furced title running fore the king.

Shakspeare, Hen. V.

FARCE. † n. s. [Fr. farce, "a fond and dissolute play, comedie, or interlude; also the jig at the end of an interlude, wherein some prettie knaverie is acted; also a pudding, &c. any stuffing in Cotgrave. Some think the theatrical word derived from the culinary one; yet farcer, to laugh, to ridicule, is very old in the French language, from the Celtick farce, mockery.] A dramatick representation written without regularity, and stuffed with wild and ludicrous conceits.

There is yet a lower sort of poetry and painting, which is out of nature; for a farce is that in poetry which grotesque is in a picture; the persons and actions of a farce are all unnatural, and the manners false; that is, inconsistent with the characters of mankind: grotesque painting is the just resemblance of this. Dryden, Dufresnoy.

What should be great you turn to farce. Prior. They object against it as a farce, because the irregularity of the plot should answer to the extravagance of the characters, which they say this piece wants, and therefore is no farce.

FA'RCICAL. adj. [from farce.] Belonging to a farce; appropriated to a farce. They deny the characters to be farcical, because

they are actually in nature. Gay, Pref. to the What d'ye Call it.

FA'RCICALLY.* adv. [from farcical.] In a manner suitable only to a farce.

It is not necessary, that in order to do this he should have recourse to images that are farcically Langhorne.

FA'RCING.* n. s. [from farce.] The act of stuffing with mixed ingredients.

To make broth and farcing, and that full deinty.

Interl. of Jacob and Esau, (1568.)

Wrestling is a pastime which either the Cornishmen derived from Corineus, their pretended founder, or at least it ministered some stuff to the farcing of that fable. Carew, Surv. of Cornwall.

FA'RCY. n. s. [farcina, Italian; farcin, French.] The leprosy of horses. It is probably curable by antimony.

To FARD.* v. a. [French, farder.] To paint; to colour. Cotgrave, and Sherw.

He found that beauty, which he had left innocent, farded and sophisticated with some court-Wilson, Hist. of James I. There of the farded fop and essenc'd beau, Ferocious, with a Stoick's frown disclose

Thy manly scorn. . Shenstone, Economy, P. II.

FA'RDEL.† n. s. [fardello, Italian; far-del, old French, Roq. fardeau, modern.] A bundle; a little pack.

Some assayed to swim; some holding fast by the horses, others by spears and other like weapons, many upon furdels and trusses, gat over the river.

Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 56. b.
Let us to the king: there is that in this fardel

will make him scratch his beard. Shaks. W. Tale. Who would fardels bear, To groan and sweat under a weary life?

Shakspeare, Hamlet. To FA'RDEL.* v. a. [from the noun.] To

make up in bundles. Things, orderly fardeled up under heads, are Fuller, Holy State, p. 164. most portable.

To FARE. † v. n. [Fapan, Saxon; varen,

Dutch; faren, Goth; far, a journey, Icel.] 1. To go; to pass; to travel.

At last, resolving forward still to fare, Until the blust'ring storm is overblown. Svenser, F. Q.

His spirits pure were subject to our sight, Like to a man in shew and shape he fared.

Fairfax. So on he fares, and to the border comes Of Eden. Milton, P. L.

Sadly they far'd along the sea-beat shore; Still beav'd their hearts.

2. To be in any state good or bad. So bids thee well to fare thy nether friend. Spenser, F. Q.

A stubborn heart shall fare evil at the last. Ecclus. iii. 26. Well fare the hand, which to our humble sight

Presents that beauty. So in this throng bright Sacharissa far'd, Oppress'd by those who strove to be our guard; As ships, though never so obsequious, fall

Foul in a tempest on their admiral. Waller. So fares the stag among th' enraged hounds; Repels their force, and wounds returns for wounds.

Denham-But as a barque, that, in foul weather,

Toss'd by two adverse winds together, Is bruis'd and beaten to and fro, And knows not which to turn him to; So far'd the knight between two foes, And knew not which of them t' oppose. Hudibras.

If you do as I do, you may fare as I fare. L'Estrange.

Thus fares the queen, and thus her fury blows Amid'st the crowd. Dryden. Æn. English ministers never fare so well as in a time

of war with a foreign power, which diverts the private feuds, and animosities of the nation. Addison, Freeholder.

Some are comforted that it will be a common calamity, and they shall fare no worse than their neighbours.

3. To proceed in any train of consequences good or bad. [Fr. faire.]

Thus it fareth when too much desire of contradiction causeth our speeches rather to pass by number than to stay for weight. So fares it when with truth falsehood contends. . Milton, P. R.

4. To happen to any one well or ill; with it preceding in an impersonal form

When the hand finds itself well warmed and covered, let it refuse the trouble of feeding the

mouth, or guarding the head, till the body be | 1. The parting compliment; adieu. starved or killed, and then we shall see how it will fare with the hand.

5. To feed; to eat; to be entertained with food.

The rich man fared sumptuously every day. St. Luke, xvi. 19.

Feast your ears with the musick awhile, if they will fare so harshly as on the trumpet's sound.

Shakspeare, Timon. Men think they have fared hardly, if, in times of extremity, they have descended so low as to eat dogs; but Galen delivereth, that, young, fat, and gelded, they were the food of many nations. Brown, Vulg. Err.

FARE. † n. s. [Sax. pape.]

1. Journey; passage. This is the primary sense, which Dr. Johnson has not at all noticed. See the etymology of the verb. He straitway

Himself unto his journey gan prepare, And all his armours readie dight that day, That nought the morrow next mote stay his fare. Spenser, F. Q. v. x. 16.

2. Price of passage in a vehicle by land or by water. Used only of that which is paid for the person, not the goods.

He found a ship going to Tarshish; so he paid the fare thereof, and went down into it to go with them unto Tarshish. He passage begs with unregarded pray'r,

And wants two farthings to discharge his fare. Dryden, Juv.

3. The person carried; another sense unnoticed by Dr. Johnson. This is rather a colloquial expression.

The skiffs - pass each other with incredible ease and agility; so that the fare runs no risk of being overset. Drummond, Trav. (1744,) p.68.

4. Food prepared for the table; provi-

sions. [Fr. faire.] But come, so well refresh'd, now let us play, As meet is, after such delicious fare. Milton. P. L. But when the western winds with vital pow'r, Call forth the tender grass and budding flow'r, Then, at the last, produce in open air Both flocks, and send them to their Summer's fare.

This is what nature's want may well suffice: He that would more is covetous, not wise: But since among mankind so few there are, Who will conform to philosophick fare, This much I will indulge thee for thy ease, And mingle something of our times to please.

Dryden, Juv. Upon his rising up he ordered the peasant to set before him whatever food he had in his house: the peasant brought out a great deal of coarse fare, of which the emperour eat very heartily.

Addison, Guardian.

FAREWE'LL. + adv. [This word is originally the imperative of the verb fare well, or fare you well; "sis felix, abi in bonam rem: or bene sit tibi:" but in time use familiarized it to an adverb, and it is used both by those who go and those who are left. So the Sw. farwal, and the Dutch vaarwel. It may be observed that the accent is placed, both in the adverb and substantive, indifferently on either syllable, as the examples shew. Dr. Johnson places, in both, the accent on the last syllable. But it is well remarked by Mr. Nares that the accent on the first syllable of the substantive, and on the second of the adverb, ought to be the permanent distinction.]

But farewell, king; sith thus thou wilt appear, Freedom lives hence, and banishment is here Shakspeare, K. Lear.

Whether we shall meet again, I know not, Therefore our everlasting farewell take; For ever, and for ever, farewell, Cassius.

Shakspeare, Jul. Cas. Be not amazed, call all your senses to you; defend your reputation, or bid farewell to your good life for ever. Shakspeare.

An iron slumber shuts my swimming eyes;

And now farewell, involv'd in shades of night, For ever I am ravish'd from thy sight. Dryden, Virg.

Farewell, says he; the parting sound scarce fell From his faint lips, but she replied farewell.

O queen, farewell ! be still possest Of dear remembrance, blessing still and blest!

2. It is sometimes used only as an expression of separation without kindness. Farewell the year which threaten'd so The fairest light the world can shew.

Treading the path to nobler ends, A long farewell to love I gave ; Resolv'd my country and my friends

All that remain'd of me should have. Waller.

3. Its original verbal meaning is preserved when it is used plurally.

Farewell, master Silence: I will not use many words with you: fare you well, gentlemen, both.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

FAREWE'LL. n. s.

1. Leave; act of departure.

See how the morning opes her golden gates, And takes her farewell of the glorious sun.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. If chance the radiant sun, with farewell sweet, Extend his evening beam, the fields revive, The birds their notes renew, and bleeting herds Attest their joy, that hill and valley ring. Milt. P.L. As in this grove I took my last farewell,

As on this very spot of earth I fell. Dryden.
Before I take my farewell of this subject, I shall advise the author for the future to speak his meaning more plainly.

2. It is sometimes used as an adjective; leave-taking.

Several ingenious writers, who have taken their leave of the publick in farewell papers, will not give over so, but intend to appear again; though perhaps under another form, and with a different

FARINA'CEOUS. adj. [from farina, Latin.] Mealy; tasting like meal or flower of

The properest food of the vegetable kingdom for mankind, is taken from the farinaceous or mealy seeds of some culmiferous plants; as oats, barley, wheat, rice, rye, maze, panick, and millet. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

FA'RLIES.* n. s. [ræplice, Sax. strange.] Unusual, unexpected things. Strange sights. Cumberland Dialect. The word occurs in our old poetry, in this sense. Mr. Brockett gives it, among our northern words, with the meaning of trifles.

FARM. n.s. [ferme, French; reopm, provision, Saxon.

1. Ground let to a tenant; ground cultivated by another man upon condition of paying part of the profit to the owner or landlord.

Touching their particular complaint for reducing lands and farms to their ancient rents, it could not be done without a parliament.

Hayward.

2. The state of lands let out to the culture of tenants.

The lords of land in Ireland do not use to set out their land in farm, for term of years, to their tenants; but only from year to year, and some during pleasure. Spenser on Ireland.

It is great wilfulness in landlords to make any longer farms unto their tenants.

To FARM. v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To let out to tenants at a certain rent. We are enforc'd to farm our royal realm, The revenue whereof shall furnish us

For our affairs in hand. Shakspeare, Rich. II. 2. To take at a certain rate.

They received of the bankers scant twenty shil-

lings for thirty, which the earl of Cornwall farmed of the king. Camden, Rem.

3. To cultivate land.

FA'RMABLE.* adj. [from farm.] That may be farmed. Sherwood. FA'RMER. † n. s. [fermier, French; or from farm ; Sax. reonmen.]

1. One who cultivates hired ground.

Thou hast seen a farmer's dog bark at a beggar, and the creature run from the cur: there thou might'st behold the great image of authority; a dog's obey'd in office.

2. One who cultivates ground, whether his own or another's.

Nothing is of greater prejudice to the farmer than the stocking of his land with cattle larger than it will bear.

3. One who rents any thing; as, farmer of the post-horse duties.

To side with the furmers against the improvement of the revenue. Ld. Halifax.

FA'RMOST. n. s. [superlative of far.] Most distant; remotest.

A spacious cave, within its farmost part, Was hew'd and fashion'd by laborious art, Through the hill's hollow sides. Dryden, En.

FA'RNESS. n. s. [from far.] Distance; re-

Their nearness on all quarters to the enemy, and their farness from timely succour by their friends, have forced the commanders to call forth the uttermost number of able hands to fight.

Carew, Surv. of Cornwall.

FA'RNTICLE.* See FERNTICLE.

FA'RO.* n.s. A game at cards.

FARRA'GINOUS. adj. [from farrago, Lat.] Formed of different materials.

Being a confusion of knaves and fools, and a farraginous concurrence of all conditions, tempers, sexes and ages, it is but natural if their determinations be monstrous, and many ways inconsistent with truth. . Brown, Vulg. Err.

FARRA'GO.† n. s. [Latin.] A mass formed confusedly of several ingredients; a medley.

He holds — their causes a farrago, Or a made dish in court; a thing of nothing.

B. Jonson, Magn. Lady.

I return you my most thankful acknowledgements for that collection, or farrago, of prophecies, as you call them; — 'specially that of Nostrada-

Howell, Lett. iii. 22. These, crudely mixed up, made the farrago of Leslie, Truth of Christianity. the alcoran.

FA'RRAND, or FA'RAND.* n. s. [probably from fare.] Manner; custom; humour. Ray, Grose, Wilbraham's Chesh.Words, and Brockett's N. C. Words.

FA'RRANTLY.* adj. [from fare.] Orderly; decent; respectable. Westmoreland Words, and Craven Dial. Comely; handsome. Ray, and Lancashire Dial. Our old lexicography too, has, in explanation of *comly*, well *furynge* in shape. See Wilbraham's Chesh. Gloss.

FARREA'TION.* n. s. [Latin, farreatio.] Confarreation. See Confarreation. Bullokar.

FA'RRIER. n.s. [ferrier, French; ferrarius, Latin.]

1. A shoer of horses.

But the utmost exactness in these particulars belong to farriers, saddlers, smiths, and other tradesmen.

Digby.

2. One who professes the medicine of

If you are a piece of a farrier, as every groom ought to be, get sack, or strong-beer to rub your horses.

Swift.

To FA'RRIER. v. n. [from the noun.] To practise physick or chirurgery on horses.

There are many pretenders to the art of farriering and cowleeching, yet many of them are very ignorant. Mortimer.

FA'rriery.* n.s. [from farrier.] The practice of trimming the feet, and curing the diseases, of horses. The farriers of modern days have dissolved this partnership, applying farriery merely to shoeing horses, and the more stately term of veterinary art to physicking or healing the sick animal.

FA'ROW.† n. s. [Sax. pæph, a little pig; Sw. farre; Lat. verres.] A litter of pigs. Pour in sow's blood that hath litter'd Her nine farrow. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

To FA'RROW, v. a. To bring forth pigs. It is used only of swine.

Sows ready to farrow this time of the year.

The swine, although multiparous, yet being bisulcous, and only cloven-hoofed, is farrowed with open eyes, as other bisulcous animals. Brown. Ev'n her, who did her numerous offspring boast,

As fair and fruitful as the sow that carry'd The thirty pigs, at one large litter farrow'd.

FA'RSANG.* n.s. See PHARSANG.
To FARSE.* To stuff. See To FARSE.
FART. n.s. [sept, Saxon.] Wind from

behind.

Love is the fart Of every heart;

It pains a man when 'tis kept close; And others doth offend, when 'tis let loose.

To FART. v. n. [from the noun.] To break wind behind.

As when we a gun discharge,
Although the bore be ne'er so large,
Before the flame from muzzle burst,
Just at the breech it flashes first;
So from my lord his passion broke,
He farted first, and then he spoke.

FA'RTHER. adv. [This word is now generally considered as the comparative degree of far; but by no analogy can far make farther or farthest: it is therefore probable, that the ancient orthography was nearer the true, and that we ought to write further, and furthest, from forth, forther, forthest, popoop, rupoep, Saxon; the o and u, by resemblance of sound, being first confounded

in speech, and afterwards in books.] At a greater distance; to a greater distance; more remotely; beyond; moreover.

To make a perfect judgment of good pictures, when compared with one another, besides rules, there is farther required a long conversation with the best pieces.

Dryden, Dufresnoy.

They contented themselves with the opinions, fashions and things of their country, without looking any farther.

Locke.

FA'RTHER. adj. [supposed from far, more probably from forth, and to be written further.]

1. More remote.

Let me add a farther truth, that without ties of gratitude, I have a particular inclination to honour you. Dryden.

2. Longer; tending to greater distance.

Before our farther way the fates allow,

Here must we fix on high the golden bough.

FA'RTHERANCE. n. s. [more properly furtherance, from further.] Encouragement; promotion.

That was the foundation of the learning I have, and of all the fartherance that I have obtained.

Ascham, Schoolmaster.

FA'RTHERMORE. adv. [more properly furthermore.] Besides; over and above; likewise.

Farthermore the leaves, body and boughs of this tree, by so much exceed all other plants, as the greatest men of power and worldly ability surpass the meanest.

Ralegh, Hist.

To FA'RTHER. v. a. [more proper To further.] To promote; to facilitate; to advance.

He had farthered or hindered the taking of the town. Dryden.

FA'RTHEST. adj. Most distant; remotest. Yet it must be withal considered, that the greatest part of the world are they which be farthest from perfection.

Hooker.

FA'RTHEST. adv. [more properly furthest.]
See FARTHER.

1. At the greatest distance.

2. To the greatest distance.

FA'RTHING. n.s. [reopoung, Saxon, from reopen, four, that is, the fourth part of a penny.]

1. The fourth of a penny; the smallest English coin.

A farthing is the least denomination or fraction of money used in England. Cocker's Arithmetick.

Else all those things we toil so hard in,
Would not avail one single farthing.
You are not obliged to take money not of gold
or silver; not the halfpence or farthings of England.

2. Copper money.

The parish find, 'tis true; but our church-

Feed on the silver, and give us the farthings. Gay. 3. It is used sometimes in a sense hyperbolical: as, it is not worth a farthing; or proverbial.

His son builds on, and never is content, Till the last farthing is in structure spent.

Dryden, Juv.

4. A kind of division of land. Not in use.
Thirty acres make a farthing-land; nine farthings a Cornish acre; and four Cornish acres a knight's fee.

Carew.

FA'RTHINGALE. n. s. [This word has much exercised the etymology of Skinner. who at last seems to determine that it

is derived from vertu garde: if he had considered what vert signifies in Dutch, he might have found out the true sense.] A hoop; circles of whalebone used to spread the petticoat to a wide circumference.

With silken coats, and caps, and golden rings, with ruffs, and cuffs, and farthingales, and things.

Shaksneare.

Tell me,

What compass will you wear your farthingale?
Shakspeare.

Arthur wore in hall Round table, like a farthingal. Hudibras. Some will have it that it portends the downfal of the French king; and observe, that the farthingale appeared in England a little before the ruin of the Spanish monarchy. Addison. She seems a medley of all ages,

With a huge farthingale to swell her fustian stuff, A new commode, a topknot, and a ruff. Swift.

FA'RTHINGSWORTH. n. s. [farthing and worth.] As much as is sold for a farthing.

They are thy customers; I hardly ever sell

them a farthingsworth of any thing.

Arbuthnot, Hist. of John Bull.

FA'SCES. n. s. [Latin.] Rods anciently carried before the consuls as a mark of their authority.

The duke beheld, like Scipio, with disdain,

That Carthage, which he ruin'd, rise once more; And shook aloft the fasces of the main, To fright those slaves with what they felt before.

FA'SCIA. n.s. [Latin.] A fillet; a bandage.

FA'SCIATED. adj. [from fascia.] Bound with fillets; tied with a bandage. Dict. FASCIA'TION. n.s. [from fascia.] Bandage;

the act or manner of binding diseased parts.

Three especial sorts of fasciation; or rowling,

have the worthics of our profession commended to posterity.

Wiseman.

FA'SCICLE.** n. s. [Lat. fasciculus.] A bundle; a collection.

In the next fascicle you say, that I maintain some things, &c. Dr. Mayne, Serm. Oxf. 1647. p. 19.

To FA'SCINATE. v. a. [fascino, Latin.]
To bewitch; to enchant; to influence in some wicked and secret manner.

There be none of the affections which have been noted to fascinate or bewitch, but love and envy.

Bacon.
Such a fascinating sin this is, as allows men

Such a fascinating sin this is, as allows men no liberty of consideration.

Decay of Piety.

FASCINA'TION. n. s. [from fascinate.] The power or act of bewitching; enchantment; unseen inexplicable influence.

He had such a crafty and bewitching fashion, both to move pity and to induce belief, as was like a kind of fascination and enchantment to those that saw him or heard him.

Bacon.

The Turks hang old rags, or such like ugly things, upon their fairest horses, and other goodly creatures, to secure them against fascination.

There is a certain bewitchery or fascination in words which makes them operate with a force beyond what we can naturally give an account of. South.

FA'SCINE. n. s. [French.] A faggot.

The black prince passed many a river without the help of pontoons, and filled a ditch with faggots as successively as the generals of our times do with fascines.

Addison, Spect.

FA'scinous. adj. [fascinum, Lat.] Caused | 8. Rank; condition above the vulgar. It or acting by witchcraft, or enchantment. Not in use.

I shall not discuss the possibility of fascinous diseases, farther than refer to experiment.

Harvey on Consumptions.

To FASH.* v.a. [old Fr. fascher, to displease, to molest.] To vex; to teize. A word still in use in the north of Eng-

FA'SHION. † n. s. [facion, Norm. Fr.; façon, Fr. ; facies, Latin.]

1. Form: make: state of any thing with regard to its outward appearance.

They pretend themselves grieved at our solemnities in erecting churches, at their form and fashion, at the stateliness of them and costliness, and at the opinion which we have of them. Hooker. The fashion of his countenance was altered.

St. Luke, ix. 29.

Stand these poor people's friend.

Or let me lose the fashion of a man. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

2. The make or cut of cloaths.

I'll be at charges for a looking-glass, And entertain a score or two of taylors To study fashions to adorn my body.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. You, sir, I entertain for one of my hundred; only, I do not like the fashion of your garments. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

3. Manner; sort; way.

For that I love your daughter

In such a righteous fashion as I do, Perforce against all checks, rebukes, and manners.

I must advance. Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor.

Pluck Casca by the sleeve, And he will, after his sour fashion, tell you

Shaks. Jul. Cæs. What hath proceeded. The commissioners either pulled down or defaced all images in churches; and that in such unseasonable and unseasoned fashion, as if it had been done in hostility against them. Hayward.

4. Custom operating upon dress, or any domestick ornaments.

Here's the note

How much your chain weighs to the utmost carat, The fineness of the gold, the chargeful fashion. Shakspeare.

5. Custom; general practice.

Zelmane again, with great admiration, begun to speak of him; asking whether it were the fashion or no, in Arcadia, that shepherds should perform such valorous enterprizes?

Though the truth of this bath been universally acknowledged, yet because the fashion of the age is to call every thing into question, it will be requisite to satisfy men's reason about it. Tillotson.

No wonder that pastorals are falling into disesteem, together with that fashion of life upon which they were grounded. Walsh.

It was not easily reconciled to the common method; but then it was the fashion to do such

6. Manner imitated from another; way established by precedent.

Sorrow so royally in you appears,

That I will deeply put the fashion on, And wear it in my heart. Shakspeare.

7. General approbation; mode.

A young gentleman accommodates himself to the innocent diversions in fashion.

His panegyricks were bestowed only on such persons as he had familiarly known, and only at such times as others cease to praise, when out of Pope. power, or out of fashion. VOL. II.

is used in a sense below that of quality.

It is strange that men of fashion, and gentlemen, should so grossly belie their own know-Rulegh.

9. Any thing worn.

Now, by this maiden blossom in my hand, I scorn thee, and thy fashion, peevish boy. Shakspeare, H. VI.

10. The farcy, a distemper in horses; the horses leprosy. A barbarous word.

His horse is possest with the glanders, infected 3. Observant of the mode. with the fashions, and full of windgalls.

Shakspeare, Tam. of the Shrew.

11. Workmanship; the act of making a thing. A term among artists, particularly those who work in gold and silver; as, so much for the weight, and so much 4. Having rank above the vulgar, and befor the fashion.

When he is at the best, the fashion exceeds the

worth of his weight.

Overbury, Charact. The Amorist. To Fa'shion. v. a. [faconner, French, from the noun.]

1. To form; to mould; to figure. He loves me well, and I have giv'n him reasons!

He loves me well, and I'll fashion him.
Shakspeare, Jul. Cas.

Did not he that made me in the womb, make him? And did not one fashion us in the womb? Job, xxxi. 15.

The graves of the rebellious generations were already fashioned in the clouds, which soon after should swallow up all living creatures. Ral. Hist. The rib he form'd, and fashion'd with his hands;

Under his forming hands a creature grew, Man like, but different sex. Milton, P. L.

Inability will every one find in himself, who shall go about to fashion in his understanding any simple idea, not received by his senses from external objects, or by reflection from the operations of his mind about them.

How could this noble fabrick be design'd, And fashion'd, by a maker brute and blind? Could it of art such miracles invent? And raise a beauteous world of such extent?

A different toil another forge employs, Here the loud hammer fashions female toys; Each trinket that adorns the modern dame, First to these little artists ow'd its frame. Gan's Fan.

2. To fit; to adapt; to accommodate. Laws ought to be fashion'd unto the manners

and conditions of the people to whom they are meant, and not to be imposed upon them according to the simple rule of right.

Ne do, I doubt, but that ye well can fashion

Yourselves thereto, according to occasion. Spenser, Hubb. Tale.

Nature, as it grows again tow'rds earth, Is fashion'd for the journey, dull and heavy. Shakspeare, Timon.

This cardinal, Though from an humble stock undoubtedly, Was fashion'd to much honour from his cradle. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

3. To counterfeit. Not used.

It better fits my blood to be disdained of all, than to fashion a carriage to rob love from any. Shakspeare, Much Ado.

4. To make according to the rule prescribed by custom.

The value of the labour employed about one parcel of silver more than another, makes a difference in their price; and thus fashioned plate sells for more than its weight. FA'SHIONABLE. adj. [from fashion.]

1. Approved by custom; established by custom; modish.

The eminence of your condition will invite gentlemen to the study of nature, and make philosophy fashionable.

Examine how the fashionable practice of the world can be reconciled to this important doctrine of our religion. 'Tis prevailing example that hath now made it

Bentley. fashionable. 2. Made according to the mode.

Rich, fashionable robes her person deck; Pendants her ears, and pearls adorn her neck. Dryden, Ovid.

Time is like a fashionable host, That slightly shakes his parting guest by th' hand; But with his arms outstretch'd as he would fly, Grasps in the comer: welcome ever smiles And farewell goes out sighing. Sh. Troil. & Cress.

low nobility.

FA'SHIONABLENESS. † n. s. [from fashion-

 Form; state of any thing with regard to its outward appearance. Not noticed by Dr. Johnson.

Outward fashionableness comes into no account with God; that is only done which the soul doth. Bishop Hall, Contempl. B. 4.

2. Modish elegance; such appearance as is according to the present custom.

Why should they not continue to value themselves for this outside fashionableness of the taylor or tirewoman's making, when their parents have so early instructed them to do so? A fashionableness which, within a short while, will perhaps be ridiculous.

Boyle, Style of H. Scripture, p. 186. FA'SHIONABLY. adv. [from fashionable.]

In a manner conformable to custom; with modish elegance.

He must at length die dully of old age at home, when here he might so fashionably and genteelly have been duelled or fluxed into another world. South, Serm. ii. 215.

FA'SHIONER.* n. s. [from fashion.] A maker of any thing. The maker of his work [in the margin, fashioner,

of his fashion] trusteth therein. Habak. ii. 18. Save what the master fashioner calls his. B. Jonson, Masques.

Where is my fashioner? my feather-man? My linener, perfumer, barber?

B. Jonson, Staple of News. FA'SHIONIST. n. s. [from fashion.] A follower of the mode; a fop; a coxcomb.

Dict. FA'SHIONMONGER.* n. s. One who studies fashions.

This fashionmonger, each morn 'fore he rise, Contemplates suit-shapes.

Marston, Scourge of Villany, iii. 11. The curiosity of modern fashionmongers.

Fuller, Holy State, p. 290.

FA'SHIONMONGERING.* adj. Behaving like

a fashionmonger. Scambling, outfacing, fashionmongering boys.

Shakspeare, Much Ado. To FAST. v. n. [fastan, Gothick; pærcan,

Saxon.]

1. To abstain from food.

Our love is not so great, Hortensio, But we may blow our nails together,

And fast it fairly out. Shaksp. Tam. of the Shrew.

I had rather fast from all four days than drink much in one. Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. We have some meats, and breads, and drinks, so much in one. which taken by men enable them to fast long after. Bacon, New. Atlantis.

stinence.

When thou fastest, anoint thy head and wash thy face, that thou appear not unto men to fast. St. Matt. vi. 17.

Last night the very god shew'd me a vision : I fast and pray for their intelligence. Shaks. Cymb.

FAST. n. s. [from the verb.] 1. Abstinence from food.

A thousand men have broke their fasts to-day, That ne'er shall dine, unless thou yield the crown. Shakspeare.

Where will this end? Four times ten days I've

Wand'ring this woody maze, and human food Nor tasted, nor had appetite; that fust

To virtue I impute not, or count part Of what I suffer here. Milton, P. L.

Happy and innocent were the ages of our forefathers, who broke their fasts with herbs and roots; and when they were permitted flesh, eat it only dressed with hunger and fire. She's gone unkindly, and refus'd to cast
One glance to feed me for so long a fast.

Dryden, Tyran. Love.

2. Religious mortification by abstinence; religious humiliation.

We humble ourselves before God this day, not merely by the outward solemnities of a fast, but by afflicting our souls as well as bodies for our sins. Alterbury.

Nor pray'rs nor fasts its stubborn pulse restrain; Nor tears, for ages, taught to flow in vain. Pope. FAST. † adj. [Saxon part, firm; Icel. fastr,

the same.

1. Firm; immoveable. He by his strength setteth fast mountains.

Ps. lxv. 6.

Last, the sire and his three sons, With their four wives; and God made fast the Milton, P. L. door.

Be sure to find, What I foretold thee, many a hard assay Of dangers and adversities, and pains, Erethou of Israel's sceptre get fast hold. Mil. P.R.

2. Strong; impregnable.

England, by report of the chronicles, was infested with robbers and outlaws; which, lurking in woods and fast places, used often to break forth to rob and spoil. Spenser on Ireland.

3. Fixed; adhering; not separable. Lodronius, with the breaking in of the horsemen, was driven into a marsh; where, after that he, being almost fast in the deep mud, had done

the uttermost, he yielded himself. Knolles. A man in a boat, who tugs at a rope that's fast to a ship, looks as if he resolved to draw the ship Temple.

4. Deep; sound.

I have seen her rise from her bed, take paper, fold it, seal it, and again return to bed: yet all this while in a most fast sleep. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

5. Firm in adherence.

Quick wits be in desire new-fangled; in purpose, unconstant; light to promise any thing, ready to forget every thing, both benefit and injury; and thereby neither fast to friend, nor fearful to foe. Ascham, Schoolmaster.

6. Speedy; quick; swift. [from ffest, Welsh, quick.] It may be doubted whether this sense be not always ad-

This work goeth fast on, and prospereth.

Skill comes so slow, and life so fast doth fly, We learn so little, and forget so much. Davies. The prince groweth up fast to be a man, and is of a sweet and excellent disposition: it would be a stain upon you if you should mislead, or suffer him to be misled. Bacon to Villiers.

FAS 2. To mortify the body by religious ab- | 7. FAST and loose. Uncertain; variable; | 4. To stamp; to impress; to fix. inconstant; deceitful.

A rope of fair pearl, which now hiding, now hidden by the hair, did, as it were, play at fast and loose each with other, giving and receiving richness. Sidney.

If she perceived by his outward chear, That any would his love by talk bewray,

Sometimes she heard him, sometimes stopt her ear, And play'd fast and loose the live-long day. Fairfax.

The folly and wickedness of men, that think to play fast and loose with God Almighty! L'Estr.

If they cohered, yet by the next conflict with other atoms they might be separated again; and so on in an eternal vicissitude of fast and loose, without ever consociating into the huge condense bodies of planets. FAST. adv.

1. Firmly; immoveably.

Bind the boy, which you shall find with me, Shakspeare, K. John. Fast to the chair. This love of theirs myself have often seen,

Haply when they have judg'd me fast asleep. Shaks. 2. Closely; nearly. In this sense it is united with some other word, as by, or beside. Barbarossa left fourteen galleys in the lake; but the tacklings, sails, oars, and ordnance he had laid up in the casle fast by. Knolles, Hist. of the Turks.
Siloa's brook that flow'd

Fast by the oracle of God. Milton, P. L. Let purling streams be in her fancy seen, And flow'ry meads, and vales of cheerful green; And in the midst of deathless groves

Soft sighing wishes lie,

And smiling hopes fast by, And just beyond 'em ever-laughing loves. Dryden, Tyr. Love.

Fast by the throne obsequious fame resides, And wealth incessant rolls her golden tides. Pope, Odyssey.

Well known to me the palace you inquire; For fast beside it dwells my honour'd sire. Pope, Odyssey.

Here o'er the martyr-king the marble weeps, And fast beside him once fear'd Edward sleeps.

3. Swiftly; nimbly.

I would give a thousand pound I could run as Shakspeare, Hen. IV. fast as thou can'st. There streams a spring of blood so fast,

From those deep wounds, as all embru'd the face.

The heaviest muse the swiftest course has gone, As clocks run fastest when most lead is on. Pope. You are to look upon me as one going fast out of the world. Swift to Pope.

4. Frequently.

Being tried only with a promise, he gave full credit to that promise, and still gave evidence of his fidelity as fast as occasions were offered. Hammond, Pract. Catech.

To FA'STEN. v. a. [from fast.] 1. To make fast; to make firm; to fix im-

moveably. A mantle coming under her right arm, and co-

vering most of that side, had no fastening on the

Moses reared up the tabernacle, and fastened Exod. x1, 18, his sockets. By chance a ship was fasten'd to the shore,

Which from old Clusium king Osinius bore. Dryden, Æn. 2. To hold together; to cement; to link.

She had all magnetick force alone, To draw and fasten sundred parts in one. Donne. In the sea-coast of India there is no iron, which

flies not like a bird unto those mountains, and therefore their ships are fastened with wood. Brown, Vulg. Err.

3. To affix; to conjoin.

The words Whig and Tory have been pressed to the service of many successions of parties, with very different ideas fastened to them. Swift, Exam.

Thinking, by this face, To fasten in our thoughts that they have courage; But 'tis not so. Shakspeare, Jul. Cas.

5. To unite inseparably.

Their oppressors have changed the scene, and combated the opinions in their true shape, upon which they could not so well fasten their disguise. Decay of Piety.

6. To lay on with strength.

Could he fasten a blow, or make a thrust, when not suffered to approach? Dryden, En. Ded. To FA'STEN, v. n. To fix itself.

This paucity of blood may be observed in other sorts of lizards, in frogs, and other fishes; and therefore an horseleech will hardly fasten upon a Brown, Vulg. Err. He fasten'd on my neck; and bellow'd out,

As he'd burst heaven. Shakspeare, K. Lear. The wrong judgment that misleads us, and makes the will often fasten on the worse side, lies in misreporting upon comparisons.

FA'STENER. † n. s. [from fasten.] One that makes fast or firm. Sherwood. FA'stening.* n. s. [Sax. pærtnung]. That which fastens.

The beam [in the margin, piece or fastening] out of the timber shall answer it. Habak. ii. 11.

FA'STER. n. s. [from fast.] He who abstains from food. Ainsworth.

FA'STHANDED. adj. [fast and hand.] Avaricious; closehanded; closefisted; covetous.

The king being fasthanded, and loth to part with a second dowry, prevailed with the prince to be contracted with the Princess Catharine. Bacon, Hen. VII.

FASTIDIO'SITY. † n. s. [Fr. fastidiosité, Cotgrave.] Disdainfulness: contemptu-

His epidemical diseases being fastidiosity, amorphy, and oscitation. Swift, Tale of a Tub, § 5.

FASTI'DIOUS. adj. [fastidiosus, Lat. fastidieux, fastidieuse, Fr.] Disdainful; squeamish; delicate to a vice; insolently nice.

Reasons plainly delivered, and always after one manner, especially with fine and fastidious minds,

enter but heavily and dully. Bacon, Collect. of Good and Evil. Let their fastidious vain

Commission of the brain, Run on and rage, sweat, censure, and condemn,

They were not made for thee, less thou for them. Ben Jonson

A squeamish fastidious niceness, in meats and drinks, must be cured by starving. L'Estrange. All hopes, raised upon the promises or supposed kindnesses of the fastidious and fallacious great ones of the world, shall fail. South, Serm.

FASTI'DIOUSLY. adv. [from fastidious.] Disdainfully; contemptuously; squeam-

Their sole talent is pride and scorn: they look fastidiously, and speak disdainfully, concluding, if a man shall fall short of their garniture at their knees and elbows, he is much inferiour to them in the furniture of his head. Gov. of the Tongue.

FASTI'DIOUSNESS.* n. s. [from fastidious.] Squeamishness; disdainfulness.

Less licentious and more discerning times (which may be, perhaps, approaching,) will repair the omissions and fastidiousness of the present, by an eminent gratitude to the names of those, that have laboured to transmit to others, in the handsomest dress they durst give them, the truths themselves most valued.

Boyle, Style of Holy Scripture, p. 202.

FASTI'GIATE. \} adj. [fastigiatus, Lat.] Roofed; narrowed up to the top. That noted hill, the top whereof is fastigiate, like a sugar-loaf. Ray, Rem. p. 176.

FA'STING.* n. s. [from fast.] Religious

mortification. Anna - served God with fastings and prayers night and day. St. Luke, ii. 37. A second way to purify ourselves from the power of sin, is to be frequent in severe mortify-

ing duties, such as watchings and fastings. South, Serm. vi. 456. FA'STINGDAY. n. s. [fast and day.] Day of mortification by religious abstinence. Do not call it a fastingday, unless also it be a day of extraordinary devotion and of alms.

Bp. Taylor, Guide to Devotion. FA'STLY.* adv. [from fast.] Surely. Barret.

For he hath fastly founded it, Above the seas to stand.

Old Version of the Psalms, Ps. 24.

FA'STNESS. + n. s. [from fast. Sax. pærcennerre.

1. State of being fast.

The proper tone of all the parts of the body, the fastness and fulness of the flesh.

Smith, Portr. of Old Age, p. 117.

2. Firmness: firm adherence.

Such as might doubt they had given the king distaste, did contend by their forwardness and confidence to shew it was but their fastness to the former government, and that those affections ended with the time. Bacon, Beg. H. Gr. Brit.

3. Strength; security. His own wily wit-

And eke the fastness of his dwelling-place, Both unassailable, gave him great aid

Spenser, F. Q. v. ix. 5. All the places are cleared, and places of fastness laid open, which are the proper walls and castles of the Irish, as they were of the British in the times of Agricola. Davies on Ireland.

The foes had left the fastness of their place, Prevail'd in fight, and had his men in chace. Dryden, Æn.

4. A strong place; a place not easily

forced. Not far off should be Roderigo's quarter,

For in this fastness, if I be not cozen'd, He and his outlaws live. Beaum. and Fl. The Pilg. If his adversary be not well aware of him, he entrenches himself in a new fastness, and holds out the siege with a new artillery. Watts on the Mind.

5. Closeness; conciseness; not diffusion. Not used.

Bring his stile from all loose grossness to such firm fastness in Latin, as in Demosthenes.

Ascham, Schoolmaster. FA'STUOUS.† adj. [fastuosus, Lat. tueux, Fr.] Proud; haughty. Dict. The higher ranks will become fastuous, supercilious, and domineering.

Barrow on the Pope's Supremacy. FAT. † adj. [Teut. vet, Icel. feitr, fat; rær, Saxon, the past part. of ræban, to feed, according to Mr. Tooke.]

1. Full-fed; plump; fleshy; the contrary

to lean. When gods have hot backs, what shall poor men do? For me, I am here a Windsor stag, and the fattest, I think, I'the forest. Sh. M. W. of Win. Let our wives

Appoint a meeting with this old fat fellow. Shak. 'Tis a fine thing to be fat and smooth. L'Estr. Spare diet and labour will keep constitutions, where this disposition is the strongest, from being fat: you may see in an army forty thousand footsoldiers without a fat man; and I dare affirm, that by plenty and rest twenty of the forty shall Arbuthnot on Aliments.

2. Coarse; gross. [fat, French.]
We're hurry'd down

This lubrique and adult'rate age; Nay, added fat pollutions of our own, T' increase the steaming ordures of the stage. Druden.

3. Dull. See also FAT-BRAINED and FAT-WITTED.

O souls! in whom no heavenly fire is found, Fat minds, and ever-grov'ling on the ground.

Dryden, Persius. There is little or no sense in the fat parts of any

creature: hence the ancients said of any dull fellow, that he had a fat wit.

Johnston's Holy David clear'd, &c. 1706, p. 257.

Wealthy; rich.

Some are allured to law, not on the contemplation of equity, but on the promising and pleas-ing thoughts of litigious terms, fat contentions, and flowing fees. Milton.

These were terrible alarms to persons grown fat and wealthy by a long and successful imposture. South.

A fat benefice is that which so abounds with an estate and revenues, that a man may expend a great deal in delicacies of eating and drinking.

Ayliffe, Parergon.

FAT. n. s: An oily and sulphureous part of the blood, deposited in the cells of the membrana adiposa, from the innumerable little vessels which are spread amongst them. The fat is to be found immediately under the skin, in most parts of the body. There are two sorts of fat; one yellow, soft, and lax, easily melted; another firm, white, brittle, and not so easily melted, called suet or tallow. Some reckon the marrow of the bones for a third sort of fat. Quincy.

In this ointment the strangest and hardest ingredients to come by, are the moss upon the skull of a dead man unburied, and the fats of a boar and a bear killed in the act of generation.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. This membrane separates an oily liquor called fat: when the fibres are lax, and the aliment too redundant, great part of it is converted into this Arbuthnot on Aliments. oily liquor.

To FAT. v. a. [from the noun.] To make fat; to fatten; to make plump and fleshy with abundant food.

Ere this I should have fatted all the region kites With this slave's offal. Shakspeare, Hamlet. Oh how this villainy

Doth fat me with the very thoughts of it. Titus Andronicus.

They fat such enemies as they take in the wars, that they may devour them.

Abbot, Description of the World. The Caribbees were wont to geld their children, on purpose to fat and eat them. Cattle fatted by good pasturage, after violent motion, sometimes die suddenly. Arbuthnot on Diet.

To FAT. v. n. To grow fat; to grow full fleshed.

Clarence, he is well repaid; He is frank'd up to fatting for his pains.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. The one labours in his duty with a good conscience; the other, like a beast, but fatting up for

L'Estrange. the slaughter. An old ox fats as well, and is as good, as a Mortimer. young one.

FAT. n. s. [fat, Saxon; vatte, Dutch. This is generally written vat.] A vessel in which any thing is put to ferment or be soaked.

The fats shall overflow with wine and oil.

Joel, ii. 24. A white stone used for flagging floors, for cisterns and tanners' fats. Woodward on Fossils.

FA'TAL. adj. [fatalis, Lat.; fatal, Fr.] 1. Deadly; mortal; destructive; causing destruction.

O fatal maid! thy marriage is endow'd, With Phrygian, Latian, and Rutilian blood.

Dryden, Æn. A palsy in the brain is most dangerous; when it seizeth the heart or organs of breathing, fatal. Arbuthnot on Diet:

2. Proceeding by destiny; inevitable; necessary.

Others delude their trouble by a graver way of reasoning, that these things are fatal and necessary, it being in vain to be troubled at that which we cannot help.

3. Appointed by destiny.

It was fatal to the king to fight for his money; and though he avoided to fight with enemies abroad, yet he was still enforced to fight for it with rebels at home. Bacon, Hen. VII. It was

Still fatal to stout Hudibras, In all his feats of arms, when least He dreamt of it to prosper best. Hudibras. Behold the destin'd place of your abodes;

For thus Anchises prophecy'd of old, And thus our fatal place of rest foretold.

Dryden, Æn.

O race divine; For beauty still is fatal to the line. FA'TALISM.* n. s. [from fatal; Fr. fatalisme. The doctrine of those who maintain that all things happen by necessity.

Have not fatalism and Sadducism gained ground during the general passion for the corpuscularian and mechanical philosophy, which hath prevailed for about a century? Bp. Berkeley, Siris, § 331.

Our poet, it must be confessed, left several passages so expressed, as to be favourable to fatalism and necessity. Dr. Warton, Essay on Pope.

FA'TALIST. † n. s. [from fate; Fr. fataliste. One who maintains that all things happen by inevitable necessity.

Will the obstinate fatalists find sufficient apology? FATA'LITY. n. s. [fatalité, Fr. from fatal.]

1. Predestination; predetermined order or series of things and events; pre-ordination of inevitable causes acting invincibly in perpetual succession.

The stoicks held a fatality and a fixed unalterable course of events; but then they held also, that they fell out by a necessity emergent from and inherent in the things themselves, which God himself could not alter.

2. Decree of fate.

By a strange fatality men suffer their dissenting to be drawn into the stream of the present vogue. King Charles.

All the father's precaution could not secure the son from the fatality of dying by a lion. L'Estr.

3. Tendency to danger; tendency to some

great or hazardous event. Seven times seven, or forty-nine, nine times

nine, or eighty-one, and seven times nine, or the years sixty-three, is conceived to carry with it the most considerable fatality. Brown, Vulg. Err.

FA'TALLY. adv. [from fatal.]

1. Mortally; destructively; even to death. The stream is so transparent, pure and clear, That had the self-enamour'd youth gaz'd here,

So fatally deceiv'd he had not been, While he the bottom, not his face had seen. Denh.

'Tis the procession of a funeral vow, Which cruel laws to Indian wives allow, When fatally their virtue they approve; Chearful in flames, and martyrs of their love. Dryden, Aurengzebe.

2. By the decree of fate: by inevitable and invincible determination.

To say that the world was made casually by the concurrence of atoms, is to affirm that the atoms composed the world mechanically and fatally, only they were not sensible of it.

FA'TALNESS. † n. s. [from fatal.] Invin-Sherwood. cible necessity.

FA'TBRAINED.* adj. [fat and brain.] Having a dull apprehension. We now sometimes say, fat-headed.

What a wretched and peevish fellow is this

king of England, to mope with his fat-brained followers, so far out of his knowledge.

Shakspeare, Hen. V. FATE.† n. s. [fat, old French; fatum, Latin; from fari, to pronounce; fatum Dei, the will or decree of God. "In using the terms fate, decree, or destiny, we speak after the manner of men; for it being customary with us, whenever we resolve upon some distant work, to declare our intentions to persons under our influence, who may assist in completing it, and to fix a determination in our minds which may render us vigorous, and keep us watchful in the prosecution, we conceive of God as making the like declared or mental determination with regard to every spot he comprises within the plan of his Providence." Search's Freewill, Foreknowledge, and Fate, 1763, p. 208.]

1. Destiny; an eternal series of succes-

sive causes.

Necessity or chance Approach not me, and what I will is fate. Milton, P. L.

There is a necessity in fate Why still the brave bold man is fortunate. Dryd. You must obey me soon or late

Why will you vainly struggle with your fate? Druden, When empire in its childhood first appears,

A watchful fate o'ersees its rising years. Dryd. Random chance or wilful fate Guides the shaft from Cupid's bow.

2. Event predetermined.

Tell me what fates attend the duke of Suffolk?-By water shall he die and take his end. 3. Death; destruction.

Viewing a neighbouring hill, whose top of late A chapel crown'd, till in the common fate Denham.

Th' adjoining abbey fell.

Denham.

Looking, he feeds alone his famish'd eyes;

Feeds ling'ring death, but looking not, he dies; Yet still he chose the longest way to fate, Wasting at once his life and his estate. Dryden.

Courage uncertain dangers may abate; But who can bear th' approach of certain fate!

The whizzing arrow sings, And bears thy fate, Antinous, on its wings.

4. Cause of death.

With full force his deadly bow he bent, And feather'd fates among the mules and sumpters sent. Dryden.

FA'TED. adj. [from fate.] 1. Decreed by fate.

She fled her father's rage, and with a train Driven by the southern blast was fated here to

2. Determined in any manner by fate. Her aukward love indeed was oddly fated; She and her Polly were too near related. Prior.

3. Endued with any quality by fate. This structure used by Dryden is unusual. Bright Vulcanian arms,

Fated from force of steel by Stygian charms, Dryden, Æn. Suspended shone on high.

4. Invested with the power of fatal determination. Peculiar to Shakspeare. Thy fated sky

Gives us free scope. Shakspeare.

FA'THER. † n. s. [ræðep, Saxon. This word is found likewise in the Persian language, Dr. Johnson says. northern languages give fader, vader, or fater, which lead to the Lat. pater, and Gr. πατηρ; and the Persian word is pader. The Goth. fadrein signifies pa-

1. He by whom the son or daughter is

begotten.

Father is a notion superinduced to the substance, or man, and refers only to an act of that thing called man, whereby he contributed to the generation of one of his own kind.

Son of Bensalem, thy father saith it; the man by whom thou hast breath and life speaketh the Bacon.

He shall forget Father and mother, and to his wife adhere. Milton, P. L.

2. The first ancestor.

It was said It should not stand in thy posterity; But that myself should be the root and father Of many kings. Shakspeare, Macbeth. Abraham is the father of us all. Rom. iv. 16.

3. The appellation of an old man.

A poor blind man was accounted cunning in prognosticating weather: Epsom, a lawyer, said in scorn, Tell me, father, when doth the sun change? The old man answered, when such a wicked lawyer as you goeth to heaven. Camden.

4. The title of any man reverend for age, learning, and piety.

You shall find one well accompanied With reverend fathers and well learned bishops.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. 5. One who has given original to any thing

good or bad. Jubal was the father of all such as handle the harp and organ.

Father of verse. Pope. 6. The ecclesiastical writers of the first centuries.

Men may talk of the fathers, and magnify the fathers, and seem to make the authority of the fathers next to infallible; and yet expose them to Stillingfleet. contempt.

7. One who acts with paternal care and tenderness.

I was a father to the poor. Job, xxix. 16. He hath made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house.

Gen. xlv. 8.

8. The title of a popish confessor, particularly of a Jesuit.

Formal in apparel, In gait and countenance surely like a father.

Shakspeare. There was a father of a convent, very much renowned for his piety and exemplary life; and as persons under any great affliction applied themselves to the most eminent confessors, our beautiful votary took the opportunity of confessing herself to this celebrated father. Addison.

Dryden. 9. The title of a senator of old Rome.

From hence the race of Alban fathers come, And the long glories of majestick Rome.

Dryden, Virg. 10. The appellation of the first person of the adorable Trinity.

The eternal Son of God esteemed it his meat and drink to do the will of his Father, and for his obedience alone obtained the greatest glory.

Bp. Taylor, Rule of living holy. 11. The compellation of God as Creator.

We have one Father, even God. St. John, viii. 41.

Almighty and most merciful Father. Common Prayer.

FA'THER-IN-LAW. n. s. [from father.] The father of one's husband or wife. I must make my father-in-law a visit with a

great train and equipage. Addison, Spect.

To FA'THER. v.a.

1. To take; to adopt as a son or daughter. Ay, good youth,

And rather father thee than master thee.

Shakspeare, Cym.

2. To supply with a father, of certain qua-

I am no stronger than my sex,

Being so father'd and so husbanded. Shakspeare, Jul. Cas.

How light and portable my pain seems now, When that which makes me bend makes the king how !

He childed as I father'd. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

3. To adopt a composition.

Men of wit, Often father'd what he writ.

4. To ascribe to any one as his offspring,

or production: with on. And lest we seem to father any thing upon

them more than is their own, let them read.

My name was made use of by several persons, one of which was pleased to father on me a new set of productions. Magical relations comprehend effects derived

and fathered upon hidden qualities, whereof, from received grounds of art, no reasons are derived. Brown, Vulg. Err.

FA'THERHOOD. n.s. [from father.] The character of a father, the authority of a father.

Who can abide, that against their own doctors, both of the middle and latest age, six whole books should by their fatherhoods of Trent be, under pain of a curse, imperiously obtruded upon God and his church? Bp. Hall.

We might have had an entire notion of this fatherhood, or fatherly authority.

Lucke.

FA'THERLESS. † adj. [Sax. pæðeplear.] 1. Wanting a father; destitute of a father.

Ye shall not afflict any widow, or fatherless Ex. xxii. Our fatherless distress was left unmoan'd;

Your widow dolours likewise be unwept. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

The fatherless hath no friend. Sandys. He caught his death the last county sessions, where he would go to see justice done to a poor widow woman and her fatherless children. Addison, Spect.

2. Wanting authority.

There's already a thousand fatherless tales nongst us.

Beaum. and Fl. Philaster. amongst us.

FA'THERLINESS. † n. s. [from father.] The tenderness of a father; parental kind-Sherwood.

FA'THERLY. adj. [from father.] Paternal; like a father; tender; protecting; care-

Let me but move one question to your daughter, And, by that fatherly and kindly power

That you have in her, bid her answer truly. Shak. The part which describes the fire, I owe to the piety and fatherly affection of our monarch to his suffering subjects. Druden.

FA'THERLY. + adv. In the manner of a father.

There goeth our good shepherd from us, that so faithfully hath taught us, so fatherly hath cared for us. Fox, Acts and Mon. of Dr. R. Taylor. Thus Adam, fatherly displeas'd:

O execrable son! so to aspire

Above his brethren! Milton, P. L.

FA'THOM. † n. s. [ræbem, ræðim, Saxon; Teut. vadem; our own word was formerly written fadom.]

1. A measure of length containing six foot, or two yards; the space to which a man can extend both arms.

The extent of this fathom, or distance between the extremity of the fingers of either hand upon expansion, is equal unto the space between the sole of the foot and the crown.

The arms spread cross in a streight line, and measured from the end of the long finger on one hand, to that of the other, a measure equal to the stature, is named a fathom.

2. It is the usual measure applied to the depth of the sea, when the line for sounding is called the fathomline. Dive into the bottom of the deep,

Where fathom-line could never touch the ground.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. 3. Reach; penetration; depth of contrivance; compass of thought.

Another of his fathom they have none Shakspeare, Othello. To lead their business. You have blown his swoln pride to that vastness,

As he believes the earth is in his fathom. Beaum. and Fl. The Prophetess.

To FA'THOM. † v. α. [from the noun.]

1. To encompass with the arms extended or encircling.

2. To reach; to master.

Leave, leave to fathom such high points as these; Nor be ambitious, ere the time, to please.

Dryden, Pers.

3. To sound; to try with respect to the depth. Tis too strong for weak heads to try the heights and fathom the depths of his flights.

Felton on the Classicks. Our depths who fathoms. Pope.

4. To penetrate into; to find the bottom or utmost extent: as, I cannot fathom

But juster fates denied; nor would Another land that genius hold, As could beyond all wonder hurl'd, Fathom the intellectual world.

J. Hall, Poems, (1646,) p. 41.

FA'THOMER.* n. s. [from fathom.] One who is employed in fathoming.

Sherwood.

FA'THOMLESS. † adj. [from fathom.]

1. That of which no bottom can be found. God, in the fathomless profound, Hath all his choice commanders drown'd.

Sandys, Paraphr. Exod. xv. (1648.) You will be swallow'd up, horse and man, into a fathomless lake of ill-scented mire.

More, Antid. against Idolatry, Pref.

2. That of which the circumference cannot be embraced.

Will you with counters sum The vast proportion of his infinite; And buckle in a waste most fathomless, With spans and inches so diminutive As fears and reasons? Shaks. Troil. and Cress.

FATI'DICAL. † adj. [fatidicus, Latin; fatidique, Fr.] Prophetick; having the power to foretel future events.

The oak, of all other trees only fatidical, told them what a fearful unfortunate business this Howell, Voc. For. would prove.

If it be true, what the ancients write of some trees, that they are fatidical, these come to foretel, at leastwise to wish you, as the season invites me, a good new-year. Howell, Lett. iv. 37. Fatidical voices, delivered by none knows whom,

apparitions of ghosts, ominations by words. Spenser on Prodigies, p. 102.

FATI'FEROUS.adj. [fatifer, Latin.] Deadly; mortal; destructive.

FA'TIGABLE.† adj. [fatigable, old Fr.] Easily wearied; susceptible of weari-

To FA'TIGATE. † v. a. [fatigo, Latin.] To weary; to fatigue; to tire; to exhaust with labour; to oppress with lassitude. Not in use.

Fabius at the last did so fatigate him and his host, that thereby in conclusion his power minished. Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 167. b.

FA'TIGATE.* adj. [from the verb.] Wearied; worn out. Obsolete.

Readers, fatigate with long precepts, desire variety of matter. Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 122. By and by the din of war 'gan pierce

His ready sense; then straight his doubled spirit Requicken'd what in flesh was fatigate, Shaksp. Coriol. And to the battle came he.

FATIGA'TION.* n. s. [old Fr. fatigation.] Huloet, and Bullokar. Weariness. The earth alloweth man nothing, but at the price of his sweat and fatigation.

W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. P. I. (1648,) p. 877. FATI'GUE. † n. s. [fatigue, French; fatigo, Latin.]

1. Weariness; lassitude.

All day the vacant eye without fatigue Strays o'er the heav'n and earth.

2. The cause of weariness; labour; toil. The great Scipio sought honours in his youth, and endured the fatigues with which he purchased

To FATI'GUE. v. a. [fatiguer, French; fatigo, Latin.] To tire; to weary; to harass with toil; to exhaust with labour. The man who struggles in the fight,

Fatigues left arm as well as right. FATKI'DNEYED. adj. [fat and kidney.] Fat: by way of reproach or contempt.

Peace, ye fatkidney'd rascal; what a brawling Shaksp. Hen. IV dost thou keep!

FA'TLING. n. s. [from fat.] A young animal fed fat for the slaughter.

The calf and the young lion, and the fatling shall lie down together, and a little child shall lead Isaiah, xi. 6. them.

FA'TLY.* adv. [from fat.] Grossly; greas-Cotgrave, and Sherwood.

FA'TNER. n.s. [from fat.] That which gives fatness.

The wind was west, on which the philosopher bestowed the encomium of fatner of the earth.

FA'TNESS. † n. s. [from fat. Sax. pærnýjje.] 1. The quality of being fat, plump, or full-fed.

2. Fat: grease; fulness of flesh.

And by his side rode loathsome gluttony, Deformed creature, on a filthy swine; His belly was upblown with luxury, And eke with fatness swollen were his eyen.

Spenser, F. Q.

3. Unctuous or greasy matter. Earth and water, mingled by the help of the sun, gather a nitrous fatness. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

4. Oleaginousness; sliminess; unctuous-

But the olive-tree said unto them, Should I leave my fatness, wherewith by me they honour God and man, and go to be promoted over the trees? Judges, ix. 9.

By reason of the fatness and heaviness of the ground, Egypt did not produce metals, wood, pitch, and some fruits. Arbuthnot.

5. Fertility; fruitfulness.

God give thee of the dew of heaven, and the fatness of the earth, and plenty of corn and wine. Gen. xxvii. 28.

That which causes fertility. When around

The clouds drop fatness, in the middle sky The dew suspended staid, and left unmoist The execrable glebe. Philips.

Vapours and clouds feed the plants of the earth with the balm of dews and the fatness of showers.

To FA'TTEN. v. a. [Sax. pættian.] 1. To feed up; to make fleshy; to plump with fat.

Frequent blood-letting, in small quantities, often increaseth the force of the organs of digestion, and fatteneth and increaseth the distemper. Arbuthnot on Diet.

2. To make fruitful.

Town of stuff to fatten land. Lib. Londinensis. Dare not, on thy life,

Touch ought of mine; This falchion else, not hitherto withstood, These hostile fields shall fatten with thy blood. Dryden.

3. To feed grossly; to encrease. Obscene Orontes Conveys his wealth to Tyber's hungry shores,

And fattens Italy with foreign whores Dryden, Juv.

To FA'TTEN. v. n. [from fat.] To grow fat; to be pampered; to grow fleshy. All agree to spoil the publick good, And villains fatten with the brave man's labour.

Otway. Apollo check'd my pride, and bad me feed My fatt'ning flocks, nor dare beyond the reed.

Yet then this little spot of earth well till'd, A num'rous family with plenty fill'd, The good old man and thrifty housewife spent Their days in peace, and fatten'd with content; Enjoy'd the dregs of life, and liv'd to see A long-descending healthful progeny Dryden, Juv.

Tygers and wolves shall in the ocean breed, The whale and dolphin fatten on the mead, And every element exchange its kind, When thriving honesty in courts we find.

FA'TTENER.* See FATNER.

FA'TTINESS.* n. s. [from fatty.] Grossness; fulness of flesh. Sherwood.

FA'TTISH.* adj. [from fat.] Inclining to Sherwood.

FA'TTY. adj. [from fat.] Unctuous; oleaginous; greasy; partaking of the nature of fat.

The like cloud, if oily or fatty, will not discharge; not because it sticketh faster, but because air preyeth upon water, and flame and fire upon oil.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. The gourd

And thirsty cucumber, when they perceive Th' approaching olive, with resentment fly Her fatty fibres, and with tendrils creep Philips. Diverse, detesting contact.

The common symptoms of the muriatick scurvy are, a saline taste in the spittle, and a lixivial urine, sometimes with a fatty substance like a thin skin Arbuthnot on Aliments.

FA'TUOUS.† adj. [fatuus, Latin.] 1. Stupid; foolish; feeble of mind.

In the same instant that I feel the first attempt of the disease, I feel the victory; in the twinkling of an eye I can scarce see; instantly the taste is insipid and fatuous. Donne, Devot. (1625,) p. 25.

We pity or laugh at those futuous extravagants, while yet ourselves have a considerable dose of what makes them so.

2. Impotent; without force; illusory; alluding to an ignis fatuus.

And when that flame finds combustible earth, Thence fatuous fires and meteors take their birth.

FATU'ITY. n. s. [fatuité, French; from fatuous.] Foolishness; weakness of mind; morbid feebleness of intellect.

It had argued a very short sight of things, and extreme fatuity of mind in me, to bind my own King Charles. hands at their request.

These symptoms were so high in some as to produce a sort of fatuity or madness.

Arbuthnot on Air.

FA'TWITTED. adj. [fat and wit.] Heavy; dull; stupid.

Thou art so fatwitted with drinking old sack, and unbuttoning thee after supper, and sleeping upon benches in the afternoon, that thou hast for-Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

FA'UCET. n. s. [fausset, French; fauces, Latin.] The pipe inserted into a vessel to give vent to the liquor, and stopped up by a peg or spigot. It is sometimes improperly written fosset.

You were out a good wholesome forenoon in hearing a cause between an orange-wife and a fosset-seller, and adjourned a controversy of threepence to a second audience. Shakspeare.

If you are sent down to draw drink, and find it will not run, blow strongly into the faucet, and it will immediately pour into your mouth.

Swift, Direct. to the Butler.

FA'UCHION. n. s. [old Fr. fauchon, Lat. falx. See FALCHION.] A crooked sword.

The fauchion passed through his neck. A stately tomb, whose top a trumpet bore; A soldier's fauchion, and a seaman's oar.

Dryden, Æn.

FA'UFEL. n. s. [French.] The fruit of a species of the palm-tree.

FAVI'LLOUS. adj. [favilla, Latin.] Con-

sisting of ashes.

As to foretelling of strangers, from the fungous particles about the wicks of the candle, it only signifieth a moist air about them, hindering the avolation of light and the favillous particles. Brown, Vulg. Err.

FA'VEL.* n. s. [old Fr. favele, a fable.]

Deceit. Obsolete. There was falsehood, favel, and jollity. Yea, thieves, and whores

Old Morality of Hycke-Scorner. FA'VEL.* adj. [Fr. fauveau, Lat. flavus.] FALLOW, and To CURRY Favour.

FAUGH.* An interjection of abhorrence. See Fon.

FA'ULCON. See FALCON. FA'ULCONRY.

FAULT. + n. s. fold Fr. falte, Lacombe, 1460; faulte, Cotgrave; faute and faut, modern; the third person singular of the indicative of the verb falloir, it fails, fault, i. e. fallit. So the Span. faltar means to be deficient. The Teut. faute, and the Su. Goth. faat, also signify defect. Dr. Johnson thinks that the l in our word is sometimes sounded, and sometimes mute; and that it is in conversation generally suppressed. This I conceive to be not the case; no person of tolerable education would expose himself to the charge of ignorance or affectation by leaving out the *l* in the pronunciation of fault.]

1. Offence; slight crime; somewhat liable

to censure or objection.

The prophet chuseth rather to charge them with the fault of making a law unto themselves, than the crime of transgressing a law which God had

He finds no fault with their opinion about the true God, but only that it was not clear and dis-Stilling fleet. tinct enough.

He that but conceives a crime in thought, Contracts the danger of an actual fault: Then what must be expect that still proceeds To commit sin, and work up thoughts to deeds?

Dryden. If you like not my poem, the fault may possibly be in my writing; but more probably 'tis in

your morals, which cannot bear the truth of it. Dryden. They wholly mistake the nature of criticism. who think its business is principally to find fault. Dryden.

To be desirous of a good name, and careful to do every thing, that we innocently may, to obtain it, is so far from being a fault, even in private persons, that it is their great and indispensible

Before his sacred name flies ev'ry fault, And each exalted stanza teems with thought.

Which of our thrum-cap'd ancestors found fault, For want of sugar-tongs or spoons for salt? King. Being void of all friendship and enmity, they

never complain, nor find fault with the times. Swift.

2. Defect; want; absence.

I could tell to thee, as to one it pleases me, for fault of a better, to call my friend, I could be sad, and sad indeed too. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

3. Puzzle; difficulty: as, the enquirer is at a fault.

We are not only at a fault, in the hunters' term; but at a rest, as if we were playing at tennis.

Sir H. Wotton, Lett. Rem. p. 550.

4. Misfortune. Not now in use.

Bawd. You are lit into my hands, where you are like to live.

Marina. The more my fault, To 'scape his hands, where I was like to die. Shakspeare, Pericles.

To FAULT. v. n. [from the noun.] To be wrong; to fail.

Which moved him rather in eclogues than otherwise to write, minding to furnish our tongue in this kind wherein it faulteth.

E.K. on Spenser's Shep. Cal.

Yellow; fallow; dun. Obsolete. See To FAULT. v.a. To charge with a fault; to accuse.

For that I will not fault thee, But for humbleness exalt thee. Old Song.

Bp. Hall, Sat. I. 2. Whom should I fault? For which only [bodily uncleanness] had they dismissed their wives, our Saviour had neither faulted their gloss nor their practice.

Bp. Hall, Cases of Cons. iv. 2. That which is to be faulted in this particular is, when the grief is immoderate and unreasonable.

Bp. Taylor, Holy Dying, v. § 8. God's house is abused by them which bring hither hawks and dogs, which is faulted in our

Shelford's Learned Discourses, (1635,) p. 54. FA'ULTER. † n. s. [from fault.] An of-

fender; one who commits a fault. Then she, Behold the faulter here in sight; This hand committed that supposed offence.

Fairfax. With my sweet words I could the King per-

And make him pause, and take therein a breath, Till I, with suit, the faulter's peace had made.

Mir. for Mag. p. 499.

To FA'ULTER.* See To FALTER.

FA'ULTFINDER. † n. s. [fault and find.] A censurer; an objector.

Other pleasant faultfinders, who will correct the verb before they understand the noun.

Sidney, Def. of Poesy. Be thou no sharp faultfinder, but an admonisher without upbraiding.

Transl. of Bullinger's Serm. p. 241. FA'ULTFUL.* adj. [fault and full.] Full

So fares it with this faultful lord of Rome. Shakspeare, Rape of Lucrece.

FA'ULTILY. † adv. [from faulty.] Not rightly; improperly; defectively; erroneous-Sherwood.

The former impression was exhausted, and very faultily printed. Abp. Cranmer. Pref. to the Bible.

FA'ULTINESS. † n. s. [from faulty.]

1. Badness; vitiousness; evil disposition. When her judgement was to be practised in knowing faultiness by his first tokens, she was like a young fawn, who coming in the wind of the hunters, doth not know whether it be a thing or no to be eschewed.

2. Delinquency; actual offences.

The inhabitants will not take it in evil part, that the faultiness of their people heretofore is laid

3. Imperfection; defect; unfitness for use. If these objections are just, what have I done but discovered the faultiness of a commodity,

which Mr. Warburton had put off upon them, and they were, though innocently, putting off upon the publick, for good ware? Edwards, Can. of Criticism. Pref.

FA'ULTLESS. adj. [from fault.] Exempt from fault; perfect; completely excel-

Where for our sins he faultless suffered pain, There where he died, and where he liv'd again. Fairfax.

Who durst thy faultless figure thus deface! Dryden, Æn.

Whoever thinks a faultless piece to see, Thinks what ne'er was, or is, nor e'er shall be.

FA'ULTLESSNESS.* n. s. [from faultless.] The state of being perfect.

FA'ULTY. adj. [faultif, French, from fault.]

1. Guilty of a fault; blameable; criminal; not innocent.

The king doth speak as one which is faulty. 2 Sam. xiv. 13.

Can thus

The image of God in man, created once So goodly and erect, though faulty since! To such unsightly sufferings be debas'd? Milton, P.L.

2. Wrong; erroneous.

The form of polity by them set down for perpetuity, is three ways faulty; faulty in omitting some things which in Scripture are of that nature, as, namely, the difference that ought to be of pastors, when they grow to any great multitude; faulty in requiring doctors, deacons, and widows, as things of perpetual necessity by the law of God, which in truth are nothing less; faulty also in urging some things by Scripture mutable, as their lay elders.

3. Defective; bad in any respect; not fit

for the use intended.

By accident of a faulty helmet that Parker had on, he was stricken into the mouth at the first course, so that he died presently.

Bacon, Hen. VII. FAUN.* n. s. [Lat. Faunus.] A sort of

inferiour heathen deity, pretended to inhabit the woods.

Fauns, or sylvans, be of poets feigned to be gods of the wood. E. K. on Spenser's Shep. Calendar.

Rough Satyrs danc'd, and Fauns with cloven

From the glad sound would not be absent long. Milton, Lycidas.

FA'UNIST.* n. s. [from faun.] One who attends to rural disquisitions; a naturalist. Modern.

Some future faunist, a man of fortune, will, I hope, extend his visits to Ireland; a new field to White's Selborne, p. 107. the naturalist.

To FAVOUR. † v. a. [faveo, Lat.]

1. To support; to regard with kindness; to be propitious to; to countenance.

Of all the race of silver-winged flies Was none more favourable, nor more fair, Whilst Heaven did favour his felicities, Than Clarion, the eldest son and heir

Of Muscarol. Spenser, Muiopotmos. The self-same gods that arm'd the queen of Troy,

May favour Tamora the queen of Goths.

Titus Andronicus. Bacon, Nat. Hist. Men favour wonders. Fortune so favoured him, that the town at his first coming surrendered unto him.

Knolles, Hist. of the Turks. The good Æneas am I call'd; a name, While fortune favour'd, not unknown to fame.

Dryden. Oh happy youth! and favour'd of the skies,

Distinguish'd care of guardian deities.

2. To assist with advantages or conve-

niences. No one place about it is weaker than another,

to favour an enemy in his approaches. Addison, Whig-Examiner.

3. To resemble in feature. The porter owned that the gentleman favoured

his master.

4. To resemble in any respect. The complexion of the element

Is favour'd like the work we have in hand, Most bloody, fiery, and most terrible. Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs.

5. To conduce to; to contribute.

FA'vour. n. s. [favor, Lat. faveur, Fr.] Countenance; kindness: kind regard; propitious aspect: with of before the

It pleas'd your majesty to turn your looks Of favour from myself, and all our house.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. The child Samuel was in favour, both with the Lord and also with men. 1 Sam. ii. 26.

They got not the land by their own sword; but thy right hand and thine arm, and the light of thy countenance, because thou hast a favour unto Psalm xliv. 3.

His dreadful navy, and his lovely mind, Gave him the fear, and favour of mankind. Waller.

This favour, had it been employed on a more deserving subject, had been an effect of justice in your nature; but, as placed on me, is only charity. Dryden, Aurengz. Pref.

2. Support; defence; vindication; inclination to favour: with of before the thing favoured.

The pleasures which these Scriptures ascribe to religion, are of a kind very different from those in favour of which they are here alleged. Rogers.

At play, among strangers, we are apt to find our hopes and wishes engaged on a sudden in favour of one side more than another.

They were invited from all parts for the use of kings, princes, and ministers. And, in short, the favour of learning was the humour and mode of the age.

Kindness granted; benevolence shewn. All favours and punishments passed by him, all offices and places of importance were distributed

to his favourites. The race is not to the swift, nor yet favour to men of skill. Eccl. ix. 11.

O, my royal master! The gods, in favour to you, made her cruel. A. Philips.

4. Lenity; mildness: mitigation of punishment.

I could not discover the lenity and favour of this sentence; but conceived it rather to be rigorous than gentle.

5. Leave: good will; pardon.

Worthy Macbeth, we stay upon your leisure. - Give me your favour; my dull brain was wrought

With things forgot. Shakspeare.

Yet ere we enter into open act, With favour, 'twere no loss if't might be inquir'd What the condition of these arms would be.

R. Janson. Come down, said Reynard, let us treat of peace: A peace, with all my soul, said Chanticleer But, with your favour, I will treat it here. Dryden.

6. Object of favour; person or thing fa-

All these his wond'rous works, but chiefly man, His chief delight and favour; him, for whom All these his works so wond'rous he ordain'd. Milton, P. L.

7. Something given by a lady to be worn.

And every one his love suit will advance Unto his several mistress, which they'll know

By favours several which they did bestow. Shaks.
It is received that it helpeth to continue love, if one wear the hair of the party beloved; and perhaps a glove, or other like favour, may as well do Bacon, Nat. Hist.

A blue ribband tied round the sword-arm, I conceive to be the remains of that custom of wearing a mistress's favour on such occasions of old.

8. Any thing worn openly as a token. Here, Fluellen, wear thou this favour for me, Shakspeare, Hen. V. and stick it in thy cap.

9. Feature; countenance. It is now little used.

That is only suitable in laying a foul complexion upon a filthy favour, setting forth both in sluttish-Young though thou art, thine eye

Hath staid upon some favour that it loves. Shaks. Disseat thy favour with an usurped beard.

Shakspeare, Othello. There's no goodness in thy face: if Antony Be free and healthful, why so tart a favour

To trumpet such good tidings? Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. Yet well I remember

The favours of these men: were they not mine? Did they not sometime cry, all hail! to me? Shakspeare, Rich. II.

A youth of fine favour and shape. Bacon, Hen. VII. By their virtuous behaviour they compensate

the hardness of their favour, and by the pulchritude of their souls, make up what is wanting in the beauty of their bodies.

FA'VOURABLE. adj. [favorable, French; favorabilis, Latin.]

1. Kind; propitious; affectionate. Famous Plantagenet! most gracious prince, Lend favourable ear to our requests.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. 2. Palliative; tender; averse from censure.

None can have the favourable thought, That to obey a tyrant's will they fought. Dryd. Juv. 3. Conducive to; contributing to; pro-

pitious. People are multiplied in a country by the tem-

per of the climate, favourable to generation, health, and long life.

Accommodate; convenient.

Many good officers were willing to stay there, as a place very favourable for the making levies of Clarendon. men.

5. Beautiful; well favoured; well featured. Obsolete.

Of all the race of silver-winged flies Which do possess the empire of the air, Was none more favourable, nor more fair,-

Than Clarion, the eldest son and heir Spenser, Muiopotmos. ()f Muscarol.

FA'vourableness.† n. s. [from favourable.] Kindness; benignity. Sherwood. To the favourableness of your ladyship's censure—be pleased to add the favour of your pardon. Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 198.

FA'VOURABLY. adv. [from favourable.] Kindly; with favour; with tenderness;

with kind regard.

Touching actions of common life, there is not any defence more favourably heard than theirs who allege sincerely for themselves, that they did as necessity constrained them. She goeth about seeking such as are worthy of

her, and sheweth herself favourably unto them in The violent will condemn the character of Ab-

salom, as either too favourably or too hardly drawn. Druden. We are naturally inclined to think favourably of

those we love.

FA'voured. † participial adj. [from favour.] Regarded with kindness.

Oft with some favour'd traveller they stray, And shine before him all the desert way.

Pope, Odyssey.

2. Featured. See the ninth sense of the substantive favour. Always conjoined with well or ill, Dr. Johnson says, citing only Spenser, and the Bible. But this is not exclusively the case, as the other example, which I add, will shew, and which indeed exhibits a word still common in conversation.

Of her there bred A thousand young ones which she daily fed; Sucking upon her poisonous dugs, each one

Of sundry shape, yet all ill-favoured. Spens. F. Q. The ill-favoured and lean-fleshed kine did eat

up the seven well-favoured and fat kine.

Genesis, xli. 4. Bridget Howd'ye, late servant to the lady Fardingale, a short, thick, lively, hard-favoured wench. Tatler, No. 245. FA'VOUREDLY. adv. [from favoured.] Al-

ways joined with well or ill, in a fair or foul way; with good or bad appearance.

FA'vouredness.* n. s. [from favoured.] Usually joined with well or ill; ap-

Thou shalt not sacrifice unto the Lord thy God any bullock or sheep, wherein is blemish or an evil-favouredness. Deut. xvii. 1.

FA'vourer. n. s. [from favour.] One who favours; one who regards with kindness or tenderness; a well wisher; a friend.

If we should upbraid them with irreligious, as they do us with superstitious favourers, the answer which herein they would make us, let them apply unto themselves.

Do I not know you for a favourer Of this new sect? ye are not sound.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

Being now a favourer to the Briton. Shakspeare, Cymb.

Conjure their friends they had, labour for more, Solicit all reputed favourers. Daniel, Civil Wars.

All the favourers of magick were the most profest and bitter enemies to the Christian religion. Addison.

FA'vouress.* n. s. [from favour.] She who countenances, or supports, or regards with kindness. Not used.

The lady Margaret Alençon, a principal favouress of the protestant religion.

Dr. Hakewill's Answ. to Dr. Carrier, 1616, p.184. FA'VOURITE.† n. s. [favori, favorit, Fr.

favorita, Ital.]

1. A person or thing beloved; one regarded with favour; any thing in which pleasure is taken; that which is regarded with particular approbation or affection.

A favourite has no friend,

2. One chosen as a companion by a superiour; a mean wretch whose whole business is by any means to please.

All favours and punishments passed by him, all offices and places of importance were distributed

to his favourites.

I was a Thessalian gentleman, who, by mischance, having killed a favourite of the prince of that country, was pursued so cruelly, that in no place but by favour or corruption they would obtain my destruction.

The great man down, you mark, his fav'rite, flies;

The poor advanc'd, makes friends of enemies. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

Bid her steal into the plashed bower, Where honeysuckles, ripen'd by the sun, Forbid the sun to enter; like to favourites,

Made proud by princes that advance their pride Against that power that bred it.

Shakspeare. Nothing is more vigilant, nothing more jealous than a favourite, especially towards the waining time, and suspect of satiety. Wotton. This man was very capable of being a great fa-

vourite to a great king. Clarendon.
What fav'rites gain, and what the nation owes, Fly the forgetful world.

FA'vourite.* adj. Beloved; regarded with favour. The two following ex-

ary as illustrations of the substantive; and of the adjective no notice is taken.

Every particular master in criticism has his favourite passages in an author. Addison, Spect. So fathers speak, persuasive speech and mild! Their sage experience to the favourite child.

Pope, Odyssey.

FA'vouritism.* n. s. [from favourite.] Exercise of power by favourites.

A plan of favouritism for our executory govern-ment is essentially at variance with the plan of our

Burke, Thoughts on the Pres. Discontents. FA'vourless. adj. [from favour.]

1. Unfavoured; not regarded with kindness; having no patronage; without countenance.

2. Unfavouring; unpropitious.

Of that Goddess I have sought the sight, Yet no where can her find; such happiness Heaven doth me envy, and fortune favourless. Spenser, F. Q.

FA'usen. n. s. A sort of large eel. He left the waves to wash;

The wave sprung entrails, about which fausens and other fish Chapman, Iliads. Did shole.

FA'USSEBRAYE. n. s. A small mount of earth, four fathom wide, erected on the level round the foot of the rampart, to fire upon the enemy, when he is so far advanced that you cannot force him back; and also to receive the ruins which the cannons make in the body of the Harris. place,

FA'UTOR. n. s. [Lat. fauteur, Fr.] Favourer; countenancer; supporter.

I am neither author or fautor of any sect: I will have no man addict himself to me; but, if I have any thing right, defend it as truth's, not

B. Jonson. The new mountain in the Lucrine lake, which is alleged by the fautors of this opinion, as an in-

stance in behalf of it, was not raised thus.

FA'utress. n. s. [fautrix, Lat. fautrice, Fr.] A woman that favours, or shows countenance.

It made him pray, and prove Minerva's aid his fautress still. Chapman, Iliads. He comes from banishment to the fautress of

liberty, from the barbarous to the polite. Garth, Dedic. to Ovid.

FAWN. † n. s. [faon, Fr. from fan, in old Fr. a child probably from infans, Latin, Dr. Johnson says. Fan is the old French word for a fawn itself, or for the young of any beast. V. Cotgrave in Fan. Borel derives it from infans.] A young deer.

Looking my love, I go from place to place, Like a young fawn that late hath lost the hind; And seek each where, where last I saw her face, Whose image yet I carry fresh in mind.

Spenser, Sonnets. The buck is called the first year a fawn, the cond year a pricket. Shaks. L. Lab. Lost. second year a pricket. The colt hath about four years of growth; and so the fawn, and so the calf. Bacon, Nat. Hist. Who for thy table feeds the wanton fawn,

For him as kindly spreads the flow'ry lawn. Pope. To bring To FAWN.* v. n. [Fr. faonner.] forth a fawn. Cotgrave, and Sherwood.

The does then do fawn. Bullokar, in V. Fencemouth.

amples stand in Dr. Johnson's Diction- | To FAWN. + v. n. Fof uncertain original; perhaps a contraction of the French fanfan, a term of fondness for children, Dr. Johnson says; but it is perhaps from the Sax, rezenian, which bears the meaning of to speak fair, to wheedle.]

> 1. To court by frisking before one; as a The dog straight fawned upon his master for old

knowledge. Holding Corioli in the name of Rome.

Even like a fawning greyhound. Shaks. Coriol. 2. To court by any means. Used by animals.

Instead thereof he kiss'd her weary feet, And lick'd her lily hands with fawning tongue,

As he her wrong'd innocence did weet, Spens. F. Q. Is it not strange that a rational man should worship an ox? that he should fawn upon his dog? bow himself before a cat? and adore leeks and garlick?

3. To court servilely.

My love, forbear to fawn upon their frowns; What danger or what sorrow can befal thee, So long as Edward is thy constant friend?

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. And thou, sly hypocrite, who now would'st be Patron of liberty, who more than thou

Once fawn'd, and cring'd, and servilely ador'd Heav'n's awful monarch? Milton, P. L. Whom Ancus follows with a fawning air;

But vain within, and proudly popular. Dryd. En. Dext'rous the craving fawning crowd to quit, And pleas'd to 'scape from flattery to wit. Pope. FAWN. + n. s. A servile cringe: low flattery.

You will rather shew our gentle lowts How you can frown, than spend a fawn upon

them For the inheritance of their loves. Shaks. Coriol.

Thanks, Horace, for thy free and wholesome

Which pleaseth Cæsar more than servile fawns. B. Jonson, Poetaster. FA'wner. † n. s. [from fawn.] One that

fawns; one that pays servile courtship. Our talking is trustless, our cares do abound; Our fawners deem'd faithful, and friendship a foe. Mir. for Mag. p. 85. By softness of behaviour we have arrived at the

appellation of fawners. FA'wning.* n. s: [from fawn.] Gross or

low flattery; the act of servilely cring-Low-crooked curt'sies, and base spaniel fawn-

Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs. Clowns' fawnings are a horse's salutations,

B. Jonson, Staple of News. The fawnings and the wiles of court. Feltham, Disc. on Ecclus, ii. 11. He that hath -

Despised the fawnings of a future greatness. Massinger, Renegado.

FA'WNINGLY. † adv. [from fawn. cringing servile way.

He that so fawningly entired the soul to sin, will now as bitterly upbraid it for having sinned.

South, Serm. ix. 28. FA'xed.† adj. [from pæx, Sax. hair.]

Hairy. Bailey gives fax for hair.

They could call a comet a faxed star, which is all one with stella crinita, or cometa. Camden, Rem.

FAY. † n. s. [fée, Fr. See FAIRY.] 1. A fairy; an elf.

And the yellow-skirted fays Fly after the night-steeds,

Leaving their moon lov'd maze. Milton, Ode Nat. The bards' songs suppose, that after the battle of Camlan in Cornwall, where traitorous Mordred was slain, and Arthur wounded, Morgan le Fay, a great elfin lady, conveyed the body hither to re it. Selden on Drayton's Polyolb. S. 3.
Ye sylphs and sylphids, to your chief give ear; Fays, fairies, genii, elves, and demons hear!

From her, [the Persian peri, Merjan,] we may fairly derive Ariosto's "la fata Morgana:" from her likewise we may derive our Morgan le Faye, the patroness of Arthur in romantick lore, and his conductress to the land of Faery:

Hole on the Arab. Nights' Entert. p.15. 2. Faith. [Fr. foy, fay; Span. fe.] Wholly

obsolete.

Their ill 'haviour garres men missay, Both of their doctrine and their fay.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. To FAY.* v.a. [Su. Goth. feia, to cleanse.] To cleanse, as a ditch or a pond. Wilbraham's Chesh. Gloss. To cast up, to cleanse, to remove earth. Craven Dialect. Sometimes written fey. See To FEY. The substantive fey is also loose earth. See Craven Dial. in V. and in FAUF. and Ray in FEY. FE'ABERRY. n. s. [grossularia, Lat.] A

gooseberry.

To FEAGUE. † v. a. [Gower uses To feige, for to censure; fegen, Germ. to sweep; fyken, Dutch, to strike.] To whip; to chastise: to beat.

When a knotty point comes, I lay my head close to it, with a snuff-box in my hand; and

then I feague it away i' faith.

Duke of Buckingham, Rehearsal. FE'AL.* adj. [feel, Norm. French, "feel et leel," faithful and loyal, Kelham; later Fr. feal.] Faithful. Not now in use among the English; but still, I believe, among the Scotch.

The tenants by knights' service used to swear to their lords to be feal and leal, i. e. faithful and loyal.

To FEAL.* v. a. [Teut. helan, Icel. fel, occulto. Craven Dial.] To hide; to conceal. A northern word. He that feals can find.

FE'ALTY. † n.s. [fealty, old Fr. of the eleventh century; fedelta, Ital. fidelitas, Lat.] Duty due to a superiour lord; fidelity to a master; loyalty.

I am in parliament pledge for his truth, And lasting fealty to the new-made king. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

Let my sovereign Command my eldest son, nay all my sons, As pledges of my fealty and love. Shaks. Hen. IV. Man disobeying,

Disloyal, breaks his fealty, and sins Against the high supremacy of Heaven. Milton, P.L.

Each bird and beast behold After their kinds: 1 bring them S. From thee their names, and pay thee fealty Milton, P.L. Whether his first design be to withdraw Our fealty from God, or to disturb Milton, P. L. Conjugal love.

FEAR. + n. s. [Goth. faurhtan, to fear; faurthei, fear; Teut. vaer, fear; Norm. Fr. feer, fear; Swed. fara, danger; Icel. far, sorrowful.]

1. Dread; terrour; painful apprehension

Fear is an uneasiness of the mind, upon the thought of future evil likely Locke. to befal us.

Trembling fear still to and fro did fly, And found no place where safe she shrowd him

might. Spenser, F.Q. For fear was upon them, because of the people of those countries. Behold me in my sex; I am no soldier;

Tender, and full of fears, our blushing sex is, Unhardened with relentless thoughts.

Beaum. and Fl. Knight of Malta. What then remains? Are we depriv'd of will? Must we not wish, for fear of wishing ill?

Dryden, Juv. Fear, in general, is that passion of our nature whereby we are excited to provide for our security upon the approach of evil. Rogers.

2. Awe; dejection of mind at the presence of any person or thing; terrour impressed: with of before that which im-

And the fear of you, and the dread of you shall be upon every beast.

3. Anxiety; solicitude.

The principal fear was for the holy temple. 2 Mac. xv. 18.

4. That which causes fear.

Still, as he fled, his eye was backward cast, As if his fear still follow'd him behind.

Spenser, F.Q. i. ix. 21. I will mock when your fear cometh, when your fear cometh as desolation. Prov. i. 26. Antony, stay not by his side:

Thy demon, that's the spirit that keeps thee, is Noble, courageous, high, unmatchable, Where Cæsar's is not; but near him, thy angel Becomes a fear, as being o'erpower'd.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop.

5. The object of fear.

Except the God of Abraham and the fear of Gen. xxxi. 42. Isaac had been with me.

6. Something hung up to scare deer by its colour or noise.

He who fleeth from the noise of the fear shall fall into the pit, and he that cometh up out of the midst of the pit shall be taken in the snare.

Is. xxiv. 18.

FEAR. † n. s. [roepa, Saxon.] A companion. Obsolete. The true word is fere. But Spenser occasionally writes it with the a. See FERE.

To FEAR. v. a. [See the etymology of the noun.]

1. To dread; to consider with apprehensions of terrour; to be afraid of.

Now, for my life, Hortensio fears his widow.

Then never trust me if I be afraid.

You are very sensible, yet you miss my sense;
I mean Hortensio is afraid of you.

Shakspeare, Tam. of the Shrew. To fear the foe, since fear oppresseth strength, Gives, in your weakness, strength unto your foe.

Shakspeare, Rich. II.
There shall rise up a kingdom, and it shall be feared above all the kingdoms before it.

When I view the beauties of thy face, I fear not death, nor dangers, nor disgrace.

2. To fright; to terrify; to make afraid.

[Ort. Vocab. 1514, terrifico.] Let not worldly shame fear us to wepe for our

Bp. Fisher, Ps. 33. The inhabitants, being feared with the Spaniards landing and burning, fled from their dwell-

We must not make a scarecrow of the law, Setting it up to fear the birds of prey.

Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas. Some, sitting on the hatches, would seem there, With hideous gazing, to fear away fear. Donne. 1. Timorousness; habitual timidity.

3. To reverence. Barret. There is forgiveness with thee, that Thou mayest be feared. Pealm CYTY. 4. To FEAR. v. n.

1. To live in terrour; to be afraid. Well you may fear too far, sir .--Safer than trust too far:

Let me still take away the harms I fear, Not fear still to be taken. Shakspeare, K. L. If any such be here, if any fear

Less for his person than an ill report; If any think brave death outweighs bad life. Shakspeare, Coriol.

2. To be anxious.

Then let the greedy merchant fear For his ill-gotten gain; And pray to Gods that will not hear, While the debating winds and billows bear His wealth into the main. Dryden, Horace. See, pious king, with diff'rent strife, Thy struggling Albion's bosom torn: So much, she fears for William's life, That Mary's fate she dare not mourn. Prior.

FE'ARFUL. adj. [fear and full.]

1. Timorous; timid; easily made afraid. Them that are of a fearful heart. Isaiah, xxxv.4.

2. Afraid. It has of before the object of fear.

The Irish are more fearful to offend the law than the English. Davies on Ireland. I have made my heroine fearful of death, which neither Cassandra nor Cleopatra would have been. Dryden.

3. Awful; to be reverenced.

Who is like thee, glorious in holiness, fearful in praises! Exodus, xv. 11.

4. Terrible; dreadful; frightful; impressing fear.

Neither fast to friend, nor fearful to foe. Ascham, Schoolmaster.

He's gentle and not fearful. Shaks. Tempest. Against such monsters God maintained his own, by fearful execution of extraordinary judgement upon them.

What God did command touching Canaan, concerneth not us any otherwise than only as a fearful pattern of his just displeasure. Hooker.
All torment, trouble, wonder, and amazement

Inhabits here: some heav'nly power guide us Out of this fearful country. Shaks. Tempest.

It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of

the living God. Heb. x. 31. Lay down by those pleasures the fearful and dangerous thunders and lightnings, the horrible and frequent earthquakes, and then there will be

found no comparison. This is the natural fruit of sin, and the present revenge which it takes upon sinners, besides that fearful punishment which shall be inflicted on them in another life.

FE'ARFUL.* Used adverbially in the north of England. "Fearful, very." Westmoreland Dialect.

FE'ARFULLY. † adv. [from fearful.]

1. Timorously; in fear.

In such a night
Did Thisbe fearfully o'ertrip the dew,
And saw the lion's shadow. Shaks. Merch. of Ven.

2. Terribly; dreadfully.

There is a cliff, whose high and bending head Looks fearfully on the confined deep.

Shakspeare, K. Lear. 3. In a manner to be reverenced.

I will praise Thee; for I am fearfully and Psalm CXXXIX. 14. wonderfully made.

FE'ARFULNESS. † n. s. [from fearful.]

O Egelred, the fruit of fearfulness, Of riot thou the right reward dost reap; But if thou wilt avoid this wretchedness, Be wise, and look about before you leap.

Mir. for Mag. p. 240. The Jews themselves thought nothing fit to be a murderer of this kind but a devil, and a she-one too; that the fearfulness of the sex might dispose to more unruly and more barbarous resolutions of Gregory, Posthuma, p. 97.

2. State of being afraid; awe; dread.

Is it credible that the acknowledgement of our own unworthiness, our professed fearfulness to ask any thing, otherwise than only for his sake to whom God can deny nothing, that this should be noted for a popish errour?

A third thing that makes a government justly despised, is fearfulness of and mean compliances South.

with bold popular offenders.

FE'ARLESS. † adj. [from fear.] Free from fear; intrepid; courageous; bold: with of before the subject. Warburton has once used it in the sense of unfeared. 3. Something delicious to the palate. See HONOURLESS.

From the ground she fearless doth arise, And walketh forth without suspect of crime.

Spenser, F.Q. The flaming seraph, fearless, though alone Encompass'd round with foes, thus answer'd bold. Milton, P.L.

A nation, whose distinguishing character it is to be more fearless of death and danger than any Temple

FE'ARLESSLY. adv. [from fearless.] With-

out terrour; intrepidly. 'Tis matter of the greatest astonishment to observe the stupid, yet common boldness of men, who so fearlessly expose themselves to this most Decay of Piety. formidable of perils.

FE'ARLESSNESS. n. s. [from fearless.] Exemption from fear; intrepidity; courage; boldness.

He gave instances of an invincible courage, Clarendon. and fearlessness in danger.

FEASIBI'LITY. n. s. [from feasible.]

1. Practicability. 2. A thing practicable.

Men often swallow falsities for truths, dubiosities for certainties, possibilities for feasibilities, and things impossible for possibilities themselves.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

FE'ASIBLE † adj. [faisible, French. Our own word was formerly written faisible; and sometimes feacible, as by Barret; probably in conformity to the Lat. etymon, facio, to do.] Practicable; such as may be effected; such as may be done.

Things are feasible in themselves; else the eternal wisdom of God would never have advised, and much less have commanded them.

FE'ASIBLE.* n. s. Whatever is practicable. We conclude many things impossibilities, which Glanville, Scepsis. yet are easy feasibles. Fe'Asibleness.* n. s. [from feasible.]

Practicability.

Let us inquire into the faisibleness of this great improvement of our holy and Christian diligence. Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 271.
They have not yet convinced the world of the

feasibleness and truth of their propositions, by any manifest transcriptions of them upon their lives. South, Serm. vii. 115.

You have convinced me of the feasibleness, as well as the excellency, of that kind of convers-Goodman, Wint. Ev. Conf. P. I. FE'ASIBLY. adv. [from feasible.] Practicably.

tenth century; feste, modern; festum, Lat.

FEA

1. An entertainment of the table; a sumptuous treat of great numbers.

Here's our chief guest. If he had been for-

It had been as a gap in our great feast.

Shakspeare, Macbeth. On Pharaoh's birthday he made a feast unto all his servants. Gen. xl. 20.

The lady of the leaf ordain'd a feast; And made the lady of the flow'r her guest; When lo! a bow'r ascended on the plain, With sudden seats ordain'd, and large for either Druden.

2. An anniversary day of rejoicing either on a civil or religious occasion. Opposed to a fast.

This day is call'd the feast of Crispian. Shakspeare, Hen. V.

Many people would, with reason, prefer the griping of an hungry belly to those dishes which are a feast to others.

To FEAST. v. n. [from the noun.] To eat sumptuously; to eat together on a day of joy.

Richard and Northumberland, great friends, Did feast together. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. The parish finds, indeed; but our churchwardens

Feast on the silver, and give us the farthings. Gay.

To FEAST. v. a.

1. To entertain sumptuously; to entertain magnificently.

He was entertained and feasted by the king with great shew of favour.

2. To delight; to pamper; to gratify luxuriously.

All these are our's, all nature's excellence, Whose taste or smell can bless the feasted sense.

FE'ASTER. † n. s. [from feast.]

One that fares deliciously.

Those feasters could speak of great and many excellencies in manna. Bp. Tayl. Worthy Commun.

2. One that entertains magnificently; a feast-maker: a banqueter.

FE'ASTFUL. adj. [feast and full. This was a word in use at least a century before Milton wrote, from whose poetry Dr. Johnson cites his earliest example. 1. Festive; joyful.

They constitute also a feastfull daie to the honour and worship thereof.

Bale on the Revel. P. III. (1550,) sign. Ii. Our solempne feastful day. Abp. Parker, Transl. of the Psalms, p. 234.

The virgins also shall on feastful days Visit his tomb with flowers, only bewailing His lot unfortunate in nuptial choice, From whence captivity and loss of eyes. Milt. S.A.

Therefore be sure Thou, when the bridegroom with his feastful friends Passes to bliss at the mid hour of night,

Hast gain'd thy entrance, virgin wise and pure. Milton, Sonnet.

2. Luxurious; riotous. The suitor train Who crowd his palace, and with lawless pow'r His herds and flocks in feastful rites devour.

Pope, Odyssey. FE'ASTING.* n. s. [from feast.] An en-

tertainment; a treat. But these very grievously afflicted them, whom they had received with feastings. Wisdom, xix. 16.

FEAST. † n. s. [feast, old French, of the | Fe'Astrite. n. s. [feast and rite.] Custom observed in entertainments.

His hospitable gate, Unbarr'd to all, invites a numerous train Of daily guests; whose board with plenty crown'd, Revives the feastrites old.

FEAT.† n. s. [feat, Norm. French, done, deed, Kelham; fait, modern; factum, Latin.

1. Act; deed; action; exploit. Pyrocles is his name, renowned far For his bold feats and hardy confidence; Fulloft approved in many a cruel war. Spens. F. Q. Tarquin's self he met.

And struck him on his knee; in that day's feats, When he might act the woman in the scene, He prov'd th' best man i' th' field. Shaks. Coriol.

Our soldiers are men of strong heads for action, and perform such feats as they are not able to express. Addison, Spect.

2. A trick; an artful, festive, or ludicrous performance.

The joints are more supple to all feats of activity and motion in youth than afterwards, Bacon, Essays.

FEAT. † adj. [fait, bien fait, French; "homo factus ad unguem," Lat. So far Dr. Johnson. But the Su. Goth. fatt, apt, ready, may be also considered as the parent of the word before us.]

1. Ready; skilful; ingenious. Never master had

A page so kind, so duteous, diligent; So tender over his occasions, true, So feat, so nurse-like. Shakspeare, Cymb.

2. Nice: neat.

Look how well my garments sit upon me, Much feater than before. Shakspeare, Tempest. She speaks feat English. Beaum. and Fl. Little Thief.

3. It is now only used in irony and contempt.

That feat man at controversy. Stilling fleet.

To FEAT.* v. a. To form; to fashion; to set an example to.

[He] liv'd in court, (Which rare it is to do,) most prais'd, most lov'd; A sample to the youngest; to the more mature, A glass that feated them; and to the graver, A child that guided dotards. Shakspeare, Cymb.

FE'ATEOUS. adj. [from feat.] Neat; dexterous. Obsolete.

FE'ATEOUSLY. adv. [from feateous.] Neatly; dexterously. Not in use.

And with fine fingers cropt full feateously The tender stalks on high. Spenser, Prothalam.

FE'ATHER. n. s. [reden, Saxon; feder, German.]

1. The plume of birds.

Look as I blow this feather from my face. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

The brave eagle does with sorrow see The forest wasted, and that lofty tree, Which holds her nest, about to be o'erthrown, Before the feathers of her young are grown; She will not leave them, nor she cannot stay, But bears them boldly on her wings away. Waller.

When a man in the dark presses either corner of his eye with his finger, and turns his eye away from his finger, he will see a circle of colours like those in the feathers of a peacock's tail. Newt. Opt. I am bright as an angel, and light as a feather.

2. Kind; nature; species: from the proverbial expression, birds of a feather; that is, of a species.

Clifford and the haught Northumberland, And of their feather many more proud birds, Have wrought the easy-melting king, like wax. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

I am not of that feather to shake off My friend, when he most needs me. Shaks. Timon.

3. An ornament: an empty title.

4. [Upon a horse.] A sort of natural frizzling of hair, which, in some places, rises above the lying hair, and there makes a figure resembling the tip of an Farrier's Dict. ear of corn.

To FE'ATHER. v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To dress in feathers.

2. To fit with feathers.

3. To tread as a cock. Dame Partlet was the sovereign of his heart; Ardent in love, outrageous in his play, He feather'd her a hundred times a day. Dryden.

4. To enrich; to adorn; to exalt. They struck not to say, that the king cared not to plume his nobility and people, to feather himself.

Bacon, Hen. VII. 5. To give wings to; to render light, as

a feather.

The Polonian story perhaps may feather some tedious hours. Loveday's Letters, 1662, p. 204. Nonsense, feathered with soft and delicate phrases,

and pointed with pathetick accents.

Dr. Scott's Works, 1718, vol. ii. p. 124.

6. To FEATHER one's Nest. [Alluding to birds which collect feathers, among other materials, for making their nests.] To get riches together.

FE'ATHERBED. n. s. [feather and bed.]
A bed stuffed with feathers; a soft bed. The husband cock looks out, and strait is sped, And meets his wife, which brings her featherbed.

FE'ATHERDRIVER. n. s. [feather and drive.] One who cleanses feathers by whisking

them about.

A featherdriver had the residue of his lungs filled with the fine dust or down of feathers. Derham, Physico-Theol.

FE'ATHERED. † adj. [from feather.] 1. Clothed with feathers.

I saw young Harry with his beaver on, His cuisses on his thighs, gallantly arm'd, Rise from the ground like feather'd Mercury.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. So when the new-born phœnix first is seen, Her feather'd subjects all adore their queen. Dryd. Dark'ning the sky, they hover o'er and shroud The wanton sailors with a feather'd cloud. Prior. Then ships of uncouth form shall stem the tide, And feather'd people crowd my wealthy side. Pope.

Vultures, harpies, ravens, cormorants, and, among many other feathered creatures, several little winged boys perch upon the middle arches. Addison, Spect.

2. Fitted with feathers; carrying feathers. An eagle had the ill hap to be struck with an arrow, feather'd from her own wing. L'Estrange. Not the bow they bend, nor boast the skill To give the feather'd arrow wings to kill.

Pope, Odyssey.

3. Swift; winged, like an arrow. Like shuttles through the loom, so swiftly glide My feather'd hours. Sandys, Job, p. 12. Nor think this while our feathered minutes may Fall under measure; Time itself can stay.

Cleaveland, Poems, &c. p. 43. 4. Smoothed, like down or feathers.

As if it were a sign of godliness, and a mark of God's favourites, to be affected with nonsense, feathered with soft and delicate phrases, and pointed with pathetick accents! Scott, Works, ii. 124.

FE'ATHEREDGE. n. s.

Boards or planks that have one edge thinner than another, are called feather-Moxon, Mech. Exercises.

FE'ATHEREDGED. adj. [feather and edge.] Belonging to a feather edge.

The cover must be made of featheredged boards, in the nature of several doors with hinges fixed

FE'ATHERFEW. n. s. A plant both single and double: it is increased by seeds or slips, and also by dividing the roots: it flowereth most part of the summer. Mortimer, Husbandry.

FE'ATHER-GRASS. n. s. [gramen plumosum.] An herb.

Fe'Atherless. † adj. [Sax. pičepleag.] Having few or no feathers. Huloet. This so high grown ivy was like that featherless bird which went about to beg plumes of other birds Howell, Voc. Forest.

FE'ATHERLY. adj. [from feather.] Re-

to cover his nakedness. sembling feather.

The accretion or pluvious aggelation of hail about the mother and fundamental atoms thereof, seems to be some featherly particle of snow, al-though snow itself be sexangular. Brown.

FE'ATHERSELLER. n. s. [feather and seller.] One who sells feathers for beds.

FE'ATHERY. † adj. [from feather.]

1. Clothed with feathers.

Or whistle from the lodge, or village cock Count the night-watches to his feathery dames. Milton, Comus.

2. Light as a feather.

Transitory migrations seem light and feathery. Donne, Lett. to Sir H. G. Poems, p. 283. Feathery and light stuff, that hath no good substance in it. Whateley, Redempt. of Time, (1634,) p. 25.

FE'ATLY. † adv. [from feat.] Neatly;

nimbly: dexterously.

Foot it featly here and there, And sweet sprites the burthen bear. Sh. Tempest. The moon was up, and shot a gleamy light; He saw a quire of ladies in a round,

That featly footing seem'd to skim the ground. We are bluntly told - not neatly and featly.

Echard, Observ. (1696,) p. 64. Fe'Atness. t. n. s. [from feat.] Neatness; nicety; dexterity. Huloet, and Sherwood.

FE'ATOUS.* adj. See FEATEOUS.

FE'ATOUSLY.* adv. See FEATEOUSLY.
Nimbly; neatly. This is the word in

Chaucer, not feateously.

The morrice rings, while hobby horse doth foot it featously. Beaum. & Fl. Kn. of the Burn. Pestle. FE'ATURE. † n. s. [feiture, old French.]

1. The cast or make of the face. Report the feature of Octavia, her years. Shaks.

2. Any lineament or single part of the

Though ye be the fairest of God's creatures, Yet think that death shall spoil your goodly features,

We may compare the face of a great man with the character, and try if we can find out in his looks and features, the haughty cruel, or unmerciful temper that discovers itself in the history.

Addison on Medals. Though various features did the sisters grace, A sister's likeness was in every face. Addison, Ovid.

3. The whole turn of the body; the fashion: the make.

She also doff'd her heavy haberjeon Which the fair feature of her limbs did hide. Spenser, F. Q.

4. Workmanship.

Here they [the witches] speak as if they were creating some new feature, which the devil per-suades them to be able to do often, by the pronouncing of words, and pouring out of liquors on the earth.

B. Jonson, his own Notes on his Masques.

To FE'ATURE. v. a. To resemble in countenance: to favour. Dr. Johnson cites, as an illustration of this word, the passage which I have given to the verb feat; the true word being feated; and featured an unwarrantable alteration.

FE'ATURED.* adj. [from feature.]

1. Having handsome features.

How wise, how noble, young, how rarely atured. Shakspeare, Much Ado. Rich thou art, featured thou art, feared thou featured. Greene, Farewell to Folly, (1617.)

2. Having a good or bad form, shape, or features.

Richard the third - ill featured of limbs. Sir T. More, Descript. of K. Rich. III. Horses better featured, or more serviceable than Hakewill on Providence, p. 36.

3. Resembling in feature or countenance. Wishing me like to one more rich in hope,

Featur'd like him, like him with friends possess'd. Shakspeare, Sonnet. What are the noblest ornaments, but deaths Turn'd flatterers of life in paint, or marble,

The well-stain'd canvas, or the featur'd stone! Young, Night Th. 9.

To Feaze. v. a. [faisez, French.]

1. To untwist the end of a rope, and reduce it again to its first stamina.

2. To beat; to whip with rods. Ainsworth. To Febri'citate. v. n. [febricitor, Latin.] To be in a fever.

Febri'fick.* adj. [old Fr. febrifique.] Tending to produce fever. The febrific humour fell into my legs.

Lord Chesterfield. Febriculose. adj. [febriculosus, Latin.] Troubled with a fever.

FE'BRIFUGE. n. s. [febris and fugo, Latin; febrifuge, French.] Any medicine serviceable in a fever. Bitters, like choler, are the best sanguifiers, and also the best febrifuges. Floyer on the Humours.

Fe'brifuge. adj. Having the power to cure fevers.

Febrifuge draughts had a most surprising good Arbuthnot. FE'BRILE. adj. [febrilis, Latin; febril, Fr.]

Constituting a fever; proceeding from a

The spirits, embroiled with the malignity in the blood, and turgid and turnified by the febrile fermentation, or by phlebotomy relieved.

Harvey on Consumptions. FE'BRUARY. n. s. [februarius, Latin.] The name of the second month in the

You have such a February face, So full of frost, of storm, and cloudiness! Shaks.

FEBRUA'TION.* n. s. [Lat. februatus, purified or cleansed by sacrifice.] A rite, among the Gentiles, of purifying, a sacrifice.

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Some fantastick rites and februations to chase | away mormoes and spectres.

Spencer on Prodigies, p. 227. Superstition - expressed in an infinity of februations and empty forms.

FE'CAL.* adj. See FÆCAL. [Fr. fecal, " la matiere fecale," Cotgrave.

FE'CES. n. s. [fæces, Lat.; feces, Fr.]

 Dregs; lees; sediment; subsidence. Hence the surface of the ground with mud And slime besmear'd, the feces of the flood, Receiv'd the rays of heav'n; and sucking in The seeds of heat, new creatures did begin. Dryd.

2. Excrement.

The symptoms of such a constitution are a sour smell in their feces. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

Fe'ckless.* adj. A common word in Cumberland, and other parts of the north, denoting spiritless, feeble, weak; and perhaps a corruption of effectless.

FE'CULENCE. n. s. [fæculentia, Latin.]

1. Muddiness; quality of abounding with lees or sediment.

2. Lees; feces; sediment; dregs. Pour upon it some very strong lee, to facilitate the separation of its feculencies. Whether the wilding's fibres are contriv'd

To draw th' earth's purest spirit, and resist Its feculence, which in more porous stocks Of cyder plants finds passage free.

FE'CULENT. adj. [faculentus, Latin, feculent, French.] Foul; dreggy; excrementitious.

But both his hands, most filthy feculent, Above the water were on high extent, And fain'd to wash themselves incessantly, Yet nothing cleaner were for such intent.

Spenser, F. Q. They are to the body as the light of a candle to the gross and feculent snuff, which as it is not pent up in it, so neither doth it partake of its impurity. Glanville, Apology

FE'CUND. adj. [fæcundus, Latin ; fecond, French.] Fruitful; prolifick.

The more sickly the years are, the less fecund or fruitful of children also they be.

Graunt, Bills of Mortality.

FECUNDA'TION. n. s. [facundo, Latin.] The act of making fruitful or prolifick. She requested these plants as a medicine of fecundation, or to make her fruitful.

Brown, Vulg. Err. To FECU'NDIFY. v. a. To make fruitful; to make prolifick.

FECU'NDITY. n. s. [from fecund; fécondité, French.]

1. Fruitfulness; quality of producing or bringing forth in great abundance. I appeal to the animal and vegetable productions

of the earth, the vast numbers whereof notoriously testify the extreme luxuriance and fecundity of it. Woodward.

2. Power of producing or bringing forth. Some of the ancients mention some seeds that retain their fecundity forty years, and I have found that melon seeds, after thirty years, are best for raising of melons.

God could never create so ample a world, but he could have made a bigger; the fecundity of his creative power never growing barren nor being exhausted.

Bentley. FED. Preterite and participle pass. of To feed.

For on the grassy verdure as he lay, And breath'd the freshness of the early day, Devouring dogs the helpless infant tore Fed on his trembling limbs, and lapp'd the gore.

Fe'dary. n. s. [fædus, Latin, or from feudum.] This word, peculiar to Shakspeare, may signify either a confederate, a partner, or a dependant.

Damn'd paper! Black as the ink that's on thee, senseless bauble! Art thou a fedary for this act, and look'st So virgin-like without.

Shakspeare, Cymb. FE'DERAL. adj. [from fædus, Latin.]

Relating to a league or contract. It is a federal rite betwixt God and us, as eating and drinking, both among Jews and Heathens,

was wont to be. The Romans compelled them, contrary to all federal right and justice, both to part with Sardinia, their lawful territory, and also to pay them for the future a double tribute.

FE'DERARY. n. s. [from fædus, Latin.] A confederate; an accomplice.

She's a traitor, and Camillo is

A federary with her. Shakspeare. FE'DERATE. adj. [fcederatus, Latin.] Leagued; joined in confederacy. FE'DERATIVE.* adj. [from federate.] Hav-

ing power to make a league or contract. [They] suggest to them leagues of perpetual amity, at the very time when the power, to which our constitution has exclusively delegated the federative capacity of this kingdom, may find it expedient to make war upon them.

Burke on the French Revolution. FEDERA'TION.* n. s. [from federate.] A

league.

Is he obliged to keep any terms with these clubs and federations, who hold out to us as a pattern for imitation, the proceedings in France?

FE'DITY.* n. s. [Lat. fæditus.] Baseness; turpitude; inherent vileness.

A second [impediment] may be the fedity and unnaturalness of the match, when the parties incestuously marry.

Bp. Hall, Cases of Conscience, iv. 10. Some fedities common amongst the Gnosticks, not fit to be named.

Bp. Lavington, Moravians compared, &c. p. 65. FEE. † n. s. [reoh, Sax. fee, Danish, cattle ; feudum, low Latin ; feu, Scottish. So far Dr. Johnson. The Saxon word denotes, like the Gothic, faihus, goods, possessions of any kind. So the Icel. and the Su. Goth. fae. See also Food. Some think that because those, who held in fee, obtained the appellation of fideles, the word may be derived from the Latin fides, faith; Fr. fe, fied, foi; low Lat. fedum, feudum. See Brady's Gloss. Old Eng. Hist. p. 45. and Boehmeri Principia Juris Feudalis, p. 11. Others, that fædus, an agreement, is the etymon. But the northern language gives the origin: "Vas auk habands faihu manas," i. e. "for he had great possessions." Hence also food, and the goods given, were for the sustenance of the vassal. Feudum is not to be found in writings before the eleventh century. See FEUDAL.]

1. [In law.] All lands and tenements that are held by any acknowledgement

lands and tenements, wherein a man hath a perpetual estate to him and his heirs, &c. are divided into allodium and feudum: allodium is every man's own land, which he possesses merely in his own right, without acknowledgement of any service, or payment of any rent to any other. Feudum, or fee, is that which we hold by the benefit of another, and in name whereof we owe services, or pay rent, or both, to a superiour lord. And all our land in England, the crown land, which is in the king's own hands, in right of his crown, excepted, is in the nature of feudum: for though a man have land by descent from his ancestors, or bought it for his money; yet is the land of such a nature, that it cannot come to any, either by descent or purchase, but with the burthen that was laid upon him who had novel fee, or first of all received it as a benefit from his lord to him and to all such to whom it might descend, or be any way conveyed from him. So that no man in England has directum dominium, that is, the very property or demesne in any land, but the prince in right of his crown: for though he that has fee has jus perpetuum et utile dominium, yet he owes a duty for it, and therefore it is not simply his own. Fee is divided into two sorts; feeabsolute, otherwise called fee-simple and fee-conditional, otherwise termed fee-tail: fee-simple is that whereof we are seised in those general words, To us and our heirs for ever: fee-tail is that whereof we are seised to us and our heirs, with limitation; that is, the heirs of our body. And fee-tail is either general or special: general is where land is given to a man, and the heirs of his body: fee-tail special is that where a man and his wife are seised of land to them and the heirs of their two bodies.

Now like a lawyer when he land would let, Or sell fee-simples in his master's name.

Spenser, Hubb. Tale. Here's the lord of the soil come to seize me for a stray, for entering his fee-simple without leave. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

2. Property; peculiar.
What concern they?

The general cause; or is it a fee-grief, Due to some single breast? Shaksp. Mach.

3. Reward; gratification; recompence. These be the ways by which, without reward, Livings in courts be gotten, though full hard; For nothing there is done without a fee.

Spenser, Hubb. Tale. Not helping, death's my fee;

But if I help, what do you promise me? Shaksp. 4. Payments occasionally claimed by persons in office.

Now that God and friends Have turn'd my captive state to liberty, At our enlargement what are thy due fees?

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. 5. Reward paid to physicians or lawyers, He does not refuse doing a good office for a man, because he cannot pay the fee of it.

of superiority to a higher lord. All 6. Portion; pittance; share. Obsolete, Addison, Spectator.

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In pruning and trimming all manner of trees, Reserve to each cattle their property fees. Tusser.

FE'E-FARM. n. s. [fee and farm.] Tenure by which lands are held from a superiour lord.

John surrendered his kingdoms to the Pope, and took them back again to hold in fee-farm; which brought him into such hatred, as all his life-time after he was possest with fear.

To FEE. v. a. [Su. Goth. fae, reward.]

1. To reward; to pay.

No man fees the sun, no man purchases the light, nor errs if he walks by it. Watch the disease in time; for when within

The dropsy rages and extends the skin, In vain for hellebore the patient cries, And fees the doctor; but too late is wise.

Dryden, Pers.

2. To bribe; to hire; to purchase.

I have long loved her, and ingressed opportunities to meet her; fee'd every slight occasion, that could but niggardly give me sight of her.

Shakspeare, M. W. of Winds. She hath an usher, and a waiting gentlewoman, A page, a coachman; these are fee'd and fee'd, And yet for all that will be prating.

Beaum. and Fl. Nob. Gentleman. The unfamiliar cognizance of a fee'd gamester. Milton, Doct. and Discipl. of Divorce.

3. To keep in hire. Dr. Jamieson seems to find fault with Dr. Johnson for thus rendering the word as used by Shak speare: and says, that it properly denotes the act of hiring.

There's not a thane of them but in his house I have a servant fee'd. Shakspeare, Mach.

FE'EBLE. † adj. [old French, feble and fieble; modern foible; Latin, debilis.] Weak; debilitated; sickly; infirm; without strength of body or mind.

The men carried all the feeble upon asses to 2 Chron. xxviii. 15.

Command th' assistance of a faithful friend, But feeble are the succours I can send. Dryd. An. How I have lov'd, excuse my falt'ring tongue:

My spirits feeble, and my pains are strong. Dryd.

We carry the image of God in us, a rational and immortal soul; and though we be now miserable and feeble, yet we aspire after eternal happiness, and finally expect a great exaltation of all our natural powers. Bentley.

Rhyme is a crutch that helps the weak along, Supports the feeble, but retards the strong. Smith.

To FE'EBLE. v. a. [from the noun.] To weaken; to enfeeble; to deprive of strength or power. Not now perhaps in use.

Or as a castle reared high and round, By subtile engines and malicious slight Is undermined from the lowest ground,

And her foundation forc'd and feebled quite. Spenser, F. Q. Shall that victorious hand be feebled here,

That in your chambers gave you chastisement. Shakspeare, K. John.

A life feebled with natural infirmities. Walsall, Life of Christ, (1615,) sign. A. 5. b. Many a burning sun

Has sear'd my body and boil'd up my blood, Feebled my knees, and stamp'd a meagreness Upon my figure. Beaum. and Fl. Isl. Prin.

FE'EBLEMINDED. adj. [feeble and mind.] Weak of mind; defective in resolution and constancy.

Warn them that are unruly, comfort the feebleminded, support the weak, be patient toward all 1 Thess. v. 14.

FE'EBLENESS. † n. s. [from feeble; old French, febles; and so Spenser once uses feeblesse for the present word, F. Q. iv. viii. 37. Chaucer has feebleness.] Weakness; imbecility; infirmity; want of strength. A better head Rome's glorious body fits,

Than his that shakes for age and feebleness.

Some in their latter years, through the feebleness of their limbs, have been forced to study upon their knees.

FE'EBLY. adv. [from feeble.] Weakly; without strength.

Like mine thy gentle numbers feebly creep, Thy tragick muse gives smiles, thy comick sleep. Druden.

To FEED. v.a. [fodan, Gothick; foda, Sw. reban, roeban, Sax. fodr. Icel. food. See also FEE.

To supply with food.

Her heart and bowels through her back he

And fed the hounds that help'd him to pursue.

Boerhaave fed a sparrow with bread four days, in which time it eat more than its own weight. Arbuthnot on Diet.

2. To supply; to furnish.

A constant smoke rises from the warm springs that feed the many baths with which this island is stocked. Addison.

The breadth of the bottom of the hopper must be half the length of a barleycorn, and near as long as the rollers, that it may not feed them to Mortimer, Husbandry.

3. To graze; to consume by cattle. Once in three years feed your mowing lands, if you cannot get manure constantly to keep them Mortimer.

The frost will spoil the grass; for which reason take care to feed it close before winter. Mortimer.

To nourish; to cherish.

How oft from pomp and state did I remove, To feed despair, and cherish hopeless love! Prior.

5. To keep in hope or expectation.

Barbarossa learned the strength of the emperor, craftily feeding him with the hope of liberty. Knolles. 6. To delight; to entertain; to keep from

satiety. The alteration of scenes, so it be without noise, feeds and relieves the eye, before it be full of the same object.

7. To make fat. A provincial use.

To FEED. v.n.

1. To take food. Chiefly applied to animals' food.

To feed were best at home; From thence the sawce to meet is ceremony; Meeting were bare without it. Shakspeare, Macb.

2. To prey; to live by eating.

I am not covetous of gold; Nor care I who doth feed upon my cost.

Shakspeare, Hen. V. You cry against the noble senate, who, Under the gods, keep you in awe, which else

Would feed on one another. Shakspeare, Coriol.

Galen speaketh of the curing of the scirrhus of the liver by milk of a cow that feedeth upon certain herbs. Some birds feed upon the berries of this ve-

He feeds on fruits which of their own accord, The willing grounds and laden trees afford.

Dryden, Virg. The Brachmans were all of the same race, lived in fields and woods, and fed only upon rice, milk, or herbs.

All feed on one vain patron, and enjoy Th' extensive blessing of his luxury.

Pope, Essay on Man.

3. To pasture; to place cattle to feed. If a man shall cause a field to be eaten, and shall put in his beast, and shall feed in another man's field, he shall make restitution. Ex. xxii. 5.

4. To grow fat or plump. A provincial

FEED. n. s. [from the verb.]

1. Food: that which is eaten.

A fearful deer then looks most about when he comes to the best feed, with a shrugging kind of tremor through all her principal parts. Sidney. An old worked ox fats as well as a young one: their feed is much cheaper, because they eat no Mortimer.

2. Pasture. Besides his cote, his flocks and bounds of feed Are now on sale. Shakspeare, As you like it.

3. Meal; act of eating.

Plenty hung Tempting so nigh, to pluck and eat my fill I spared not: for such pleasure till that hour At feed or fountain never had I found. Milt. P. L.

Fe'eder. † n. s. [from feed.]

1. One that gives food.

Abel was a keeper [in the margin, a feeder] of Genesis, iv. 2.

Swinish gluttony Ne'er looks to heaven amidst his gorgeous feast, But with besotted base ingratitude

Crams, and blasphemes his feeder. Milton, Comus. The beast obeys his keeper, and looks up, Not to his master's but his feeder's hand. Denham.

2. An exciter: an encourager.

When thou do'st hear I am as I have been, Approach me, and thou shalt be as thou was't, The tutor and the feeder of my riots. Sha. H. IV. It [flattery] is the poisoning of men's understanding, the feeder of humours.

Sir M. Sandys, Ess. p.176.

3. One that eats.

With eager feeding, food doth choak the feeder. Shakspeare.

But that our feasts In every mess have folly, and the feeders Jest with it as a custom, I should blush To see you so attired. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. We meet in Aristotle with one kind of thrush, called the missel-thrush, or feeder upon misseltoe. Brown, Vulg. Err.

4. One that eats in a certain mode; as, a nice feeder, a gross feeder.

But such fine feeders are no guests for me; Riot agrees not with frugality

Then, that unfashionable man am I, With me they'd starve for want of ivory.

Dryden, Juv.

Fe'eding.* n. s. [Sax. pebing.] Pasture. See FEED.

Finding the feeding, for which he had toil'd To have kept safe, by these vile cattle spoil'd. Drayton's Poems, Moon-calf.

To FEEL. pret. felt.; part. pass. felt. v.n. [relan, Saxon.]

1. To have perception of things by the touch.

The sense of feeling can give us a notion of extension, shape, and all other ideas that enter at Addison, Spect.

the eye, except colours. To search by feeling. See FEELER. They should seek the Lord, if happily they

might feel after him, and find him. Acts, xvii.27. 3. To have a quick sensibility of good or

evil, right or wrong. Man, who feels for all mankind. Pove. 4. To appear to the touch. Blind men say black feels rough, and white Dryden. feels smooth. Of these tumours one feels flaccid and rumpled; the other more even, flatulent and springy. Sharp, Surgery.

To FEEL. v.a.

1. To perceive by the touch. Suffer me that I may feel the pillars. Judges, xxvi. 26.

2. To try; to sound. He hath writ this to feel my affection to your honour. Shaksneare.

3. To have perception of. The air is so thin, that a bird has therein no feeling of her wings, or any resistance of air to mount herself by. Ralegh.

4. To have sense of external pain or

pleasure. Nor did they not perceive the evil plight In which they were, or the fierce pains not feel. But why should those be thought to 'scape, who

Those rods of scorpions and those whips of steel?

5. To be affected by; to perceive mentally.

Would I had never trod this English earth, Or felt the flatteries that grow upon it!

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. The well-sung woes shall sooth my pensive ghost:

He best can paint them who can feel them most.

Not youthful kings in battle seiz'd alive, E'er felt such grief, such terrour, and despair

6. To know; to be acquainted with. His overthrow heap'd happiness upon him; For then, and not till then, he felt himself, And found the blessedness of being little. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

FEEL. n. s, [from the verb.] The sense of feeling; the touch.

The difference of these tumours will be distinguished by the feel. Sharp, Surgery.

Fe'eler. † n. s. [from feel.]

1. One that feels.

This hand, whose touch, Whose every touch would force the feeler's soul. To the oath of loyalty. Shakspeare, Cymb.

2. One that perceives mentally. Of my longing to see you I am a better feeler

than a describer. Sir H. Wotton to Sir E. Bacon, Rem. p. 899.

3. The horns or antennæ of insects. Insects clean their eyes with their forelegs as well as antennæ; and as they are perpetually feeling and searching before them with their feelers or antennæ, I am apt to think that besides wiping and cleaning the eyes, the uses here named may be admitted. Durham, Physico-Theol.

FE'ELING. part. adj. [from feel.] 1. Expressive of great sensibility. O wretched state of man in self-division! O well thou say'st a feeling declaration Thy tongue hath made of Cupid's deep incision!

Thy wailing words do much my spirits move, They uttered are in such a feeling fashion. Sidney. Write till your ink be dry, and with your tears Moist it again: and frame some feeling line, That may discover such integrity.

Shakspeare, Two Gent. of Ver. 2. Sensibly felt. This sense is not sufficiently analogical.

A most poor man made tame to fortune's

Who, by the art of known and feeling sorrows, Am pregnant to good pity. Shakspeare, K. Lear. 2. To make a show of

I had a feeling sense Of all your royal favours; but this last Strikes through my heart. Southerne.

FE'ELING. n. s. [from feel.]

1. The sense of touch.

Why was the sight To such a tender ball as the eye confin'd; So obvious and so easy to be quench'd, And not, as feeling, through all parts diffus'd, That she might look at will through every pore? Milton, P. L.

2. Power of action upon sensibility. The apprehension of the good, Gives but the greater feeling to the worse. Shakspeare, Rich. II.

3. Perception; sensibility.

Their king, out of a princely feeling, was sparing and compassionate towards his subjects. Bacon, Hen. VII.

Great persons had need to borrow other men's opinions to think themselves happy; for if they judge by their own feeling, they cannot find it. Bacon, Essays.

As we learn what belongs to the body by the evidence of sense, so we learn what belongs to the soul by an inward consciousness which may be called a sort of internal feeling.

Fe'elingly. adv. [from feeling.]

1. With expression of great sensibility. The princes might judge that he meant himself, who spake so feelingly.

He would not have talked so feelingly of

Codrus's bed, if there had been room for a bedfellow in it. 2. So as to be sensibly felt.

Here feel we but the penalty of Adam, The season's difference; as the icy fang, And churlish chiding of the Winter's wind, Which when it bites and blows upon my body, Ev'n till I shrink with cold, I smile and say, This is no flattery: these are counsellors, That feelingly persuade me what I am.

Shakspeare, As you like it. He feelingly knew, and had trial of the late good, and of the new purchased evil. Ralegh, Hist.

FEESE.* n. s. A race. Barret's Dict. 1580. He adds, "To leap without fetching any race or feese, nullo procursu salire." It is a word still used among boys; as, to take feese.

The bias of whose bowls doth make the knees, From whence love's lightest muses take their veeze. Davies, Wit's Pilgr. sign. N. 2. b.

FEET t. n. s. The plural of foot. [Sax.

His brother's image to his mind appears, Inflames his heart with rage, and wings his feet with fears. Pope, Statius.

FE'ETLESS. † adj. [from feet.] Being without feet.

Geoffrey of Boulloin broched three feetless birds, called Allerions, upon his arrow. Camden. There behold the mangled, headless, handless, feetless corpses of their fellow-countrymen.

Fuller, Holy War, p.196. To FEIGN. v. a. [feigner, old French, of the eleventh century; feindre, mo-

dern; fingo, Lat.] 1. To invent; to image by an act of the

Abominable, inutterable, and worse Than fables yet have feign'd, or fear conceiv'd, Gorgons, and hydras, and chimæras dire! Milton, P. L.

No such things are done as thou sayest, but thou feignedst them out of thine own heart. Neh. vi. 8.

Both his hands, most filthy feculent, Above the water were on high extent, And feigned to wash themselves incessantly.

Spenser, F. Q. 3. To make a shew of; to do upon some false pretence. Me gentle Delia beckons from the plain,

Then, hid in shades, eludes her eager swain; But feigns a laugh to see me search around, And by that laugh the willing fair is found.

4. To dissemble; to conceal. Now ob-

Each trembling leaf and whistling wind they hear,

As ghastly bug their hair on end does rear; Yet both do strive their fearfulness to feign. Spenser, F. Q.

To Feign. v. n. To relate falsely; to image from the invention; to tell fabulously.

Therefore the poet Did feign that Orpheus drew trees, stones, and

Since nought so stockish, hard, and full of rage, But musick for the time doth change his nature, Shakspeare.

FE'IGNEDLY. † adv. [from feign.] In fiction; not truly.

Those that come feignedly, and those that come unfeignedly. Abp. Cranmer on the Sacram, fol. 99. Her treacherous sister Judah hath not turned unto me with her whole heart, but feignedly, Jerem. iii., 10. saith the Lord.

Such is found to have been falsely and feignedly in some of the heathens. Racon.

Fe'ignedness.* n. s. [from feigned.] Fiction; deceit. The church is not the school of feignedness

and hypocrisy, but of truth and sincerity. Harmar, Transl. of Beza's Serm. p. 39.

FE'IGNER. n. s. [from feign.] Inventer; contriver of a fiction.

And these three voices differ; as the thing done, the doing, and the doer; the thing feigned, the feigning, and the feigner; so the poem, the B. Jonson, Discoveries. poesy, and the poet.

Fe'Igning.* n. s. [from feign.] A false appearance: an artful contrivance. Huloet.

May her feignings
Not take your wisdoms; but this day she baited A stranger, a grave knight, with her loose eyes. B. Jonson, Fox.

Fe'IGNINGLY.* adv. [from feigning.] Craft-Huloet, and Sherwood.

FEINT. participial adj. [from feign, for feigned; or feint, Fr.] Counterfeit; seeming. The mind by degrees loses its natural relish

of real, solid truth, and is reconciled insensibly to any thing that can be but dressed up into any feint appearance of it. Locke. FEINT. n. s. [feint, French.]

1. A false appearance; an offer of some-

thing not intended be. Courtly's letter is but a feint to get off. Spect.

2. A mock assault; an appearance of aiming at one part when another is intended to be struck.

But, in the breast encamp'd, prepares For well bred feints and future wars.

FE'LANDERS. † n. s. [filandres, Fr. Cotgrave, "the small worms that breed in bruised, surfeited, or foul-fed hawks:" perhaps from filandré, full of small threads or fibres; filum, Lat. a thread.

Dr. Johnson merely cites Ainsworth as his authority for this word, without any etymology or example; but it appears that our word is not felander, but filander.] Worms in hawks.

This may probably destroy that obstinate disease of the filander, or backworm.

Sir T. Brown, of Hawks, Miscell. p. 115. To FELI'CITATE. + v. a. [feliciter, Fr. to make happy or prosperous, and to compliment, Cotgrave; felicito, Latin.]

1. To make happy. See Felicitate.

Gifts - felicitate lovers. Transl. of Loredano's Academ. Disc. 1664, p. 76. What a glorious entertainment and pleasure would fill and felicitate his spirit, if he could grasp all in a single survey!

2. To congratulate.

They might proceed unto forms of speeches, felicitating the good, or deprecating the evil to follow.

FELI'CITATE.* part. adj. [Lat. felicitatus.] Made happy.

I profess Myself an enemy to all other joys;

And find I am alone felicitate In your dear highness' love. Shaks. K. Lear. FELICITA'TION. n. s. [from felicitate.] Con-

gratulation.

FELI'CITOUS. † adj. [from felicito, Lat.] Happy; prosperous.

In all which [wars] she was felicitous and victorious. Sir R. Naunton, Frag. Reg. of Q. Eliz. FELI'CITOUSLY. adv. [from felicitous.]

Happily. FELI'CITY. n. s. [felicitas, Latin ; felicité, French.] Happiness; prosperity; bliss-

fulness: blessedness. The joyous day, dear Lord, with joy begin, And grant that we, for whom thou didest die,

Being with thy dear blood clean wash'd from sin, May live for ever in felicity. Spenser, Sonnets. Others in virtue plac'd felicity; But virtue join'd with riches and long life,

In corporal pleasure he and careless ease. Milton, P. R. The felicities of her wonderful reign may be

Atterbury. complete. How great, how glorious a felicity, how adequate to the desires of a reasonable nature, is re-

vealed to our hopes in the gospel! Rogers. FE'LINE. adj. [felinus, Latin.] Like a

cat; pertaining to a cat. Even as in the beaver; from which he differs principally in his teeth, which are canine, and in his

tail which is feline, or a long taper. Grew, Museum. FELL.† adj. [pell, Saxon; fel, old French, cruel, tyrannical, fierce.]

1. Cruel; barbarous; inhuman.

It seemed fury, discord, madness fell, Flew from his lap when he unfolds the same. Fairfax.

So fellest foes, Whose passions and whose plots have broke their sleep.

To take the one the other, by some chance, Some trick not worth an egg, shall grow dear Shakspeare. friends.

2. Savage; ravenous; bloody. That instant was I turn'd into a hart,

And my desires like fell and cruel hounds, er since pursue me. Shakspeare, Tw. Night. I know thee, love! wild as the raging main, E'er since pursue me. More fell than tygers on the Lybian plain. Pope.
Scorning all the taming arts of man,

The keen hyena, fellest of the fell. Thoms. Spring. Fell.* n. s. [Sax. relle, gall, anger, melan-

choliness. Somner.]

In blessed nectar and pure Pleasure's well, Untroubled of vile fear or bitter fell.

Spenser, F. Q. iii. xi. 2.

FELL. † n. s. [rell, Saxon; fills, Goth. φελλος, Gr. cortex, Celt. pil. Lat. pellis.] The skin; the hide. Not used, Dr. Johnson says, citing only Shakspeare. We still use it, however, in the word fellmonger, which means a dealer in hides. And fell, in the present sense, was once common. It is in the vocabulary of Bullokar. Wipe thine eve;

The goujer shall devour them, flesh and fell, Ere they shall make us weep. Shaks. K. Lear. The time has been my senses would have cool'd To hear a night-shriek; and my fell of hair Would at a dismal treatise rouze and stir.

Shakspeare, Macbeth. He ought to shear not to flay his sheep; to take Their fleeces, not their fells. B. Jonson, Discov.

Fell* n. s. [German, fels, a rock; Icel. fel, acclivitas; the fell-foot, or foot of the hill; " περί τε Φελλέως. Vide apud scholiasten in Arisoph. in Nubibus, A.1. S. 1. quæ transcripsit ferè Suidas in voce ΦΕΛΛΑ." Ray. Mr. Whalley in his notes on Ben Jonson, who uses this word, refers, in explanation of it, to an interpretation of ΦΕΛΛΘΣ by Hesychius, viz. σκληρος τοπος και δυσεργης; and adds, that we seem to have taken this sense from our Gothick ancestors. The Su. Goth. fiaell, is a ridge or chain of mountains; and the Icel. fel, or fell, "a small mountain resting on one larger and longer," Gl. Rymbeglar, as cited by Dr. Jamieson. In the north of England the word is to this day common for a rocky hill.]

1. A hill; a mountain. So may the first of all our fells be thine,

And both the beestning of our goats and kine, As thou our folds doth still secure.

B. Jonson, Masques. This county abounds with mountains, which in the language of the country are called fells.

Burn and Nicolson, Hist. of Westmorel. &c. i.3. Greystock town and castle lie about three miles from Ulswater over the fells. Gray's Letters.

2. A corruption of field. [Sax. rels,] meaning an open country, formerly used by way of antithesis to frith, a forest. Obsolete. The Sylvans that about the neighbouring woods

did dwell. Both in the tufty frith, and in the mossy fell.

Drayton, Polyolb. S. 17. To Fell. v. a. [fellen, German; aryllan,

Sax. to overthrow.] 1. To knock down; to bring to the ground.

Villain, stand, or I'll fell thee down. Shakspeare, Hen. V. Up and down he traverses his ground;

Now wards a felling blow, now strikes again.

Taking the small end of his musket in his hand, he struck him on the head with the stock and felled him.

His fall, for the present, struck an earthquake into all minds; nor could the vulgar be induced Howel, Voc. Forest. to believe he was felled. On their whole host I flew

Unarm'd, and with a trivial weapon fell'd Their choicest youth: they only liv'd who fled. Milton, S. A.

Sweete Love, that doth his golden wings embay | 2. It seems improperly joined with down

Whom with such force he struck he fell'd him down

And cleft the circle of his golden crown, Dryden. I fell'd along a man of bearded face,

His limbs all cover'd with a shining case. Dryden, Ind. Emp.

3. To hew down; to cut down;

Then would he seem a farmer that would sell, Bargains of wood which he did lately fell. Spenser, Hubb. Tale.

They stopped all the wells of water, and felled all the good trees. 2 Kings, iii. 25. Proud Arcite and fierce Palamon.

In mortal battle, doubling blow on blow; Like lightning flam'd their fauchions to and fro, And shot a dreadful gleam; so strong they struck There seem'd less force requir'd to fell an oak.

4. To sew in a particular manner; to inseam. This word is well known to the ladies, I believe, all over the kingdom: it ought to be in our dictionaries. Jennings, West-Country Words, 1825.

Fell. The preterite of To fall. None on their feet might stand,

Though standing else as rocks; but down they

By thousands, angel on archangel roll'd.

FE'LLER. n. s. [from fell.] One that hews

Since thou art laid down, no feller is come up against us.

Felli'fluous. adj. [fel, and fluo, Latin.] Flowing with gall. Dict.

FE'LLMONGER. n. s. [from fell.] A dealer in hides.

FE'LLNESS. † n. s. [from fell.] Cruelty; savageness; fury; rage. When his brother saw the red blood rail

Adown so fast, and all his armour steep, For very felnesse loud he gan to weep. Spens. F. Q. Death, disarm'd, Loses her fellness quite: All thanks to Him,

Who scourg'd the venom out. R. Blair, the Grave. FE'LLOE. † n. s. [sometimes written felly; Sax. relga; Dutch, felge, or velge.] The circumference of a wheel; the outward

part. It is often written fally or felly. Out, out, thou strumpet Fortune ! all you gods, In general synod, take away her power; Break all the spokes and fellies from her wheel,

And bowl the round nave down the hill of heav'n. Shakspeare. Their axle-trees, naves, felloes, and spokes were

1 Kings, vii. 33. all molten, FE'LLON.* n. s. A sore. See the second

sense of Felon. FE'LLOW.+ n. s. [quasi, to follow, Min-

sheu: re, faith, and laz, bound, Saxon, Junius; fallow, Scottish. So far Dr. Johnson. Minsheu is right. The word is from the Goth. felag, community, fellowship, which Serenius derives from the verb foelga, to follow. The Sax. relap, a companion, must not be omitted, which Chaucer exactly follows in writing our word felaw.]

1. A companion; one with whom we con-

In youth I had twelve fellows like unto myself, but not one of them came to a good end.

Ascham, Schoolmaster. To be your fellow

You may deny me: but I'll be your servant, Whether you will or no. Shakspeare, Tempest.

Have we not plighted each our holy oath, That one should be the common good of both; One soul should both inspire, and neither prove His fellow's hindrance in pursuit of love? Dryden.

2. An associate; one united in the same affair.

Each on his fellow for assistance calls; At length the fatal fabrick mounts the walls. Dryden, Virgil.

3. One of the same kind.

Let partial spirits still aloud complain, Think themselves injur'd that they cannot reign; And own no liberty, but where they may Without controul upon their fellows prey. Waller.

A shepherd had one favourite dog: he fed him with his own hand, and took more care of him than of his fellows.

4. Equal; peer.

So you are to be hereafter fellows and no longer servants.

Chieftain of the rest I chose him here: the earth shall him allow; His fellows late, shall be his subjects now. Fairfax.

5. One thing suited to another; one of a

When virtue is lodged in a body, that seems to have been prepared for the reception of vice; the soul and the body do not seem to be fellows. Add. Sp.

6. One like or equal to another: as, this knave hath not his fellow.

My young remembrance cannot parallel A fellow to it. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

7. A familiar appellation used sometimes with fondness; sometimes with esteem; but generally with some degree of contempt.

This is Othello's ancient, as I take it.

- The same indeed; a very valiant fellow. Shaks. An officer was in danger to have lost his place, but his wife made his peace; whereupon a pleasant fellow said, that he had been crushed, but that he saved himself upon his horns. Bacon, Apoph.

Full fifteen thousand lusty fellows With fire and sword the fort maintain; Each was a Hercules, you tell us, Yet out they march'd like common men. Prior.

8. A word of contempt: the foolish mor-

tal; the mean wretch; the sorry rascal. Those great fellows scornfully receiving them, as foolish birds fallen into their net, it pleased the eternal Justice to make them suffer death by their

Cassio hath here been set on in the dark

By Roderigo, and fellows that are 'scap'd Shaks. I have great comfort from this fellow, methinks he hath no drowning mark about him; his com-plexion is perfect gallows. Shakspeare, Tempest. Opinion that did help me to the crown,

Had still kept loyal to possession; And left me in reputeless banishment, A fellow of no mark nor likelihood.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. How oft the sight of means, to do ill deeds, Makes deeds ill done? for had'st not thou been by, A fellow by the hand of nature mark'd, Quoted, and sign'd to do a deed of shame, This murder had not come into my mind.

Shakspeare, K. John. The Moor's abus'd by some most villainous

Some base notorious knave, some scurvy fellow! Shakspeare,

The fellow had taken more fish than he could spend while they were sweet. L'Estrange. As next of kin, Achilles' arms I claim; This fellow would ingraft a foreign name

Upon our stock, and the Sisyphian seed By fraud and theft asserts his father's breed.

Dryden. You will wonder how such an ordinary fellow as this Mr. Wood, could have got his Majesty's broad Swift. Or, cobler-like, the parson will be drunk, Worth makes the man, and want of it the fellow;

The rest is all but leather and prunella. 9. Sometimes it implies a mixture of pity

with contempt.

The provost commanded his men to hang him up on the nearest tree; then the fellow cried out that he was not the miller but the miller's man. Hayward.

A member of a college that shares its revenues, or of any incorporated society. There should be mission of three of the fellows or brethren of Solomon's house, to give us knowledge of the affairs and state of those countries to

which they were designed. To FE'LLOW. † v. a. To suit with; to pair with; to match. Fellow is often used

in composition to mark community of nature, station, or employment. Imagination,

With what's unreal, thou co-active art,

And fellow'st nothing. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.
Fellowing himself with every thing that had life Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. Bp. Hall, Select Thoughts, § 100. FELLOW-CI'TIZEN.* n. s. One who belongs

to the same city. Ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow-citizens with the saints. Ephes. ii. 19.

FELLOW-CO'MMONER. † n. s.

1. One who has the same right of common.

He cannot appropriate, he cannot enclose, without the consent of all his fellowcommoners, all

2. A commoner at Cambridge of the higher order, who dines with the fel-

About forty years since, forty pounds per annum for a commoner or pensioner, as the term is at Cambridge, and eighty pounds per annum for a fellow-commoner, was looked on as a sufficient maintenance. Dean Prideaux to Ld.

Townshend, (1715,) Life, &c. p. 196. Fellow-co'unsellor.* n.s. A member of the same council of state.

They would shame to make me Wait else at door; a fellow-counsellor, Among boys, grooms, and lackeys.

Shaks. Hen. VIII. Fellow-cre'Ature. n.s. One that has the same creator.

Reason is the glory of human nature, and one of the chief eminencies whereby we are raised above our fellowcreatures, the brutes in this lower Watts, Logick, Introd.

FELLOW-HEIR. n.s. Coheir; partner of the same inheritance.

The Gentiles should be fellowheirs. Eph.iii.6. Fellow-He'lper. n. s. Coadjutor; one who concurs in the same business.

We ought to receive such, that we might be fellowhelpers to the truth. 3 John, 8. FELLOW-LA'BOURER. n. s. One who labours in the same design.

My fellowlabourers have commissioned me to perform in their behalf this office of dedication.

Dryden, Juv. Ded. Fellow-Ma'iden.* n. s. A virgin that bears another virgin company.

She, all as happy as of all the fairest, Is, with her fellow-maidens, now within The leafy shelter that abuts against The island's side.

Shakspeare, Pericles. Fellow-me'mber.* n.s. Member of the same body or society.

We signify our being united, and knit not only to Christ our head, but also to each other, as fellow-members. Whole Duty of Man.

You'll find, if once the monarch acts the monk, | Fellow-MI'NISTER.* n. s. One who serves the same office.

You fools! I and my fellows Are ministers of fate - my fellow-ministers Are alike invulnerable. Shaks. Tempest.

Fellow-Peer.* n. s. One who enjoys the same privileges of nobility, as the peers of England do; whose titles are indeed different, but whose essential privileges are the same.

You shall not need, my fellow-peers of Tyre, Further to question of your king's departure. Shakspeare, Pericles.

FELLOW-PRI'SONER.* n. s. One confined in the same prison, or for the same

Salute Andronicus and Junia my kinsmen, and my fellow-prisoners. Before St. Paul went to Rome, he was "in prisons oft;" - and so well might have many Whitby on Rom. xvi. 7. fellow-prisoners.

Fellow-scho'lar.* n.s. One who studies in company with others.

You three, Biron, Dumain, and Longaville, Have sworn for three years' term to live with me, My fellow-scholars, and to keep those statutes, That are recorded in this schedule here.

Shakspeare, Love's Lab. Lost. Fellow-se'rvant. n. s. One that has the same master.

Nor less think we in heav'n of thee on earth, Than of our fellowservant; and inquire Gladly into the ways of God with man

Milton, P.L. Fair fellow-servant / may your gentle ear

Prove more propitious to my slighted care Than the bright dame's we serve.

Their fathers and yours were fellow-servants to the same heavenly master while they lived; nor is that relation dissolved by their death, but ought still to operate among their surviving children.

FELLOW-SO'LDIER. n. s. One who fights under the same commander. An endearing appellation used by officers to their men.

Come, fellowsoldier, make thou proclamation.

Shaksneare. Epaphroditus, my brother and companion in labour, and fellowsoldier. Phil. ii. 25. FFLLOW-STU'DENT. n. s. One who studies in company with another, in the same

class, under the same master. I pr'ythee, do not mock me, fellowstudent.

Shakspeare, Hamlet. If you have no fellowstudent at hand, tell it over with your acquaintance. Watts, Logick.

Fellow-su'bject. n. s. One who lives under the same government.

The bleeding condition of their fellowsubjects

was a feather in the balance with their private ends.

FELLOW-SU'FFERER. n. s. One who shares in the same evils; one who partakes the same sufferings with another,

How happy was it for those poor treatures, that your grace was made their fellowsufferer? And how glorious for you, that you chose to want rather than not relieve? Dryden.

We in some measure share the necessities of the poor at the same time that we relieve them, and make ourselves not only their patrons but fellowsufferers. Addison, Spect.

Fellow-tra'veller.* n. s. One who travels in company with others.

That want of sepulture was a grievous punishment, Homer in his Odyssey speaking of Ulysses, and Elpenor his fellow-traveller being dead, gives us this authority. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 118.

· Euripides, that friend of Socrates, and fellowtraveller of Plato. More, Conject. Cabb. p. 168.

Fellow-wo'rker.* n.s. One employed in the same design.

These only are my fellow-workers unto the kingdom of God, which have been a comfort unto Coloss. iv. 11.

FELLOW-WRI'TER. n.s. One who writes at the same time, or on the same sub-

Since they cannot raise themselves to the reputation of their fellow-writers, they must sink it to their own pitch, if they would keep themselves upon a level with them. Addison.

FELLOWFE'ELING. n. s. [fellow and feeling.]

1. Sympathy.

It is a high degree of inhumanity not to have a fellowfeeling of the misfortune of my brother. L'Estrange.

2. Combination; joint interest: commonly in an ill sense.

Even your milk-woman and your nursery-maid have a fellowfeeling. Arbuthnot, Hist. of John Bull.

FE'LLOWLY: \[\) adj. [fellow and like.]

FE'LLOWLY: \[\] Like a companion; on equal terms; companionable.

All which good parts he graceth with a good fellowlike, kind and respectful carriage.

Carew, Surv. of Cornwall. One seed for another to make an exchange, With fellowly neighbourhood seemeth not strange. Tusser

FE'LLOWSHIB. n. s. [from fellow.]

1. Companionship; consort; society. This boy cannot tell what he would have, But kneels and holds up hands for fellowship. Shakspeare, Coriol.

From blissful bow'rs Of amarantine shade, fountain, or spring, By the waters of life, where'er they sat

In fellowships of joy, the sons of light Hasted.

Milton, P. L. There is no man but God puts excellent things into his possession, to be used for the common good; for men are made for society and mutual fellowship. Calamy, Sermons.

God having designed man for a sociable creature, made him not only with an inclination and under the necessity to have fellowship with those of his own kind, but furnished him also with language, which was to be the great instrument and cementer of society.

2. Association; confederacy; combination. We would not die in that man's company, That fears his fellowship to die with us.

Shakspeare, Hen. V. Those laws do bind men absolutely, even as they are men, although they have never any settled fellowship, never any solemn agreement amongst themselves. Hooker.

Most of the other Christian princes were drawn into the fellowship of that war.

Knolles, Hist. of the Turks.

3. Equality.

4. Partnership; joint interest.

Nearer acquainted, now I feel by proof That fellowship in pain divides not smart, Nor lightens aught each man's peculiar load.

Milton, P. R. O love! thou sternly dost thy pow'r maintain, And wilt not bear a rival in thy reign; Tyrants and thou all fellowship disdain. Dryden.

5. Company; state of being together. The great contention of the sea and skies Parted our fellowship. But hark, a sail!

Shakspeare, Othello. 6. Frequency of intercourse; social pleasure.

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In a great town friends are scattered, so that there is not that fellowship which is in less neighbourhoods. Bacon, Ess.

7. Fitness and fondness for festal entertainments, with good prefixed.

He had by his excessive good fellowship, which was grateful to all the company, made himself popular with all the officers of the army. Clarendon.

8. An establishment in the college, with share in its revenue.

Corusodes having, by extreme parsimony, saved thirty pounds out of a beggarly fellowship, went to London.

9. [In arithmetick] That rule of plural proportion whereby we balance accounts, depending between divers persons, having put together a general stock, so that they may every man have his proportional gain, or sustain his proportional part of loss.

Cocker's Arithmetick. FE'LLY. adv. [from fell.] Cruelly; inhumanly; savagely; barbarously.

Fair ye be sure, but cruel and unkind; As is a tyger, that with greediness

Hunts after blood, when he by chance doth find A feeble beast doth felly him oppress.

Spenser, Sonnets.

The hearts do ne'er agree, But felly one another do upbray.

More, Song of the Soul. Or like a lamp arm'd with pellucid horn, Which rustling winds about do rudely toss, And felly lash with injury and scorn.

More, Song of the Soul. FE'LLY. * n. s. See FELLOE. FE'LNESS.* See FELLNESS.

FE'LO-DE-SE.† n. s. [In law.] He that committeth felony by murdering him-

Making their natures a kind of felo de se to prompt the destroying itself.

Lively Oracles, &c. p. 90. FE'LON. n. s. [felon, French ; felo, low

Latin; rel, Saxon.] 1. One who has committed a capital

I apprehend thee for a felon here.

Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul. The wily fox,

Chas'd even amid' the folds; and made to bleed, Like felons, where they did the murd'rous deed.

2. A whitlow; a tumour formed between the bone and its investing membrane, very painful.

The malign paronychia is that which is commonly called a felon. Wiseman, Surgery.

FE'LON. † adj. [Fr. felon, fierce, cruel.] Cruel ; traitorous ; inhuman ; fierce.

Ay me! what thing on earth, that all things breeds.

Might be the cause of so impatient plight! What fury, or what tiend with felon deeds,

Hath stirred up so mischievous despight! Spenser. He ask'd the waves, and ask'd the felon winds, What hard mishap hath doom'd this gentle swain. Milton, Lycidas.

Then bids prepare th' hospitable treat, Vain shews of love to veil his felon hate.

Pope, Odyssey. Nought but the felon undermining hand Of dark corruption can its frame dissolve.

Thomson, Liberty, P. IV. Felo'nious. adj. [from felon.] Wicked; traitorous; villanous; malignant; perfidious; destructive.

This man conceived the duke's death; but what was the motive of that felonious conception is in the clouds.

O thievish night! Why should'st thou, but for some felonious end, In thy dark lantern thus close up the stars

That nature hung in heaven, and fill'd their lamps With everlasting oil, to give due light To the misled and lonely traveller? Millon, Comus.

In thy felonious heart though venom lies, It does but touch thy Irish pen and dies. Dryden.

FE'LONIOUSLY. † adv. [from felonious.] In a felonious way.

Parents have been most feloniously robbed of eir children.

Bp. Hall, Cases of Conscience. Do the Chaldeans and Sabeans feloniously drive away the herds of Job? Seasonable Serm, p. 26.

Felo'Nious. adj. [from felon.] Wicked; felonious; Not used.

[I] am like for desperate dole to die, Through felonous force of mine enemy.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. Feb.

FE'LONY. n. s. [felonie, Fr. felonia, low Latin; from felon.] A crime denounced capital by the law; an enormous crime. I will make it felony to drink small beer.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

FELT. The preterite of FEEL, which see. FELT. n. s. [pelt. Saxon.]

1. Cloth made of wool united without weaving.

It were a delicate stratagem to shoe A troop of horse with felt. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

2. A hide or skin.

To know whether sheep are sound or not, see that the felt be loose. Mortimer, Husbandry.

To FELT. v. a. [from the noun.] To unite without weaving.

The same wool one man felts into a hat, another weaves it into cloth, another into kersey.

Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

FELT-MAKER.* n. s. One employed in making felt.

They put things call'd executorships upon me, The charge of orphans, little senseless creatures. Whom in their childhoods I bound forth to felimakers,

To make 'em lose and work away their gentry. Beaum. and Fl. Wit at sev. Weapons.

Coachmen, weavers, felt-makers, and other base mechanicks, are now by some thought able ministers and profound doctors of the church! Featley, Dippers dipt, p. 156.

To FE'LTER, or FE'LTRE. + v. a. [Ital. felt-

rare.] To clot together like felt; to entangle. A northern word in use.

Craven Dial., and Brockett. His feltred locks, that on his bosom fell,

On rugged mountains briers and thorns resemble.

Felu'cca.† n. s. [Italian; falouque, Fr. felkon, Arab.] A small open boat with six oars.

Having hired a felucca, we were forced by the foulness of the weather into Sostri Levante. W. Pope to A. Hill, (1663,) Hill's Lett. p. 47.

I took a felucca at Naples to carry me to Rome. Addison, Travels.

FE'MALE. n.s. [femelle, French; femella, Latin. A she; one of the sex which brings young; not male.

God created man in his own image, male and female created he them. Gen. i. 27. If he offer it of the herd, whether it be male or female, he shall offer it without blemish.

Leviticus, iii. 1.

Men, more divine, Indu'd with intellectual sense and soul, Are masters to their females, and their lords. Shakspeare.

FE'MALE. adj. 1. Not male.

Female of sex it seems. Milton, S. A. Swarming next appear'd The female bee, that feeds her husband drone. Milton, P. L.

2. Not masculine; belonging to a she. Other suns perhaps

With their attendant moons thou wilt descry, Communicating male and female light, Which two great sexes animate the world.

Milton, P. L.

Add what wants In female sex, the more to draw his love. Milton, P. L.

He scrupled not to eat Against his better knowledge, not deceiv'd, But fondly overcome with female charm. Milt. P.L.
If by a female hand he had foreseen He was to die, his wish had rather been The lance and double ax of the fair warrior queen.

Druden. 3. Female Rhymes. Double rhymes so called, because in French, from which the term is taken, they end in e weak or feminine. These rhymes are female: Th' excess of heat is but a fable;

We know the torrid zone is now found habitable.

The female rhymes are in use with the Italian in every line, with the Spaniard promiscuously, and with the French alternately, as appears from the Alarique, the Pucelle, or any of their later poems. Dryden, Pref. to Annus Mirab.

Feme Covert. n. s. [French.] A married woman; who is also said to be under covert baron.

My poor wife enjoyed herself happily under the protection of my shadow; and, being a femecovert, not an officer durst come near her.

L'Estrange, Transl. of Quevedo. Feme Sole. n. s. [French.] A single

woman; an unmarried woman.

Femina'Lity. n. s. [from fæmina, Latin.] Female nature.

If in the minority of natural vigour the parts of feminality take place, upon the increase or growth thereof the masculine appears.

Brown, Vulg. Err. FE'MINATE.* adj. [from fæmina, Latin.] Feminine, not masculine; becoming only a woman.

A nation warlike, and inured to practice Of policy and labour, cannot brook

A feminate authority, Ford, Broken Heart. FE'MININE. † adj. [feminin, old French; femininus, Latin.]

1. Of the sex that bring young; female.

Thus we chastise the god of wine With water that is feminine, Until the cooler nymph abate

His wrath, and so concorporate. 2. Soft; tender; delicate.

Her heav'nly form Angelic, but more soft and feminine. Milt. P. L.

3. Effeminate; emasculated; wanting manliness.

Ninias was no man of war at all, but altogether feminine and subjected to ease and delicacy. Ralegh, History.

Feminine measures of impotent humour and Glanville, Serm. p. 382. indulgence.

4. Belonging to women. It will be worth our pains to take notice of some principal of the orders she [Paula] made in those feminine academies. Fuller, Holy State . p. 87.

FEN FE'MININE. n. s. A she; one of the sex that brings young; a female.
O! why did God create at last

This novelty on earth, this fair defect Of nature? And not fill the world at once With men, as angels, without feminine. Milt. P.L.

Femi'nity.* n. s. [from fæmina, Latin.] Any quality or property of woman. Hither great Venus brought this infant fair yfostered to be,

And trained up in true feminitee.

Spenser, F. Q, iii. vi. 51. There being all these symptoms of feminity in the church of Rome.

More on the Seven Churches, ch. 6. To Fe'minize.* v. a. [from fæmina, Lat.]

To make womanish.

The serpent said to the feminized Adam, why are you so demure? More, Conject. Cabb. (1653,) p. 45.

FE'MORAL. adj. [femoralis, Latin.] Belonging to the thigh.

The largest crooked needle should be used in taking up the femoral arteries in amputation. Sharp, Surgery.

FEN. + n. s. [Sax. renn; M. Goth. fani. Mr. H. Tooke thinks that it is from the Saxon verb rýmizean, to grow musty, to spoil, to corrupt. But the Gothick fani is the word used for clay, or dirt, St. John, ix. 6. (Vers. Goth.) and elsewhere. To this may be added the Su. Goth. fen, and the Teut. ven.] A marsh; low, flat, and moist ground; a moor; a

bog.

Mexico is a city that stands in the midst of a great marsh or fen. Abbot, Descrip. of the World. I go alone

Like to a lonely dragon, that his fen Makes fear'd and talk'd of more than seen.

The surface is of black fen earth. Woodward on Fossils.

He to Portina's wat'ry marshes went; A long canal the muddy fen divides, And with a clear unsully'd current glides. Addis.

FE'NBERRY, n.s. [fen and berry.] A kind Skinner. of blackberry.

FEN-BORN.* n.s. Produced or generated in fens.

That fen-born serpent. Milton, Reas. of Ch. Gov. B. 2. Fen-cress.* n. s. [Sax. pen-ceppe.] Cress growing in fens.

FEN-CRICKET. n. s. [grillotalpa.] An insect that digs itself holes in the ground.

FEN-DUCK.* n. s. A sort of wild duck. Sherwood. FEN-FOWL.* n s. [Sax. pen-puzel.] Any

fowl inhabiting marshes. FEN-LAND.* n. s. [reon-land, Sax. Chron.]

Marshy land.

FENCE. † n. s. [from defence, Dr. Johnson says; but defence is rather from fence, than fence from it. Fence is from the unusual Latin word fendo, to drive away; whence offendo, and defendo.]

1. Guard; security; outwork; defence. That proved not fence enough to the reputation of their oppressors. Decay of Piety. There's no fence against inundations, earthquakes, or hurricanes. L'Estrange.

To put them out of their parent's view, at a great distance, is to expose them to the greatest dangers of their whole life, when they have the least fence and guard against them.

Let us bear this awful corps to Cæsar, And lay it in his sight, that it may stand A fence betwixt us and the victor's wrath.

Addison, Cato. 2. Enclosure: mound; hedge; fortified boundary.

In vain did nature's wise command Divide the waters from the land, If daring ships, and men prophane, Invade th' inviolable main; Th' eternal fences overleap,

And pass at will the boundless deep. Dryd. Hor. Shall I mention make Of the vast mound that binds the Lucrine lake?

Or the disdainful sea, that, shut from thence, Roars round the structure, and invades the fence?

Employ their wiles and unavailing care, To pass the fences and surprise the fair. Pope.

3. The art of fencing; defence.

I bruised my skin th' other day, with playing at sword and dagger with a master of fence. Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor.

4. Skill in defence.

I'll prove it on his body, if he dare, Despite his nice fence and his active practice.

Enjoy your dear wit, and gay rhetorick, That hath so well been taught her dazzling fence. Milton, Comus.

To FENCE. v. a.

1. To enclose; to secure by an enclosure or hedge.

Th' inhabitants each pasture and each plain Destroyed have, each field to waste is lade; In fenced towers bestowed is their grain, Before thou cam'st this kingdom to invade.

He hath fenced up my way that I cannot pass, and set darkness in my paths. Job, xix. 8. Thou hast clothed me with skin and flesh, and hast fenced me with bones and sinews.

Job, x. 11. He went about to make a bridge to a strong city, which was fenced about with walls.

2 Mac. xii. 13. See that the churchyard be fenced in with a decent rail, or other inclosure. Ayliffe, Parergen. 2. To guard; to fortify.

So much of adder's wisdom I have learnt, To fence my ear against thy sorceries. Milt. S. A. With love to friend, th' impatient lover went, Fenc'd from the thorns, and trod the deep descent.

To FENCE. v. n.

1. To practise the arts of manual defence; to practise the use of weapons.

He having got some iron, should have it beaten into swords, and put into his servants' hands to fence with, and bang one another.

2. To guard against; to act on the defensive.

Vice is the more stubborn as well as the more dangerous evil, and therefore in the first place to be fenced against.

3. To fight according to art, by obviating blows as well as giving.

If a throstle sing, he falls straight a capering: He will fence with his own shadow.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. A beauteous heifer in the wood is bred; The stooping warriors aiming head to head, Engage their clashing horns; with dreadful sound The forest rattles, and the rocks rebound; They fence and push, and pushing, loudly roar,

Their dewlaps and their sides are bath'd in gore. A man that cannot fence will keep out of bul-

lies' and gamesters' company. FENCE-MONTH.* n. s. A word of the

forest-law; meaning the month in which

it is prohibited to hunt in any forest, as | To FEND. + v. n. the does then fawn. It begins about the ninth of June, and continues till the ninth of July. There are also fence-months for fish. Bullokar, and Chambers.

FE'NCEFUL. * adj. [fence and full.] Affording defence or protection.

Blue-ey'd Minerva --Taught artists first the carving tool to wield, Chariots with brass to arm, and form the fenceful Congreve, Hymn to Venus. shield. A fenceful shield. Pope, Odyss. 16.

FE'NCELESS. † adj. [from fence.] Without inclosure; open.

The wall

Immovable of this now fenceless world. Milt. P. L. Each motion of the heart rises to fury, And love in their weak bosoms is a rage As terrible as hate, and as destructive: So the wind roars o'er the wide fenceless ocean, And heaves the billows of the boiling deep, Alike from North, from South. Rowe, Jane Shore.

FE'NCER. † n. s. [from fence.] One who teaches or practises the use of weapons, or science of defence.

Calmness is great advantage; he that lets Another chafe, may warm him at his fire, Mark all his wand'rings, and enjoy his frets; As cunning fencers suffer heat to tire. A nimble fencer will put in a thrust so quick,

that the foil will be in your bosom when you thought it a yard off.

FE'NCIBLE + adj. [from fence.] Capable of defence. Dr. Johnson mentions Addison as using the word, but has overlooked Spenser, probably in consequence of the corrupted text of some editions which substitute sensible for the genuine word fensible or fencible.
No fort so fensible, no walls so strong,

But that continual battery will rive.

Spenser, F. Q iii. x. 10.

FE'NCIBLES.* n. s. In the military history of our own times, such regiments as have been raised either expressly for the defence of our own country; or for a limited service; and for a given time.

FE'ncing.* n.s. [from fence.] The art of fencing.

These, being polemical arts, could no more be learned alone than fencing or cudgel-playing. Arbuthnot and Pone.

FE'NCINGMASTER. † n. s. [fence and master. One who teaches the science of defence, or the use of weapons.

The fencing-masters -- present a foyle or fleuret Lord Herbert's Life, p. 46. to their scholars.

FE'NCINGSCHOOL. n. s. [fence and school.] A place in which the use of weapons is

If a man be to prepare his son for duels, I had rather mine should be a good wrestler than an ordinary fencer, which is the most a gentleman can attain to, unless he will be constantly in the fencing-school, and every day exercising.

To FEND. † v. a. [Lat. fendo, to drive away.]

1. To keep off; to shut out.

Spread with straw the hedding of thy fold, With fern beneath, to fend the bitter cold. Dryden, Virg.

2. In naval language, to fend a boat, is to defend it from being dashed against rocks, the shore, or the side of a ship.

1. To dispute: to shift off a charge.

Such fending, and such proving.

Beaum. and Fl. Huni. Lleutenant. The dexterous management of terms, and being able to fend and prove with them, passes for a great part of learning; but it is learning distinct from knowledge.

2. To be industrious; to work hard. A northern word. Westmoreland and Craven Dial. and Wilbraham's Cheshire Gloss.

3. Used in some parts of the north also in inquiries after a person's health: as, "How fend ye, Mister Ritson, how fend ve?" Cumberland Customs, &c. p. 23.

FE'NDER. n. s. [from fend.]

1. An iron plate laid before the fire to hinder coals that fall, from rolling forward to the floor.

Any thing laid or hung at the side of a

ship to keep off violence.

To FE'NERATE.* v. n. [Lat. fæneror.] To put money to usury. Cockeram. FENERA'TION. n. s. [faneratio, Latin.]

Usury; the gain of interest; the practice of increasing money by lending.

The hare figured not only pusillanimity and timidity from its temper, but feneration and usury from its fecundity and superfetation.

Brown, Vulg. Err. FENE'STRAL.* adj. [Lat. fenestralis; old French, fenestrelle, a little window, which Skelton adopts, mentioning "the fenestrall of castel Angel gloriously glased," Poems, p. 53. The adjective seems proper.] Belonging to windows.

Anthony Wood collected the sepulchral and fenestral inscriptions of the several parishes in the county of Oxford. Bp. Nicholson, Eng. Hist. Lib.

FE'NNEL. † n. s. [renol, Saxon; fenouil, old French, fæniculum, Lat.] A plant of strong scent.

A savoury odour blown, more pleas'd my sense Than smell of sweetest fennel, or the teats Of ewe, or goat, dropping with milk at even.

Milton, P. L. FE'NNELFLOWER. n. s. [nigella.] A plant. FE'NNELGIANT. n. s. [ferula.] A plant. FE'NNY.† adj. [Sax. penniz.]

 Marshy; boggy; moorish.
 Driving in of piles is used for stone or brick
 houses, and that only where the ground proves

fenny or moorish. The hungry crocodile, and hissing snake, Lurk in the troubl'd stream and fenny brake.

2. Inhabiting the marsh.

Fillet of a fenny snake, In the cauldron boil and bake. Shaks. Macbeth. FE'NNYSTONES. n. s. A plant.

FE'NOWED.* adj. [from the Sax. rynizean, to become mouldy, to corrupt, to decay; as Mr. H. Tooke has observed, Div. of Purl. ii. 61. The word is in our old lexicography, though unnoticed or forgotten, in the form of finewed. See Sherwood's Dict. 1632, where it is transferred to VINNOWED. And that is explained by Cotgrave mouldy, hoary,

musty.] Mouldy. See VINNEWED.

The old moth-eaten leaden legend, and the foisty and fenowed festival, are yet secretly laid up in corners. Dr. Favour, Antiq. Triumph over Novelty, (1619,) p. 354.

F'ENSUCKED. adj. [fen and such.] Sucked out of marshes.

Infect her beauty,

You fensuck'd fogs, drawn by the powerful sun. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

Fe'nugreek. n. s. [fenugree, old Fr. penogreeum, Sax. fanum Gracum, Lat.] A plant or herb, the seed of which is much used in medicine. Bullokar. FE'OD. n. s. [feedum, low Latin.] Fee;

FE'ODAL. † adj. [feodal, French, from fend.]
I. Held from another.

2. Belonging to a feed or tenure.

The feodal discipline extended itself every where, and influenced the conduct of the courts, and the manners of the people, with its own irregular martial spirit. Burke, Abr., Eng. His. iii. 1.

FEODA'LITY.* n. s. [old Fr. feodalité.]
The possession of, or seigniory over, divers fiefs; feudal tenure; feudal law

Cotgrave.

The leaders teach the people to reject all feodality as the barbarism of tyranny. FE'ODARY. † n. s. [from feodum, Latin.] One who holds his estate under the tenure of suit and service to a superior lord. This word is cited by Dr. Johnson upon the authority of Sir T. Hanmer, who has thus defined feodary in his note on fedary in Shakspeare. See Fedary. But the feudal vassal, as Mr. Malone observes, was not called a feodary, but a feodatary or feudatory. A feodary was an officer appointed by the court of wards to be present with, and assistant to, the escheators in every county at the finding of officers, and to give in evidence for the king. Stat. 32. Hen. viii. ch. 46. See also Bullokar's Expositor.

FE'ODATARY.* n. s. [Lat. feudatarius.] A tenant who holds his estate by feudal service. See FEUDATARY.

FE'ODATORY.* adj. Holding from another by some conditional tenure.

Any heneficiary or feedatory king.

Bacon, Observ. on a Libel, 1592.

To FE'OFF.† v. a. [feoffer, old French; fief, fieffer, French; feoffare, low Latin.]
To put in possession; to invest with right.

Coheirs with thee of that blessed patrimony, so feoffed upon them, so possessed of them, that they

can never be disseised.

Bp. Hall, Breath. of the Devout Soul, § 29. If any man have a mind to feoffe a curse upon himself and his posterity, let him defile his fingers with the holy things of God. Seasonable Serm. p. 49. By spirit men cozen, when they father false

doctrine upon the spirit; by word, when they feoff it upon true doctrine.

Shelford's Learned Discourses, p. 231. FEOFF.* n. s. A fief. See FIEF.

By these sales the third part of the best feoffs in France came to be possessed by the clergy.

Fuller, Holy War, p. 18. FEOFFE'E. n. s. [féofée, i. e. feudataire, old French, of the eleventh century; feoffatus, Lat.] One put in possession. The late earl of Desmond, before his breaking forth into rebellion, conveyed secretly all his land to feoffees in trust, in hope to have cut off her majesty from the escheat of his lands.

Spenser on Ireland.

Fe'offer. n. s. [old French, féoffor; low Latin, feoffator. One who gives possession of any thing. See FEOFF-MENT. Huloet, and Sherwood.

FE'OFFMENT. † n. s. [féofment, old French; feoffamentum, Latin.] The act of grant-

ing possession.

Any gift or grant of any honours, castles, lands, or other immovable things, to another in fee simple, that is, to him and his heirs for ever, by the delivery of seisin of the thing given: when it is in writing it is called a deed of feoffment; and in every feoffment the giver is called the feoffor, feoffator, and he that receiveth by virtue thereof the feoffee, feoffatus. The proper difference between a feoffor and a donor is, that the feoffor gives in fee-simple, the donor in fee-tail.

Divers young gentlemen proffered large feoffments, but in vain. Tarleton's News out of Purgat. Patrons of both churches on account of their

feoffment, and with the consent of Fulk Burmyngham, archdeacon of Oxford.

Warton, History of Keddington, p. 18. FERA'CIOUS.** adj. [ferax, Latin.] Fertile: fruitful.

Those ages have been most feracious in the production of such persons. Stillingfleet, Orig. Sac.i.6. Like an oak,

Nurs'd on feracious Algidum.

Thomson, Liberty, P. III. FERA'CITY. n. s. [feracitas, Lat.] Fruitfulness; fertility.

FE'RAL. † adj. [feralis, Latin.] Funereal; deadly. Dict.

and many feral diseases, reign among us.

Such feral accidents can want and penury proice. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 164.
The world is miserably tormented and shaken with wars; dearth, famine, inundations, plagues,

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 679. By the wan moon-beam oft the bird of night

Lengthens her feral note.

Headley on the Ruins of Broomholm Priory.

Fere.* n. s. [Sax. pepa, gepena.] A companion; a mate; an equal. Formerly used either for husband or wife. In fere is also an old expression for together, in company; and sometimes written y fere. Gower uses bedfere, and B. Jonson the same, for bedfellow.

We shall ben yfere, As Orpheus and Eurydice his fere.

Chaucer, Tr. and Cress, iv. 791.

Charissa to a lovely fere Was linked, and by him had many pledges dear.

Spenser, F. Q. i. x. 4. FE'RETORY.* n. s. [feretrum, Lat.] A place in churches where the bier is set.

A third shrine was prepared, whereon to place the other two, and inclose his sacred body. upper part of this feretory was all covered with plate of the purest gold.

Keepe, Monum. Westm. p. 137. FE'RIAL.* adj. [ferialis, Lat.] Respecting the common days of the week;

sometimes, holidays.

Concerning the ferial character: The ecclesiastical year, of old, began at Easter, the first week whereof was all holiday, the days being distinguished by prima, secunda, tertia, &c. added unto feria; from thence the days of any other week began to be called feria prima, secunda, &c.

Gregory, Posthuma, (1650,) p. 134.

[They] did learn to dance, and to sing, and to play on instruments on the ferial days.

Dugdale, Orig. Judic. ch. 55. FERIA'TION. n. s. [feriatio, Latin.] The

act of keeping holiday; cessation from

As though there were any feriation in nature, this season is commonly termed the physician's

FE'RIE.* n. s. [ferie, old French; feria, Latin. Any day of the week not kept holy. Bullokar. Yet Wicliffe uses feries for holidays. But a common day seems to have been the usual meaning of the word.

My feast is turned into simple ferie. Dance of Machabree, fol. 221. b.

FE'RINE. † adj. [ferin, old Fr. ferinus, Wild; savage. Latin.

The only difficulty is touching those ferine, noxious, and untamable beasts; as lions, tigers, wolves, bears.

There are brutish and unnatural desires, which the philosopher calleth ferine and inhumane.

Bp. Reynolds on the Passions, ch. 16.

Feri'neness. n. s. [from ferine.] Barbarity: savageness: wildness.

A ferine and necessitous kind of life, a conversation with those that were fallen into a barbarous habit of life, would asimilate the next generation to barbarism and ferineness.

FE'RITY. n. s. [feritas, Latin.] barity; cruelty; wildness; savageness. All ferity and inhumanity being laid aside.

Pearson on the Creed, Art. 2. The ferity of such minds bears no rule in re-Brown, Chr. Mor. iii. 12. [They] live by the rules of ferity and lust, and

differ from the beasts seemingly in little else but external shape, Glanville, Serm. p. 285. He reduced him from the most abject and stupid

ferity to his senses, and to sober reason. Woodward, Nat. Hist.

To FERK.* See To FIRK. FERM.* n. s. [Sax. reopm; old Fr. ferme.]

1. Rent; farm. Ferm signified rent both in England and in France, says Madox, in his Firma Burgi: he might have added Scotland.

Chalmers, Sir D. Lindsay, Gloss. 2. Lodging-house. The Saxon word is used both for hospitality and an inn or lodging, like the Latin, hospitium; and Spenser's expression is literally the Latin ex hospitio discedere, to leave one's lodging.

His sinful soul with desperate disdain

Out of her fleshly ferme fled to the place of pain. Spenser, F. Q. iii. v. 23.

To FERME'NT. v. a. [fermento, Latin; fermenter, French.] To exalt or rarify by intestine motion of parts.

Ye vig'rous swains! while youth ferments your blood,

And purer spirits swell the sprightly flood, Now range the hills, the thickest woods beset, Wind the shrill horn, or spread the waving net.

To FERME'NT. + v. n. To have the parts put into intestine motion.

If wine or cider do ferment twice, it will be harder, than if it had fermented but once.

Neile's Cider in Evelyn's Pomona.

Fe'rment. n. s. [ferment, French; fermentum, Latin.]

1. That which causes intestine motion.

The semen puts females into a fever, upon impregnation; and all animal humours, which poison, are putrifying ferments. Floyer on the Humours. 2. Intestine motion; tumult.

Subdue and cool the ferment of desire.

Rogers, Serm. FERME'NTABLE. adj. [from ferment.] Capable of fermentation.

FERME'NTAL. adj. [from ferment.] Having the power to cause fermentation. Not

Cucumbers, being waterish, fill the veins with crude and windy serosities, that contain little salt or spirit, and debilitate the vital acidity and fermental faculty of the stomach.

Fermenta'tion. n. s. [fermentatio, Lat.] A slow motion of the intestine particles of a mixt body, arising usually from the operation of some active acid matter, which rarifies, exalts, and subtilizes the soft and sulphureous particles: as when leaven or yest rarifies, lightens, and ferments bread or wort. And this motion differs much from that usually called ebullition or effervescence, which is a violent boiling and struggling between an acid and an alkali, when mixed together. The juice of grapes, after fermentation, will

yield a spiritus ardens. A man, by tumbling his thoughts, and forming them into expressions, gives them a new kind of fermentation; which works them into a finer body, and makes them much clearer than they Collier of Friendship. were before.

The sap, in fluent dance, And lively fermentation, mounting, spreads All this innumerous colour'd scene of things. Thomson.

FERME'NTATIVE. adj. [from ferment.] Causing fermentation; having the power to cause fermentation.

Aromatical spirits destroy by their fermentative Arbuthnot.

FERME'NTATIVENESS.* n. s. [from fermentative.] Capability of fermenting. The white of the egg he concluded, from its

fermentativeness, to be impregnated with air. Dr. Tyson, Hist. R. S. (1684,) iv. 172.

FE'RMILLET.* n. s. [fermaillet, old Fr.] A buckle or clasp. Those stones were sustained or stayed by buckles

and fermillets of gold for more firmness. Donne, Hist. of the Sept. p. 49.

FERN. n. s. [reapn, Saxon.] A plant.

The leaves are formed of a number of small pinnules, dentated on the edges, and set close by one another on slender ribs. On the back of these pinnules are produced the seeds, small and extremely numerous. The country people esteem it a sovereign remedy decocted for the rickets in children.

Black was the forest, thick with beech it stood, Horrid with fern, and intricate with thorn; Few paths of human feet or tracks of beasts were Dryden.

There are great varieties of fern in different parts of the world; but they are seldom cultivated in gardens. Miller.

FE'RNTICLES.* n.s. pl. Freckles on the skin resembling the seeds of the fern. Craven Dialect. Pronounced farnticles.

Fe'RNY. † adj. [from fern.] Overgrown with fern.

Barret, Alv. 1580. many ferns grow. The herd suffic'd, did late repair

To ferny heaths, and to their forest-lair. Dryden.

FERO'CIOUS. adj. [ferox, Latin ; feroce, French.

1. Savage; fierce.

Smedly rose in majesty of mud: Shaking the horrors of his ample brows, And each ferocious feature grim with ooze. Pope.

2. Ravenous; rapacious.

The hare that becometh a prey unto man, unto beasts and fowls of the air, is fruitful even unto superfetation; but the lion and ferocious animal hath young ones but seldom, and but one at a Brown, Vulg. Err.

FERO'CIOUSLY.* adv. [from ferocious.] In a savage, or in a rapacious, manner.

Fero'ciousness.* n. s. [from ferocious.] Fierceness; savageness.

FERO'CITY. n. s. [ferocitas, Latin; ferocité, French, from ferocious.] Savageness; wildness; fierceness.

An uncommon ferocity in my countenance, with the remarkable flatness of my nose, and extent of my mouth, have procured me the name of lion. Addison, Guardian.

Untaught, uncultivated, as they were Philips, Briton. Inhospitable, full of fcrocity.

Fe'rreus, adj. [ferreus, Latin.] Irony;

In the body of glass there is no ferreous or mag-Brown, Vulg. Err. netical nature.

FE'RRET. n.s. [fured, Welsh; furet, Fr. ferret, Dutch; viverra, Lat.]

1. A kind of rat with red eyes and a long snout, used to catch rabits. They are said to have been brought hither from

With what an eager earnestness she looked, having threatning not only in her ferret eyes, but while she spoke, her nose seemed to threaten her Sidney.

Looks with such ferret and such fiery eyes, Shakspeare, Jul Cas. As we have seen him. Coneys are taken either by ferrets or purse-nets.

2. A kind of narrow woollen tape.

To FE'RRET. + v. a. [from the noun.] To drive out of lurking places, as the ferret drives the conev.

The archbishop had ferreted him out of all his holds.

Mortimer.

He went in quest of Hudibras, To find him out where'er he was; And, if he were above ground, vow'd, He'd ferret him, lurk where he wou'd.

Butler, Hudibras. So late as the year 1724 the Inquisition ferreted out, and drove into banishment, some considerable remnants of that unfortunate race, [persons in

Spain of Moorish extraction.]

Swinburne, Trav. through Spain, Let. 20. FE'RRETER. + n. s. [from ferret.] One that hunts another in his privacies.

Sherwood. FE'RRIAGE. † n. s. [old Fr. feriage.] The

Sherwood. fare paid at a ferry. Ferrugi'neous.* adj. [Lat. ferrugineus.] Partaking of particles and qualities of iron; a word chosen by Dr. Johnson in preference to ferruginous.

Ink may be made of any ferrugineous matter and astringent vegetable.

Johnson, Review of Hanway's Journal.

Ferny ground [is] a place where | Ferru'GINOUS. adj. [ferrugineux, Fr. ferrugineus, Lat.] Partaking of the particles and qualities of iron.

They are cold, hot, purgative, diuretick, ferruginous, saline, petrifying, and bituminous. Ray on the Creation.

FE'RRULE. † n. s. [virole, or verrel, old Fr. from ferrum, iron, Lat.] An iron ring put round any thing to keep it from cracking.

The fingers' ends are strengthened with nails, as we fortify the ends of our staves or forks with iron hoops or ferrules.

To Fe'rry. v. a. [rapan, to pass, Sax.; fahr, Germ. a passage. Skinner imagines that this whole family of words may be deduced from the Latin veho. I do not love Latin originals; but if such must be sought, may not these words be more naturally derived from ferri, to be car-To carry over in a boat. ried?]

Cymocles heard and saw, He loudly call'd to such as were aboard, The little bark unto the shore to draw, And him to ferry over that deep ford. Spens. F. Q.

To FE'RRY. v. n. To pass over water in a vessel of carriage.

Thence hurried back to fire, They ferry over this Lethæan sound Both to and fro, their sorrow to augment. Milton, P. L.

FE'RRY. n.s. [from the verb and boat.]

1. A vessel of carriage; a vessel in which goods or passengers are carried over water.

By this time was the worthy Guyon brought Unto the other side of that wide strand, Where she was rowing, and for passage sought: Him needed not long call, she soon to hand Her ferry brought.

Bring them with imagin'd speed Unto the Traject, to the common ferry

Which trades to Venice. Shaksp. Merch. of Ven. A ferryboat to carry over the king's household. 2 Sam. xix.18.

I went down to the river Brent in the ordinary Addison. ferry.

2. The passage over which the ferryboat passes. Just above the ferry is the seat of Mr. Vernon,

situated on an elevation, in the centre of this en-Wyndham's Tour. chanting view.

FE'RRYMAN. n. s. [ferry and man.] One who keeps a ferry; one who for hire transports goods and passengers over the water.

I past, methought, the melancholy flood, With that grim ferryman, which poets write of, Unto the kingdom of perpetual night.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. The common ferryman of Egypt, that wafted

over the dead bodies from Memphis, was made by the Greeks the ferryman of hell, and solemn stories raised after him. Brown.

The grisly ferryman of hell deny'd Æneas entrance, till he knew his guide.

FERTH or Forth. Common terminations, coming from the Saxon word rypo. Gibson.

FE'RTILE. adj. [fertile, Fr. fertilis, Lat.] 1. Fruitful; abundant; plenteous.

I had hope of France, As firmly as I hope for fertile England.

I have had a large, a fair, and a pleasant field; so fertile, that it has given me two harvests in a

I ask whether in the uncultivated waste of America, a thousand acres yield as many conveniencies of life as ten acres of equally fertile land do in Devonshire?

View the wide earth adorn'd with hills and woods,

Rich in her herds, and fertile by her floods. Blackmore.

2. With of before the thing produced. The earth is fertile of all kind of grain.

This happy country is extremely fertile, as of those above, so likewise of its productions under ground.

FE'RTILENESS. † n. s. [from fertile.] Fruitfulness: fecundity.

He, according to the fertileness of the Italian wit, did not only afford us the demonstration of his practice, but sought to enrich our mind with the contemplation therein. Sidney, Def. of Poesy.

To FERTI'LITATE. v. a. [from fertile.] To fecundate; to fertilize; to make fruitful or productive. Not in use.

A cock will in one day fertilitate the whole racemation or cluster of eggs, not excluded in many weeks after.

FERTI'LITY. † n. s. [fertilité, Fr. fertilitas, Lat.] Fecundity; abundance; fruitfulness; plenteousness.

I will go root away The noisome weeds, that without profit suck The soil's fertility from wholesome flowers.

Shakspeare, Rich. II. Paradise itself exceeded in beauty and fertility; and these places had but a resemblance thereof.

Ralegh, History. The quickness of the imagination is seen in the invention, the fertility in the fancy, and the accuracy in the expression.

To inundations Egypt, through which the Nile flows, and the Indies owe their extraordinary fertility, and those mighty crops they produce after these waters are withdrawn. Woodward, Nat. Hist.

To FE'RTILIZE. v. a. [fertilizer, Fr.] To make fruitful; to make plenteous; to make productive: to fecundate.

Having watered and fertilized, by their passage, the grounds through which they [rivers] seemed to wander. Boyle, Style of H. Script. p. 56.

Rain-water carries along with it a sort of terrestrial matter that fertilizes the land, as being proper for the formation of vegetables.

Woodward, Nat. Hist.

FE'RTILY. † adv. [from fertile.] Fruitfully; plenteously; plentifully; abundantly. Sherwood.

FE'RVENCY. n. s. [fervens, Lat.]

1. Heat of mind; ardour; eagerness. Your diver

Did hang a salt fish on his hook, which he With fervency drew up.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. 2. Pious ardour; flame of devotion; zeal.

We have on all sides lost much of our first fervency towards God. Hooker, Dedication. There must be zeal and fervency in him which proposeth for the rest those suits and supplications, which they by their joyful acclamations must ratify. When you pray, let it be with attention, with

fervency, and with perseverance.

Wake, Prep. for Death.

FE'RVENT. † adj. [fervens, Lat. fervent, Fr.] Shakspeare, Hen. VI. 1. Hot; boiling.

FES

The fountain's

Bubbling wave did ever freshly wade

Ne ever would through fervent Summer fade.

Shenser

From the phlegmatick humour, the proper allay of fervent blood, will flow a future quietude and serenitude.

Wotton.

2. Hot in temper; vehement.

They that are more ferrent to dispute, be not always the most able to determine. Hooker.

3. Ardent in piety; warm in zeal; flaming

with devotion.

This man being fervent in the spirit, taught diligently the things of the Lord. Acts, xviii. 25. So spake the fervent angel; but his zeal

None seconded, as out of season judg'd, Or singular and rash. Milton, P. L. Let all enquiries into the mysterious points of theology be carried on with forvent petitions to God, that he would dispose their minds to direct all their skill to the promotion of a good life.

4. Ardent in love.

Will you go to him then and speak for me? You have loved longer, but not feventer.

Beaum, and Fl. Laws of Candy.

Fe'RVENTLY.† adv. [from fervent.]

1. In a burning degree.

It continued so fervently hot, that men roasted eggs in the sand. Hakewill on Providence, p.116. 2. Eagerly; vehemently.

Pleasure, where the true is fervently moved.

Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 182.

They all that charge did fervently apply,

With greedy malice and importune toil.

Spenser, F. Q.

With pious ardour; with holy zeal.
 Epaphras saluteth you, labouring fervently for you in prayers.
 Col. iv. 12.

He cares not how or what he suffers, so he suffer well, and be the friend of Christ; nor where nor when he suffers, so he may do it frequently, fervently, and acceptably.

Bp. Taylor.

Fe'rventness.* n. s. [from fervent] Ardour; zeal.

Having great power, with constant ferventness

of spirit, to declare his will.

Bale on the Revel. P. iii. sign. A. iii. b.

FERVID. † adj. [fervidus, Lat.]

1. Hot; burning; boiling.

The mounted sun
Shot down direct his fervid rays, to warm
Earth's inmost womb.

Milton, P. L.

2. Vehement; eager; zealous.

FERVI'DITY. n. s. [from fervid.]

1. Heat.

2. Zeal; passion; ardour. Dict. Fe'rvidness. n. s. [from férvid.] Ardour

of mind; zeal; passion.

As to the healing of Malchus's ear, — in the account of the meek Lamb of God, it was a kind

account of the meek Lamb of God, it was a kind of injury done to him by the fervidness of St. Peter, who knew not yet what spirit he was of. Bentley, Serm. vi.

FERULA,† n. s. [ferule, Fr. from ferula, giant fennel, Lat.] An instrument of correction with which young scholars are beaten on the hand: so named because anciently the stalks of fennel were used for this purpose.

The birch upon the breeches of the small ones, And humble with the ferula the tall ones.

Beaum. and Fl. Two Nob. Kinsmen.
These differ as much as the rod and ferula.
Shaw's Grammar.

FE'RULAR.* n.s. [from ferula, Lat.] The ferule, or instrument of correction.

Phillins.

Fists, and ferulars, rods, and scourges, have been the usual dainties in schools.

Hartlib, Reform. of Schools. (1642,) p. 13. FE'RULE.* n. s. The more proper word for ferula.

Now my rhymes relish of the ferule still, Some nose-wise pedant saith. Bp. Hall, Sat.iv.1. Before he had any down upon his chin, and

Before he had any down upon his chin, and whilst he was under the ferule.

Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 304.
From the rod or ferule I would have them free, as from the menace of them.

B. Jonson, Discoveries.
To Fe'Rule. v. a. To chastise with the

ferula.
Fe'rvour. n. s. [fervor, Lat. ferveur, Fr.]
1. Heat; warmth.

Were it an undeniable truth that an effectual fervour proceeded from this star, yet would not the same determine the opinion. Brown, Vulg. Err.

Like bright Aurora, whose refulgent ray Foretells the fervour of ensuing day, And warns the shepherd with his flocks retreat To leafy shadows, from the threatened heat.

These silver drops, like morning dew,
Forctell the formur of the day;
So from one cloud soft show'rs we view,
And blasting lightnings burst away.

Pope.

2. Heat of mind; zeal.

Odious it must needs have been to abolish that which all had held for the space of many ages, without reason so great as might in the eyes of impartial men appear sufficient to clear them from all blame of rash proceedings, if in fervour of zeal they had removed such things.

Hooker.

Haply despair hath seiz'd her;
Or, wing'd with fervour of her love, she's flown
To her desir'd Posthumus. Shakspeare, Cymb.

3. Ardour of piety.

There will be at Loretto, in a few ages more, jewels of the greatest value in Europe, if the devotion of its princes continues with its present fervour.

Addison on Italy.

FE'SCENNINE.** n. s. [from Fescennia, in Tuscany, where licentious and wanton verses were sung at weddings; Lat. Fescennini versus.] A licentious poem. Many old poets—did write fescennines, atellans, and lascivious songs.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 414. Fe'scennine.* adj. [Lat. fescenninus.] Licentious; wanton.

Such a race We pray may grace

Your fruitful spreading vine,

But dare not ask our wish in language Fescennine. B. Jonson, Underwoods.

There seldom wanted a company of boys and mad sparks, got together, to sing a parcel of obscene verses, which were tolerated on this occasion, [the nuptial feast.] They consisted of a kind of Fescennine rhimes.

Kennet, Rom. Antiq. ii. 5.

Fe'scue.† n. s. [Teut. vesken; Fr. festu.
Our own word was formerly written
festu. It is still pronounced, in some
places, vester. The original is probably
the Latin festuca, a young shoot, or stalk
of a tree; a small wand or stick; though
Mr. Pegge strangely interprets it, by
way of etymological explanation, versecue.] A small wire by which those who
teach to read point out the letters.

Teach him an alphabet upon his fingers, making the points of his fingers of his left hand both on the inside to signify some letter, when any of them is pointed at by the forefinger of the right hand, or by any kind of fescue.

Holder,

Teach them how manly passions ought to move; For such as cannot think, can never love; And since they needs will judge the poet's art, Point 'em with fescues to each shining part. Dryd.

Fe'sels.† n. s. [faziols, Fr. "fasels, long pease, kidney beans." Cotgrave.] A kind of base grain.

Disdain not fesels or poor vetch to sow, Or care to make Egyptian lentils thrive.

May, Virgil.

Fesse. n. s. [In heraldry.]

The fesse is so called of the Latin word fascia, a band or girdle, possessing the third part of the escutcheon over the middle; if there be above one, you must call them bars; if with the field there be odd pieces, as seven or nine, then you must name the field, and say so many bars; if even, as six, eight, or ten, you must say barwise, or barry of six, eight, or ten, as, the king of Hungary bears argent and gules barry of eight.

Peacham on Blazoning.

FE'STAL.* adj. [old Fr. festal, from the Lat. festum.] Respecting feasts; befitting a feast.

They would have thought, who heard the strain, They saw in Tempe's vale her native maids Anidst the festal sounding shades

To some unwearied minstrel dancing.

Collins, Ode on the Passions.

These were festal chansons for enlivening the merriments of the Christmas celebrity.

Warton, Hist. of Eng. Poet. iii. 142.
At festal seasons there may be supposed a very numerous company.

Johnson, Journey to the Western Islands.

To Fe'ster. v. n. [fesse, in Bavarian, a swelling corrupted, Junius. Dr. Johnson accedes to this etymology. But our word may be perhaps a corruption of the Latin pustula, a blain, a blister.]

To rankle; to corrupt; to grow virulent.

I might, even in my lady's presence, discover the serve which had deaply fortuned within reserved.

the sore which had deeply festered within me.

Sidney.

Inward corruption and infected sin, Not purg'd, not heal'd, behind remained still, And festering sore, did rankle yet within.

How should our festered sores be cured?

Hooker.

I have some wounds upon me, and they smart
To hear themselves remembered.

— Well might they fester 'gainst ingratitude, And tent themselves with death. Shaks. Coriol. Mind that their souls

May make a peaceful and a sweet retire From off these fields, where, wretches, their poor bodies

Must lie and fester. Shakspeare, Hen. V.

There was imagination, that between a knight whom the duke had taken into some good de-

whom the duke had taken into some good degree of favour, and Felton, there had been ancient quarrels not yet well healed, which might perhaps be festering in his breast, and by a certain inflammation produce this effect. Wotton.

Passion and unkindness may give a wound that shall bleed and smart; but it is treachery that makes it fester.

South.

FE'STINATE. adj. [festinatus, Latin.]
Hasty; hurried. A word not in use.
Advise the duke, where you are going, to a

most festinate preparation: we are bound to the like.

Shakspeare, K. Lear.

Holder. FE'STINATELY. adv. [from festinate.]

Hastily: speedily; with speed. Not in |

Take this key! give enlargement to the swain; bring him festinately hither. Shaks. L. Lab. Lost. FESTINA'TION. † n. s. [festinatio, Latin.] Haste; hurry.

Lay hands on him with all festination. Preston, Trag. of King Cambises, (1561.) Festination may prove precipitation.

Brown, Chr. Mor. 1. 33. FE'STIVAL † adj. [festival, old French; festivus, Latin.] Pertaining to feasts; joyous.

The king forbid that they should profane the 1 Macc. i. 45. sabbaths and festival days. Their garlands — were convivial, festival, sacri-

ficial, nuptial, honorary, funebrial.

Sir T. Brown, Miscell. p.91. He appeared at great tables, and festival entertainments, that he might manifest his divine charity to men.

FE'STIVAL. n. s. Time of feast; anniver-, sary-day of civil or religious joy. So tedious is this day,

As is the night before some festival, To an impatient child that hath new robes, And may not wear them. Shaks. Rom. and Jul. Th' invited sisters with their graces blest Their festivals. The morning trumpets festival proclaim'd

Through each high street. Milton, S. A. Follow, ye nymphs and shepherds all,

Come, celebrate this festival,

And merrily sing and sport, and play; 'Tis Oriana's nuptial day. Granville.

By sacrifice of the tongues they purged away whatever they had spoken amiss during the festival Broome, on the Odyssey. The festival of our Lord's resurrection we have

celebrated, and may now consider the chief consequence of his resurrection, a judgment to come. Atterbury, Sermons.

FE'STIVE. † adj. [festive, old Fr. festivus, Lat.] Joyous; gay; befitting a feast. The glad circle round them yield their souls To festive mirth, and wit that knows no gall. Thompson.

His vein was chiefly festive and satirical. Warton, Hist. E. P. vol. i. Diss. 2.

FESTI'VITY. † n. s. [festivitée, old French ; festivitas, Latin.]

1. Festival; time of rejoicing.

The daughter of Jephtha came to be worshipped as a deity, and had an annual festivity observed unto her honour. Brown.

There happening a great and solemn festivity, such as the sheep shearings used to be, David condescends to beg of a rich man some small repast.

2. Gaiety; joyfulness; temper or behaviour befitting a feast.

To some persons there is no better instrument to cause the remembrance, and to endear the affection to the article, than the recommending it by festivity and joy of a holiday. Bp. Taylor.

FESTO'ON. † n. s. [feston, French; " corona ex floribus texta, seu sertum festum, aut festivum, i. e. festis diebus usurpari solitum." Skinner.] An ornament of carved work in the form of a wreath or garland of flowers, or leaves twisted together, thickest at the middle, and suspended by the two extremes, whence it hangs down perpendicularly.

The mere flower-painter is, we see, obliged to study the form of festons. Ld. Shaftesbury.

FE'STUCINE. adj. [festuca, Latin.] Strawcolour between green and yellow.

Therein may be discovered a little insect of a festucine or pale green, resembling a locust or grass-hopper.

FESTU'COUS. adj. [festuca, Latin.] Formed of straw.

We speak of straws, or festucous divisions, lightly drawn over with oil. Brown, Vulg. Err. To Fer. + v. a. [See to Ferch and FAR-

1. To fetch; to go and bring. Not in use. Get home with thy fewel, make ready to fet, The sooner the easier carriage to get.

Tusser, Husbandry. But for he was unable them to fet, A little boy did on him still attend. Spenser, F. Q.

And they fet forth Urijah out of Egypt to Jehoiskim, who slew him with the sword. Jeremiah, xxvi. 23.

2. To come to: to arrive at.

We hoist up mast and sail, that in a while We fet the shore. Sackville, Induct. Mir. for Mag.

Fet. n. s. [I suppose from fait, French, a part or portion.] A piece. Not in use. The bottom clear,

Now laid with many a fet
Of seed pearl, ere she bath'd her there

Drayton. Was known as black as jet.

To FETCH. † v. a. preter. fetched; anciently fet; unless it rather came from To Fet, [neccan, rettan, Saxon; fatta, Sw.]

1. To go and bring.

They have devis'd a mean How he her chamber-window will ascend,

And with a corded ladder fetch her down. Shaks. We will take men to fetch victuals for the

Judges, xx. 10. Go to the flock and fetch me from thence two kid goats. Gen. xxvii. 9. The seat of empire, where the Irish come,

And the unwilling Scotch to fetch their doom.

Draw forth the monsters of th' abyss profound, Or fetch th' aerial eagle to the ground.

2. To derive; to draw.

On, you noblest English, Whose blood is fetcht from fathers of war-proof. Shakspeare. 3. To strike at a distance.

The conditions of weapons, and their improvements, are the fetching afar off, for that outruns the danger, as it is seen in ordnance and muskets. Bacon, Essays.

4. To bring to any state by some powerful operation.

In smells, we see their great and sudden effect in fetching men again, when they swoon.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. At Rome, any of those arts immediately thrives under the encouragement of the prince, and may be fetched up to its perfection in ten or a dozen years, which is the work of an age or two in other Addison on Italy.

5. To draw within any confinement or prohibition.

General terms may sufficiently convey to the people what our intentions are, and yet not fetch us within the compass of the ordinance. Sanderson.

6. To produce by some kind of force.

These ways, if there were any secret excellence among them, would fetch it out, and give it fair opportunities to advance itself by.

Milton, on Education. An human soul without education is like marble in the quarry, which shews none of its beauties till the skill of the polisher fetches out the colours. Addison, Spectator.

7. To perform. It is applied to motion or cause.

I'll fetch a turn about the garden, pitying The pangs of barr'd affections; though the king Hath charg'd you should not speak together. Shakspeare, Cymb.

When evening grey doth rise, I fetch my round Over the mount. Milton, Arcades. To come to that place they must fetch a compass three miles on the right hand through a forest. Knolles, History.

8. To perform with suddenness or violence. Note a wild and wanton herd,

Or race of youthful and unhandled colts, Fetching mad bounds, bellowing and neighing loud. Shaksneare.

The fox fetched a hundred and a hundred leaps at a delicious cluster of grapes. L'Estrange. Talk to her of an unfortunate young lady that lost her beauty by the small-pox, she fetches a deep Addison.

9. To perform without suddenness or violence.

As if she had drunk Lethe, or had made Even with Heaven, did fetch so still a sleep, So sweet and sound.

Beaum. and Fl. Maid's Tragedy. 10. To reach; to arrive at; to come to.

Mean time flew our ships, and streight we fetcht The Syren's isle; a spleenless wind so stretcht Her wings to waft us, and so urg'd our keel.

If earth, industrious of herself, fetch day Travelling East; and with her part averse From the sun's beam, meet night; her other part Still luminous by his ray. Milton, P L. The hare laid himself down and took a nap;

for, says he, I can fetch up the tortoise when I please. L'Estrange. 11. To obtain as its price.

During such a state, silver in the coin will never fetch as much as the silver in bullion. Locke.

To Fetch. v. n. To move with a quick Like a shifted wind unto a sail,

It makes the course of thoughts to fetch about. Shakspeare.

Fetch. † n. s. [racen, fraud, trick, deceit.] A stratagem by which any thing is indirectly performed; by which one thing seems intended and another is done; a trick; an artifice.

An envious neighbour is easy to find, His cumbersome fetches are seldom behind : His fetch is to flatter, to get what he can; His purpose once gotten, a pin for thee then. Tusser,

It is a fetch of wit; You laying these slight sullies on my son, As 'twere a thing a little soil'd i' th' working. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

But Sidrophel, as full of tricks As rota men of politicks, Streight cast about to over-reach

Th' unweary conqu'ror with a fetch. Hudibras. With this fetch he laughs at the trick he hath plaid me. Stilling fleet.

The fox had a fetch in't. L'Estrange. From these instances and fetches

Thou mak'st of horses, clocks, and watches, Quoth Mat, thou seem'st to mean That Alma is a mere machine. Prior.

FE'TCHER. † n. s. [from fetch.] One that fetches any thing.

FE'TID. adj. [fætidus, Latin; fetide, French.] Stinking; rancid; having a smell strong and offensive.

Most putrefactions are of an odious smell; for they smell either fetid or mouldy.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

In the most severe orders of the church of Rome, those who practise abstinence, feel after it fetid hot eructations. Arhuthnot, Plague, fiercest child of Nemesis divine,

Descends from Ethiopia's poison'd woods, From stifled Cairo's filth and fetid fields. Thomson, Summer.

FE'TIDNESS. n. s. [from fetid.] The quality of stinking.

FE'TLOCK. n. s. [feet and lock.] A tuft of hair that grows behind the pastern joint of many horses: horses of a low size have scarce any such tuft.

Farrier's Dict.

Their wounded steeds Fret fetlock deep in gore, and with wild rage Yerk out their armed heels at their dead masters. Shakspeare, Hen. V.

White were the fetlocks of his feet before, And on his front a snowy star he bore.

Dryden, Virg. FE'TOR. n.s. [fætor, Latin.] A stink; a stench; a strong and offensive smell.

The fetor may discover itself by sweat and hu-When the symptoms are attended with a fetor

of any kind, such a disease will be cured by acescent substances, and none better than whey. Arbuthnot on Diet.

FE'TTER. n. s. It is commonly used in the plural, fetters. [from feet; pettepe, Saxon.] Chains for the feet; chains by which walking is hindered.

Doctrine unto fools is as fetters on the feet, and like manacles on the right hand.

Ecclus. xxi. 19. Drawing after me the chains and fetters where-unto I have been tied, I have by other men's errours failed. Ralegh.

Passion's too fierce to be in fetters bound, And nature flies him like enchanted ground.

Dryden. The wretch in double fetters bound,

Your potent mercy may release. Prior. Pleasure arose in those very parts of his leg that just before had been so much pained by the I thought her pride

Had broke your fetters, and assur'd your freedom.

To FE'TTER. v. a. [from the noun.] To bind; to enchain; to shackle; to tie. It is properly used of the feet, but is applied to other restraints.

Neither her great worthiness nor his own suffering for her, could fetter his fickleness. Sidney.

My conscience! thou art fetter'd More than my shanks and wrists. Shaks. Cymb. Fetter strong madness in a silken thread:

Charm ach with air, and agony with words.

Doth a master chide his servant because he doth not come, yet knows that the servant is chained and fettered, so as he cannot move.

Bp. Bramhall against Hobbes. A chain which man to fetter man has made; By artifice impos'd, by fear obey'd. Prior. FE'TTERLESS.* adj. [fetter and less.] Free from restraint.

Yet this affected strain gives me a tongue

As fetterless, as is an emperour's.

Marston, Malcontent. To FE'TTLE. † v. n. [A cant word from feel, Dr. Johnson says. This is a mistake. It is an old English word, as Mr. Malone also observes; and is yet used in the northern parts of England. " To fettle, to set or go about any thing; to dress, prepare, or put in order.'

Grose. It is probably from the Su. Goth. fykt, studium.] To get ready; to prepare; to do business.

Nor list he now go whistling to the car, But sells his team, and fettleth to the war.

Bp. Hall, Sat. iv. 6. When your master is most busy in company, come in and pretend to fettle about the room; and if he chides, say you thought he rung the bell. Swift, Direct. to the Footman.

To FE'TTLE.* v. a. To repair; to mend any thing which is broken or defective. The nearest word which occurs to me, Mr. Wilbraham says, is the old French word faiture, which has exactly the same meaning as our substantive fettle; and is explained by Roquefort in his Gloss. de la Lang. Rom. by façon, mode, forme, &c. Cheshire Glossary.

FE'TTLE.* n. s. Order; good condition. See Wilbraham's Gloss. as before. It is found in the Westmoreland, Cumberland, Lancashire, and Craven Dialects also; and the compiler of the last adds, that Ascham has used it in the sense of preparation.

FE'TUS. n. s. [fætus, Latin.] Any animal in embrio; any thing yet in the womb; any thing unborn.

That paradox of Hippocrates some learned physicians have of late revived, that the fetus respires in the womb.

Feu.* n. s. [Sax. peoh.] A fee, or feudal tenure. See FEUDAL.

FEU DE JOIE.* [French.] A bonfire; a firing of guns on any joyful occasion.

The origin of this fire on Midsummer eve, which is still retained by so many nations, though enveloped in the mist of antiquity, is very simple: it was a feu de joie, kindled the very moment the year began; for the first of all years, and the most ancient that we know of, began at this month of June. Brand, Popular Antiquities.

Feud.† n.s. [Sax. ræhð, enmity; from rean, to hate, or rah, a foe; Cimbr. faide; low Lat. faida.] Quarrel; contention; opposition; war.

Though men would find such mortal feuds In sharing of their publick goods. In former ages it was a policy of France to raise and cherish intestine feuds and discords in Great Britain.

Scythia mourns Our guilty wars, and earth's remotest regions Lie half unpeopled by the feuds of Rome.

Addison, Cato. FEUD.* n. s. [old Fr. feude; low Lat. feudum.] A conditional allotment of land. See FEOD.

The constitution of feuds had its original from the military policy of the northern nations. Blackstone.

FEU'DAL. † adj. [feudal, old Fr. feudalis, low Lat.] pertaining to fees, feus, or tenures by which lands are held of a superiour lord.

Wales, that was not always the feudal territory of England, having been governed by a prince of their own, had laws utterly strange to the laws of England.

A feudal kingdom was properly the encampment of a great army; military ideas predominated, military subordination was established, and the possession of land was the pay, which the soldiers received for their personal service.

Robertson, Hist. of Scotland.

The word fee in the northern languages signifies a conditional stipend or reward; and by combination with the northern odh, odhal, or udal, which signifies proprietas, will be formed fee-odh, or foedum, to denote a feeodhal, or feudal, or stipendiary property. Blackstone.

FEU'DALISM.* n. s. [from feudal.] The feudal system.

FEUDA'LITY.* n.s. The state of a chief lord ; feodality. Cotgrave in V. Feodalité. FEU'DARY.* adj. [from feud.] Holding tenure under a superiour lord.

What greater dividing than by a pernicious and hostile peace to disalleige a whole feudary kingdom from the ancient dominion of England?

Milton, on the Articles of Peace. FEU'DATARY. † n. s. [old Fr. feudataire; low Lat. feudatarius.] One who holds not in chief, but by some conditional tenure from a superiour.

It was hard to obtain [in the feudal times] the fair feudatary, who was the object of universal adoration. Warton, Hist. of E. P. vol. i. Diss. 1.

FEU'DATORY.* adj. This word is given by Dr. Johnson as a substantive, with a citation from Bacon, in which it is an adjective, as feodatory; which is the spelling of Bacon. See FEODATORY.

FEU'DIST.* n. s. [old Fr. feudiste.] One learned in the law of feuds or fees; one who writes on them.

Marquesse is as much as a lord of the frontiers; although I know divers other are the derivations which the feudists have imagined.

Selden on Drayton's Polyolb. S. 7. The word is to be found in this sense, - in all Brady, Eng. Hist. Gloss. p. 46.

FE'VER † n. s. [repep, Sax. fievre, French; febris, Lat. A disease in which the body is violently heated, and the pulse quickened, or in which heat and cold prevail by turns. It is sometimes continual, sometimes intermittent.

Think'st thou the fiery fever will go out With titles blown from adulation?

Will it give place to flexure and low bending? Shakspeare, Hen. V. Duncan is in his grave

After life's fitful fever he sleeps well. Shakspeare, Macbeth. Should not a ling'ring fever be remov'd,

Because it long has rag'd within my blood? He had never dreamed in his life, till he had the fever he was then newly recovered of. Locke. To FE'VER. v.a. [from the noun.]

put into a fever. The white hand of a lady fever thee!
ake to look on't. Shaks. Ant. and Cleop. Shake to look on't. Her blood all fever'd, with a furious leap,

She sprung from bed distracted in her mind. Fe'ver-cooling.* adj. [fever and cool.] Allaying the heat of fever.

Lay me, reclin'd, Beneath the spreading tamarind that shakes, Fann'd by the breeze, its fever-cooling fruit.

Thomson, Summer.

FE'VER-SICK.* adj. [Sax. pepep-peoc.] Diseased with a fever.

Lie down upon thy bed,

Feigning thee fever-sick.

Peele, David and Bethsabe, (1599.) FE'VER-WEAKENED.* adj. [fever and weaken.] Debilitated by fever.

Fever-weaken'd joints, Like strengthless hinges, buckle under life. Shakspeare, K. Hen. IV. P. II. FE'VERET. n. s. [from fever.] A slight | fever; febricula.

A light feveret, or an old quartan ague, is not a sufficient excuse for non-appearance.

Ayliffe, Parergon. Fe'verfew. n. s. perepruze, Sax. febris and fugo, Latin.] A plant.

Common feverfew is the sort used in medicine, and is found wild in many parts of England. Miller.

FE'VERISH. adj. [from fever.]

1. Diseased with a fever.

To other climates beasts and birds retire, And feverish nature burns in her own fire. Creech.

When an animal that gives suck turns feverish, that is, its juices more alkaline, the milk turns from its native genuine whiteness to yellow. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

2. Tending to a fever.

A feverish disorder disabled me. Swift to Pope. 3. Uncertain; inconstant; now hot, now

We toss and turn about our feverish will, When all our ease must come by lying still; For all the happiness mankind can gain, Is not in pleasure, but in rest from pain. Dryden, Ind. Emp.

4. Hot; burning. And now four days the sun had seen our woes, Four nights the moon beheld th' incessant fire;

It seem'd as if the stars more sickly rose, And farther from the feverish North retire. Dryden, Ann. Mir.

FE'VERISHNESS. † n. s. [from feverish.]

1. A slight disorder of the feverish kind. 2. Mental restlessness.

Satiety, perpetual disgust, and feverishness of desire, perpetually attend those, who passionately study pleasure. Ld. Shaftesbury.

FE'VERLY.* adj. [from fever.] Like a fever. Feverly heat maketh no digestion. Old Poem in Ashmole's Theat. Chem. 1652. p. 62.

FE'VEROUS. adj. [fievreux-se, French; from fever.]

1. Troubled with a fever or ague. Thou mad'st thine enemies shake, as if the

world Were feverous, and did tremble. Shakspeare, Coriol.

2. Having the nature of a fever. All fev'rous kinds,

Convulsions, epilepsies, fierce catarrhs. Milton, P. L.

3. Having a tendency to produce fevers. It hath been noted by the ancients, that southern winds, blowing much, without rain, do cause a feverous disposition of the year; but with rain Bacon, Nat. Hist.

FE'VEROUSLY.* adv. [from feverous.] In a feverish manner.

A malady

Desp'rately hot, or changing fev'rously.

Donne, Poems, p. 77. FE'VERY. adj. [from fever.] Diseased with a fever.

O Rome, thy head Is drown'd in sleep, and all thy body fevery. B. Jonson, Catiline.

FEU'ILLAGE. n. s. [French.] A bunch or row of leaves.

Of Homer's head I inclose the outline, that you may determine whether you would have it so large, or reduced to make room for feuillage or laurel round the oval. Jervas to Pope.

FEU'ILLEMORTE. † n. s. [French.] The colour of a faded leaf, corrupted commonly to philemot, or filemot.

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Pale feulemort a pure vermillion take — Fanshaw, Past. Fide, p. 36.

To make a countryman understand what feuillemort signifies, it may suffice to tell him, it is the colour of withered leaves falling in autumn. Locke, Essay iii. 11. § 14.

To FEU'TER.* v.a. [old Fr. feutrer.] To make ready. A term of romance.

They feutred their spears.

Hist. of K. Arthur, fol. s. d. sign. H. i. He his threatful spear

Gan fewter. Spenser, F. Q. Feu'terer. † n.s. [Fr. vautrier, or vaultrier, from vaultre, a kind of mongrel hound; low Lat. vaultarius.] A dogkeeper: perhaps the cleaner of the kennel, Dr. Johnson says; but it meant one that led lime-hounds or grey-hounds for the chase. Puntarvolo, "who loves dogs and horses," is called a "yeoman feuterer" in B. Jonson's Every Man out of his Humour. It was also a cant term

> Such a [favour] as you use to a brace of greyhounds,

When they are led out of their kennels to scumber; - If you will be An honest yeoman feuterer, feed us first,

for a contemptible fellow.

Massinger, Picture. And walk us after. FEW.† adj. [rea, reapa, Saxon; fua,

Danish; fauai, Goth. fa, Icel.] 1. Not many; not in a great number.

We are left but a few of many. Jer. xlii. 2. So much the thirst of honour fires the blood; So many would be great, so few be good;

For who would virtue for herself regard, Or wed without the portion of reward? Dryd. Juv. On winter seas we fewer storms behold,

Than foul diseases that infect the fold. Dryd. Virg. Men have fewer or more simple ideas from without, according as the objects they converse with afford greater or less variety.

The fewer still you name, you wound the more; Bond is but one, but Harpax is a score. Pope, Hor. Party is the madness of many, for the gain of a

Though one or two of our friends are gone, since you saw your native country, there remain a few. Pope to Swift.

The imagination of a poet is a thing so nice and delicate, that it is no easy matter to find out images capable of giving pleasure to one of the few, who, in any age, have come up to that character. Berkeley to Pope.

2. Sometimes elliptically; not many

words. To answer both allegations at once, the very

substance of that they contain is in few but this.

So having said he thus to Eve in few: Say, woman, what is this which thou hast done? Milton, P. L.

Thus Jupiter in few unfolds the charge, Dryden, Æn. The firm resolve I here in few disclose.

Pope, Odyss. Fe'wel. n. s. [feu, French.] Combust-

ible matter; materials for keeping fire; as firewood, coal.

If a spark of errour have thus far prevailed, falling even where the wood was green, and farthest off from any inclination unto furious at-tempts, must not the peril thereof be greater in men, whose minds are as dry fewel, apt beforehand unto tumults, seditions, and broils?

Hooker, Dedic. Others may give the fewel or the fire; But they the breath, that makes the flame, inspire.

A known quantity of fewel, all kindled at once, will cause water to boil, which being lighted gradually will never be able to do it. Bentley, Serm.

To Fe'wel. v. a. [from the noun.] To feed with fewel.

Never, alas! the dreadful name, That fewels the infernal flame. Cowley. FE'WMET.* See FUMET.

Fe'wness. n. s. [Sax. reapnerre.] 1. Paucity: smallness of number. How little substantial doctrine is apprehended

by the fewness of good grammarians! Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 50. b.

According to the fewness of years, thou shalt diminish the price of it. Levit. xxv. 16. These, by reason of their fewness, I could not distinguish from the numbers with whom they are embodied.

2. Paucity of words; brevity; conciseness. Fewness and truth, 'tis thus.

Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas. To Fey. + v. a. [veghen, Dutch; faegia, feia, Su. Goth. and Icel. to cleanse. To cleanse a ditch of mud.

Such muddy deep ditches and pits in the field, That all a dry summer no water will yield, By feying and casting that mud upon heaps,

Commodities many the husbandman reaps. Tusser.
To Fi'ANCE † v. a. [Fr. fiancer.] To affiance; to betroth. See To Affiance. He hath as it were fianced and betrothed to himself his church.

Harmar, Transl. of Beza's Serm. (1587,) p. 9. Her, who is called the fianced, or spouse of the bridegroom. Ibid. p. 203.

FI'AT.* n. s. [Latin, i. e. be it so, let it be done.] An order; a decree. Spenser, for the sake of the rhyme, has once written it flaunt.

I resolve all that into the sole pleasure and fat of our Omnipotent Creator. Bentley, Serm. ii. Our hands at length the unchanging fiat bound, And our glad souls sprung out to meet the sound. A. Hill, The Wedding Day.

FIB. † n. s. [a cant word among children; perhaps from the Latin fabula. A lie: a falsehood.

Destroy his fib or sophistry; in vain The creature's at his dirty work again. Pope, Epist. I so often lie.

Scarce Harvey's self has told more fibs than I. Pope.

To lie; To Fib. v. n. [from the noun.] to tell lies; to speak falsely.

If you have any mark, whereby one may know when you fib, and when you speak truth, you Arbuthnot.

FI'BBER. † n. s. [from fib.] A teller of Sherwood.

FI'BRE. n. s. [fibre, Fr. fibra, Latin.] 1. A small thread or string; the first con-

stituent parts of bodies. Now sliding streams the thirsty plants renew, And feed their fibres with reviving dew. Pope.

2. A fibre, in physick, is an animal thread, of which some are soft, flexible, and a little elastick; and these are either hollow, like small pipes, or spongious and full of little cells, as the nervous and fleshy fibres: others are more solid, flexible, and with a strong elasticity or spring, as the membranous and cartilaginous fibres: and a third sort are hard and flexible, as the fibres of the bones. Some so very small as not to be easily perceived; and others so big as to be plainly seen; and most of them appear to be composed of still smaller fibres: these fibres first constitute the substance of the bones, cartilages, ligaments, membranes, nerves, veins, arteries, and mus-

My heart sinks in me while I hear him speak, And every slacken'd fibre drops its hold, Like nature letting down the springs of life: The name of father awes me still.

Dryden, Span. Friar. FI'BRIL. n. s. [fibrille, French.] A small fibre or string.

The muscles consist of a number of fibres, and each fibre of an incredible number of little fibrils bound together, and divided into little cells. Cheyne, Phil. Prin.

FI'BRILLOUS.* adj. [from fibril.] Relating to the fibres.

Hence arise those uneasy sensations, pains, fibrillous spasms, &c. that hypochondriacks usually

Dr. Kinneir's Ess. on the Nerves, (1789,) p. 14.

FI'BROUS. adj. [fibreux, French; from fibre. Composed of fibres or stamina.

The difference between bodies fibrous and bodies viscous is plain; for all wool and tow, and cotton and silk, have a greediness of moisture.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

I saw Petreus' arms employ'd around A well-grown oak, to root it from the ground; This way and that he wrench'd the fibrous bands, The trunk was like a sapling in his hands. Dryd.

The fibrous and solid parts of plants pass unaltered through the intestines. Arbuth. on Aliments.

- FI'BULA. n. s. [Latin.] The outer and lesser bone of the leg, much smaller than the tibia: it lies on the outside of the leg; and its upper end, which is not so high as the knee, receives the lateral knob of the upper end of the tibia into a small sinus, which it has in its inner side. Its lower end is received into the small sinus of the tibia, and then it extends into a large process, which forms the outer ankle.
- FI'CKLE. † adj. [Ficol, Sax. Dr. Johnson says. But it is originally from the Lat. vacillo, to waver; whence the Danish vakler, the Saxon picelian, and thus our fickle.]
- 1. Changeable; inconstant; irresolute; wavering; unsteady; mutable; changeful: without steady adherence.

Remember where we are, In France amongst a fickle wavering nation. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

A slave, whose easy borrow'd pride Dwells in the fickle grace of her he follows. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

Or likest bovering dreams, The fickle pensioners of Morpheus' train.

Milton, Il Pens. They know how fickle common lovers are ! Their oaths and vows are cautiously believ'd; For few there are but have been once deceiv'd. Dryden.

We in vain the fickle sex pursue, Who change the constant lover for the new. Prior.

2. Not fixed; subject to vicissitude.

He would be loth Us to abolish: lest the adversary Triumph, and say, fickle their state, whom God Milton, P. L. Most favours!

FI'CKLENESS. n. s. [from fickle.] Inconstancy; uncertainty; unsteadiness.

Neither her great worthiness, nor his own suffering for her, could fetter his fickleness; but, be-fore his marriage-day, he had taken to wife that Baccha of whom she complained. Sidney.

Beware of fraud, beware of fickleness, In choice and change of thy dear loved dame.

Spenser, F.Q. I am a soldier and unapt to weep,

Or to exclaim on fortune's fickleness.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. Instability of temper ought to be checked, when it disposes men to wander from one scheme of government to another, since such a fickleness cannot but be attended with fatal consequences.

Addison, Freeholder. Whether out of fickleness or design I can't tell, I found that what she liked one day she disliked

FI'CKLY. adv. [from fickle.] Without cer-

tainty or stability. Do not now, Like a young wasteful heir, mortgage the hopes

Of godlike majesty on bankrupt terms, To raise a present pow'r that's fickly held By the frail tenure of the people's will. Southern.

FI'CO.† n. s. [Italian, "fica, a flirt with one's fingers, given in disgrace; fare le fica, to bid a fig for one." Florio, Ital. Dict. 1598.] An act of contempt done with the fingers, expressing a fig for

Having once recovered his fortress, he then gives the fico to his adversaries. Carew, Surv. of Cornw.

FI'CTILE. † adj. [fictil, Fr. fictilis, Latin.] Moulded into form; manufactured by the potter.

The cause of fragility is an impotency to be extended; and therefore stone is more fragil than metal, and so fictile earth is more fragil than crude Bacon, Nat. Hist.

FI'CTION. n. s. [fictio, Lat.; fiction, Fr.] 1. The act of feigning or inventing.

If the presence of God in the image, by a mere fiction of the mind, be a sufficient ground to worship that image, is not God's real presence in every creature a far better ground to worship it?

Stillingfleet. Fiction is of the essence of poetry, as well as of painting: there is a resemblance in one of human bodies, things, and actions, which are not real; and in the other of a true story by a fiction. Dryden, Dufresnoy.

2. The thing feigned or invented.

If through mine ears pierce any consolations, By wise discourse, sweet tunes, or poet's fictions; If ought I cease these hideous exclamations, While that my soul, she, she lives in afflictions.

So also was the fiction of those golden apples kept by a dragon, taken from the serpent, which tempted Evah. Ralegh.

3. A falsehood; a lye.

FI'cTIOUS. † adj. [fictus, Latin.] Fictitious; imaginary; invented. A word coined by Prior, Dr. Johnson says; which is not the case; for Daniel, nearly a century before Prior's time, uses it.

Unintermix'd with fictious fantasies, Daniel, Civ. Wars. I verify the truth. With fancied rules and arbitrary laws Matter and motion man restrains,

And studied lines and fictious circles draws. Prior.

FICTI'TIOUS. adj. [fictitius, Latin.] 1. Counterfeit; false; not genuine.

Draw him strictly so, That all who view the piece may know He needs no trappings of fictitious fame. Dryden. 2. Feigned; imaginary.

The human persons are as fictitious as the airy ones; and Belinda resembles you in nothing but in beauty,

3. Not real; not true; allegorical; made

by prosopopæia.

Milton, sensible of this defect in the subject of his poem, brought into it two characters of a shadowy and fictitious nature in the persons of sin and death, by which means he has interwoven in his fable a very beautiful allegory. Addison, Spect.

FICTI'TIOUSLY. adv. [from fictitious.] Falsely: counterfeitly.

These pieces are fictitiously set down, and have Brown, Vulg. Err. no copy in nature.

FICTI'TIOUSNESS.* n. s. [from fictitious.] Feigned representation.

Some make comedy a representation of mean, and others of bad men; some think that its essence consists in the unimportance, others in the fictitiousness of the transaction. Johns. Ramb. No. 125.

FICTIVE. * adj. [fictif, French; fictus, Lat.] Feigned; imaginary.

Time - to those things whose grounds were very true,

Though naked yet and bare, (not having to content

The wayward curious ear,) gave fictive ornament.

Drayton, Polyolb. S. 6.

Fid. n. s. [fitta, Italian.] A pointed iron with which seamen untwist their cords.

FI'DDLE. n. s. [riðel, Saxon; vedel, Dutch; fidel, German; fidicula, Latin; fiull, Erse.] A stringed instrument of musick; a violin.

In trials of musical skill the judges did not crown the fiddle, but the performer. Stilling fleet. The adventure of the bear and fiddle

Is sung; but breaks off in the middle. Hudibras. She tried the fiddle all over, by drawing the bow over every part of the strings; but could not, for her heart, find whereabout the tune lay. Addison, Guardian.

To FI'DDLE. v. n. [from the noun.]

1. To play upon a fiddle.

Themistocles being desired at a feast to touch a lute, he said he could not fiddle, but he could make a small town a great city. Racon, Ess.

Others import yet nobler arts from France, Teach kings to fiddle, and make senates dance.

2. To trifle; to shift the hands often, and do nothing, like a fellow that plays upon a fiddle.

A cunning fellow observed, that old Lewis had stole away part of the map, and saw him fiddling and turning the map, trying to join the two pieces Arbuthnot.

Good cooks cannot abide what they justly call fiddling work, where abundance of time is spent, and little done.

FI'ddlefAddle. n. s. [A cant word, reduced into the still more ridiculous expression of fid-fad in modern novels, and in nonsensical conversation.] Trifles.

Leave these fiddle-faddles. Beaum. and Fl. Wit without Money. She said that her grandfather had a horse shot

at Edgehill, and their uncle was at the siege of Buda; with abundance of fiddlefaddle of the same nature. Spectator.

FI'DDLEFADDLE. adj. Trifling; giving trouble, or making a bustle about nothing. She was a troublesome fiddlefaddle old woman,

and so ceremonious that there was no bearing of Arbuthnot. Fi'ddler. † n. s. [Sax. proelepe.] A musi-

cian, one that plays upon the fiddle. Let no saucy fiddler presume to intrude,

Unless he is sent for to vary our bliss. B. Jonson.

skilful in the trade than he was. Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy.

These will appear such chits in story,

'Twill turn all politicks to jest, To be repeated like John Dory, Dryden. When fiddlers sing at feasts.

When miss delights in her spinnet, Swift. A fiddler may a fortune get.

FI'DDLESTICK. n. s. [fiddle and stick.] The bow and hair which a fiddler draws

over the strings of a fiddle. His grisly beard was long and thick, With which he strung his fiddlestick. Hudibras.

FI'DDLESTRING. n. s. [fiddle and string.] The string of a fiddle; that which makes

A filldlestring, moistened with water will sink a note in a little time, and consequently must be

relaxed or lengthened one sixteenth. Arbuthnot on Air.

FIDEJU'SSION.* n. s. [Lat. fidejussio.] Suretiship; the act of being bound for another.

If he will be a surety, such is the nature of fidejussion and suretiship, he must. Farindon's Serm. 1647, p. 15.

FIDE'LITY. n. s. [fidelitas, Latin ; fidelité, French.

1. Honesty; veracity.

The church by her publick reading of the book of God, preached only as a witness; now the principal thing required in a witness is fidelity.

2. Faithful adherence. They mistake credulity for fidelity. Clarke.

To FIDGE.† v. n. [A cant word, Dr. To FI'DGET.] Johnson says. It seems to be a descendant of the Su. Goth. fika, to move quickly, to be in a great hurry, or in great expectation. See To Fig. v. n.] To move nimbly and irregularly. It implies in Scotland agitation, and in some parts of the north of England impatience.

Behold the graces of each dame ! --How some would dance upright as any bolt, And some would leap and skip like a young colt; And some would fidge, as though she had the itch.

Breton, Works of a Young Wit, (1577.)

To fidge [is] to be fiddling here and there to no Cotgrave in V. Niveter. manner of purpose. Tim, thou'rt the Punch to stir up trouble;

You wriggle, fidge, and make a rout,

Put all your brother puppets out. Our lively hostess, whose fancy was impatient of the rein, fidgeted at this, and ventured to say, Nay, this is too much. Boswell, Life of Johnson. FI'DGET.* n. s. [from fidge.] Restless

agitation.

Why, what can the viscountess mean? Cried the square hoods in woeful fidget; The times are alter'd quite and clean.

Gray, Long Story.

Fr'DGETY.* adj. [from fidget.] Restless; impatient. A low word, not used in serious writing.

FIDU'CIAL.† adj. [fiducia, Lat.] Confident; undoubting.

Such a fiducial persuasion as cannot deceive us. Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 268. Faith is cordial, and such as God will accept

of, when it affords fiducial reliance on the promises, and obediential submission to the commands. Hammond, Pract. Catech.

FIDU'CIALLY.* adv. [from fiducial.] Undoubtingly; confidently.

It is the Spirit of God alone, that proposes to the soul the grounds of hope, and then by an immediate and Almighty power enables the soul fiducially to close with and rest upon that object, South, Serm. vi. 472. upon those grounds.

FIDU'CIARY. n. s. [fiduciarius, Latin.]

1. One who holds any thing in trust.

2. One who depends on faith without

The second obstructive is that of the fiduciary, that faith is the only instrument of his justification; and excludes good works from contributing any Hammond. thing towards it.

FIDU'CIARY. † adj.

1. Confident; steady; undoubting; untouched with doubt.

That faith, which is required of us, is then perfect, when it produces in us a fiduciary assent to whatever the Gospel has revealed. Wake, Prep. for Death.

2. Not to be doubted.

Elaiana can rely no where upon mere love and fiduciary obedience, unless at her own home, where she is exemplarily loyal to herself in a high exact obedience.

The fiduciary or letters of credence of the churches. Bp. Bancroft, Dangerous Posit. B. 3.

3. Held in trust.

Envy herself must pronounce that return of his for the acquitting of his fiduciary pledges, to be a Howell, Lett. ii. 61. most noble act. The High Admiral himself cannot grant it for

longer than his own time, being but a trust and fiduciary power.

FIE.* interj. See Fy. A word of blame or indignation.

FIEF. n. s. [fief, French.] A fee; a manor; a possession held by some tenure of a superiour.

To the next realm she stretch'd her sway, For painture near adjoining lay, A plenteous province and alluring prey;

A chamber of dependencies was fram'd, And the whole fief, in right of poetry, she claim'd.

As they were honoured by great privileges, so their lands were in the nature of fiefs, for which the possessors were obliged to do personal service Arbuthnot on Coins.

FIELD. † n. s. [pelo, Saxon; feld, German; veld, Dutch.

 Ground not inhabited, not built on. Every plant of the field, before it was in the Gen. ii. 5.

Live with me, and be my love, And we will all the pleasure prove, That hills and vallies, dale and field,

And all the craggy mountains yield. Ralegh. By the civil law the corpses of persons deceased were buried out of the city in the fields.

Ayliffe, Parergon.

2. Ground not enclosed.

Field lands are not exempted from mildews, nor yet from smut, where it is more than in enclosed

3. Cultivated tract of ground. Mr. Horne Tooke, in the margin of this copy of the dictionary, writes, "where trees have been felled, and therefore fit for cultivation;" and, in his Diversions of Purley, says, "field-land is opposed to woodland, meaning land where the trees have been felled."

Or great Osiris, who first taught the swain In Pharian fields to sow the golden grain.

Pope, Statius.

4. The open country: opposed to house or quarters.

Since his majesty went into the field, I have seen her rise from her bed. Shaks. Macbeth. 5. The ground of battle.

When a man is in the field, a moderate skill in fencing rather exposes him to the sword of his

enemy than secures him from it. 6. A battle; a campaign; the action of an army while it keeps the field.

You maintain several factions ; And whilst a field should be dispatch'd and fought, You are disputing of your generals. Shaks. Hen. VI. What though the field be lost,

All is not lost. Milton, P. L.

7. A wide expanse.

The god a clearer space for heav'n design'd; Where fields of light and liquid ether flow, Purg'd from the pond'rous dregs of earth below. Dryden.

Ask of yonder argent fields above, Why Jove's satellites are less than Jove. Pone.

8. Space; compass; extent.

The ill natured man gives himself a large field to expatiate in: he exposes failings in human Addison, Spect. nature.

I should enter upon a field too wide, and too much beaten, if I should display all the advan-Bp. Smalridge. tages of peace. Who can this field of miracles survey,

And not with Galen all in rapture say, Behold a God, adore him and obey.

Blackmore, Creation. 9. The ground or blank space on which

figures are drawn. Let the field or ground of the picture be clean,

light, and well united with colour. Dryden, Dufresnoy.

10. [In heraldry.] The surface of a shield. Slight were his arms, a sword, a silver shield, No marks of honour charg'd its empty field.

Dryden, An. FI'ELDED. adj. [from field.] Being in field

of battle. Now, Mars, I pr'ythee, make us quick in work; That we with smoking swords may march from

hence, Shakspeare, Coriol. To help our fielded friends.

FIELD-BASIL. n. s. [field and basil.] A plant.

FI'ELDBED. n. s. [field and bed.] A bed contrived to be set up easily in the field. Romeo, good night; I'll to my trucklebed, This fieldbed is too cold for me to sleep. Shaks.

Fi'eldfare. n. s. [pels and papan, to wander in the fields; turdus pilaris.] A bird.

Winter birds, as woodcocks and fieldfares, if they come early out of the northern countries, with us shew cold Winters. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

FI'ELDMARSHAL. † n. s. [field and marshal.] Commander of an army in a field; commander of the whole army, whether in the field or not; the officer of highest military rank in England.

FIELD-MOUSE. n. s. [field and mouse; nitedula.] A mouse that burrows in banks, and makes her house with various apartments.

The fieldmouse builds her garner under ground.

Fieldmice are apt to gnaw their roots, and kill them in hard winters. Mortimer, Husbandry.

FI'ELDOFFICER. n. s. [field and officer.] An officer whose command in the field extends to a whole regiment; as the colonel, lieutenant colonel, and major.

FI'ELDPIECE. adj. [field and piece.] Small cannon used in battles, but not in sieges.

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The bassa planting his fieldnieges upon the hills, did from thence grievously annoy the defendants.

FIELD-PREACHER.* n. s. [field and preacher. One who preaches in a field or

open place.

Do you think the popish field preachers did not first learn their lesson, took no previous steps, made no provision, before they set out upon their expeditions? Read their legends, and be convinced. Bp. Lavington to Mr. Whitfield, Enthusiasm of Methodists, &c. vol. i. P. 2. Pref. p. viii.

FIELD-PREACHING.* n. s. The act of pronouncing an harangue in a field or open place.

The fact you own, both of popish and methodistical field-preaching; you glory in it.

Bp. Lavington to Whitfield, &c. Pref. p. ix.

The judgements of this new apostle [Mr. Wesley | fall only on the members of his own church, for opposing the tumults of field-preaching, and the freaks of what he calls the new birth.

Warburton, Doct. of Grace. FI'ELDROOM.* n. s. [field and room.] Unobstructed room; open space. Falling back where they

Might fieldroom find at large.

Drayton, Polyolb. S. 12. Before the rest of our companions come, Out of these trees conduct me to fieldroom.

Fanshaw, Past. Fid. p. 78. They - had fieldroom enough to expatiate upon the gross iniquity of the covenant.

Ld. Clarendon, Life, ii. 294.

FI'ELDSPORTS.* n. s. [field and sport.]

Diversions of shooting and hunting.

All gaming, fieldsports, and such sort of amusements, I look upon as frivolous. Ld. Chesterfield. Fi'eldy*. adj. [from field.] Open like a field. This is a very ancient and for-

gotten, but useful, adjective. Jesus came down from the hill with them, and stood in a feeldy place, [in our present translation, the plain.] Wicliffe, St. Luke, vi. 17.

FIEND. † n. s. | Sax. pienb, peonb, a foe, and also the great enemy of mankind, from peogan, pean, pian, to hate. The Iceland, fiande is also the devil. Goth. flands, Dan. flende. See also ENEMY.

1. An enemy; the great enemy of mankind; Satan; the devil.

The fend is coming down to you, and hath great wrath. rath. Wicliffe, Revel. xii. 12. Tom is followed by the foul fiend. Shak. K. Lear.

2. Any infernal being.

What now, had I a body again, I could, Coming from hell; what fiends would wish should be,

And Hannibal could not have wish'd to see,

B. Jonson, Catiline. The hell-hounds, as ungorg'd with flesh and blood,

Pursue their prey, and seek their wonted food; The fiend remounts his courser.

Dryden, Theod. and Honoria.

O woman! woman! when to ill thy mind Is bent, all hell contains no fouler fiend.

Pope, Odyss. FI'ENDFUL.* adj. [fiend and full.] Full of evil or devilish practices.

Regard his hellish fall, Whose fiendful fortune may exhort the wise Only to wonder at unlawful things.

Marlowe, Trag. Hist. of Dr. Faustus.

Fi'ENDLIKE.* adj. [fiend and like.] Resembling a fiend; savage; cruel; extremely wicked.

The cruel ministers Of this dead butcher, and his fiendlike queen. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

FIE ance drawn by Shakspeare.

Warton, Hist. Eng. Poet. i. 160. FIERCE. † adj. [fier, French; ferus and ferox, Lat. pherec, Heb. rigour, cruelty. 1. Savage; ravenous; easily enraged.

Thou huntest me as a fierce lion. Job, x. 16.

Vehement in rage; eager of mischief. Destruction enters in the treacherous wood, And vengeful slaughter, fierce for human blood.

Tyrants fierce, that unrelenting die. Pope. With that the god, whose earthquakes rock the ground,

Fierce to Phœacia crost the vast profound. Pope, Odyss.

Violent; outrageous; vehement. Cursed be their anger, for it was fierce; and their wrath, for it was cruel. Gen. xlix. 7.

4. Passionate; angry; furious.

This fierce abridgement Hath to it circumstantial branches, which Distinction should be rich in. Shakspeare, Cymb. A man brings his mind to be positive and fierce for positions whose evidence he has never examined.

5. Strong; forcible; violent; with celerity. The ships, though so great, are driven of fierce winds; yet are they turned about with a very small James, iii. 2.

FI'ERCELY. adv. [from fierce.] Violently; furiously.

Battle join'd, and both sides fiercely fought. Shakspeare, Hen. VI. The defendants, fiercely assailed by their enemies before, and beaten with the great ordnance

behind, were grievously distressed. Knolles, Hist. of the Turks. The air, if very cold, irritateth the flame, and maketh it burn more fiercely, as fire scorcheth in

frosty weather. FIERCEMI'NDED.* adj. [fierce and mind.] Vehement in rage; eager of mischief. The body of the king shook with fear, and forgetfulness seized his fierceminded confidence. 3 Macc. vi. 18. Bp. Wilson's Bible by Cruttwell.

FI'ERCENESS. n. s. [from fierce.]

1. Ferocity; savageness.

The defect of heat which gives fierceness to our natures, may contribute to that roughness of our language. 2. Eagerness for blood ; furv.

Suddenly there came out of a wood a monstrous

lion, with a she-bear not far from him, of little less fierceness. 3. Quickness to attack; keenness in anger

and resentment. The Greeks are strong, and skilful to their strength,

Fierce to their skill, and to their fierceness valiant. Shakspeare.

 Violence; outrageous passion. His pride and brutal fierceness I abhor: But scorn your mean suspicions of me more. Dryden, Aurengzebe.

5. Vehemence; hasty force.

FIERIFA'CIAS. n. s. [In law.] A judicial writ, that lies at all times within the year and day, for him that has recovered in an action of debt or damages, to the sheriff, to command him to levy the debt, or the damages of his goods, against whom the recovery was had. Cowel.

FI'ERINESS. n. s. [from fiery.] 1. Hot qualities; heat; acrimony.

The ashes, by their heat, their fieriness, and their dryness, belong to the element of earth.

The last circumstance recals a fiendlike appear- | 2. Heat of temper; intellectual ardour.

The Italians, notwithstanding their natural fieriness of temper, affect always to appear sober and sedate.

FI'ERY.† adj. [from fire. Our word was formerly written firy, and is properly so written; and Dr. Johnson, though he takes no such notice of this word, says of wiery that it were better wiry, by reason, no doubt, of its derivation from

1. Consisting of fire.

Scarcely had Phœbus in the gloomy East Yet harnessed his fiery footed team, Ne rear'd above the earth his flaming crest,

When the last deadly smoak aloft did steam. Spenser, F. Q.

I know, thoud'st rather Follow thine enemy in a fiery gulph

Than flatter him in a bower. Shakspeare, Coriol. 2. Hot like fire.

Hath thy fiery heart so parcht thy entrails, That not a tear can fall for Rutland's death? Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

3. Vehement; ardent; active.

Then fiery expedition be my wing, Jove's Mercury, and herald for a king. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

I drew this gallant head of war, And cull'd these fiery spirits from the world, To outlook conquest, and to win renown Ev'n in the jaws of danger and of death.

Shakspeare, K. John. 4. Passionate; outrageous; easily pro-

You know the fiery quality of the duke; How unremovable, and fixt he is

In his own course. Shakspeare, K. Lear. He still resolved to give her such a terrible apprehension of his fiery spirit, that she should never dream of giving way to her own. Tatler, No. 231.

5. Unrestrained; fierce.

Then, as I said, the duke, great Bolingbroke, Mounted upon a hot and fiery steed, Which his aspiring rider seem'd to know, With slow but stately pace kept on his course.

Shakspeare, Rich. II. Through Elis and the Grecian towns he flew;

Th' audacious wretch four fiery coursers drew. Dryden.

6. Heated by fire.

The sword which is made firry doth not only cut, by reason of the sharpness which simply it hath, but also burn by means of that heat which it hath from fire. See! from the brake the whirring pheasant springs,

And mounts exulting on triumphant wings: Short is his joy; he feels the fiery wound, Flutters in blood, and panting beats the ground.

7. Glaring like fire.

The eyen firie bright,

Like Gorgon the monster appearing in the night. Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 100.

To FIEST.* See To FOIST.

FIFE. n. s. [fifre, Fr.] A pipe blown to the drum; military wind-musick.

Farewell the plumed troops, and the big war That make ambition virtue! oh farewell! Farewell the neighing steed and the shrill trump, The spirit-stirring drum, th' ear-piercing fife. Shakspeare, Othello

Thus the gay victim, with fresh garlands crown 'd, Pleas'd with the sacred fife's enlivening sound, Through gazing crowds in solemn state proceeds.

FI'FER.* n. s. [from fife.] One who plays

on the fife.

I have dreamed and slept above some fifteen years and more. Shakspeare, Tam. of the Shrew.

FI'FTEENTH. adj. [ryrceoda, Sax.] The ordinal of fifteen; the fifth after the tenth; containing one part in fifteen.

A fifteenth part of silver incorporate with gold, will not be recovered by any water of separation, except you put a greater quantity of silver to Bacon, Nat. Hist. draw up the less.

London sends but four burgesses to parliament, although it bear the fifteenth part of the charge of the whole nation in all publick taxes and levies. Graunt, Bills of Mortality.

FIFTH. adj [pipta, Sax.]

1. The ordinal of five; the next to the

With smiling aspect you serenely move, In your fifth orb, and rule the realm of love.

Just as I wish'd, the lots were cast on four, Myself the fifth. Pope, Odyss.

2. All the ordinals are taken elliptically for the part which they express: a fifth, a fifth part; a third, a third part.

The publick shall have lost four fifths of its annual income for ever. FI'FTHLY. adv. [from fiftk.] In the fifth FI'GAPPLE. n. s. A fruit. A species of

Fifthly, living creatures have a more exact fi-

Bacon, Nat. Hist. gure than plants.

FI'FTIETH. adj. [pirteogoða, Sax.] The ordinal of fifty.

If this medium be rarer within the sun's body than at its surface, and rarer there than at the hundred part of an inch from its body, and rarer there than at the fiftieth part of an inch from its body, and rarer there than at the orb of Saturn, I see no reason why the increase of density should stop any where. Newton, Opticks.

FI'FTY. adj. [FIFTIZ, Sax.] Five tens.
A wither'd hermit, five score winters worn,

Might shake off fifty looking in her eye. Shaksp.

Judas ordained captains over thousands, hundreds, fifties, and tens. 1 Mac. iii. 55. In the Hebrew there is a particle consisting but of one letter, of which there are reckoned up above fifty several significations.

FIG.† n. s. [pic, Sax. ficus, Latin; figo, Spanish; figue, French.]

I. A tree that bears figs.

The characters are: the flowers, which are always enclosed in the middle of the fruit, consist of the leaf, and are male and female in the same fruit: the male flowers are situated towards the crown of the fruit; and the female, growing near the stalk, are succeeded by small hard seeds: the intire fruit is, for the most part, turbinated and globular, or of an oval shape, is fleshy, and of a sweet taste. Full on its crown a fig's green branches rise,

And shoot a leafy forest to the skies. Pope, Odyss. Or lead me through the maze,

Embowering endless of the Indian fig. Thomson, Summer.

2. A luscious soft fruit; the fruit of the

It maketh figs better, if a figtree, when it beginneth to put forth leaves, have his top cut off. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Figs are great subduers of acrimony. Arbuthnot on Diet.

3. A Fig for you. See Fico. To Fig. v. a.

FIFTEEN. adj. [ryrtyne, Sax.] Five and 1. To insult with ficoes or contemptuous 5. To contend. motions of the fingers. See Fico. When Pistol lies, do this, and fig me like

The bragging Spaniard. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. 2. To put something useless into one's

head. Low cant.

Away to the sow she goes, and figs her in the crown with another story. L'Estrange.

To Fig.* v. n. [fika, Su. Goth. to move quickly.] To move suddenly or quickly. Perhaps a corruption of fidge. See To FIDGE.

The hound

Leaves whom he loves, upon the scent doth ply, Figs to and fro, and falls in cheerful cry. Sylvester, Du Bart. (1598.)

FIGA'RY.* n. s. [a corruption of vagary. See VAGARY. A frolick; a wild pro-

Ere long I will make 'em believe you can con-

iure with such a figary.

Reaum, and Fl. Fair Maid of the Inn. Those mad figaries her whole sex

Is infected with. Beaum. and Fl. Cupid's Revenge. A lady and her daughter having taken a figury in their heads to go on foot, and visit all the hospitals in Spain, and to minister in them M. Geddes, Tracts, (1730), iii. 465.

A figapple hath no core or kernel, in these resembling a fig, and differing from other apples. Mortimer, Husbandry.

FIG-GNAT. n. s. [culex ficarius.] An insect of the fly kind.

To FIGHT. v. n. preter. fought; part. pass. fought. Freohran, reahran, rihran, Saxon ; vechten, Teut. fechten, Germ. to fight; Su. fegd, war.]

1. To contend in battle; to war; to make war; to battle; to contend in arms. It is used both of armies and single com-

King Henry, be thy title right or wrong, Lord Clifford vows to fight in thy defence.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. Fierce fiery warriors fight upon the clouds In ranks and squadrons, and right form of war.

The common question is, if we must now surrunder Spain, what have we been fighting for all this while? The answer is ready: we have been fighting for the ruin of the public interest, and the advancement of a private.

For her confederate nations fought, and kings were slain,

Troy was o'erthrown, and a whole empire fell.

2. To combat; to duel; to contend in single fight.

One shall undertake to fight against another. 2 Esdr. xiii. 31.

The poor wren, The most diminutive of birds, will fight The young ones in her nest, against the owl. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

3. To act as a soldier in any case. Richard, that robb'd the lion of his heart, And fought the holy wars in Palestine, By this brave duke came early to his grave.

Skakspeare, K. John. Greatly unfortunate, he fights the cause Of honour, virtue, liberty, and Rome. Add. Cato.

4. It has with before the person opposed; sometimes against.

Ye fight with the Chaldeans.

Jeremiah, xxxii. 5. The stars in their courses fought against Sisera. Judges, v. 20.

The hot and cold, the dry and humid fight.

To Fight. v. a. To war against; to combat aganist. Himself alone an equal match he boasts,

To fight the Phrygian and th' Ausonian hosts. Dryden, En.

FIGHT. n. s. [from the verb.] 1. Battle.

Gabriel, lead forth to battle these my sons Invincible, lead forth my armed saints,

By thousands and by millions rang'd for fight. Milton, P. L. 2. Combat; duel.

Herilus in single fight I slew, Whom with three lives Feronia did endue; And thrice I sent him to the Stygian shore,

Till the last ebbing soul return'd no more. Dryden, Æn. 3. Something to screen the combatants in

ships. Who ever saw a noble sight, That never view'd a brave sea-fight! Hang up your bloody colours in the air,

Up with your fights and your nettings prepare. Dryden. FI'GHTER. † n. s. [Sax. reohtepe.] A war-

riour; a duellist; a contender. I will return again into the house, and desire some conduct of the lady: I am no fighter.

Shakspeare, Tw. Night. Haters of truth and godliness; fighters against the light; protectors of darkness.

Sir E. Sandys, State of Religion.

O, 'tis the coldest youth upon a charge,
The most deliberate fighter! Dryd. All for Love.

FI'GHTING. part. adj. [from fight.]

1. Qualified for war; fit for battle. An host of fighting men that went out to war 2 Chron. xxvi. 11. by bands.

2. Occupied by war; being the scene of

In fighting fields, as far the spear I throw As flies the arrow from the well-drawn bow. Pope, Odyss.

FI'GHTING.* n. s. [Sax. phrung.] Contention; quarrel; combat.

Without were fightings, within were fears. 2 Cor. vii. 5.

From whence come wars and fightings among James, iv. 1.

FI'GLEAF.* n. s. [Sax. picleap.] A leaf of the figtree; figuratively, a flimsy co-

They sewed figleaves together. Genesis, iii. 7. What pitiful figleaves, what senseless and ridiculous shifts are these, not able to silence, and much less satisfy, an accusing conscience! South, Serm. ii, 295.

FI'GMARIGOLD. n. s. A plant. It is succulent, and has the appearance of houseleek: the leaves grow opposite by pairs. Miller.

FI'GMENT. n. s. [figmentum, Latin.] An invention; a fiction; the idea feigned. Upon the like grounds was raised the figment

of Briareus, who dwelling in a city called Hecatonchiria, the fancies of those times assigned him an hundred hands. Brown.

Those assertions are in truth the figments of those idle brains that brought romances into church history. Bp. Lloyd.

It carried rather an appearance of figment and invention, in those that handed down the memory of it, than of truth and reality. Woodw. Nat. Hist.

FI'GPECKER. n. s. [fig and peck; ficedula, Latin. A bird.

FI'GTREE.* n. s. [Sax. rictpeop.] The tree | 2. The act of giving a certain form. that bears figs.

He smote the vines also, and figtrees.

Psalm cv. 33. There soon they chose

Milton, P. L. The figtree. FI'GULATE. adj. [from figulus, Lat.] Made of potters' clay.

FI'GURABLE. adj. [from figuro, Latin.]

Capable of being brought to certain form, and retained in it. Thus lead is figurable, but not water.

The differences of impressible and not impressible, figurable and not figurable, scissible and not scissible, are plebeian notions. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

FIGURABI'LITY. n. s. [from figurable.] The quality of being capable of a certain and stable form.

FI'GURAL. adj. [from figure.]

1. Represented by delineation. Incongruities have been committed by geo-

graphers in the figural resemblances of several Brown. regions.

2. FIGURAL Numbers. Such numbers as do or may represent some geometrical figure, in relation to which they are always considered, and are either lineary, superficial, or solid. Harris.

FI'GURATE. † adj. [figuratus, Latin.]
1. Of a certain and determinate form.

Plants are all figurate and determinate, which inanimate bodies are not; for look how far the spirit is able to spread and continue itself, so far goeth the shape or figure, and then is determined.

2. Resembling any thing of a determinate form: as, figurate stones retaining the forms of shells in which they were formed by the deluge.

3. Not literal; figurative.

Under the shadow of figurate locution. Bale on the Revel. P. ii. sign. i.1.

- 4. FIGURATE Counterpoint. [In musick.] That wherein there is a mixture of discords along with the concords. Harris.
- 5. FIGURATE Descant. [In musick.] That wherein discords are concerned, as well, though not so much, as concords; and may well be termed the ornament or rhetorical part of musick, in regard that in this are introduced all the varieties of points, figures, syncopes, diversities of measures, and whatever else is capable of adorning the composition.

Harris. The term figurate which we now employ to distinguish florid from more simple melody, was then used to denote that which was simply rhythmical or accentual. Mason, on Ch. Musick, p. 28.

FI'GURATED.* adj. [Lat. figuratus.] Representing some geometrical figure.

The number 30 is a figurated number, because three times ten, or five times six, make this num-Potter on the Numb. 666, p. 195.

FIGURA'TION. † n. s. [figuratus, Latin.]

1. Determination to a certain form.

Neither doth the wind, as far as it carrieth a voice, with motion thereof confound any of the delicate and articulate figurations of the air in Bacon, Nat. Hist. variety of words.

Figuration is one of those things which unavoidably imply causation; the conception of matter is not that it is a substance figuring and extending; but a substance actually figured and impenetrably extended. Baxter on the Soul, ii. 377.

If motion be in a certain order, there followeth vivification and figuration in living creatures per-Bacon, Nat. Hist.

FIG

 Λ very clear memorial, as opposed to the faint shadows and dark intimations of the legal types or figurations.

Waterland, Charge on the Eucharist, p. 28.

3. Mixture of concords and discords in musick. See FIGURATE.

The singing of the Nicene creed, with all the ornaments and figurations of harmony

Gregory, Posthum. (1650,) p. 53. FI'GURATIVE. adj. [figuratif-ve, Fr. from

.figura, Latin.] Representing something else; typical; representative.

This, they will say, was figurative, and served by God's appointment but for a time, to shadow out the true everlasting glory of a more divine sanctity; whereinto Christ being long since entered, it seemeth that all these curious exornations should rather cease.

2. Changed by rhetorical figures from the primitive meaning; not literal.

How often have we been railed at for understanding words in a figurative sense, which cannot be literally understood without overthrowing the plainest evidence of sense and reason.

Stilling fleet. This is a figurative expression, where the words are used in a different sense from what they signify in their first ordinary intention. Rogers.

3. Full of figures; full of rhetorical exornations; full of changes from the original sense.

Sublime subjects ought to be adorned with the sublimest and with the most figurative expressions. Dryden, Juv. Pref.

FI'GURATIVELY. adv. [from figurative.] By a figure; in a sense different from that which words originally imply; not literally.

The custom of the apostle is figuratively to transfer to himself in the first person, what be-Hammond. longs to others.

The words are different, but the sense is still the same; for therein are figuratively intended Uziah and Ezechias.

Satire is a kind of poetry in which human vices are reprehended, partly dramatically, partly simply; but for the most part, figuratively and oc-cultiv. Dryden, Juv. Dedicat.

FI'GURE. † n. s. [figure, Fr. figura, Lat.] 1. The form of any thing as terminated by the outline.

Flowers have all exquisite figures, and the flower numbers are chiefly five and four; as in primroses, briar-roses, single muskroses, single pinks, and gilliflowers, which have five leaves; lilies, flower-de-luces, borage, buglass, which have four Bacon, Nat. Hist. Men find green clay that is soft as long as it is

in the water, so that one may print on it all kind of figures, and give it what shape one pleases.

Figures are properly modifications of bodies, for pure space is not any where terminated, nor can be; whether there be or be not body in it, it is uniformly continued. Locke.

Shape; form; semblance.

The carpenter - maketh it after the figure of a Isaiah, xliv. 13. He hath borne himself beyond the promise of his age, doing in the figure of a lamb the feats of

3. Person; external form; appearance graceful or inelegant, mean or grand.

The blue German shall the Tigris drink, Ere I, forsaking gratitude and truth, Forget the figure of that godlike youth.

Dryden, Virg. I was charmed with the gracefulness of his figure and delivery, as well as with his discourses. Addison, Spect.

A good figure, or person, in man or woman, gives credit at first sight to the choice of either. Richardson, Clarissa.

4. Distinguished appearance; eminence; remarkable character.

While fortune favour'd, while his arms support The cause, and rul'd the counsels of the court, I made some figure there; nor was my name Obscure, nor I without my share of fame.

Dryden, Æn. The speech, I believe, was not so much designed by the knight to inform the court, as to give him a figure in my eye, and keep up his credit in the country. Addison, Spect. Not a woman shall be unexplained that makes

a figure either as a maid, a wife, or a widow. Addison, Guardian.

Whether or no they have done well to set you up for making another kind of figure, time will

Many princes made very ill figures upon the throne, who before were the favourites of the Addison, Freeholder. people.

5. Magnificence; splendour.

If it be his chief end in it to grow rich, that he may live in figure and indulgence, and be able to retire from business to idleness and hurry, his trade, as to him, loses all its innocency.

6. A statue; an image; something formed in resemblance of somewhat else.

Several statues, which seemed at a distance of the whitest marble, were nothing else but so many Addison. figures in snow.

7. Representations in painting; persons exhibited in colours.

In the principal figures of a picture the painter is to employ the sinews of his art; for in them consists the principal beauty of his work.

Dryden, Dufresnoy. My favourite books and pictures sell;

Kindly throw in a little figure, And set the price upon the bigger.

8. Arrangement; disposition; modification. The figure of a syllogism is the proper disposition of the middle term with the parts of the Watts, Logick. question.

9. A character denoting a number. Hearts, tongues, figures, scribes, bards, poets, cannot

Think, speak, cast, write, sing, number

His love to Antony. Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. He that seeketh to be eminent amongst able men, hath a great task; but that is ever good for the publick : but he that plots to be the only figure among cyphers, is the decay of a whole age.

Bacon, Ess. As in accounts cyphers and figures pass for real sums, so in human affairs words pass for things South, Serm.

10 The horoscope; the diagram of the aspect of the astrological houses.

We do not know what is brought to pass under the profession of fortunetelling: she works by charms, by spells, by the figure, and daubry beyond our element. Shakspeare.

He set a figure to discover If you were fled to Rye or Dover.

Hudibras. Figure-flingers and star-gazers pretend to foretell the fortunes of kingdoms, and have no foresight in what concerns themselves. L'Estrange.

11. [In theology.] Type; representative. Who is the figure of him that was to come. Romans, v. 14.

12. [In rhetorick.] Any mode of speaking, in which words are detorted from their literal and primitive sense. In strict acceptation, the change of a word is a trope, and any affection of a sentence a figure; but they are confounded even by the exactest writers.

Silken terms precise,
Three pil'd hyperboles, spruce affectation,
Figures pedantical, these Summer flies
Have blown me full of maggot ostentation.

Shakspeare.

Here is a strange figure invented against the plain and natural sense of the words; for by praying to bestow must be understood only praying to pray.

Stilling fleet.

pray.
They have been taught rhetorick, but never taught language; as if the names of the figures that embellished the discourse of those, who understood the art of speaking, were the very art and skill of speaking well.

Locke.

13. [In grammar.] Any deviation from the rules of analogy or syntax.

To FI'GURE. v. a. [figuro, Latin.]

1. To form into any determinate shape.

To form into any determinate snape.
 Trees and herbs, in the growing forth of their boughs and branches, are not figured, and keep no order.
 Bacom.
 Accept this goblet, rough with figur'd gold.
 Dryden, Virg.

2. To show by a corporeal resemblance; as in picture or statuary.

Arachne figur'd how Jove did abuse
Europa like a bull, and on his back
Her through the sea did bear; so lively seen,
That it true sea, and true bull ye would ween.

Soens

Now marks the course of rolling orbs on high, O'er figur'd worlds now travels with his eye. Pope.

3. To cover or adorn with figures or

I'll give my jewels for a set of beads, My gorgeous palace for a hermitage, My gay apparel for an almsman's gown, My figur'd goblet for a dish of wood.

Shakspeare, Rich. II.

4. To diversify; to variegate with adventitious forms or matter.

But this effusion of such manly drops, Startle mine eyes, and make me more amaz'd Than had I seen the vaulty top of heaven Figur'd quite o'er with burning meteors.

Shakspeare, K. John.

5. To represent by a typical or figurative resemblance.

When sacraments are said to be visible signs of invisible grace, we thereby conceive how grace is indeed the very end for which these heavenly mysteries were instituted; and the matter whereof they consist is such as signifieth, figureth, and representeth their end.

Hooker.

There is a history in all men's lives, Figuring the nature of the times deceased.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

Marriage rings are not of this stuff:
Oh why should ought less precious or less tough

Oh why should ought less precious or less tough

Figure our loves?

An heroic poem should be more fitted to the

An neroic poem should be more intered to end of the common actions and passions of human life, and more like a glass of nature, figuring a more practicable virtue to us than was done by the ancients.

Dryden.

The emperor appears as a rising sun, and holds a globe in his hand to figure out the earth that is enlightened and actuated by his beams.

Addison on Medals.

6. To image in the mind.

None that feels sensibly the decays of age, and his life wearing off, can figure to himself those imaginary charms in riches and praise, that men are apt to do in the warmth of their blood

Temple.

If love, alas! be pain, the pain I bear No thought can figure, and no tongue declare.

7. To prefigure; to foreshew.

Three glorious suns, each one a perfect sun,
In this the heaven figures some event.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

8. To form figuratively; to use in a sense not literal.

Figured and metaphorical expressions do well to illustrate more abstruse and unfamiliar ideas, which the mind is not yet thoroughly accustomed.

9. To note by characters.

Each thought was visible that roll'd within,
As through a crystal glass the figur'd hours are
seen.

Dryden.

To Fi'GURE.* v. n. To make a figure.
Who figured in the rebellion.

Bolingbroke, Sp. of Patriolism, p. 233.

FI'GURE-CASTER.* n. s. [figure and cast.]

A pretender to estrology.

A pretender to astrology.

I by this figure-caster must be imagined in such distress as to sue to Maronilla.

Milton, Apol. for Smeetymn. Enthusiasts in religion, figure-casters in astrology, are so resolved upon their hypotheses. Spenser on Prod. p. 46.

FI'GURE-FLINGER. n.s. [figure and fling.]
A pretender to astrology and prediction.
Quacks, figure-flingers, pettifoggers, and republican plotters, cannot well live without it.

Collier of Confidence.

FI'GWORT.† n. s. [FICPYPT, Sax. ficaria,
Lat.] A plant. Miller.

FILA'CEOUS. adj. [from filum, Latin.] Con-

sisting of threads; composed of threads.

They make cables of the bark of lime trees; it is the stalk that maketh the filaceous matter commonly, and sometimes the down that groweth above.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

FI'LACER. n. s. [flazarius, low Lat. filum.]
An officer in the Common Pleas, so called because he files those writs whereon he makes process. There are fourteen of them in their several divisions and counties: they make out all original process, as well real as personal and mixt.

Harris.

FI'LAMENT. n. s. [filament, French; filamenta, Lat.] A slender thread; a body slender and long like a thread.

The effluvium passing out in a smaller thread, and more enlightened filament, it stirreth not the bodies interposed.

The lungs of consumptives have been con-

sumed, nothing remaining but the ambient membrane, and a number of withered veins and filaments.

Harvey on Consumptions.

The ever-rolling orb's impulsive ray
On the next threads and filaments does bear,
Which form the springy texture of the air,
And those still strike the next, till to the sight
The quick vibration propagates the light.

The dung of horses is nothing but the filaments of the hay, and as such combustible.

Arbuthnot on Aliments.

FILAME'NTOUS.* adj. [from filament.]
Like a slender thread.

The doctrine of the filamentous cataract will become as familiar as any established theory among us, only by supposing this, like all other membranes, thickened and become opaque by disorders.

The Student, i.341.

orders. The Student Fila'nders. See Felanders.

FI'LBERT.† n. s. [This is derived by Junius and Skinner from the long beards or husks, as corrupted from full beard,

or full of beard. It probably had its name, like many other fruits, from some one that introduced or cultivated it; and is therefore corrupted from Filbert or Filbert, the name of him who brought it hither. Such is Dr. Johnson's etymological account of this word. Gower gives us a very different one in the following lines; which Mr. Horne Tooke also has agreed with me in noticing;

"With that upon a grene bough
"A seynt of sylke, which she [Phillis]
there had.

" She knit; and so herself she lad, "That she about her white swere

"It did, and henge hirselfe there.
"Whereof the goddes were amoved,

"And Demophon was reproved,
"That of the goddes' providence

"Was shape such an evidence "Ever afterwarde ayen the slowe,

"That Phillis in the same throwe "Was shape into a nutte tree,

"That all men it might see:
"And after Phillis PHILBERD

"This tree was cleped in the yerd:
"And yet, for Demophon to shame,

"Unto this day it beareth the name."

Confess. Amantis, B. 4.

The filbert is said to have been brought from Pontus. Huloet calls it "Pontica nux."] A fine hazel nut with a thin shell.

In August comes fruit of all sorts; as plumbs, pears, apricots, barberries, filberts, muskmelons, monkshoods of all colours. Bacon, Ess. Thou hast a brain, such as it is indeed!

On what else should thy worm of fancy feed; Yet in a filbert I have often known Maggots survive when all the kernel's gone.

There is also another kind called the filbert of Constantinople; the leaves and fruit of which are bigger than either of the former: the best are those of a thin shell.

Mortimer.

To FILCH. v. a. [A word of uncertain etymology. The French word filer, from which some derive it, is of very late production, and therefore cannot be its original.] To steal; to take by theft; to pilfer; to pillage; to rob; to take by robbery. It is usually spoken of petty thefts.

He shall find his wealth wonderfully enlarged by keeping his cattle in inclosures, where they shall always have safe being, that none are continually filched and stolen. Spenser on Ireland. The champion robbeth by night,

And prowleth and flicheth by daie. Tusser, Husb.
Who steals my purse, steals trash; 'tis something, nothing;

'Twas mine, 'tis his, and has been slave to thousands;

But he that filches from me my good name, Robs me of that which not enriches him,

And makes me poor indeed. Shakspeare, Othello.

He could discern cities like hives of bees, wherein every bee did nought else but sting; some like hornets, some like filching wasps, others as drones.

Burton on Melancholy.

What made thee venture to betray,
And filch the lady's heart away. Hudibras.
The pismire was formerly a husbandman,
that secretly filched away his neighbour's goods.
L'Estrange,

Fain would they filch that little food away. While unrestrain'd those happy gluttons prey.

So speeds the wily fox, alarm'd by fear, Who lately fllch'd the turkey's callow care.

Gay, Trivia.

FI'LCHER. 7 n. s. [from filch.] A thief; a petty robber.

This filcher of affections.

Beaum. and Fl. Love's Pilgrimage.

FI'LCHINGLY.* adv. [from the part. filching.] In a thievish manner. Sherwood. FILE.† n. s. [file, Fr. filum, a thread, Lat.] to collect reports. Arbuthnot & Pope, Mart. Scrib. 2. [from peolan, Sax.] To cut with a Lat.

1. A thread. Not now used.

But let me resume the *file* of my narration, which this object of books, best agreeable to my course of life, hath a little interrupted. Wotton. Dorothea did not interrupt the file of her history. Shelton, Tr. of D. Quix. iv. 1.

2. A line on which papers are strung to keep them in order.

All records, wherein there was any memory of the king's attainder, should be cancelled and taken off the file.

The petitions being thus prepared, do you continually set apart an hour in a day to peruse those, and then rank them into several files, according to the subject-matters.

Th' apothecary-train is wholly blind; From files a random recipe they take, And many deaths of one prescription make. Dryden.

3. A catalogue; roll; series. Our present musters grow upon the file To five-and-twenty thousand men of choice. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

The valu'd file Distinguishes the swift, the slow, the subtle. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

4. A line of soldiers ranged one behind another.

Those goodly eyes, That o'er the files and musters of the war Have glow'd like plated Mars, now bend, now

Upon a tawney front. Shakspeare, Ant. & Cleop. So saying, on he led his radiant files,

Milton, P. L. Dazzling the moon.

5. [reol, Saxon; vijle, Dutch.] An instrument to rub down prominences.

The rough or coarse-toothed file, if it be large, is called a rubber, and is to take off the unevenness of your work which the hammer made in the forging: the bastard-toothed file is to take out of your work the deep cuts, or file-strokes, the rough file made: the fine-toothed file is to take out the cuts, or file-strokes, the bastard file made; and the smooth file is to take out those cuts, or file-strokes, that the Moxon. fine file made.

A file for the mattocks and for the coulters. 1 Sam. xiii.21. The smiths and armourers on palfreys ride, Files in their hands and hammers at their side.

Dryden. 6. Style; manner of writing. A Latinism. Not now in use.

And, were it not ill fitting for this file To sing of hills and woods 'mongst wars and knights.

I would abate the sternenesse of my stile. Spenser, F. Q. vii. vi. 37.

FI'LECUTTER. n. s. [file and cutter.] A maker of files.

use it to make their chissels, with which they cut their files.

To File. + v. a. [filer, Fr. from filum, a thread, Lat.]

1. To string upon a thread or wire. Whence to file a bill is to offer it in its order to the notice of the judge.

Thou dost file One lie upon another well.

Fanshaw, Past. Fido, p. 174. From the day his first bill was filed he began

They which would file away most from the largeness of that offer, do in more sparing terms acknowledge little less.

The eminent court - gives their tongues Sweetness of language; makes them apt to please:

Files off all rudeness, and uncivil haviour.

Beaum. and Fl. Nob. Gentleman. Let men be careful how they attempt to cure a blemish by filing or cutting off the head of such an overgrown tooth.

3. To smooth; to polish. This use of the word was formerly frequent, as applied to the tongue; and denoted polished speech. It is a Gallicism, " Avoir la langue bien afilée." Dr. Johnson cites only the example of Shakspeare, without any remark. Gower, Chaucer, and Skelton, afford abundant instances of this usuage. Spenser, of course, adopts it; and Dryden thought it worth his notice.

For that old man of pleasing words had store, And well could file his tongue as smooth as glass. Spenser, F.Q. i.i. 35.

There hath flourished in England so fine and filed phrases, and so good and pleasant poets, as may countervayle the doings of Virgil, Ovid, &c. Googe, Eglogs, Epitaphs, &c. (1563,) Pref.

His humour is lofty, his discourse peremptory, his tongue filed, and his eye ambitious.

Shakspeare, Lave's Lab. Lost. His mien he fashion'd, and his tongue he fil'd. Dryden, Cymon and Iphigenia.

4. [from arylan, Saxon.] To foul; to sully; to pollute. This sense is retained in Scotland. See Foul.

The corn is theirs, let others thresh, Their hands they may not file.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. July. She lightly lept out of her filed bed.

Spenser, F. Q. iii. i. 62. For Banquo's issue have I fil'd my mind, For them the gracious Duncan have I murder'd.

His weeds divinely fashioned,

Chapman, Iliads. Shakspeare. All fil'd and mangl'd.

To FILE. v. n. [from the noun.] 1. To march in a file, not abreast, but

one behind another. All ran down without order or ceremony, till we drew up in good order, and filed off.

Did all the grosser atoms at the call Of chance file off to form the pondrous ball,

And undetermin'd into order fall? Blackmore, Creation. 2. To rank with; to be strung, as it were, upon the same thread or wire.

These, I take it, Although she love you well, -Must needs, and reason for it, be examin'd, And by her modesty; and fear'd too light too, To file with her affections: You have lost her. Beaum. and Fl. Mons. Thomas,

Gad-steel is a tough sort of steel: filecutiers | FI'LEMOT. n. s. [corrupted from feuille morte, a dead leaf, French.] A brown or vellow-brown colour.

The colours you ought to wish for are blue or filemot, turned up with red.

Swift, Direct. for Servants. FI'LER. † n. s. [from file.] One who files; one who uses the file in cutting metals.

Sherwood. FI'LIAL. adj. [filial, filiale, Fr. filius,

1. Pertaining to a son; befitting a son.

My mischievous proceeding may be the glory of his filial piety, the only reward now left for so great a merit,

From imposition of strict laws, to free Acceptance of large grace; from servile fear To filial; works of law, to works of faith. Milton, P. L.

He griev'd, he wept, the sight an image brought Of his own filial love, a sadly pleasing thought. Dryden.

2. Bearing the character or relation of a

And thus the filial Godhead answering spoke.

Where the old myrtle her good influence sheds, Sprigs of like leaf erect their filial heads; And when the parent rose decays and dies, With a resembling face the daughter buds arise.

FILIA'TION: † n. s. [filiation, French; from filius, Lat.] The relation of a son to a father; correlative to paternity

The relation of paternity and filiation, between the first and second person, and the relation between the sacred persons of the Trinity, and the denomination thereof, must needs be eternal, because the terms of relation between whom that relation ariseth were eternal.

Hale, Orig. of Mankind. Among all the sons of God, there is none like to that One Son of God. And if there be so great a disparity in the filiation, we must make as great a difference in the correspondent relation. Pearson on the Creed, Art. i.

FI'LIBEG.* See FILLIBEG.

FI'LIGRANE, or FI'LIGREE.* adj. [Latin, filum, a thread, and granum, grain.] Denoting work curiously wrought, in the manner of little threads or grains, usually in gold and silver; a kind of wire-work. In the Fop's Dictionary, 1690, filigrained, or filgrain'd, is defined as denoting "dressing-boxes, baskets, or whatever else is made of silver wire-work." But the word is older in our language.

A curious fligrane handkerchief, and two fair filigrane plates brought out of Spain.

Dr. Brown's Travels, 1685, p.147. Adam and Eve in bugle-work, without figleaves, upon canvas, curiously wrought with her ladyship's own hand; several filigrane curiosities. Tatler, No. 245.

The churches of our ancestors shoot up into spires, towers, pinnacles, and filigree work. Swinburne, Trav. through Spain, L.44.

Fi'LINGS. † n. s. [from file; without a singular, Dr. Johnson says; yet our lexicography presents the singular; "A filing, limure, Fr." Sherwood, which Cotgrave renders " file-dust, also a filing." Fragments rubbed off by the action of the file.

The filings of iron infused in vinegar, will, with a decoction of galls, make good ink, without any copperose.

The chippings and filings of those jewels are of more value than the whole mass of ordinary authors. Felton on the Classicks.

To FILL. v. a. [rýllan, Sax.]

1. To store till no more can be admitted. Fill the waterpots with water, and they filled them up to the brim. St. John, ii. 7. I am who fill

Infinitude, nor vacuous the space. Milton, P. L. The celestial quires, when orient light Exhaling first from darkness they beheld; Birth-day of Heav'n and Earth; with joy and

shout The hollow universal orb they fill'd. Milton, P. L.

2. To store abundantly.

Be fruitful, multiply, and in the seas And lakes and running streams the waters fill. Milton, P. L.

3. To satisfy; to content. He with his consorted Eve

The story heard attentive, and was fill'd With admiration and deep muse to hear. Milt. P. L. Nothing but the supreme and absolute Infinite can adequately fill and super-abundantly satisfy the infinite desires of intelligent beings. Cheyne, Phil. Princ.

4. To glut; to surfeit.

Thou art going to lord Timon's feast. - Ay, to see meat fill knaves, and wine heat fools. Shakspeare.

5. To FILL out. To pour out liquor for

6. To FILL out. To extend by something contained.

I only speak of him Whom pomp and greatness sits so loose about, That he wants majesty to fill them out. Dryden.

7. To FILL up. \[Up \] is often used without much addition to the force of the verb. To make full.

Hope leaps from goal to goal, And opens still, and opens on his soul; Till lengthen'd on to faith, and unconfin'd, It pours the bliss that fills up all the mind. Pope. 8. To FILL up. To supply.

When the several trades and professions are supplied, you will find most of those that are proper for war absolutely necessary for filling up the laborious part of life, and carrying on the underwork of the nation. Addison on the War.

9. To FILL up. To occupy by bulk. There would not be altogether so much water required for the land as for the sea, to raise them to an equal height; because mountains and hills would fill up part of that space upon the land, and

so make less water requisite. 10. To FILL up. To engage; to employ.

Is it far you ride?

As far, my lord, as will fill up the time 'Twixt this and supper. Shakspeare, Macbeth. To FILL. v. n.

1. To give to drink.

In the cup which she hath filled, fill to her We fill to the general joy of the whole table,

And to our dear friend Banquo, whom we miss. Shaksneare.

2. To grow full.

3. To glut; to satiate.

Things that are sweet and fat are more filling, and do swim and hang more about the mouth of the stomach, and go not down so speedily. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

4. To FILL up. To grow full.

Neither the Palus Meotis nor the Euxine, nor any other seas, fill up, or by degrees grow shallower.

Woodward.

FILL. n. s. [from the verb.]

1. As much as may produce complete satisfaction.

Her neck and breasts were ever open bare, That aye thereof her babes might suck their fill. Spenser, F. Q.

But thus inflam'd bespoke the captain, Who scorneth peace shall have his fill of war. Fairfax. When ye were thirsty, did I not cleave the rock,

and waters flowed out to your fill? 2 Esdr. 1. 20. Mean while enjoy Your fill, what happiness this happy state

Can comprehend, incapable of more. Milton, P.L. Amid the tree now got, where plenty hung Tempting so nigh, to pluck and eat my fill, I spar'd not. Milton, P. L.

Which made me gently first remove your fears, That so you might have room to entertain

Your fill of joy. Denham, Sophy. Your barbarity may have its fill of destruction.

2. [More properly thill.] The place between the shafts of a carriage.

This mule being put in the fill of a cart, run away with the cart and timber.

Mortimer, Husbandry.

FI'LLER. † n. s. [from fill.] 1. Any thing that fills up room without use. 'Tis a mere filler, to stop a vacancy in the hex-

ameter, and counect the preface to the work of Dryden, Æn. Dedic. A mixture of tender gentle thoughts and suitable expressions, of forced and inextricable con-

ceits, and of needless fillers up to the rest. Pope. One whose employment is to fill vessels of carriage.

They have six diggers to four fillers, so as to keep the fillers always at work.

Mortimer, Husbandry.

3. One who stores abundantly.

Brave soldier yield; thou stock of arms and honour,

Thou filler of the world with fame and glory. Beaum. and Fl. Bonduca.

FI'LLET. n. s. [filet, French; filum, Lat.] 1. A band tied round the head or other

His baleful breath inspiring, as he glides, Now like a chain around her neck he rides; Now like a fillet to her head repairs, And with his circling volumes folds her hairs.

Dryden, En. She scorn'd the praise of beauty, and the care; A belt her waist, a fillet binds her hair.

Pope, Windsor Forest. 2. The fleshy part of the thigh: applied commonly to veal.

The youth approach'd the fire, and as it burn'd, On five sharp broachers rank'd, the roast they

turn'd: These morsels stay'd their stomachs; then the rest They cut in legs and fillets for the feast. Dryd. Iliad.

3. Meat rolled together; and tied round. Fillet of a fenny snake,

In the cauldron boil and bake. Shaks. Macbeth. The mixture thus, by chymick art

United close in every part, In fillets roll'd, or cut in pieces,

Appear'd like one continu'd species.

4. [In architecture.] A little member which appears in the ornaments and mouldings, and is otherwise called listel. Harris. Pillars and their fillets of silver. Ex. xxvii. 10.

To FI'LLET. v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To bind with a bandage or fillet.

They wear their hair long and filleted. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 376.

2. To adorn with an astragal. He made hooks for the pillars, and overlaid their chapiters and filleted them. Ex. xxxviii. 28. FI'LLIBEG.* n. s. [Gael. filleadh-beg, i. e. filleadh, a plait or cloth, and beg, little.] Literally, a little plaid; a dress, reaching only to the knees, worn by men in the Highlands of Scotland instead of

The fillibes, or lower garment, is still very common, and the bonnet almost universal. Johnson, Journey to the West. Islands.

FI'LLING.* n. s. [from fill.]

1. Supply.

And why that spiteful character given to all crowds? mere fillings of his own, without warrant from his original. Bentley, Phil. Lips. § 54.

2. The act of growing full.

The first stage of healing, or the discharge of matter, is by surgeons called digestion; the second, or the filling up with flesh, incarnation; and the last, or skinning over, cicatrization. Sharp, Surgery.

To FI'LLIP. v. a. [A word, says Skinner, formed from the sound. This resemblance I am not able to discover, and therefore am inclined to imagine it corrupted from fill up, by some combination of ideas which cannot be recovered. This is Dr. Johnson's opinion; but the word may be a corruption of the Latin alapa, a blow, a stroke.] To strike with the nail of the finger by a sudden spring or motion.

If I do, fillip me with a three-man beetle. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

Then let the pebbles on the hungry beach Fillip the stars: then let the mutinous winds Strike the proud cedars 'gainst the fiery sun.

Shakspeare, Coriol. We see, that if you fillip a lutestring, it sheweth Bacon, Nat. Hist. double or treble.

FI'LLIP.† n. s. [from the verb.] A jerk of the finger let go from the thumb.

Man's life is as a glass, and a fillip may crack it. Trag. of Soliman and Perseda, (1599.) A gentleman,

If I, that so much love him, may commend him, Of free and virtuous parts; and one, if foul play Should fall upon us, for which fear I brought him, Will not fly back for fillips.

Beaum. and Fl. The Chances. The dead epicure cannot but subscribe to the truth of Sardanapalus's tomb, which I find storied to have a hand in a posture of filliping, reaching out of the tomb; and the motto, " Omnia nec tanti," all is not worth a fillip.

Whitlock, Mann. of the Eng. p. 549.

FI'LLY. † n. s. [filog, Welsh, a young mare, also a wanton girl; ffeilog, Celt. filia, the fem. of fil, a colt, Iceland.]

1. A young mare: opposed to a colt or young horse. I jest to Oberon, and make him smile,

When I a fat and bean-fed horse beguile,

Neighing in likeness of a filly foal. Shakspeare. A well-wayed horse will convey thee to thy journey's end, when an unbacked filly may give thee a fall.

2. A wanton girl; a flirt.

A skittish filly will be your fortune, Welford. Beaum. and Fl. Scornful Lady. I am joined in wedlock, for my sins, to one of those fillies who are described in the old poet.

Addison, Spect.

FILM. n. s. [pilm, Saxon.] A thin pellicle or skin.

While the silver needle did work upon the sight of his eye, to remove the film of the cataract, never saw any thing more clear or perfect than that white needle.

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Michael from Adam's eyes the film remov'd, Which that false fruit that promis d clearer sight Milton, P. L. Had bred.

A stone is held up by the films of the bladder, and so kept from grating or offending it.

Graunt, Bills of Mortality. There is not one infidel so ridiculous as to pretend to solve the phænomena of sight, fancy, or cogitation, by those fleeting superficial films of Bentley, Serm.

He from thick films shall purge the visual ray, And on the sightless eyeballs pour the day.

Pope, Messiah. To FILM. v. a. [from the noun.] cover with a pellicle or thin skin.

It will but skin and film the ulcerous place, The will but skin and jum the trees within, Whilst rank corruption, mining all within, Infects unseen.

Shakspeare, Hamlet.

It is thine ignorant and gross infidelity that hath filmed up thine eyes, that thou canst discern Bp. Hall's Rem. p. 251. no spiritual object.

FI'LMY. † adj. [from film.] Composed of thin membranes or pellicles.

He shewed me a little excrescence that he hath beginning upon the uttermost ball of his eyes, a filmy matter, like the rudiment of a pin and web as they call it.

Sir H. Wotton, Lett. (1628,) Rem. p. 441. So the false spider, when her nets are spread, Deep ambush'd in her silent den does lie And feels, far off, the trembling of her thread, Whose filmy cord should bind the struggling fly. Dryden.

The wasps with fruitless toil Flap filmy pinions oft, to extricate Their feet in liquid shackles bound, till death Bereave them of their worthless souls; such doom Waits luxury, and lawless love of gain. Philips. Loose to the winds their airy garments flew, Thin glitt'ring textures of the filmy dew; Dipt in the richest tincture of the skies, Where light disports in ever-mingling dyes. Pope.

To FI'LTER. v. a. [filtro, low Latin; per filum trahere.]

1. To defecate by drawing off liquor by depending threads.

2. To strain; to percolate.

Dilute this liquor with fair water, filter it through a paper, and so evaporate it. Grew, Museum.

FI'LTER. n. s. [filtrum, Latin.]

1. A twist of thread, of which one end is dipped in the liquor to be defecated, and the other hangs below the bottom of the vessel, so that the liquor drips from it.

2. A strainer; a searce.

That the water, passing through the veins of the earth, should be rendered fresh and potable, which it cannot be by any percolations we can make, but the saline particles will pass through a tenfold filter. Ray on the Creation.

FILTH. † n. s. [pilo, Sax. fyla, Icel. Wicliffe writes filth-heed for the state of being defiled, Apoc. 14.]

I. Dirt; nastiness; any thing that soils or fouls.

Wisdom and goodness to the vile seem vile; Filths savour but themselves. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

Neither may you trust waters that taste sweet; for they are commonly found in rising grounds of great cities, which must needs take in a great deal of filth.

How perfect then is man? From head to foot

How perfect then at the root. Sandy Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Defil'd with filth, and rotten at the root. Sandys. Though perhaps among the rout

He wildly flings his filth about; He still has gratitude and sap'ence, To spare the folks that give him ha'pence. Swift. 2. Corruption; grossness; pollution.

Such do likewise exceedingly dispose us to piety and religion, by purifying our souls from the dross and filth of sensual delights. Tillotson. FI'LTHILY. † adv. [from filthy.] Nastily; foully; grossly.

If she do not paint, she will look so filthily,

thou canst not love her

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 572. It stuck filthily in the camel's stomach that bulls, bears, and the like, should be armed, and that a creature of his size should be left defence-L'Estrange.

FI'LTHINESS. n. s. [from filthy.] 1. Nastiness; foulness; dirtiness.

Men of virtue suppressed it, lest their shining should discover the others filthiness.

2. Corruption; pollution.

They held this land, and with their filthiness Polluted this same gentle soil long time, That their own mother loath'd their beastliness, And gan abhor her brood's unkindly crime, All were they born of her own native slime.

Spenser, F. Q. They never duly improved the utmost of such a power, but gave themselves up to all the filthiness and licentiousness of life imaginable. South, Sermons.

FI'LTHY. adj. [from filth.]

1. Nasty: foul; dirty. Fair is foul, and foul is fair; Hover through the fog and filthy air. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

2. Gross; polluted.

As all stories are not proper subjects for an epick poem or a tragedy, so neither are they for a noble picture: the subjects both of the one and of the other, ought to have nothing of immoral, low, Dryden, Dufresnoy. or filthy in them.

To FI'LTRATE. v. a. [from filter.] strain; to percolate; to filter.

The extract obtained by the former operation, burnt to ashes, and those ashes boiled in water and filtrated, yield a fiery salt.

Arlnuthnot on Aliments. FILTRA'TION. n. s. [from filtrate.] A method by which liquors are procured fine and clear. The filtration in use is straining a liquor through paper, which, by the smallness of its pores, admits only the finer parts through, and keeps the rest behind.

We took then common nitre, and having, by the usual way of solution, filtration, and coagulation, reduced it into chrystals, we put four ounces of th is purified nitre into a strong new crucible. Boyle. FI'MBLE Hemp. n. s. [corrupted from fe-

male.]

The light summer hemp, that bears no seed, which is called fimble hemp. Good flax and good hemp, for to have of her own,

In May a good housewife will see it be sown; And afterwards trim it, to serve at a need, The fimble to spin and the carle for her seed.

Tusser. To FI'MBRIATE.* v. a. [Lat. fimbriatus.]
To fringe; to hem. Fimbriated is still an heraldick term for bordered.

Besides the divers tricking or dressing [heraldick crosses;] as piercing, voiding, fimbriating, &c. insomuch that crosses alone, as they are variously disguised, are enough to distinguish all the several families of gentlemen in England.

Fuller, Holy War, p. 271. FIN. n. s. [rin, Sax. vin, Dutch.] The wing of a fish; the limb by which he balances his body, and moves in the water.

He that depends Upon your favours, swims with fins of lead, And hews down oaks with rushes. Shaks. Othello.

Their fins consist of a number of grisly bones, long and slender, like pins and needles. More against Atheism.

Thus at half-ebb a rolling sea Returns, and wins upon the shore; The watry herd, affrighted at the roar, Rest on their fins awhile, and stay,

Then backward take their wond'ring way. Dryd. Still at his oar th' industrious Libys plies; But as he plies, each busy arm shrinks in,

And by degrees is fashion'd to a fin. Add. Ovid. FIN-FOOTED. adj. [fin and foot.] Palmipedous; having feet with membranes between the toes.

It is described like fissipedes, or birds which have their feet or claws divided; whereas it is palmipedous or fin-footed, like swans and geese, according to the method of nature in latirostrous or flat-billed birds; which being generally swimmers, the organ is wisely contrived unto the action, and they are framed with fins or oars upon their feet.

FI'NABLE. adj. [from fine.] That admits a fine; that deserves a fine.

This is the order for writs of covenant that be Racon. He sent letters to the council, wherein he ac-

knowledged himself favoured in bringing his cause finable. Hauward.

FI'NAL. adj. [final, French, finalis, Lat.]
1. Ultimate; last. And over them triumphant Death his dart

Shook; but delay'd to strike, though oft invok'd With vows, as their chief good, and final hope. Milton, P.L.

2. Conclusive; decisive.

There be many examples where sea-fights have been final to the war. Henry spent his reign in establishing himself, and had neither leisure nor opportunity to undertake the final conquest of Ireland. Davies on Ireland.

3. Mortal; destructive.

At last resolv'd to work his final smart, He lifted up his hand, but back again did start. Spenser, F.Q.

4. Respecting the end or motive.

Some things in such sort are allowed, that they be also required as necessary unto salvation, by way of direct, immediate, and proper necessity final; so that, without performance of them, they cannot by ordinary course be saved, nor by any means be excluded from life, observing them.

By its gravity air raises the water in pumps, siphons, and other engines; and performs all those feats which former philosophers, through ignorance of the efficient cause, attributed to a final, namely, nature's abhorrence of a vacuity. Ray.

Your answering in the final cause, makes me believe you are at a loss for the efficient. Collier on Thought.

FI'NALLY. adv. [from final.] 1. Ultimately; lastly; in conclusion. Sight bereav'd

May chance to number thee with those

Whom patience finally must crown. Milton, S.A. 2. Completely; without recovery.

Not any house of noble English in Ireland was utterly destroyed, or finally rooted out by the hand of justice, hut the house of Desmond only. Davies on Ireland.

Doubtlessly many men are finally lost, who yet have no men's sins to answer for but their own.

FINA'NCE.† n. s. [French. With the accent on the second syllable; though Dr. Johnson places it on the first. It may be curious to observe, that we formerly used the word finance in the sense of an end; and that, in the enlarged edition of Bullokar, 1656, it has | 4. To meet with; to fall upon. found a place. But it had then been long obsolete.] Revenue; income; profit. It is seldom used in the singular.

This sort of finance hath been increased. Bacon. The residue of these ordinary finances be casual or uncertain; as be the escheats and forfeitures.

His pretence for making war upon his neighbours was their piracies, though he practised the same trade when he was straitened in his finances at the siege of Byzantium.

FINA'NCIAL.* adj. [from finance.] Respecting finance. A modern word.
Europe was filled with astonishment, when they

saw England borrow in one year twelve millions saw England borrow in one year twelve militons. It was thought, and very justly, no small proof of national strength and financial skill, to find a fund for the payment of the interest upon this sum. Burke on the State of the Nation, (1769.)

FINA'NCIER.† n. s. [French. This is

a word of considerable age in our language, though hitherto unnoticed; for Dr. Johnson has given no example, and Mr. Mason has found the word only in the writings of Burke, who indeed often uses it.] One who collects or farms the publick revenue; one who understands the publick revenue.

I therefore, whom only love and duty to your majesty and your royal line hath made a financier, do intend to present unto your majesty a perfect book of your estate, like a perspective glass to draw your estate nearer to your sight.

Bacon to King James I. 2. Jan. 1618. Cabala, p.9. FI'NARY. n. s. [from To fine.] In the iron works, the second forge at the iron Dict.

Finch.† n. s. [pinc, Sax. finck, Teut. from the bird's note, vink, vink. Vossius, and Lye.] A small bird of which we have three kinds, the goldfinch, chaffinch, and bullfinch.

The finch, the sparrow, and the lark, The plain-song cuckoo gray, Whose note full many a man doth mark,

And dares not answer nay. Shaks. Mids. N. Dream. To FIND. v. a. [Finban, Sax. vinden, Dutch; finthan, M. Goth. finna, Su. Goth.

1. To obtain by searching or seeking. Ask, and it shall be given you: seek, and ye shall find. St. Matt. vii. 7. Whereas thou hast searched all my stuff, what

hast thou found of all thy household stuff? Gen. xxxi. 37. She disappear'd, and left me dark; I wak'd To find her, or for ever to deplore Her loss. Milton, P. L.

A bird that flies about, And beats itself against the cage, Finding at last no passage out,

Cowley. It sits and sings. 2. To obtain something lost.

When he hath found his sheep, he layeth it on St. Luke, xv. 5. his shoulders rejoicing. In my school days, when I had lost one shaft, I shot his fellow of the self-same flight

The self-same way, with more advised watch, To find the other forth; by vent'ring both, I oft found both. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. I oft found both.

3. To obtain something desired. Thus I embolden'd spake, and freedom used Permissive, and acceptance found. Milton, P. L. Our voluntary service he requires, Not our necessitated; such with him Finds no acceptance, nor can find.

Milton, P.L.

There watchful at the gate they find, Suspicion with her eyes behind. Dodsley's Miscell. In woods and forests thou art found. Cowley. The bad must miss, the good unsought shall find.

5. To know by experience. How oft will he

Of thy chang'd faith complain! And his fortunes find to be So airy and so vain!

Cowley. The torrid zone is now found habitable. Cowley.

6. To come to; to attain. The sun that barren shines, Whose virtue on itself works no effect, But in the fruitful earth; there first receiv'd

His beams, unactive else, their vigour find. Milton, P.L.

7. To discover by study, or attention. The fox that first this cause of grief did find, Gan first thus plain his case, with words unkind.

Spenser, Hubb. Tale. Physicians With sharpen'd sight some remedies may find.

Thy maid! ah, find some nobler theme, Whereon thy doubts to place. Cowley.

To discover what is hidden. A curse on him who found the oar. Cowley.

9. To hit on by chance; to perceive by accident.

They build on sands, which if unmov'd they find,
'Tis but because there was no wind.

10. To gain by any mental endeavour. I by conversing cannot these erect,

From prone, nor in their ways complacence find. Milton, P.L.

If we for happiness could leisure find, And wand'ring time into a method bind, We should not then the great men's favour need. Cowley.

We oft review, each finding like a friend, Something to blame, and something to commend.

11. To remark; to observe; to perceive. Thus far to try thee, Adam, I was pleased And find thee knowing not of beast alone, Which thou hast rightly nam'd, but of thyself. Milton, P. L.

Beauty or wit in all I find. 12. To detect; to deprehend; to catch, When first found in a lie, talk to him of it as a strange monstrous matter, and so shame him out

13. To reach; to attain. They are glad when they can find the grave.

Job. iii. 22. They also know, And reason not contemptibly; with these

ind pastime, and bear rule. Milton, P.L. In solitude What happiness! who can enjoy alone,

Or all enjoying, what contentment find? Milton, P. L.

He did the utmost bounds of knowledge find, Yet found them not so large as was his mind.

14. To meet.

A clear conscience and heroick mind, In ills their business and their glory find. Cowley. 15. To settle; to fix any thing in one's own opinion.

Some men The marks of old and catholick would find. Cowl.

16. To determine by judicial verdict.

They would enforce them to find as they would direct; and if they did not, convent, imprison, and

His peers, upon this evidence, Have found him guilty of high treason. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

17. To supply; to furnish: as, he finds me in money and in victuals.

A war with Spain is like to be lucrative, if we go roundly on at first; the war in continuance will find itself.

He that shall marry thee, had better spend the poor remainder of his days, in a dung-barge, for two-pence a week, and find himself.

Beaum. and Fl. Woman Hater. Still govern thou my song, Urania, and fit audience find, though few.

Milton, P.L. 18. [In law.] To approve: as, to find a bill.

To find a bill, there must at least twelve of the [grand] jury agree. Rlackstone.

19. To purpose; to find in one's heart, as we now often say. Spenser, for the sake of the rhyme, writes the word fond instead of found.

In the sea to drown herself she fond, Rather than of that tyrant to be caught.

Spenser, F. Q. iii. vii. 26. She found in her heart, she chose rather to drown herself than to be caught of that tyrant, Upton on Spenser.

20. To FIND himself. To be; to fare with regard to ease or pain, health or sickness.

Pray, sir, how d'ye find yourself? says the doc-

21. To FIND out. To unriddle; to solve.

The finding out of parables is a wearisome labour of the mind. Ecclus. xiii. 26.

22. To FIND out. To discover something hidden.

Canst thou by searching find out God? Canst thou find out the Almighty unto perfection? Joh. xi. 7.

There are agents in nature able to make the particles of bodies stick together by very strong attractions, and it is the business of experimental philosophy to find them out.

What hinders then, but that thou find her out, And hurry her away by manly force? Add. Cato.

23. To FIND out. To obtain the knowledge of.

The principal part of painting is to find out and thoroughly to understand what nature has made most beautiful.

24. To FIND out. To invent; to excogi-A man of Tyre, skilful to work in gold, and to

find out every device which shall be put to him. 2 Chron. ii. 14.

25. The particle out is added often without any other use than that it adds some force or emphasis to the verb.

While she proudly march'd about, Greater conquests to find out,

She beat out Susan by the by. It is agreeable to compare the face of a great man with the character, and to try if we can find out in his looks and features either the haughty, cruel, or merciful temper.

He was afraid of being insulted with Greek, for which reason he desired a friend to find him out a clergyman rather of plain sense than much Addison, Spect. learning.

26. To Find, is a word of very licentious and capricious use, not easily limited or explained; its first idea is the consequence of search; the second, equally

frequent, is mere occursion. FI'NDER. 7 n. s. [from find.]

1. One that meets or falls upon any thing. We will bring the device to the bar, and crown thee for a finder of madmen. Shaks. Tw. Night.

2. One that picks up any thing lost.

Some lewd squeaking cryer,

May gall the finder's conscience, if they meet.

O yes! if any happy eye This roving wanton shall descry, Let the finder surely know Mine is the wag; 'tis I that owe The winged wand'rer.

Crashaw.

Donne.

3. A discoverer: an inventer.
I curse the fidling finders out of musick.

Sidney, Arcad. b. ii.
FINDFA'ULT.† n. s. [find and fault.] A
censurer; a caviller.

We are the makers of manners, Kate; and the liberty that follows our places, stops the mouth of all findfaults.

Shakspeare.

Railers, grudgers, persecutors, findfaults.

Trans. of Boccalini, (1626,) p. 42.

FINDFA'ULTING.* adj. [from findfault.]
Cavilling; captious.

She doth not set business back by unquiet branglings and findfaulting quarrels. Whitlock, Mann. of the Eng. p. 347.

FI'NDING.* n. s. [from find.]
1. Discovery by study.

The finding out of parables is a wearisome labour of the mind.

Ecclus. xiii. 26.

2. Discovery by chance.

Go you the next way with your findings.

Shakspeare, Win. Tale.

3. In law, the return made by the jury to the bill of indictment.

FI'NDY. adj. [zerinbiz, Saxon.] Plump; wighty; firm; solid. Not used. Thus the Proverb.

A cold May and a windy,
Makes the barn fat and findy:
means that it stores the barn with plump
and firm grain.

Junius.

FINE.† adj. [fine, French; fijn, Dutch and Erse; perhaps from finitus, completed, Latin. Serenius notices the Iceland, fijnnr, beautiful, polished.]

1. Not coarse.

Not any skill'd in loops of fingering fine, With this so curious net-work might compare. Spense

He was array'd in purple and fine linen.

St. Luke, xvi, 19.

2. Refined; pure; free from dross.

Two vessels of fine copper, precious as gold.

Ezra, viii. 27.

Subtile: thin: tanuous: as the fine

3. Subtile; thin; tenuous: as, the fine spirits evaporate.

This is a pleasant citie ——
The ayre subtil and fine.

Trag. of Damon and Pithias.

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When the eye standerh in the finer medium, and the object in the grosser things shew greater; but contrariwise, when the eye is placed in the grosser medium and the object in the finer.

Bacon.

Refined; Subtilely excogitated.
 In substance he promised himself, money, honour, friends, and peace in the end; but those things were too fine to be fortunate and succeed in all parts.

Whether the scheme has not been pursued so far as to draw it into practice, or whether it be too fine to be capable of it, I will not determine.

5. Keen; thin; smoothly sharp.

Great affairs are commonly too rough and stubborn to be wrought upon by the finer edges or points of wit. Bacon. 6. Clear; pellucid; transparent: as, the

wine is fine.

Let the wine without mixture or stum be all fine, Or call up the master.

B. Jonson.

7. Nice; exquisite; delicate.

Are they not senseless then, that think the soul Nought but a fine perfection of the sense. Davies. The irons of planes are set fine or rank: they are set fine when they stand so shallow below the

sole of the plane, that in working they take off a thin shaving.

Mozon, Mech. Exer.

8. Artful; dexterous.

The wisdom of all these latter times, in princes affairs, is rather fine deliveries, and shiftings of dangers and mischiefs, than solid and grounded courses to keep them aloof.

Bacon.

Fraudulent; sly; knavishly subtle.
 Through his fine handling, and his cleanly play,
 He all those royal signs had stol'n away.

Spenser, Hubb. Tale.
Thou art too fine in thy evidence; therefore, stand aside.
Shakspeare, All's Well.

Elegant; beautiful in thought or language.

To call the trumpet by the name of the metal ras fine.

Dryden.

11. Applied to person, it means beautiful with dignity.

Guido has been rather too lavish in bestowing this beauty upon almost all his fine women. Spence.

Accomplished; elegant of manners.
 He was not only the finest gentleman of his time, but one of the finest scholars.
 Felton on the Classicks.

13. Showy; splendid.

It is with a fine genius as with a fine fashion; all those are displeased at it who are not able to follow it.

Pope.

The satirical part of mankind will needs believe, that it is not impossible to be very fine and very filthy.

Swift.

14. [Ironically.] Something that will serve the purpose; something worth contemptuous notice.

That same knave, Ford, her husband, hath the finest mad devil of jealousy in him, master Brook, that ever governed frenzy.

Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor.
They taught us, indeed, to cloath, to dwell in houses,

To feast, to sleep on down, to be profuse;
A fine exchange for liberty. Philips, Briton.
15. Taper; slender.

Like a crane, his neck was long and fyne.

Spenser, F. Q. i. iv. 21.

They gather'd flowers to fill their flasket,
And with fine fingers cropt full feateously
The tender stalks. Spenser, Prothalamion.
Her cheeks all white-red
And such fine fingers.

A. Fraunce, Countess of Pemb. Ivychurch, (1591,) sign G. 4.

No longer shall the bodice aptly lac'd From thy full bosom to thy slender waste That air and harmony of shape express, Fine by degrees and beautifully less.

Fine. n.s. [ffin, Cimbr.]

1. A mulct; a pecuniary punishment.

The killing of an Irishmen was not punished

The killing of an Irishman was not punished by our law, as manslaughter, which is felony and capital; but by a fine or pecuniary punishment, called an ericke.

Davies on Ireland.

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Penalty.

Ev'n this ill night your breathing shall expire,

Paying the fine of rated treachery. Shaks. K. John.
3. Forfeit; money paid for any exemption

The spirit of wantonness is sure scared out of him: if the devil have him not in fee-simple, with fine and recovery, he will never, in the way of

waste, attempt us again. Shakspeare.

Besides fines set upon plays, games, balls, and feasting, they have many customs which contribute to their simplicity. Addison.

Addison.

How vain that second life in others breath, The estate which wits inherit after death! Ease, health, and life for this they must resign, Unsure the tenure, but how vast the fine! Pope

4. [From finis, Latin; fin, enfin, French.] The end; conclusion. It is now seldom used but adverbially, in fine. To conclude; to sum up all; to tell all at once. In fine, whatsoever he was, he was nothing but what it pleased Zelmane, the powers of his spirit

depending of her. Sidney.

His resolution, in fine, is, that in the church a number of things are strictly observed, whereof no law of scripture maketh mention one way or other.

Still the fine's the crown;
Whate'er the course, the end is the renown. Shaks.
Your daughter, ere she seems as won,

Desires this ring; appoints him an encounter; In fine, delivers me to fill the time, Herself most chastely absent. Shaks. All's Well.

The blessings of fortune are the lowest: the next are the bodily advantages of strength and health; but the superlative blessings, in fine, are those of the mind.

L'Estrange.

In fine, he wears no limbs about him sound, With sores and sicknesses beleaguer'd round.

In fine, let there be a perfect relation betwirt the parts and the whole, that they may be entirely of a piece.

Dryden.

To Fine. v. a. [from fine, the adjective.]

1. To refine; to purify.

The fining pot is for silver, and the furnace for gold.

There is a vein for the silver, and a place for gold, where they fine it.

Job, xxviii. 1.

2. To embellish; to decorate. Now not in use.

Hugh Capet also, who usurp'd the crown, To fine his title with some shews of truth, Convey'd himself as heir to the lady Lingare. Shakspeare, Hen. V.

To make less coarse.
 It fines the grass, but makes it

It fines the grass, but makes it short, though thick.

Mortimer.

4. To make transparent.

It is good also for fuel, not to omit the shavings of it for the fining of wine. Mortimer, Husbandry.

5. [From the substantive.] To punish with pecuniary penalty.

To fine men one third of their fortune, without any crime committed, seems very hard. Locke.

To FINE. v. n. To pay a fine.
What poet ever fin'd for sheriff? or who

By rhymes and verse did ever lord mayor grow?

To FINEDRA'w. v. a. [fine and draw.] To sow up a rent with so much nicety that it is not perceived.

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FINEFI'NGERED. adj. [fine and finger.]
Nice; artful; exquisite.

The most finefinger'd workman on the ground, Arachne, by his means was vanquished. Spenser. FI'NELY. † adv. [from fine.]

1. Beautifully; elegantly; more than justly.

Speech finely framed delighteth the ears of them that read the story. 2 Macc. xv. 39.

Plutarch says very finely, that a man should not allow himself to hate even his enemies; because if you indulge this passion on some occasions, it will rise of itself in others.

Addison.

The walls are painted, and represent the labours of Hercules: many of them look very finely, though a great part of the work has been cracked.

Addison, on Italy.

2. Keenly; sharply; with a thin edge or

Get you black lead, sharpened finely.

Peacham on Drawing.

3. Not coarsely; not meanly; gaily. He was alone, save that he had two persons of honour, on either hand one, finely attired in white. Bacon, New Atlantis.

4. In small parts; subtilly; not grossly. Saltpetre was but grossly beaten: for it should not be finely powdered. Boule.

5. [Ironically.] Wretchedly; in such a manner as to deserve contemptuous no-

Let laws be made to obey, and not to be obeyed, and you will find that kingdom finely governed in a short time

For him she loves:

She nam'd not me; that may be Torrismond, Whom she has thrice in private seen this day: Then I am finely caught in my own snare. Dryden, Sp. Friar.

6. Subtly; artfully.

We may rate this one secret, as it was finely carried, at 4000l. in present money.

Wotton, Parall. D. of Buck. and E. of Essex.

7. In a great degree; completely; purely, as that word is sometimes used. Finely, as an adjective is thus common in Cumberland, where a man in good health being asked how he is, answers "he is finely! My wife was finely well to day.

Diary of H. Earl of Clarendon, (1689,) ii. 365.

FI'NELESS.* adj. [fine and less.] Unbounded; endless.

Poor and content is rich, and rich enough; But riches fineless is as poor as winter, To him that ever fears he shall be poor. Shakspeare, Othello.

FI'NENESS. † n. s. [from fine.]

1. Elegance; beauty; delicacy.

Every thing was full of a choice fineness, that if it wanted any thing in majesty, it supplied with increase in pleasure; and if at the first it struck not admiration, it ravished with delight. Sidney. As the French language has more fineness and

smoothness at this time, so it had more compass, spirit, and force in Montaigne's days. Temple. The softness of her sex, and the fineness of her

genius, conspire to give her a very distinguishing character.

2. Show; splendour; gaiety of appear-

The fineness of clothes destroys the ease; it often helps men to pain, but can never rid them of any: the body may languish under the most splendid cover. Decay of Piety.

The fineness of the colours, and richness of the Boyle, Style of H. Script. p. 72.

3. Subtility; artfulness; ingenuity. Those, with the fineness of their souls,

By reason guide his execution.

Shakspeare, Troil. and Cress. It [the Directory] should have been composed with so much artifice and fineness, that it might have been to all the world an argument of their learning and excellency of spirit, if not of the goodness and integrity of their religion and pur-Bp. Taylor, on Extempore Prayer.

4. Purity; freedom from dross or base mixtures.

Our works are, indeed, nought else But the protractive trials of great Jove, To find persistive constancy in men; The fineness of which metal is not found In fortune's love.

Shakspeare, Troil. and Cress. I am doubtful whether men have sufficiently refined metals; as whether iron, brass, and tin be refined to the height; but when they come to such a fineness as serveth the ordinary use, they try no Bacon, Nat. Hist.

The ancients were careful to coin their money in due weight and fineness, only in times of exigence they have diminished both the weight and fineness. Arbuthnot on Coins.

5. Smoothness; not coarseness. Needwood-

Of Britain's forests all For fineness of her turf supassing.

Drayton, Polyolb. S. 12.

FI'NER. n. s. [from fine.] One who purifies metals.

Take away the dross from the silver, and there shall come forth a vessel for the finer. Prov. xxv. 4. FI'NERY. + n. s. [from fine.]

1. Show; splendour of appearance; gaiety of colours.

Dress up your houses and your images,

And put on all the city's finery, To consecrate this day a festival.

Southern. The capacities of a lady are sometimes apt to fall short in cultivating cleanliness and finery to-

Don't chuse your place of study by the finery of the prospects, or the most various scenes of sensible things.

They want to grow rich in their trades, and to maintain their families in some such figure and degree of finery, as a reasonable Christian life has no occasion for-

2. The name of a forge at iron-works. FINESPO'KEN.* adj. [fine and spoken.] Using a number of fine phrases. The word may be considered perhaps as ironical rather than serious.

Be cautiously upon your guard against the infinite number of finedressed and finespoken " chevaliers d'industrie." Ld. Chesterfield.

FI'NESPUN.* adj. [fine and spun.] Ingeniously contrived; artfully invented. That mistress in the art of making

The finespun lies, that sells so dear False words, false hopes. Fanshaw, Past. Fid.p. 68. Have they not led us deep in the disclose Of finespun nature, exquisitely small?

Young, Night Th.9. Men - who did not amuse their readers with empty declarations and finespun theories of toleration, while they themselves were agitated with a furious inquisitorial spirit.

Lowth, Lett. to Warburton, p. 65. FINE'SSE. n. s. [French.] Artifice; stratagem: an unnecessary word which is creeping into the language.

A circumstance not much to be stood upon, in case it were not upon some finesse. Hayward.

FI'NGER.† n. s. [pinzep, Saxon; figgr. Goth. fingr, Icel. from faenga, to seize, to hold, rengan, Sax. fangen, Germ. fingers, i.e. fangers, seizers, holders.]

The flexible member of the hand by which men catch and hold.

The fingers and thumb in each hand consist of fifteen bones, there being three to each finger.

You seem to understand me, By each at once her choppy finger laying Upon her skinny lips. Shakspeare, Macbeth. Diogenes, who is never said,

For aught that ever I could read, To whine, put finger i' th' eye and sob, Because h' had ne'er another tub.

Hudibras. The hand is divided into four fingers bending forward, and one opposite to them bending backwards, and of greater strength than any of them singly, which we call the thumb, to join with them severally or united; whereby it is fitted to lay hold of objects of any size or quantity. Ray.

A hand of a vast extension, and a prodigious number of fingers playing upon all the organ pipes of the world, and making every one sound a particular note. Keil against Burnet. Poor Peg sewed, spun, and knit for a liveli-

hood, till her finger ends were sore. Arbuthnot, Hist. of J. Bull.

2. A small measure of extension; the breadth of a finger.

Go now, go trust the wind's uncertain breath, Remov'd four fingers from approaching death; Or seven at most, when thickest is the board. Dryden, Juv.

One of these bows with a little arrow did pierce through a piece of steel three fingers thick. Wilkins, Math. Magick.

3. The hand; the instrument of work; manufacture: art. Fool, that forgets her stubborn look

This softness from thy finger took. Waller. To FI'NGER. v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To touch lightly; to toy with.

Go, get you gone, and let the papers lie; You would be fingering them to anger me. Shaksp. 2. To touch unseasonably or thievishly.

Up from my cabin, My sea-gown scarf'd about me, in the dark Grop'd I to find out them : had my desire ; Finger'd their packet; and, in fine, withdrew To mine own room again; making so bold, My fears forgetting manners, to unseal Their grand commission. Shakspeare, Hamlet. You would fain be fingering
This old sin-offering of two hundred, Tranio.

Beaum. and Fl. Tamer Tamed. His ambition would needs be fingering the

sceptre, and hoisting him into his father's throne. South, Serm. 3. To touch an instrument of musick.

You're a fair viol, and your sense the strings; Who, finger'd to make man his lawful musick, Would draw heaven down, and all the gods to hearken. Shakspeare, Pericles. 4. To handle without effort or violence.

Who touched me? saith our Saviour, when the bloody-fluxed woman fingered but the hem of his garment. Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 90.

To perform any work exquisitely with the fingers. See FINGERING.

FI'NGERBOARD.* n. s. The board at the neck of a fiddle, guitar, or the like, where the fingers operate on the strings. Mell, though he played far sweeter than Baltsar, yet Baltsar's hand was more quick, and could run it insensibly to the end of the fingerboard.

Life of A. Wood, p. 108. FI'NGERED.* adj. [from finger.] Having fingers, digitatus. Fingered and thumbed. Shelton Poems, p. 124.

FI'NGERFERN. n. s. [finger and fern; asplenum, Lat.] A plant.

FI'NGERING.* n. s. [from finger.]

1. The act of touching lightly, of toying with.

One that is covetous, is not so highly pleased with the mere sight and fingering of money, as with the thoughts of his being considered as a wealthy man. Grew, Cosmol. Sacra.

2. The manner of touching an instrument of musick.

Madam, before you touch the instrument, To learn the order of my fingering, I must begin with rudiments of art.

Shakspeare, Tam. of the Shrew. She hath broke the lute —

I did but tell her she mistook her frets, And bow'd her hand to teach her fingering. Shakspeare, Tam. of the Shrew.

3. Work exquisitely performed with the fingers.

Not any skill'd in loops of fingering fine, With this so curious net-work might compare.

FI'NGERSTONE. n. s. [finger and stone; telenites, Lat. A fossil resembling an arrow.

FI'NGLEFANGLE. n. s. [from fangle.] A trifle; a burlesque word.

We agree in nothing but to wrangle,

Hudibras.

About the slightest finglefangle. Hudibras. FI'NICAL. adj. [from fine.] Nice; foppish; pretending to superfluous elegance.

A whorson, glassgazing, superserviceable, fi-Shakspeare, K. Lear. nical rogue. I cannot hear a finical fop romancing, how the king took him aside at such a time; what the queen said to him at another.

L'Estrange. queen said to him at another.

FI'NICALLY. adv. [from finical.] Foppishly.

FI'NICALNESS. + n. s. [from finical.] Superfluous nicety; foppery.

It is for such little writers as the preacher of Lincoln's Inn to hide their barrenness by the finicalness of culture.

Warburton to Hurd, Lett. 50. note. To F'INISH. v. a. [finir, French; finio, Latin.

1. To bring to the end purposed; to complete.

For which of you, intending to build a tower, sitteth not down first and counteth the cost, whether he have sufficient to finish it?

St. Luke, xiv. 28. As he had begun, so he would also finish in 2 Cor. viii. 6. you the same grace.

2. To make perfect.

A poet uses episodes; but episodes, taken separately, finish nothing. Broome on the Odyssey. 3. To perfect; to polish to the excellency intended.

Though here you all perfection should not find, Yet is it all th' Eternal Will design'd;

It is a finish'd work, and perfect in his kind.

Blackmore. I would make what bears your name as finished as my last work ought to be; that is, more finished than the rest.

4. To end; to put an end to.

FI'NISH.* n. s. [from the verb.] A word sometimes used by artists, meaning the last touch or polish of the composition. See Finishing.

FI'NISHER. n. s. [from finish.] 1. Performer; accomplisher.

He that of greatest works is finisher, Oft does them by the weakest minister. Shaksp.

2. One that puts an end; ender.

This was the condition of those times; the world against Athanasius, and Athanasius against it: half an hundred of years spent in doubtful trials which of the two, in the end, would prevail; the side which had all, or else that part which had no friend but God and death, the one a defender of his innocency, the other a finisher of all his troubles. Hooker.

One that completes or perfects. The author and finisher of our faith.

Hebrews, xii. 2. O prophet of glad tidings! finisher

Of utmost hope! Milton, P. L. FI'NISHING.* n. s. [from finish.]

1. Completion.

They hindered the finishing of the building. 1 Esdr. v. 73.

2. The last touch of a composition. Sallust arose to give it [the Roman history] the last finishings of art and genius. Warburton on Prodigies, p. 73.

FI'NITE. adj. [finitus, Latin.] Limited; bounded; terminated.

Servius conceives no more thereby than a finite Brown, Vulg. Err. number for indefinite. Finite of any magnitude holds not any proportion to infinite.

That supposed infinite duration will, by the very supposition, be limited to two extremes, though never so remote asunder, and consequently must needs be finite. Bentley,

FI'NITELESS. adj. [from finite.] Without bounds : unlimited.

It is ridiculous unto reason, and finiteless as their desires.

Fi'nitely. adv. [from finite.] Within certain limits; to a certain degree.

They are creatures still, and that sets them at an infinite distance from God; whereas all their excellencies can make them but finitely distant from us. Stilling fleet.

FI'NITENESS. n. s. [from finite.] Limitation: confinement within certain boundaries.

I ought now to unbay the current of my passion, and love without other boundary than what is set by the finiteness of my natural powers, Norris. FI'NITUDE. n. s. [from finite.] Limitation ;

confinement within certain boundaries. This is hardly an authorized word.

Finitude, applied to natural or created things, imports the proportions of the several degrees of affections, or properties of these things to one another; infinitude, the unboundedness of these degrees of affections, or properties. Cheune.

FI'NKLE.* n. s. [feniculum, Lat. fenckle, Teut.] Fennel. Craven Dial. It is used in other parts of the north.

FI'NLESS. adj. [from fin.] Wanting fins. He angers me

With telling of the moldwarp and the ant, And of a dragon and a finless fish.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. FI'NLIKE. adj. [fin and like.] Formed in

imitation of fins. In shipping such as this, the Irish kern And untaught Indian, on the stream did glide; Ere sharp-keel'd boats to stem the flood did learn, Or finlike oars did spread from either side.

Dryden, Ann. Mir. FI'NNED. adj. [from fin.] Having broad

edges spread out on either side. They plough up the turf with a broad finned plough.

FI'NNIKEN.* adj. Trifling; idling. Moor's Suffolk Words. It is also a contemptuous expression in other places.

F'INNIKIN.* n.s. The name of a particular species of pigeon. Chambers.

F'INNY. adj. [from fin.] Furnished with fins formed for the element of water. High o'er the main in wat'ry pomp he rides,

His azure car and finny coursers guides; Dryden, Virg. Proteus his name. New herds of beasts he sends the plains to

share: New colonies of birds to people air ;

And to their oozy beds the finny fish repair. Dryden, Ovid.

While black with storms the ruffled ocean rolls, And from the fisher's art defends her finny sholes.

With hairy springes we the birds betray; Slight lines of hair surprize the finny prey. Pope.

FI'NTOED. adj. [fin and toe.] Palmipedous; having a membrane between the

Such creatures as are whole footed, or finteed viz. some birds and quadrupeds, are naturally directed to go into the water and swim there.

Ray on the Creation FI'NOCHIO. 7 n. s. [finocchio, Italian.] A species of fennel. A plant.

FINS.* n. s. [Swed. Finnes: Sax. Finnar.] People of Finland in Sweden.

FI'NSCALE.* An English name for the river fish called the rudd. Chambers.

FI'PPLE. n. s. [from fibula, Latin.] A stopper.

You must know, that in recorders, which go with a gentle breath, the concave of the pipe were it not for the fipple that straitneth the air much more than the simple concave, would yield Bacon, Nat. Hist.

FIR. n.s. [fyrr, Welsh; ruph, Saxon; fyr, Danish.] The tree of which dealboards are made.

It is ever green: the leaves are single, and for the most part produced on every side of the branches: the male flowers, or catkins, are placed at remote distances from the fruit on the same tree. The seeds are propagated on cones, which are squamose. Miller. He covered the floor of the house with planks

of fir.

The aspiring fir and stately box. 1 Kings, vi. 15. FIR-TREE.* n. s. The tree called fir.

The fir-trees rejoice at thee, and the cedars of of Lebanon. Isaiah, xiv. FIRE. † n. s. [rýp, Saxon; fewr, German;

fyr, Icel. and Su. "Vox antiquissima Scytho-Phrygica." Serenius.

1. The igneous element. The force of fire ascended first on high

And took its dwelling in the vaulted sky; Then air succeeds, in lightness next to fire. Dryd. 2. Any thing burning.

A little fire is quickly trodden out, Which, being suffer'd, rivers cannot quench. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

Where two raging fires meet together, They do consume the thing that feeds their fury. Shakspeare.

So contraries on Ætna's top conspire; Here hoary frosts, and by them breaks out fire. Cowley.

3. A conflagration of towns or countries. There is another liberality to the citizens, who had suffered damage by a great fire.

Arbuthnot on Coins. Though safe thou think'st thy treasure lies. Conceal'd in chests from human eyes,

A fire may come, and it may be Bury'd, my friend, as far from thee. Granville. 4. Flame; light; lustre.

Stars, hide your fires! Let not night see my black and deep desires!

Shakspeare Macbeth. 5. Torture by burning.

Did Shadrach's zeal my glowing breast inspire, To weary tortures, and rejoice in fire?

6. The punishment of the damned. Who among us shall dwell with the devouring fire? Who among us shall dwell with everlasting

burnings? Isa. xxxiii. 14. 7. Any thing provoking; any thing that

inflames the passions. What fire is in my ears? Can this be true?

Stand I condemn'd for pride and scorn so much? Shakspeare.

8. Ardour of temper; violence of passion. He had fire in his temper, and a German bluntness; and upon provocations, might strain a phrase.

One of my companions was a scholar with fire; and the other a soldier of the same complexion. My learned man would fall into disputes, and argue without any manner of provocation or contradiction. The other was decisive without words, and would give a shrug or an oath to express his Tatler, No. 61.

9. Liveliness of imagination; vigour of fancy; intellectual activity; force of

expression; spirit of sentiment. Nor can the snow that age does shed

Upon thy rev'rend head,

Quench or allay the noble fire within, But all that youth can be thou art.

They have no notion of life and fire in fancy and in words, and any thing that is just in grammar and in measure is good oratory and poetry to Felton on the Classicks. them.

He brings, to make us from our ground retire, The reasoner's weapons and the poet's fire.

Exact Racine, and Corneil'e's noble fire, Taught us that France had something to admire.

The bold Longinus all the nine inspire, And warm the critick with a poet's fire. Pope. Oh may some spark of your celestial fire, The last, the meanest of your sons inspire. Pope.

10. The passion of love.

Love various hearts does variously inspire, It stirs in gentle bosoms gentle fir Like that of incense on the altar laid; But raging flames tempestuous souls invade; A fire which every windy passion blows, With pride it mounts, and with revenge it glows.

The fire of love in youthful blood, Like what is kindled in brush-wood, But for a moment burns. Shadwell.

The god of love retires; Dim are his torches, and extinct his fires. New charms shall still increase desire,

And time's swift wing shall fan the fire. Moore's Fables.

11. Eruption or imposthumation: as, St. Anthony's fire.

12. To set FIRE on, or set on FIRE. To kindle; to inflame.

Hermosilla courageously set upon the horsemen, and set fire also upon the stables where the Turk's horses stood.

He that set a fire on a plane-tree to spite his neighbour, and the plane-tree set fire on his neighbour's house, is bound to pay all the loss, because it did all rise from his own ill intention.

Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy.

13. To set α FIRE. To inflame. So inflam'd by my desire,

It may set her heart a-fire.

14. A fellow of FIRE. A term, in queen Anne's time, for the modern buck or blood; the latter of which Dr. Johnson defines "a man of fire." See BLOOD.

You see, in the very air of a fellow of fire, something so expressive of what he would be at, that, if it were not for self-preservation, a man Tatler, No. 61. would laugh out.

To FIRE. + v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To set on fire : to kindle.

They spoiled many parts of the city, and fired the houses of those whom they esteemed not to be their friends; but the rage of the fire was at first hindered, and then appeased by the fall of a sudden shower of rain. The breathless body, thus bewail'd, they lay,

And fire the pile. Dryden. A second Paris, diff'ring but in name,

Shall fire his country with a second flame.

Dryden, Æn. 2. To inflame the passions; to animate.

Yet, if desire of fame, and thirst of pow'r, A beauteous princess, with a crown in dow'r, So fire your mind, in arms assert your right. Dryd.

3. To drive by fire. He that parts us, shall bring a brand from heav'n

And fire us hence. Shakspeare, K. Lear. 4. To cauterize. A term of farriery.

To FIRE. v. n.

1. To take fire; to be kindled. 2. To be inflamed with passion.

3. To discharge any firearms.

The fainting Dutch remotely fire, And the fam'd Eugene's iron troops retire. Smith.

FI'REARMS. n. s. [fire and arms.] Arms which owe their efficacy to fire; guns. Ammunition to supply their few firearms.

Before the use of firearms there was infinitely more scope for personal valour than in the modern

FI'REBALL. n. s. [fire and ball.] Grenado; ball filled with combustibles, and bursting where it is thrown.

Judge of those insolent boasts of conscience,

which, like so many fireballs, or mouth grenadoes, are thrown at our church. South, Serm. The same great man hath sworn to make us swallow his coin in fireballs. Swift.

FI'REBRAND. n. s. [fire and brand.]
1. A piece of wood kindled.

I have eased my father-in law of a firebrand, set my own house in a flame.

L'Estrange. to set my own house in a flame. An incendiary; one who inflames fac-

tions: one who causes mischief. Troy must not be, nor goodly Ilion stand;

Our firebrand brother, Paris, burns us all. Shaks. He sent Surrey with a competent power against the rebels, who fought with the principal band of them, and defeated them, and took alive John Chamber their firebrand. Racon.

FI'REBRUSH. n. s. [fire and brush.] The brush which hangs by the fire to sweep the hearth.

When you are ordered to stir up the fire, clean away the ashes from betwixt the bars with the firebrush.

Fi'recross. n. s. [fire and cross.] A token in Scotland for the nation to take arms: the ends thereof burnt black, and in some parts smeared with blood. It is carried from one place to another. Upon refusal to send it forward, or to rise, the last person who has it shoots the other dead.

He sent his heralds through all parts of the realm, and commanded the firecross to be carried; namely, two firebrands set in fashion of a cross, and pitched upon the point of a spear. Hayward.

FI'REDRAKE.† n. s. [fire and drake.]
1. A fiery serpent: I suppose the prester.

By the hissing of the snake, The rustling of the firedrake, I charge thee thou this place forsake,

Nor of queen Mab be prattling

Drayton, Nymphidia. 2. An ignis fatuus; "a fire sometimes seen flying in the night like a dragon." Bullokar.

It may be 'tis but a glow-worm now, but 'twill Grow to a firedrake presently. Beaum. and Fl. Beggar's Bush.

FIRE-ENGINE.* n. s. [fire and engine.] A machine for extinguishing accidental fires by a stream or jet of water.

Chambers. FI'RELOCK. n. s. [fire and lock.] A soldier's gun; a gun discharged by striking steel with flint.

Prime all your firelocks, fasten well the stake.

FI'REMAN. n. s. [fire and man.]

1. One who is employed to extinguish burning houses. The fireman sweats beneath his crooked arms;

A leathern casque his vent'rous head defends, Boldly he climbs where thickest smoke ascends.

2. A man of violent passions. I had last night the fate to drink a bottle with two of these firemen. Tatler, No. 61.

FI'REMASTER.* n. s. [fire and master.] An officer of artillery, who superintends the composition of all fireworks.

FI'RENEW. † adj. [fire and new; Teut. vier-new, i. e. brand-new. Kilian. See Bran-new.] New from the forge; new from the melting-house.

Armado is a most illustrious wight, A man of firenew words, fashion's own knight. Shakspeare.

Some excellent jests, firenew from the mint. Shakspeare.

Upon the wedding-day I put myself, according to custom, in another suit firenew, with silver buttons to it. Addison, Guardian, No. 113.

FI'RE-OFFICE.* n. s. An office of insurance from fire.

FI'REPAN. n. s. [fire and pan.]

1. A pan for holding fire; a vessel of metal to carry fire.

His firepans, [and] all the vessels thereof, thou shalt make of brass. Ex. xxvii. 3. Pour of it upon a firepan well heated, as they do rosewater and vinegar. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

2. [In a gun.] The receptacle for the priming powder.

Fi'REPLUG.* n. s. [fire and plug.] A stopple which, at proper distances in the streets of London, covers a cock which conveys water into pipes; and is distinguished by written marks near its position, in order to be immediately serviceable in cases of fire.

FI'RER. † n. s. [from fire.] 1. An incendiary.

Others burned Moussel, and the rest marched as a guard for defence of these firers. Carew, Surv. of Cornwall.

2. One who incites or inflames. Kindlers and firers of men's minds.

Articles of Rel. 1536. FI'RESHIP. n. s. [fire and ship.] A ship filled with combustible matter to fire the vessels of the enemy.

Our men bravely quitted themselves of the fireship, by cutting the spritsail tackle.

Fi'reshovel. n. s. [fire and shovel.] The instrument with which the hot coals are thrown up in kitchens.

Culinary utensils and irons often feel the force of fire; as tongs, fireshovels, prongs, and irons.

The neighbours are coming out with forks and fireshovels, and spits, and other domestick weapons. Dryden, Span. Friar.

FIRESI'DE. n. s. [fire and side.] The hearth; the chimney.

My judgment is, that they ought all to be despised, and ought to serve but for Winter talk by Love no more is made

By the fireside, but in the cooler shade. Carew. By his fireside he starts the hare, And turns her in his wicker chair. Prior. What art thou asking of them, after all? Only to sit quietly at thy own fireside.

Arbuthnot, Hist. of John Bull. FI'RESTICK. n. s. [fire and stick.] A lighted stick or brand.

Children, when they play with firesticks, move and whirl them round so fast, that the motion will cozen their eyes, and represent an intire circle of Digby on Bodies. fire to them.

 F_1 'restone. n. s. [fire and stone.]

The firestone, or pyrites, is a compound metallick fossil, composed of vitriol, sulphur, and an unmetallick earth, but in very different proportions in the several masses. The most common sort, which is used in medicine, is a greenish shapeless kind found in our clay-pits, out of which the green vitriol or copperas is procured. It has its name of pyrites, or firestone, from its giving fire on being struck against a steel much more freely than a flint will do; and all the sparks burn a longer time, and grow larger as they fall, the inflammable matter struck from off the stone burning itself out before the spark becomes Hill, Mat. Med. extinguished.

Firestone, if broke small, and laid on cold lands, must be of advantage. Mortimer, Husbandry, FI'REWOOD. n. s. [fire and wood.] Wood

to burn; fewel. FI'REWORK. n. s. [fire and work.] Shews

of fire; pyrotechnical performances. The king would have me present the princess with some delightful ostentation, or pageant, or antick, or firework.

We represent also ordnance, and new mixtures of gunpowder, wildfires burning in water and unquenchable; and also fireworks of all variety.

Bacon, New Atlantis. The ancients were imperfect in the doctrine of meteors, by their ignorance of gunpowder and fireworks.

In fireworks give him leave to vent his spite; Those are the only serpents he can write. Dryden. Our companion proposed a subject for a firework, which he thought would be very amusing. Addison, Guardian.

Their fireworks are made up in paper. Tatler.

FI'REWORKER.* n. s. [fire and worker.]
An officer of artillery subordinate to the firemaster.

FI'RING. n. s. [from fire.] Fewel. They burn the cakes, firing being there scarce.

To FIRK. † v. α. [from ferio, Latin.]
1. To whip; to beat; to correct; to chastise. This word is now rarely used in any sense. Formerly it was variously used, and sometimes very licentiously.

I'll firck him and ferret him. Shaks. K. Hen. V. Besides, it is not only foppish, But vile, idolatrous and popish,

For one man out of his own skin To firk and whip another's sin.

2. To drive.

Hadst thou my business, thou could ne'er sit so; 'Twould firk thee into air a thousand mile.

Middleton's Witch.

Hudibras.

Firk.* n. s. [from the verb.] A stroke. Written also ferk; but rarely used. This is a pretty juvenile ferk of wit for a grave

ancient divine to use. Annot. on the Disc. of Truth, &c. 1683, p. 211.

FIR FI'RKIN. n. s. [from reopen, Saxon, four,] q. d. the fourth part of a barrel.]

1. A vessel containing nine gallons.

Strutt's servants get such a haunt about that shop, that it will cost us many a firkin of strong beer to bring them back again. Arbuthnot, Hist. of J. Bull.

2. A small vessel.

You heard of that wonder of the lightning and thunder, Which made the lye so much the louder;

Now list to another, that miracle's brother, Which was done with a firkin of powder. Denham.

FIRM. adj. [firmus, Latin.]

 Strong; not easily pierced or shaken; hard, opposed to soft.

The flakes of his flesh are joined together: they are firm in themselves, and they cannot be moved. Job, xli. 23.

Love's artillery then checks

The breastworks of the firmest sex. Cleaveland. There is nothing to be left void in a firm building; even the cavities ought to be filled with rub-

That body, whose parts are most firm in themselves, and are by their peculiar shapes capable of the greatest contacts, is the most firm; and that which has parts very small, and capable of the least contact, will be most soft.

2. Constant; steady; resolute; fixed; unshaken.

We hold firm to the works of God, and to the sense which is God's lamp. Bacon, Nat. Hist. He straight obeys;

And firm believes. Milton, P. L. The great encouragement is the assurance of a future reward, the firm persuasion whereof is enough to raise us above any thing in this world. Tillotson.

The man that's resolute and just, Firm to his principles and trust, Nor hopes nor fears can blind.

3. Solid; not giving way; not fluid.

God caused the wind to blow to dry up the abundant slime and mud of the earth, and make the land more firm.

The muddy and limous matter brought down by the Nilus, settled by degrees into a firm land.

Walsh.

Brown, Vulg. Er. It on firm land Thaws not, but rather heap and ruin seems Of ancient pile: all else deep snow and ice.

Milton, P. L. Sinking waters, the firm land to drain, Fill'd the capacious deep and form'd the main. Roscommon.

FIRM.* n.s. [from the adjective.]

1. A declaration in writing.

A privilege [was] given to Anthemius, the archbishop [of Cypşus] in that age, to subscribe his name to all publick acts in red letters, which was an honour above that of any patriarch, who

writes his name or firm in black characters.

Ricaut, State of the Greek Church, (1679).p.90.

2. A mercantile term for the name under which a partnership carries on business. The bill was carried by a very small majority, consisting of partners in the firm.

To Firm. v. a. [firmo, Latin.]

1. To settle; to confirm; to establish; to fix.

Of the death of the emperour they advertised Solyman, firming those letters with all their hands Knolles. 'Tis ratify'd above by every god,

And Jove has firm'd it with an awful nod. Dryden, Albion. The pow'rs said he,

To you and your's, and mine, propitious be, And firm our purpose with their augury.

Dryden, An. O thou, who freest me from my doubtful state, Long lost and wilder'd in the maze of fate! Be present still : oh goddess, in our aid Proceed, and firm those omens thou hast made. Pope, Statius.

2. To fix without wandering. He on his card and compass firms his eye, The masters of his long experiment.

FI'RMAMENT. n.s. [firmamentum, Latin. The sky; the heavens.

Even to the heavens their shouting shrill Doth reach, and all the firmament doth fill. Spens. I am constant as the northern star,

Of whose true, fixt, and resting quality, There is no fellow in the firmament.

Shakspeare, Jul. Eas. The Almighty, whose hieroglyphical characters are the unnumbered stars, sun and moon, written on these large volumes of the firmament.

Ralegh, Hist. of the World.
The firmament expanse of liquid, pure, Transparent, elemental air, diffus'd In circuit to the uttermost convex

Milton, P. L. Of this great round. The steeds climb up the first ascent with pain; And when the middle firmament they gain

If downward from the heavens my head I bow, And see the earth and ocean hang below, Ev'n I am seiz'd with horror. Addison, Ovid. What an immensurable space is the firmament,

wherein a great number of stars are seen with our naked eye, and many more discovered with our Derham, Astro-Theology. FIRMAME'NTAL. adj. [from firmament.]

Celestial; of the upper regions. An hollow crystal pyramid he takes, In firmamental waters dipt above.

Dryden, Ann. Mirab. FI'RMAN, or PHI'RMAN.* n. s. [Arab. firmaun.] A grant or licence given by

Asiatick potentates. We prepared to be gone; but could not till Mahomet Ally-beg gave his consent. — At length importunity prevailed. — The king's phirman was thus interpreted. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 214.

FI'RMITY.* n. s. [old French, firmité; Lat. firmitas. A very useful word, as the opposite to infirmity; but forgotten, and overlooked even by Ash. It is in the old vocabulary of Cockeram. 7 Strength; firmness.

The strength and firmity of my assent must rise and fall together with the apparent credibility of Chillingworth, Rel. of Prot. vi. § . 7. the object.

FI'RMITUDE.* n. s. [Lat. firmitudo.] Stability; firmness.

Thy covenant implies no less than firmitude and perpetuity. Bp. Hall, Cases of Consc. D. 4. C.2. By a general custom of the world, the right hand is more used than the left, and by general use acquireth a greater degree of firmitude and Pearson on the Creed, Art. 6. FI'RMLY. adv. [from firm.]

1. Strongly; impenetrably; immovably.
Thou shalt come of force,

Though thou art firmlier fasten'd than a rock. Milton, S. A.

How very hard particles, which touch only in a few points, can stick together so firmly, without something which causes them to be attracted towards one another, is difficult to conceive.

Newton, Optics.

2. Steadily; constantly. Himself to be the man the fates require ; I firmly judge, and what I judge desire

Dryden, Æn.

The common people of Lucca are firmly persuaded, that one Lucquese can beat five Floren-Addison on Italy.

FI'RMNESS. n. s. [from firm.]

1. Hardness; compactness; solidity. It would become by degrees of greater consistency and firmness, so as to resemble an habitable earth.

2. Durability; stability.

Both the easiness and firmness of union might be conjectured, for that both people are of the same language. Hayward.

3. Certainty; soundness.

In persons already possessed with notions of religion, the understanding cannot be brought to change them, but by great examination of the truth and firmness of the one, and the flaws and weakness of the other.

South, Serm.

4. Steadiness; constancy; resolution.

That thou should'st my firmness doubt 'To God, or thee, because we have a foe May tempt us, I expected not to hear.

Milton, P. L. Nor can th' Egyptian patriarch blame my muse, Which for his firmness does his heat excuse.

Roscommon. This armed Job with firmness and fortitude. Atterbury.

FIRST. adj. [pipre, Saxon.]

1. The ordinal of one; that which is in order before any other.

Thou other gold-bound brow, is like the first, -A third is like the former. Shakspeare, Mach. In the six hundredth and first year, in the first month, the first day of the month, the waters were dried up from off the earth. Gen. viii.13.

2. Earliest in time: opposed to last.

The first covenant had also ordinances of divine

Heb. ix. i. Man's first disobedience. Milton, P. L.

Who first, who last Rous'd from the slumber. Milton, P. L. Arms and the man I sing, the first who bore His course to Latium from the Trojan shore.

Dryden, Æn. I find, quoth Mat, reproof is vain !

Who first offend, will first complain. 3. Foremost in place.

4. Highest in dignity.

Three presidents, of whom Daniel was first. Dan. vi. 2. First with the dogs, and king among the squires.

'Tis little Will, the scourge of France, No godhead, but the first of men, Prior.

5. Great; excellent.

My first son, Where will you go? Take good Cominius With thee. Shakspeare, Coriol.

FIRST. adv. 1. Before any thing else; earliest.

He, not unmindful of his usual art, First in dissembled fire attempts to part; Then roaring beasts and running streams he tries.

Thy praise, and thine was then the publick voice, First recommended Guiscard to my choice. Dryd. Heav'n, sure, has kept this spot of earth uncurst, To shew how all things were created first. Prior.

2. Before any other consideration.

First, metals are more durable than plants; secondly, they are more solid and hard; thirdly, they are wholly subterraneous; whereas plants are part above earth, and part under the earth.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. 3. It has often at before it, and means at the beginning.

At first the silent venom slid with ease, And seiz'd her cooler senses by degrees.

or no creatures that can provide for themselves at first, without the assistance of parents. Bentley, Serm.

4. FIRST or last. At one time or other. But sure a general doom on man is past, And all are fools and lovers first or last. Dryden.

n. s. [from first and FIRST-BEGOT. begot. The eldest FIRST-BEGOTTEN. of children.

His First-begot we know; and sore have felt, When his fierce thunder drove us to the deep. Milton, P. R.

First-Born, $n. s. \lceil first \text{ and } born. \rceil$ Eldest; The first by the order of nativity.

Last, with one midnight stroke, all the first-born Of Egypt must lie dead. Milton, P. L. The first-born has not a sole or peculiar right, by any law of God and nature; the younger children having an equal title with him,

FIRST-BORN.* adj. Eldest.

If the first-born son be her's that was hated. Deut. xxi. 15. Hail, holy Light, offspring of Heaven first-born.

Milton, P. L. FIRST-CREATED.* adj. [first and create.] Created before any thing else.

O first-created Beam, and thou great Word, Let there be light, and light was over all.

FIRST-FRUITS. n.s. [from first and fruits.] 1. What the season earliest produces or matures of any kind.

A sweaty reaper from his tillage brought First-fruits, the green ear, and the yellow sheaf.

Milton, P. L. The blooming hopes of my then very young patron have been confirmed by most noble firstfruits, and his life is going on towards a plentiful harvest of all accumulated virtues.

2. The first profits of any thing.

Although the king loved to employ and advance bishops, because, having rich bishopricks, they carried their reward upon themselves; yet he did use to raise them by steps, that he might not lose the profit of the first fruits, which by that course of gradation was multiplied.

Bacon, Hen. VII. 3. The earliest effect of any thing.

See, Father, what first-fruits on earth are sprung, From thy implanted grace in man! Milton, P.L. FI'RSTLING. adj. [from first.] That which is first produced or brought forth.

All the firstling males that come of thy herd. and of thy flock, thou shalt sanctify unto the Lord thy God. Deut. xv.19.

FI'RSTLING. n. s. [from first.]

1. The first produce or offspring. A shepherd next,

More meek, came with the firstlings of his flock, Choicest and best. Milton, P. L.

The tender firstlings of my woolly breed, Shall on his holy altar often bleed. Dryden, Virg. The firstlings of the flock are doom'd to die.

2. The first thing thought or done.

Our play Leaps o'er the vaunt and firstlings of these broils, 'Ginning i' the middle.

Shakspeare, Troil. and Cress. Prol. The flighty purpose works o'erlook,

Unless the deed go with it: from this moment, The very firstlings of my heart shall be The firstlings of my hand. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

FI'RSTRATE.* adj. A term of modern adoption, from a ship of the first rate or size, for pre-eminent; as, he is a man of firstrate abilities.

Dryden, En. | FIRTH.* See FRITH.

Excepting fish and insects, there are very few | FISC.* n. s. [Fr. fisc; Lat. fiscus; Gr. φάσκος, a great basket.] A publick trea-

They had resolved to appropriate to the fisc a certain portion of the landed property of their conquered country.

FI'scal. † n.s. [Fr. fiscal and fiscus, Lat.] 1. Exchequer; revenue.

War, as it is entertained by diet, so can it not be long maintained by the ordinary fiscal and 2. A treasurer.

Don Pedro Rodriguez Campomanes, fiscal of the council of Castille, is likewise a man of letters. Swinburne, Trav. through Spain, L. 42.

FI'SCAL.* adj. [fiscal, Fr. fiscalis, Lat.] Belonging to the publick treasury; coming to the publick purse. Bullokar.

It behoveth the prince to have a vigilant eye on such fiscal ministers, whose cruelty and covetous proceedings do oftentimes occasion great Ralegh, Arts of Empire, p. 62.

FISH. † n. s. [Firc, Saxon; visch, Dutch; fisks, Goth. "consensu omnium Dialect. Scytho-Scandicarum," Serenius. Lat. piscis. Fish is both singular and plural; fishes is the less usual plural.

1. An animal that inhabits the water. Fish is used collectively for the race of fishes. The beasts, the fishes, and the winged fowls,

Are their male subjects. Shakspeare, Com. of Err. And now the fish ignoble fates escape, Since Venus ow'd her safety to their shape.

There are fishes, that have wings, that are not strangers to the airy region; and there are some birds that are inhabitants of the water, whose blood is cold as fishes; and their flesh is so like in taste, that the scrupulous are allowed them on fish-days.

2. The flesh of fish opposed to that of terrestrial animals, by way of eminence called flesh.

I fight when I cannot chuse, and I eat no fish. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

We mortify ourselves with the diet of fish, and think we fare coarsely if we abstain from the flesh of other animals. Brown, Vulg. Err.

To Fish. v.n. [Sax. pircian,]

1. To be employed in catching fishes. Their manner of hawking, fishing, riding, &c.

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 165. These men Christ chose to call from their irre-

provable employment of fishing, and gave them grace to be his disciples, and to follow him, and do wonders. Walton's Angler.

2. To endeavour at any thing by artifice. While others fish, with craft, for great opinion, I, with great truth, catch meer simplicity. Shaks. To Fish. † v. a. To search water in quest

of fish, or any thing else. With the bounty and admiration of her sex, as

with a net, she fished, and caught, and drew unto her, the opinions of all men.

Dr. J. White, Serm. (1615,) p. 31. Some have fished the very jakes for papers left there by men of wit. Swift.

Oft, as he fish'd her nether realms for wit, The goddess favour'd him, and favours yet. Pope, Dunciad.

Fish-hook. n.s. [fish and hook.] A hook to catch fishes.

A sharp point, bended upward and backward, like a fish-hook. Grew, Museum.

FISH-POND. n. s. [fish and pond.] A small pool for fish.

Fish-ponds are no small improvement of watry boggy lands. Mortimer, Husbandry.

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And hills were levell'd to extend the view. Prior. After the great value the Romans put upon fishes, it will not appear incredible that C. Hirrius should sell his fish-ponds for quadragies H. S. 32,291l. 13s. 4d. Arbuthnot. Arbuthnot.

Fi'sher. † n. s. [picepe, Sax.] One who is employed in catching fish.

They were fishers. And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men. St. Matt. iv. 18, 19.

In our sight the three were taken up By fishermen of Corinth, as we thought: At length another seised on us, And would have reft the fishers of their prey,

Had not they been very slow of sail. Shakspeare, Com. of Err. We know that town is but with fishers fraught, Where Theseus govern'd and where Plato taught.

Lest he should suspect it, draw it from him, As fishers do the bait, to make him follow it. Denham.

A soldier now he with his coat appears; A fisher now, his trembling angle bears. FI'SHERBOAT. † n. s. [fisher and boat.] A boat employed in catching fish.

The king went down to a miserable fisherboat, that Hales had provided for carrying them over to Burnet, Hist. own Timas, 1688. FI'SHERMAN. n. s. [fisher and man.] One whose employment and livelihood is to

catch fish.

How fearful And dizzy 'tis to cast one's eyes so low! The fishermen that walk upon the beach Appear like mice. Shakspeare, K. Lear. At length two monsters of unequal size, Hard by the shore, a fisherman espies.

Do scales and fins bear price to this excess? You might have bought the fishermen for less. Dryden, Juv.

FI'SHERTOWN. n. s. [fisher and town.] A town inhabited by fishermen. Others of them, in that time, burned that fisher-

vn Mousehole. Carew, Surv. of Cornwall. Lime in Dorsetshire, a little fishertown. Clarend. town Mousehole. FI'SHERY. † n. s. [from fisher.]

1. The business of catching fish.

We shall have plenty of mackerel this season : our fishery will not be disturb'd by privateers. Addison, Spectator.

2. A commodious place for fishing; a place where fish are caught.

Fi'shful. adj. [from fish.] Abounding with fish: stored with fish.

Thus mean in state, and calm in sprite, My fishful pond is my delight.

Carew, Surv. of Cornwall. It is walled and guarded with the ocean, most commodious for traffick to all parts of the world, and watered with pleasant, fishful, and navigable rivers. Camden, Rem.

Fi'shgig* See Fizgig. To Fi'shify. v. a. [from fish.] To turn to fish. A cant word.

Here comes Romeo. - Without his roe, like a dried herring : O flesh, flesh, how art thou fishified! Shakspeare.

FI'SHING.† n. s. [from fish.]
1. Commodity of taking fish.

There also would be planted a good town, having both a good haven and a plentiful fishing. Spenser on Ireland.

2. The art or practice of fishing. Of recreation there is none So free as fishing is alone; All other pastimes do no less Than mind and body, both, possess; My hand alone my work can do, So I can fish and study too. Walton, Angler's Song.

Fish-ponds were made where former forests grew, [FI'SHKETTLE. n. s. [fish and kettle.] A caldron made long for the fish to be boiled without bending.

It is probable that the way of embalming among the Egyptians was by boiling the body in a long caldron like a fishkettle, in some kind of liquid Grew. Museum.

FI'SHLIKE.* adj. [fish and like.] Resembling fish.

He smells like a fish; a very ancient and fish-Shakspeare, Tempest. like smell. FI'SHMEAL. n. s. [fish and meal.] Diet

of fish; abstemious diet. Thin drink doth overcool their blood, and making many fishmeals, they fall into a kind of male greensickness.

FI'SHMONGER. n. s. [from fish.] A dealer in fish; a seller of fish.

I fear to play the fishmonger; and yet so large a commodity may not pass in silence. Carew, Surv. of Cornwall.

The surgeon left the fishmonger to determine the controversy between him and the pike. L'Estrange.

FI'SHSPEAR.* n. s. [fish and spear.] A dart or spear with which fishermen strike fish. See Fizgig.

Canst thou fill his skin with barbed irons? or his head with fishspears? FI'SHWIFE.* n. s. [fish and wife.] A woman that sells fish about the streets.

I heard it of a fishwife, A woman of fine knowledge!

Beaum. and Fl. The Chances.

Fi'shwoman. n. s. [fish and woman.] A

woman that sells fish.

Pope's imitation of Spenser is a description of an alley of fishwomen. Dr. Warton, Ess. on Pope. Fi'shy.* adj. [from fish.]

1. Consisting of fish. Huloet. Better pleas'd

Than Asmodeus with the fishy fume That drove him, though enamour'd, from the spouse Of Tobit's son. Milton, P. L.

2. Inhabited by fish.

My absent mates Bait the barb'd steel, and from the fishy flood

Appease th' afflictive fierce desire of food. Pone, Odyss. 3. Having the qualities or form of fish.

Only the stump [in the margin, the fishy part] of Dagon was left to him. 1 Sam. v. 4. Few eyes have escaped the picture of mermaids, that is, according to Horace, a monster with a woman's head above, and fishy extremity below. Brown, Vulg. Err.

To Fisk.* v. n. \Su. fieska, "to fisk the tail about; to fisk up and down." Serenius.] To run about. I saw -

Tom Tankard's cow.

Flinging about his half acre, fisking with her tail.

Gammer Gurton's Needle, (1551.) i. 2.

A fisking huswife, a ranging damsel, a gadding or wandering flirt. Cotgrave in V. Trotiere. FI'SSILE. adj. [fissilis, Lat.] Having the grain in a certain direction, so as to be cleft.

This crystal is a pellucid fissile stone, clear as water or crystal of the rock, and without colour: enduring a red heat without losing its transparency, and in a very strong heat calcining without fusion. Newton, Optics.

Fissi'Lity. n. s. [from fissile.] The quality of admitting to be cloven.

Fi'ssure. n. s. [fissura, Latin; fissure, French.] A cleft; a narrow chasm where a breach has been made.

The stone was distinguished into strata or layers: those strata were divided by parallel fissures, that were inclosed in the stone.

Woodward, Nat. History.

I see The gaping fissures to receive the rain.

Thomson, Autumn. To Fi'ssure. v. a. [from the noun.] To cleave: to make a fissure.

By a fall or blow the skull may be fissured or Wiseman, Surgery.

FIST. † n. s. [FYIT, Saxon, probably from rære, fast, firm; but Minsheu derives it from the Belg. fassen, to catch hold of.] The hand clenched with the fingers doubled down, in order to give a blow, or keep hold.

She quick and proud, and who did Pas despise, Up with her fist, and took him on the face; Another time, quoth she, become more wise;

Thus Pas did kiss her hand with little grace. Sidney.

And being down, the villain sore did beat And bruise with clownish fists his manly face.

Spenser, F. Q. Anger causeth paleness in some; in others trembling, swelling, and bending the fist. Bacon. And the same hand into a fist may close,

Which instantly a palm expanded shows. Denham. Tyrrheus, the foster-father of the beast, Then clench'd a hatchet in his horny fist.
*Dryden, Æn.

To Fist. v. a.

1. To strike with the fist.

I saw him spurning and fisting her most unmer-Dryden.

2. To gripe with the fist. We have been down together in my sleep, Unbuckling helms, fisting each other's throat, And wak'd half dead with nothing. Shaks. Coriol.

FI'STINET. n. s. A pistachio nut. Fi'sticuffs. n. s. [fist and cuff.] Battle

with the fist; blows with the fist. Naked men belabouring one another with snagged sticks, or dully falling together by the More. ears at fisticuffs.

She would seize upon John's commons; for which they were sure to go to fisticuffs.

Arbuthnot, Hist. of John Bull.

My invention and judgment are perpetually at fisticuffs, till they have quite disabled each other.

FI'STULA. n.s. [Latin; fistule, French.] 1. A sinuous ulcer callous within; any sinuous ulcer.

That fistula which is recent is the easiest of cure: those of a long continuance are accompanied with ulcerations of the gland and caries in the Wiseman, Surgery.

2. FISTULA Lachrimalis. A disorder of the canals leading from the eye to the nose, which obstructs the natural progress of the tears, and makes them trickle down the cheek; but this is only the first and mildest stage of the disease: in the next there is matter discharged with the tears from the puncta lachrymalia, and sometimes from an orifice broke through the skin between the nose and angle of the eye. The last and worst degree of it is when the matter of the eye, by its long continuance, has not only corroded the neighbouring soft parts, but also affected the subja-Sharp, Surgery. cent bone.

FI'STULAR. adj. [from fistula.] Hollow like a pipe.

To FI'STULATE.* v. n. To turn or grow Bullokar. to a fistula.

To FI'STULATE.* v. a. To make hollow like a pipe; to perforate.

The beginnings or first stamina in animals are their tubes, pipes, or ducts, fistulated, or hollowed, to circulate the blood and juices. The Stud.ii. 379.

FI'STULOUS. adj. [from fistula; fistuleux, French. | Having the nature of a fistula; callous or sinuous like a fistula.

How the sinuous ulcers become fistulous, I have Wiseman, Surgery.

shewn you. FIT. † n. s. [from fight, Skinner, every fit of a disease being a struggle of nature;

from viit, in Flemish, frequent, Junius. Junius also notices the similarity of the Fr. viste, quick, sudden; and adds that the Flemish verb vitsstin means "habitum alicujus rei frequenter agendo consequi;" referring to the Gr. φίττα, an adverb signifying haste, as the origin.]

1. A paroxysm or exacerbation of any intermittent distemper.

Small stones and gravel collect and become very large in the kidneys, in which case a fit of the stone in that part is the cure. Sharp, Surgery. 2. Any short return after intermission; interval.

Sometimes 'tis grateful to the rich to try

A short vicissitude, and fit of poverty. Dryd. Hor.

Men that are habitually wicked may now and then, by fits and starts, feel certain motions of re-L'Estrange.

By fits my swelling grief appears, In rising sighs and falling tears. Addis. on Italy. Thus o'er the dying lamp th' unsteady flame Hangs quivering on a point, leaps off by fits, And falls again, as loth to quit its hold.

Religion is not the business of some fits only and intervals of our life, to be taken up at certain days and hours, but a system of precepts to be regarded in all our conduct. Rogers, Serm. All fits of pleasure we balanced by an equal de-

gree of pain or languor: 'tis like spending this year part of the next year's revenue. 3. Any violent affection of mind or body.

The life did flit away out of her nest, And all his senses were with deadly fit opprest.

Spenser, F. Q. An ambitious man puts it in the power of every malicious tongue to throw him into a fit of Addison. melancholy.

4. Disorder; distemperature. For your husband,

He's noble, wise, judicious, and best knows The fits o'th' season. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

5. It is used, without an epithet of discrimination, for the hysterical disorders of women, and the convulsions of children; and by the vulgar for the epilepsy.

Mrs. Bull was so much enraged, that she fell downright into a fit. Arbuth. Hist. of John Bull.

6. It was anciently used for any recommencement after intermission. parts of a song, or cantos of a poem, were called fits. So were sections or chapters of a book. The word was also used for a strain in musick, and for a measure in dancing.

The first fitt here find we.

Old Poem of John the Reve.

The fyrst fit of Anselme with king Wylliam Rufus. Bale, Eng. Vot. P. II. (1550,) sign. H.7.b. The trompettours blow a fytte. Horm. Vulgaria. Who knoweth where is ere a mynstrell?

By the masse, I would fayne go daunce a fitte. Old Morality of Lusty Juventus.

FIT He, sitting me beside in that same shade, Provoked me to plaie some pleasant fit.

Spenser, Colin Clout. The epithalamie was divided by breaches into three partes, to serve for three several fits or times to be sung. Puttenham, Art. of Eng. Poesie, p.41.

Come to the bride; another fit Yet show, sirs, of your country wit.

B. Jonson, Underwoods. Fit. adj. [vitten, Flemish, Junius.]

1. Qualified; proper: with for before the noun, and to before the verb.

Men of valour, fit to go out for war and battle. 1 Chron. vii. 11.

He lends him vain Goliah's sacred sword, The fittest help just fortune could afford.

Cowley, Davideis. This fury fit for her intent she chose, One who delights in wars and human woes.

Dryden, Æn. It is a wrong use of my understanding to make it the rule and measure of another man's; a use which it is neither fit for, nor capable of.

2. Convenient; meet; proper; right. Since we have said it were good not to use men of ambitious natures, except it be upon necessity, it is fit we speak in what cases they are

To see how thou could'st judge of fit and meet.

Milton, P. L.

It is fit for a man to know his own abilities and weaknesses, and not think himself obliged to imitate all that he thinks fit to praise.

If our forefathers thought fit to be grave and serious, I hope their posterity may laugh without

To Fir. v. a. [vitten, Flemish, Junius.]

1. To accommodate to any thing; to suit one thing to another. The carpenter marketh it out with a line: he

fitteth it with planes. Is. xliv. 13. Would fate permit

To my desires I might my fortune fit, Troy I would raise. Denham.

2. To accommodate a person with any thing: as, the tailor fits his customer.

A trussmaker fitted the child with a pair of boddice, stiffened on the lame side.

3. To be adapted to; to suit any thing or person; to become. The example from Sidney is placed by Dr. Johnson under the verb neuter.

How evil fits it me to have such a son; and how much doth thy kindness upbraid my wicked-

She shall be our messenger to this paltry knight: trust me I thought on her; she'll fit it. Shaksp. But the same things, sir, fit not you and me.

Beaum. and Fl. Beggar's Bush.

As much of the stone as was contiguous to the marcasite, fitted the marcasite so close as if it had been formerly liquid.

4. To Fir out. To furnish; to equip; to supply with necessaries or decoration. A play, which if you dare but twice fit out,

You'll all be slander'd, and be thought devout. Druden

The English fleet could not be paid and manned, and fitted out, unless we encouraged trade and navigation. Addison, Freeholder.

To Fir up. To furnish; to make proper for the use or reception of any.

Pope to Swift. He has fitted up his farm. To Fir. v.n. To be proper; to be be-

Nor fits it to prolong the feast Timeless, indecent, but retire to rest. Pope, Odyss.

FITCH. 7 n. s. [A colloquial corruption of vetch, Dr. Johnson says, citing only the example from Tusser. Yet the translators of our present version of the Bible did not disdain to employ the word. It is also in our old lexicography.] A small kind of wild pea. Now is the season,

For sowing of fitches, of beans, and of peason.

The fitches are not threshed with a threshing instrument. Isaiah, xxviii. 27. Take thou also unto thee wheat, and barley,

and beans, and lentiles, and millet, and fitches. Ezek. iv. 9.

FI'TCHAT.†] n. s. [fissau, French; fisse, Dutch.] A stinking little beast that robs the henroost and war-Skinner calls him the stinking ferret, but he is much larger, at least as some provinces distinguish them, in which the polecat is termed a fitchat, and the stinking ferret a stoat. The ferret is called a fitch, in the old dictionary of Sherwood; and in that of Bullokar, enlarged in 1656, the fur of the pole-cat is termed fitch. Our fitchet is sometimes called fitchel, and also foumart.

'Tis such another fitchew! marry, a perfum'd one:

What do you mean by this haunting of me?

The fitchat, the fulimart, and the like creatures, live upon the face and within the bowels of the Walton, Angler.

FI'TFUL. adj. [fit and full.] Varied by paroxysms; disordered by change of maladies.

Duncan is in his grave; After life's fitful fever, he sleeps well.

Shakspeare, Macbeth. FI'TLY. adv. [from fit.]

1. Properly; justly; reasonably.

Even so most fully

As you malign our senators. Shakspeare, Coriol. Where a man cannot fitly play his own part, if he have not a friend, he may quit the stage.

I cannot fitlier compare marriage than to a lottery; for, in both, he that ventures may succeed, and may miss; and if he draw a prize, he hath a rich return of his venture: but in both lotteries there lie a pretty store of blanks for every

The whole of our duty may be expressed most fitly by departing from evil.

2. Commodiously; meetly. To take a latitude,

Sun or stars are fitly view'd At their brighest; but to conclude Of longitudes, what other way have we

But to mark when and where the dark eclipses be.

An animal, in order to be movable, must be flexible; and therefore is *fitly* made of separate and small solid parts, replete with proper fluids. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

FI'TNESS. n.s. [from fit.]

1. Propriety; meetness; justness; reasonableness.

In things the fitness whereof is not of itself apparent, nor easy to be made sufficiently manifest unto all, yet the judgement of antiquity, concurring with that which is received, may induce them to think it not unfit. Hooker. The queen being absent, 'tis a needful fitness

That we adjourn this court, Shaksp. Hen. VIII.

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Wer't my fitness To let these hands obey my boiling blood, They're apt enough to dislocate and tear Thy flesh and bones. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

2. Convenience; commodity; the state of being fit.

Nor time nor place Did then cohere, and yet you would make both: They've made themselves, and that their fitness now

Does unmake you. Shakspeare, Macbeth. FI'TMENT. n. s. [from fit.] Something adapted to a particular purpose. Not

Poor beseeming: 'twas a fitment for The purpose I then followed. Shakspeare, Cymb.

FI'TTABLE.* adv. [from fit.] Suitable. Not now in use.

FI'TTER. † n. s. [from fit.]

1. The person or thing that confers fitness for any thing.

Sowing the sandy gravelly land in Devonshire and Cornwall with French furze seed, they reckon a great improver of their land, and a fitter of it for Mortimer, Husbandry. 2. A small piece: as, to cut into fitters.

[from fetta, Italian; fetzen, German.] Skinner.

Where's the Frenchman? -Alas! he's all to fitters.

Beaum. and Fl. Cust. of the Country. They were in fitters about prosecuting their les to this city. Fuller's Holy War, p. 225. titles to this city.

FI'TTINGLY.* adv. [from the part. fitting.] Properly; suitably.

It is rightly termed a new name, and very fittingly writ upon these Philadelphians.

More on the Sev. Churches, p.138. Which abstract terms do very fittingly agree with the notion we have put upon this symbolical More, Conj. Cabb. p.142.

FITZ. n. s. [Norman, from fils, a son, Fr.] A son. Only used in law and genealogy: as, Fitzherbert, the son of Herbert; Fitzthomas, the son of Thomas; Fitzroy, the son of the king. It is commonly used of illegitimate children.

FIVE. † adj. [FIF, Saxon; fuenf, German; fimf, Goth. quinque, Latin.] Four and one; half of ten.

And five of them were wise, and five were St. Matt. xxv. 2. foolish.

No person, no incident, but must be of use to carry on the main design: all things else are like six fingers to the hand, when nature, which is superfluous in nothing, can do her work with five. Dryden, Dufresnoy.

Five herds, five bleating flocks his pastures fill'd.

Our British youth lose their figure by that time they are five and twenty.

FI'VEBAR.* 7 adj. [five and bar.] FI'VEBARRED. Having five bars; usually applied to gates.

O check the foamy bit, nor tempt thy fate; Think of the murders of a fivebar gate!

Gay, Birth of the Squire.

There master Betty leaps a fivebarr'd gate.

Young, Satire, 5. FI'VEFOLD.* adj. [five and fold.] Having five distinctions; composed of five materials.

We may observe a fivefold difference among the Fotherby, Atheom. p.176. And bids his men bring out the fivefold twist. W. Browne.

FI'VELEAF.* n. s. Cinquefoil.

Campana here he crops-And from the falling-ill by fiveleaf doth restore, And melancholy cures by sovereign hellebore.

Drayton, Polyolb. S.13. FI'VELEAVED Grass.† n. s. Cinquefoil;

a species of clover. Fiveleaved grass, or cinquefoil, groweth in low and shadowy places, sometimes by the water-side; it is dry in the third degree.

Barret, Alv. 1580.

FI'VES. n. s.

1. A kind of play with a ball.

2. A disease of horses.

His horse sped with spavins, rayed with the yellows, past cure of the fives, and stark-spoiled with the staggers.

To FIX. v. a. [fixer, French; fixus, Latin.]

1. To make fast, firm, or stable.

Hell heard the insufferable noise, hell saw Heaven running from heav'n, and would have

Affrighted, but that fate had fix'd too deep Her dark foundations, and too fast had bound Milton, P. L.

2. To settle; to establish invariably. Brightest seraph! tell

In which of all these orbs hath man His fixed seat, or fixed seat hath none, But all these shining orbs his choice to dwell! Milton, P.L.

One loves fixed laws, and the other arbitrary Temple.

When custom hath fixed his eating to certain stated periods, his stomach will expect victuals at the usual hour.

3. To direct without variation.

Why are thine eyes fixt to the sullen earth, Gazing at that which seems to dim thy sight!

Shakspeare, Hen. VI.
Thus while the Trojan prince employs his eyes,
Fix'd on the walls with wonder and surprise. Dryden, Æn.

4. To deprive of volatility. We pronounce concerning gold, that it is fixed.

5. To pierce; to transfix. A sense purely Latin.

While from the raging sword he vainly flies, A how of steel shall fix his trembling thighs. Sandys.

6. To withhold from motion.

To Fix. v.n.

1. To settle the opinion; to determine the resolution.

If we would be happy, we must fix upon some foundation that can never deceive us. L'Estrange. He made himself their prey,

T' impose on their belief and Troy betray; Fix'd on his aim, and obstinately bent

To die undaunted, or to circumvent. Dryd. Æn. Here hope began to dawn; resolv'd to try, She fix'd on this her utmost remedy,

Death was behind; but hard it was to die. Dryd. In most bodies, not propagated by seed, it is the colour we must fix on, and are most led by.

2. To rest; to cease to wander. Your kindness banishes your fear, Resolv'd to fix for ever here.

3. To lose volatility; so as to be malle-

In the midst of molten lead, when it beginneth to congeal, make a little dent, and put quicksilver, wrapped in a piece of linen, in that hole, and the quicksilver will fix and run no more, and endure Bacon, Nat. Hist.

FIXA'TION. † n. s. [French, fixation.] 1. Stability; firmness; steadiness.

Your fixation in matters of religion will not be more necessary for your soul's than your kingdom's peace.

King Charles.

Which some would fain set up as idols to such an immovable fixation, as if it were impious to endeavour to remove them.

Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 57.
A vehement desire of affection, with an unalterable fixation of resolution.

Killingbeck, Serm. p. 32. The fixation of your creed, sir, is the great object. - Hitherto the custom has been to fix creeds from Scripture. But Scripture you seem prepared to discard, whenever it does not please you. Horne, Lett. to Dr. Priestley, p. 7.

2. Residence in a certain place. To light, created in the first day, God gave no

proper place or fixation. Ralegh, Hist. of the World.

3. Confinement; forbearance of excur-They are subject to errours from a narrowness

of soul, a fixation and confinement of thought to a few objects. Watts: Want of volatility; destruction of vola-

Upon the compound body three things are chiefly to be observed; the colour, the fragility or pliantness, and the volatility or fixation, compared with the simple bodies.

It is more difficult to make gold of other metals less ponderous and less materiate, than to make silver of lead or quicksilver, both of which are more ponderous than silver; so that they need rather a degree of fixation than any condensation.

5. Reduction from fluidity to firmness. Salt dissolved, upon a fixation returns to its affected cubes. Glanville, Scepsis.

FI'XEDLY. † adv. [from fixed.]

1. Certainly; firmly; in a manner settled and established.

If we pretend that the distinction of species, or sorts, is fixedly established by the real and secret constitutions of things. 2. Stedfastly.

Her look is squint, with which wishly beholding one, she fixedly looketh upon another.

Transl. of Boccalini, (1626,) p. 71. Omnipotency, omnisciency, and infinite goodness enlarge the spirit while it fixtly looks on them. Burnet.

Fi'xedness. † n. s. [from fixed.]

1. Stability; firmness.

The heavens, or any part of them, never stood still, but once, since they were made; but the earth was made for fixedness and stability.

Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 66. The fixedness of the eternal Fates. More, Song of the Soul, ii. 114.

2. Want or loss of volatility.

Fixedness, or a power to remain in the fire unconsumed, is an idea that always accompanies our complex idea signified by the word gold. Locke.

3. Solidity; coherence of parts.

Fluid or solid comprehend all the middle degrees between extreme fixedness and coherency, and the most rapid intestine motion of the particles of bodies.

4. Steadiness; settled opinion or resolu-

The peril that arises to the heart from passion, is the fixedness of it, when, like a corrosiving plaster, it eats into the sore. Bp. Hall, Contempl. B.4.

A fixedness in religion will not give my conscience leave to consent to innovations. K. Charles.

FIXI'DITY. n. s. [from fixed.] Coherence of parts, opposed to volatility. A word of Boyle.

Bodies mingled by the fire are differing as to fixidity and v atility, and yet are so combined by

the first operation of the fire, that itself does scarce afterwards separate them.

FI'xITY. n. s. [fixité, French.] Coherence of parts, opposed to volatility.

And are not the sun and fixed stars great earths vehemently hot, whose heat is conserved by the greatness of the bodies, and the mutual action and re-action between them, and the light which they emit, and whose parts are kept from fuming away, not only by their fixity, but also by the vast weight and density of the atmospheres incumbent Newton, Opticks.

FIXT.* part. of the verb fix. Fixed. See To Fix.

FI'XTURE.* n. s. [from fixt. This word is unwarrantably inserted in some editions of Dr. Johnson's Dictionary; which has led Mr. Mason into an absurd and unjust attack upon Dr. Johnson for having arbitrarily altered fixure into fixture, to suit his purpose, for the latter word. Mr. Mason accordingly introduces fixure in his supplement, as if it had never before been noticed. But the fact is, that Dr. Johnson never noticed fixture; and that fixure is the word in his own editions of his work, as it really is in the passages which he cites from Shakspeare to illustrate it. Fixture, however, has been unaccountably given of late years in the Dictionary, with the examples from Shakspeare altered; and fixure has been as unjustly omitted. Fixture is a modern word. That which is fixed; a piece of furniture fixed to a house; as, he took the fixtures at a fair valuation.

FI'XURE. † n. s. [from fix.]

1. Position.

The fixure of her eye hath motion in't, As we were mock'd with art. Shaksp. Wint. Tale. Whose glorious fixure in so clear a sky. Drayton, Baron's Wars, C. i.

2. Stable pressure.

The firm fixure of thy foot would give an excellent motion to thy gait.

Shakspeare, Mer. Wives of Windsor.

3. Firmness; stable state.

Frights, changes, horrours, Divert and crack, rend and deracinate The unity and married calm of states Quite from their fixure. Shaksp. Troil. and Cress.

Fr'zgig. † n. s. [properly fishgig, a sea term.

1. A kind of dart or harpoon with which seamen strike fish.

Canst thou with fizgigs pierce him to the quick, Or in his skull thy barbed trident stick.

Sandys, Job. Such [dolphins] we salted as we could entice

to taste our hooks or fisgigs. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 25. We saw also abundance of flying fish, and their continual enemies, the albicore and dolphin; the latter we strike now and then with a fizgig or

Atkins, Voyage, p. 33. 2. A kind of firework, which boys make up in paper, and explode. [from fizz.]

Cotgrave in V. Trotiere.

3. A gadding flirt. Then sterte forth a fizgigge,

And she brought a boar-pigge. Skelton, Poems, p. 138.

To Fizz.* \ v. n. [Icel. and Goth. fisa; To Fr'zzle. fis, a puff or blast; low Lat.

visium.] To emit a slight and transient 3. To grow feeble; to lose vigour.

noise, or a slight continued noise; to make a kind of hiss. Ainsworth and others apply the latter of these words to suppressing wind from behind, or to fust, which is sometimes written also fiest, and fyst.

FLA'BBY. † adj. [flaccidus, Latin, Dr. Johnson says; but it is probably from the Teut. flabbe, a flap to drive away flies, originally any thing limber or pendulous; or, as Serenius deduces it, from the Swed. " flabb, bucca, labium pendulum," who adds the adjective "flab-

big, bucculentus," i.e. having blubbered lips.] Soft; not firm; easily shaking or yielding to the touch.

Paleness, a weak pulse, palpitations of the heart, flabby and black flesh, are symptoms of weak Arbuthnot.

Pulls out the rags contriv'd to prop Her flabby dugs, and down they drop. Swift. FLA'BEL.* n. s. [Lat. flabellum.] A fan.

Obsolete. Huloet, and Sherwood. FLA'BILE. adj. [flabilis, Latin.] Blown about by the wind; subject to be blown.

Dict. FLA'CCID. adj. [flaccidus, Latin.] Weak; limber; not stiff; lax; not tense.

The bowing and inclining the head is found in the great flower of the sun: the cause I take to be is, that the part against which the sun beateth waxeth more faint and flaccid in the stalk, and thereby less able to support the flower.

They whose muscles are weak or flaccid, are unapt to pronounce the letter r.

Holder, Elem. of Speech. The surgeon ought to vary the diet as he finds the fibres are too flaccid and produce funguses,

or as they harden and produce callosities. Arbuthnot on Diet.

FLACCI'DITY. n. s. [from flaccid.] Laxity; limberness; want of tension; want of stiffness.

There is neither fluxion nor pain, but flaccidity Wiseman, Surgery. joined with insensibility.

To FLA'CKER.* v. n. [Teut. fliggeren.]
To flutter as a bird. A northern word. Grose, and Craven Dial.

To FLAG. v. n. [flaggeren, old Teutonick, to be loosened; pleozan, Saxon, to fly.]

1. To hang loose without stiffness or ten-

Beds of cotton wool hung up between two trees, not far from the ground; in the which, flagging down in the middle, men, wives and children lie together. Abbot.

The jades That drag the tragick melancholy night, Who with their drowsy, slow, and flagging wings Clip dead men's graves. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

It keeps those slender aerial bodies separated and stretched out, which otherwise, by reason of their flexibleness and weight, would flag or curl. Boyle, Spring of the Air.

Like a fiery meteor sunk the sun, The promise of a storm; the shifting gales Forsake by fits, and fill the flagging sails. Dryden.

2. To grow spiritless or dejected. My flagging soul flies under her own pitch, Like fowl in air too damp, and lags along As if she were a body in a body : My senses too are dull and stupify'd,

Their edge rebated: sure some ill approaches. Dryden, Don Sebastian.

Juice in language is somewhat less than blood; for if the words be but becoming and signifying, and the sense gentle, there is juice: but where that wanteth, the language is thin, flagging, poor, starved, scarce covering the bone, and shews like stones in a sack : some men, to avoid redundancy run into that; and while they strive to hinder ill blood or juice, they lose their good.

B. Jonson, Discoveries. His stomach will expect victuals at the usual hour, either fretting itself into a troublesome excess, or flagging into a downright want of appetite.

Fame, when it is once at a stand, naturally flags and languishes. Addison, Spect. If on sublimer wings of love and praise,

My love above the starry vault I raise, Lur'd by some vain conceit of pride or lust,

I flag, I drop, and flutter in the dust. Arbuthnot. He sees a spirit hath been raised against him, and he only watches till it begins to flag : he goes about watching when to devour us.

The pleasures of the town begin to flag and grow languid, giving way daily to cruel inroads from the spleen.

To FLAG. + v. a.

1. To let fall into feebleness; to suffer to droop.

The thought of dying may cool appetite and passion; it may blunt the edge of desire, and flag projects, chiefly those laid at a great distance.

Bp. Burnet, Serm. p. 181. Nothing so flags the spirits, disorders the blood, and enfeebles the whole body of man, as intense

Echard, Grounds of the Cont. of the Clergy, p. 29.

Take heed, my dear, youth flies apace; As well as Cupid, Time is blind:

Soon must those glories of thy face The fate of vulgar beauty find : The thousand loves, that arm thy potent eye,

Must drop their quivers, flag their wings, and

2. [From flag, a species of stone.] lay with broad stone.

The sides and floor are all flagged with excellent A white stone used for flagging floors.

Woodward on Fossils.

FLAG. n. s. [from the verb.]

1. A water plant with a bladed leaf and yellow flower, so called from its motion in the wind.

She took an ark of bulrushes, and laid it in the flags by the river's brink.

Can bulrushes but by the river grow? Can flags there flourish where no waters flow.

There be divers fishes that cast their spawn on Walton, Angler. flags or stones. Cut flag roots, and the roots of other weeds.

Mortimer. 2. The colours or ensign of a ship or landforces, by which signals are made at sea, or regiments are distinguished in the field.

These flags of France that are advanced here, Before the eye and prospect of your town, Have hither march'd to your endamagement.

Shakspeare, K. John. He hangs out as many flags as he descryeth vessels; square, if ships; if gallies, pendants. Sandys, Travels.

Democracies are less subject to sedition than where there are stirps of nobles: for if men's eyes are upon the persons, it is for the business sake as fittest, and not for flags or pedigree. Bacon-Let him be girt

With all the grisly legions that troop Under the sooty flag of Acheron, Harpies and hydras, or all the monstrous forms 'Twixt Africa and Inde, I'll find him out,

And force him to restore his purchase back, Or drag him by the curls to a foul death.

Milton, Comus. The French and Spaniard, when your flags

Forget their hatred, and consent to fear. Waller. The interpretation of that article about the flag is a ground at pleasure for opening a war. Temple.

In either's flag the golden serpents bear, Erecting crests alike, like volumes rear,

And mingle friendly hissings in the hair. Dryden, Aurengzebe.

Then they, whose mothers, frantick with their

In woods and wilds the flags of Bacchus bear, And lead his dances with dishevell'd hair.

3. A species of stone used for smooth pavements. [flache, old French. But see also FLAW.]

Part of two flags striated, but deeper on one side than the other. Woodward on Fossils.

Flagstones will not split, as slate does, being found formed into flags, or thin plates, which are no other than so many strata. Woodward on Fossils.

4. The surface of the earth, or upper turf, which they pare off, to burn, in denshiring land. Norfolk Dialect. Grose. The Lancashire dialect gives flaight as " a kind of light turf."

FLAG-BROOM. n. s. [from flag and broom.] A broom for sweeping flags or pavements, commonly made of birch-twigs, or of the leaves of the dwarf-palm, imported from Spain.

FLAG-OFFICER. n. s. [flag and officer.] A commander of a squadron.

Her grandfather was a flag-officer. Add. Spect. FLAG-SHIP. n.s. [flag and ship.] The ship in which the commander of a fleet

FLAG-WORM. n. s. [flag and worm.] A grub bred in watry places among flags or sedge.

He will in the three hot months bite at a flagworm, or a green gentle. Walton, Angler.

FLA'GELET. † n. s. [flageolet, French, derived by some from the Gr. πλαγίαυλος, i. e. πλάγιος, oblique, and ἀυλὸς, a pipe or flute; by others from the Lat. flagellum, a little branch or twig. quefort, Gloss. et Morin, Dict. Etym. Our own word is sometimes written flageolet.] A small flute; a small instrument of wind musick.

Play us a lesson on your flagelet.

More, Divine Dialogues.

Spenser, F. Q.

To FLA'GELLATE.* v.a. [Lat. flagello.] Čockeram. To whip or scourge. FLAGELLA'TION. † n. s. [flagellation, old Fr.] The use of the scourge.

He underwent those previous pains which customarily antecede that suffering, as flagellation and bearing of the cross. Pears. on the Creed, Art. 4.

By Bridewell all descend, As morning pray'r and flagellation end.

Garth, Dispensary. FLA'GGINESS. † n.s. [from flaggy.] Laxity; limberness; want of tension. Sherwood.

FLA'GGY. adj. [from flag.] 1. Weak; lax; limber; not stiff; not

His flaggy wings, when forth he did display, Were like two sails, in which the hollow wind Is gather'd full, and worketh speedy way.

That basking in the sun thy bees may lye, And resting there, their flaggy pinions dry. Dryden, Virg.

2. Weak in taste; insipid. Graft an apple-cion upon the stock of a colewort, and it will bear a great flaggy apple. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

FLAGI'TIOUS. adj. [from flagitius, Lat.] 1. Wicked; villanous; atrocious.

No villany or flagitious action was ever yet committed, but, upon a due enquiry into the causes of it, it will be found that a lye was first or last the principal engine to effect it.

There's no working upon a flagitious and perverse nature by kindness and discipline, L'Estrange.

First, those flagitious times, Pregnant with unknown crimes,

Conspire to violate the nuptial bed. Roscommon. Perjury is a crime of so flagitious a nature, we cannot be too careful in avoiding every approach

But if in noble minds some dregs remain, Not yet purg'd off, of spleen and sour disdain,

Discharge that rage on more provoking crimes, Nor fear a dearth in these flagitious times. Pope. 2. Guilty of crimes.

He dies, sad outcast of each church and state, And, harder still, flagitious yet not great. Pope.

FLAGI'TIOUSNESS. † n. s. [from flagitious.] Wickedness; villany.

A and others would intentionally avoid all acts of flagitiousness and villany.

The Student, Def. of Relig. (1750,) i. 176. FLA'GON. † n. s. [fflacced, Welsh: plaxe, Saxon; flaske, Danish, flacon, French; fiasco, Italian; flasco, Spanish. After all these citations, from the Welsh to the Spanish, by Dr. Johnson; we must rather agree with Upton and Ainsworth, who derive the Latin lagena, a flagon, from λάγηνος, Gr. a kind of cup, and a measure; which is from the Heb. lag; whence our word, prefixing the f or digamma.] A vessel of drink with a narrow mouth.

A mad rogue! he pour'd a flagon of Rhenish Shakspeare, Hamlet. More had sent him by a suitor in Chancery two

silver flagons.

Bacon, Apophun

Did they coin pispots, bowls, and flagons

Hud Bacon, Apophthegms. Int' officers of horse and dragoons? His trusty flagon, full of potent juice,

Was hanging by, worn thin with age and use.

One flagon walks the round, that none should They either change, or stint him of his drink.

Dryden, Juv. FLA'GRANCE.* n. s. [old Fr. flagrance; "flagrance d'un delict, plain apparency of an offence," Cotgrave.] Notorious-

ness; glaring offence. They bring to him a woman taken in the flagrance of her adultery. Bp. Hall, Contempl. B. 4.

FLA'GRANCY. † n. s. [flagrantia, Latin.]

1. Burning; heat; fire.

Lust causeth a flagrancy in the eyes, as the sight and the touch are the things desired, and therefore the spirits resort to those parts. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

2. Notoriousness; glaring impudence. In some places they will assemble diverse of their fairest curtesans, to draw the modest beauty of a virgin out of the flagrancy of harlots.

Sir E. Sandys, State of Religion. FLA'GRANT. † adj. [flagrant, old Fr. flagrans, Latin.]

1. Ardent; burning; eager. It is always used figuratively.

A thing which filleth the mind with comfort and heavenly delight, stirreth up flagrant desires and affections, correspondent unto that which the words contain. Hooker.

2. Glowing; flushed.

See Sapho, at her toilet's greasy task, Then issuing flagrant to an evening mask: So morning insects, that in muck begun, Shine, buz, and fly-blow in the setting sun. Pope.

3. Red; imprinted red.

Their common loves, a lewd abandon'd pack, The beedle's lash still flagrant on their back. Prior-

4. Notorious; flaming into notice. " Prendre au faict flagrant," Cotgrave.

When fraud is great, it furnishes weapons to defend itself; and at worst, if the crimes be so flagrant that a man is laid aside out of perfect shame, he retires loaded with the spoils of the

With equal poize let steady justice sway, And flagrant crimes with certain vengeance pay; But till the proofs are clear the stroke delay. Smith.

FLA'GRANTLY.* adv. [from flagrant.]

1. Ardently; eagerly.

2. Notoriously.

An epigram of four lines [is] a species of wit as flagrantly unsuitable to the dignity, and as foreign to the nature of the lyric, as it is of the epic muse. Dr. Warton, Ess. on Pope.

To FLA'GRATE.* v. a. [Lat. flagro.] To burn; to injure by fire.

This lamp stands on the foot of an eagle or hawk, thereby, says Kircher, to represent how Typhon's destructive and flagrating power, lying hid in the sun, was made more temperate.

Greenhill, Art of Embalming, (1705,) p. 336. FLAGRA'TION. n. s. [flagro, Latin.] Burning.

See! in this glad farewel he doth appear, Stuck with the constellations of his sphere, Fearing we numm'd fear'd no flagration, Hath curled all his fires in this one One.

Lovelace, Luc. Posth. (1659,) p. 72. FLA'GSTAFF. n. s. [flag and staff.] The

staff on which the flag is fixed. The duke, less numerous, but in courage more,

On wings of all the winds to combat flies: His murdering guns a loud defiance roar, And bloody crosses on his flagstaff's rise.

Dryden, Ann. Mirab. FLAIL. n. s. [flagellum, Latin; flegel, German, Dr. Johnson says. It is more directly the old French flael, or flaiel, "fléau à battre le bled." V. Roq. The instrument with which Gloss. grain is beaten out of the ear; the tool of the thresher.

Our soldiers, like the night owl's lazy flight, Or like a lazy thresher with a flail, Fell gently down as if they struck their friends.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. When in one night, ere glimpse of morn,

His shadowy flail hath thresh'd the corn, That ten day-labourers could not end.

Milton, L'All. In this pile shall reign a mighty prince,

Born for a scourge of it, and flail of sense. Dryden. The dexterous handling of the flail, or the plough, and being good workmen with these tools, did not hinder Gideon's and Cincinnatus's skill in arms and government.

The thresher, Duck, could o'er the queen

The proverb says, no fence against a flail. Swift. FLAKE. † n. s. [Sw. flake; Icel. flak, a part separated from the rest, from flaka, to divide; rlacea, Sax. flakes of snow; flocke, Germ. a flake; flocco, Ital. floccus, 1. Any thing that appears loosely held together, like a flock of wool.

Crimson circles, like red flakes in the element, when the weather is hottest. Sidney. And from his wide devouring oven sent

A flake of fire, that flushing in his heard, 'Him all amaz'd, and almost made affear'd.

Spenser, F. Q. The earth is sometimes covered with snow two or three feet deep, made up only of little flakes or pieces of ice.

Small drops of a misling rain, descending through a freezing air, do each of them shoot into one of those figured icicles; which, being ruffled by the wind, in their fall are broken, and clustered together into small parcels, which we call flakes of Grew, Cosmol. Sacra.

Upon throwing in a stone the water boils for a considerable time, and at the same time are seen little flakes of scurf rising up. Addison on Italy.

2. A stratum; layer; film; lamina. The flakes of his tough flesh so firmly bound,

As not to be divorced by a wound. The teeth cut away great flakes of the metal, till it received the perfect form the teeth would make.

To FLAKE. v. a. [from the noun.] To form in flakes or bodies loosely connected. From the bleak pole no winds inclement blow, Mold the round hail, or flake the fleecy snow.

Pope, Odyss. To FLAKE. v. n. To break into laminæ; to part in loose bodies.

FLA'KY. adj. [from flake.]

1. Loosely hanging together. The silent hour steals on,

And flaky darkness breaks within the East. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

The trumpet roars, long flaky flames expire, With sparks that seem to set the world on fire.

Hence, when the snows in winter cease to weep, And undissolv'd their flaky texture keep, The banks with ease their humble streams contain, Which swell in summer, and those banks disdain. Blackmore.

2. Lying in layers or strata; broken into laminæ.

FLAM. † n. s. [A cant word of no certain etymology, Dr. Johnson says. It is probably the Icel. flim, a mocking. Our old poets Ben Jonson and Beaumont and Fletcher use it evidently in the sense of a freak or whim. Sherwood calls flam "a flimflam tale." See FLIMFLAM.]

1. A freak; a whim; a fancy. Not noticed by Dr. Johnson.

Hard trifles, anagrams,

Or eteosticks, or your finer flams Of eggs, and halberts, cradles and a hearse, A pair of scissars, and a comb in verse!

B. Jonson, Underwoods. Thou hast more of

These flams in thee, these musty doubts. Beaum. and Fl. Loyal Subject.

She sings admirably;
But still when any hope was, as 'tis her trick To minister enough of those, then presently With some new flam or other, nothing to the matter, And such a frown, as would sink all before her, She takes her chamber.

Beaum. and Fl. Hum. Lieutenant. 2. A falsehood; a lie; an illusory pretext. A flam more senseless than the rog'ry

Of old aruspicy and aug'ry. Hudibras. Till these men can prove the things, ordered by our church, to be either intrinsically unlawful or indecent, all pretences or pleas of conscience to the contrary are nothing but cant and cheat, flam and delusion.

What are most of the histories of the world but lies? Lies immortalized and consigned over as a perpetual abuse and flam upon posterity. To FLAM. v. a. [from the noun.] To de-

ceive with a lie. Merely cant.

For so our ignorance was flamm'd, To damn ourselvest' avoid being damn'd. Hudibras. God is not to be flammed off with lies, who knows exactly what thou can'st do, and what not.

FLA'MBEAU. n. s. [French.] A lighted

The king seized a flambeau with zeal to destroy.

As the attendants carried each of them a flambeau in their bands, the sultan, after having ordered all the lights to be put out, gave the word to enter the house, find out the criminal, and put him to death. Addison, Guardian.

FLAME. + n. s. [flamma, Latin ; flamme, French; flam, old Cornish, old French and Celt.

1. Light emitted from fire.

Is not flame a vapour, fume, or exhalation heated red hot, that is, so hot as to shine? For bodies do not flame without emitting a copious fume, and this fume burns in the flame.

Newton, Opticks. What flame, what lightning e'er

So quickly an active force did bear !

Jove, Prometheus' theft allow; The flames he once stole from thee, grant him now.

3. Ardour of temper or imagination; brightness of fancy; vigour of thought. Of all our elder plays,

This and Philaster have the loudest fame; Great are their faults, and glorious is their flame: In both our English genius is exprest, Waller. Lofty and bold, but negligently drest.

4. Ardour of inclination. Smit with the love of kindred arts we came, And met congenial, mingling flame with flame.

5. Passion of love. My heart's on flame, and does like fire Cowley.

Come arm'd in flames; for I would prove All the extremities of love. No warning of th' approaching flame; Swiftly like sudden death it came;

I lov'd the moment I beheld. Granville.

To FLAME. v. n. [from the noun.] 1. To shine as fire; to burn with emission

Can you think to blow out the intended fire your city is ready to flame in, with such weak

breath as this? Shakspeare. Him the Almighty Power Hurl'd headlong flaming through the ethereal sky

Milton, P. L. To bottomless perdition. Hell all around

Milton, P. L. As one great furnace flam'd.

2. To shine like flame.

Behold it like an ample curtain spread, Now streak'd and glowing with the morning red; Anon at noon in flaming yellow bright, And chusing sable for the peaceful night. Prior.

3. To break out in violence of passion. Lascivious fires, should such flame in you, As I must ne'er believe.

Beaum. and Fl. Lover's Progress.

To FLAME. * v. a. To inflame; to excite; to animate. Much was he moved at that rueful sight;

And, flam'd with zeal of vengeance inwardly, He ask'd who had that dame so fouly dight. Spenser, F. Q. v. i. 14.

And since their courage is so nobly flam'd, This morning we'll behold the champions Within the list. Beaum. and Fl. Coronation.

FLA'MECOLOUR.* n. s. [flame and colour.] The colour of flame.

The first was Splendour in a robe of flamecolour. B. Jonson, Masques at Court. Changing it from a red-rose crimson to flame-

colour. Sir W. Petty, Sprat's Hist. R. S. p. 289. FLA'MECOLOURED. adj. [flame and colour.] Of a bright yellow colour.

'Tis strong, and it does indifferent well in flamecoloured stockings. Shakspeare, Tw. Night. August shall bear the form of a young man of a fierce and cholerick aspect, in a flamecoloured FLA'MEEYED.* adj. [flame and eye.]

Having eyes like flames. A fine epithet in the following fine lines.

Nor sea, nor shade, nor shield, nor rock, nor

Nor silent deserts, nor the sullen grave, Where flame-ey'd Fury means to smite, can save.

Quarles, Emblems.

FLA'MELESS.* adj. [flame and less.] Without flame; without incense.

Both king, and priest, obnoxious to his hate, Detests his sanctuary, and forsakes

His flumeless altar. Sandys, Lament. p.4. FLA'MEN. † n. s. [Latin.] A priest;

one that officiates in solemn offices. The heathen Romans, had their flamens, and

archflamens; the Britons and Gauls their druids. Featley, Dippers Dipt, p.130.
A drear and dying sound

Affrights the flamens at their service quaint. Milton, Ode Nativ.
Then first the flamen tasted living food;

Next his grim idol smear'd with human blood.

FLA'MING.* n. s. [from flame.] The act of bursting out in flames. Which bonour I to fiery flames compare;

For when they flash and flourish most of all, Then suddenly their flamings quenched are. Mir. for Mag. p. 228.
FLA'MINGLY.* adv. [from flaming.] Ra-

diantly; most brightly. Cotgrave, and Sherwood.

FLAMI'NGO.* n. s. The name of a very remarkable and beautiful bird, common in many parts of America, and seen at times in other parts of the world.

Here [at the Mauritius island] are also ayeries of hawks, and sundry other birds; as goshawks, hobbies, passe-flamingoes, geese.
Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 383.

FLAMI'NICAL.* adj, [from flaman, Lat.]
Belonging to the Roman priest.

Superstitious copes and flaminical vestures.

Milton, Reas. of Ch. Gov. ii. 2.

FLAMMA'TION. n. s. [flammatio, Latin.]

The act of setting on flame.

White or crystalline arsenick, being artificial, and sublimed with salt, will not endure flam-

Brown, Vulg. Err. FLAMMABI'LITY. n. s. [flamma, Latin.]

The quality of admitting to be set on fire, so as to blaze. In the sulphur of bodies torrified, that is, the

oily, fat and unctuous parts, consist the principles of flammability.

FLA'MMEOUS. adj. [flammeus, Latin.] Consisting of flame; resembling flame. This flammeous light is not over all the body.

FLAMMI'FEROUS. adj. [flammifer, Latin.] Bringing flame.

FLAMMI'VOMOUS. adj. [flamma and vomo, | Latin. 7 Vomiting out flame.

FLA'MY. † adj. [from flame.] 1. Inflamed ; burning; blazing.

My thoughts imprison'd in my secret woes, With flamy breaths do issue oft in sound. Sidney.

2. Having the nature of flame.

The vital spirits of living creatures are a substance compounded of an airy and flamy matter; and though air and flame, being free, will not well mingle, yet bound in by a body they will. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

3. Flame coloured.

A flamy redness will overspread the heavens. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p.53.

FLANG.* old pret. of the verb fling. See To FLING.

On every side full fast we flang the Frenchmen downe.

Mir. for Mag. p. 489.

FLANK. † n. s. [flanc, French, according to Menage, from λαγών; more probably from latus, Latin. So far Dr. Johnson. Our word, which is also the Germ. flanke, is, however, the Teut. lancke, the same, with the addition of f. In this Kilian and Wachter agree.

. 1. That part of the side of a quadruped

near the hinder thigh.

The belly shall be eminent by shadowing the Do not those goodly flanks and briskets march up in your stately chargers?

Milton, Anim. Rem. Defence.

The lateral part of the 2. [In men.] lower belly.

He covereth his face with his fatness, and maketh collops of fat on his flanks. He said, and pois'd in air the jav'lin sent; Through Paris' shield the forceful weapon went,

His corslet pierces, and his garment rends, And glancing downward near his flank descends.

3. The side of any army or fleet.

Great ordnance and small shot thundered and showered upon our men from the rampier in front, and from the gallies that lay at sea in flank. Bacon, War with Spain.

Gray was appointed to stand on the left side, in ort as he might take the flank of the Hayward,

To right and left the front Divided and to either flank retired. Milton, P.L.

4. [In fortification.] That part of the bastion which reaches from the curtain to the face, and defends the opposite face, the flank and the curtain. Harris.

To FLANK. v. a. [Fr. flanguer.]

1. To attack the side of a battalion or fleet.

2. To be posted so as to overlook or command any pass on the side.

With fates averse against their king's command, Arm'd on the right, and on the left they stand,

And flank the passage. Dryden, Æn. We cannot talk in rank and file, and flank and rear our discourses with military allusions.

Scott, Serm. before the Artillery Comp. (1680,) Works, ii. 24.

3. To secure on the side.

By the rich scent we found our perfum'd prey, Which, flank'd with rocks, did close in covert lay.

To FLANK*. v. n. To border; to touch. needs no art to fortify it.

Butler, Rem. ed. Thyer. vol. i. p.417. FLA'NKER. † n. s. [from flank.] A fortification jutting out so as to command the side of a body marching to the assault.

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The Turks, discouraged with the loss of their fellows, and sore beaten by the Spaniards out of their flankers, were enforced to retire.

Knolles, Hist. of the Turks. Like storms of hail the stones fell down from high,

Cast from the bulwarks, flankers, ports, and towers.

In this disorder, a flanker by mischance was blown up; but the siege continued.

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p.109. To FLA'NKER. † v. a. [flanquer, French.] 1. To defend by lateral fortifications.

The city is compassed with a thick wall, flank-

ered, and moated about. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 40.

The castle was neither so weakly manned, nor flankered, as they were made to believe. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 277.

2. To attack sideways.

Where sharp winds do rather flanker, than blow fully opposite upon, our plantations, they thrive Evelyn, i. iii. § 8.

FLA'NNEL. n. s. [gwlanen, Welsh; from gwlan, wool, Davies.]

A soft nappy stuff of wool.

I cannot answer the Welsh flannel. Shakspeare.

To FLANT. + See To FLAUNT.

FLAP. † n. s. [flabbe, Teut. a flyflap; originally, any thing pendulous. See FLABBY.

Any thing that hangs broad and loose,

fastened only by one side.

There is a peculiar provision for the windpipe, that is, a cartilaginous flap upon the opening of the larynx, which hath an open cavity for the admission of the air.

Some surgeons make a crucial incision, upon the supposition that the wound will more easily heal by turning down the flaps. Sharp, Surgery.

2. The motion of any thing broad and

3. [A disease in horses.]

When a horse has the flaps, you may perceive his lips swelled on both sides of his mouth; and that which is in the blisters is like the white of an egg; cut some slashes with a knife, and rub it once with salt, and it will cure. Farrier's Dict.

To FLAP. v. a. [from the noun.]

 To beat with a flap, as flies are beaten. A hare, hard put to it by an eagle, took sanctuary in a ditch with a beetle; the cagle flapt off the former, and devoured the other. L'Estrange. Yet let me flap this bug with gilded wings, This painted child of dirt that stinks and stings.

2. To move with a flap or noise made by

the stroke of any thing broad. With fruitless toil Flap filmy pinions oft, to extricate

Their feet in liquid shackles bound. Philips. Three times, all in the dead of night,

A bell was heard to ring; And shricking at her window thrice Tickell. The raven flapp'd his wing.

To FLAP. v. n.

1. To ply the wings with noise.

'Tis common for a duck to run flapping and fluttering away, as if maimed, to carry people from her young. The dire flapping on the shield of Turnus, and

fluttering about his head, disheartened him in the Dryden, Æn. That side, which flanks on the sea and haven, 2. To fall with flaps, or broad parts de-

pending. When suffocating mists obscure the morn, Let thy worst wig, long used to storms, be worn; This knows the powder'd footman, and with care Beneath his flapping hat secures his hair.

Gay, Trivia. FLA'PDRAGON. † n. s. [from a dragon supposed to breathe fire. The word is sometimes called snapdragon, or slapdragon.

1. A play in which they catch raisins out of burning brandy, and extinguishing them by closing the mouth, eat them. Gallants thus drank the healths of their mistresses.

2. The thing eaten at flapdragon.

He plays at quoits well, and eats conger and fennel, and drinks candles ends for flapdragons, and rides the wild mare with the boys.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. P. II. Flapdragons, healths, whiffs, and all such swaggering humours. B. Jonson, Cynthia's Revels. To FLA'PDRAGON. v. a. [from the noun.]

To swallow; to devour. Low cant. But to make an end of the ship, to see how the

sea flapdragoned it. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. FLA'PEARED. adj. [flap and ear.] Having loose and broad ears.

A whoreson, beetleheaded, flapeared knave.

Shakspeare. FLA'PJACK. † n. s. An apple puff, so called in some counties; anciently a pancake.

We'll have flesh for holidays, fish for fastingdays, and moreover puddings and flapjacks; and

thou shalt be welcome. Shakspeare, Pericles. FLA'PMOUTHED.* adj. [flap and mouth.] Having loose lips.

When he [the hound] had ceas'd his noise. Another flap-mouth'd mourner black and grim, Against the welkin vollies out his voice.

Shakspeare, Ven. and Adonis. FLA'PPER.* n. s. [from flap.]

1. A fan, or flap for wind. Barret. 2. Figuratively, one who endeavours to make another remember.

I write to you, by way of flapper, to put you in mind of yourself. Ld. Chesterfield. To FLARE. v. a. [from flederen, to flutter, Dutch, Skinner; perhaps accidentally

changed from glare.] 1. To glitter with transient lustre.

Doctrine and life, colours and light, in one When they combine and mingle, bring A strong regard and awe; but speech alone Doth vanish like a flaring thing, And in the ear, not conscience, ring. Herbert. 2. To glitter offensively.

When the sun begins to fling His flaring beams, me, goddess, bring To arched walks of twilight groves. Milt. Il Pens.

3. To be in too much light. I cannot stay

Flaring in sunshine all the day. 4. To flatter with a splendid show.

She shall be loose enrob'd, With ribbands pendant flaring 'bout her head.

FLASH.† n. s. Γφλόξ, Gr. a flame, Minsheu; to which Dr. Johnson accedes. Skinner offers blaze as the etymology. Our word seems to have some connection with the Icel. flas, a tumbling down from a high place; as, where it means a body of water driven by violence.]

A sudden, quick, transitory blaze. When the cross blue light'ning seem'd to open The breast of heav'n, I did present myself Ev'n in the aim and very flash of it.

Shakspeare, Jul. Cas.

Prior.

We see a flash of a piece is seen sooner than enoise is heard.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

2. [From flaccidus, Skinner.] Insipid; without force or spirit. the noise is heard. One with a flash begins, and ends in smoke;

The other out of smoke brings glorious light.

And as Ægeon, when with heaven he strove, Defy'd the forky lightning from afar, At fifty mouths his flaming breath expires,

And flash for flash returns, and fires for fires. Dryden, Æn.

2. Sudden burst of wit or merriment. Where be your gibes now? your gambols? your songs? your flashes of merriment, that were wont to set the table in a roar? Shaks. Hamlet.

Wicked men prefer the light flashes of a wanton mirth, which for awhile suspend reflection, and hide the sinner from himself, to such discourses as awaken conscience. Rogers.

3. A short transient state.

The Persians and Macedonians had it for a flash. Bacon.

4. A body of water driven by violence. 5. Any little pool. North. Pegge. To FLASH. † v. n.

1. To glitter with a quick and transient flame.

This salt powdered, and put into a crucible, was, by the injection of well kindled charcoal, made to flash divers times almost like melted nitre.

2. To burst out into any kind of violence. By day and night he wrongs me; ev'ry hour He flashes into one gross crime or other, That sets us all at odds. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

3. To break out into wit, merriment, or

bright thought. They flash out sometimes into an irregular greatness of thought. Felton on the Classicks.

4. To rise in flashes; to dash.

The flashing waves divide. Pope, Odyssey 6.

To FLASH. + v. a. 1. To strike up large bodies of water from

the surface. With his raging arms he rudely flash'd The waves about, and all his armour swept, That all the blood and filth away was wash'd.

Spenser, F. Q. If the sea-water be flashed with a stick or oar,

the same castetli a shining colour, and the drops resemble sparkles of fire. Carew, Surv. of Cornwall.

2. To trick up in a showy manner. See FLASHY.

Oft have I season'd savoury periods With sugred words, to delude Gustus' taste; And oft embellish'd my entreative phrase With smelling flowers of vernant rhetorick, Limning and flashing it with various dyes, To draw proud Visus to me by the eyes.

Brewer, Com. of Lingua, (1657.) i.1. FLA'SHER. † n. s. [from flash.]

1. A man of more appearance of wit than reality. 2. A rower; a flasher, or a dasher of water.

[Fr. gascheur.] Cotgrave. FLA'SHILY. adv. [from flashy.] With empty show; without real power of wit or solidity of thought.

FLA'SHY. † adj. [from flash.]

1. Empty; not solid; showy without substance.

Flashy wits cannot fathom the whole extent of a large discourse. Digby on the Soul, Ded. When they list, their lean and flashy songs Grate on their scrannel pipes of wretched straw.

Milton, Lycidas. This mean conceit, this darling mystery, Which thou think'st nothing, friend! thou shalt

Nor will I change for all the flashy wit. Dryd. Pers. VOL. II.

Distilled books are, like common distilled wa-

ters, flashy things. Bacon, Ess. The tastes that most offend in fruits, herbs, and roots, are bitter, harsh, sour, waterish, or flashy. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

3. [Fr. gascheux.] Plashy; washy; dashing; bespirting. Cotgrave.

FLASK. † n. s. [flasque, Fr. flasche, Teut. flask, Dan. plaxa, Sax. low Lat. flasco, Ital. fiasco, Græco-Barb. φλάσκη, Arab. flaska. V. Meursii Gloss. Græco-Barb.]

1. A bottle; a vessel.

Then for the Bourdeaux you may freely ask; But the Champaigne is to each man his flask.

2. A powder-horn.

Powder in a skilless soldier's flask Is set on fire. Shakspeare.

The sun is spent, and now his flasks Send forth light squibs, no constant rays.

Donne, Poems, p. 35. FLA'SKET. † n. s. [Fr. flasquet.]

1. A vessel in which viands are served. Another plac'd

The silver stands, with golden flaskets grac'd. Pone, Odyss. 2. A long shallow basket. Ray, and Grose.

Each one had a little wicker basket, Made of fine twigs, entrailed curiously In which they gather'd flowers to fill their flasket. Spenser, Prothalamion.

FLAT. † adj. [flatr, Icel. flad, Danish; plat, Fr. whatus, Gr.]

1. Horizontally level without inclination. Thou all-shaking thunder,

Strike flat the thick rotundity o' the world. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

Virtue could see to do what virtue would By her own radiant light, though sun and moon Were in the flat sea sunk. Milton, Comus.

The houses are flat roofed to walk upon, so that every bomb that fell on them would take Addison on Italy.

2. Smooth; without protuberances. In the dawning of the next day we might

plainly discern it was a land flat to our sight, and full of boscage. Bacon.

3. Not elevated; fallen; not erect. Cease t' admire, and beauty's plumes Fall flat, and shrink into a trivial toy, At every sudden slighting quite abasht. Milt. P. L.

4. Level with the ground.

In them is plainest taught, and easiest learnt, What makes a nation happy, and keeps it so, What ruins kingdoms, and lays cities flat.

Milton, P. R. That Christ-church stands above ground, and that the church of Westminster lies not flat upon it, is your lordship's commendation.

5. Lying prostrate; lying along. The wood born people fall before her flat, And worship her as goddess of the wood.

Spenser, F. Q. That lamentable wound, Which laid that wretched prince flat on the ground.

6. [In painting.] Wanting relief; wanting prominence of the figures.

7. Tasteless; insipid; dead.

He, like a puling cuckold, would drink up The lees and dregs of a flat tamed piece. Shakspeare, Troil. and Cress.

Taste so divine! that what of sweet before Hath touch'd my sense, flat seems to this and Milton, P. L.

The miry fields, Rejoicing in rich mold, most ample fruit Of beauteous form produce; pleasing to sight, But to the tongue inelegant and flat. Philips. 8. Dull; unanimated; frigid.

Short speeches fly abroad like darts, and are thought to be shot out of secret intentions; but as for large discourses, they are flat things, and not so much noted.

Some short excursions of a broken vow He made indeed, but flat insipid stuff. Dryden, Don Sebastian.

Depressed; spiritless; dejected. I feel my genial spirits droop,

My hopes all flat, nature within me seems In all her functions weary of herself. Milt. S. A.

Unpleasing; tasteless.

How weary, stale, flat, and unprofitable Seem to me all the uses of this world!

Shakspeare, Hamlet, To one firmly persuaded of the reality of heavenly happiness, and earnestly desirous of obtaining it, all earthly satisfactions must needs look

little, and grow flat and unsavoury. Atterbury, Serm.

11. Peremptory; absolute; downright. His horse with flat tiring taught him, that dis-

crete stays make speedy journeys. It is a flat wrong to punish the thought or pur-

pose of any before it be enacted; for true justice punisheth nothing but the evil act or wicked word. Spenser on Ireland. As it is in the nature of all men to love liberty,

so they become flat libertines, and fall to all licentiousness. Spenser.

You start away, And lend no ear unto my purposes; Those prisoners you shall keep:

I will, that's flat. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. Thus repuls'd, our final hope

Is flat despair: we must exasperate Th' Almighty Victor to spend all his rage, And that must end us. Milton, P. L.

If thou sin in wine or wantonness, Boast not thereof, nor make thy shame thy glory; Frailty gets pardon by submissiveness: But he that boasts, shuts that out of his story: He makes flat war with God, and doth defy With his meer clod of earth the spacious sky.

Herbert. You had broke and robb'd his house, And stole his talismanique louse; And all his new-found old inventions,

With flat felonious intentions. Hudibras. 12. Not shrill; not acute; not sharp in sound.

If you stop the holes of a hawk's bell it will make no ring, but a flat noise or rattle.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. The upper end of the windpipe is endued with several cartilages and muscles to contract or dilate it, as we would have our voice flat or sharp. Ray on the Creation.

FLAT. n. s. 1. A level; an extended plane.

The strings of a lute, viol, or virginals, give a far greater sound, by reason of the knot, board, and concave underneath, than if there were nothing but only the flat of a board to let in the upper air into the lower.

Because the air receiveth great tincture from the earth, expose flesh or fish, both upon a stake of wood some height above the earth, and upon the flat of the earth.

It comes near an artificial miracle to make divers distinct eminences appear a flat by force of shadows, and yet the shadows themselves not Wotton, Architecture.

to appear. He has cut the side of the rock into a flat for a garden; and by laying on it the waste earth, that he has found in several of the neig' bouring parts, furnished out a kind of luxury for a bermit. Addison on Italy.

2. Even ground; not mountainous. Now pile your dust upon the quick and dead, Till of this flat a mountain you have made, To o'ertop old Pelion, or the skyish head Shakspeare, Hamlet. Of blue Olympus. The way is ready and not long,

Beyond a row of myrtles, on a flat, Milton, P. L. Fast by a mountain.

3. A smooth low ground exposed to inundations.

The ocean, overpeering of his list, Eats not the flats with more impetuous haste, Than young Laertes, in a riotous head, Shakspeare, Hamlet. O'erbears your officers... All the infections, that the sun sucks up From bogs, fens, flats, on Prospero fall.

Shakspeare, Tempest. Half my pow'rs this night,
Passing these flats, are taken by the tide;
These Lincoln washes have devoured them.

Shakspeare, K. John.

4. Shallow; strand; place in the sea where the water is not deep enough for ships. I should not see the sandy hour-glass run, But I should think of shallows and of flats.

Shaksveare. The difficulty is very great to bring them in or out through so many flats and sands, if wind and weather be not very favourable. Ralegh, Ess.

Having newly left these grammatick flats and shallows, where they stuck unreasonably, they are now turmoiled with their unballasted wits in fathomless and unquiet deeps of controversy. Milton on Education.

Full in the prince's passage hills of sand, And dang'rous flats, in secret ambush lay, Where the false tides skim o'er the cover'd land.

And seamen with dissembled depths betray. Dryden.

Must we now have an ocean of mere flats and shallows, to the utter ruin of navigation? Bentley.

5. The broad side of a blade.

A darted mandate came From that great will which moves this mighty

frame, Bid me to thee, my royal charge, repair, To guard thee from the dæmons of the air; My flaming sword above 'em to display, All keen and ground upon the edge of day, The flat to sweep the visions from thy mind, The edge to cut 'em through that stay behind.

6. Depression of thought or language. Milton's Paradise Lost is admirable; but am I therefore bound to maintain, that there are no flats amongst his elevations, when 'tis evident he creeps along sometimes for above an hundred lines together? Dryden.

7. A surface without relief, or prominencies.

Are there then such ravishing charms in a dull unvaried flat, to make a sufficient compensation for the chief things of the ancient mountains, and for the precious things of the lasting hills.

Beniley, Serm. 8. [In musick.] A kind of additional or half note, contrived, together with sharps, to remedy the defects of musical instruments; which, taking the name of the natural note next above it, and having a distinctive mark, is called a flat. Thus D flat signifies a semitone below D natural.

To FLAT. v.a. [from the noun.]

1. To level; to depress; to make broad 5. Dejection of mind; want of life; want and smooth.

The ancients say, if you take two twigs of several fruit-trees, and flat them on the sides, and bind them close, and set them in the ground, they will come up in one stock.

With horrid shapes she does her sons expose, Distends their swelling lips, and flats their nose,

2. To make vapid.

An orange, femon, and apple, wrapt in a linen cloth, being buried for a fortnight four foot deep within the earth, though in a moist place and rainy time, were become a little harder than they were; otherwise fresh in their colour, but their Bacon, Nat. Hist. juice somewhat flatted.

3. To render unanimated or evanid.

Nor are constant forms of prayer more likely to flat and hinder the spirit of prayer and devo-tion, than unpremeditated and confused variety K. Charles to distract and lose it.

It mortifies the body, and flats the pleasure of the senses. Glanville, Serm. p. 279.

To FLAT. v. n. To grow flat: opposed to

I burnt it the second time, and observed the skin shrink, and the swelling to flat yet more Temple. than at first.

FLAT-BO'TTOMED.* adj. [flat and bottom.]

1. Having a flat bottom, applied to boats. We saw great vessels with masts and sails, flatbottomed, - keeping in sight of land. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 189.

2. [In fortification.] A moat which has no sloping, its corners being somewhat Chambers. rounded.

FLA'TIVE.* adj. [Lat. flatus.] Producing 4. To deject; to depress; to dispirit. wind: flatulent.

Eat not too many of those apples; they be very Brewer, Com. of Lingua, (1657.) FLA'TLONG. adv. [flat and long.] With

the flat downwards; not edgewise.

What a blow was there given? - An it had not fallen flatlong. Shaksp. Tempest.

FLA'TLY. adv. [from flat.] 1. Horizontally; without inclination.

2. Without prominence or elevation.

3. Without spirit; dully; frigidly.

4. Peremptorily; downright.

He in these wars had flatly refused his aid. Thereupon they flatly disavouch

To yield him more obedience, or support. Daniel. Unjust, thou say'st, Flatly unjust, to bind with laws the free.

Milton, P. L.

Not any interpreters allow it to be spoken of such as *flatly* deny the being of God; but of them that believing his existence, seclude him from directing the world.

Bentley.

FLA'TNESS. † n. s. [from flat.]

1. Evenness; level extension.

The flatness of the bottom [of the ark.]

Biblioth. Bibl. (Ov. 1720,) i. 234.

2. Want of relief or prominence.

It appears so very plain and uniform, that one would think the coiner looked on the flatness of a figure, as one of the greatest beauties in sculpture. Addison on Medals.

3. Deadness; insipidity; vapidness.

Deadness or flatness in cyder is often occasioned by the too free admission of air into the Mortimer, Husbandry. vessel.

4. Dejection of fortune.

The emperor of Russia was my father: Oh, that he were alive and here beholding His daughter's trial! that he did but see

The flatness of my misery. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

How fast does obscurity, flatness, and impertinency flow in upon our meditations? 'Tis a difficult task to talk to the purpose, and to put life and perspicuity into our discourses.

6. Dulness; insipidity; frigidity.

Some of Homer's translators have swelled into fustian, and others sunk into flatness.

Pope, Pref. to Homer. 7. The contrary to shrillness or acuteness of sound.

Take two saucers, and strike the edge of the one against the bottom of the other within a pail of water, and you shall find the sound groweth more flat, even while part of the saucer is above the water; but that flatness of sound is joined with Bacon, Nat. Hist. a harshness.

FLATNO'SED.* adj. [flat and nose.] Having a flat nose; camous. Huloet.

If she be flat-nosed, she is lovely!

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 526.
What vitious clerk would fear to dwell there, where all the crows are white, be they never so black; and where flatnosed people are the most comely? Bp. Morton, Discharge, &c. p. 226.

To FLA'TTEN. v. a. [flatir, French; from flat.

1. To make even or level, without prominence or elevation.

As if for that time their round bodies flatten'd Donne, Poems, p. 298. were.

2. To beat down to the ground.

If they should lie in it, and beat it down, or flatten it, it will rise again. Mortimer, Husbandry. 3. To make vapid.

To FLA'TTEN. v. n.

1. To grow even or level. 2. To grow dull and insipid.

Here joys that endure for ever, fresh and in vigour, are opposed to satisfactions that are attended with satiety and surfeits, and flatten in the very tasting. L'Estrange.

FLA'TTER. n. s. [from flat.] The workman or instrument by which bodies are flattened.

To FLA'TTER. + v. a. [flater, French; fladra, Iceland. to flatter, to fawn; flete, a woman who flatters; fletsen, Teut. to flatter, and also vleyden.]

1. To sooth with praises; to please with blandishments; to gratify with servile obsequiousness; to gain by false compliments.

When I tell him he hates flatterers,

He says he does; being then most flattered. Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs. His nature is too noble for the world;

He would not flatter Neptune for his trident, Or Jove for's power to thunder: his heart's his mouth;

What his breast forges that his tongue must vent. Shakspeare.

He that flattereth his neighbour, spreadeth a net for his feet. Prov. xxix.5. He flattereth himself in his own eyes, until his

iniquity be found hateful. Psalm xxxvi. 2. After this way of flattering their willing benefactors out of part, they contrived another of forc-

ing their unwilling neighbours out of all their possessions. Decay of Piety. Averse alike to flatter or offend.

I scorn to flatter you or any man.

Newton, Ded. to Milton's Works.

2. To praise falsely. Flatter'd crimes of a licentious age,

Provoke our censure. Young.

3. To please; to sooth. This sense is purely Gallick.

A consort of voices supporting themselves by their different parts make a harmony, pleasingly fills the ears and flatters them.

Dryden, Dufresnoy.

4. To raise false hopes.

Who always vacant, always amiable,

Hopes thee, of flattering gales Unmindful, Milton, Ode of Horace.

FLA'TTERER. n. s. [from flatter.] One who flatters; a fawner; a wheedler; one who

endeavours to gain favour by pleasing falsities.

When I tell him he hates flatterers,

He says he does; being then most flattered.

Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs. Some praises proceed merely of flattery; and if he be an ordinary flatterer, he will have certain common attributes, which may serve every man: if he be a cunning flatterer, he will follow the arch flatterer, which is a man's self. But if he be an impudent flatterer, look wherein a man is conscious to himself that he is most defective, and is most out of countenance in himself, that will the flatterer entitle him to perforce. Bacon, Ess. If we from wealth to poverty descend,

Want gives to know the flatt'rer from the friend.

After treating her like a goddess, the husband uses her like a woman: what is still worse, the most abject Aatterers degenerate into the great-Addison, Guardian. est tyrants.

The publick should know this; yet whoever goes about to inform them, shall be censured for a

FLA'TTERINGLY.* adv. [from flattering.] In an artfully obsequious manner.

Flatteringly to creep, to dissemble.

Bale on the Revel. P. 1. (1550,) sign. I. iii. b.
He flatteringly encouraged him in the opinion of his own merits. Sir T. Brown, Miscell. p. 169.

FLA'TTERY. n. s. [from flatter; flaterie, French.] False praise; artful obsequiousness; adulation.

Minds, by nature great, are conscious of their

greatness,

And hold it mean to borrow ought from flattery.

Simple pride for flatt'ry makes demands. Pope. See how they beg an alms of flattery!
They languish, O! support them with a lye.

FLA'TTISH. adj. [from flat.] Somewhat

flat; approaching to flatness. These are from three inches over to six or seven, and of a flattish shape. Woodward on Fossils.

FLA'TULENCY. n. s. [from flatulent.]

1. Windiness; fulness of wind; turgescence by wind confined.

Vegetable substances contain a great deal of air, which expands itself, producing all the disorders of flatulency.

2. Emptiness; vanity; levity; airiness. Whether most of them are not the genuine derivations of the hypothesis they claim to, may be determined by any that considers the natural fla-

tulency of that airy scheme of notions. Glanville. FLA'TULENT. adj. [flatulentus, flatus, Latin.

1. Turgid with air; windy.

Pease are mild and demulcent; but being full of aerial particles, are flatulent, when dissolved by Arbuthnot. Flatulent tumours are such as easily yield to the pressure of the finger; but readily return, by

their elasticity, to a tumid state again. 2. Empty; vain; big without substance or

reality; puffy.

To talk of knowledge, from those few indistinct representations which are made to our grosser faculties, is a flatulent vanity. Glanville, Scepsis. How many of these flatulent writers have sunk in their reputation, after seven or eight editions of their works.

FLATUO'SITY. n. s. [flatuosité, French; 1. Any thing loose and airy. from flatus, Latin.] Windiness; fullness of air.

The cause is flatuosity; for wind stirred, moveth to expel; and all purgers have in them a raw spirit or wind, which is the principal cause of tension in the stomach and belly.

FLA'TUOUS.† adj. [Fr. flatueux, from flatus, Latin.] Windy; full of wind.

Rhubarb in the stomach, in a small quantity, doth digest and overcome, being not flatuous nor loathsome; and so sendeth it to the mesentery veins, and, being opening, it helpeth down urine. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Her mother bath of late been much troubled (and I think as much in her fancy, which is the greater cure, as in her body,) with a pain in her side, which changeth place, and therefore is sure but a flatuous infirmity. Wotton, Rem. p. 462.

FLA'TUS. r. s. [Latin.]

1. Wind gathered in any cavities of the body, caused by indigestion and a gross internal perspiration; which is therefore discussed by warm aromaticks. Quincy. 2. A breath; a puff.

You make the soul, as being a mere flatus, to have a more precarious subsistence even than mere

matter itself.

FLA'TWISE. adj. [flat and wise: so it should be written, not flatways.] With the flat downwards; not the edge.

Its posture in the earth was flatwise, and parallel to the site of the stratum in which it was Woodward on Fossils.

To FLAUNT.† v. n. [Dr. Johnson offers no etymology. The word seems to be allied to the Icel. flana, to be carried away with precipitation, to run about with uncertainty. Ainsworth, however, deduces it from the Lat. lautus, fine, costly. The word is often written flant. 1. To make a fluttering show in apparel.

'Twas when young Eustace fought his battles in compliments and cringes, when his understanding waved in a flaunting feather, and his best contemplation looked no further than a newfashioned doublet. Beaum. and Fl. Elder Brother. With ivy canopied, and interwove

With flaunting boneysuckle. Milton, Comus. Here, attir'd beyond our purse, we go, For useless ornament and flaunting show We take on trust, in purple robes to shine, And poor, are yet ambitious to be fine.

Dryden, Juv. You sot, you loiter about alehouses, or flaunt about the streets in your new-gilt chariot, never minding me nor your numerous family.

Arbuthnot, Hist. of John Bull. 2. To face; to carry a pert or saucy ap-

The tropical rhetorician and the flanting orator, the jibing satyrist and scurrilous comedian.

Bp. Seth Ward's Apology for the Mysteries of

the Gospel, 1673, p. 15.

These courtiers of applause deny themselves things convenient to flaunt it out, being frequently vain enough to immolate their own desires to their

3. To be hung with something loose and flying. This seems not to be proper; the words flaunt and flutter might with more propriety have changed their places.

Fortune in men has some small difference made; One flaunts in rags, one flutters in brocade. Pope, Ess.

Dryden. FLAUNT. + n, s.

How would he look to see his work so noble, Wildly bound up, what would he say! or how, Should I in these my borrow'd flaunts behold The sternness of his presence ! Shaksp. Wint. Tale.

2. An ostentatious display; a brag. Dost thou come hither with thy flourishes, Thy flaunts, and faces, to abuse men's manners? Beaum.and Fl. False One

FLAVOUR. † n. s. [Dr. Johnson offers no etymology. It may be the French fair, a scent. The Welsh fflair is a stink.]

1. Power of pleasing the taste.

They have a certain flavour, at their first appearance, from several accidental circumstances, which they may lose, if not taken early.

Addison, Spect. 2. Sweetness to the smell; odour; frag-

Myrtle, orange, and he blushing rose,

With bending heaps, so nigh their bloom disclose, Each seems to smell the flavour which the other blows. Dryden.

FLA'vorous. adj. [from flavour.]

1. Delightful to the palate.

Sweet grapes degen'rate there, and fruits declin'd

From their first flav'rous taste, renounce their kind. Dryden.

2. Fragrant; odorous.

FLA'VOURED.* adj. [from flavour.] Having a fine taste.

Neptuuian Albion's high testaceous food, And flavour'd Chian wines.

FLA'vous.* adj. [Lat. flavous.] Yellow. The membrane itself is somewhat of a flavous colour, and tends more towards that of gold, than any other part whatsoever.

Smith, Portr. of Old Age, (1666,) p. 219.

FLAW.† n. s. Γφλάω, Gr. to break; rloh, Saxon, a fragment. So far Dr. Johnson. Mr. Horne Tooke observes, that flaw is the past participle of the Sax. rlean, to flay. But I may carry this etymology to a higher source. The Iceland, flagan is to divide, or break up as it were by the plow; and flag, is a part so separated or broken up. The Swedish flaga is a breach or flaw. And this may be deduced from flaa, to strip off the rind or skin. See To FLAY. The example from Shakspeare, under Dr. Johnson's first definition of this word, certainly signifies a small broken particle. Our word was formerly written also sometimes flaugh.]

1. A crack or breach in any thing.

This heart shall break into a thousand flaws, Or ere I weep. Shakspeare, K. Lear. Wool, new-shorn, being laid casually upon a vessel of verjuice, after some time had drunk up a great part of the verjuice, though the vessel were whole, without any flaw, and had not the Bacon, Nat. Hist.

We found it exceeding difficult to keep out the air from getting in at any imperceptible hole or

A flaw is in thy ill-bak'd vessel found: 'Tis hollow, and returns a jarring sound.

Dryden, Pers.

As if great Atlas, from his height, Should sink beneath his heavenly weight; And with a mighty flaw the flaming wall, as once

it shall, Should gape immense, and rushing down, o'erwhelm this nether ball. Dryden. Dryden.

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Whether the nymph shall break Diana's law, Or some frail China-jar receive a flaw. Pone.

He that would keep his house in repair, must attend every little breach or flaw, and supply it immediately, else time alone will bring all to ruin.

2. A fault; defect; something that weakens or invalidates.

Yet certain though it be, it hath flaws; for that the scriveners and brokers do value unsound men to serve their own turn. Bacon, Ess.

Traditions were a proof alone,

Could we be certain such they were, so known: But since some flaws in long descents may be, They make not truth, but probability. Dryden. And laid her dowry out in law,

To null her jointure with a flaw. Their judgement has found a flaw in what the

generality of mankind admires. So many flaws had this vow in its first conception. Atterbury.

3. A sudden gust; a violent blast. [from flo, Latin.] Obsolete.

Oh, that that earth, which kept the world in awe, Should patch a wall, t' expel the winter's flaw. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

What flaws and whirls of weather,

Or rather storms have been aloft these three days. Beaum. and Fl. The Pilgrim. One kind of these storms they call a flaw, or

flaugh, which is a mighty gale of wind passing suddenly to the shore, and working strong effects upon whatsoever it encounters in its way. Carew, Surv. of Cornwall.

As a huge fish, laid

Near to the cold weed-gathering shore, is with a north flaw fraid,

Shoots back; so, sent against the ground, Was foil'd Urialus. Chapman, Iliad. Expect rough seas, flaws, and contrary blasts.

Brown, Chr. Mor. i. 1. Bursting their brazen dungeon, arm'd with ice,

And snow, and hail, and stormy gust, and flaw, Boreas, and Cæcias, and Argestes loud, And Thrascias rend the woods, and seas upturn. Milton, P. L.

I heard the rack, As earth and sky would mingle; but myself Was distant; and these flaws, though mortals fear

them. As dangerous to the pillar'd frame of heav'n, Or to the earth's dark basis underneath, Are to the main inconsiderable.

4. A tumult; a tempestuous uproar. And this fell tempest shall not cease to rage, Until the golden circuit on my head Do calm the fury of this madbrain'd flaw.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. The fort's revolted to the emperor, The gates are open'd, the portcullis drawn, And deluges of armies from the town Came pouring in: I heard the mighty flaw
When first it broke, the crowding ensigns saw, Which choak'd the passage. Dryden, Aurengzebe.

5. A sudden commotion of mind. Oh these flaws and starts,

Impostors to true fear, would become A woman's story at a winter's fire. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

To FLAW. v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To break; to crack; to damage with fissure.

But his flaw'd heart, Alack, too weak the conflict to support, 'Twixt two extremes of passion, joy and grief, Burst smilingly.

arst smilingly. Shakspeare, K. Lear.
The cup was flawed with such a multitude of little cracks, that it looks like a white, not like a cystalline cup. Boyle.

The brazen cauldrons with the frosts are flaw'd, The garment stiff with ice, at hearths is thaw'd. Dryden. 2. To break; to violate. Out of use.

France hath flaw'd the league, and hath attach'd Our merchants' goods. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. FLA'WLESS. adj. [from flaw.] Without cracks: without defects.

A star of the first magnitude, which the more high, more vast, and more flawless shines only bright enough to make itself conspicuous.

Boyle on Colours. FLAWN. † n. s. [plena, Saxon; flan, French; fladen, German.] A custard; a sort of pudding or pie baked in a dish; a cheesecake.

Fill oven full of flawns, Ginny pass not for sleep, To-morrow thy father his wake-day will keep.

As flat as a flawn. Ray, Prov. To FLA'WTER. v. a. To scrape or pare a Ainsworth.

FLA'wy. adj. [from flaw.] Full of flaws. FLAX. n. s. [fleax, flex, Saxon; vlas,

1. The fibrous plant of which the finest

thread is made. 2. The fibres of flax cleansed and combed for the spinner.

I'll fetch some flax and whites of eggs, T'apply to's bleeding face. Shakspeare, K. Lear. Then on the rock a scanty measure place

Of vital flax, and turn'd the wheel apace, And turning sung. FLA'XCOMB. n. s. [flax and comb.]

instrument with which the fibres of flax are cleansed from the brittle parts.

FLA'XEN. † adj. [Saxon, pleaxen.]

1. Made of flax.

The matron at her nightly task, With pensive labour draws the flaxen thread.

Thomson, Winter. The best materials for making ligatures are the flaxen thread that shoemakers use, Sharp, Surgery 2. Fair, long, and flowing, as if made of

I bought a fine flaxen long wig. Addison. FLA'XWEED. n. s. A plant.

FLA'XY.* adj. [from flax.] Of a light colour; fair.

The four colours - signify these four virtues. The flaxy, having whiteness appertains to temperance, because it makes "candidam et mundam animam." Sir M. Sandys, Ess. (1634,) p.16.

To FLAY. † v. a. [flaa, Icelandick; flae, Danish; vlaen, Dutch; rlean, Saxon. And our own word was formerly written flea and flean. Some etymologists derive flay from the Greek, φλοίζω, φλοίω, to strip off the bark.

1. To strip off the skin.

I must have been eaten with wild beasts, or have fallen into the hands of the Spaniards, and been flayed alive.

While the old Levitical hierarchy continued, it was part of the ministerial office to flay the sacri-

Then give command the sacrifice to haste: Let the flay'd victims in the plains be cast; And sacred vows, and mystick song, apply'd To grisly Pluto and his gloomy bride.

Pope, Odyssey. To take off the skin or surface of any

They flay their skin from off them, break their bones, and chop them in pieces. Mic. iii. 3. Neither should that odious custom be allowed of cutting scraws, which is flaying off the green surface of the ground, to cover their cabins.

FLA'YER. n. s. [from flay.] He that strips off the skin of any thing.

FLEA. n. s. [rlea, Saxon; vloye, Dutch: fleach, Scottish.] A small red insect remarkable for its agility in leaping, which sucks the blood of larger animals. While wormwood hath seed, get a handfull or

To save against March, to make flea to refrain; Where chamber is sweeped, and wormwood is

No flea for his life dare abide to be known. Tusser. A valiant flea that dares eat his breakfast on the Shakspeare, Hen. V.

Fleas breed principally of straw or mats, where there hath been a little moisture. Bacon, N. Hist. To FLEA. v. a. [from the noun.] To

clean from fleas. FLE'ABANE. [n. s. flea and bane.] A plant.

It hath undivided leaves, which, for the most part are glutinous, and have a strong scent: the cup of the flower is for the most part scaly, and of a cylindrical form; the flower is composed of many florets, which are succeeded by seeds with a downy substance adhering to them. Miller.

FLE'ABITE. FLE ABITE. 7 [flea and bite.]

1. Red marks caused by fleas.

The attendance of a cancer is commonly a breaking out all over the body, like a fleabiting.
Wiseman, Surgery.

FLA'XDRESSER. n. s. [flax and dress.] He that prepares flax for the spinner. 2. A small hurt or pain like that caused by the sting of a flea.

That which is but a fleabiting to one causeth insufferable torment to another.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 13. What fleabitings were these in comparison of those inward torments ! Bp. Hall, Contempl. B. 4. A gout, a cholick, a cutting off an arm or leg, or searing the flesh, are but fleabites to the pains of

Harvey. The same expence that breaks one man's back, is not a fleabiting to another. L'Estrange.

FLE'ABITTEN. † adj. [flea and bite.]

1. Stung by fleas. Itching, as if they were fleabitten, or stung with pismires. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 208.

2. Mean; worthless. Fleabitten synod, an assembly brew'd

Of clerks and elders ana, like the rude Chaos of presbyt'ry, where laymen guide, With the tame woolpack clergy by their side.

FLEAK. † n. s. [from floccus, Latin. See FLAKE.]

1. A small lock, thread, or twist.

The businesses of men depend upon these little long fleaks or threads of hemp and flax.

More, Ant. against Atheism. 2. [Icel. fleke.] An old word for a grate, hurdle, or any thing made of parts laid transverse. It is a word, according to Pegge, yet used in Yorkshire, meaning a rack for bacon.

FLEAM. n. s. [corrupted from φλεβότομον, the instrument used in phlebotomy.] An instrument used to bleed cattle, which is placed on the vein, and then driven by a blow.

FLE'AWORT. † n. s. [Saxon, pleapypt.] A plant: Miller.

To FLECK. v. a. [fleck, German, a spot, Skinner: perhaps it is derived from fleak, or fleke, an old word for a grate,

hurdle, or any thing made of parts laid transverse, from the Icelandick fleke. Such is Dr. Johnson's opinion of the etymon. But Skinner is right. The Su. Goth. fleck, is a spot; and the Danish flek, the same. The Iceland. flecka, is a spotted sheep, and a flecked cow is no uncommon phrase in Scotland.] To spot; to streak; to stripe; to dapple; to variegate.

The grey-ey'd morn smiles on the frowning

night, Check'ring the eastern clouds with streaks of light; And darkness, flecked, like a drunkard, reels From forth day's path, and Titan's burning wheels.

Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul. Let it not see the dawning fleck the skies, Nor the grey morning from the ocean rise. Sandys. Fleck'd in her face, and with disorder'd hair, Her garments ruffled, and her bosom bare.

Congreve, Juv. Both fleck'd with white, the true Arcadian stain.

To Fle'cker. † v. a. To spot; to mark with strokes or touches of different colours; to mark with red whelks. This is Dr. Johnson's definition, which he illustrates by the example from Shakspeare's Romeo and Juliet, where the true word is flecked. It is probable that we have flecker in our old language. The Danes have the same verb flekker, to stain, to spot.

FLE'CTION.* n. s. [Latin, flectio.] The act or power of bending or turning.

See FLEXION.

The one gives flection and extension with rength. Smith, Portr. of Old Age, p.60. FLE'CTOR.* n. s. [from flecto, Lat.] A name given to the muscles, more frequently called flexors. See FLEXOR.

Their origination may be either from the back, inwardly, as the chief flector, the psoas, &c.

Smith, Port. of Old Age, p.65. FLED. The preterite and participle, not properly of fly, to use the wings, but of flee, to run away.

Truth is fled far away, and leasing is hard at 2 Esdr. xiv. 18.

In vain for life he to the altar fled; Ambition and revenge have certain speed. Prior.

FLEDGE.† adj. [flederen, to fly, Dutch; from the Su. Goth. flyga.] Full feathered; able to fly; qualified to leave the nest.

We did find

The shells of fledge souls left behind. Herbert.

A stripling divine or two of those newly fledge probationers Milton, Colasterion. His locks behind,

Illustrious on his shoulders. fledge with wings, Milton, P. L. Lay waving round.

To FLEDGE. v. a. [from the adjective.] To furnish with wings; to supply with feathers.

The birds were not as yet fledged enough to shift for themselves. L'Estrange, Fables.

The speedy growth of birds that are hatched in nests, and fed by the old ones till they be fledged, and come almost to full bigness in about a fortnight, seems to me an argument of providence. Ray on the Creation.

The sandals of celestial mould, Fledg'd with ambrosial plumes, and rich with gold, Surround her feet. Pope, Odyssey. To Flee. v. n. pret. fled. [This word is now almost universally written fly, though properly to fly, pleozan, flew, is to move with wings, and flee, plean, They are now conto run away. founded. The distinction, however, ought to be observed. Our translation of the Bible, as Lowth has noticed, is not quite free from the confusion. It has flee, for to move with wings, in perhaps seven or eight places out of a great number; but never fly for to run away.] To run from danger; to have recourse to shelter.

Behold this city is near to flee unto.

Genesis, xix. 20. Macduff is fled to England. Shakspeare. Were men so dull they could not see

That Lyce painted; should they flee Like simple birds, into a net,

So grossly woven and ill set? None of us fall into those circumstances of danger, want, or pain, that can have hopes of relief but from God alone; none in all the world to flee to but him.

FLEECE. † n. s. [plyr, plere, Saxon; vleese, Dutch; from the Latin, vellus, which is derived by some from vello, to pluck; wool, it is said, being pulled from the animal, before shearing was adopted; by others, from velare, to clothe, the fleece being the sheep's clothing.] As much wool as is shorn from one sheep.

Giving account of the annual increa Both of their lambs, and of their woolly fleece. Spenser, Hubb. Tale.

So many days my ewes have been with young, So many months ere I shall sheer the fleech Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

I am shepherd to another man, And do not sheer the fleeces that I graze.

Shakspeare, As you like it. Sailors have used every night to hang fleeces of wool on the sides of their ships towards the water; and they have crushed fresh water out of them in Bacon, Nat. Hist. the morning.

The sheep will prove much to the advantage of the woollen manufacture, by the fineness of the

To FLEECE. v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To clip the fleece off a sheep.

2. To strip; to pull; to plunder, as a sheep is robbed of his wool.

Courts of justice have a small pension, so that they are tempted to take bribes, and to fleece the Addison.

3. To whiten; to spread over as with

Mean time, light shadowing all, a søber calm, Thomson, Autumn. Fleeces unbounded ether.

FLE'ECED. adj. [from fleece.] Having fleeces of wool.

As when two rams, stirr'd with ambitious pride, Fight for the rule of the rich fleeced flock, Their horned fronts so fierce on either side

Do meet, that with the terror of the shock Astonied both stand senseless as a block. Spenser, F. Q.

FLE'ECER.* n. s. [from fleece.] One who strips or plunders.

Not fleecers but feeders; not butchers, but shep-

Huntley, (i. e. Prynne,) Breviate of the Prel. (1637,) p. 262. FLE'ECY. † adj. [from fleece.]

1. Woolly; covered with wool.

Not all the fleecy wealth That doth enrich these downs, is worth a thought Milton, Comus. To this my errand.

From eastern point Of Libra, to the fleecy star, that bears

Andromeda far off Atlantick seas. Milton, P. L. Let her glad valleys smile with wavy corn; Let fleecy flocks her rising hills adorn.

The good shepherd tends his fleecy care, Seeks freshest pasture, and the purest air; Explores the lost, the wand'ring sheep directs.

2. Of a light colour ; pale. The moon

Peeps through the chambers of the fleecy east, Enlighten'd by degrees. Thomson, Spring.

3. Having the appearance of fleeces of Thick clouds ascend, in whose capacious womb

A vapoury deluge lies, to snow congeal'd; Heavy they roll their fleecy world along. Thomson, Winter.

To FLEER. † v. n. [rleapzian, to trifle, Saxon; fleardan, Scottish. Skinner thinks it formed from leer. So far Dr. Johnson. It may be rather from the Iceland, flyra, to laugh, to grin. Flyring is still our own word, in the north of England, for sneering or grinning.]

To mock; to gibe; to jest with insolence and contempt.

You speak to Casca, and to such a man That is no fleering tell-tale. Shakspeare, Jul. Cas. Dares the slave

Come hither, cover'd with an antick face, To fleer and scorn at our solemnity!

Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul. Do I, like the female tribe,

Think it well to fleer and gibe? 2. To leer; to grin with an air of civility. How popular and courteous; how they grin and fleer upon every man they meet!

Burton on Melancholy. With their court dog-tricks, that can fawn and fleer,

Make their revenue out of legs and faces, Echo my lord, and lick away a moth.

B. Jonson, Fox. To FLEER.* v. a. To mack; to flout.

I was fain to drive him like a sheep before me; I blush to think how people fleer'd and scorn'd me. Beaum. and Fl. Span. Curate.

FLEER. n. s. [from the verb.] 1. Mockery expressed either in words or

looks. Encave yourself,

And mark the fleers, the gibes, and notable scorns, That dwell in every region of his face. Shakspeare, Othello.

2. A deceitful grin of civility.

He shall generally spy such false lines, and such a sly treacherous fleer upon the face of deceivers, that he shall be sure to have a cast of their eye to warn him, before they give him a cast of their nature to betray him.

FLE'ERER. † n. s. [from fleer.] A mocker; Dict. a fawner.

Democritus, thou ancient fleerer. Beaum. and Fl. Nice Valour.

FLEET. FLEOT. FLOT. Are all derived from the Saxon pleot, which signifies a Gibson's Camden. bay or gulph.

FLEET. n. s. [plota, Saxon, from pleotan, to float, to swim on the waves; plee, a ship. The old French language also has flete for a boat; which Roquefort deduces from the Greek πλέω, to navigate.] A company of ships; a navy.

Our pray'rs are heard; our master's fleet shall go As far as winds can bear, or waters flow. Prior.

FLEET. n. s. [rleot, Saxon, an estuary, or arm of the sea.] A creek; an inlet of the Fleet-prison and Fleet-street are

They have a very good way in Essex of draining of lands that have land-floods or fleets running through them, which make a kind of a small creek. Mortimer, Husbandry.

FLEET. † adj. [fliotr, Icelandick, from flyta, to hasten, to move quickly.]

1. Swift of pace; quick; nimble; active.
Upon that shore he spied Atin stand; There by his master left, when late he far'd Spenser, F. Q. In Phædria's fleet bark. I take him for the better dog:

Thou art a fool: if Echo were as fleet, I would esteem him worth a dozen such. Shaks. He had in his stables one of the fleetest horses in

His fear was greater than his haste; For fear, though fleeter than the wind, Believes 'tis always left behind.

Hudibras. So flerce they drove, their coursers were so fleet, That the turf trembled underneath their feet. Dryd. He told us, that the welkin would be clear

When swallows fleet soar high and sport in air. Gay. 2. [In the husbandry of some provinces.]

Light; superficially fruitful. Marl cope-ground is a cold, stiff, wet clay, unless where it is very fleet for pasture. Mortimer.

3. Skimming the surface. Cant word. Those lands must be plowed fleet.

Mortimer, Husbandry. 4. Shallow; as a fleet pan or vessel, fleet water. [Saxon, rlebing, fluxus.] Brockett's N. C. Words.

To FLEET. + v. n. pleocan, Saxon; fliota, Icel. flyta, Su. Goth.]

1. To fly swiftly; to vanish.

How all the other passions fleet to air, As doubtful thoughts, and rash embrac'd despair!

A wolf, who, hang'd for human slaughter, Ev'n from the gallows did his fell soul fleet. Shaks.

2. To be in a transient state; the same with flit, Dr. Johnson says. It is rather the same with float, to skim along. Fleet is our old verb for float. See the next definition, overpassed by Dr. Johnson.

Our understanding, to make a complete notion, must add something else to this fleeting and unremarkable superficies, that may bring it to our ac-Digby on Bodies. quaintance.

O fleeting joys
Of Paradise, dear-bought with lasting woes! Milton, P. L.

While I listen to thy voice, Chloris! I feel my life decay: That powerful noise

Calls my fleeting soul away. Waller. As empty clouds by rising winds are tost, Their fleeting forms scarce sooner found than lost.

3. "To fleet about the water;" to float.

Who swelling sails in Caspian sea doth cross, And in frail wood on Adrian gulf doth fleet. Spenser, F. Q. ii. vii. 14. Our sever'd navy too

Have knit again, and fleet. Shaks. Ant. & Cleon.

To FLEET. 7 v. a.

1. To skim the water. Dr. Johnson here cites, from Spenser, the example which I have placed under the third definition of the verb neuter; where, in order to make the verb active, he unjustifiably reads "an Adrian gulf," and destroys entirely the sense of the poet.

Many young gentlemen flock to him every day, and fleet the time carelessly as they did in the golden age.

3. [In the country.] To skim milk; to take off the cream: whence the word fleeting dish. Dr. Johnson takes no further notice of this expression; which, however, is very old. "Flet of mylke, or other lyke, despumatio." Prompt. Parv. plet, Sax. flos lactis. Lye.

He fleeted off the cream of the king's manors. Sir A. Weldon, Court of K. James, p. 51. FLE'ETFOOT.* adj. [fleet and foot.] Swift

of foot.

Like a wild bird, being tam'd with too much handling,

Or as the fleetfoot roe that's tir'd with chasing. Shakspeare, Ven. and Adon.

FLE'ETINGDISH. n. s. [from fleet and dish.] A skimming bowl.

Swiftly; FLE'ETLY. adv. [from fleet.] nimbly; with swift pace.

FLE'ETNESS. † n. s. [from fleet.] Swiftness of course; nimbleness; celerity; velocity; speed; quickness.

Lord Chesterfield. The fleetness of time.

FLEGM.* See PHLEGM.

Fle'ming.* n. s. [Sax. plyming, plyma, a wanderer, an exile; whence, according to Laurence Noel, the Flemings are named; by reason that their country, being wild and strong, was a fit receptacle for outlaws; and so was first inhabited. But this may be doubted. Inundation might occasion them to be wanderers or exiles. A native or inhabitant of the Low Countries.

I will rather trust a Fleming with my butter, parson Hugh the Welchman with my cheese, an Irishman with my aquavitæ bottle, or a thief to walk my ambling gelding, than my wife with herself. Shakspeare, Merr. W. of Windsor.

FLE'MISH.* adj. Relating to the character or history of the Flemings.

What an unweighed behaviour hath this Flemish drunkard picked out of my conversation.

Shakspeare, Merr. W. of Windsor. FLESH.† n. s. [plærc, plerc, Saxon, flesk, Icel. fleisch, German, vleesch, Dut. leik, M. Goth. lik, Su. Goth. V. Wachter, Gloss.]

1. The body distinguished from the soul. As if this flesh, which walls about our life, Were brass impregnable. Shakspeare, Rich. II. A disease that's in my flesh,

Which I must needs call mine. Shaksp. K. Lear.
And thou, my soul, which turn'st with curious

To view the beams of thine own form divine, Know, that thou canst know nothing perfectly, While thou art clouded with this flesh of mine.

2. The muscles distinguished from the

skin, bones, tendons. A spirit hath not flesh and bones.

St. Luke, xxiv. 39. 3. Animal food distinguished from vegetable.

Flesh should be forborne as long as he is in coats, or at least till he is two or three years old.

Flesh, without being qualified with acids, is too alkalescent a diet. Arbuthnot on Aliments. Acidity in the infant may be cured by a flesh diet in the nurse. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

water. A provincial word, from which | 2. To live merrily, or pass time away | 4. The body of beasts or birds used in food, distinct from fishes.

There is another indictment upon thee, for suffering flesh to be eaten in thy house, contrary to Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

We mortify ourselves with fish; and think we fare coarsely, if we abstain from the flesh of other

5. Animal nature.

The end of all flesh is come before me. Gen. vi. 13.

6. Carnality; corporal appetites. Name not religion; for thou lov'st the flesh.

Shaksveare. Fasting serves to mortify the flesh, and subdue the lusts thereof. Smalridge, Serm.

7. A carnal state; worldly disposition; in theology.

They that are in the flesh cannot please God.

The flesh lusteth against the spirit, and the spirit against the flesh. Gal. v. 16.

8. Near relation: a scriptural use. Let not our hand be upon him; for he is our

Genesis, xxxvii. 27. When thou seest the naked, cover him; and hide not thyself from thine own flesh. Is. lviii. 7.

9. The outward or literal sense. The orientals termed the immediate or literal signification of any precept or type the flesh, and the remote or typical meaning the spirit. This is frequent in St.

Ye judge after the flesh. St. John, viii. 15.

To FLESH. † v. a.

1. To initiate: from the sportsman's practice of feeding his hawks and dogs with the first game that they take, or training them to pursuit by giving them the flesh of animals.

Full bravely hast thou flesh'd Thy maiden sword. hy maiden sword. Shakspeare, K. Hen. IV. Every puny swordsman will think him a good tame quarry to enter and flesh himself upon.

Gov. of the Tongue.

2. To harden: to establish in any practice, as dogs by often feeding on any thing.

These princes finding them so fleshed in cruelty as not to be reclaimed, secretly undertook the matter alone.

The women ran all away, saving only one, who was so fleshed in malice, that neither during nor after the fight she gave any truce to her cruelty.

His whole troops Exceed not twenty thousand, but old soldiers Flesh'd in the spoils of Germany and France.

Beaum. and Fl. False One.

A flesh'd ruffian, That hath so often taken the strappado, That 'tis to him but as a lofty trick

Is to a tumbler. Beaum. & Fl. Cust. of the Count. He that is most fleshed in sin, commits it not without some remorse. Hales, Rem. p. 165.

3. To glut; to satiate.

Harry from curb'd licence plucks The muzzle of restraint; and the wild dog Shall flesh his tooth on every innocent.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

He hath perverted a young gentlewoman, and this night he fleshes his will in the spoil of her honour. Shakspeare. The kindred of him hath been flesh'd upon us;

And he is bred out of that bloody strain, That hunted us in our familiar paths.

Shakspeare, Hen. V.
The tyrant Ottoman spreads his victorious arms, and is fleshed in triumphs.

Glanville, Serm. p. 276.

FLE'SHBROTH. n. s. [fiesh and broth.] | FLE'SHLY. + adj. [Sax. pleyche.] Broth made by decocting flesh.

Her leg being emaciated, I advised bathing it with fleshbroth, wherein had been decocted emollient herbs.

FLE'SHBRUSH.* n. s. [flesh and brush.]

A brush to rub the flesh with.

The fleshbrush is an exercise extremely useful for promoting a full and free perspiration and Cheyne.

FLE'SHCOLOUR. n. s. [flesh and colour.]

The colour of flesh.

A complication of ideas together makes up the single complex idea, which he calls man, whereof white or fleshcolour in England is one.

A loose earth of a pale fleshcolour, that is, white with a blush of red, is found in a mountain in Cumberland. Woodward.

FLE'SHDIET.* n. s. [flesh and diet.] Food consisting of flesh.

An original grant to mankind of a liberty of a Coventry, Phil. to Hyd. Conv. 5.

FLE'SHED.* adj. [from flesh.] Fat; having abundance of flesh. Venison ---

Very well fleshed, and excellent fat.

Old Song, The King and Miller of Mansfield. FLE'SHFLY. n. s. [flesh and fly.] A fly that feeds upon flesh, and deposits her eggs in it.

I would no more endure This wooden slavery, than I would suffer

The fleshfly blow my mouth. Shakspeare, Tempest. It is a wonderful thing in fleshflies, that a flymaggot in five days' space after it is hatched, arrives at its full growth and perfect magnitude. Ray on the Creation.

FLE'SHFUL.* adj. [flesh and full.] Plump; fat. Latin, carnosus. Huloet.

FLE'SHHOOK. n. s. [flesh and hook.] A hook to draw flesh from the caldron. All that the fleshhook brought up the priest took.

FLE'SHINESS.* n. s. [from fleshy.] Plump-

ness; fulness, fatness. A diet puffing up the soul with a slimy flesh-

iness. Milton, Reason of Ch. Gov. B. 2. A fair and juicy fleshiness of body.

Milton, Anim. Rem. Defence. With their round fleshiness, they [the breasts] protect and preserve the heart from outward Austin's Hæc Homo, p. 123.

FLE'SHLESS. † adj. [from flesh.] Without flesh.

Whose wither'd skins, more dry than sapless wood,

Cleave to their fleshless bones. Sandys, Jerem. p. 8. When fleshless cadavers abate not the exorbitances of the flesh. Brown, Chr. Mor. iii. 10.

FLE'SHLINESS. † n. s. [Sax. rlerchcnerre.] 1. Abundance of flesh, called carnosity.

2. Carnal passions or appetites.

When strong passions or weak fleshliness Would from the right way seek to draw him wide, He would, through temperance and steadfastness, Teach him the weak to strengthen, and the strong suppress. Spenser, F. Q.

Corrupt manners in living, breed false judgement in doctrine: sin and fleshliness bring forth sects and heresies. Ascham.

FLE'SHLING.* [from flesh.] Like worlding from world.] A mortal set wholly

upon the carnal state. Obsolete.

Their entente was to set forthe the justice of God, which is to rewarde the spirituall, his electe, with the blessynges promised; and the fleshlynges, the reprobate, with the plagues thretned.

Confut. of N. Shaxton, (1546,) sign. I. 5.

1. Corporeal.

Nothing resembles death so much as sleep; Yet then our minds themselves from slumber keep, When from their fleshly bondage they are free. Denham.

2. Carnal; lascivious.

Belial, the dissolutest spirit that fell, The sensualest; and, after Asmodai, Milton, P. R. The fleshliest incubus.

3. Animal; not vegetable.

'Tis then for nought that mother earth provides The stores of all she shows, and all she hides, If men with fleshly morsels must be fed,

And chaw with bloody teeth the breathing bread. Dryden. Human; not celestial; not spiritual.

Else, never could the force of fleshly arm Ne molten metal in his flesh embrue.

Spenser, F. Q. Th' eternal Lord in fleshly shrine Enwombed was, from wretched Adam's line, To purge away the guilt of sinful crime.

Spenser, F. Q. To set forth the praises of the idols, and to magnify a fleshly king. Esther, xiv. 10 Much ostentation vain of fleshly arm And fragile arms, much instrument of war

Milton, P. R. Before mine eyes thou hast set. 5. Fat; full of flesh. Huloet.

FLE'SHMEAT. + n. s. [Sax. pleromet.] Animal food; the flesh of animals prepared for food.

The most convenient diet is that of fleshmeats.

In this prodigious plenty of cattle and dearth of human creatures, fleshmeat is monstrously dear.

FLE'SHMENT. n. s. [from flesh.] Eagerness gained by a successful initiation. [He] got praises of the king,

For him attempting who was self-subdued; And in the fleshment of this dread exploit, Drew on me here. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

FLE'SHMONGER. † n.s. [Sax. plercmangene.] One who deals in flesh; a pimp.

Was the duke a fleshmonger, a fool, and a coward, as you then reported him?

Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas. FLE'SHPOT. n. s. [flesh and pot.] A vessel in which flesh is cooked; thence plenty of flesh.

If he take away the fleshpots, he can also alter the appetite. Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy.

FLE'SHQUAKE. n. s. [flesh and quake.] A tremour of the body; a word formed by Ben Jonson in imitation of earthquake.

They may, blood-shaken then, Feel such a fleshquake to possess their powers,

As they shall cry like ours: In sound of peace or wars,

No harp e'er hit the stars. B. Jonson, New Inn.

FLE'SHY. † adj. [from flesh.]

1. Plump; full of flesh; fat; musculous.

All Ethiopes are fleshy and plump, and have great lips; all which betoken moisture retained, and not drawn out.

We say it is a fleshy stile when there is much periphrasis and circuit of words, and when with more than enough it grows fat and corpulent. B. Jonson, Discoveries.

The sole of his foot is flat and broad, being very fleshy, and covered only with a thick skin; but very fit to travel in sandy places.

2. Pulpous; plump: with regard to fruits. Those fruits that are so fleshy, as they cannot make drink by expression, yet may make drink by mixture of water, Bacon.

3. Corporeal.

Neither could they make to themselves fleshy hearts for stony. Ecclus. xvii. 16. He, sovran priest, -

Poor fleshy tabernacle entered.

Milton, Ode on the Passion. FLET. participle passive of To fleet. Skimmed; deprived of the cream.

They drink flet milk, which they just warm. Mortimer.

To FLETCH.* v. a. [Fr. flêche, an arrow.] To feather an arrow.

He dips his curses in the gall of irony; and, that they may strike the deeper, fletches them with a profane classical parody.

Warburton, Doct. of Grace, p. 195. FLE'TCHER. † n. s. [old Fr. flecher, a bowyer; from fleche; low Lat. flecherius.]

A manufacturer of bows and arrows. It is commended by our fletchers for bows, next Mortimer, Husbandry.

FLEUR de Lis.* See FLOWER de Luce. FLEW. The preterite of fly, not of flee.

The people flew upon the spoil. 1 Sam. xiv. 32. O'er the world of waters Hermes flew, Till now the distant island rose in view.

Pope, Odyss. FLEW. n. s. The large chaps of a deepmouthed hound. Hanmer.

FLE'WED. adj. [from flew.] Chapped; mouthed.

My hounds are bred out of the Spartan kind, So flew'd, so sanded, and their heads are hung With ears that sweep away the morning dew.

Shakspeare. FLEXA'NIMOUS. adj. [flexanimus, Latin.] Having power to change the disposition

of the mind. That flexanimous and golden-tongued orator.

Howell. FLEXIBI'LITY. n. s. [flexibilité, Fr. from flexible.]

1. The quality of admitting to be bent; pliancy.

Do not the rays which differ in refrangibility differ also in flexibility? And are they not, by their different inflexions, separated from one another, so as after separation to make the colours? Newton, Opticks.

Corpuscles of the same set agree in every thing; but those that are of diverse kinds differ in specifick gravity, in hardness, and in flexibility, as in Woodward. bigness and figure.

2. Easiness to be persuaded; ductility of mind; compliance; facility. Resolve rather to err by too much flexibility

than too much perverseness, by meekness than by Hammond.

FLE'XIBLE. adj. [flexibilis, Lat. flexible,

1. Possible to be bent; not brittle; easy to be bent; pliant; not stiff.

When splitting winds

Make flexible the knees of knotted oaks.

Take a stock-gillyflower, tie it upon a stick, put them both into a glass full of quicksilver, so that the flower be covered: after four or five days you shall find the flower fresh, and the stalk harder and less flexible than it was.

2. Not rigid; not inexorable; complying; obsequious.

Phocyon was a man of great severity, and no ways flexible to the will of the people. Bacon. 3. Ductile; manageable.

Under whose care soever a child is put to be taught, during the tender and flexible years of his life, it should be one who thinks Latin and language the least part of education.

4. That may be accommodated to various forms and purposes.

This was a principle more flexible to their pur-

FLE'XIBLENESS. n. s. [from flexible.]

1. Possibility to be bent; not brittleness; easiness to be bent; not stiffness; pliantness; pliancy.

I will rather choose to wear a crown of thorns, than to exchange that of gold for one of lead, whose embased flexibleness shall be forced to bend.

King Charles. Keep those slender aerial bodies separated and stretched out, which otherwise, by reason of their flexibleness and weight, would flag or curl.

Boyle, Spring of the Air.

2. Facility; obsequiousness; compliance.

3. Ductility; manageableness.

The flexibleness of the former part of a man's age, not yet grown up to be headstrong, makes it more governable.

FLE'XILE. adj. [flexilis, Lat.] Pliant; easily bent; obsequious to any power 2. To fluctuate; to move with uncertain or impulse.

Every flexile wave Obeys the blast; the aerial tumult swells. Thomson, Summer.

FLE'XION. † n. s. [flexio, Lat.]

1. The act of bending.

To sit doth not [here] signify any peculiar inclination or flexion, any determinate location or position of the body, but to be in heaven with permanence of habitation.

Pearson on the Creed, Art. 6.

2. A double; a bending; part bent; joint. Of a sinuous pipe that may have some four flexions, trial would be made. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

3. A turn towards any part or quarter. Pity causeth sometimes tears, and a flexion or

cast of the eye aside. Bacon, Nat. Hist. FLE'XOR. n. s. [Latin.] The general name of the muscles which act in contracting the joints.

Flatterers, who have the flexor muscles so strong that they are always bowing and cringing, might in some measure be corrected by being tied down upon a tree by the back. Arbuthnot.

Fle'xuous. adj. [flexuosus, Lat.]

1. Winding; full of turns and meanders; tortuous.

In regard of the soul, the numerous and crooked narrow cranies, and the restrained flexuous rivulets of corporeal things, are all contemptible.

Digby on the Soul. 2. Bending; not strait; variable; not steady.

The trembling of a candle discovers a wind, that otherwise we do not feel; and the flexuous burning of flames doth shew the air beginneth to be unquiet. Bacon, Nat. Hist. FLE'XURE. n. s. [flexura, Lat.]

1. The form or direction in which any

thing is bent.

Contrary is the flexure of the joints of our arms and legs to that of quadrupeds: our knees bend forward, whereas the same joint of their hind legs bends backward.

2. The act of bending.

The elephant hath joints, but none for courtesy; His legs are for necessity, not flexure. Shakspeare, Troil. and Cress.

3. The part bent; the joint.

His mighty strength lies in his able loins, And where the flexure of his navel joins. Sandys.

4. Obsequious or servile cringe.

Think'st thou the fiery fever will go out With titles blown from adulation? Will it give place to flexure and low bends? Shakspeare, Hen. V.

FLICK.* See FLITCH.

To FLI'CKER. † v. n. [fligheren, Dutch; pliccepian, Saxon; flickern, Germ. fleckra, Su. Goth. This is one of our oldest verbs; Chaucer uses it for flutter.]

1. To flutter; to play the wings; to have

a fluttering motion.

The wreath of radiant fire, On flickering Phœbus' front. Shakspeare, K. Lear. Twas ebbing darkness, past the mid of night, And Phosphor, on the confines of the light, Promis'd the sun, ere day began to spring; The tuneful lark already stretch'd her wing, And flick'ring on her nest, made short essays to Dryden.

At all her stretch her little wings she spread, And with her feather'd arms embrac'd the dead; Then, flickering to his pallid lips, she strove To print a kiss, the last essay of love. Dryden.

and hasty motion.

An old dizard, that hath one foot in his grave, shall flicker after a young lusty wench that is blithe and bonny. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 629. Their soft maiden voice, and flickering eye.

Niccols, The Cuckoo, (1607,) p. 10. Rising o'er the flickering wave.

Dyer, Fleece, B. 4.

FLI'CKERMOUSE.* n. s. [flicker and mouse.] A bat. See FLINDERMOUSE.

Come, I will see the flickermouse. B. Jonson, New Inn. FLI'ER. n. s. [from fly.] See FLYER.

1. One that runs away; a fugitive; a run-

The gates are ope, now prove good seconds; 'Tis for the followers fortune widens them, Not for the fliers. Shakspeare, Coriol. Now the fliers from and forsakers of their

places, carry the parliamentary power along with King Charles. them. 2. That part of a machine which, by being

put into a more rapid motion than the other parts, equalizes and regulates the motion of the rest; as in a jack. The fier, tho't had leaden feet,

Turn'd so quick, you scarce could see't. Swift. FLIGHT. † n. s. [Sax. plihc.]

1. The act of flying or running from dan-And now, too late, he wishes for the fight,

That strength he wasted in ignoble flight. Denham. He thinks by flight his mistress must be won, And claims the prize because he best did run. Dryden, Ind. Emp.

As eager of the chace, the maid Beyond the forest's verdant limits stray'd; Pan saw and lov'd, and, burning with desire, Pursued her flight; her flight increas'd his fire.

2. The act of using wings; volation. For he so swift and nimble was of flight, That from this lower tract he dar'd to fly Up to the clouds and thence with pinions light To mount aloft unto the crystal sky.

Spenser, Muiopotmos. The fury sprang above the Stygian flood; And on her wicker wings, sublime through night, She to the Latian palace took her flight.

Winds that tempests brew, When through Arabian groves they take their Made wanton with rich odours, lose their spite.

13. Removal from place to place by means of wings.

Ere the bat hath flown

Shakspeare, Macb. His cloyster'd flight. The fowls shall take their flight away together.

Fowls, by winter forc'd, forsake the floods, And wing their hasty flight to happier lands. Dryden, Æn.

4. A flock of birds flying together. Flights of angels sing thee to thy rest!

Shakspeare, Hamlet. They take great pride in the feathers of birds, and this they took from their ancestors of the mountains, who were invited into it by the infinite flights of birds that came up to the high grounds. Bacon, New Atlantis.

I can at will, doubt not, Command a table in this wilderness: And call swift flights of angels ministrant, Array'd in glory, on my cup t'attend. Milt. P.R.

5. The birds produced in the same season; as the harvest flight of pigeons.

6. A volley; a shower; as much shot as is discharged at once.

At the first flight of arrows sent, Full threescore Scots they slew. Chevy Chace. Above an hundred arrows discharged on my left hand, pricked me like so many needles; and besides they shot another flight into the air, as we do bombs.

7. The space past by flying.

8. Heat of imagination; sally of the soul. Old Pindar's flights by him are reacht,

When on that gale his wings are stretcht. He shewed all the stretch of fancy at once; and if he has failed in some of his flights, it was but because he attempted every thing. Pope.
Strange graces still, and stranger flights she had;

Was just not ugly, and was just not mad. Pope.
Trust me, dear! good humour can prevail, When airs and flights, and screams and scolding fail.

9. Excursion on the wing.

If there were any certain height where the flights of ambition end, one would imagine that the interest of France were but to conserve its present Temple.

It is not only the utmost pitch of impiety, but the highest flight of folly, to deride these things.

10. The power of flying.
In my school-days, when I had lost one shaft, I shot his fellow of the self-same flight Shakspeare.

The self-same way. 11. A particular kind of arrow.

Here be of all sorts; flights, rovers, and butshafts. Ben Jonson, Cynth. Revels. A flight drawn home,

A round stone from a sling.

Beaum. and Fl. Bonduca. 12. An ancient sport of shooting with arrows, called roving.

He set up his bills here in Messina, and challenged Cupid at the flight. Shaksp. Much Ado.

FLIGHT-SHOT.* n. s. The length which an arrow may fly, when shot from a

bow. See the 11th sense of FLIGHT. The passage into it at full sea is a flight-shot Leland, Itinerary. It being from the park about two flight-shots

Entert. at Caus. House, (1613.) Jack was already gone a fly-shot beyond his atience. Swift, Tale of a Tub, § 6. patience.

FLI'GHTED.* adj. [from flight.] Taking flight; flying. This is a word used by Milton in the manuscript of his mask of Comus, but not admitted by him into the published copies of it. Bishop Newton preferred it to the printed word

frighted; but the context requires the more rational and easy reading of the latter, which the poet evidently intended by permitting its continuance in three editions during his life-time.

The drowsy flighted steeds,
That draw the litter of close-curtain'd Sleep. Com. ver. 553.

FLI'GHTINESS.* n.s. [from flighty.] Wildness; irregularity of conduct. Modern. FLI'GHTY. adj. [from flight.]

1. Fleeting; swift.

Time, thou anticipat'st my dread exploits: The flighty purpose never is o'ertook, Unless the deed go with it. Shaksp. Macb.

2. Wild; full of imagination.

FLI'MFLAM.* n. s. [flim, Icel.] A word, of elder times, for a freak, a whim, a trick, a cheat, a petty fiction. See FLAM. This is a pretty flimflam.

Beaum. and Fl. Little Fr. Lawyer. Here are recounted a thousand flimflams, as impertinent as necessary to the understanding of

this famous history.

Contin. of Shelton's Don. Quix. ch. 24. FLI'MSINESS.* n. s. [from flimsy.] Easy

There is a certain flimsiness in poetry, that seems expedient in a song.

- FLI'MSY. † adj. [Of this word I know not any original, and suspect it to have crept into our language from the cant of manufacturers, Dr. Johnson says. May it not be a corruption of film, which is a thin covering or skin?]
- 1. Weak; feeble; without strength of texture.
- 2. Mean; spiritless; without force. Proud of a vast extent of flimsy lines. Walsh was in general a flimsy and frigid writer. Dr. Warton, Ess. on Pope.

To FLINCH.† v. n. [corrupted from fing. Skinner. To this etymology Dr. Johnson accedes. It may more easily be deduced from the Sax. phon, to avoid any thing.]

1. To shrink from any suffering or undertaking; to withdraw from any pain or

Every martyr could keep one eye steadily fixed upon immortality, and look death and danger out of countenance with the other; nor did they flinch from duty, for fear of martyrdom. South, Serm.

A child, by a constant course of kindness, may be accustomed to bear very rough usage without flinching or complaining.

Oh ingratitude, that John Bull, whom I have honoured with my friendship, should flinch at last, and pretend that he can disburse no more money, Arbuthnot, Hist. of John Bull.

2. In Shakspeare it signifies to fail. If I brake time, or flinch in property Of what I spoke, unpitied let me die.

Shaksp. FLI'NCHER. † n. s. [from the verb.] who shrinks or fails in any matter.

But make this good upon us as you have promis'd.

You shall not find us flinchers.

Beaum. and Fl. Bloody Brother. After that sharp reprehension of flinchers from the faith, he returns to encourage and corroborate the church in Smyrna.

More on the Sev. Churches, p.51. FLI'NDERMOUSE.* n. s. [a corruption of flichermouse or flittermouse.] A bat.

Large wings on him did grow, Fram'd like the wings of flindermice.

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Googe, Zodiac of Life, (1565,) p. 9.

mouse. Knight, Trial of Truth, (1580,) fol. 9. b.
FLI'NDERS.* \ n.s. pl. Teut. flenters.] FlitFLI'NTERS. \ ters; rags; shreds; broken pieces. Flinders is the Northern word; flinters is a vulgar expression.

To FLING. v.a. preter. flung; part. flung or flong. [from fligo, Latin, Skinner; according to others, from flying; so to fling is to set flying. Thus far Dr. Johnson. Serenius mentions the Su. flenga, jacere, i.e. to cast or throw, as the parent of our word; fleiga, Icel. the same. The Goth. flinga, is to strike.]

1. To cast from the hand; to throw.

The matrons flung their gloves, Ladies and maids their scarfs and handkerchiefs Upon him. Shakspeare, Coriol. Tis fate that flings the dice! and as she flings, Of kings makes peasants, and of peasants kings.

Dryden. 2. To dart; to cast with violence. How much unlike that Hector who return'd Clad in Achilles' spoils; when he, among A thousand ships, like Jove, his lightning flung.

3. To scatter.

West winds, with musky wing, About the cedarn allies fling

Nard and Cassia's balmy smells. Milton, Comus. Ev'ry beam new transient colours flings, Colours that change whene'er they wave their Pope. wings.

Denham.

4. To drive by violence.

A heap of rocks, falling, would expel the waters out of their places with such a violence as to fling them among the highest clouds. Burnet, Theory of the Earth.

5. To move forcibly.

The knight seeing his habitation reduced to so small compass, ordered all the apartments to be Addison, Spect. flung open.

6. To cast: in an ill sense.

I know thy gen'rous temper: Fling but the appearance of dishonour on it, It strait takes fire. Addison, Cato.

7. To force into another condition, properly into a worse.

Squalid fortune, into baseness flong, Doth scorn the pride of wonted ornaments. Spens.

8. To Fling away. To eject; to dismiss. Cromwell, I charge thee, fling away ambition; y that sin fell the angels. Shaksp. Hen. VIII. By that sin fell the angels.

9. To FLING down. To demolish; to ruin. These are so far from raising mountains, that they overturn and fling down some of those which were before standing. Woodward, Nat. Hist.

10. To FLING off. To baffle in the chace: to defeat of a prey.

These men are too well acquainted with the chace to be flung off by any false steps or doubles. Addison, Spect.

To FLING. + v.n.

1. To flounce; to wince; to fly into violent and irregular motions.

Fearing lest, fatted at too much ease, he [the horse] wax headstrong, and fall to kicking and flinging, instead of carrying his rider well and quietly. Harmar, Transl. of Beza's Serm. (1587,) p. 379.

Neither fares it otherwise than with some wild colt, which, at the first taking up, flings and plunges, and will stand no ground.

Bp. Hall, Select Thoughts, § 86. The angry beast

Began to kick, and fling, and wince, As if h'd been beside his sense, Their consciences are galled by it, and this makes them wince and fling as if they had some mettle. Tillotson.

The other - had wings like a backe or flinder- | 2. To FLING out. To grow unruly or outrageous: from the act of any angry horse that throws out his legs. Duncan's horses,

Turn'd wild in nature, broke their stalls, flung out, Contending 'gainst obedience. Shakspeare.

FLING. † n. s. [from the verb.] 1. A throw; a cast.

2. A gibe; a sneer; a contemptuous remark.

Else would I have a fling at Winchester. Shakspeare, K. Hen. VI. P. I.

No little scribbler is of wit so bare, But has his fling at the poor wedded pair. Addis. I, who love to have a fling

Both at senate-house and king, Thought no method more commodious Than to show their vices odious.

FLI'NGER. † n. s. [from the verb.] One who throws. Sherwood.

Swift.

Svenser.

2. One who jeers.

FLINT. n. s. [rlmc, Saxon.]

1. A semi-pellucid stone, composed of crystal debased, of a blackish grey, of one similar and equal substance, free from veins, and naturally invested with a whitish crust. It is sometimes smooth and equal, more frequently rough: its size is various. It is well known to strike fire with steel. It is useful in glassmaking. Hill on Fossils. Searching the window for a flint, I found

This paper. Shaksp. Jul. Cæs. Love melts the rigour which the rocks have bred, A flint will break upon a featherbed. Cleaveland.

There is the same force and the same refreshing virtue in fire kindled by a spark from a flint, as if it were kindled by a beam from the sun.

South, Serm. Take this, and lay your flint edg'd weapon by. I'll fetch quick fuel from the neighb'ring wood,

And strike the sparkling flint, and dress the food.

2. Any thing eminently or proverbially hard.

Your tears a heart of flint Might tender make.

Throw my heart Against the flint and hardness of my fault.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop.

FLI'NTHEART.* | adj. [flint and heart.]

FLINTHE'ARTED. | Having a hard heart; cruel. Under the conduct of great Soliman,

Have I been chief commander of an host, And put the flint-heart Persians to the sword. Trag. of Soliman and Perseda, (1599.)

Oh pity, gan she cry, flint-hearted boy. Shakspeare, Ven. and Adon.

FLI'NTY. † adj. [from flint.] 1. Made of flint; strong.

He made him to suck honey out of the rock, and oil out of the flinty rock. Deut. xxxii. 13. Tyrant custom

Hath made the *flinty* and steel couch of war My thrice-driven bed of down. Shaksp. Shaksp. Othello. A pointed flinty rock, all bare and black,

Grew gibbous from behind the mountain's back. Dryden.

2. Full of stones.

The gathering up of flints in flinty ground, and laying them on heaps, is no good husbandry. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

3. Hard of heart; cruel; savage; inexorable.

Gratitude. Through flinty Tartar's bosom, would peep forth, And answer thanks. Shaksp. All's Well,

Flinty hearts of men turned into flesh.

Bp. Hall, Estate of a Christian. FLIP. n. s. [A cant word.] A liquor much used in ships, made by mixing beer with spirits and sugar.

The tarpawlin and swabber is lolling at Madagascar, with some drunken sunburnt whore, over Dennis.

a can of flip.

FLI'PPANCY.* n. s. [from flippant.] Pertness; brisk folly.

FLI'PPANT.† adj. [A word of no great authority, probably derived from flip-flap. Dr. Johnson. — Yet Dr. Johnson cites the authority of Addison, to which I may add the elder and more weighty 4. A jeer; a gibe. usage of the word by Barrow.]

1. Nimble; movable. It is used only of

the act of speech.

It becometh good men, in such cases, to be brisk and gay in their looks, flippant and free in

their speech.

Barrow, Serm. on Gunpowder Treason. An excellent anatomist promised to dissect a woman's tongue, and examine whether there may not be in it certain juices, which render it so wonderfully voluble or flippant. Addison.

2. Pert; petulent; waggish. Away with flippant epilogues. Thomson. FLI'PPANTLY. adv. [from the adjective.]

In a flowing prating way. To FLIRE.* See To FLEER.

To FLIRT.† v. a. [Skinner thinks it formed from the sound, and Dr. Johnson offers no other etymological remark. It is probably from the Sax. pleapoian, trifle, pleans, trifles. Or it may be formed from fleer. See To FLEER. This might seem to belong exclusively to the verb neuter, if we had not also flirt as a verb active in the sense of jeer; of which sense, however, Dr. Johnson, has taken no notice.]

1. To throw any thing with a quick elas-

tick motion.

Dick the scavenger Flirts from his cart the mud in Walpole's face.

2. To throw out words carelessly; to blurt. Our cousin Archy hath more privilege than any; for he often goes with his fool's-coat where the Infanta is with her ladies, and flirts out what he lists.

Howell, Lett. i. iii. 18.

3. To move with quickness.

Permit some happier man, To kiss your hand or flirt your fan. Dorset. 4. To jeer; to treat with scoffs.

I am asham'd, I'm scorn'd, I'm flirted.

Beaum. and Fl. Wildgoose-Chase. Is this the fellow,

That had the patience to become a fool, A flirted fool. Beaum. and Fl. Rule a Wife.

To FLIRT. † v. n.

1. To jeer; to gibe at one.

2. To run about perpetually; to be unsteady and fluttering.

The wife that gads not, giglot-wise,

With every firting gill.

Translation of Bullinger's Serm. (1576,) p. 224. 3. To act with levity; to be guilty of a kind of coquetry; from the preceding use of the word. Modern.

FLIRT. † n. s. [from the verb.]

1. A quick elastick motion. In unfurling the fan, are several little flirts and vibrations, as also gradual and deliberate openings. Addison, Spect.

Before you pass th' imaginary sights, While the spread fan o'ershades your closing eyes, Then give one flirt, and all the vision flies.

2. A sudden trick. Have licence to play, At the hedge a flirt,

For a sheet or a shirt. R. Jonson, Gypsies.

3. A pert young hussey.

I do not apologize here for any headstrong, un-ly, wanton flirts. Burton, Anat. of Mel. ruly, wanton flirts. Salute the skirts

Of her, to whom all ladies else are flirts. B. Jonson, Masques.

Several young flirts about town had a design to cast us out of the fashionable world.

Addison, Guardian.

They have play'd their prizes with me, And with their several flirts they have lighted dangerously;

But sure I shall be quit.

Beaum. and Fl. Span. Curate. FLIRT.* adj. Pert; wanton. Applied to gill as a woman. See GILL and To FLIRT, v. n.

Scurvy knave! I am none of his flirt gills. Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul.

Thou took'st me up at every word I spoke, As I had been a mawkin, a flirt gillian.

Beaum. and Fl. The Chances. FLIRTA'TION. † n. s. [from flirt.]

1. A quick sprightly motion. A cant word among women.

A muslin flounce, made very full, would give a very agreeable flirtation air.

2. Hence the more modern acceptation, a desire of attracting notice.

Flirtation is short of coquetry, and intimates only the first hints of approximation

Ld. Chesterfield, World, No. 101. FLI'RTIGIG.* n. s. [from flirt and gig. See the fourth sense of Gig.] A wanton, pert girl. Still a northern word. Praise

of Yorkshire Ale, Grose and Brockett. To FLIT. + v. n. [from to fleet; or from flytter, Danish; to remove; or from the Sax. plihz.]

1. To fly away.

Likest it seemeth, in my simple wit, Unto the fair sunshine in Summer's day, That when a dreadful storm away is flit

Through the broad world doth spread his goodly Spenser, F.Q.

2. To remove; to migrate. In Scotland it is still used for removing from one place to another at quarter-day, or the usual term. It was once common also in England, as it should seem, by the admission of it into Barret's Alveary in 1580. "To remove or go from one place to live in another: to flit." And it is still retained in our northern counties. See FLITTING. The examples from Spenser given by Dr. Johnson, shew the word as a verb active, to put from its place; and flit is still older as a verb active, though Dr. Johnson has not noticed it as such at all.

It became a received opinion, that the souls of men, departing this life, did flit out of one body Hooker. into some other,

3. To flutter; to rove on the wing. He made a glancing shot, and miss'd the dove; Yet miss'd so narrow, that he cut the cord Which fasten'd, by the foot, the flitting bird.

Fear the just gods, and think of Scylla's fate! Chang'd to a bird, and sent to flit in air. Pope.

4. To be flux or unstable.

Himself uphigh he lifted from the ground, And with strong flight did forcibly divide The yielding air, which nigh too feeble found Her flitting parts, and element unsound.

Spenser, F. Q. The especial cause of this levity and flitting disposition, in the common and ordinary sort of men, is their disability to discern the strength of such reasons as may be framed against them. Hales, Rem. p.12.

He stopt at once the passage of his wind, And the free soul to flitting air resign'd. Dryd. En.
To FLIT.* v. a. To remove out of its

place; to dispossess. The head [of the arrow] was left behind-

So sore it sticked when I was hit, That by no crafte I might it flit. Chaucer, Rom. R. v. 1812.

His grudging ghost did strive With the frail flesh : at last it flitted is,

Whither the souls of men do fly that live amiss. Spenser, F.Q. So hardly he the flitted life does win

Unto her native prison to return. Spenser, F. Q. FLIT. † adj. [from fleet.] Swift; nimble; quick. Not now in use.

And in his hand two darts exceeding flit, And deadly sharp, he held; whose heads were

In poison and in blood of malice and despite.

And life itself's as flit as is the air we breathe. P. Fletcher, Purp. Island, ii. 7.

FLITCH. + n. s. [plicce, Saxon; flycke, Dan. fleche, floche, French. Skinner. The old French, Dr. Johnson might have added, is flic; and the Iceland. flycke, probably from flaka to divide. FLAKE. A flick of bacon is still common in the north of England. It is our old word. The side of a hog salted and cured.

Another broughte a spycke

Of a bacon flicke. Skelton, Poems, p. 133. But heretofore 'twas thought a sumptuous feast, On birth days, festivals, or days of state,

A salt dry flitch of bacon to prepare; If they had fresh meat, 'twas delicious fare. Dryden, Juv.

While he from out the chimney took A flitch of bacon off the hook,

Cut out large slices to be fry'd. He sometimes accompanies the present with a flitch of bacon.

To FLITE.* v. n. [plytan, Sax. contendere, rixare.] To scold. Used throughout the north. Written also flight and flyte. See Praise of Yorkshire Ale, Grose, Westmoreland and Craven Dialects, and Wilbraham's Cheshire Words.

To FLITTER.* v. n. [a corruption of flutter.] To be in agitation; to be flux or unstable.

bower:

Work of flittering matter. Chauc. Boeth. Metr.ix. Fends fletered in the ayre for fere.

Lib. Fest. fol. 38. b. Under such props false fortune builds her

On sudden change her flittering frames be set. Mir. for Mag. p. 502.

FLI'TTER.* n. s. [Icel. fletia.] A rag; a

The box was snapp'd asunder, and the wig

torn all to flitters. Aubrey's Miscel. p.116.
FLI'TTERMOUSE. n. s. [vespertilio, from flit and mouse. Teut. fledermuis.] The

bat; the winged mouse. Sherwood. The blood of a flittermouse. Middleton's Witch,

FLI'TTINESS.* n. s. [from flit.] Unsteadiness; lightness.

Had we but the same delight in heavenly objects, did we but receive the truth in the love of it, and mingle it with faith in the hearing, this would fix that volatileness and flittiness of our memories, and make every truth as indelible as it is neces-

Bp. Hopkins. Expos. of the Lord's Prayer, p. 314.

FLI'TTING. † n. s.

1. An offence; a fault; a failure; a desert. [flit, Saxon, Scandal.] So far Dr. Johnson. The example he gives of this alleged sense is from Psalm, lvi. 8. "Thou tellest my flittings." In the Bible translation it is wanderings; which bishop Patrick paraphrases, "Thou art perfectly acquainted how often I have been forced to fly, like a vagabond, from place to place; which hath cost me many a tear." See also Poli. Synops. Crit. where the word is migrationes, va-gationes, fugas, vol. 2. P. i. col. 913. We may consider, therefore, flittings, used in the translation of the psalm in our Common-Prayer-Book, as meaning no more than wandering, or removal from place to place.

2. Removal. [from flit.]

Seeing our whole life is but a vapour, or a flit-Dr. Plaifere, Nine Serm. 1621, p. 32.

Two flittings are as bad as one fire, i. e. household goods are as much injured by two removals as by one fire. North.

FLI'TTY.* adj. [from flit.] Unstable. Not now in use.

Busying their brains in the mysterious toys of flitty motion. More, Song of the Soul. i. i. 11.

FLIX. † n. s.

1. Down; fir; soft hair. [corrupted from flax.

With his loll'd tongue he faintly licks his prey; His warm breath blows her flix up as she lies; She trembling creeps upon the ground away, And looks back to him with beseeching eyes.

2. Dysentery. [corrupted from flux; common in old language.]

The father of Publius lay sicke of the fever, and of a bloudie flixe. Acts, xxviii.8. Transl. of 1578. FLI'XWOOD. n. s. A plant.

FLO.* n. s. [Sax. pla.] An arrow. The word is in our old lexicography. Obsolete.

His bow he bent and set therein a flo.

Chaucer, Mancip. Tale.

To FLOAT. † v. n. [flotter, French. Dr. Johnson. - Rather the Sax. pleoran, or plocan. See To FLEET.]

1. To swim on the surface of the water. When the sea was calm, all boats alike

Shew'd mastership in floating. Shakspeare, Coriol. The ark no more now floats, but seems on ground,

Fast on the top of some high mountain fix'd. Milton, P.L.

That men, being drown'd and sunk, do float the ninth day, when their gall breaketh, are popular affirmations.

Three blust'ring nights, borne by the southern blast,

I floated; and discover'd land at last. Dryd. En. His rosy wreath was dropt not long before, Borne by the tide of wine, and floating on the Dryden. floor.

On frothy billows thousands float the stream, In cumb'rous mail. Philips. Carp are very apt to float away with fresh water. Mortimer.

2. To move without labour in a fluid. What divine monsters, O ye gods, were these, That float in air, and fly upon the seas!

Dryden, Ind. Emp. Swift they descend, with wing to wing conjoin'd, Stretch their broad plumes and float upon the wind.

3. To pass with a light irregular course: perhaps mistaken for fleet or flit.

Floating visions make not deep impressions enough to leave in the mind clear, distinct, lasting

To FLOAT. v. a. To cover with water. Proud Pactolus floats the fruitful lands, And leaves a rich manure of golden sands.

Dryden, En. Venice looks, at a distance, like a great town half floated by a deluge. Addison on Italy. Now smokes with show'rs the misty mountainground,

And floated fields lie undistinguish'd round.

Pope, Statius. The vast parterres a thousand hands shall make: Lo! Cobham comes, and floats them with a lake.

FLOAT. † n. s. [from the verb.]

1. The act of flowing; the flux; the contrary to the ebb. A sense now out of

Our trust in the Almighty is, that with us contentions are now at their highest float. Hooker, Pref.

There is some disposition of bodies to rotation, particularly from East to West; of which kind we conceive the main float and refloat of the sea is, which is by consent of the universe, as part of the Bacon, Nat. Hist. diurnal motion.

2. Any body so contrived or formed as

to swim upon the water.

That they should bring cedar-trees from Libanus, which should be brought by floats to the haven of Joppe. 1 Esdras, v. 55.

They took it for a ship, and, as it came nearer for a boat; but it proved a float of weeds and L'Estrange,

A passage for the weary people make; With osier floats the standing water strow, Of massy stones make bridges if it flow.

Dryden, Virg. 3. The cock or quill by which the angler discovers the bite of a fish.

You will find this to be a very choice bait, sometimes casting a little of it into the place Walton, Angler. where your float swims.

4. A cant word for a level.

Banks are measured by the float or floor, which is eighteen foot square and one deep. Mortimer, Husbandry.

5. A wave. [Fr. flot.]

For the rest o'the fleet, Which I dispers'd, they all have met again, And are upon the Mediterranean float.

Shakspeare, Tempest. FLO'ATER.* n. s. [from float.] One who

floats or sails upon.

Pity the floaters on the Ionian seas. Eusden, Ovid's Met. B. 4.

FLO'ATING.* n. s. [from float.] The act of being conveyed by the stream. What more necessary while we are at sea, in the

floatings of this world, than the faithful adviser? Whitlock, Mann. of the Eng. p. 391.

FLO'ATY. adj. Buoyant and swimming on the surface.

The hindrance to stay well is the extreme length of a ship, especially if she be floaty, and want sharpness of way forwards.

Ralegh, Ess. sharpness of way forwards.

FLOCK.† n. s. [ploce, Sax. flokkr, Icel. derived by some from the Greek, ὀχλος,

a company; by others, from πλέκος, a lock of wool.

1. A company; usually a company of birds or beasts.

She that hath a heart of that fine frame, To pay this debt of love but to a brother, How will she love when the rich golden shaft Hath kill'd the flock of all affections else That live in her. Shakspeare, Tw. Night.

2. A company of sheep, distinguished from herds, which are of oxen.

The cattle in the fields, and meadows green, Those rare and solitary; these in flocks Pasturing at once, and in broad herds upsprung.

France has a sheep by her, to shew that the riches of the country consisted chiefly in flocks and pasturage.

3. A body of men.

The heathen that hath fled out of Judea came 2 Mac. xiv. 14. to Nicanor by flocks.

4. [From floccus.] A lock of wool. A house well furnish'd shall be thine to keep; And, for a flock bed, I can sheer my sheep.

To FLOCK. v. n. [from the noun.] To

gather in crowds or large numbers. Many young gentlemen flock to him every day,

and fleet the time carelessly. Shaks. As you like it Upon the return of the ambassadors, the poor of all sorts flocked together to the great master's Knolles, Hist.

Others ran flocking out of their houses to the general supplication. 2 Mac. iii. 18.

Stilpo, when the people flocked about him, and that one said, The people come wondering about you, as if it were to see some strange beast; no, saith he, it is to see a man which Diogenes sought with his lanthorn at noon-day.

Seeing the spirits swelling the nerves cause the arm's motion, upon its resistance they flock from other parts of the body to overcome it.

Digby on Bodies. The wits of the town came thither;

'Twas strange to see how they flock'd together; Each strongly confident of his own way,

Thought to gain the laurel that day. Dryden, Æn. Friends daily flock. The Trojan youth about the captive flock,

To wonder, or to pity, or to mock. Denham.

People do not flock to courts so much for their majesties service, as for making their fortunes. L'Estrange.

FLO'CKLY.* adv. [from flock.] In a body; in a heap. Lat. confertim. Not now in Huloet.

To Flog. v.a. [from flagrum, Lat.] To lash; to whip; to chastise.

The schoolmaster's joy is to flog.

FLONG. † particip. passive, from fling, used by Spenser, as well as by much older

FLOOD. † n. s. [plob, Saxon, plopan, to flow; flodus, Goth. flod. Iceland.]

1. A body of water; the sea; a river. What need the bridge much broader than the Shakspeare. flood?

His dominion shall be also from the one sea to the other, and from the flood unto the world's Psalm lxxii. 8.

Or thence from Niger flood unto Atlas mount, The kingdoms of Almanzor, Fez, and Sus. Milton, P. L.

All dwellings else Flood overwhelm'd, and them with all their pomp Deep under water roll'd; sea cover'd sea, Milton, P. I.,

Sea without shore. Arcadia's flow'ry plains and pleasing floods. Dryden, Virg.

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2. A deluge; an inundation.

You see this confluence; this great flood of visitors.

Shakspeare.

By sudden floods, and fall of waters, Buckingham's army is dispers'd and scattered. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

3. Flow; flux; not ebb; not reflux; the swelling of a river by rain or inland

We seek to know the moving of each sphere,
And the strange cause o' th' ebbs and floods of
Nile
Davies.

4. The general deluge.

When went there by an age since the great flood,
But it was fam'd with more than with one man?

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Shakspeare.

It is commonly opinioned that the earth was

It is commonly opinioned that the earth was thinly inhabited before the *flood.Brown*, Vulg. Err. 5. Catamenia.

Those that have the good fortune of miscarrying, or being delivered, escape by means of their floods, revelling the humours from their lungs. Harvey on Consumptions.

To FLOOD. v. a. [from the noun.] To deluge; to cover with waters.

Where meadows are flooded late in spring, roll them with a large barley-roller.

Mortimer, Husbandry.

FLO'ODGATE. n. s. [flood and gate.] Gate or shutter by which the watercourse is closed or opened at pleasure.

As if the opening of her mouth had opened some great floodgate of sorrow, whereof her heat could not abide the violent issue, she sunk to the ground.

Sidney.

Yet there the steel staid not; but inly bate Deep in his flesh, and opened wide a red floodgate. Spenser, F. Q.

His youth, and want of experience in maritime service, had somewhat been shrewdly touched, even before the sluices and floodgates of popular liberty were yet set open. Wotton.

The rain descended for forty days, the cataracts or floodgates of heaven being opened. Burnet, Theory.

FLO'ODMARK.* n. s. [flood and mark.]
High-water mark; the mark which the
sea makes on the shore at flowing water,
and the highest tide.

FLOOK. † n. s. [pflug, a plow, German.]

1. The broad part of the anchor which takes hold of the ground.

2. A flounder; a flat river fish. [Sax. ploc, a kind of flat fish.] See Flowk.

a kind of flat fish.] See Flowk. FLOOR.† n. s. [flop, flope; Saxon; flor,

Gothick.]

1. The pavement: a pavement is always of stone, the floor of wood or stone; the

part on which one treads.

His stepmother, making all her gestures counterfeit affliction, lay almost groveling upon the

floor of her chamber.

He rent that iron door

Where entered in, his foot could find no floor, But all a deep descent as dark as hell.

Spenser, F. Q.

Look how the floor of heav'n
Is thick inlay'd with patens of bright gold:
There's not the smallest orb which thou behold'st,
But in his motion like an angel sings,
Still quiring to the young cy'd cherubims.

The ground lay strewed with pikes so thick as a floor is usually strewed with rushes. Hayward.

He winnoweth barley to-night in the threshing floor.

2. A story; a flight of rooms.

He that building stays at one Floor, or the second, hath erected none.

B. Jonson, Catiline.
To Floor. v.a. [from the noun.] To cover the bottom with a floor.

Hewn stone and timber to floor the houses.

2 Chron. xxxiv. FLo'oring.† n. s. [Sax. ploping.] Bottom;

Mosaique is a kind of painting in small pebbles, cockles, and shells, of sundry colours; — but of most use in pavements and floorings.

Wollon, Rem. p. 63.
The flooring is a kind of red plaister made of brick, ground to powder, and afterwards worked into mortar.

Addison.

To FLOP. v. n. [from flap.] To clap the wings with noise; to play with any noisy motion of a broad body.

A blackbird was frighted almost to death with a huge flopping kite that she saw over her head. L'Estrange.

FLO'RAL. adj. [floralis, Lat.] Relating to Flora, or to flowers.

Let one great day
To celebrated sports and floral play
Be set aside.

Prior.

Flo'ren. † n. s. [See Florence.] A gold coin of Edward III.

You mistake the value of the florens, such as was used in Chaucer's tyme; whiche taking the name of the workenen, being Florentynes, were called florens; as sterlinge money took their name of Esterlinges, who refyned and coyned the silver in the tyme of kinge Henry the seconde.

F. Thynne, Animadv. on Speght's Chaucer. FLO'RENCE.† n. s. [from the city Florence.]

1. A kind of cloth.

2. A kind of wine imported from Florence.

3. A gold coin of Edward III. in value six shillings. See also Floren.

The first gold that king Edward III. coined, was in the year 1343; and the pieces were called florences, because Florentines were the coiners.

Camden, Rem. p. 242,

FLO'RENTINE.* n. s. [from Florence.]

1. A native of Florence.

2. A sort of silk so named.

FLO'RET. † n. s. [fleurette, French.]

1. A small imperfect flower. See Flow-

2. A foil. [Fr. floret, "a foil, a sword with the edge rebated." Cotgrave.]

In such fencing jest has proved earnest, and florets have oft turned to swords.

Government of the Tongue, p. 126.

FLO'RIAGE.* n. s. [from the French flori.]
Bloom; blossom.

And where the trees unfold their bloom, And where the banks their floriage bear.

FLO'RID.† adj. [floride, Fr. floridus, Lat.]

1. Productive of flowers; covered with flowers.

Our florid and purely ornamental garlands, delightful unto sight and smell, are of more free election.

Sir T. Brown, Miscell. p. 92.

2. Bright in colour; flushed with red.

Our beauty is in colour inferiour to many flowers; and when it is most florid and gay, three fits of an ague can change it into yellowness and leanness.

Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy.

The qualities of blood in a healthy state are to

The qualities of blood in a healthy state are to be *florid*, when let out of the vessel, the red part congealing strongly and soon.

Arbuthnot on Aliments.

3. Embellished; splendid; brilliant with decorations.

The florid, elevated, and figurative way is for the passions; for love and hatred, fear and anger, are begotten in the soul, by shewing their objects out of their true proportion. Dryden.

How did, pray, the florid youth offend, Whose speech you took, and gave it to a friend?

FLORI'DITY. n. s. [from florid.] Freshness of colour.

There is a *floridity* in the face from the good digestion of the red part of the blood.

Floyer on the Humours.

Flo'RIDLY.* adv. [from florid.] In a showy and imposing way.

If they see a man talk seriously, they talk floridly nonsense. Life of A. Wood, p. 276.

FLO'RIDNESS. † n. s. [from florid.]

1. Freshness of colour.

Another infallible indication is the nature and floridness of the plants, which it officiously produces.

Evelyn's Earth.

2. Vigour ; spirit.

The ancient Grecians so much extol it, [dancing,] deriving it from the amenity and floridness of the warm-spirited blood. Feltham, Res. ii. 70.

3. Embellishment; ambitious elegance.
Though a philosopher need not delight readers

with his floridness, yet he may take a care that be disgusts them not by flatness.

Boyle.

FLORI'FEROUS. adj. [florifer, Lat.] Pro-

ductive of flowers.

FLO'RIN. n. s. [French.] A coin first

FLO'RIN. n.s. [French.] A coin first made by the Florentines. That of Germany is in value 2s. 4d. that of Spain 4s. 4d. halfpenny; that of Palermo and Sicily 2s. 6d.; that of Holland 2s.

In the Imperial chamber the proctors have half a florin taxed and allowed them for every substantial recess.

Ayliffe.

FLO'RIST.† n.s. [fleuriste, French. Our word seems to have been first used, about the beginning of the seventeenth century, according to the remark of Sir Henry Wotton which I give. Dr. Johnson's earliest example of the word is, nearly a century afterwards, from Pope.] A cultivator of flowers.

I have the honour of employment from the king, in a piece of his delight; which doth so consort with the opportunity of my charge here, that it hath given me acquaintance with some excellent florists, as they are styled; and likewise with mine own disposition, who have ever thought the greatest pleasure to consist in the simplest ornaments and elegancies of nature. Sir H. Wotton.

Lett. to the E. of Holderness, (in 1623.)
Some botanists or florists at the least. Dunciad.
And while they break

On the charm'd eye, th' exulting florist marks With secret pride the wonders of his hand.

FLO'RULENT. adj. [floris, Lat.] Flowery; blossoming.

FLO'SCULOUS. adj. [flosculus, Lat.] Composed of flowers; having the nature or form of flowers.

The outward part is a thick and carnous covering, and the second a dry and flosculous coat.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

FLO'TA.* n.s. [Sax. plota; but we use it merely as the Spanish flota.] A fleet of ships which carry out the goods of Europe to the ports of America, and bring back the produce of Mexico, Peru, and other places. While Grenville's breast could virtue's stores afford,

What envied flota bore so fair a freight?

Shenstone, Eleg. 14. The stir here [at Cadiz] is prodigious during the last months of the stay of the flota.

Swinburne, Trav. through Spain, L. 28. She will fit out armaments upon the ocean, by which the flota itself may be intercepted; and thus the treasures of all Europe, as well as the largest and surest resources of the Spanish monarchy, may be conveyed into France.

Burke on the Pres. State of Affairs, (1792.)

FLO'TAGE.* n. s. [Fr. flotage.] That which floats on the top of the sea, or great rivers; a word chiefly used in the commissions of water-bailiffs. Chambers.

To FLOTE. v. a. [See To fleet.] To skim. Such cheeses, good Cisley, ye floted too nigh.

FLOTI'LLA.* n. s. [old Fr. flotille, " petit flotte." Lacombe.] A name given by the Spaniards to a number of light ships, which go before the rest in their return, and give information of the departure | 2. To be in a prosperous state. and cargo of the flota and galleons; and sometimes applied by us to any number of small vessels.

FLO'TSON, FLOTZAM, or FLOATSAM. 7 n. s. [from float.] Goods that swim without

an owner on the sea.

Flotsam is, where wrecked goods continue swimming on the surface of the waves. Blackstone.

FLO'TTEN. part. [from flote.] Skimmed. Skinner.

To FLOUNCE. v. n. [plonsen, Dutch, to plunge.7

I. To move with violence in the water or mire; to struggle or dash in the water. With his broad fins and forky tail he laves The rising surge, and flounces in the waves.

Addison, Ovid.

2. To move with weight and tumult. Six flouncing Flanders mares Are e'en as good as any two of theirs.

3. To move with passionate agitation. When I'm duller than a post, Nor can the plainest word pronounce,

You neither fume, nor fret, nor flounce. To FLOUNCE. v. a. To deck with flounces. She was flounced and furbelowed from head to

foot; every ribbon was crinckled, and every part of her garments in curl. Addison, Spect. They have got into the fashion of flouncing the petticoat so very deep, that it looks like an entire coat of lutestring.

FLOUNCE. † n. s. [from the verb.]

1. Any thing sewed to the garment, and hanging loose, so as to swell and shake. Nay, oft in dreams invention we bestow,

To change a flounce, or add a furbelow. A muslin flounce, made very full, would be very agreeable. Furbelows and flounces have been disposed of

at will, the stays have been lowered behind. Guardian, No.149.

2. A dash in the water.

FLO'UNDER. n. s. [flynder, Danish.] The name of a small flat fish.

Like the flounder, out of the frying-pan into

the fire. Flounders will both thrive and breed in any pond. Mortimer.

To Flo'under. v. n. [from flounce.] To struggle with violent and irregular motions: as a horse in the mire.

Down goes at once the horseman and the horse ;

That courser stumbles on the fallen steed, And flound'ring throws the rider o'er his head.

The more inform'd, the less he understood, And deeper sunk by flound'ring in the mud.

Dryden He plung'd for sense, but found no bottom

Then writ and flounder'd on, in mere despair.

FLOUR.* n. s. The edible part of corn; the meal. See the fourth sense of FLOWER.

FLO'URET.* See FLOWERET.

To FLO'URISH. † v. n. [floreo, floresco,

1. To be in vigour; not to fade.

The righteous shall flourish like the palm-tree. Where'er you tread, the blushing flow'rs shall

And all things flourish where you turn your eyes.

If I could find example

Of thousands, that had struck anointed kings, And flourish'd after, I'd not do't: but since Nor brass, nor stone, nor parchment, bears not

Let villany itself forswear't. Shaks. Wint. Tales. Harry, that prophesied thou should'st be king, Doth comfort thee in sleep; live thou, and flourish.

He was the patron of my manhood, when I flourished in the opinion of the world, though with small advantage to my fortune.

Dryden, Ded. to Lord Clifford. Bad men as frequently prosper and flourish, and that by the means of their wickedness. Nelsen.

3. To use florid language; to speak with ambitious copiousness and elegance.

Whilst Cicero acts the part of a rhetorician, he dilates and flourishes, and gives example instead

They dilate sometimes, and flourish long upon little incidents, and they skip over and but lightly touch the drier part of their theme. Watts, Logick.

4. To describe various figures by intersecting lines; to play in wanton and irregular motions.

Impetuous spread The stream and smoking, flourish'd o'er his head.

5. To boast; to brag.

6. [In musick.] To play some prelude without any settled rule.

To flourish as musicians or men of fence do, before they play earnestly; to prove or assay what he can do, before he come to the thing. Barret, Alv. 1580.

To FLO'URISH. v. a.

1. To adorn with vegetable beauty. With shadowy verdure flourish'd high,

Fenton. A sudden youth the groves enjoy.

2. To adorn with figures of needle work.

3. To work with a needle into figures. All that I shall say will be but like bottoms of thread close wound up, which, with a good needle,

perhaps may be flourished into large works.

Bacon, War with Spain. 4. To move any thing in quick circles or vibrations by way of show or

And all the powers of hell in full applause Flourish'd their snakes, and toss'd their flaming Against the post their wicker shields they crush.

Flourish the sword, and at the plastron push. Dryden, Juv.

5. To adorn with embellishments of language; to grace with eloquence ostentatiously diffusive.

The labours of Hercules, though flourished with much fabulous matter; yet notably set forth the consent of all nations and ages in the approbation of the extirpating and debellating giants, monsters, and tyrants.

As they are likely to over flourish their own case, so their flattery is hardest to be discovered.

6. To adorn; to embellish; to grace. To bring you thus together, 'tis no sin, Sith that the justice of your title to him Doth flourish the deceit. Shaks. Meas. for Meas.

FLO'URISH. † n. s. [from the verb.]

1. Vigour; state of strength or prosperity.

The Roman monarchy in her highest flourish never had the like.

Howell, Instruct. For. Trav. p. 98.

2. Bravery; beauty; ambitious splen-

I call'd thee then vain flourish of my fortune; I call'd thee then poor shadow, painted queen, The presentation of but what I was.

Shakspeare, Rich. III.

The flourish of his sober youth, Was the pride of naked truth.

3. An ostentatious embellishment; ambitious copiousness: far-fetched ele-

This is a flourish, there follow excellent parables.

We can excuse the duty of our knowledge, if we only bestow the flourish of poetry thereon, or those commendatory conceits which popularly set forth the eminence of this creature.

Brown, Vulg. Err. The apprehension is so deeply rivetted into my mind, that such rhetorical flourishes cannot at all loosen or brush it out. More, Divine Dialogues.

Villanies have not the same countenance, when there are great interests, plausible colours, and flourishes of wit and rhetorick interposed between L'Estrange. the sight and the object.

The so much repeated ornament and flourish of their former speeches was commonly the truest word they spoke, tho' least believed by them. South, Serm.

Studious to please the genius of the times, With periods, points, and tropes he slurs his crimes ;

He lards with flourishes his long harangue; 'Tis fine, say'st thou; what, to be prais'd and hang? Dryden.

4. Figures formed by lines curiously or wantonly drawn.

A child with delight looks upon emblems finely drawn and painted, and takes some pleasure in beholding the neat characters and flourishes of a bible curiously printed. They were intended only for ludicrous orna-

ments of nature, like the flourishes about a great letter that signify nothing, but are made only to More against Atheism. delight the eye.

A kind of musical prelude.

The lute's light genius now does proudly rise, Heav'd on the surges of swoln rhapsodies; Whose flourish, meteor-like, doth curl the air With flash of high-born fancies here and there Dancing in lofty measures. Crashaw, Poems, p.85.

6. A blossom. North.

FLO'URISHER. n. s. [from flourish.] On that is in prime or in prosperity.

They count him of the green-hair'd eld, they | 3. To rise; not to ebb. may, or in his flow'r;

For not our greatest flourisher can equal him in Chapman, Iliad. now'r. FLO'URISHINGLY.* adv. [from flourish-

1. Ostentatiously.

She is flourishingly decked with gold, precious stone, and pearls.

Bale on the Revel. P. II. (1550,) sign. k.vi.b. 2. In an embellished manner of speaking. To utter his mind eloquently, flourishingly, and Barret, Alv. 1580.

To FLOUT. + v. a. [fluyten, Dutch ; flouwe, Frisick. This is the etymology given by Dr. Johnson. But the word is from the Saxon phran, to quarrel, to scold, flout being, as Mr. H. Tooke says, the past part. of this verb. And it may be added that flit or flite is still used, like the Saxon, in the north of England. To mock; to insult; to treat with mockery and contempt.

You must flout my insufficiency. Shakspeare. The Norweyan banners flout the sky,

Shakspeare, Macbeth. And fan our people cold. He mock'd us when he begg'd our voices; Certainly he flouted us downright. Shaks. Coriol. She railed at her, that she should be so immodest to write to one she knew would flout her.

Shakspeare. The heroical spirit of Luther, for I cannot be flouted out of that word, hated the brothelry of their cloisters.

Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Marr. Clergy, p. 42. Phillida flouts me. Walton, Angler.

To FLOUT. v. n. To practise mockery; to behave with contempt; to sneer.

Though nature hath given us wit to flout at fortune, hath not fortune sent in this fool to cut Shakspeare. off this argument?

With talents well endu'd To be scurrilous and rude;

When you pertly raise your snout, Fleer and gibe, and laugh and flout.

FLOUT. n. s. [from the verb.] A mock; an insult; a word or act of contempt. He would ask of those that had been at the other's table, Tell truly, was there never a flout

or dry blow given? She opened it, and read it out,

With many a smile and leering flout. Hudibras. Their doors are barr'd against a bitter flout; Snarl, if you please; but you shall snarl without.

How many flouts and jeers must I expose myself to by this repentance? How shall I answer such an old acquaintance when he invites 3. A stream of diction; volubility of me to an intemperate cup? Calamy, Serm.

FLO'UTER. † n. s. [from flout.] One who jeers.

Democritus, that common flouter of folly. Burton, Anat. of Mel. To the Reader. What's that to you, goodman flouter?

Beaum. and Fl. Little Fr. Lawyer.

FLO'UTINGLY.* adv. [from flouting.] In an insulting or contemptuous manner.

To FLOW. v. n. [glopan, Saxon.] 1. To run or spread as water.

The god am I, whose yellow water flows Around these fields, and fattens as it goes. Dryden, Æn.

Fields of light and liquid ether flow, Purg'd from the pond'rous dregs of earth below. Dryden.

Endless tears flow down in streams. 2. To run: opposed to standing waters.

With osier floats the standing water strow; Of massy stones make bridges, if it flow. Dryd.

This river hath thrice flow'd, no ebb between.

4. To melt.

Oh that thou wouldst rent the heavens, that the mountains might flow down at thy presence. Ts. lxiv. L.

5. To proceed; to issue.

I'll use that tongue I have: if wit flow from 't, Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. I shall do good. The knowledge drawn from experience is quite of another kind from that which flows from speculation or discourse.

6. To glide smoothly without asperity: as, a flowing period.

This discourse of Cyprian, and the flowers of rhetorick in it, shew him to have been of a great wit and flowing eloquence. Hakewill on Providence.

7. To write smoothly; to speak volubly. Virgil is sweet and flowing in his hexameters.

Did sweeter sounds adorn my flowing tongue Than ever man pronounc'd, or angels sung. Prior.

Chanman.

8. To abound: to be crowded. The dry streets flow'd with men.

9. To be copious; to be full.

Then shall our names, Be in their flowing cups freshly remember'd.

Shakspeare, Hen. V.

There every eye with slumb'rous chains she

And dash'd the flowing goblet to the ground. Pope, Odyssey.

10. To hang loose and waving.

He was cloathed in a flowing mantle of green silk, interwoven with flowers. Spectator.

To Flow. v. a. To overflow; to deluge. Watering hops is scarce practicable, unless you have a stream at hand to flow the ground. Mortimer, Husbandry.

FLOW. n. s. [from the verb.]

1. The rise of water; not the ebb.

Some, from the diurnal and annual motion of the earth, endeavour to solve the flows and motions of these seas, illustrating the same by water in a bowl, that rises or falls according to the motion Brown, Vulg. Err. of the vessel.

The ebb of tides, and their mysterious flow, We as art's elements shall understand.

Dryden, Ann. Mirab.

2. A sudden plenty or abundance.

The noble power of suffering bravely is as far above that of enterprising greatly, as an un-blemished conscience and inflexible resolution are above an accidental flow of spirits, or a sudden tide of blood.

tongue.

Teaching is not a flow of words, nor the draining of an hour-glass; but an effectual procuring that a man know something which he knew not before, or to know it better.

FLO'WER. † n. s. [flur, Goth. fleur, French; flos, flores, Latin.]

1. The part of a plant which contains the

Such are reckoned perfect flowers which have petala, a stamen, apex, and and stylus; and whatever flower wants either of these is reckoned imperfect. Perfect flowers are divided into simple ones, which are not composed of other smaller, and which usually have but one single stile; and compounded, which consist of many flosculi, all making but one flower. Simple flowers are monopetalous, which have the body of the flower all of one entire leaf, though sometimes cut or divided a little way into many seeming petala, or leaves: as in borage, buglos: or polypetalous, which have distinct petala, and those falling off singly, and not altogether, as the seeming petala of monopetalous flowers always do: but those are further divided into uniform and difform flowers: the former have their right and left hand parts, and the forward and backward parts all alike; but the difform have no such regularity, as in the flowers of sage and deadnettle. A monopetalous difform flower is likewise further divided into, first, semifistular, whose upper part resembles a pipe cut off obliquely, as in the arilostochia: 2d, labiate; and this either with one lip only, as in the acanthum and scordium, or with two lips, as in the far greater part of the labiate flowers: and here the upper lip is sometimes turned upwards, and so turns the convex part downwards, as in the chamæcissus; but most commonly the upper lip is convex above, and turns the hollow part down to its fellow below, and represents a kind of helmet or monkshood; and from thence these are frequently called galleate, cucullate, and galericulate flowers; and in this form are the flowers of the lamium. and most verticillate plants. Sometimes the lamium is intire, and sometimes jagged or divided. 3d, Corniculate: that is, such hollow flowers as have on their upper part a kind of spur, or little horn, as the linaria, delphinum, &c. and the carniculum, or calcar, is always impervious at the tip or point. Compounded flowers are, first, discous, or discoidal; that is, whose flosculi are set so close, thick, and even, as to make the surface of the flower plain and flat, which because of its round form, will be like a discus; which disk is sometimes radiated, when there is a row of petala standing round in the disk, like the points of a star, as in the matricaria, chamæmelum, &c. and sometimes naked, having no such radiating leaves round the limb of its disk, as in the tanacetum. 2d, Planifolious, which is composed of plain flowers, set together in circular rows round the centre, and whose face is usually indented, notched, and jagged, as the hieracia. 3d, Fistular, which is compounded of long hollow little flowers, like pipes, all divided into large jags at the ends. Imperfect flowers, because they want the petala, are called stamineous, apetalous, and capillaceous; and those which hang pendulous by fine threads, like the juli, are by Tournefort called amentaceous, and we call them cats-tail. The term campaniformis is used for such as are in the shape of a bell, and infundibuliformis for such as are in the form of a funnel. Miller.

Good men's lives Expire before the flowers in their caps,

Dying or ere they sicken. Shaksp. Macbeth. Beauteous flow'rs why do we spread Upon the monuments of the dead? Cowley. Though the same sun with all-diffusive rays Blush in the rose, and in the diamond blaze,

We praise the stronger effort of his power, And always set the gem above the flower. If the blossom of the plant be of most importance, we call it a flower; such are daisies, tulips,

2. An ornament; an embellishment.

The nomination of persons to those places being so prime and inseparable a flower of his crown, he would reserve to himself. Clarendon This discourse of Cyprian, and the excellent

flowers of rhetorick in it, shew him to have been a sweet and powerful orator. Hakew. on Prov. Truth needs no flow'rs of speech.

3. The prime; the flourishing part. Alas! young man, your days can ne'er be long: In flow'r of age you perish for a song.

Pope, Horace Impr. 4. The edible part of corn; the meal. [flur och hweti, Goth. fine flour.]

The bread I would have in flower, so as it might be baked still to serve their necessary want. Spenser on Ireland.

I can make my audit up, that all From me do back receive the flow'r of all, And leave me but the bran. Shakspeare, Coriol.

The flowers of grains, mixed with water, will make a sort of glue. Arbuthnot on Aliments. But by thy care twelve urns of wine be fill'd, Next these in worth, and firm those urns be seal'd;

Be twice ten measures of the choicest flour Prepar'd, ere yet descends the evening hour. Pope, Odyss.

5. The most excellent or valuable part of any thing; quintessence.

The choice and flower of all things profitable the psalms do more briefly contain, and more movingly express, by reason of their poetical form.

Thou hast slain The flower of Europe for his chivalry.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. The French monarchy is exhausted of its bravest subjects; the flower of the nation is consumed in Addison.

6. That which is most distinguished for any thing valuable.

He is not the flower of courtesy, but, I warrant him, as gentle as a lamb. Shaksp. Rom. and Jul.

FLO'WER de Luce. n. s. [fleur-de-lis, Fr. Our word was formerly written flower-delice, and is thus distinguished by the contemporary commentator on Spenser's Shepherd's Calendar: "Flowre delice, that which they use to misterme flowre deluce, being in Latin called flos delitiarum."] A bulbous iris.

Miller specifies thirty-four species of this plant; and among them the Persian flower de luce is greatly esteemed for the sweetness and beauty of its variegated flowers, which are in perfection in February, or the beginning of March. Cropp'd are the flower de luces in your arms;

Of England's coat one half is cut away. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

The iris is the flower de luce. The goodly flower-delice. Drayt. Polyolb. S. 15. To Flower. v. n. [fleurir, French; or

from the noun. 1. To be in flower; to be in blossom; to bloom; to put forth flowers.

So forth they marched in this goodly sort, To take the solace of the open air,

And in fresh flowering fields themselves to sport. Spenser, F.Q.

Sacred hill, whose head full high, Is, as it were, for endless memory Of that dear Lord, who oft thereon was found, For ever with a flow'ring garland crown'd.

Then herbs of every leaf, that sudden flower'd, Op'ning their various colours. Milton, P. L. Mark well the flow'ring almonds in the wood, If od'rous blooms the bearing branches load.

Dryden, Georg.

To leafless shrubs the flow'ring palms succeed, And od'rous myrtle to the noisome weed. Pope, Messiah.

2. To be in the prime; to flourish. Whilome in youth, when flower'd my youthful

Like swallow swift I wander'd here and there; For heat of heedless lust me did so sting, That I of doubted danger had no fear. Spenser. This cause detain'd me all my flow'ring youth,

Within a loathsome dungeon there to pine Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

3. To froth; to ferment; to mantle, as new bottled beer.

Those above water were the best, and that beer did flower a little; whereas that under water did not, though it were fresh. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

4. To come as cream from the surface. If you can accept of these few observations, which have flowered off, and are, as it were, the burnishing of many studious and contemplative years, I here give you them to dispose of. Milton on Education.

To Flo'wer. v. a. [from the noun.] To adorn with fictitious or imitated flowers. FLO'WER-GENTLE.* n. s. A species of

Blue harebells, pagles, pansies, calaminth, Flower-gentle, and the fair-hair'd hyacinth. B. Jonson, Masques.

FLO'WER-INWOVEN.* adj. [flower and inweave.] Adorned with flowers.

With flower-inwoven tresses torn The nymphs in twilight shade of tangled thicket Milton, Ode Nativ. mourn.

FLO'WERAGE. † n. s. [from flower; French, fleurage.] Store of flowers.

FLO'WERET. n. s. [fleuret, French.] A flower; a small flower.

Sometimes her head she fondly would aguise With gaudy garlands of fresh flow'rets dight, About her neck, or rings of rushes plight.

Spenser, F. Q. That same dew, which sometime on the buds Was wont to swell, like round and orient pearls, Stood now within the pretty flow'ret's eyes Like tears that did their own disgrace bewail. Shak.

So to the sylvan lodge They came, that like Pomona's arbour smil'd, With flow'rets deck'd, and fragrant smells.

Milton, P. L. Then laughs the childish year with flow'rets crown'd.

And lavishly perfumes the fields around; But no substantial nourishment receives, Infirm the stalks, unsolid are the leaves.

Dryden, Fab. FLO'WERGARDEN. n. s. [flower and garden.] A garden in which flowers are principally cultivated.

Observing that this manure produced flowers in the field, I made my gardener try those shells in my flowergarden, and I never saw better carnations or flowers. Mortimer, Husbandry.

FLO'WERINESS. + n. s. [from flowery.] 1. The state of abounding in flowers. Cotgrave, and Sherwood.

2. Floridness of speech.

FLO'WERING.* n. s. [from flower.] 1. State of blossom; as, flowering of bulbous plants.

2. A sort of froth.

An extreme clarification doth spread the spirits so smooth that they become dull, and the drink dead, which ought to have a little flowering.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. FLO'WERINGBUSH. n. s. A plant.

FLO'WERLESS.* adj. [flower and less; one of our oldest words.] Without a

An herbe he brought, flowerlesse, all grene. Chaucer, Ch. Dream, ver. 1860.

FLO'WERY. adj. [from flower.] Full of flowers; adorned with flowers real or fictitious.

Day's harbinger Comes dancing from the East, and leads with her The flow'ry May, who from her green lap throws The yellow cowslip and the pale primrose.

Milton, Ode. O'er his fair limbs a flow'ry vest he threw.

To her the shady grove, the flow'ry field, The streams and fountains, no delight could yield.

FLO'WERY-KIRTLED.* adj. [flowery and kirtle. See Kirtle.] Dressed in robes or garlands of flowers.

The flowery-kirtled Naiades, Culling their potent herbs and baleful drugs.

Milton, Comus. FLO'WING.* n. s. [from flow.] The rise of the water; the flow.

In religious forms, what ebbings and flowings have been, and daily are, as to the vulgar opinion Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 154. We must have perpetual ebbings and flowings

of mirth and melancholy. Howell, Instruct. For. Trav. p. 42.

FLO'WINGLY. † adv. [from flow.] With volubility; with abundance. Sherwood. FLO'WINGNESS.* n. s. [from flowing.] A stream of diction.

Dr. Tillotson polished over whatever was left rough in the compositions with his smooth language, and flowingness of his easy eloquence.

Nichols, Def. of the Doct. and Disc. of the Ch. of Engl. Introd.

FLOWK. n. s. [Sax. ploc. See Flook.]

A flounder; the name of a fish. Amongst these the flowk, sole, and plaice follow the tide up into the fresh waters.

Carew, Survey of Cornwall. FLO'WKWORT, n. s. The name of a plant.

FLOWN. Participle of fly, or flee, they being confounded; properly of fly. 1. Gone away. For those,

Appointed to sit there, had left their charge, Flown to the upper world. Milton, P. L. Where, my deluded sense! was reason flown?
Where the high majesty of David's throne? Prior. 2. Puffed; inflated; elate.

And when night Darkens the streets, then wander forth the sons Of Belial, flown with insolence and wine. Milton, P. L.

Is this a bridal or a friendly feast? Or from your deeds I rightly may divine, Unseemly flown with insolence or wine.

FLU'CTUANT. † adj. [fluctuans, Latin.] Wavering; uncertain.

Such is the fluctuant condition of human generation, and of those relations, which arise from thence, that he, which is this day a son, the next may prove a father, and in the space of one day come neither son, nor father, losing one relation by the death of him who begat him, and the other by the departure of him that was begotten of him.

Pearson on the Creed, Art. 1. To be longing for this thing to-day, and for that thing to-morrow; to change likings for loathings, and to stand wishing and hankering at a venture, how is it possible for any man to be at rest in this fluctuant wandering humour and opinion?

L'Estrange. To FLU'CTUATE. v. n. [fluctuo, Lat.] 1. To roll to and again as water in agitation.

The fluctuating fields of liquid air, With all the curious meteors bov'ring there, And the wide regions of the land, proclaim The Pow'r Divine, that rais'd the mighty frame. Blackmore,

2. To float backward and forward, as with the motion of water.

3. To move with uncertain and hasty motion.

The tempter

New part puts on; and, as to passion mov'd, Milton, P.L. Fluctuates disturb'd.

4. To be in an uncertain state; to feel sudden vicissitudes.

As the greatest part of my estate has been hitherto of an unsteady and volatile nature, either tost upon seas, or fluctuating in funds, it is now fixed and settled in substantial acres and tenements.

Addison, Spect.

5. To be irresolute; to be undetermined. FLUCTUA'TION. † n. s. [fluctuatio, Lat. fluctuation, Fr. from fluctuate.] 1. The alternate motion of the water.

Fluctuations are but motions subservient, which winds, storms, shores, shelves, and every interjacency irregu-

They were caused by the impulses and fluctuation of water in the bowels of the earth.

Woodward, Nat. Hist. 2. Uncertainty; indetermination.

It will not hinder it from making a proselyte of a person, that loves fluctuation of judgement little enough to be willing to be eased of it by any thing but error.

3. Violent agitation.

I have seen a crowd of disorderly people rush violently, and in heaps, till their utmost border was restrained by a wall, or had spent the fury of the first fluctuation and watery progress; and by and by it returned to the contrary with the same earnestness, only because it was violent and ungoverned. Bp. Taylor, Holy Dying, v. § 8.

FLUE. † n. s. [A word of which I know not the etymology, unless it be derived from flew of fly, Dr. Johnson says. It is probably from the French l'ouverte, an opening, whence our old word louver, signifying an opening to let out smoke; used by Spenser. See Louver.]

1. A small pipe or chimney to convey air, heat, or smoke.

Flew [flue] a narrow outlet for smoke, to encrease the draught of air. North.

Pegge. 2. Soft down or fur, such as may fly in in the wind.

FLUE'LLIN. n. s. The herb Speedwell. FLU'ENCE.* n. s. [from fluent.] Copiousness; readiness. Not now in use.

Poetry indeed hath a fluence of expression.

Whitlock, Mann. of the Eng. (1654,) p. 478. FLU'ENCY. n.s. [from fluent.]

more, without any real alteration in himself, be- 1. The quality of flowing; smoothness; freedom from harshness or asperity.

Fluency of numbers, and most expressive figures for the poet, morals for the serious, and pleasantries for admirers of points of wit.

Garth. Pref. to Ovid.

2. Readiness; copiousness; volubility. Our publick liturgy must be cashiered, the better to please those men who gloried in their extemporary vein and fluency. King Charles. We reason with such fluency and fire,

The beaux we baffle, and the learned tire. Tickell. The common fluency of speech in many men, and most women, is owing to a scarcity of matter, and a scarcity of words; for whoever is a master of language, and hath a mind full of ideas, will be apt, in speaking, to hesitate upon the choice

of both. Swift, Thoughts on various Subjects. 3. Affluence; abundance. This sense is obsolete.

Those who grow old in fluency and ease, - behold him tost on seas

Sandys, Paraphrase on Job. God riches and renown to men imparts, Even all they wish; and yet their narrow hearts

Cannot so great a fluency receive, But their fruition to a stranger leave.

FLU'ENT. adj. [fluens, Lat.] 1. Liquid.

It is not malleable; but yet is not fluid, but stupified.

2. Flowing; in motion; in flux.

Motion being a fluent thing, and one part of its duration being independent upon another, it doth not follow that because any thing moves this moment, it must do so the next. Ray on the Creation.

3. Ready; copious; voluble. Those have some natural dispositions, which have better grace in youth than in age, such as is

a fluent and luxurious speech. I shall lay before you all that's within me,

And with most fluent utterance. Denham, Sophy. FLU'ENT. † n. s.

1. Stream; running water.

Confiding in their hands, that sed'lous strive To cut th' outrageous fluent; in this distress,

Ev'n in the sight of death. Philips. 2. In the doctrine of fluxions, flowing

quantity. They must know to find fluxions from fluents. Bp. Berkeley, Analyst, § 47.

FLU'ENTLY. † adv. [from fluent.] With ready flow; volubly; readily; without obstruction or difficulty.

To speak divinely, or by inspiration, was the usual phrase whereby they expressed speaking fluently, pathetically, and with coherence. Spenser, Van. of Vulg. Prophecies, p. 74.

FLUID. adj. [fluidus, Lat. fluide, Fr.] Having parts easily separable; not solid. Or serve they as a flow'ry verge to bind The fluid skirts of that same wat'ry cloud,

Lest it again dissolve, and show'r the earth?

Milton, P. L. If particles slip easily, and are of a fit size to be agitated by heat, and the heat is big enough to keep them in agitation, the body is fluid; and if it be apt to stick to things, it is humid.

Newton, Opticks.

FLU'ID. n. s.

1. Any thing not solid.

The doctrine and laws of fluids are of the greatest extent in philosophy. 2. [In physick.] Any animal juice: as

the blood. Consider how luxury hath introduced new diseases, and with them, not improbably, altered the

whole course of the fluids. Arbuthnot and Pope, Mart. Scribl. FLUI'DITY. n. s. [fluidité, Fr. from fluid.] 1. To flow with violence.

The quality in bodies opposite to stability; want of coherence between the parts.

Heat promotes fluidity very much, by diminishing the tenacity of bodies: it makes many bodies fluid, which are not fluid in cold, and increases the fluidity of tenacious liquids; as of oil, balsam, and honey; and thereby decreases their resistance.

Newton, Opticks. A disease opposite to this spissitude is too great fluidity. Arbuthnat.

FLU'IDNESS. n. s. [from fluid.] That quality in bodies opposite to stability.

What if we should say that fluidness and stability depends so much upon the texture of the parts, that, by the change of that texture, the same parts may be made to constitute either a fluid or a dry body, and that permanently too?

FLUKE.* See FLOOK and FLOWK. Both the fish, and the part of an anchor, are

frequently written fluke.

FLUME.* n. s. [Sax. plum; old Fr. flum; "flume, riviere," Lacombe. One also of our own oldest words. Lat. flumen. A river. Obsolete.

They weren baptised of him in the flume Jordan. Wickliffe, St. Mark, 1.

FLU'MMERY. † n.s. [llymru, Welsh.] 1. A kind of food made by coagulation of

wheatflower or oatmeal. Milk and flummery are very fit for children.

2. Flattery; either an enlargement of flam, or a figurative usage of the preceding meaning.

FLUNG. participle and preterite of fling. Thrown; cast.

Several statues the Romans themselves flung into the river, when they would revenge them-Addison on Italy.

FLU'OR. n. s. [Latin.]

1. A fluid state

The particles of fluids which do not cohere too strongly, and are of such a smallness as renders them most susceptible of those agitations which keep liquors in a fluor, are most easily separated and rarified into vapours. Newton, Opticks. 2. Catamenia.

To FLUR.* See To FLURRY.

FLU'RRY. † n. s. [perhaps from the Teut. or German, flughs, hastily, in a hurry; or perhaps a corruption of fluster.

1. A gust or storm of wind; a hasty blast. The boat was overset by a sudden flurry from

2. Hurry; a violent commotion.

One is kept in perpetual alarm, and flurry of spirits, for the first or second time of assisting at this diversion, [a bull-fight.]

Swinburne, Trav. through Spain, L. 40.

To FLU'RRY.* v. a. [from the noun.] To keep in agitation; to alarm. To Flur is an old northern word. "Flur'd, all ruffled." Praise of Yorksh. Ale, 1697, p. 98.

After so long a journey through the still wastes. and silent stupid towns of Spain, where every thing bears the mark of languor and indolence, we were at first quite flurried and confounded with the hurry in the garrison, the perpetual noise of cannon, and the reports of the soldiers going through their firing exercise. Swinburne, Trav. through Spain. Lett. 29. (1776.)

To FLUSH.† v. n. [fluysen, Dutch, to flow; flus, or flux, Fr.]

The pulse of the heart he attributes to an ebullition and sudden expansion of the blood in the ventricles, after the manner of the milk, which, being heated to such a degree, doth suddenly, and all at once, flush up and run over the vessel. Ray.

It flushes violently out of the cock for about a quart, and then stops. Mortimer, Husbandry.

2. To come in haste. Dr. Johnson here cites a passage from Ben Jonson, where the verb is active, in the sportsman's sense of springing birds. The following passage will explain the present meaning of coming in haste.

Oh your crush'd nostrils slake your oppilation, And makes your pent powers flush to wholesome sneezes. Beaum. and Fl. Nice Value.

3. To glow in the skin; to produce a colour in the face by a sudden afflux of blood. It is properly used of a sudden or transient heat of countenance; not of a settled complexion.

Thus Eve with count'nance blithe her story told.

But in her cheek distemper flushing glow'd. Milton, P. I.

What means that levely fruit? What means, alas!

That blood, which flushes guilty in your face?

At once, array'd

In all the colours of the flushing year, The garden glows. Thomson, Spring.

4. To shine suddenly. Obsolete. A flake of fire that, flushing in his beard, Him all amaz'd.

To Flush. tv. a. 1. To colour; to redden; properly to red-

den suddenly. The glowing dames of Zama's royal court,

Have faces flush'd with more exalted charms Addison, Cato.

Some court, or secret corner seek,

Nor flush with shame the passing virgin's cheek. Gay, Trivia. 2. To elate; to elevate; to give the ap-

pearance of sudden joy. Such things as can only feed his pride, and

flush his ambition. South, Serm. ii. 104. A prosperous people, flushed with great victories and successes, are rarely known to confine their joys within the bounds of moderation and inno-Atterbury, Serm.

3. To put up; to spring. If the place but affords

Any store of lucky birds, As I make 'em to flush Each owl out of his bush.

Ben Jonson, Masque of Owls.

FLUSH. + adj

1. Fresh; full of vigour.

He took my father grosly, full of bread, With all his crimes broad blown, and flush as May; And how his audit stands, who knows, save Heav'n? I love to wear clothes that are flush,

Not prefacing old rags with plush. Cleaveland.

2. Affluent; abounding. A cant word. Lord Strut was not very flush in ready, either to go to law or clear old debts; neither could he find good bail. Arbuthnot.

3. Conceited, elevated in opinion.

Content not yourselves with some part of it; that you read the Gospel, or New Testament, but neglect the Old, as is the practice of some flush

Bp. Hopkins, Expos. of the Lord's Prayer, p. 297.

Flush. n. s. [German, fluss.]

1. Afflux; sudden impulse; violent flow. This is commonly corrupted to flash: as, a flash of water.

Never had any man such a loss, cries a widower, in the flush of his extravagancies for a dead E'Estrange.

The pulse of the arteries is not only caused by the pulsation of the heart, driving the blood through them in manner of a wave or flush, but by the coats of the arteries themselves.

Success may give him a present flush of joy; but when the short transport is over, the apprehension of losing succeeds to the care of acquiring. Rogers, Serm.

2. Cards all of a sort. [Spanish, flux.]

3. Bloom; growth; abundance.

No busy steps the grass-grown footway tread, But all the bloomy flush of life is fled. Goldsmith. A horse turned out in the spring to take the first flush of grass.

Steevens, Note on K. Lear. 4. A term for a number of ducks; as a

covey is for partridges.

As when a faulcon hath with nimble flight Flowne at a flush of ducks foreby the brook, The trembling fowl -

Do hide themselves from her astonying look Amongst the flags and covert round about. Spenser, F. Q. ii. v. 54.

FLU'SHER.* n. s. The common name of the lesser butcher-bird. Chambers. FLU'SHING.* n. s. [from flush.] Colour in

the face by a sudden afflux of blood. Ere yet the salt of most unrighteous tears Had left the flushing in her galled eyes,

She married. Shakspeare, Hamlet. To cover any pimples and heats, or to remove any obstructions, or to mitigate and quench excessive flushings.

Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 62. What can be more significant than the sudden flushing and confusion of a blush?

Collier of the Aspect. FLU'SHNESS.* n.s. [from flush.] Freshness.
Whose interest it is, like hernshaws, to hide the meagerness of their bodies by the flushness of their feathers. Bp. Ganden's Life of Hooker, 1661, p. 37.

To Flu'ster. v. a. [from To flush.] 1. To make hot and rosy with drinking;

to make half drunk.

Three lads of Cyprus, noble swelling spirits, Have I to-night fluster'd with flowing cups, And they watch too. Shakspeare, Othello.

2. To confound; to hurry.

All endeavours must be therefore used either to divert, bind up, stupify, fluster, and amuse the senses; or else to justle them out of their stations. Swift, Fragment.

To FLU'STER.* v. n. | Teut. and Germ. flughs, in a hurry; Icel. flas, precipitancy; and Serenius gives flester, anhelus, i. e. short-winded, out of breath.] To be in a bustle; to make much ado about little.

The Apostle seems here most peculiarly to have directed this encomium of the gospel, as a defiance to the philosophers of his time, the flustering, vain-South, Serm. iii. 215.

FLU'STER.* n. s. [from the verb.] Sudden impulse; violent flow; hurry.

Let no present fluster of fortune, or flow of riches, either transport the man himself with confidence, or the fools about him with admiration. South, Serm. vi. 235 When Caska adds to his natural impudence the

fluster of a bottle, that which fools called fire when he was sober, all men abhor as outrage when he is drunk. Tatler, No. 252. FLU'STERED.* adj. [from fluster.] Heated

with liquor; half-drunk. Being pleased with two or three imaginary bumpers of different wines, equally delicious; and a little vexed with this fantastick treat; he pretended to grow flustered, and gave the Barmecide a good box on the ear,

Addison, Guardian, No. 162.

FLUTE. † n.s. [fluste, flute, French; fluyte, Dutch; floite, Danish; Chaucer writes our word after this manner, "many a floite," House of Fame, iii. 133; Germ. floote. The word may be either from the Gr. φλάω, to blow, or the Lat. fistula, a pipe.

1. A musical pipe; a pipe with stops for

the fingers.

Throars were silver, Which to the tune of flutes kept stroke. Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop.

The soft complaining flute, In dying notes discovers

The woes of hopeless lovers, Whose dirge is whisper'd by the warbling lute.

2. A channel or furrow in a pillar, like the concave of a flute split.

To FLUTE.* v. n. To play on the flute. Singing he was, or floyting all the day.

Chaucer, C. T. Prol. To FLUTE. v. a. To cut columns into hollows.

Channelled, fluted, furrowed, streaked.

Cotgrave, in V. Canelé, and Sherwood. FLU'TER.* n. s. [Fr. fluteur.] One who plays on the flute. Cotg. and Sherw. To FLU'TTER. + v. n. [plocepan, Saxon;

flotter, French. And our word was formerly written floter, or flotter. " As an eagle stirreth up her nest, flotereth over her birds, and beareth them on her wings," &c. Dr. Plaifere's Nine Serm. 162k; p.106.]

1. To take short flights with great agitation of the wings.

As an eagle stirreth up her nest, fluttereth over her young, and spreadeth abroad her wings, so the Lord alone did lead him. Deut. xxxii. 11. Think you've an angel by the wings;

One that gladly will be nigh, To wait upon each morning sigh;

To flutter in the balmy air

Of your well-perfumed pray'r. Crashaw They fed, and, flutt'ring, by degrees withdrew.

2. To move about with great show and bustle without consequence.

Excess muddies the best wit, and only makes it flutter and froth high.

No rag, no scrap of all the beau or wit, That once so flutter'd, and that once so writ. Pope, Dunciad.

3. To be moved with quick vibrations or undulations.

Ye spirits! to your charge repair; The flutt'ring fan be Zephyretta's care. They the tall mast above the vessel rear, Or teach the flutt'ring sail to float in air.

Pope, Odyss.

4. To be in agitation; to move irregularly; to be in a state of uncertainty.

The relation being brought him what a glorious victory was got, and how long she flutter'd upon the wings of doubtful success, he was not surprised. Howel, Voc. For.

It is impossible that men should certainly discover the agreement or disagreement of ideas, whilst their thoughts flutter about, or stick only in sounds of doubtful signification. Esteem we these, my friends! event and chance,

Produc'd by atoms from their flutt'ring dance!

His thoughts are very fluttering and wandering, and cannot be fixed attentively to a few ideas suc-

To FLU'TTER. + v. a.

1. To drive in disorder, like a flock of birds suddenly roused.

Like an eagle in a dovecoat, I Flutter'd your Volscians in Corioli. Shaks. Coriol.

2. To hurry the mind.

3. To disorder the position of any thing. Then might ye see

Cowls, hoods, and habits, with their wearers, toss'd And flutter'd into rags. Milton, P.L.

FLU'TTER. n. s. [from the verb.]

1. Vibration; undulation; quick and irregular motion.

An infinite variety of motions are to be made use of in the flutter of a fan: there is the angry flutter, the modest flutter, and the timorous flutter.

2. Hurry; tumult; disorder of mind.

3. Confusion; irregular position.

FLU'TTERING.* n. s. [from flutter.] Tumult of mind; agitation. In sweet confusion lost,

And dubious flutterings, he a while remain'd. Thomson, Summer.

FLUVIA'TICK. adj. [fluviaticus, Lat.] Belonging to rivers.

FLUX. n. s. [fluxus, Lat.; flux, Fr.]
1. The act of flowing; passage.

The simple and primary motion of fire is a flux, in a direct line from the centre of the fuel to its circumference. By the perpetual flux of the liquids, a great

part of them is thrown out of the body. Arbuthn. 2. The state of passing away and giving

place to others.

Whether the heat of the sun in animals whose parts are successive, and in a continual flux, can produce a deep and perfect gloss of blackness.

Brown, Vulg. Err. What the stated rate of interest should be, in the constant change of affairs, and flux of money is hard to determine.

In the constituent matter of one body, turning naturally to another like body, the stock or fund can never be exhausted, nor the flux and alteration

Languages, like our bodies, are in a perpetual flux, and stand in need of recruits to supply those words that are continually falling.

Felton on the Classicks.

3. Any flow or issue of matter.

Quinces stop fluxes of blood. Arbuth. on Diet. 4. Dysentery; disease in which the bowels are excoriated and bleed; bloody

Eat eastern spice, secure From burning fluxes and hot calenture. Halifax. 5. Excrement; that which falls from bodies.

Civet is the very uncleanly flux of a cat. Shaks.

6. Concourse; confluence.

Left and abandon'd of his velvet friends; 'Tis right, quoth he; thus misery doth part The flux of company. Shakspeare, As you like it. 7. The state of being melted.

8. That which mingled with a body makes

FLUX. † adj. [fluxus, Latin.] Unconstant;

not durable; maintained by a constant succession of parts.

A corporation; which is likewise a flux body, may be punished for the faults, and liable to the debts, of their predecessors

Arbuthnot and Pope, Mart. Scriblerus, ch. 12. 2. Fluid matter.

Our argument for such a translation is the flux nature of living languages.

Abp. Newcome, Ess. Tr. of the Bible, p. 233. To Flux. v. a.

1. To melt.

He maketh his cure more dilatory, and at the same time fluxes his body and his purse. Moral State of England, (1670,) p. 34.

2. To salivate; to evacuate by spitting. He might fashionably and genteelly -have been duelled or fluxed into another world.

South, Serm. ii. 215.

FLUXA'TION.* n. s. [fluxus, Lat.] The state of passing away and giving place to others.

They [the Siamese] believe a continual fluxation and transmigration of souls from eternity.

Leslie, Short Method with the Deists. FLU'XIBLE.* adj. [Fr. fluxible.] Not du-

rable; changing.

Though it be questionable, whether I wear the same flesh which is fluxible, I am sure my hair is not the same; for I went flaxen-haired out of England, but you shall find me returned with a very dark brown. Howell, Let. i. i. 31. FLUXIBI'LITY.* n. s. [from fluxible.] Apt-

Cockeram. ness to flow or spread.

FLUXI'LITY. n. s. [fluxus, Lat.] Easiness of separation of parts; possibility of liquefaction.

Experiments seem to teach, that the supposed aversation of nature to a vacuum is but accidental, or in consequence, partly of the weight and fluidity, or at least fluxility of the bodies here below.

FLU'XION. † n. s. [fluxion, Fr. fluxio, Lat.] 1. The act of flowing.

A running, flowing or floating of waters.

Cotgrave. 2. The matter that flows. The fluxion increased, and abscesses were rais'd.

3. [In mathematicks.] The arithmetick or analysis of infinitely small variable quantities; or it is the method of finding an infinite small or infinitely small quantity, which being taken an infinite number of times, becomes equal to a quantity given.

A penetration into the abstruse difficulties and depths of modern algebra and fluxions, are not worth the labour of those who design the learned professions as the business of life. Watts. FLU'XIONARY.* adj. [from fluxion.] Re-

lating to mathematical fluxions. You may apply the rules of the fluxionary me-Bp. Berkeley, Analyst, § 32. FLU'XIONIST.* n. s. [from fluxion.] One

skilled in the doctrine of fluxions. Whether an algebraist, fluxionist, geometrician, or demonstrator of any kind can expect indulgence for obscure principles or incorrect reasonings. Bp. Berkeley, Analyst. Qu. 43.

FLU'XIVE.* adj. [from flux.]

1. Flowing with tears.

These often bath'd she in her fluxive eyes. Shakspeare, Lover's Complaint.

2. Wanting solidity.

Their arguments are as fluxive as liquor spilt upon a table. B. Jonson, Discoveries.

FLU'XURE.* n. s. [Lat. fluxus.] 1. The act or power of flowing.

Humour, we thus define it, To be a quality of air, or water, And in itself holds these two properties,

Moisture and fluxure. B. Jonson, Every Man out of his Humour.

The swoln fluxure of the clouds.

Drayton, Baron's Wars, ii. 16. To FLY. + pret. flew or fled; part. fled or flown. v. n. [Fleogan, Saxon. To fly is properly to use wings, and gives flew and flown. To flee is to escape, or to go away, rlean, Saxon, and makes fled.] They are now confounded. Fly, or rleozan, are evidently from the Latin volo, to fly.

1. To move through the air with wings. Ere the bat hath flown

His cloister'd flight. Shakspeare, Macbeth. Fowl that may fly above the earth in the open firmament of heaven. Gen. i. 20. These men's hastiness the warier sort of you do

not commend: ye wish they had held themselves longer in, and not flown so dangerously abroad before the feathers of the cause had been grown. Hooker.

To pass through the air.

Man is born unto trouble, as the sparks fly upard. 3. To pass away, with the idea of swift-

ness or escape. Ev'n a romance, a tune, a rhime, Help thee to pass the tedious time,

Which else would on thy hand remain; Though flown, it ne'er looks back again. Prior. To pass swiftly.

The scouts with flying speed Return, and through the city spread the news.

Earth rolls back beneath the flying steed. Pope. To move with rapidity.

As striplings whip the top for sport, On the smooth pavement of an empty court, The wooden engine flies and whirls about. Dryd.

6. To part with violence. Glad to catch this good occasion.

Most thoroughly to be winnow'd, where my chaff And corn shall fly asunder. Shaksp. Hen. VIII. He bassas heads, to save his own made fly; And now, the sultan to preserve, must die. Waller.

7. To break; to shiver; to burst asunder with a sudden explosion.

Behold, a frothy substance rise; Be cautious, or your bottle flies. 8. [Flean, Saxon; fliehen, German.] run away; to attempt escape. In this sense the verb is properly to flee, when fled is formed; but the following exam. ples shew that they are confounded: they are confounded oftener in the present than in the preter tense. See To

Which when the valiant elf perceiv'd, he leapt, As lion fierce, upon the flying prey. Spens. F. Q. Ye shall flee, as ye fled from before the earth-Zech. xiv. 5.

Abiathar escaped, and fled after David. 1 Sam. xxii. 20.

What wonder if the kindly beams he shed, Reviv'd the drooping arts again; If science rais'd her head,

And soft humanity, that from rebellion fled. Dryden.

He oft desir'd to fly from Israel's throne, And live in shades with her and love alone. Prior. I'll fly from shepherds, flocks, and flow'ry plains;

From shepherds, flocks, and plains I may remove, Forsake mankind, and all the world but love.

9. To FLY at. To spring with violence upon; to fall on suddenly.

Though the dogs have never seen the dog-killer, yet they will come forth, and bark and fly at him. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

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No honour, no fortune, can keep a man from being miserable, when an enraged conscience shall fly at him, and take him by the throat.

South, Serm. This is an age that flies at all learning, and enquires especially into faults.

10. To FLY at. To hawk; to catch birds by means of hawks.

Believe me, lords, for flying at the brook, I saw not better sport these seven years' day. Shakspeare, K. Hen. VI. P. II.

11. To FLY back. To start; to become restiff, as a horse.

12. To FLY in the face. To insult.

This would discourage any man from doing you good, when you will either neglect him, or fly in his face, and he must expect only danger to himself.

Swift, Drapier's Letters.

13. To FLY in the face. To act in defiance.

Fly in nature's face : - But how, if nature fly in my face first?

- Then nature's the aggressor. Dryd. Span. Fr. 14. To FLy off. To revolt.

Deny to speak with me? They're sick, they're

They have travell'd all the night! mean fetches;

The images of revolt and flying off. Shak. K. Lear. The traitor Syphax Flew off at once with his Numidian horse.

Addison, Cato. 15. To FLY on. To spring with violence

upon; to fly at. A servant that he bred, thrill'd with remorse,

Oppos'd against the act, bending his sword To his great master; who, thereat enrag'd, Flew on him, and amongst them fell'd him dead. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

16. To FLY out. To burst into passion. How easy is a noble spirit discern'd, From harsh and sulphurous matter that flies out In contumelies, makes a noise and stinks.

B. Jonson, Catiline. Passion is apt to ruffle, and pride will fly out into contumely and neglect. Collier of Friendship.

17. To FLY out. To break out into li-

You use me like a courser spurr'd and rein'd: If I fly out, my fierceness you command. Dryd. Papists, when unopposed, fly out into all the pageantries of worship; but when they are hard pressed by arguments, lie close intrenched behind the council of Trent. Dryden.

18. To FLY out. To start violently from any direction.

All bodies, moved circularly, have a perpetual endeavour to recede from the centre, and every moment would fly out in right lines, if they were not restrained. Bentley, Serm.

19. To let FLY. To discharge.

The noisy culverin, o'ercharged, lets fly, And bursts, unaiming, in the rended sky.

20. To be light and unencumbered: as, a flying camp.

21. To float in the air; as they marched out of the town, by capitulation, with drums beating, colours flying, &c. i.e. with honour. Hence perhaps the vulgar expression, "to come off with flying-colours."

To FLY. tv.a.

1. To shun; to avoid; to decline.

Love like a shadow flies, when substance love pursues:

Pursuing that which flies, and flying what pursues. Shakspeare. O Jove, I think

Foundations fly the wretched; such I mean, Where they should be relieved. Shakspeare. If you fly physick in health altogether, it will

be too strange for your body when you shall need Bacon, Essays. O whither shall I run, or which way fly

The sight of this so horrid spectacle, Milton, S. A. 2. To refuse association with.

Sleep flies the wretch; or when with cares opprest.

And his toss'd limbs are weary'd into rest,

Then dreams invade. Dryden, Juv. Nature flies him like enchanted ground.

3. To quit by flight.

Dedalus, to fly the Cretan shore, His heavy limbs on jointed pinions bore, The first who sail'd in air. Dryden, Æn.

4. To attack by a bird of prey.

If a man can tame this monster, and with her fly other ravening fowl, and kill them, it is some-Fly every thing you see to the mark, and cen-

sure it freely. B. Jonson, Magn. Lady, Induct. 5. To cause to fly, or float in the air, as,

to fly an artificial kite.

6. It is probable that flew was originally the preterite of fly, when it signified volation, and fled when it signified escape: flown should be confined likewise to volation; but these distinctions are now confounded. I know not any book except the Scriptures in which fly and flee are carefully kept separate.

FLY. † n. s. [pleoze, plie, Saxon; fluga,

Icel.]

1. A small winged insect of many species. As flies to wanton boys, are we to th' gods; They kill us for their sport. Shakspeare, K. Lear. My country neighbours begin to think of being

in general, before they come to think of the fly in their sheep, or the tares in their corn. Locke To prevent the fly, some propose to sow ashes Mortimer, Husbandry. with the seed. To heedless flies the window proves

A constant death. Thomson, Summer. 2. That part of a machine which, being put into a quick motion, regulates and equalises the motion of the rest.

If we suppose a man tied in the place of the weight, it were easy, by a single hair fastened unto the fly or balance of the jack, to draw him up from the ground.

3. That part of a vane which points how the wind blows.

4. A stage-coach, distinguished by this name, in order to impress a belief of its extraordinary quickness in travel-

5. A flatterer. A Latinism. Courtiers have flies, That buzz all news unto them.

Massinger, Virgin Martyr. FLY'BITTEN.* adj. [fly and bite.] Stained

by the bites of flies. The German hunting in water-work is worth a thousand of these bed-hangings, and these flybitten tapestries. Shakspeare, K. Hen. IV. P. II.

FLY'BLOW.* n. s. [fly and blow.] The

egg of a fly.
As fast, and thick as fly-blows. Beaum. and Fl. Cust. of the Country.

To FLY BLOW. v. a. [fly and blow.] To taint with flies; to fill with maggots.

I am unwilling to believe that he designs to play tricks, and to flyblow my words, to make others distaste them. Stillingfleet.

Like a flyblown cake of tallow; Or, on parchment, ink turn'd yellow. So morning insects, that in muck begun,

Shine, buz, and flyblow in the setting sun. FLY'BOAT. † n. s. [fly and boat. Fr. flibot; Icel. fley.] A kind of vessel nimble and light for sailing.

With three neat fly-boats, which with them do

Six ships of Sandwich, up the fleet to make.

Drayton's Agincourt. FLYCA'TCHER n. s. [fly and catch.] One that hunts flies.

There was more need of Brutus in Domitian's days, to mend, than of Horace, to laugh at a fly-Dryden. The swallow was a flycatcher as well as the

spider. L'Estrange.

FLY'ER. † n. s. [from fly.]

1. One that flies or runs away. This is written more frequently flier.

Enforced flight is no disgrace; such flyers fight ain. Warner, Albion's Eng. iii. 18. They hit one another with darts, as the others

do with their hands, which they never throw counter, but at the back of the flier. Sandys, Journey.

He grieves so many Britons should be lost; Taking more pains, when he beheld them yield, To save the fliers than to win the field. 2. One that uses wings.

You, Philander, are too high a flyer for me; you are so much in the altitudes, &c.

Goodman, Wint. Ev. Conf. P. III. 3. The fly of a jack.

4. [In architecture.] Stairs made of an oblong square figure; whose fore and back sides are parallel to each other, and so are their ends: the second of these flyers stands parallel behind the first, the third behind the second, and so are said to fly off from one another. Moxon, Mech. Exer.

To FLY'FISH. v. n. [fly and fish.] To angle with a hook baited with a fly, either natural or artificial.

I shall next give you some other directions for fly-fishing. Wulton, Angler.

FLY'FLAP.* n.s. [fly and flap.] A fan or flapper to keep flies off.

Your order appointing certain deacons with fly-flaps to drive away flies, when the Pope etlebrateth, were very superfluous.

Sheldon, Mir. of Antichr. (1616,) p. 84. Then 'mongst the rout he flew as swift, As weapon made by Cyclops,

And bravely quell'd sedition's buz,

By dint of massy fty-flops.
Song of St. George for England.

FLY'ING-FISH.* n. s. [fly and fish.] fish of the gurnard kind.

The greatest recreation we had, was to view such large shoals of flying fishes, as, by their interposing multitude, for some time darkened the sun; a fish beautiful in its eye; the body, though for those complemental fines eye; the body, though for those complemental fine, which, so long as most, serve as wings to fly 200 paces or more, and 40 foot high. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 39.

FOAL. † n. s. M. Goth. fula; Su. Goth. fole; Sax. rola, role. Our old authors write the word fole.] The offspring of a mare, or other beast of burthen. The custom now is to use colt for a young horse, and filly for a young mare; but there was not originally any such distinction.

Also flew his steed, And with his winged heels did tread the wind, As he had been a foal of Pegasus's kind.

Spenser, F. Q. Twenty she-asses and ten foals. Gen. xxxii. 15. To FOAL, v. a. [from the noun.] To bring forth. Used of mares.

Give my horse to Timon : it foals me straight Ten able horses. Shakspeare, Timon.

Such colts as are

Of generous race, straight, when they first are foal'd,

Walk proudly. May, Georgicks. To FOAL. v.n. To be disburthened of the fœtus. Used of beasts of burthen. About September take your mares into the house, where keep them till they foal. Mortimer, Husbandry.

Fo'ALBIT.] n. s. Plants.

FOAM.† n. s. [faum, German; pæm, Sax. See the verb active foam.] The white substance which agitation or fermentation gathers on the top of liquors; froth; spume.

The foam upon the water. They have dashed themselves in pieces, and are forced to retire back again in empty passion Scott, Works, ii. 31. Whitening down their mossy tinctur'd stream

Descends the billowy foam. Thomson, Spring.

To FOAM. * v. a. [Sax. ræman; Lat. vomo.] To cast out froth; to throw forth.

Raging waves of the sea, foaming out their own St. Jude, ver. 13. shame.

To FOAM. v. n.

I. To froth; to gather foam.

What a beard of the general's cut will do among foaming bottles and ale-wash'd wits, is Shakspeare, Hen. V. Cæsar fell down at the market-place, and foam'd at mouth, and was speechless. Shakspeare, Jul. Cas.

To Pallas high the foaming bowl he crown'd, And sprinkl'd large libations on the ground. Pope, Odyssey. Upon a foaming horse

There follow'd strait a man of royal port. 2. To be in rage; to be violently agitated. He foameth, and gnashesh with his teeth. St. Mark, ix. 18.

Fo'AMINGLY.* adv. [from foaming.] Slaveringly; frothily. ·Cotgrave in V. Baveusement, and Sherwood. Fo'AMY. adj. [from foam.] Covered with

foam ; frothy.

More white than Neptune's foamy face, When struggling rocks he would embrace. Sidney. Behold how high the foamy billows ride! The winds and waves are on the juster side.

FOB. n. s. [fuppe, fupsacke, German.] A small pocket.

Who pick'd a fob at holding forth. Hudibras. When were the dice with more profusion

thrown? The well-fill'd fob, not empty'd now alone.

Dryden, Juo. He put his hand into his fob, and presented me in his name with a tobacco-stopper.

Addison, Spect. Two pockets he called his fobs: they were two large slits squeezed close by the pressure of his belly.

Orphans around his bed the lawyer sees, And takes the plaintiff's and defendant's fees; His fellow pick-purse, watching for a job, Fancies his fingers in the cully's fob.

To Fob. v. a. [fuppen, German.] 1. To cheat; to trick; to defraud. fobb'd in it. Shakspeare, Othello.

Shall there be a gallows standing in England when thou art king, and resolution thus fobb'd as it is with the rusty curb of old father antick the Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

He goes pressing forward, till he was fobbed L'Estrange. again with another story. 2. To FOB off. To shift off; to put aside

with an artifice; to delude by a trick. You must not think to fob off our disgrace with Shakspeare, Coriol.

For they, poor knaves, were glad to cheat, To get their wives and children meat;

But these will not be fobb'd off so, They must have wealth and power too. Hudibras.

By a Ravenna vintner once betray'd, So much for wine and water mix'd I paid; But when I thought the purchas'd liquor mine,

The rascal fobb'd me off with only wine. Addison. Being a great lover of country-sports, I absolutely determined not to be a minister of state, nor to be fobb'd off with a garter.

Addison, Freeholder. Fo'cal. adj. [from focus.] Belonging to the focus. See Focus.

Schelhammer demandeth whether the convexity or concavity of the drum collects rays into a focal point, or scatters them. Derham, Physico-Theology.

Fo'cil. † n. s. [focile, French; originally an Arabick expression for the two bones of the arm and leg here named.] The greater or less bone between the knee and ankle; or elbow and wrist.

The fracture was of both the focils of the left Wiseman, Surgery. FOCILLA'TION. n. s. [focillo, Lat.] Comfort; support.

FO'CUS. n. s. [Latin.]
1. [In opticks.] The focus of a glass is the point of convergence or concourse, where the rays meet and cross the axis after their refraction by the glass.

Harris. The point from which rays diverge, or to which they converge, may be called their focus.

Newton, Opticks. 2. Focus of a Parabola. A point in the axis within the figure, and distant from the vertex by a fourth part of the parameter, or latus rectum. Harris.

3. Focus of an Ellipsis. A point towards each end of the longer axis; from whence two right lines being drawn to any point in the circumference, shall be together equal to that longer axis.

Harris. 4. Focus of the Hyperbola. A point in the principal axis, within the opposite hyperbolas; from which if any two right lines are drawn, meeting in either of the opposite hyperbolas, the difference will be equal to the principal axis. Dict.

FO'DDER.† n. s. [Sax. poden, pobbon, from roeban, to feed; Su. Goth. foda, to feed; Irish, foder, straw; Icel. fodr, food for cattle. See FOTHER.] Dry food stored up for cattle against win-

Their cattle, starving for want of fodder, cor-Knolles, Hist. of the Turks. rupted the air. Being not to be raised without wintering, they will help to force men into improvement of land by a necessity of fodder.

Of grass and fodder thou defraud'st the dams, And of their mother's dugs the starving lambs. Dryden, Virg.

I think it is scurvy, and begin to find myself | To Fo'DDER. v. a. [from the noun.] To feed with dry food.

Natural earth is taken from just under the turf of the best pasture ground, in a place that bas been well foddered on. Evelyn's Kalendar. From winter keep,

Well fodder'd in the stalls, thy tender sheep.

Dryden, Virg. A farm of fifty pound hath commonly three barns, with as many cowyards to fodder cattle in. Mortimer, Husbandry.

Straw will do well enough to fodder with. Mortimer.

Fo'dderer. † n. s. [Sax. pobpene.] He who fodders cattle. Sherwood. FOE. † n. s. [Sax. rah, an enemy; per-

haps from pan, to hate; fa, Scottish. Runick faat, secret hatred; Cimbr. faide, enmity; Icel. faide; Goth. faad. Hence our feud; to which likewise foe-kood is akin; a word which Dr. Johnson has overpassed. Fone is our ancient plural of foe, and often occurs in the poetry of Spenser.]

1. Ân enemy in war.

Ere he had established his throne, He fought great battles with his savage fone, In which he then defeated ever more. Spenser. F.Q. Never but one more was either like

To meet so great a foe. 2. A persecutor; an enemy in common

God's benison go with you, and with those

That would make good of bad, and friends of foes. Shakspeare.

Forc'd by thy worth, thy foe in death become, Thy friend has lodg'd thee in a costly tomb. Dryden, Fab. Thy defects to know,

Make use of ev'ry friend, and ev'ry foe. 3. An opponent; an illwisher.

He that considers and enquires into the reason of things, is counted a foe to received doctrines. Watts on the Mind.

To Foe.* v. a. [from the noun.] To treat as an enemy. Not now in use.

In his power she was to foe or friend.

Spenser, F. Q. vi. xi. 6. Fo'EHOOD.* [Sax. rah and hab, the quality, condition, or character of a foe. | En-

Have you forgotten S. Hierome's and Ruffinus's deadly foehood which was rung over the world? Bp. Bedell, Cop. of Cert. Letters, (1620,) ch. 2. p. 325.

Composals of these inbred fohoods. Dr. Jackson, Works, ii. 522.

Fo'elike.* adj. [foe and like, Sax. palæca.] In the character of an enemy.

Foelike hath bent his bow; his hostile hand Advanc'd, and slain the beauty of the land. Sandys, Lament, p. 4.

Fo'EMAN. n. s. [from foe and man, Sax. rahmon.] Enemy in war; antagonist. An obsolete word, Dr. Johnson says. Some poets of the present time have endeavoured to re-establish this word, which once indeed was common.

Here haunts that fiend, and does his daily spoil; Therefore henceforth be at your keeping well, And ever ready for your foeman fell. Spenser, F.Q.

What valiant foeman, like to autumn's corn, Have we mow'd down in top of all their pride? Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

When by report of subjects I did heare How foemen were arrived on my shore, I gathered all my soldiers void of feare.

Mirror, for Mag. p. 17.

Art nor cunning shall not lack, To preserve thee, still to keep, What thy envious foemen seek.

Beaum. and Fl. Women Pleased.

FO'ETUS. n. s. [Latin.] The child in the womb after it is perfectly formed: but before, it is called embryo. Quincy. A fætus, in the mother's womb, differs not much from the state of a vegetable.

FOG. † n. s. [Icel. fug, Dan. fog, a storm, a fall of snow, snow driven by the wind. It seems to be connected with the Lat. fuligo, a mist, darkness.] A thick mist; a moist dense vapour near the surface of the land or water.

Infect her beauty, You fensuck'd fogs drawn by the pow'rful sun, To fall and blast her pride. Shakspeare, K. Lear. Lesser mists and fogs than those which covered Greece with so long darkness, present great alter-

ations in the sun and moon.

Ralegh, Hist. of the World. Fly, fly, prophane fogs! far hence fly away; Taint not the pure streams of the springing day With your dull influence: it is for you To sit and scoule upon night's heavy brow.

Crashaw. Fogs we frequently observe after sun-setting, even in our hottest months. Woodward, Nat. Hist. Fog. † n. s. [fogagium, low Latin. " Gramen in foresta regis locatur pro fogagio. Leges Forest. Scoticæ.] Aftergrass; grass which grows in autumn after the hay is mown. A common word in the north.

The thick and well-grown fog doth mat my smoother slades. Drayton, Polyolb, S. 13. To Fog. * v. a. [from the noun.] To overcast; to darken; "to fog over."

Sherwood. To FOG.* v. n. [Fr. vogue, sway, authority; voguer, to go forward.] To have power; to practise. Hence our word pettifogger, one who has little influence, practice, or power. The present word has hitherto been unobserved.

The fogging proctorage of money.

Milton, of Reformation in Eng. B. 2. He gives himself up wholly to scrape a livelihood from curing diseases, or fogging in secular causes. Hacket's Life of Abp. Williams, p. 28. Fo'GAGE.* n. s. [low Lat. fogagium.] In

the forest law, rank grass, not eaten in the summer. Chambers.

Fo'ggily. adv. [from foggy.] Mistily; darkly; cloudily.

Fo'GGINESS. † n. s. [from foggy.] The state of being dark or misty; cloudiness;

Your poverty shall exceed the lazy dulness and useless fogginess of many of them amidst their Bp. Ganden, Hieraspistes, 1653, p. 560. Fo'ggy. + adj. [from fog.]

1. Misty; cloudy; dank; full of moist vapours.

Alas! while we are wrapt in foggy mist Of our self-love, so passions do deceive, We think they hurt when most they do assist. Sidney. And Phœbus flying so, most shameful sight, His blushing face in foggy cloud implies, And hides for shame.

Whence have they this mettle? Is not their climate foggy, raw and dull.

Shakspeare, Hen. V.

As cleere Phœbus, when some foggy cloud His brightnesse from the world a while doth shrowd, Doth by degrees beginne to shew his light. Brown.

Let not the air be subject to any foggy noisome- | 3. To defeat; to puzzle. ness, from fens or marshes near adjoining.

Wotton, Architecture. About Michaelmas, the weather fair, and by no means foggy, retire your rarest plants. Evelyn's Kalendar.

2. Cloudy in understanding; dull.

I will pass over your coarse, foggy, drowsy conceit, that there are few or none simple monarchies in the world.

Hayward, Ans. to Doleman, (1603,) p. 35. Fon. interject. [from rah, Saxon, an enemy.] An interjection of abhorrence: as if one should at sight of any thing

hated cry out a foe!

Not to affect many proposed matches Of her own clime, complexion and degree, Whereto we see in all things nature tends, Foh! one may smell in such a will most rank, Foul disproportions; thoughts unnatural.

FO'IBLE.* adj. [French, foible; Ital. fievole; probably from the Lat. flebilis, to be lamented. Our word is now used perhaps only as a substantive, signifying defect, a weak side; but is no doubt adopted from the adjective, though our lexicographers have thought the adjective unworthy of any notice, in the sense formerly used by fencers; foible being the word for the weakest part of a blade, in contradistinction to fort, the strongest.] Weak.

The fencing-masters, when they present a foyle or fleuret to their scholars, tell him it hath two parts; one of which he calleth the fort or strong, and the other the foyble or weak.

Lord Herbert's Life, p. 46. Fo'IBLE. n. s. [from the adjective.] A weak side; a blind side; a failing. He knew the foibles of human nature.

Friend, Hist. of Physick. The witty men sometimes have sense enough to know their own foible, and therefore they craftily

shun the attacks of argument. Watts, Logick To FOIL. v. a. [affoler, to wound, old French.]

1. To put to the worst; to defeat, though without a complete victory.

Amazement seiz'd The rebel thrones; but greater rage to see Thus foil'd their mightiest, Milton, P. L.

Leader of those armies bright, Which but th' omnipotent none could have foil'd. Milton, P. L.

Yet these subject not: I to thee disclose What inward thence I feel, not therefore foil'd: Who meet with various objects from the sense Variously representing; yet still free, Approve the best, and follow what I approve.

Milton, P. L Strange, that your fingers should the pencil foil, Without the help of colours or of oil! He had been foiled in the cure, and had left it Wiseman, Surgery.

In their conflicts with sin they have been so often foiled, that they now despair of ever getting Calamy, Serm.

Virtue, disdain, despair, I oft have try'd; And, foil'd, have with new arms my foe defy'd.

But. I, the consort of the thunderer, Have wag'd a long and unsuccessful war; With various arts and arms in vain have toil'd, And by a mortal man at length am foil'd. Dryden, Æn.

2. [fouiller, French.] To blunt; to dull.
When light-wing'd toys Of feather'd Cupid foil, with wanton dulness, My speculative and offic'd instruments.

Whil'st I am following one character, I am cross'd in my way by another, and put up such a variety of odd creatures in both sexes, that they foil the scent of one another, and puzzle the chase

FOIL. † n. s. [from the verb.]

1. A defeat; a miscarriage; an advantage gained without a complete conquest.

We of thy cunning had no diffidence; One sudden foil shall never breed distrust.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. Whosoever overthroweth his mate in such sort, as that either his back, or the one shoulder, and contrary heel do touch the ground, shall be accounted to give the fall: if he be endangered, and make a narrow escape, it is called a foil.

So after many a foil the tempter proud, Renewing fresh assaults, amidst his pride, Fell-whence he stood to see his victor fall.

Milton, P. L. When age shall level me to impotence, And sweating pleasure leave me on the foil.

Death never won a stake with greater toil, Dryden. Nor e'er was fate so near a foil. 2. [feuille, French, folium, Lat.] Leaf;

gilding. A stately palace, built of squared brick, Which cunningly was without mortar laid,

Whose walls were high, but nothing strong nor

And golden foil all over them display'd. Spenser, F. Q.

Fame is no plant that grows on mortal soil, Nor in the glistering foil Set off to th' world, nor in broad rumour lies. Milton, Lycidas.

3. Something of another colour near which jewels are set to raise their lustre.

As she a black silk cap on him begun To set for foil of his milk-white to serve. Like bright metal on a sullen ground, My reformation glittering o'er my fault, Shall shew more goodly, and attract more eyes, Than that which hath no foil to set it off. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

The sullen passage of thy weary steps Esteem a foil, wherein thou art to set

The precious jewel of thy home. Shakspeare. 'Tis the property of all true diamonds to unite the foil closely to itself, and thereby better augment its lustre: the full is a mixture of mastich and Grew, Museum.

Hector has a foil to set him off: we oppose the incontinence of Paris to the temperance of Hector. Broome on the Odyssey.

4. [from fouiller, French.] A blunt sword used in fencing.

He that plays the king shall be welcome; his majesty shall have tribute of me: the adventurous knight shall use his foil and target. Shaks. Hamlet.

5. The steel of a looking-glass. [French, feuille, leaf; Lat. folium.] Sherwood.

Foil, among looking-glass-grinders, is a sheet of tin with quicksilver, or the like, laid on the backside of a looking-glass, to make it reflect. Chambers.

Fo'ILABLE.* adj. [from foil.] That may be foiled; refusable; rejectible.

Cotgrave in V. Rebutable, & Sherwood. Fo'ILER. n. s. [from foil.] One who has gained advantage over another.

Fo'ILING.* n. s. Among hunters, the mark, barely visible, where deer have passed over grass.

To FOIN. tv. n. [poindre, French, pungo, Lat. To push in fencing.

He hew'd, and lash'd, and foin'd, and thunder'd FO'ISTER.* n.s. [from To foist. A falsi-

And every way did seek into his life;

Ne plate, ne mail, could ward so mighty throws, But yielded passage to his cruel knife. Spens. F. Q. He cares not what mischief he doth, if his weapon be out: he will foin like any devil; he will spare neither man, woman, nor child. Shaks. Hen. IV.

He was fain to defend himself from the boar, a great while, the boar continually foining at him with his great tusks. Cavendish, Life of Wolsey.

Then both, no moment lost, at once advance Against each other, arm'd with sword and lance: They lash, they foin, they pass, they strive to bore Their corslets, and the thinnest parts explore.

To Foin.* v. a. To prick; to sting.

Huloet, and Barret.

Foin. † n. s. [from the verb.] A thrush; a push.

At hand strokes they use not swords, but pollaxes; which be mortal as well in sharpness as in weight, both for foynes and down strokes

Robinson, Transl. of More's Utopia, (1551,) ch. 10. Come; no matter vor your foins. Sh. K. Lear. I had my wards, and foins, and quarter-blows. Wise Wom. of Hogsden, (1698.)
Fo'iningly. adv. [from foin.] In a push-

ing manner.

Fo'Ison. n. s. [old French, foison, (for there is no such Sax. word, I think, as roiron, given by Dr. Johnson,) from foisonner, to abound. It may be from the Lat. fusus, copious; or, as Menage says, from fusio.] Plenty; abundance. A word now out of use, Dr. Johnson says; but it is certainly still used in several counties.

Pay justly thy tithes, whatsoever they be, That God may in blessing send foison to thee.

Tusser. Be wilful to kill, and unskilful to store, And look for no foison, I tell thee before. Tusser. Nature should bring forth,

Of its own kind, all foison, all abundance, To feed my innocent people. Shaksp. T Shaksp. Tempest. As those that feed grow full, as blossoming time That from the seedness the bare fallow brings To teeming foison; so her plenteous womb Expresseth his full tilth and husbandry.

Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas.

To FOIST. † v. a. [fausser, French.] To insert by forgery; to falsify. It appears to have been adopted from the practice of gamblers; " to foist or cog a die," Barret's Alv. 1580; "to foist or cog," Sherwood's Dict. 1632.

Lest negligence or partiality might admit or foist in abuses and corruption, an archdeacon was appointed to take account of their doings.

Carew, State of Cornwall. Forge law, and foist it into some by-place f some old rotten roll. Dryden, Don Sebast.

Of some old rotten roll. To Foist.* v. n. To stink; to be fusty. It is the same as fust, which see; and also foistied. It is sometimes written fiest, as in Hollyband's old French Grammar.

Foist.* n. s. [old Fr. fuste, "a foist, a light galley," Cotgrave; perhaps from the Lat. fustis, in the sense of wood. " A fuste seu ligno dicta navis species, quam vulgò fuste dicimus; nam et naves nudè ligna vocantur." See Du Cange in V. Fusta.] A light and swift ship. Barret.

This pink, this painted foist, this cockle-boat.

fier; "a liar." Sherwood.

These able are at neede to stand and keepe the When facing foisters, fit for Tiburne fraies,

Are food-sick, faint; or, heart-sick, run their waies. Mir. for Mag. p. 483. FO'ISTIED.* adj. [F. fusté.] Mustied;

Huloet. Fo'istiness. n. s. [from foisty.] Fusti-

ness; mouldiness.

Dress mustard, and lay it in cellar up sweet, Lest foistiness make it for table unmeet. Tusser. Fo'isty. † adj. [Fr. fusté. See Fusty.] Mouldy; fusty.

The old motheaten, leaden legend; and the foisty and fenowed festival.

Favour, Antiq. Triumph over Novelty, (1619,) p. 334.

FOLD. † n. s. [Sax. ralæs, rals, from the Goth. faldan, to fold up. " Huc pertinet illud reals, vel rals, quod Anglosaxonibus olim denotabat stabulum, propriè verò septum ex stipitibus cratibusque in terram defixis complicatisque factum? Jun. Gloss. Goth. in V. FALDEN.]

1. The ground in which sheep are con-

His eyes he open'd, and beheld a field Part arable and tilth; whereon were sheaves New reap'd; the other part, sheep-walks and folds. Milton, P. I ..

In thy book record their groans, Who were thy sheep, and in their ancient folds Milton, Sonnet.

2. The place where sheep are housed. Build ye cities for your little ones, and folds for Numb. xxxii. 24.

Time drives the flocks from field to fold, When rivers rage, and rocks grow cold; And Philomel becometh dumb, Ralegh.

And all complain of cares to come. 3. The flock of sheep.

And this you see I scarcely drag along, Who yeaning on the rocks has left her young, The hope and promise of my failing fold. Dryden, Virg.

4. A limit; a boundary.

Secure from meeting, they're distinctly roll'd; Nor leave their seats, and pass the dreadful fold.

5. An enclosure of any kind, as fold-garth, still used in the north of England, for the farm-yard.

6. [From pilo, Saxon.] A double; a complication; an involution; one part added to another; one part doubled upon an-

She in this trice of time

Commits a thing so monstrous, to dismantle So many folds of favour. Shakspeare, K. Lear. The ancient Egyptian mummies were shrouded

in a number of folds of linen, besmeared with gums, Bacon, Nat. Hist. Not with indented wave, the serpent then

Prone on the ground, as since; but on his rear Circular base of rising folds, that tower'd Fold above fold, a surging maze! Milton, P. L.

Let the draperies be nobly spread upon the body, and let the folds be large; the parts should be often traversed by the flowing of the folds. Dryden, Dufresnoy.

With fear and wonder seiz'd, the crowd beholds The gloves of death, with seven distinguish'd folds Of tough bull hides. Dryden, Virg. Æn. The inward coat of a lion's stomach has stronger

folds than a human, but in other things not much Arbuthnot. Beaum. and Fl. Tamer Tamed. 7. From the foregoing signification is derived the use of fold in composition. Fold signifies the same quantity added: as, two fold, twice the quantity; twenty fold, twenty times repeated.

But other fell into good ground, and brought forth fruit; some an hundred fold; some sixty fold, some thirty fold.

St. Matt. xiii. 8. fold, some thirty fold.

At last appear

Hell bounds high reaching to the horrid roof, And thrice three fold the gates: three folds were

Three iron, three of adamantine rock. Mill. P. L. Their martyr'd blood and ashes sow

O'er all the Italian fields, where still doth sway The triple tyrant, that from these may grow

A hundred fold.

To Fold v. a. [Goth. faldan; Sax. realban.]

To shut sheep in the fold. The star that bids the shepherd fold,

Now the top of heav'n doth hold. Milt. Comus. She in pens his flocks will fold, And then produce her dairy store,

With wine to drive away the cold, And unbought dainties of the poor. Dryd. Hor. 2. To double; to complicate.

As a vesture shalt thou fold them up. Heb. i. 12. Yet a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep. Prov. vi. 10.

They be folden together as thorns. Nah. i. 10. I have seen her rise from her bed, unlock her closet, take forth paper, fold it, write upon it, read it, seal it, and again return to bed. Shakspeare. Conscious of its own impotence, it folds its arms in despair, and sits cursing in a corner.

Collier of Envy. Both furl their sails, and strip them for the fight; Their folded sheets dismiss the useless air.

Dryden, Ann. Mir. 3. To enclose; to include; to shut.

We will descend and fold him in our arms. Shakspeare, Rich. II. Witness my son, now in the shade of death,

Whose bright outshining beams thy cloudy wrath Hath in eternal darkness folded up.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. The fires i' th' lowest hell fold in the people. Shakspeare, Coriol.

To Fold, v. n. To close over another of the same kind; to join with another of the same kind.

The two leaves of the one door were folding, and the two leaves of the other door were folding. 1 Kings, vi. 34.

Fo'LDER.* n. s. [from fold.] One who folds up any thing. Lat. rugator. Hul. Fo'LDING.* n.s. [from fold.] Applied to sheep, means the keeping them on arable lands within folds made of hurdles, which they remove about, so that when they have dunged one place they are set upon another.

We see that the folding of sheep helps ground, as well by their warmth as by their compost.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Fole.* See Foal.

FOLIA'CEOUS. adj. [foliaceus, from folium, Latin.] Consisting of laminæ or

A piece of another, consisting of an outer crust, of a ruddy talky spar, and a blue talky foliaceous Woodward on Fossils. FO'LIAGE. n. s. [folium, Latin; feuil-

lage, French.] Leaves; tufts of leaves; the apparel of leaves to a plant.

The great columns are finely engraven with fruits and foliage, that run twisting about them from the very top to the bottom. Addis. on Italy. When swelling buds their od'rous foliage shed, And gentl; harden into fruit, the wise

Spare not the little offsprings, if they grow Redundant. Philips.

To Fo'LIAGE.* v. a. [from the noun.] To work so as to represent foliage.

There is in this place one very great square, in the middle of which appears an huge composite foliaged column. Drummond, Travels, p. 58. Behold his chair, whose fractur'd seat infirm An aged cushion hides! replete with dust

The foliag'd velvet, pleasing to the eye, Of great Eliza's reign, but now the snare Of weary guest, that on the specious bed Sits down confiding. Shenst. Economy, P. III. To Fo'LIATE. v. a. [foliatus, folium, Lat.]

To beat into laminas, or leaves. Gold foliated, or any metal foliated, cleaveth.

If gold be foliated, and held between your eyes and the light, the light looks of a greenish blue. Newton, Opticks.

FOLIA'TION. n. s. [foliatio, folium, Lat.] 1. The act of beating into thin leaves.

2. Foliation is one of the parts of the flower, being the collection of those fugacious coloured leaves called petala, which constitute the compass of the flower; and sometimes guard the fruit which succeeds the foliation, as in apples and pears, and sometimes stand within it, as in cherries and apricots; for these being tender and pulpous, and coming forth in the spring, would be injured by the weather, if they were not lodged up within their flowers.

Quincy. Fo'LIATURE. + n. s. [from folium, Latin.] The state of being hammered into leaves.

They wreathed together a foliature of the fig-Shuckford on the Creation, p. 203. Fo'LIER.* n. s. [Dutch, foeli; French,

feuille.] Goldsmith's foil. Concerning the preparing these foliers, it is to be observed, how and out of what substance they

are prepared. Hist. R. Soc. ii. 489.

FO'LIO. † n. s. [in folio, Latin.]

1. A leaf or page of a book; fol. a and b, or rectò and verso, being ancient and still continued distinctions for the first and second sides of the leaf in manuscripts and early-printed books. This is the primary sense of folio; the first writing being on leaves.

2. A large book, of which the pages are formed by a sheet of paper once doubled.

I am for whole volumes in folio.

Shakspeare, L. Lab. Lost. Plumbinus and Plumeo made less progress in knowledge, though they had read over more folios. Watts on the Mind.

Fo'LIOMORT. adj. [folium mortuum, Lat.] A dark yellow; the colour of a leaf faded: vulgarly called filemot. See FILEMOT.

A flinty pebble was of a dark green colour, and the exteriour cortex of a foliomert colour.

Woodward on Fossils.

Fo'LIOT.* n.s. [Ital. foletto, " a spirit, a hobgoblin, a robin-goodfellow," Florio, World of Words, 1598.] A kind of

Terrestrial devils are wood-nymphs, foliots, fairies, robin-goodfellows, &c.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 47. Another sort of these [demons] are, which fre-

quent forlorn houses; which the Italians call foliots, most part innoxious.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 47. Fo'LIOUS.* adj. [from the Lat. folium.] Leafy; thin and unsubstantial as a leaf. Folious apparences, and not the central and vital interiours of truth. Brown, Ch. Mor. ii. 3.

FOLK.† n. s. [pole, Sax. volk, Dutch; folk, Icel. foulk, old French; οχλος Gr. Æol. Foχλος, and by transposition Foλχος; Lat. volgus. It is properly a noun collective; and has no plural but by modern corruption.]

1. People in familiar language.

Never troubling him, either with asking questions, or finding fault with his melancholy, but rather fitting to his dolor dolorous discourses of their own and other folks' misfortune.

Dorilaus having married his sister, had his marriage in short time blest, for so are folk wont to say, how unhappy soever the children after grow, with a son.

When with greatest art he spoke, You'd think he talk'd like other folk; For all a rhetorician's rules

Teach nothing but to name his tools. Hudibras. 2. Nations; mankind.

Thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations upon earth. Psalm lvii. 4. 3. Any kind of people as discriminated from others.

The river thrice hath flow'd, no ebb between: And the old folk, time's doting chronicles,

Say it did so a little time before. Shakspeare. Anger is a kind of baseness: as it appears well in the weakness of children, women, old folks, and sick folks.

4. It is now used only in familiar or burlesque language.

Old good man Dobson of the green, Remembers he the tree has seen, And goes with folks to shew the sight. Swift.

He walk'd and wore a threadbare cloak; He din'd and supp'd at charge of other folk. Swift. Fo'lkland.* n.s. [Sax. Folcland.] Copyhold land, in contradistinction to book-

land (boclans) or charter-land. They held their small portions of land as an inheritance - not by charter, but by a sort of pre-

scription: this was called folkland. Burke, Abridg. of Eng. Hist. ii. 7.

Fo'lkmote. † n. s. [Sax. polczemot; polcmot; folk, the people, and mote, a meeting, Su. Goth.] A meeting of people.

Those hills were appointed for two special uses, and built by two several nations: the one is that which you call folkmotes, built by the Saxons, and signifies in the Saxon a meeting of folk.

Spenser on Ireland. To which folkemote they all, with one consent, Agreed to travel. Spenser, F. Q. iv. iv. 6. These held a court every fortnight, which they called the folkmote or leet, and there became reciprocally bound to each other, and to the publick, for their own peaceable behaviour, and that of their families and dependants.

Burke, Abridg. of Eng. Hist. ii. 7.

Fo'llicle. n. s. [folliculus, Latin.]

1. A cavity in any body with strong

Although there be no eminent and circular follicle, no round bag or vesicle, which long containeth this humour; yet is there a manifest receptacle of choler from the liver into the guts. Brown, Vulg. Err.

2. Follicle is a term in botany signifying the seed vessels, capsula seminalis, or case, which some fruits and seeds have over them; as that of the alkengi, pedicularis, &c.

Fo'LLIFUL.* adj. [folly and full.] Full of folly. This is an old Scottish expression; and is an English vulgarism. The common people call wit, mirth; and fancy,

folly: fanciful and folliful they use indiscrimin-

Fo'llily.* adv. [from folly.] Foolishly. Obsolete. Used both by Wicliffe and Chaucer.

To FO'LLOW.† v. a. [polgian, Saxon; volgen, Dutch; foelga, Goth. to follow.] 1. To go after; not before, or side by

I had rather, forsooth, go before you like a man, than follow him like a dwarf. Shakspeare, Mer. W. of Windsor.

Him all his train Follow'd in bright procession to behold

Creation, and the wonders of his might. Milton, P. L.

What could I do, But follow strait, invisibly thus led. Milton, P. I., 2. To pursue as an enemy; to chase.

Where ranks fell thickest was indeed the place To seek Sebastian, through a track of death I follow'd him by groans of dying foes. Dryden.

3. To accompany; not to forsake. Yet doubt not but in valley and in plain God is as here, and will be found alike Present, and of his presence many a sign Still following thee, still compassing thee round With goodness and paternal love, his face Express, and of his steps the track divine.

Milton, P. L. Up he rode, Follow'd with acclamation and the sound

Symphonious of ten thousand harps that tun'd Milton, P. L. Angelick harmonies. 4. To attend as a dependant.

And the three eldest sons of Jesse went and followed Saul to the battle. 1 Sam. xvii. 13, Let not the muse then flatter lawless sway, Nor follow fortune where she leads the way. Pope.

5. To go after.

Not yielding over to old age his country de-lights, he was at that time following a merlin. Sidney

Some pious tears the pitying hero paid, And follow'd with his eyes the fleeting shade. Dryden, Æu.

We follow fate, which does too fast pursue. Dryden,

6. To succeed in order of time. Such follow him as shall be registered,

Part good, part bad, of bad the longer scroll. Milton, P. L.

Signs following signs, lead on the mighty year. 7. To be consequential in argument, as

effects to causes. I laugh, when those who at the spear are bold And venturous, if that fail them, shrink and fear

What yet they know must follow, to endure Exile, or ignominy, or bonds or pain. Milt. P. L.

8. To imitate; to copy as a pupil; or to be of an opinion or party.

Where Rome keepeth that which is ancienter and better, others, whom we much more affect, leaving it for newer, and changing it for worse, we had rather follow the perfections of them whom we like not, than in defects resemble them whom

Ill patterns are sure to be followed more than dod rules.

Locke on Education. good rules.

we love.

9. To obey; to observe as a guide or direction.

If all who do not follow oral tradition as their

only rule of faith are out of the church, then all who follow the council of Trent are no Christians.

Most men admire Virtue, who follow not her lore. Milton, P. R. Fair virtue, should I follow thee,

I should be naked and alone, For thou art not in company,

And scarce art to be found in one. Evelyn. 10. To pursue as an object of desire. Follow peace with all men.

Follow peace with all men. Hebrews, xii. 14. Follow not that which is evil: 3 John, ver. 11. 11. To confirm by new endeavours; to

keep up indefatigably.

They bound themselves to his laws and obedience; and in case it had been followed upon them, as it should have been, they should have been reduced to perpetual civility.

Spenser on Ireland.

12. To attend to; to be busied with. He that undertaketh and followeth other men's business for gain, shall fall into suits.

To Fo'llow. † v. n.

1. To come after another.

The famine shall follow close after you. Jer. xlii. 16.

Welcome all that lead or follow To the oracle of Apollo. B. Jonson.

2. To attend servilely.

Such smiling rogues as these sooth every passion,

That in the nature of their lords rebels: As knowing nought, like dogs, but following. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

3. To be posteriour in time. Living carcasses design'd

For death, the following day, in bloody fight. Milton, P. L.

4. To be consequential, as effect to cause. If the neglect or abuse of liberty to examine what would really and truly make for his happiness mislead him, the miscarriages that follow on it must be imputed to his own election. Locke. To tempt them to do what is neither for their own nor the good of those under their care, great mischiefs cannot but follow.

5. To be consequential, as inference to

premises.

Though there are or have been sometimes dwarfs, and sometimes giants in the world; yet it does not follow that there must be such in every age, nor in every country.

Dangerous doctrine must necessarily follow, from making all political power to be nothing else but Adam's paternal power.

Locks.

6. To continue endeavours; to persevere. Then shall we know, if we follow on to know the Lord.

Fo'LLOWER. + n. s. [from follow; Sax. polgene.]

1. One who comes after another; not before him, or side by side.

Little gallant, you were wont to be a follower; but now you are a leader; whether had you rather lead mine eyes, or eye your master's heels?

Shakspeare, Merry Wives of Windsor. No stop, no stay, but clouds of sand arise, Spurn'd and cast backward on the follower's eyes. Dryden.

2. One who observes a guide or leader.

The understanding that should be eyes to the blind faculty of the will, is blind itself; and so brings all the inconveniences that attend a blind follower, under the conduct of a blind guide. South, Serm.

3. An attendant or dependant. No follower, but a friend. Pope.

4. An associate; a companion.

How accompanied, can'st thou tell that? - With Poins, and other his continual followers. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

Grief is an impudent guest, A follower every where.

Beaum, and Fl. Q. of Corinth. 5. One under the command of another.

I hold it no wisdom to leave unto the Irish chiefs too much command over their kindred, but rather withdraw their followers from them as much as may be, and gather them under the command of Svenser on Ireland.

And forc'd Æneas, when his ships were lost, To leave his followers on a foreign coast. Dryden, Æn.

6. A scholar: an imitator: a copver. Be ye followers of me, even as I am of Christ.

The true profession of Christianity inviolably engages all its followers to do good to all men. Sprat; Serm.

Every one's idea of identity will not be the same that Pythagoras and thousands of his followers have.

The church of Smyrna professed they worthily loved the martyrs, as the disciples and followers of our Lord; and because of their exceeding great affection to their King and their Master. Nelson.

The studious head or gen'rous mind, Follower of God, or friend of human kind, Poet or patriot, rose but to restore The faith and moral nature gave before.

Pope, Essays. 7. One of the same faction or party. Welsh, Fo'lly. † n. s. Told Fr. follie: folez.

1. Want of understanding; weakness of intellect.

This is folly, childhood's guide, This is childhood at her side.

Hawkesworth. 2. Criminal weakness; depravity of mind. She hath wrought folly in Israel, to play the whore in her father's house. Deut. xxii, 21.

They have committed lewdness and folly in Is-Judges, xx. 6. Think'st thou, that duty should have dread to

Is bound, when majesty to folly falls.

Shakspeare, K. Lear. She turn'd to folly, and she was a whore. Shakspeare, Othello.

3. Act of negligence or passion unbecoming gravity or deep wisdom. In this sense it has a plural.

Love is blind, and lovers cannot see The pretty follies that themselves commit; For if they could, Cupid himself would blush To see me thus transformed to a boy. Shakspeare. Thy hum'rous vein, thy pleasing folly,

Lies all neglected, all forgot. Leave such to trifle with more grace and ease, Whom folly pleases, or whose follies please.

To FOME'NT. v. a. [fomentor, Latin ; fomenter, French.]

1. To cherish with heat.

Every kind that lives, Fomented by his virtual power, and warm'd. Milton, P. L.

2. To bathe with warm lotions.

He fomented the head with opiates to procure sleep, and a solution of opium in water to foment the forehead. Arbuthnot.

To encourage; to support; to cherish. They love their givings, and foment their deeds no less than parents do their children. Blame then thyself, as reason's law requires, Since nature gave, and thou foment'st my fires.

Dryden.

Pope, Horace.

They are troubled with those ill humours, which they themselves infused and fomented in

FOMENTA'TION. + n. s. [fomentation, Fr. from foment.]

1. A fomentation is partial bathing, called also stuping, which is applying hot flannels to any part, dipped in medicated decoctions, whereby the steams breathe into the parts, and discuss obstructed humours.

Fomentation calleth forth the humour by vapours; but yet, in regard of the way made by the poultis, draweth gently the humours out : for it is a gentle fomentation, and hath withal a mixture of some stupefactive. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

2. The lotion prepared to foment the

The medicines were prepared by the physicians. and the lotions or fomentations by the nurses. Arbuthnot on Coins.

3. Excitation; encouragement.

This gentleman leaveth Italy in present tranquillity, though not without a little fear of some alteration on the side of Savoy; which prince seemeth to have great and unquiet thoughts; and, I fear, they will lack no fomentation from abroad. Sir H. Wotton, Lett. Rem. p. 276.

And dive in science for distinguished names, Dishonest fomentation of your pride!

Young, Night Th. 5.

Fome'nter. n. s. [from foment.] One that foments; an encourager; a sup-

These fatal distempers, as they did much hurt to the body politick at home, being like humours stirred in the natural without evacuation, so did they produce disadvantageous effects abroad; and better had it been, that the raisers and fomenters of them had never sprung up. Howell.

The kindler, fomenter, and advancer of the whole German war. Bewailing of the Peace of Germany, (1635,) p. 113.

A perpetual fomenter and nourisher of sin. Hale, Serm. end of his Remains, p. 25.

When pow'r to flattery bows? To plainness ho- Fon. n. s. [a word used by Chaucer for a fool, which Mr. Tyrwhitt designates as Saxon; but, as Dr. Jamieson has observed, there is no similar word in that language. "It is," he observes, "the same with the Su. Goth. and Icel. faane, fatuus; whence faana, faanast, fatuè se gerere; Su. Goth. faanig, delirus, stultus; Icel. fanytr, homo nihili; Germ. fanzen, nugas agere. Perhaps this is the origin of the English fond, and also of fun, sport." But see Fun. Wicliffe, it may be added, uses fonned for foolish. We have also, in our old language, the term fond-plough for fool-plough, a kind of pageant.] A fool; an idiot.

Sicker I hold him for a greater fon, That loves the thing he cannot purchase.

Spenser, Shep. Cal.

FOND. † adj. [fon, Scottish; a word of which I have found no satisfactory etymology; to fonne is in Chaucer to doat. to be foolish. So far Dr. Johnson. See however, the etymology of the preceding word, fon.]

1. Foolish; silly; indiscreet; imprudent injudicious.

That the Grecians or Gentiles ever did think it a fond or unlikely way to seek men's conversion by sermons, we have not heard.

He was beaten out of all love of learning by a | Fo'NDLING. + n.s. [from fondle.] fond schoolmaster. Ascham.

Tell these sad women.

'Tis fond to wail inevitable strokes, As 'tis to laugh at them. Shakspeare, Coriol. Grant I may never prove so fond

To trust man on his oath or bond. Shaks. Timon. I am weaker than a woman's tear,

Tamer than sleep, fonder than ignorance. Shaks. Fond thoughts may fall into some idle brain; But one belief of all, is ever wise.

Thou see'st How subtly to detain thee I devise, Inviting thee to hear while I relate; Fond! were it not in hope of thy reply.

Millon, P. L. So fond are mortal men,

Fall'n into wrath divine,

As their own ruin on themselves t' invite.

Milton, S. A. 'Twas not revenge for griev'd Apollo's wrong Those ass's ears on Midas' temples hung; But fond repentance of his happy wish. Waller.

But fond repentance of his happy wish. But reason with your fond religion fights; For many gods are many infinites.

Dryden, Tyran. Love. This is fond, because it is the way to cheat thy-Tillotson.

2. Trifling; valued by folly. Not with fond shekels of the tested gold, Or stones, whose rate are either rich or poor

As fancy values them. Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas. 3. Foolishly tender; injudiciously indul-I'm a foolish fond wife, Addison .

Like Venus I'll shine,

Be fond and be fine. Addison.

4. Pleased in too great a degree; foolishly delighted: with of.

Fame is in itself a real good, if we may believe Cicero, who was perhaps too fond of it.

I, fond of my well-chosen seat, My pictures, medals, books complete. Some are so fond to know a great deal at once, and love to talk of things with freedom and boldness before they thoroughly understand them. Watts on the Mind.

To Fond. [v. a. [from the adjective.] To Fo'NDLE. To treat with great indulgence; to caress; to cocker.

Howe'er unjust your jealousy appear,

It does my pity, not my anger move:
I'll fond it as the froward child of love. Dryden, Aurengzebe.

When amidst the fervour of the feast, The Tyrian hugs, and fonds thee on her breast, And with sweet kisses in her arms constrains, Thou may'st infuse the venom in her veins.

Dryden, Æn. They are allowed to kiss the child at meeting and parting; but a professor, who always stands by, will not suffer them to use any fondling expressions.

To Fond. v. n. To be fond of ; to be in love with; to doat on.

How will this fadge? My master loves her

And I, poor monster, fond as much on him; And she, mistaken, seems to dote on me. Shaksp.

To FOND.* v. n. [Sax. runbian.] To strive; to try. Obsolete.

Though I sickness have upon honde, And long have had, yet will I fonde To make a boke after his heste.

Gower, Conf. Am. Prol. I will fonde to espien on my side,

To whom I may be wedded hastily. Chaucer, March. Tale.

Fo'ndler. n. s. [from fond.] One who fondles.

1. A person or thing much fondled or caressed; something regarded with great

Quyte you well in feld and town, And of all the fondlyngs make a deliverance.

Mystery of Candlemas-Day, (1512.) Partiality in a parent is commonly unlucky

for fondlings are in danger to be made fools, and the children that are least cockered make the best L' Estrange. and wisest men.

The bent of our own minds may favour any opinion or action, that may shew it to be a fond-

Any body would have guessed miss to have been bred up under a cruel stepdame, and John to be the fondling of a tender mother.

Arbuthnot, Hist. of J. Bull. Bred a fondling and an heiress,

Dress'd like any lady may'ress; Cocker'd by the servants round,

Was too good to touch the ground. Swift. 2. A fool. Yet so used, I believe, in the north of England.

We have many such fundlings, that are their wives' packhorses and slaves.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 603.

Fo'NDEY. adv. [from fond.]

1. Foolishly; weakly; imprudently; injudiciously.

Most shallowly did you these arms commence, Fondly brought here, and foolishly sent hence. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

Sorrow and grief of heart Makes him speak fondly, like a frantick man.

Shakspeare, Rich. II. Ficinus fondly adviseth, for the prolongation of life, that a vein be opened in the arm of some wholesome young man, and the blood to be sucked. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

The military mound The British files transcend, in evil hour For their proud foes, that fondly brav'd their fate.

Some valuing those of their own side or mind, Still make themselves the measure of mankind: Fondly we think we merit honour then, When we but praise ourselves in other men. Pope.

Under those sacred leaves, secure From common lightning of the skies,

He fondly thought be might endure The flashes of Ardelia's eyes. Swift. 2. With great or extreme tenderness.

Ev'n before the fatal engine clos'd, A wretched sylph too fondly interpos'd: Fate urg'd the sheers, and cut the sylph in twain.

Pope.

Savage.

Fondly or severely kind.

Fo'ndness. † n. s. [from fond.]

1. Foolishness; weakness; want of sense; want of judgement.

Fondness it were for any, being free, To covet fetters, though they golden be.

Spenser, Sonnets. So many absurd and indeed ridiculous consequences do follow the fondness of this argument. Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 55.

2. Foolish tenderness.

My heart had still some foolish fondness for thee :

But hence! 'tis gone: I give it to the winds.

Addison, Cato. Hopeless mother! Whose fondness could compare her mortal off-

spring
To those which fair Latona bore to Jove. Prior.

3. Tender passion.

Your jealousy perverts my meaning still; My very hate is construed into fondness. A. Philips, Distrest Mother.

Corinna, with that youthful air, Is thirty and a bit to spare: Her fondness for a certain earl

Began when I was but a girl. Swift. 4. Unreasonable liking. They err that either through indulgence to

others, or fondness to any sin in themselves, substitute for repentance any thing that is less than a sincere resolution of new obedience, attended with faithful endeavour, and meet fruits of this change. Hammond's Fundamentals.

Not that he had any fondness to the number Norris on the Beatitudes, p. 245. FONL. n. s. Plural of foe. Obsolete.

A barbarous troup of clownish fone. Spenser. FONT. † n. s. [Sax. pont; fons, Latin; fonte, French.

1. A stone vessel in which the water for holy baptism is contained in the church. The presenting of infants at the holy font is by their godfathers.

I have no name, no title; No, not that name was given me at the font. Shakspeare, Rich. II.

2. [In printing.] An assortment of letters and accents.

I caused a font of Irish letters to be cast. Boyle, Lett. Birch's Life of R. Boyle, p.417.

FO'NTANEL. n. s. [fontanelle, French.] An issue; a discharge opened in the body.

I see some full bodies, that can enjoy no health without strong evacuations, blood-lettings, fon-Bp. Hall, Select Thoughts, § 21.

Artificial issues, made in any part of the body, are by physicians called fontinels, or little fountains. Hammond on St. Mark, iv. 29.

A person plethorick, subject to hot defluxions, was advised to a fontanel in her arm. Wiseman of Inflammation.

FONTA'NGE. † n. s. [from the name of the first wearer, Dr. Johnson says. This was Mademoiselle de Fontange, one of the French king's mistresses; as the amusing Fop-Dictionary of 1690 informs us.] A knot of ribbands on the top of the head-dress. Out of

These old-fashioned fontanges rose an ell above the head: they were pointed like steeples, and had long loose pieces of crape, which were fringed, and hung down their backs.

FOOD. n. s. [Sax. rob, food; reban, to feed; Goth. fodeins, food; Su. foda, to nourish; Dutch, voeden, to feed; Scottish, feed.]

1. Victuals; provision for the mouth. On my knees I beg,

That you'll vouchsafe me raiment, bed, and food. Shakspeare.

Much food is in the tillage of the poor. Prov. xiii. 23.

Under my lowly roof thou hast vouchsaf'd To enter, and these earthly fruits to taste; Food not of angels, yet accepted so,

As that more willingly thou could'st not seem At heav'n's high feasts t' have fed. Milton, P. L.

They give us food, which may with nectar vie, And wax that does the absent sun supply. Waller. 2. Any thing that nourishes.

Give me some musick: musick, moody food Of us that trade in love. Shaks. Ant. and Cleop.

O dear son Edgar, The food of thy abused father's wrath, Might I but live to see thee in my touch,

I'd say, I had eyes again. Shakspeare, K. Lear. To Food. * v. a. [voeden, Dutch; foda, Su. reban, Sax.] To feed. Obsolete.

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He was fooded forth in vain with long talk.

Rarret, Alto. (1580.)

Foo'DFUL.† adj. [food and full.] Fruitful; full of food; plenteous.

Where wert thou when I made The foodful earth, and her foundation laid? Sandys, Job, p. 55.

There Tityus was to see, who took his birth From heav'n, his nursing from the foodful earth. Dryden. An analogy most fruitful, and more foodful than

the old Ephesian statue with three tier of breasts.

Burke, on a Regicide Peace.

OO'DLESS. adi. [food, and less.] Not.

Foo'dless.* adj. [food and less.] Not affording food; barren.

The dry and foodless wilderness.

Sandys, Psalm lxxiv.

For he in foodless desarts fed The hungry with celestial bread. Sandys, Ps. cvii. The foodless wilds

Pour forth their brown inhabitants.

Foo'dy. adj. [from food.] Eatable; fit for food.

To vessels, wine she drew;

And into well sew'd sacks pour'd foody meal.

FOOL † n. s. [Su. Goth. and Iceland. fol; old Fr. foneil, afterwards fol.; old Cornish, fol; Welsh, fwl.]

1. One to whom nature has denied reason;

a natural; an idiot.

Dost thou call me fool, boy?

— All thy other titles thou hast given away that thou wast born with. Shakspeare, K. Lear. The fool multitude, that choose by show,

Not learning more than the fond eye doth teach, Which pry not to the interior.

It may be asked, whether the eldest son, being a fool, shall inherit paternal power before the younger, a wise man.

Locke.

He thanks his stars he was not born a fool. Pope.

2. [In Scripture.] A wicked man.

The fool hath said in his heart there is no God.

2. A term of indignity and reproach.

To be thought knowing, you must first put the fool upon all mankind. Dryden, Juv. Pref.

4. One who counterfeits folly; a buffoon;

a jester.

Where's my knave, my fool / Go you, and call my fool hither.

Shakspeare, K. Lear.
I scorn, although their drudge, to be their fool or jester.

Milton.

If this disguise sit not naturally on so grave a person, yet it may become him better than that fool's coat.

Denham.

5. To play the Fool. To play pranks like a hired jester; to jest; to make sport.

I returning where I left his armour, found another instead thereof, and armed myself therein to play the fool.

Sidney.

6. To play the Fool. To act like one void of common understanding.

I have played the fool, and have erred exceedingly.

Well, thus we play the fools with the time, and the spirits of the wise sit in the clouds and mock Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

Is it worth the name of freedom to be at liberty to play the fool, and draw shame and misery upon a man's self?

Locke.

7. To make a Fool of. To disappoint; to defeat.

'Twere as good a deed as to drink when a man's a-hungry, to challenge him to the field, and then to break promise with him, and make a fool of him.

Shakspeare, Too. Nip 's.

To Fool. v. n. [from the noun.] To trifle; to toy; to play; to idle; to sport.

I, in this kind of merry fooling, am nothing to you; so you may continue and laugh at nothing still.

Shakspeare, Tempest.

Fool not: for all may have,

If they dare try, a glorious life, a grave. Herbert.
If you have the luck to be court-fools, those that have either wit or honesty, you may fool withal,

and spare not.

Denham.

It must be an industrious youth that provides against age: and he that fools away the one, must either beg or starve in the other,

L'Estrange.

either beg or starve in the other, L'Estrange.

He must be happy that knows the true measures of fooling.

L'Estrange.

Is this a time for fooling? Dryden, Span, Friar.
To Fool. v. a.

 To treat with contempt; to disappoint; to frustrate; to defeat.

And shall it in more shame be further spoken, That you are fool'd, discarded, and shook off? Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

Him over-weaning

To over-reach; but with the serpent meeting, Foot'd and beguil'd. Milton, P. L. If men loved to be deceived and fooled about their spiritual estate, they cannot take a surer course than by taking their neighbour's word for that, which can be known only from their own heart. South. Serm.

When I consider life, 'tis all a cheat; For foot' d with hope, men favour the deceit. Dryden. I'm tir'd with waiting for this chemick gold, Which foots us young, and beggars us when old. Druden.

I would advise this blinded set of men not to give credit to those, by whom they have been so often fooled and imposed upon. Addison, Freeholder.

2. To infatuate: to make foolish.

If it be you that stir these daughters' hearts
Against their father, fool me not so much,
To bear it tamely.

Shakspeare, K. Lear.

When I am read, thou feign'st a weak applause, As if thou wert my friend, but lackest a cause; This but thy judgment fools; the other way Would both thy folly and thy spite betray.

B. Jonson.

It were an handsome plot,
But full of difficulties, and uncertain;
And he's so foot'd with downright honesty,
He'll ne'er believe it. Denham, Sophy.

A long and eternal adieu to all unlawful pleasures: I will no longer be fooled or imposed upon by them.

A boor of Holland, whose cares of growing

A boor of Holland, whose cares of growing still richer and richer, perhaps fool him so far as to make him enjoy less in his riches than others in poverty.

Temple.

 To cheat; as, to fool one of his money. FOOL* n. s. [probably from fouler, Fr.]
 A liquid made of gooseberries scalded and pounded, and of cream.

Thou full dish of fool. Shaks. Troil. and Cress. Fall to your cheesecakes, curds, and clouted cream.

Your fool, your flawns. B. Jonson, Sad Shepherd. Foo'LBOLD.* adj. [fool and bold.] Foolishly bold; foolhardy. Not now in use. Some in corners have been foolbold.

Conclus. of Leland's Journey, enlarged by Bale, L. S. b.

Foo'lborn. [adj. [fool and born.] Fool- ish from the birth.

Reply not to me with a foolborn jest.

Shakspeare Hen. IV. P. II.

Foo'LERY.† n. s. [from fool.]
1. Habitual folly.

Foolery, sir, does walk about the orb like the sun; it shines every where: I would be sorry, sir,

but the fool should be as oft with your master as with my mistress. Shakspeare, Tw. Night.

He keeps the house of pride and foolery.

Beaum. and Fl. Span. Curate.

2. An act of folly; trifling practice.

Talk not much with a fool, and go not to him that hath no understanding. Beware of him, lest thou have trouble; and thou shalt never be defiled with his fooleries.

Ecclus. xxii. 13.

I shall do that that's fit, sir; And fit to cross your fooleries.

Beaum. and Fl. The Pilgrim.

It is meer foolery to multiply distinct particulars in treating of things, where the difference lies only in words.

Watts.

Object of folly.
 That Pythagoras, Plato, or Orphèus believed in any of these fuoleries, it cannot be suspected.
 Ralegh, Hist.

We are transported with fooleries, which, if we understood, we should despise. L'Estrange. FOOLHA'PFY. adj. [fool and happy.] Lucky without contrivance or judgment.

As when a ship, that flies fair under sail, An hidden rock escaped unawares, That lay in wait her wreck for to bewail; The mariner, yet half amazed, stares At perils past, and yet in doubt he dares To joy at his foolhappy oversight. Spenser, F.Q.

FOOLHA'RDINESS. n. s. [from foolhardy, The old French language has the similar expression of fol hardement for temerity or imprudence. Chaucer uses

folehardiness for rashness.] Mad rashness; courage without sense.

There is a difference betwixt daring and fool-

hardiness; Lucan and Statius often ventured them too far, our Virgil never. Dryden, Dufresnoy. A false glossing parasite would—eall his foothardiness valour, and then he may go on boldly,

because blindly. South, Serm. ii. 347.
FOOLHA'RDISE. n. s. [fool and hardlesse,
French.] Foolhardiness; adventurousness without judgment. Obsolete.

More huge in strength than wise in works he was,

And reason with foolhardise over-ran; Stern melancholy did his courage pass, And was, for terror more, all arm'd in shining

brass. Spenser, F. Q. FOOLHA'RDY. † adj. [fool and hardy. Old

FOOLHA'RDY, f adj. [fool and hardy. Old French also fol-hardi, Rog. Gloss. Suppl.] Daring without judgment; madly adventurous; foolishly bold.

One mother, when as her foothardy child Did come too near, and with his talons play, Half dead through fear, her little babe revil'd.

Some would be so foothardy as to presume to be more of the cabinet-council of God Almighty than the angels.

Howell.

If any yet be so foolhardy, T' expose themselves to vain jeopardy; If they come wounded off, and lame,

No honour's got by such a maim. Hudibras. Foo'LTRAP. n. s. [fool and trap.] A snare

to catch fools in; as a flytrap.

Betts, at first, were fooltraps, where the wise

Like spiders lay in ambush for the flies. Dryden.
Foo'LISH. adj. [from fool.]

1. Void of understanding; weak of intellect.

Thou foolish woman, seest thou not our mourning.

2 Esdras.

Pray do not mock me;

I am a very foolish fond old man; I fear I am not in my perfect mind.

Shakspeare, K. Lear.

He, of all the men that ever my foolish eyes looked upon, was the best deserving a fair lady.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven.

2. Imprudent; indiscreet.
We are come off

We are come off

Like Romans; neither foolish in our stands,

Nor cowardly in retire. Shakspeare, Coriol.

3. Ridiculous; contemptible.

It is a foolish thing to make a long prologue, and to be short in the story itself. 2 Mac. ii. 32.

What could the head perform alone, If all their friendly aids were gone?

A foolish figure he must make;

Do nothing else but sleep and ake. Prior.

He allows himself in foolish hatreds and resentments against particular persons, without considering that he is to love every body as himself. Law.

4. [In Scripture.] Wicked; sinful. Foo'LISHLY. adv. [from foolish.] Weakly; without understanding. In Scripture,

wickedly.

Although we boast our winter sun looks bright, And foolishly are glad to see it at its height; Yet so much sooner comes the long and gloomy night.

Foo'LISHNESS. n. s. [from foolish.]

1. Folly; want of understanding.

2. Foolish practice; actual deviation from the right.

Foolishness being properly a man's deviation from right reason, in point of practice, must needs consist in his pitching upon such an end as is unsuitable to his condition, or pitching upon means unsuitable to the compassing of his end. South. Charm'd by their eyes, their manners I acquire, And shape my foolishness to their desire. Prior.

Foo'lscap Paper.* A term denoting the size of the sheet of paper; as pot, foolscap, &c. pot being the smallest, and foolscap the second in the ascending scale to atlas-paper.

Foo'LSTONES. n. s. A plant.

FOOT.† n. s. plural feet. [for, Sax. voet, Dutch; fitte, Scottish; fotus, Goth. fot, Iceland. "Antiquissimam esse vocem comprobat omnium dialect. Scytho-Scand. convenientia." Serenius.]

1. The part upon which we stand.

The queen that bore thee,

Oft'ner upon her knees than on her feet,
Died ev'ry day she liv'd. Shakspeare, Macbeth,
His affection to the church was so notorious,

that he never deserted it till both it and he were over-run and trod under foot.

Clarendon.

That by which any thing is supported

in the nature of a foot; as, the foot of a table.

3. The lower part; the base.

Yond' towers, whose wanton tops do buss the clouds,

Must kiss their own feet. Shaks. Troil. and Cress. Fretting, by little and little, washes away and eats out both the tops, and sides, and feet of mountains.

Hakewill on Providence.

4. The end; the lower part.

What dismal cries are those?

— Nothing; a trifling sum of misery,
New added to the foot of thy account:
Thy wife is seiz'd by force, and borne away.

Dryden, Cleomen.

5. The act of walking.

Antiochus departed, weening in his pride to make the land navigable, and the sea passable by foot.

2 Mac. v. 21.

6. On Foot. Walking; without carriage. Written sometimes o'foot, whence afoot. See Afoot.

Israel journeyed about six hundred thousand on foot. Ex. xii.

7. A posture of action.

The centurions and their charges billeted already in the entertainment, and to be on foot at an hour's warning.

Shakspeare.

8. Infantry; footmen in arms. In this

sense it has no plural.

Lusias gathered three score thousand choice men of foot, and five thousand horsemen. 1 Mac. iv. 28. Himself with all his foot entered the town, his horse being quartered about it. Clarendon. Thrice horse and foot about the fires are led,

And thrice with loud laments they wail the dead. Dryden.

9. State; character; condition.

See on what foot we stand; a scanty shore, The sea behind, our enemies before. Dryden, En. In specifying the word Ireland, it would seem to insinuate that we are not upon the same foot with our fellow subjects in England.

Swift, Drap. Letters.
What colour of excuse can be for the contempt with which we treat this part of our species, the negroes, that we should not put them upon the common foot of humanity, that we should only set an insignificant fine upon the man who murders them?

Addison.

10. Scheme; plan; settlement.

There is no well wisher to his country without a little hope, that in time the kingdom may be on a better foot.

Swift.

I ask whether upon the foot of our constitution, as it stood in the reign of the late king James, a king of England may be deposed? Swift.

 A state of incipient existence; first motion. Little used but in the following phrase. See Afoot.

If such a tradition were at any time set on foot, it is not easy to imagine how it should at first gain entertainment; but much more difficult how it should come to be universally propagated.

12. It seems to have been once proverbially used for the level, the square, par.

Were it not for this easy borrowing upon interest, men's necessities would draw upon them a most sudden undoing, in that they would be forced to sell their means, be it lands or goods, far under foot.

Bacon, Ess.

13. A certain number of syllables constituting a distinct part of a verse.

Feet, in our English versifying, without quantity and joints, be sure signs that the verse is either born deformed, unnatural, or lame.

Ascham, Schoolmaster.

Tillotson.

Did'st thou hear these verses?

O yes, I heard them all, and more too; for some o' them had in them more feet than the verses would bear.

And Sydney's verse halts ill on Roman feet.

14. Motion; action.

While other jests are something rank on foot, Her father hath commanded her to slip

Away with Slender to marry.

Shakspeare, Mer. W. of Windsor.

In the government of the world the number and variety of the ends on foot, with the secret nature of most things to which they relate, must make a distinct remark of their congruity, in some cases very difficult, and in some unattainable.

Grew.

15. Step. This man's son would, every foot and anon, be taking some of his companions into the orchard. L'Estrange.

16. A measure containing twelve inches; supposed to be the length of a man's foot.

When it signifies measure, it has often, but vitiously, foot in the plural.

An orange, lemon, and apple, wrapt in a linen cloth, being buried for a fortnight's space four foot deep within the earth, came forth no ways mouldy or rotten. Bacon.

To Foot. v. n. [from the noun.]

To dance; to tread wantonly; to trip.
 Lonely the vale and full of horror stood,
 Brown with the shade of a religious wood;

The moon was up and shot a gleamy light; He saw a quire of ladies in a round, That featly footing seem'd to skim the ground.

2. To walk; not ride; not fly.

By this the dreadful beast drew nigh to land,
Half flying and half footing in his haste.

Take heed, have open eye; for thieves do frot by night.

The man set the boy upon the ass, and footed it himself.

L'Estrange.

If you are for a merry jaunt, I'll try for once, who can foot it farthest. Dryden, Span. Friar. With them a man sometimes cannot be a penitent, unless he also turns vagabond, and foots it to Jerusalem; or wanders over this or that part of the world, to visit the shrine of such or such pre-

To FOOT. † v. a.

1. To spurn; to kick.

You, that did void your rheum upon my beard, and foot me as you spurn a stranger cur over your threshold. Shakspeare.

For there the pride of all her heart will bow, When you shall foot her from you, not she you. Beaum. and Fl. Wit at sev. Weapons.

To settle; to begin to fix.
 What confed'racy have you with the traitors
 Late footed in the kingdom? Shakspeare, K. Lear.

3. To tread.
Saint Withold footed thrice the wold:

He met the night-mare, and her name told; Bid her alight, and her troth plight, And aroynt thee, witch, aroynt thee right.

Shakspeare, K. Lear. There haply by the ruddy damsel seen,

Or shepherd boy, they featly foot the green. Tickell.
4. To hold with the foot. Not in use, Dr.
Johnson says, citing Herbert. He had
forgotten Shakspeare.

The holy eagle
Stoop'd, as to foot us. Shakspeare, Cymbeline.
We are the earth, and they,

Like moles within us, heave and cast about; And till they foot and clutch their prey,

They never cool, much less give out.

Herbert.

To supply with feet.

New spur-leathers, or stockings by this time footed. Bp. Hall, Charact. The Vain-Glorious.

footed. Bp. Hall, Charact. The Vain-Glorious. Foo'TBALL. n. s. [foot and ball.]

 A ball commonly made of a blown bladder, cased with leather, driven by the foot.

Am I so round with you as you with me,

That like a football you do spurn me thus? Shaks, Such a Winter-piece should be beautified with all manner of works and exercises of Winter; as footballs, felling of wood, and sliding upon the ice, Peacham.

As when a sort of lusty shepherds try Their force at football, care of victory Makes them salute so rudely, breast to breast, That their encounter seems too rough for jest. Waller.

One rolls along a football to his foes, One with a broken truncheon deals his blows.

Dryden.

2. The sport or practice of kicking the football.

He was sensible the common football was a very imperfect imitation of that exercise.

Arbuthnot and Pope, Mart. Scribt.

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FOO'TBANDS.* n. s. pl. [foot and band.] Soldiers that march and fight on foot. T' whom valiant Audlie, in their feint recoyle, With his foot-bands alone did give the foyle. Mir. for Mag. p. 805.

FOO'TBOY. n. s. [foot and boy.] A low

menial; an attendant in livery. Was it discretion, lords, to let this man, This honest man, wait like a lowsy footboy Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. At chamber-door? Though I had nobody to assist but a footboy, yet I made shift to try a pretty number of things. Boyle on Colours.

Whenever he imagines advantages will redound to one of his footboys by oppression of me, he never disputes it.

FOO'TBREADTH.* n. s. [foot and breadth.] The space which a foot might cover. I will not give you of their land, no not so much as a footbreadth, [in the margin, the treading of the sole of the foot.] Deut. ii. 5.

FOO'TBRIDGE. n. s. [foot and bridge.] A bridge on which passengers walk; a

narrow bridge.

Palemon's shepherd, fearing the footbridge was not strong enough, loaded it so long, till he broke that which would have born a bigger burden.

FOO'TCLOTH. † n. s. [foot and cloth.] A sumpter cloth; and thence applied to a horse with housings.

Three times to-day my footcloth horse did shakspeare, K. Rich. III. How should he worshipp'd be, and reverenc'd, Ride with his furs and footcloths! B. Jonson, Fox.

Milan, and many other cities in Italy, danced at this musick, made a footcloth of their master's livery, and from this time dated themselves free Fuller, Holy War, p. 165. states. I still will be a justice in the war,

And ride upon my footcloth.

Beaum. and Fl. The Prophetess. FOO'TED. adj. [from foot.] Shaped in the foot.

Snouted and tailed like a boar, and footed like a goat.

FOOTFA'LL.* n. s. [foot and fall.] stumble; a trip of the foot.

For every trifle are they set upon me:

Sometime like apes, that moe and chatter at me, And, after, bite me; then like hedge-hogs, which Lie tumbling in my barefoot way, and mount Their pricks at my footfall. Shakspeare, Tempest.

FOO'TFIGHT. n. s. [foot and fight.] A fight made on foot, in opposition to that on horseback.

So began our footfight in such sort, that we were well entered to blood of both sides.

Foo'TGUARDS.* n. s. pl. [foot and guard.] Footsoldiers belonging to those regiments called, by way of distinction, the guards.

FOO'THOLD. † n. s. [foot and hold.] Space to hold the foot; space on which one may tread surely.

Getting more universal foothold in other persons,

by dislodging her deformed enemy.

More, Conj. Cabb. p. 242. All fell to work at the roots of the tree, and left it so little foothold, that the first blast laid it flat L'Estrange. upon the ground. He's at the top: he has nothing above him to

aspire to, nor any foothold left him to come down L'Estrange.

FOOTHO'T.* adv. [foot and hot.] Immediately; directly; a phrase borrowed, as Dr. Jamieson ingeniously supposes, from hunting, in which the dog pursues the tract of animals, and is most suc- [Foo'TMAN. n. s. [foot and man.] cessful, when the tract is recent, i. e. 1. A soldier that marches and fights on when the footsteps of the animal are as it were hot. Not now in use.

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And forthwithal anon fete-hote Gower, Conf. Am. B. 4. He stale the cowe. Custance han they taken anon fote-hote.

Chaucer, Man of Lawes Tale.

Dryden, Virg.

FOO'TING. n. s. [from foot.] 1. Ground for the foot.

I'll read you matter deep and dangerous; As full of peril and advent'rous spirit As to o'erwalk a current, roaring loud,

On the unsteadfast footing of a spear. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

As Noah's pigeon, which return'd no more, Did shew she footing found, for all the flood. Davies. In ascents, every step gained is a footing and Holder, Elem. of Speech. help to the next.

2. Support; root. Set cloven stakes; and, wond'rous to behold, Their sharpen'd ends in earth their footing place, And the dry poles produce a living race.

3. Basis: foundation.

All those sublime thoughts take their rise and footing here: the mind stirs not one jot beyond those ideas which sense or reflection have offered.

The reasoning faculties of the soul would not know how to move, for want of a foundation and footing in most men, who cannot trace truth to its fountain and original.

4. Place; possession.

Whether they unctuous exhalations are, Fir'd by the sun, or seeming so alone; Or each some more remote and slippery star, Which loses footing when to mortals shewn. Dryden. 5. Tread; walk.

As he forward mov'd his footing old, So backward still was turned his wrinkled face.

I would outnight you did nobody come:

But hark, I hear the footing of a man. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. Break off, break off; I feel the different sound Of some chaste footing near about this ground. Milton, Comus.

6. Dance.

Make holyday: your ryestraw hats put on, And these fresh nymphs encounter every one In country footing. Shakspeare, Tempest.

7. Steps; road; track.

He grew strong among the Irish: and in his footing his son continuing, hath increased his said Spenser on Ireland. Like running weeds, that have no certain root;

or like footings up and down, impossible to be traced.

Bacon, Hen. VII.

8. Entrance; beginning; establishment. Ever since our nation had any footing in this land, the state of England did desire to perfect the conquest. The defeat of colonel Bellasis gave them their

first footing in Yorkshire. Clarendon. No useful arts have yet found footing here;

But all untaught and savage does appear. Dryden, Ind. Emp.

9. State; condition; settlement. Gaul was on the same footing with Egypt, as to

Foo'Tless.* adj. Without feet; feetless. See Feetless.

Foo'TLICKER. n. s. [foot and lick.] slave; an humble fawner; one who licks the foot.

Do that good mischief which may make this

Thine own for ever; and I, thy Caliban, Shakspeare, Tempest. For ay thy footlicker.

foot.

The numbers levied by her lieutenant did consist of footmen three millions, of horsemen one million. Ralegh, Hist.

2. A low menial servant in livery.

He was carried in a rich chariot, litterwise, with two horses at either end, and two footmen on each Bacon. Like footmen running before coaches,

To tell the inn what lord approaches. Prior. One who practises to walk or run.

FOO'TMANSHIP. n. s. [from footman.] The art or faculty of a runner.

The Irish archers espying this, suddenly broke up, and committed the safety of their lives to their nimble footmanship. Hayward.

Yet, says the fox, I have baffled more of them with my wiles and shifts than ever you did with your footmanship.

FOO'TMANTLE.* n. s. [foot and mantle.] A species of petticoat such as is used to this day by market-women, when they ride on horseback, to keep their gowns clean. Obsolete.

A fote-mantel about her hippes large. Chaucer's Wife of Bath, Prol. C. T.

FOO'TPACE. n. s. [foot and pace.] 1. Part of a pair of stairs, whereon, after four or five steps, you arrive to a broad place, where you make two or three paces before you ascend another step, thereby to ease the legs in ascending the

rest of the stairs. 2. A pace no faster than a slow walk. FOO'TPAD. n. s. [foot and pad. See PAD.] A highwayman that robs on foot, not

on horseback. FOO'TPATH. n. s. [foot and path.] A nar-

row way which will not admit horses or carriages. Know'st thou the way to Dover?

- Both stile and gate, horseway and footpath. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

FOO'TPOST. n. s. [foot and post.] A post or messenger that travels on foot.

For carrying such letters, every thoroughfare weekly appointeth a footpost, whose dispatch is well near as speedy as the horses.

Carew, Surv. of Cornwall. FOOTSO'LDIER.* n. s. [foot and soldier.]

A soldier that marches and fights on foot. FOO'TSTALL. n. s. [foot and stall.] A

woman's stirrup.

Foo'TSTEP. n. s. [foot and step.]

1. Trace; track; impression left by the

Clear-sighted reason wisdom's judgement leads, And sense, her vassal, in her footsteps treads.

A man shall never want crooked paths to walk in, if he thinks that he is in the right way, whereever he has the footsteps of others to follow. Locke. 2. Token; mark; notice given.

Let us turn our thoughts to the frame of our system, if there we may trace any visible footstens of Divine Wisdom and Beneficence. Bentley, Serm.

3. Example.

FOO'TSTOOL. n. s. [foot and stool.] Stool on which he that sits places his feet.

Thus have we swept suspicion from our seat, And made our footstool of security. Shaks. Hen. VI. They whose sacred office 'tis to bring

Kings to obey their God, and men their king,

By these mysterious links to fix and tye Men to the footstool of the Deity. Denham, Sophy. Let echoing anthems make his praises known

On earth, his footstool, as in heav'n his throne.

By the phrase of worshipping his footstool, no more is meant than worshipping God at his footstool.

FOP. † n. s. [A word probably made by chance, and therefore without etymology, Dr. Johnson says. Others think it derived from Horace's vappa, a foolish fellow; which is adopted from vappa, wine that has lost its flavour, evaporated. Serenius proposes the Iceland. hwopa, levity.] A simpleton; a coxcomb; a man of small understanding and much ostentation; a pretender; a man fond of show, dress, and flutter; an imper-

A whole tribe of fops, Got 'tween asleep and wake. Shakspeare, K. Lear. When such a positive abandon'd fop,

Among his numerous absurdities, Stumbles upon some tolerable line,

I fret to see them in such company. Roscommon. The leopard's beauty, without the fox's wit, is no better than a fop in a gay coat. L'Estrange. In a dull stream, which moving slow, You hardly see the current flow

When a small breeze obstructs the course, It whirls about for want of force, And in its narrow circle gathers Nothing but chaff, and straws, and feathers:

The current of a female mind Stops thus, and turns with ev'ry wind; Thus whirling round, together draws

Fools, fops, and rakes, for chaff and straws. Swift. FO'PDOODLE. n. s. [fop and doodle.] A fool; an insignificant wretch.

Where sturdy butchers broke your noddle, And handled you like a fopdoodle. Hudibras. Fo'PLING. † n. s. [from fop.] A petty fop; an under-rate coxcomb.

Thy works in Chloe's toilet gain a part, And, with his tailor, share the fopling's heart. Tickell.

Intrusion with a fopling's face, Ignorant of time and place.

Grainger, Ode on Solitude.

Fo'PPERY. n. s. [from fop.] 1. Folly; impertinence.

Let not the sound of shallow foppery enter

My sober house, Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. I was three or four times in the thought they were not fairies; and yet the guiltiness of my mind, the sudden surprise of my powers, drove the grossness of the foppery into a received belief, in despight of the teeth of all rhime and reason, that

they were fairies. Shakspeare, Mer. W. of Windsor.
This is the excellent foppery of the world, that when we are sick in fortune, often the surfeits of our own behaviour, we make guilty of our disasters the sun, the moon, and stars, as if we were Shakspeare, K. Lear. villains on necessity.

2. Affectation of show or importance; showy folly.

And as my satire bursts amain,

Shenstone. See feather'd foppery strew the plain. Cambrics, lace, velvets, and many other pro-Guthrie. hibited fopperies.

3. Foolery; vain or idle practice; idle affectation.

They thought the people were better let alone in their fopperies, than to be suffered to break loose from that subjection which your superstition kept Stilling fleet.

But though we fetch from Italy and France Our fopperies of tune, and mode of dance,

Our sturdy Britons scorn to borrow sense. Granville. I wish I could say quaint fopperies were wholly absent from graver subjects.

Fo'ppish. adj. [from fop.] 1. Foolish; idle; vain.

Fools ne'er had less grace in a year;

For wise men are grown foppish, And know not how their wits to wear, Their manners are so apish. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

2. Vain in show; foolishly ostentatious; vain of dress.

With him the present still some virtues have; The vain are sprightly, and the stupid grave; The slothful negligent, the foppish neat;

The lewd are airy, and the sly discreet. The Romans grew extremely expensive and foppish; so that the emperour Aurelian forbid men

that variety of colours on their shoes, allowing it still to women. You would know who is rude and ill-natured,

who is vain and foppish, who lives too high, and who is in debt.

Fo'PPISHLY. † adv. [from foppish.] Vainly; ostentatiously. Sherwood. Fo'ppishness. † n. s. [from forpish.]

nity; showy or ostentatious vanity. Sherwood.

I have seen parts of dress, in themselves extremely beautiful, which at the same time subject the wearer to the character of foppishness and af-

FOR.† prep. [rop, Saxon; voor, Dutch, faur, Gothick. Skinner and Tyrwhitt derive it from the Latin pro; Junius, from the Greek πpo ; changing p into f, and transposing the letter r. Mr. Horne Tooke believes it to be no other than the Gothick substantive fairina, cause; and contends, that cause is the real single meaning which belongs to the several instances adduced. See Div. of Purley, i. 367 — 390.]

1. Because of.

That which we for our unworthiness are afraid to crave, our prayer is, that God for the worthiness of his son would notwithstanding vouchsafe Hooker. to grant.

Edward and Richard.

With fiery eyes sparkling for very wrath, Shakspeare, Hen. VI. Are at our backs. Speak, good Cominius;

Leave nothing out for length. An astrologer saith, if it were not for two things that are constant, no individual would last one moment.

Bacon The governour, sallying out, took great store of victual and warlike provision, which the Turks had for haste left behind them. Knolles, Hist.

Their offer he willingly accepted, knowing that he was not able to keep that place three days, for lack of victuals.

Quit, quit, for shame; this will not move, This cannot take her:

If of herself she will not love, Nothing can make her.

Care not for frowns or smiles,

Denham, Sophy, Prol. The hypocrite or carnal man hopes, and is the wickeder for hoping. Hammond, Pract. Catech.

Let no man, for his own poverty, become more oppressing in his bargains; but quietly recommend his estate to God, and leave the success to him.

Persons who have lost most of their grinders, having been compelled to use three or four only in chewing, wore them so low that the inward nerve lay bare, and they would no longer for pain make use of them. Ray on the Creation.

I but revenge my fate; disdain'd, betray'd, And suff'ring death for this ungrateful maid.

Sole on the barren sands, the suff'ring chief Roar'd out for anguish, and indulg'd his grief. Dryden

For his long absence church and state did groan,

Madness the pulpit, faction seiz'd the throne. Dryden.

Nor with a superstitious fear is aw'd For what befals at home, or what abroad.

I, my own judge, condemn'd myself before; For pity, aggravate my crime no more.

Dryden, Aurengzebe. Matrons of renown,

When tyrant Nero burnt th'imperial town, Shriek'd for the downfal in a doleful cry, For which their guiltless lords were doom'd to die.

Dryden. Children, discountenanced by their parents for any fault, find a refuge in the caresses of foolish flatterers.

A sound mind in a sound body is a short but full description of a happy state in this world: he that has these two has little more to wish for, and he that wants either of them will be but little the better for any thing else. Locke.

The middle of the gulph is remarkable for tem-Addison.

My open'd thought to joyous prospect raise, And for thy mercy let me sing thy praise. Prior. Which best or worst, you could not think;

And die you must, for want of drink. It is a most infamous scandal upon the nation, to reproach them for treating foreigners with con-

We can only give them that liberty now for something, which they have so many years exercised for nothing, of railing and scribbling against Swift. Your sermons will be less valuable, for want of

2. With respect to; with regard to.

Rather our state's defective for requital, Than we to stretch it out. Shakspeare, Coriol. A paltry ring

That she did give me, whose poesy was, For all the world, like cutler's poetry Upon a knife; love me and leave me not. Shaks.

For all the world, As thou art at this hour, was Richard then.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. It was young counsel for the persons, and vio-

lent counsel for the matters. Bacon, Ess. Authority followeth old men, and favour and popularity youth; but for the moral part, perhaps, youth will have the pre-eminence, as age hath for the politick. Bacon, Ess.

Comets are rather gazed upon than wisely observed in their effects; that is, what kind of comet for magnitude or colour, produceth what kind of effects. Bacon, Ess.

For me, if there be such a thing as I. Waller. He saith these honours consisted in preserving their memories, and praising their virtues; but for any matter of worship towards them, he utterly Stilling fleet.

Our laws were for their matter foreign. Hales. Now for the government, it is absolute monarchy; there being no other laws in China but the king's command.

For me, no other happiness I own,

Than to have born no issue to the throne.

Dryd. Tyr. Love. For me, my stormy voyage at an end, I to the port of death securely tend. Dryd. En.

After death, we sprights have just such natures We had, for all the world, when human creatures,

Such little wasps, and yet so full of spite; For bulk mere insects, yet in mischief strong.

Tate, Juv.

Hobbes has given us a correct explanation of | 13. After O an expression of desire. the sense in general; but for particulars and circumstances, he continually lops them.

Pope, Pref. to the Iliad. Lo some are vellum, and the rest as good, For all his lordship knows, but they are wood.

3. In this sense it has often as before it. As for Maramaldus the general, they had no just cause to mislike him, being an old captain of great experience.

4. In the character of.

If a man can be fully assured of any thing for a truth, without having examined, what is there that he may not embrace for truth? She thinks you favour'd:

But let her go, for an ungrateful woman. A. Philips.

Say, is it fitting in this very field, This field, where from my youth I've been a carter.

I, in this field, should die for a deserter? Gay.

5. With resemblance of.

I hear for certain, and do speak the truth, The gentle York is up. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. Now, now for sure, deliverance is at hand, The kingdom shall to Israel be restor'd.

The startling steed was seiz'd with sudden fright, And, bounding, o'er the pommel cast the knight: Forward he flew, and pitching on his head, He quiver'd with his feet, and lay for dead. Dryd.

6. Considered as; in the place of. Our present lot appears For happy, though but ill; for ill, not worst, If we procure not to ourselves more woe.

Milton, P. L. The council-table and star-chamber held for honourable that which pleased, and for just that

Clarendon. which profited. 7. In advantage of; for the sake of.

An ant is a wise creature for itself; but it is a shrewd thing in an orchard. Bacon.

He refused not to die for those who killed him, and shed his blood for some of those that spilt it.

Shall I think the world was made for one, And men are born for kings, as beasts for men, Not for protection, but to be devour'd?

Dryden, Span. Friar. Read all the prefaces of Dryden, For those our criticks much confide in; Though merely writ at first for filling,

To raise the volume's price a shilling. 8. Conducive to; beneficial to.

It is for the general good of human society, and consequently of particular persons, to be true and just; and it is for men's health to be temperate.

Tillatson. It can never be for the interest of a believer to do me a mischief, because he is sure, upon the balance of accounts, to find himself a loser by it. Addison, Spect.

9. With intention of going to a certain

We sailed from Peru, for China and Japan.

As she was brought for England, she was cast Hayward. away near Harwich haven. We sailed directly for Genoa, and had a fair Addison. wind.

10. In comparative respect.

For tusks with Indian elephants he strove, And Jove's own thunder from his mouth he drove.

11. In proportion to.

As he could see clear, for those times, through superstition; so he would be blinded, now and Bacon, Hen. VII. then, by human policy.

12. With appropriation to.

Shadow will serve for summer: prick him; for we have a number of shadows to fill up the muster Shakspeare, Hen. IV. book.

O for a muse of fire, that would ascend The brightest heaven of invention!

Shakspeare, Hen. V. Prologue. 14. In account of; in solution of.

Thus much for the beginning and progress of the deluge. Burnet, Theory of the Earth.

15. Inducing to as a motive. There is a natural, immutable, and eternal rea-

son for that which we call virtue, and against that which we call vice.

16. In expectation of.

He must be back again by one and twenty, to marry and propagate: the father cannot stay any longer for the portion; nor the mother for a new set of babies to play with.

17. Noting power or possibility. For a holy person to be humble, for one whom all men esteem a saint, to fear lest himself become a devil, is as hard as for a prince to submit himself

to be guided by tutors. 18. Noting dependence.

The colours of outward objects, brought into a darkened room, depend for their visibility upon the dimness of the light they are beheld by Boyle on Colours.

19. In prevention of; for fear of. Corn being had down, any way ye allow, Should wither as needeth for burning in mow.

Tusser. And, for the time shall not seem tedious,

I'll tell thee what befell me on a day, In this self place. Shakspeare, Hen. VI. There must be no alleys with hedges at the hither end for letting your prospect upon this fair hedge from the green: nor at the farther end, for letting your prospect from the hedge through the arches upon the heath.

Walk off, sirrah, And stir my horse for catching cold. Beaum. and Fl. Love's Pilgi mage.

20. In remedy of. Sometimes hot, scmetimes cold things are good for the toothach.

21. In exchange of.

He made considerable progress in the study of the law, before he quitted that profession for this

22. In the place of; instead of.
To make him copious is to alter his character; and to translate him line for line is impossible. Dryden.

We take a falling meteor for a star. Cowley.
23. In supply of; to serve in the place of. Most of our ingenious young men take up some cried-up English poet for their model, adore him, and imitate him, as they think, without knowing wherein he is defective.

24. Through a certain duration.

Some please for once, some will for ever please. Roscommon. Those who sleep without dreaming can never be convinced that their thoughts are for four hours

busy, without their knowing it.

Locke.

The administration of this bank is for life, and

partly in the hands of the chief citizens. Addison, Rem. on Italy.

Since, hir'd for life, thy servile muse must sing Successive conquests, and a glorious king; And bring him laurels, whatsoe'er they cost. Prior.

The youth transported, asks without delay To guide the sun's bright chariot for a day.

Garth, Ovid. 25. In search of; in quest of.

Philosophers have run so far back for arguments of comfort against pain, as to doubt whether there were any such thing; and yet, for all that, when any great evil has been upon them, they would cry Tillotson. out as loud as other men.

26. According to.

Chymists have not been able, for aught is vulgarly known, by fire alone to separate true sulphur from antimony.

27. Noting a state of fitness or readiness. Nay, if you be an undertaker, I am for you.

If he be brave, he's ready for the stroke. Dryd. 28. In hope of; for the sake of; noting the final cause.

How quickly nature Falls to revolt, when gold becomes her object! For this the foolish, over-careful fathers Have broke their sleeps with thought, their brains

Their bones with industry : for this, engross'd The canker'd heaps of strong atchieved gold: For this they have been thoughtful to invest Their sons with arts and martial exercises.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. The kingdom of God was first rent by ill counsel; upon which counsel there are set, for our in-

struction, two marks. Whether some hero's fate, In words worth dying for, he celebrate.

For he writes not for money, nor for praise, Nor to be call'd a wit, nor to wear bays. Denham. There we shall see a sight worthy dying for, that blessed Saviour, who so highly deserves of us.

Boyle. He is not disposed to be a fool, and to be miser-

able for company. Even death's become to me no dreadful name;

In fighting fields, where our acquaintance grew, I saw him, and contemn'd him first for you. Dryden, Aurengzebe.

For this, 'tis needful to prevent her art, And fire with love the proud Phoenician's heart.

Dryden, Virg. Some pray for riches; riches they obtain; But watch'd by robbers, for their wealth are slain.

Let them, who truly would appear my friends, Employ their swords like mine, for noble ends.

Dryden, Aurengzebe. 29. Of tendency to; towards.

The kettle to the top was hoist; But with the upside down, to show Its inclination for below.

30. In favour of; on the part of; on the

side of. Ye suppose the laws for which ye strive are

found in Scripture; but those not against which Hooker, Pref. we strive. It becomes me not to draw my pen in the de-

fence of a bad cause, when I have so often drawn Dryden. it for a good one. Jove was for Venus, but he fear'd his wife. Dryd. He for the world was made, not us alone.

They must be void of all zeal, for God's honour, who do not with sighs and tears intercede with him. Bp. Smalridge.

Aristotle is for poetical justice. Dennis. They are all for rank and foul feeding. Felton.

31. Noting accommodation or adaptation. Fortune, if there be such a thing as she,

Spies that I bear so well her tyranny

That she thinks nothing else so fit for me. Donne. A few rules of logick are thought sufficient, in this case, for those who pretend to the highest improvement.

It is for wicked men to dread God; but a virtuous man may have undisturbed thoughts, even of the justice of God.

His country has good havens, both for the Adri-Addison on Italy. atick and Mediterranean.

Persia is commodiously situated for trade both by sea and land. Arbuthnot on Coins. Scholars are frugal of their words, and not willing to let any go for ornament, if they will not Felton.

serve for use. 32. With intention of.

And by that justice hast remov'd the cause Of those rude tempests, which, for rapine sent Too oft, alas, involv'd the innocent.

Here huntsmen with delight may read Waller. How to chuse dogs for scent or speed. God hath made some things for as long a duration as they are capable of. Tillotson, Serm.

For this, from Trivia's temple and her wood, Are coursers driv'n, who shed their master's blood.

Such examples should be set before them, as patterns for their daily imitation. Locke.

The next question usually is, what is it for? Locke Achilles is for revenging himself upon Aga-

memnon, by means of Hector. Broome, View of Epick Poem.

33. Becoming; belonging to. It were not for your quiet, nor your good,

Nor for my manhood, honesty, and wisdom, To let you know my thoughts. Shaks. Th' offers he doth make, Shaks. Othello.

Were not for him to give, nor them to take.

It were more for his honour to raise his siege, than to spend so many good men in the winning of it by force. Knolles. Jests for Dutchmen and English boys. Cowley.

Is it for you to ravage seas and land,

Unauthoriz'd by my supreme command!

Dryden, Æn. His sire already signs him for the skies,

And marks the seat amidst the deities. Dryd. En. It is a reasonable account for any man to give, why he does not live as the greatest part of the world do, that he has no mind to die as they do, Tillotson. and perish with them.

34. Notwithstanding.

This, for any thing we know to the contrary, might be the self-same form which Philojudæus expresseth.

God's desertion shall, for ought he knows, the Decay of Piety. next minute supervene. Probability supposes that a thing may or may not be so, for any thing yet certainly determined on

either side. For any thing that legally appears to the contrary, it may be a contrivance to fright us.

Swift, Drap. Letters.

If such vast masses of matter had been situated nearer to the sun, or to each other, as they might as easily have been, for any mechanical or fortuitous agent, they must necessarily have caused a considerable disorder in the whole system. Bentley.

35. To the use of; to be used in. The oak for nothing ill,

The osier good for twigs, the popular for the mill. Spenser.

Your understandings are not bright enough for the exercise of the highest acts of reason. Tillotson.

36. In consequence of. For love they force through thickets of the

wood. They climb the steepy hills and stem the flood.

37. In recompence of; in return of. Now, for so many glorious actions done, For peace at home, and for the public wealth, I mean to crown a bowl for Cæsar's health; Besides, in gratitude for such high matters, Know I have vow'd two hundred gladiators. Dryden, Pers.

First the wily wizard must be caught; For unconstrain'd, he nothing tells for nought. Dryden, Virg.

38. In proportion to.

He is not very tall, yet for his years he's tall. Shakspeare.

As he could see clear, for those times, through superstition; so he would be blinded, now and then, by human policy. Bacon, Hen. VII.

39. By means of; by interposition of. Moral consideration can no way move the sen-

sible appetite, were it not for the will. Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

Of some calamity we can have no relief but from God alone; and what would men do in such a case, if it were not for God?

40. In regard of; in preservation of. I cannot for my life, is, I cannot if my life

might be saved by it. I bid the rascal knock upon your gate;

But could not get him for my heart. Shakspeare.

I cannot for my heart leave a room, before I have thoroughly examined the papers pasted upon the walls, Addison, Spect.

41. For all. Notwithstanding.

Neither doubt you, because I wear a woman's apparel, I will be the more womanish; since I assure you, for all my apparel, there is nothing I desire more fully than to prove myself a man in this enterprize.

For all the carefulness of the Christians the English bulwark was undermined by the enemy, and upon the fourth of September part thereof was blown up. Knolles, Hist.

But as Noah's pigeon, which return'd no more, Did shew she footing found for all the flood.

They resolute, fcr all this, do proceed

Unto that judgment. Daniel. If we apprehend the greatest things in the world

of the emperour of China or Japan, we are well enough contented for all that, to let them govern at home. Stilling fleet. Though that very ingenious person has antici-

pated part of what I should say, yet you will, for all that, expect that I should give you a fuller ac-Boyle on Colours.

She might have passed over such businesses; but my rabble is not to be mumbled up in silence, for all her pertness. Dryden.

For all his exact plot, down was he cast from all his greatness, and forced to end his days in a mean condition.

42. For to. In the language used two centuries ago, for was commonly used before to, the sign of the infinitive mood, to note the final cause. As, I come for to see you, for I love to see you; in the same sense with the French pour. Thus it is used in the translation of the Bible. But this distinction was by the best writers sometimes forgotten; and for, by wrong use, appearing superfluous, is now always omitted.

Who shall let me now On this vile body for to wreak my wrong?

Spenser, F.Q. A large posterity

Up to your happy palaces may mount,

Of blessed saints for to increase the count. Spenser. These things may serve for to represent how just cause of fear this kingdom may have towards Spain.

For. + conj.

1. The word by which the reason is introduced of something advanced before.

Heav'n doth with us as we with torches deal, Not light them for themselves; for if our virtues Did not go forth of us, 'twere all alike As if we had them not. Shaks. Meas. for Meas. Old husbandmen I at Sabinum know,

Who for another year dig, plough, and sow: For never any man was yet so old,

But hop'd his life one Winter more would hold. Denham. Tell me what kind of thing is wit?

For the first matter loves variety less. Coulen. Thus does he foolishly who, for fear of any thing in this world, ventures to displease God; for in so doing he runs away from men, and falls into the hands of the living God.

Because; on this account that. It is in this sense properly followed by that, and without it is elliptical. This sense is almost obsolete.

I doubt not but great troops would be ready to run; yet for that the worst men are most ready to remove, I would wish them chosen by discretion of wise men.

wise men. Spenser on Ireland. I would go forward in this course of seeking hard places and phrases in authors, but for that I have now much other business that nearer concerns e. Minsheu, Span. Gramm. (1599,) p.82. Jealous souls will not be answer'd so:

They are not ever jealous for a cause,

But jealous for they're jealous. Shakspeare, Othello. Heaven defend your good souls, that you think I will your serious and great business scant; For she is with me. Shakspeare, Othello.

Nor swell'd his breast with uncouth pride, That heav'n on him above his charge had laid; But, for his great Creator would the same,

His will increas'd; so fire augmenteth flame. Fairfax. Many excrescences of trees grow chiefly where the tree is dead or faded; for that the natural sap of the tree corrupteth into some preternatural sub-Bacon, Nat. Hist.

3. For as much. In regard that; in consideration of

For as much as in publick prayer we are not only to consider what is needful in respect of God; but there is also in men that which we must regard: we somewhat incline to length, lest overquick dispatch should give occasion to deem, that the thing itself is but little accounted of. Hooker.

For as much as the question cannot be scanned, unless the time of Abraham's journey be considered of, I will search into a tradition concerning his travels. Ralegh, Hist. of the World.

For as much as it is a fundamental law in the Turkish empire, that they may, without any further provocation, make war upon Christendom for the propagation of their laws; so the Christians may at all times, as they think good, be upon Bacon, War with Spain.

For as much as it hath pleased Almighty God of his goodness to give you safe deliverance, and hath preserved you in the great danger of childbirth, you shall therefore give hearty thanks unto Common Pr. Churching of Women. For as much as the thirst is intolerable, the pa-

tient may be indulged the free use of spa water. Arbuthnot on Diet.

4. For why. Because; for this reason that. In its oldest acceptation, wherefor. [Sax. rop-phi.]

For whi tho thingis that ye han seid in derknessis, shulen be seid in light.

Wicliffe, St. Luke, xii.3. Solyman had three hundred field-pieces; for why, Solyman purposing to draw the emperour into battle, had brought no pieces of battery with

In composition for is sometimes For.* privative, as, forbear, and forbid, in its fourth meaning; sometimes merely intensive, as forbathe; and sometimes only communicative of an ill sense, as forswear.

To FO'RAGE. † v. n. [from foris, abroad, Latin. Dr. Johnson takes no further notice of this word, except that, under the substantive, he adduces the Germ. fourage, and Fr. fourrage; to which may be added the low Lat. forragium. Serenius derives forage from the Icel. fodr, as Du Cange derives fourrage from the low Latin fodrum, fodder; Sax. roope: whence foderare, forrare, and thus perhaps forage. See also FORAGER.]

1. To wander far; to rove at a distance. Not in use.

Forage and run To meet displeasure farther from the doors, And grapple with him ere he come so nigh. Shakspeare, K. John.

2. To wander in search of spoil; generally of provisions.

As in a stormy night Wolves, urged by their raging appetite, Denham. Forage for prey. There was a brood of young larks in the corn,

and the dam went abroad to forage for them. L'Estrange.

Nor dare they stray When rain is promis'd or a stormy day; But near the city walls their wat'ring take, Nor forage far, but short excursions make Dryden, Virg.

3. To ravage; to feed on spoil. His most mighty father on a hill Stood smiling, to behold his lion's whelp Forage in blood of French nobility. Shaks. Hen. V. To Fo'RAGE. v. a. To plunder; to strip; to

spoil. They will both strengthen all the country round,

and also be as continual holds for her majesty, if the people should revolt; for without such it is easy to forage and over-run the whole land. Spenser, on Ireland.

The victorious Philistines were worsted by the captivated ark, which foraged their country more than a conquering army.

Fo'RAGE. n. s. [fourage, Germ. fourrage, French.

1. Search of provisions; The act of feeding abroad.

One way a band select from fore ge drives A herd of beeves, fair oxen, and fair kine, From a fat meadow ground; or fleecy flock, Ewes and their bleating lambs, over the plains Milton, P.L. Their booty.

2. Provisions sought abroad. Some o'er the publick magazines preside, And some are sent new forage to provide. Dryden, Georg.

3. Provisions in general Provided forage, our spent arms renew'd. Dryden, Fab.

Fo'RAGER.* n. s. [from forage; low Lat. fodrarius, foriarius, whence also our obsolete word forriour, or fourrier, as in the Vis. of P. Plowman; "Kynde Conscience - sent forth his forriours, fevers and fluxes." See To Forage.]

1. One who wanders in search of spoil; "a Huloet. waster of a country."

Frensies and foul evil, foragers of Kynde. Vis. of P. Plowman. When that the general is not like the hive,

To whom the foragers shall all repair, What honey is expected. Shaks. Troil. and Cress. The wild foragers of Libya.

Bp. Taylor, Holy Dying, viii. § 5. This forager on others wisdom.

Young, Night Th. 5. 2. A provider of food, fodder, or forage;

a merchant of corn. Barret and Cockeram.

3. Any animal which feeds. Down so smooth a slope,

The fleecy foragers will gladly browse. Mason, Eng. Garden.

Fo'RAGING.* n. s. [from the verb forage.] Predatory inroad; roving in search of provisions.

A Libian tiger drawn from his wilder foragings. Bp. Taylor, Serm. (1651,) p.216. 2. Intermission of something.

I chose to observe some kind of military advantages to await him at his foragings, his water-Milton, Apol. for Smectymnuus. ings, &c.

FORA'MINOUS. adj. [from foramen, Lat.] Full of holes; perforated in many places; porous.

Soft and foraminous bodies, in the first creation of the sound, will deaden it; but in the passage of the sound they will admit it better than harder Bacon, Nat. Hist.

To FORBA'THE. * v. a. [for and bathe.] To bathe: to imbrue.

With conquerors' hands forbath'd in their own Sackville, Induct. Mir. for Mag. blood.

To Forbe AR. v. n. pret. I forbore, anciently forbare; part. forborn. [rop-bæpan, Saxon. For has in composition the power of privation; as, forbear; or depravation: as, forswear, and other powers not easily explained.]

1. To cease from any thing; to intermit. Who can forbear to admire and adore him who weighed the mountains in scales and the hills in a

2. To pause; to delay. I pray you tarry: pause a day or two, Before you hazard: for in chusing wrong, I lose your company, therefore forbear awhile. Shaksneare.

3. To omit voluntarily; not to do; to ab-

1 Sam. xxiii.13. He forbare to go forth. At this he started and forbore to swear; Not out of conscience of the sin, but fear.

Dryden, Juv. The wolf, the lion, and the bear,

When they their prey in pieces tear, To quarrel with themselves forbear. To restrain any violence of temper; to

By long forbearing is a prince persuaded, and a soft tongue breaketh the bone. Prov. xxv. 15.

To Forbe'ar. v. a.

1. To decline; to avoid voluntarily.

Forbear his presence, until time hath qualified the heat of his displeasure. Shakspeare, K. Lear. So angry bulls the combat do forbear,

When from the wood a lion does appear. Waller. 2. To abstain from; to shun to do; to

If it passed only by the house of peers, it should be looked upon as invalid and void, and execution

should be thereupon forborn or suspended. There is not any one action whatsoever which a man ought to do, or to forbear, but the Scripture will give him a clear precept or prohibition for it.

3. To spare; to treat with clemency. With all lowliness and meekness, with long suffering, forbearing one another in love. Eph.iv. 2.

4. To withhold. Forbear thee from meddling with God, who is

with me, that he destroy thee not. 2 Chron, xxxv. 21.

FORBE'ARANCE. n. s. [from forbear.] 1. The care of avoiding or shunning any

thing; negation of practice. True nobleness would

Learn him forbearance from so foul a wrong. Shakspeare.

This may convince us how vastly greater a pleasure is consequent upon the forbearance of sin, than can possibly accompany the commission

Liberty is the power a man has to do, or forbear doing any particular action, according as its doing or forbearance has the actual preference in the mind. Locke.

3 Command of temper.

Have a continent forbearance, till the speed of his rage goes slower. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

4. Lenity; delay of punishment; mildness. Nor do I take notice of this instance of severity in our own country to justify such a proceeding; but only to display the mildness and forbearance made use of under the reign of his present ma-Addison Freeholder.

He applies to our gratitude by obligations of kindness and beneficence, of long suffering and Rogers. forbearance.

FORBE'ARER. n. s. [from forbear.] An intermitter; interceptor of any thing. The West as a father all goodness dot's bring,

The East, a forbearer, no manner of thing. Tusser. To FORBI'D. + v. a. pret. I forbade, and formerly forbid; part. forbidden or forbid. [ropbeoban, Sax. verbieden, Dutch.]

1. To prohibit; to interdict any thing. A witch, a quean, an old cozening quean; have I not furbid her my house? Shaks. Mer. W. of Winds.

The practice and the purpose of the king, From whose obedience I forbid my soul.

By tasting of that fruit forbid, Shaks.

Where they sought knowledge, they did errour find.

The voice of reason, in all the dictates of natural morality, ought carefully to be attended to, by a strict observance of what it commands, but especially of what it forbids.

All hatred of persons, by very many Christian principles, we are most solemuly and indispensably forbid

The chaste and holy race Are all forbidden this polluted place. Dryden, Æn. 2. To command to forbear any thing.

She with so sweet a rigour forbade him, that he durst not rebel.

They have determined to consume all those things that God hath forbidden them to eat by his Judith, Ni. 12.

3. To oppose; to hinder.

The moisture being forbidden to come up in the plant, stayeth longer in the root, and so dilateth Bacon, Nat. Hist. The plaister alone would pen the humour, and

so exasperate it as well as forbid new humour. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Thy throne is darkness in th' abyss of light, A blaze of glory that forbids the sight ! O teach me to believe thee thus conceal'd,

And search no farther than thyself reveal'd. Dryd. To accurse; to blast. Now obsolete, To bid is in old language to pray; to forbid therefore is to curse. [German, verbieten; Su. Goth. forebiuda; To interdict.

Sleep shall neither night nor day

Hang upon his penthouse lid; He shall live a man forbid. Shakspeare, Macbeth. To Forbid. v. n. To utter a prohibition.

Now the good gods forbid, That our renowned Rome

Should now eat up her own! Shakspeare, Coriol. FORBI DDANCE. † n. s. [from forbid.] Pro-

hibition; edict against any thing. Commands do not so much whet our desires as

forbiddances. Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 27. How hast thou yielded to transgress

The strict forbiddance ! how to violate The sacred fruit forbidden!

Milton, P. L. FORBI'DDENLY. adv. [from forbid.] In an unlawful manner.

With all confidence he swears, as he had seen't, That you have touch'd his queen forbiddenly. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

FORBI'DDENNESS.* n. s. [from forbidden.] The state of being forbidden.

The sinfulness of swearing does consist, not in | To Force. v. a. [from the noun.] the diversity of our oaths, but in their forbidden-Boyle against Customary Swearing, p. 37.

FORBI'DDER. n. s. [from forbid.] One that prohibits; one that enacts a prohibition. This was a bold accusation of God, making

the fountain of good the contriver of evil, and the forbidder of the crime an abettor of the fact pro-

Other care, perhaps, May have diverted from continual watch

Our great forbidder. Milton, P. L. FORBI'DDING. part. adj. [from forbid.] Raising abhorrence; repelling approach;

causing aversion. Tragedy was made forbidding and horrible.

A. Hill. FORBI'DDING.* n. s. [from forbid.] Hindrance; opposition.

But all these poor forbiddings could not stay him:

He in the worst sense construes their denial: The doors, the wind, the glove that did delay him, He takes for accidental things of trial.

Shakspeare, Rape of Lucrece.
Whom, and her race, only forbiddings drive.
Donne, Progress of the Soul.

FORBY'.* See FOREBY.

FORCE. † n. s. [Su. Goth. fors, vehemence; old Fr. force, strength; fortis, Latin.

1. Strength; vigour; might; active power. He never could maintain his part but in the force of his will. Shakspeare, Much ado. A ship, which hath struck sail, doth run

By force of that force which before it won. Donne. 2. Violence.

Thus got the house of Lancaster the crown, Which now they hold by force and not by right. Shakspeare. The shepherd Paris bore the Spartan bride

By force away, and then by force enjoy'd; But I by free consent.

3. Virtue ; efficacy.

Manifest it is, that the very majesty and holiness of the place where God is worshipped, hath, in regard of us, great virtue, force, and efficacy; for that it serveth as a sensible help to stir up Hooker.

No definitions, no suppositions of any sect, are of force enough to destroy constant experience. Locke.

4. Validness; power of law.

A testament is of force after men are dead. Heb. ix. 17. Not long in force this charter stood;

Wanting that seal, it must be seal'd in blood. Denham.

5. Armament; warlike preparation. Often forces in the plural.

They that fled stood under the shadow of Heshbon, because of the force. Jerem. klviii, 45, O Thou! whose captain I account myself,

Look on my forces with a gracious eye. Shakspeare, Rich. III. The secret of the power of Spain consisteth in

a veteran army, compounded of miscellany forces of all nations. A greater force than that which here we find,

Ne'er press'd the ocean, nor employ'd the wind. Waller.

Those victorious forces of the rebels were not able to sustain your arms. Dryden. 6. Destiny; necessity; fatal compulsion.

What you will have, I'll give, and willing too; For do we must what force will have us do. Shakspeare, Rich. II.

7. A water-fall. \[Su. Goth. fors, a cataract.] Common in Westmoreland and Cumberland.

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1. To compel; to constrain.

Dangers are light, if they once seem light, and more dangers have deceived men than forced them.

I have been forced to use the cant words of Whig and Tory. Swift, Examiner. The actions and operations did force them upon dividing the single idea.

Broome, View of Epick Poem.

2. To overpower by strength. O that fortune

Had brought me to the field where thou art fam'd To have wrought such wonders with an ass's jaw, I should have forc'd thee soon with other arms.

With fates averse, the rout in arms resort, To force their monarch and insult the court.

3. To impel; to press; to draw or push by main strength.

Thou shalt not destroy the trees by forcing an

ax against them. Deut. xx. 19. Stooping, the spear descended on his chine, Just where the bone distinguish'd either loin : It stuck so fast, so deeply buried lay, That scarce the victor forc'd the steel away.

Dryden, Æn.

4. To enforce; to urge. Three blust'ring nights, borne by the southern blast,

I floated, and discover'd land at last : High on a mounting wave my head I bore, Forcing my strength, and gathering to the shore. Dryden, Æn.

Ye myrtles brown, with ivy never sere, I come to pluck your berries harsh and crude, And with forc'd fingers rude Shatter your leaves before the mellowing year. Milton, Lycidas.

5. To drive by violence or power.

This way of flattering their willing benefactors out of part, contrived another of forcing their unwilling neighbours out of all their possessions. Decay of Piety.

To free the ports, and ope the Punick land To Trojan guests, lest, ignorant of fate, The queen might force them from her town and state.

6. To gain by violence or power. My heart is yours; but, oh ! you left it here Abandon'd to those tyrants hope and fear: If they forc'd from me one kind look or word, Could you not that, nor that small part afford?

Dryden. 7. To storm; to take or enter by violence. Troy wall'd so high,

Atrides might as well have forc'd the sky. Waller. Heav'n from all ages wisely did provide This wealth, and for the bravest nation hide ; Who with four hundred foot, and forty horse, Dare boldly go a new-found world to force. Dryden, Ind. Emp.

8. To ravish; to violate by force. Force her. - I like it not.

9. To constrain; to distort; not to obtain naturally or with ease.

With these forc'd thoughts, I pr'ythee, darken not

The mirth o'the feast. Shaksp. Wint. Tale. Our general taste in England is for epigram, turns of wit, and forced conceits. Addison, Spect.

10. To man; to strengthen by soldiers, to

Here let them lie, Till famine and the ague eat them up: Were they not forc'd with those that should be

We might have met them dareful, beard to beard. Shakspeare.

If you find that any great number of soldiers be newly sent into Oroonoque, and that the passages be already forced, then be well advised how you land. Ralegh, Apology. 11. To stuff. A term of cookery. See

To FARCE.

He's not yet thorough warm; force him with praises;

Pour in, pour in; his ambition is dry.

Shakspeare, Tr. and Cress. Wit larded with malice, and malice forced with wit. Shakspeare, Tr. and Cress,

12. To bring forward; to ripen precipitately. A term of gardening.

13. To fine down wines, and render them fit for immediate draught. A term of the wine trade.

14. To Force out. To extort.

The heat of the dispute had forced out from Luther expressions that seemed to make his doctrine run higher than really it did. Atterbury.

To Force. + v. n.

1. To lay stress upon. This word I have only found in the following passage, Dr. Johnson says. Mr. Mason adds another.

That morning that he was to join battle with Harold, his armorer put on his backpiece before, and his breastplate behind; the which being espied by some that stood by, was taken among them for an ill token, and therefore advised him not to fight that day; to whom the duke answered, I force not of such fooleries; but if I have any skill in soothsaying, as in sooth I have none, it doth prognosticate that I shall change copy from a duke to a king. Camden, Rem. I force? not I, so the villaine were dead.

New Custom.

2. To endeavour. Forcing with gifts to win his wanton heart. Spenser, Shep. Cal. April.

3. To use violence.

And now he strength gan add unto his will, Forcing to do that did him foul misseem. Spenser, F. Q. iii. viii. 26.

Fo'rcedly. adv. [from force.] Violently; constrainedly; unnaturally.

This foundation of the earth upon the waters doth most aptly agree to that structure of the abyss and antediluvian earth; but very imp.operly and forcedly to the present form of the earth and the waters.

Fo'rcedness.* n. s. [from force.] Distortion. See the ninth sense of To Force. Against the forcedness and incongruity of this sense much might be said.

Worthington on the Millenium, p. 2.

Fo'RCEFUL. adj. [force and full.] Violent: strong; driven with great might; impetuous.

Why, what need we Commune with you of this, but rather follow Our forceful instigation. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. Against the steed he threw

His forceful spear, which, hissing as it flew, Pierc'd through the yielding planks. Dryden, En. Were it by chance or forceful destiny

Which forms in causes first whate'er shall be, Assisted by a friend one moonless night, This Palamon from prison took his flight. Dryd.

He pois'd in air, the javelin sent, Through Paris' shield the forceful weapon went.

Fo'rcefully. adv. [from forceful.] lently; impetuously.

Fo'rceless. † adj. [from force.] Having little force; weak; feeble; impotent.

These forceless flowers like sturdy trees support Shakspeare, Ven. and Adon.

may seem, they bring forth at last no less than a Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 73. publick distraction. Love, only love, her forceless numbers mean. Collins, Ode iii.

Fo'rcemeat.* n. s. A term of cookery; farced meat. See To FARCE.

FO'RCEPS. n. s. [Latin.] Forceps properly signifies a pair of tongs; but is used for an instrument in chirurgery, to extract any thing out of wounds

and the like occasions. Fo'RCER. t n. s. [from force; Fr. forceur.] 1. A compeller; a constrainer; a subduer;

Cotgrave. a conqueror. 2. That which forces, drives, or constrains. 3. The embolus of a pump working by pulsion, in contradistinction to a sucker.

which acts by attraction.

The usual means for the ascent of water is either by suckers or forcers. Wilkins, Dædalus. Fo'rcible. † adj. [from force; Fr. forceable, Cotgrave.]

1. Strong; mighty: opposed to weak.

That punishment, which bath been sometimes forcible to bridle sin, may grow afterwards too weak and feeble.

Who therefore can invent With what more forcible we may offend Our yet unwounded enemies. Mil Milton, P. L.

2. Violent; impetuous. A most eager and forceable tiranne, [tyrant.] Martin, Marr. of Priests, (1554,) sign. Aa. iii. Jersey, belov'd by all; for all must feel

The influence of a form and mind, Where comely grace and constant virtue dwell, Like mingled streams, more forcible when join'd:

Jersey shall at thy altars stand, Shall there receive the azure band. 3. Efficacious; active; powerful.

Sweet smells are most forcible in dry substances, when broken; and so likewise in oranges, the ripping of their rind giveth out their smell more. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

4. Prevalent; of great influence. How forcible are right words? God hath assured us, that there is no inclination or temptation so forcible which our humble prayers and desires may not frustrate and break asunder. Ralegh, Hist.

5. Done by force; suffered by force. He swifter far

Me overtook, his mother all dismay'd, And in embraces forcible and foul

Milton, P. L. Ingend'ring with me. The abdication of king James, the advocates on on that side look upon to have been forcible and

unjust, and consequently void. 6. Valid; binding; obligatory.

Fo'RCIBLENESS. n. s. [from forcible.] Force; violence.

Fo'RCIBLY. adv. [from forcible.]

1. Strongly; powerfully.

The Gospel offers such considerations as are fit to work very forcibly upon two of the most swaying and governing passions in the mind, our hopes and our fears.

2. Impetuously; with great strength.

3. By violence; by force.

He himself with greedy great desire

Into the castle enter'd forcibly. Spenser, F. Q. The taking and carrying away of women forcibly, and against their will, except female wards and bondwomen, was made capital. Bacon, Hen. VII.

This doctrine brings us down to the level of horse and mule, whose mouths are forcibly holden with bit and bridle. Hammond.

However slight and forceless these beginnings | FO'RCIPATED. adj. [from forceps.] Formed like a pair of pincers to open and enclose.

The locusts have antennæ, or long horns before, with along falcation or forcipated tail behind.

When they have seized their prey, they will so tenaciously hold it with their forcipated mouth, that they will not part therewith, even when taken Derham. out of the waters.

FORCIPA'TION.* n. s. [Lat. forceps.] The act of squeezing or tearing with pincers; formerly a mode of punishment.

A punishment of less torment far than either the wheel, or forcipation, yea, than simple burning. Bacon, Observ. on a Libel in 1592.

Fo'RCING.* n. s. [from force.] 1. The act of urging or enforcing.

The forcing of wrath bringeth forth strife. Prov. XXX. 33.

2. Compulsion.

No doubt you may compel her; But what a mischievous, unhappy fortune May wait upon this will of your's, as commonly Such forcings ever end in hates and ruins Beaum. and Fl. The Pilgrim.

To Forclo'se.* , See To Foreclose. FORD.† n. s. [rops, Saxon, from rapan, to pass; ford, Welsh, a passage, a way.]

1. A shallow part of a river where it may be passed without swimming.

Jacob passed over the ford Jabbok.

Gen. xxxii. 22. They took the fords of Jordan toward Moab, and suffered not a man to pass over. Judg.iii.28. Her men the paths rode through made by her sword;

They pass the stream, when she had found the Fairfax. ford.

2. It sometimes signifies the stream, the current, without any consideration of passage or shallowness.

Medusa with Gorgonian terror guards The ford, and of itself the water flies

Milton, P. L. All taste of living wight. Rise, wretched widow! rise; nor undeplor'd Permit my ghost to pass the Stygian ford

But rise, prepar'd in black to mourn thy perish'd

To Forp. v. a. [from the noun.] To pass without swimming.

Adam's shin-bones must have contained a thousand fathom, and much more, if he had forded the Ralegh, Hist. Fording his current where thou find'st it low. Denham.

Fo'RDABLE. adj. [from ford.] Passable without swimming.

Pliny placeth the Schenitæ upon the Euphrates, where the same beginneth to be fordable.

Ralegh, Hist. A countryman sounded a river up and down, to try where it was most fordable; and where the water ran too smooth, he found it deepest; and, on the contrary, shallowest where it made most L'Estrange.

To Fordo'.* v.a. [Sax. popson, to waste, to destroy. Dr. Johnson has given this ancient word as foredo, with a pretended derivation from for and do; but the Saxon fordo is the true word. It is one of our oldest verbs, part. fordone. Yet Mr. Horne Tooke, as Dr. Jamieson also notices, has strangely interpreted Chaucer's usage of it by "forth-done, i. e. done to go forth, or caused to go forth, i. e. out of doors. In modern language, turned out of doors!" Divers. of Purlev, i. 495. This he gives as an illustration of the adverb forth. Johnson might have laughed at this, as much as Mr. Tooke has thought proper to laugh at some of Johnson's wanderings. It is clearly ruined, undone.]

1. To ruin; to destroy: opposed to mak-

ing happy. A word obsolete. I see no more but that I am fordo: Min heritage mote I nedes sell,

And ben a beggar; here I n'ill not dwell. Chaucer, Frankl. Tale. Beseeching him with prayer, and with praise,

If either salves, or oils, or herbs, or charms, A fordonne wight from dore of death mote raise, He would at her request prolong her husband's Spenser, F. Q. i. v. 41.

This doth betoken, The corse they follow did, with desperate hand, Fordo its own life. Shakspeare, Hamlet. This is the night,

That either makes me, or fordoes me quite. Shakspeare, Othello.

He hath commission from thy wife and me To hang Cordelia in the prison, and To lay the blame upon her own despair,

That she fordid herself. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

2. To weary; to overcome. The heavy ploughman snores, The heavy ploughing.

All with weary task fordone.

Shakspeare, Mids. N. Dream.

FORE. adj. [rope, Saxon.]

1. Anteriour; that which is before; not hehind.

Though there is an orb or spherical area of the sound, yet they move strongest and go farthest in the fore lines from the first local impression.

Bacon. 2. That which comes first in a progressive

motion. Resistance in fluids arises from their greater pressing on the fore than hind part of the bodies

moving in them. Fore. † adv. [formerly forne, Sax. ropne.]
1. Anteriorly; in the part which appears

first to those that meet it. Each of them will bear six demiculverins and

four sakers, needing no other addition than a slight spar deck fore and aft, which is a slight deck throughout. Ralegh, Ess.

2. Fore is a word much used in composition to mark priority of time, or situation; of which some examples shall be given. A vitious orthography has confounded for and fore in composition.

3. Fore and aft. The whole length of a ship.

To Foreadmo'nish.* v. a. | fore and admonish.] To counsel before the event.

Foreadmonishing him of dangers future and in-Bp. Hall, Select Thoughts, § 12.

To Foreadvi'se. v. n. [fore and advise.] To counsel early; to counsel before the time of action, or the event.

Thus to have said, As you were foreadvis'd, had touch'd his spirit, And tried his inclination. Shakspeare, Coriol.

To Forealle'GE.* v.a. [fore and allege.] To mention or cite before.

Seneca, in the forealleged place, sets it peremptorily down as his resolute opinion, that the excellentest wit that ever was, yet cannot get to excel in any more than one thing.

Fotherby, Atheom. p. 192. Good authors make it justly questionable, whether these forealleged marriages should be deservedly charged with a sin. Bp. Hall, Cases of Conscience. appoint.] To order beforehand.

Sherwood.

FOREAPPO'INTMENT.* n. s. [from foreappoint. Pre-ordination; predestination.

To Forea'RM. v. a. [fore and arm.] To provide for attack or resistance before the time of need.

A man should fix and forearm his mind with this persuasion, that, during his passion, whatsoever is offered to his imagination tends only to deceive.

He forearms his care With rules to push his fortune, or to bear. Dryden, Æn.

To FOREBO'DE. † v.n. [Sax. copebobian.] 1. To prognosticate; to foretell.

An ancient augur, skill'd in future fate, With these foreboding words restrains their hate.

2. To foreknow; to be prescient of; to feel a secret sense of something future. Fate makes you deaf, while I in vain implore: My heart forebodes I ne'er shall see you more. Dryden.

My soul foreboded I should find the bower Of some fell monster, fierce with barb'rous power.

FOREBO'DER. n. s. [from forebode.] 1. A prognosticator; a soothsayer.

Your raven has a reputation in the world for a bird of omen, and a kind of small prophet: a crow that had observed the raven's manner and way of delivering his predictions, sets up for a L'Estrange.

foreboder.
2. A foreknower.

FOREBO'DEMENT.* n. s. [from forebode.] Used by Dr. Johnson in defining presagement. See Presagement.

FOREBO'DING.* n. s. [from forebode.] Presage; perception beforehand.

The atheists can never 'wholly extinguish those horrible forebodings of conscience.

Bentley, Serm. I. The melancholy forebodings of incomprehensible

misery and ruin. A. Smith, Theor. of Mor. Sent. ii. 2.

FOREBY'. prep. [fore and by.] Near; hard by; fast by.

Not far away he hence doth won Foreby a fountain, where I late him left.

To FORECA'ST. v. a. [fore and cast.] 1. To scheme; to plan before execution. He shall forecast his devices against the strong holds. Dan. xi.

2. To adjust; to contrive antecedently. The feast was serv'd; the time so well forecast, That just when the desert and fruits were plac'd, The fiend's alarm began.

Dryden, Theod. and Honor. 3. To foresee; to provide against.

It is wisdom to consider the end of things before we embark, and to forecast consequences.

L'Estrange.

To Foreca'st. v. n. To form schemes ; to contrive beforehand.

And whatso heavens in their secret doom Ordained have, how can frail fleshy wight Forecast, but it must needs to issue come? Spenser, F. Q.

When broad awake, she finds in troublous fit, Forecasting how his foe he might annoy, Spenser, F. Q. trivance beforehand; scheme; plan; antecedent policy.

Alas! that Warwick had no more forecast, But while he thought to steal the single ten, The king was slily finger'd from the deck! Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

He makes this difference to arise from the forecast and predetermination of the gods. Addison on Medals.

The last, scarce ripen'd into perfect man, Saw helpless him from whom their life began: Mem'ry and forecast just returns engage;

That pointed back to youth, this on to age. Pope.

Foreca'ster. n. s. [from forecast.] One who contrives beforehand.

Fo'recastle. * n s. [fore and castle. The name perhaps, as a learned friend thinks, originates from the circumstance of ships of war having formerly parapets, and battlements, like land-fortifications, with small castles built fore and aft.] In a ship, is that part where the foremast stands, and is divided from the rest of the floor by a bulk-head: that part of the forecastle which is aloft, and not in Harris. the hold, is called the prow.

The commodity of the new cook-room the merchants have found to be so great, as that, in all their ships, the cook-rooms are built in their forecastles, contrary to that which had been anciently Ralegh, Ess.

Forecho'sen. part. [fore and chosen.] Pre-elected.

Foreci'ted. part. [fore and cite.] Quoted before, or above. Greaves is of opinion, that the alteration men-

tioned in that forecited passage is continued. Arbuthnot on Coins.

To FORECLO'SE. † v. a. [not from fore and close, as Dr. Johnson asserts; but from the old Fr. forclos, which is the participle of the word forclore, to exclude. See Kelham and Lacombe. It is probably the Latin, forus cludere, to writings, forclose.]

1. To shut up; to preclude; to prevent. They are foreclosed from the ministration.

Martin, Marr. of Priests, (1554,) sign. C. i. B. But greenish waves, and heavie lowering skies, All comfort else forclosed our exil'd eyes.

Mir. for Mag. p.415. The embargo with Spain foreclosed this trade.

2. To Foreclose a Mortgage, is to cut off the power of redemption.

The mortgagee may call upon the mortgager to redeem his estate presently, or in default thereof to be for ever foreclosed from redeeming the same. Blackstone

Foreclo'sure.* n. s. [from forclose.] A deprivation of the power of redeeming a mortgage. A law term.

FORECONCE'IVE.* v. n. To preconceive.

Expecting or forconceiving, that Nemesis and retribution will take hold of the authors of our Racon

FOREDA'TED.* part. [fore and date.] Dated before the true time.

An abortive and foredated discovery.

Milton, Reas. of Ch. Gov. B.2. Fo'REDECK. n. s. [fore and deck.] The anteriour part of the ship.

I to the foredeck went and thence did look For rocky Scylla. Chapman, Odyssey.

To FOREAPPO'INT. + v. n. [fore and Fo'recast. n. s. [from the verb.] Con- | To Foredesi'gn. v. a. [fore and design.] To plan beforehand.

All the steps of the growth and vegetation both of animals and plants, have been foreseen and foredesigned by the wise Author of nature.

Cheyne, Phil. Priciples.

To Foredete'rmine.* v. a. [fore and determine.] To decree beforehand.

When we ascribe power unto God, "Thine is the power," we attribute unto him a power that is infinite, a power which can effect whatsoever his will hath fore-determined.

Bp. Hopkins, Expos. of the Lord's Prayer, p.176.

To FOREDO'. See To FORDO.

To FOREDO'OM. † v. a. [fore and doom. Sax. popbeman.] To predestinate; to determine beforehand.

Through various hazards and events we move To Latium, and the realm foredoom'd by Jove. Dryden, Æn.

The willing metal will obey thy hand, Following with ease: if favour'd by thy fate, Thou art foredoom'd to view the Stygian state.

Fate foredoom'd, and all things tend

By course of time to their appointed end. Dryden. Here Britain's statesmen oft the fall foredoom Of foreign tyrants, and of nymphs at home. Pope.

Foredo'om.* n. s. [Sax. pop-beman, to judge.] Judgement. And Jove's unmoved sentence and foredoom

On Priam king, and on his town so bent, I could not lin but I must there lament.

Sackville, Induct. Mir. for Mag. Foredo'or.* n. s. [Sax. rope-bupe.] A

door in the front of a house. Foree'LDER.* n. s. [fore and elder. Sax. ropealbian, to grow old.] An ancestor;

A common word in the north of Eng-

Foree'nd. n. s. [fore and end.] The anteriour part.

I have liv'd at honest freedom; paid More pious debts to heaven than in all

Shakspeare, Cymb. The fore-end of my time. In the fore-end of it, which was towards him. grew a small green branch of palm. Bacon, New Atlantis.

shut the doors. Our word is, in old Forefa'ther. n. s. [fore and father.] Ancestor; one who in any degree of ascending genealogy precedes another.

The custom of the people of God, and the decrees of our forefathers, are to be kept, touching those things whereof the Scripture hath neither one way or other given us charge.

If it be a generous desire in men to know from whence their own forefathers have come, it cannot be displeasing to understand the place of our first Ralegh, Hist. ancestor.

Conceit is still deriv'd From some forefather grief; mine is not so. Shakspeare, Rich. II.

Shall I not be distraught, And madly play with my forefather's joints? Shakspeare.

Our great forefathers Had left him nought to conquer but his country.

When a man sees the prodigious pains our forefathers have been at in these barbarous buildings, one cannot but fancy what miracles of architecture they would have left us, had they been instructed

Addison, on Italy. in the right way.

Addison, on Ita
Blest peer! his great forefathers ev'ry grace Reflecting, and reflected in his race.

To Forefe'nd. v. a. It is doubtful whether from fore or for and defend. If from fore, it implies antecedent provision; as forearm: if from for, prohibitory security; as forbid. Of the two following ex-

amples one favours for, and the other fore.

1. To prohibit; to avert.

I would not kill thy unprepared spirit;
No, heav'ns forefend! I would not kill thy soul.

Perhaps a fever, which the gods forefend, May bring your youth to some untimely end.

2. To provide for; to secure.

Down with the nose, Down with it flat: take the bridge quite away Of him, that his particular to forefend,

Smells from the gen'ral weal

Shakspeare, Tim. of Athens. Forefi'nger. n. s. [fore and finger.] The finger next to the thumb; the index. An agate stone

On the forefinger of an alderman.

Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul. Polymnia shall be drawn, as it were, acting her speech with her forefinger. Peacham on Drawing. Some wear this on the middlefinger, as the ancient Gauls and Britons; and some upon the fore-

Fo'REFOOT. n. s. plur. forefeet. [fore and foot.] The anteriour foot of a quadruped; in contempt, a hand.

Give me thy fist, thy forefoot to me give.

Shakspeare, Hen. V. He ran fiercely, and smote at Heliodorus with his forefeet. 2 Mac. 11.20.
I continue my line from thence to the heel 2 Mac. iii.25.

then making the breast with the eminency thereof, bring out his near forefoot, which I finish Peacham on Drawing.

Forefro'nt. n. s. [fore and front; "foreside of a house, façade, Fr." Sherwood.]

The anteriour front of any thing. Thou shalt put it on a blue lace, that it may

be upon the mitre; upon the forefront of the mitre Exodus, xxviii.37. it shall be. Set ye Uriah in the forefront of the hottest battle. 2 Sam. xi. 15.

The forefront of the house stood toward the east.

That temple had two parts; first, the forefront, the porch, the walk before it; and secondly, the Hales, Rem. p. 131. temple itself.

Fo'regame.* n. s. [fore and game.] A first plan; a first game.

Since life is but as a game at tables, if the forgame be not to thy wish, neither whine nor curse; but rouse thy care to an aftergame.

Whitlock, Mann. of the Engl. p. 29.

To FOREGO'.† v. a. [for and go. Saxpopgan. In the first sense the word should be written, as Spenser writes it, forgo.]

1. To quit; to give up; to resign. Is it her nature, or is it her will,

To be so cruel to an humbled foe? If nature, then she may it mend with skill;

If will, then she at will may will forgo. Spenser. Having all before absolutely in his power, it re-

maineth so still, he having already neither forgiven nor forgone any thing thereby unto them, but having received something from them. Spenser on Ireland. He is a great adventurer, said he,

That hath his sword through hard assay forgone; And now hath vowed, till he avenged be

Of that despight, never to wearen none.

Snenser, F.Q. Special reason oftentimes causeth the will to prefer one good thing before another; to leave one for another's sake, to forgo meaner for the attainment of higher degrees.

Must I then leave you? Must I needs forgo So good, so noble, and so true a master?

Shakspeare.

Let us not forgo That for a trifle which was bought with blood. Shakspeare.

How can I live without thee! how forego Thy sweet converse, and love so dearly join'd, To live again in these wild woods forlorn!

Milton, P. L. This argument might prevail with you to forego a little of your repose for the publick benefit

Druden, Juv. Dedic. What they have enjoyed with great pleasure at one time, has proved insipid or nauseous at another; and therefore they see nothing in it, for which they should forgo a present enjoyment. Locke.

2. To go before; to be past. [from fore and go.]

By our remembrances of days foregone, Such were our faults, O! then we thought them Shuksneare.

It is to be understood of Cain, that many years forgone, and when his people were increased, he built the city of Enoch. Ralegh, Hist. of the World. Reflect upon the two foregoing objections.

Boyle on Colours. This foregoing remark gives the reason why imi-Dryden, Dufresnoy. I was seated in my elbow-chair, where I had indulged the foregoing speculations. Addison.

In the foregoing part of this work I promised Woodward.

3. To lose. Dr. Johnson has here cited a passage from Shakspeare's Hamlet, where the word is not foregoes but fordoes, i. e. destroys.

Fo'regoer.* n. s. [from forego.] Ancestor; progenitor.
 Honours best thrive,

When rather from our acts we them derive Than our foregoers. Shakspeare, All's well.

2. One who goes before another. O Mercury, foregoer to the evening ! Sidney, Arcad. b. ii.

3. A forsaker; a quitter.

Cotgrave in V. Abandonneur. Fo'REGROUND. n. s. [fore and ground.]
The part of the field or expanse of the picture which seems to lie before the figures.

All agree that white can subsist on the foreground of the picture; the question therefore is to know, if it can equally be placed upon that which is backward, the light being universal, and the figures supposed in an open field. Dryden.

To Foregue'ss.* v. n. [fore and guess.] To conjecture. FO'REHAND. n. s. [fore and hand.]

1. The part of a horse which is before the rider.

2. The chief part. Not in use.

The great Achilles whom opinion crowns, The sinew and the forehand of our host. Shakspeare. Fo'rehand. adj. Done sooner than is re-

You'll say she did embrace me as a husband, And so extenuate the forehand sin. Shakspee ForeHA'NDED. n. s. [from fore and hand.]

1. Early; timely.

If by thus doing you have not secured your time by an early and forehanded care, yet be sure, by a timely diligence, to redeem the time.

Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy. 2. Formed in the foreparts.

He's a substantial true-bred beast, bravely forehanded: mark but the cleanness of his shapes too. Dryden.

Fo'rehead. † n. s. [fore and head. Sax. ropehearos.]

1. That part of the face which reaches from the eyes upward to the hair.

The breast of Hecuba, When she did suckle Hector, look'd not lovelier Than Hector's forehead when it spit forth blood

At Grecian swords contending. Shakspeare, Coriol.
Some angel copy'd, while I slept, each grace, And molded ev'ry feature from my face; Such majesty does from her forehead rise,

Her cheeks such blushes cast, such rays her eyes. Dryden.

2. Impudence; confidence; assurance; audaciousness; audacity. The forehead is the part on which shame visibly operates.

Here, see the forehead of a Jesuit! Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Marr. Clergy, p.61.

A man of confidence presseth forward upon every appearance of advantage; where his force is too feeble, he prevails by dint of impudence: these men of forehead are magnificent in promises, and infallible in their prescriptions.

I would fain know to what branch of the legislature they can have the forehead to apply.

Swift, Presbyterian Plea.

To Forehe'Ar.* v. n. [fore and hear.] To be informed before. With of.

The Turks, whom they account for barbarous, Having foreheard of Basilisco's worth, A number underprop me with their shoulders.

Trag. of Soliman and Perseda, (1599.)

To Forehe'nd.* v. a. [fore and hend. See To Hend.] To seize. The early editions of Spenser read forhend; but forehend is right, meaning, in the following passage, taken before she can-Like as a fearful dove -

Having farre off espyde a tassell gent, Which after her his nimble wings doth strain, Doubleth her haste for fear to be forehent. And with her pinions cleaves the liquid firmament. Spenser, F. Q. iii. iv. 49.

To Forene'w.* v. a. [fore and hew.] To cut in front.

His face forehew'd with wounds.

Sackville, Induct. Mir. for Mag.

Foreho'Lding. n. s. [fore and hold.] Predictions; ominous accounts; superstitious prognostications.

How are superstitious men hagged out of their wits with the fancy of omens, forcholdings, and old wives' tales! L'Estrange.

Fo'REHORSE.* n. s. [fore and horse.] The foremost horse of the team.

As if We were two carriers at two several ways, And, as the fore-horse guides, cry God be with Beaum. and Fl. Coxcomb.

The forehorse gingles on the road, The waggoner lugs on his load.

Cotton, Morning Quat. st. 18.

FO'REIGN. adj. [forain, Fr. forano, Spanish; from foras, Lat.]

1. Not of this country; not domestick. Your son, that with a fearful soul

Leads discontented steps in foreign soil, This fair alliance quickly shall call home.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. The learned correspondence you hold in foreign parts. Milton.

The positions are so far from being new, that they are commonly to be met with in both ancient and modern, domestick and foreign writers.

The parties and divisions amongst us may several ways bring destruction upon our country, at the same time that our united force would secure us against all the attempts of a foreign enemy. Addison, Freeholder. 2. Alien; remote; not allied; not be- | Forekno'wable. adj. [from foreknow.] | To Fo'relend.* v. a. [fore and lend.] | To give beforehand. Not in use. used with to; but more properly with from.

I must dissemble, And speak a language foreign to my heart.

Addison, Cato. Fame is a good so wholly foreign to our natures, that we have no faculty in the soul adapted to it, nor any organ in the body to relish it, placed out of the possibility of fruition. Addison

This design is not foreign from some people's Swift.

3. Excluded; not admitted; held at a

They will not stick to say you envied him; And fearing he would rise, he was so virtuous, Kept him a foreign man still; which so griev'd him, That he ran mad and died. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

4. [In law.] A foreign plea, placitum forinsecum; as being a plea out of the proper court of justice.

5. Extraneous; adventitious in general. There are who, fondly studious of increase,

Rich foreign mold in their ill-natur'd land Philips.

Fo'reigner. n.s. [from foreign.] A man that comes from another country; not a native; a stranger.

So mere a stranger to my thoughts, I know

Denham, Sophy. Joy is such a foreigner, To this false foreigner you give your throne, And wrong a friend, a kinsman, and a son.

Dryden, Æn. Water is the only native of England made use of in punch; but the lemons, the brandy, the sugar,

and the nutmegs, are all foreigners. Addison, Freeholder.

Nor could the majesty of the English crown appear in a greater lustre, either to foreigners or subjects. Swift.

Fo'reignness. n. s. [from foreign.] Remoteness; want of relation to some-

Let not the foreignness of the subject hinder you from endeavouring to set me right.

To Foreima'Gine. v. a. [fore and imagine.] To conceive or fancy before proof.

We are within compass of a foreimagined possibility in that behalf. Camden, Rem.

To FOREJU'DGE.† v. a. [fore and judge; old Fr. forjuger.] To judge beforehand; to be prepossessed; to prejudge. Sherwood.

FOREJU'DGEMENT.* n. s. [fore and judgement.] Judgement formed beforehand.

Sherwood. But seldom seen, forejudgement proveth right. Spenser, Muiopotmos, v. 320.

To FOREKNO'W. v. a. [fore and know.] To have prescience of; to foresee.

We foreknow that the sun will rise and set, that all men born in the world shall die again; that after Winter the Spring shall come; after the Spring, Summer and Harvest; yet is not our foreknowledge the cause of any of those. Ralegh.

He foreknew John should not suffer a violent death, but go into his grave in peace.

Brown, Vulg. Err. Calchas the sacred seer, who had in view Things present and the past, and things to come foreknem. Dryden, Iliad.

Who would the miseries of man foreknow? Not knowing, we but share our part of woe. Dryden.

It is certainly foreknowable what they will do in such and such circumstances.

More, Divine Dialogues. Forekno'wer.* n. s. [from foreknow.] He who knows what is to happen.

He will make God the foreknower - of evil. Stapleton, Fortr. of the Faith, (1565,) fol. 41. b. FOREKNO'WLEDGE. n. s. [fore and knowledge.] Prescience; knowledge of that

which has not yet happened.

Our being in Christ by eternal foreknowledge, saveth us not without our actual and real adoption into the fellowship of his saints in this present Hooker,

I told him you was asleep: he seems to have a foreknowledge of that too, and therefore chooses to speak with you. Shakspeare.

If I foreknew,

Foreknowledge had no influence on their fault, Which had no less prov'd certain unforeknown. Milton, P. L.

I hope the foreknowledge you had of my esteem for you, is the reason that you do not dislike my

Fo'REL.* n. s. [forellus, forulus, Latin, fourreau, Fr. "id quo aliquid tegitur et obvolvitur, &c." Carpent. Suppl. Du Cange. " Vagina: parmi les anciens auteurs signifie l'armoire à livres." Menage in V. FOURREAU.] A kind of parchment; sheepskin dressed on one side only, commonly used for covers of account-books. The word is still familiar among stationers.

No manner of persone shall sell this present book, unbounde, above the price of two shillynges and two-pence; and bounde in forell for iis. xd. and not above.

The Booke of the Common Praier, fol. 1549, last leaf.

Fo'RELAND. n. s. [fore and land.] A promontory; headland; highland jutting into the sea; a cape.

As when a ship, by skilful steersman wrought, Nigh river's mouth, or foreland, where the wind Veers oft, as oft so steers, and shifts her sails.

To Forela'y. v. a. [fore and lay, Dr. Johnson says. It is in the first meaning the Teut. verlaeghen; and our own word was formerly, and should be always, in the sense of laying wait for, written forlay.]

1. To lay wait for; to entrap by ambush. Some secret detractor hath forlaid thee by a

whispering misintimation.

Seasonable Sermon, (1644,) p. 30. A serpent shoots his sting at unaware;

An ambush'd thief forelays a traveller: The man lies murder'd, while the thief and snake, One gains the thickets, and one thrids the brake.

Dryden, Pal. and Arcite. 2. To contrive antecedently; to prevent.

[fore and lay.] That our serious humiliations may forelay his too well deserved judgements. Bp. Hall, Rem.p. 45.

3. To lay down before-hand. These grounds being forelaid and understood,

I affirm, first, that presbyters, &c. Mede, Disc. 1642, p. 110. Forele'Ader.* n. s. [fore and leader.]

One who leads others by his example. Would God that we learned not, by the foreleaders before named, to charge and conjure each other unto the pledge!

Gascoigne, Diet for Drunkards, 1576.

As if that life to loss they had forelent.

Spenser, F. Q. iv. iii. 6.

To Fo'relift. v. a. [fore and lift.] To raise aloft any anteriour part.

So dreadfully he towards him did pass, Forelifting up aloft his speckled breast; And often bounding on the bruised grass, As for great joy of new comen guest. Spenser, F.Q.

FO'RELOCK. n. s. [fore and lock.] The hair that grows from the forepart of the

Tell her the joyous time will not be staid, Unless she do him by the forelock take. Spenser. Hyacinthine locks

Round from his parted forelock manly hung, Clust'ring, but not beneath his shoulders broad. Milton, P. L. Zeal and duty are not slow,

But on occasion's forelock watchful wait,

Milton, P. R. Time is painted with a lock before, and bald behind, signifying thereby that we must take time by the firelock; for, when it is once past, there is no recalling it.

To Forelo'ok. * v. n. [fore and look.] To see beforehand.

Then did I forelook,

And saw this day mark'd white in Clotho's book. B. Jonson, King's Entertainment.

Fo'reman. n. s. [fore and man.] The first or chief person.

He is a very sensible man, shoots flying, and has been several times foreman of the petty jury. Addison, Spect.

Fo'REMAST.* n. s. [fore and mast.] The first mast of a ship towards the head.

FO'REMAST Man.* n. s. One that furls the sails, and takes his course at the helm. Chambers.

Foreme'ANT.* part. [fore and mean.] Intended beforehand.

As being the place by destiny foremeant. B. Jonson, Masques.

FOREME'NTIONED. adj. [fore and mentioned.] Mentioned or recited before. It is observable that many participles are compounded with fore, whose verbs have no such composition.

Dacier, in the life of Aurelius, has not taken notice of the forementioned figure on the pillar. Addison on Italy.

FO'REMOST. † adj. [from fore. Sax.

ropmert.]

1. First in place.

All three were set among the foremost ranks of fame, for great minds to attempt, and great force to perform what they did attempt. Sidney. Our women in the foremost ranks appear;

March to the fight, and meet your mistress there. The bold Sempronius,

That still broke foremost through the crowd of patriots.

As with a hurricane of zeal transported, And virtuous even to madness. Addison, Cato.

2. First in dignity.

These ride foremost in the field, As they the foremost rank of honour held. Dryden.

FO'REMOSTLY.* adv. [from foremost.] Among the foremost.

But when he saw his daughter dear Coming on most foremostly,

He wrung his hands, and tore his hair, And cried out most piteously.

Old Ballad of Jepthah, Percy's Rel. i. ii. 3.

Fo'REMOTHER.* n. s. [fore and mother.]

A female ancestor. I would have you my daughters, so to look to your feet, when you enter into the house of God, that your devotions through irreverent unseemlinesse prove not the sacrifice of fools. It was the modesty and humility of some of your foremothers not to seat themselves in the church, before they had performed a reverent respect to the minister Br. Prideaux, Euch. p. 58. then officiating.

FORENA'MED. adj. [fore and name.] Nominated before.

And such are sure ones, As Curius and the forenamed Lentulus.

B. Jonson, Catiline.

Fo'RENOON. n. s. [fore and noon.] The time of day reckoned from the middle point, between the dawn and the meridian, to the meridian: opposed to after-

The manner was, that the forenoon they should run at tilt, the afternoon in a broad field in manner of a battle, till either the strangers or the country knights won the field.

Curio, at the funeral of his father, built a temporary theatre, consisting of two parts turning on hinges, according to the position of the sun, for the conveniency of forenoon's and afternoon's di-Arbuthnot on Coins.

FORENO'TICE. n. s. [fore and notice.] Information of an event before it happens. So strange a revolution never happens in poetry, but either heaven or earth gives some forenotice of Rymer on Tragedy.

FORE'NSICK. adj. [forensis, Latin.] Belonging to courts of judicature.

Person is a forensick term, appropriating actions and their merit; and so belongs only to intelligent agents, capable of a law, and happiness and misery. This personality extends itself beyond present existence to what is past, only by consciousness. Locke.

The forum was a publick place in Rome, where lawyers and orators made their speeches before the proper judges in matters of property, or in criminal cases: thence all sorts of disputations in courts of justice, where several persons make their distinct speeches, may come under the name of forensick disputes. Watts on the Mind.

To FOREORDA'IN. v. a. [fore and ordain.] To predestinate; to predetermine; to preordain.

The church can discharge, in manner convenient, a work of so great importance, by foreordaining some short collect wherein briefly to mention

FOREORDINA'TION.* n. s. [fore and ordination.] Predetermination.

Whether this foreordination were in St. Jude's intent or meaning a foreordination from eternity. Dr. Jackson, Works, iii. 171.

FO'REPART. n. s. [fore and part.]

1. The part first in time.

Had it been so raised, it would deprive us of the sun's light all the forepart of the day. Ralegh, Hist.

2. The part anterior in place.

The ribs have no cavity in them, and towards the forepart or breast are broad and thin, to bend and give way without danger or fracture.

Ray on the Creation.

FOREPA'SSED.† \ part. adj. [fore and pass.] Passed before a certain time.

Some - with shrieks, sobs, sighs, and tears, Did tell the woes of their forepassed years. Sackville, Induct. Mir. for Mag. I keep no table

To character my forepassed conflicts.

Trag. of Soliman and Perseda.

Now cease, ye damsels, your delights forepast; Enough it is that all the day is your's.

Spenser, Epithalam. My forepast proofs, howe'er the matter fall, Shall tax my fears of little vanity,

Shaksneare. Having vainly fear'd too little. Such is the treaty which he negotiates with us, an offer and tender of a reconciliation, an act of oblivion, of all forepast sins, and of a new covenant. Hammond on Fundamentals.

Foreposse'ssed. + adj. [fore and possess.] 1. Holding formerly in possession.

He must give place to such an owner, as that the same was never meant to by the forepossessed elders; and must be removed in one day out of the possessions, which his ancestors had continued in many score years.

Knight, Trial of Truth, (1580,) fol. 11. 2. Preoccupied; prepossessed; preen-

The testimony either of the ancient fathers, or of other classical divines, may be clearly and abundantly answered, to the satisfaction of any rational man, not extremely forepossessed with prejudice. Bp. Sanderson.

So fares it with him, that to the reading of Scripture comes fore-possest with some opinion. Hales, Rem. p. 4.

FOREPRO'MISED.* part. adj. [fore and promise.] Promised beforehand.

Answer was returned, that it was forepromised to one of my fellow-chaplains.

Bp. Hall, Specialties in his Life. To Forepri'ze.* v. a. [fore and prize.]

To rate beforehand.

God hath foreprized things of the greatest weight, and hath therein precisely defined as well that which every man must perform, as that which no man may attempt; leaving all sorts of men, in the rest, either to be guided by their good discretion, if they be from subjection to others; or else to be ordered by such commandments and laws, as proceed from those superiours under whom they live. Hooker, v. § 71.

Fo'RERANK. n. s. [fore and rank.] First rank; front.

Yet leave our cousin Catharine here with us; She is our capital demand, compris'd Within the forerank of our articles.

Shakspeare, Hen. V.

To Forere'Ach.* v. n. [fore and reach.] In naval language, to sail better than another ship, to get before it; as, one ship forereaches upon another.

To FORERE AD. * v. n. [fore and read.]

To signify by tokens.

With fruitfull hope his aged breast he fed Of future good, which his young toward yeares Did largely promise; and to him forered, That he in time would sure prove such an one, As should be worthie of his father's throne.

Spenser, Muiopotmos. Forere'Ading.* n. s. [fore and read.]

Previous perusal.

By reason of your fore-reading of Suetonius, you shall find yourself, for a good part of the story, furnished beforehand. Hates, Rem. p. 273. Forerect Ted. adj. [fore and recite.]

Mentioned or enumerated before. Bid him recount

The forerecited practices, whereof We cannot feel too little, hear too much. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

FOREREME'MBERED.* part. adj. [fore and remember. Called to mind, or mentioned, before.

My words concerning S. Gregory, and his times, are these, after the foreremembered impu-Mountagn, App. to Cas. p. 250.

[FO'RERIGHT.* adv. [fore and right.] Right forward; onward.

Can ye go back? Is there a safety left yet But foreright? Beaum. and Fl. Knt. of Malta. Fo'RERIGHT.* adj. Ready; forward;

quick. A foreright gale of liberty. Massinger, Renegado. To FORERU'N. v. a. [fore and run.]

1. To come before as an earnest of something following; to introduce as an harbinger.

Against ill chances men are ever merry; But heaviness foreruns the good event.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. The sun

Was set, and twilight from the East came on. Milton, P. L. Forerunning night. She bids me hope: oh heav'ns, she pities me!

And pity still foreruns approaching love, As lightning does the thunder. Dryd. Span. Friar. 2. To precede; to have the start of.

I heard it to be a maxim at Dublin to follow, if not forerun, all that is or will be practised in London. Graunt.

FORERU'NNER. † n. s. [from forerun.] 1. An harbinger; a messenger sent before

to give notice of the approach of those that follow.

The six strangers seek for you, madam, to take their leave; and there is a forerunner come from a seventh, the prince of Morocco.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. A cock was sacrificed as the forerunner of day and the sun, thereby acknowledging the light of life to be derived from the divine bounty, the daughter of providence. Stilling
My elder brothers, my forerunners came. Stilling fleet.

Rough draughts of nature, ill design'd, and lame: Blown off, like blossoms, never made to bear; Till I came finish'd, her last labour'd care.

Dryden, Aurengzebe. 2. An ancestor; a predecessor.

Arthur, the great forerunner of thy blood. Shakspeare, K. John.

3. A prognostick; a sign foreshowing any

O Eve! some further change awaits us nigh, Which heav'n, by these mute signs in nature,

Forerunners of his purpose. Milton, P. L. Loss of sight is the misery of life, and usually the forerunner of death.

The keeping insensible perspiration up in due measure is the cause as well as sign of health, and the least deviation from that due quantity, the certain forerunner of a disease. Arbuthnot. Already opera prepares the way,

The sure forerunner of her gentle sway.

Pope, Dunciad.

Fo'RESAID.* part. adj. [fore and said.]
Described or spoken of before.

Those foresaid lands, So by his father lost. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

Fo'resail.* n. s. [fore and sail.] The sail of the foremast.

To FORESA'Y. v. a. [fore and say.

Sax. pope-pæcgan.] To predict; to prophesy; to foretell.

Let ordinance

Come as the gods foresay it. Shakspeare, Cymb. Foresa'YING.* n. s. [from foresay.] A prediction. Sherwood.

To FORESE'E. t v. a. [fore and see. Sax. rope-reon.

1. To see beforehand; to see what has not yet nappened; to have prescience; to foreknow.

The first of them could things to come foresee; The next, could of things present best advise; The third, things past could keep in memory

Spenser, F. Q. If there be any thing foreseen that is not usual, be armed for it by any hearty though a short prayer, and an earnest resolution beforehand, and then watch when it comes.

At his foreseen approach, already quake The Caspian kingdoms and Meotian lake: Their seers behold the tempest from afar, And threat'ning oracles denounce the war.

Dryden, Æn. 2. To provide for: with to. Out of use. A king against a storm must foresee to a convenient stock of treasure. Bacon.

Forese'er.* n. s. [from foresee.] One

who foresees things.

There are some such very great foreseers, that they grow into the vanity of pretending to see, Ld. Halifax. where nothing is to be seen.

To Forese'ize.* v. a. [fore and seize.] To grasp beforehand.

Proceed, illustrious, happy chief, proceed; Foreseize the garlands for thy brow decreed Tate, Abs. and Achitophel, P. II.

To Foresha'dow.* v. a. [fore and shadow. To foresignify; to typify.

That the great excellency and efficacy of our Saviour's death and passion might appear, it was by manifold types foreshadowed and in divers prophecies foretold. Barrow, vol. ii. S. 27.

To Foresha'me. † v. a. [fore and shame.] To shame; to bring reproach upon. Dr. Johnson brings an example from Shakspeare's Cymbeline, where the word is not foreshaming but sore-sham-

To FORESHE'W.† v. a. [Sax. pope-preapran. Yet our word, in modern times, is written foreshow.] To predict; to represent before it comes.

See To Foreshow.

The dreams that troubled them did foreshew Wisdom, xviii. 17. Oh, that same drawing in your nether lip there, Foreshews no goodness, lady.

Beaum. and Fl. Nice Valour. Foreshe'w.* n. s. [from the verb.] A

sign; that by which any thing is foreshown.

With vermeil drops at ev'n his tresses bleed, Foreshews of future heat. Fairfax, Tuss. xiii. 54. Foreshe'wer.* n. s. [from foreshew.]

One who predicts a thing. That they might be thought the effectors of

what they were the foreshewers.

Spencer, on Prodigies, p. 263.

Fo'reship. † n. s. [fore and ship. Sax. rop-rcip.] The anteriour part of the ship.

The shipmen would have cast anchors out of Acts, xxvii. 30. the foreship.

To FORESHO'RTEN. v. a. [fore and shorten.] To shorten figures for the sake of shewing those behind.

Foresho'rtening.* n. s. [from foreshorten.] The act of shortening figures for the sake of shewing those behind.

The greatest parts of the body ought to appear foremost; and he forbids the foreshortenings, because they make the parts appear little. Dryden, Dufresnoy.

To Foresho'w. v. a. [fore and show.]

1. To discover before it happens; to predict; to prognosticate.

Christ had called him to be a witness of his death, and resurrection from the dead, according to that which the prophets and Moses had fore-

Next, like Aurora, Spenser rose,

Whose purple blush the day foreshows. Denham. You chose to withdraw yourself from publick business, when the face of heaven grew troubled, and the frequent shifting of the wind foreshowed

2. To represent before it comes.

What else is the law but the gospel foreshowed? What other the gospel than the law fulfilled?

Fo'reside.* n. s. [fore and side.] Superficial appearance; outside.

Now when these counterfeits were thus uncased

Out of the foreside of their forgerie, -All gan to jest and gibe full merilie.

Spenser, F. Q. v. iii. 39.

FO'RESIGHT. n. s. [fore and sight.]

1. Prescience; prognostication; foreknowledge. The accent anciently on the last syllable.

Let Eve, for I have drench'd her eyes Here sleep below: while thou to foresight wak'st; As once thou slept'st, while she to life was form'd. Milton, P. L.

2. Provident care of futurity.

He had a sharp foresight, and working wit That never idle was, ne once could rest a whit.

In matters of arms he was both skilful and industrious, and as well in foresight as resolution Hayward. present and great.

Difficulties and temptations will more easily be borne or avoided, if with prudent foresight we arm ourselves against them.

Foresi'ghtful. adj. [foresight and full.] Prescient; provident.

Death gave him no such pangs as the foresightful care he had of his silly successor. Sidney.

To Foresi'Gnify. v.a. [fore and signify.] To betoken beforehand; to foreshow;

Discoveries of Christ already present, whose future coming the Psalms did but foresignify.

Yet as being past times noxious, where they

On man, beast, plant, wasteful and turbulent, They oft foresignify, and threaten ill. Milt. P. R.

Fo'reskin. n. s. [fore and skin.] The

Their own hand An hundred of the faithless foe shall slay, And for a dower their hundred foreskins pay, Be Michol thy reward. Cowley, Davideis.

prepuce.

Fo'RESKIRT. n. s. [fore and skirt.] The pendulous or loose part of the coat be-

A thousand pounds a year for pure respect! No other obligation?

That promises more thousands: honour's-train Is longer than his foreskirt. Shaksp. Hen. VIII.

To Foresla'ck. v. a. [fore and slack.] Spenser writes it forslack in the Fairy Queen.] To neglect by idleness.

It is a great pity that so good an opportunity was omitted, and so happy an occasion foreslacked that might have been the eternal good of the land. Spenser on Ireland.

To FORESLO'W. + v. a. [fore and

To delay; to hinder; to impede; to obstruct.

No stream, no wood, no mountain could fore-

Their hasty pace. Now the illustrious nymph return'd again, Brings every grace triumphant in her train:

The wond'ring Nereids, though they rais'd no storm

Foreslow'd her passage to behold her form. Dryd. If they be any time foreslowed and trashed by either outward or inward restraints.

Hammond, Works, iv. 565.

2. To neglect; to omit.

When the rebels were on Blackheath, the king knowing well that it stood him upon, by how much the more he had hitherto protracted the time in not encountering them, by so much the sooner to dispatch with them, that it might appear to have been no coldness in foreslowing, but wisdom in chusing his time, resolved with speed to assail them. Bacon, Hen. VII.

Our good purposes foreslowed are become our tormentors upon our death-bed.

Bp. Hall. Bp. Hall.

Chromis, how many fishers do you know That rule their boats, and use their nets aright; That neither wind, nor time, nor tide foreslow? Some such have been: but, ah! by tempests' spite Their boats are lost; while we may sit and moan, That few were such; and now these few are none. P. Fletcher, Pisc. Ecl. iv. 12.

To Foreslo'w. v. n. To be dilatory; to loiter.

This may plant courage in their quailing breasts; For yet is hope of life and victory: Foreslow no longer, make we hence amain,

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. P. III.

To FORESPE'AK. + v. n. [fore and speak. Sax. rope-rpæcan.]

1. To predict; to foresay; to foreshow; to foretell. My mother was half a witch; never any thing

that she forespake, but came to pass. Beaum. and Fl. Hon. Man's Fortunc.

2. To forbid. [From for and speak.] Thou hast forspoke my being in these wars, And say'st it is not fit. Shakspeare, Ant. & Cleop. 3. To bewitch. This is a very ancient

sense of the word, though unnoticed by Dr. Johnson. "For-speken or charmen." Ort. Vocab. "To forespeak, to bewitch." Barret's Alv.

Urging
That my bad tongue, by their bad usage made so, Forspeaks their cattle, doth bewitch their corn.

Rowley, Decker, & Ford's Witch of Edmontons
Or to forspeak whole flocks as they did feed.

Drayt. Ep. from El. Cobh. to Duke Humph.

Forespe'aking.* n. s. [from forespeak.] 1. A prediction.

Old Godfrey of Winchester thinketh no ominous forespeaking to lie in names. Camden, Rem.

2. A preface; a forespeech. Huloet. Fo'respeech.* n. s. [Sax. pone-ppec.] A preface; something spoken introductory to the main design. FORESPE'NT. adj.

1. Forepassed; past. [fore and spent.]

Is not enough thy evil life forespent? Spenser, F. Q.

You shall find his vanities forespent, Where but the outside of the Roman Brutus, Covering discretion with a coat of folly.

Shakspeare, Hen. V. 2. Bestowed before.

We must receive him

According to the honour of his sender; And towards himself, his goodness forespent on us, We must extend our notice. Shakspeare.

3. Wasted; tired; spent. [for and spent.]

After him came spurring hard
A gentleman, almost forespent with speed.
Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

Forespu'rren. n. s. [fore and spur.] One that rides before.

A day in April never came so sweet,
To show how costly Summer was at hand,
As this forespurrer comes before his lord. Shaks.

FO'REST.† n. s. [forest, French; foresta, Italian. So far Dr. Johnson. He might have added the Welsh fforest. The many derivations of this word are also too curious to be overpassed. Menage derives it from the Low Latin foresta; a word, which first occurs in the capitulars of Charlemagne; and Vossius deduces that from the German forst, i. e. de foris, meaning that forests are out of or beyond towns: Spelman from foris and restare, with the same inference: Others from foris and stare, meaning a place, says Cotgrave, "whereto the access or entry is forbidden to others:" Others from feris, i. e. ferarum statio, a station for wild beasts. See Du Cange in V. FORESTA. The last seems the most probable etymology. In the Black Book of the Exchequer, foresta is feresta, with a view, as it has been supposed, to this derivation.]

1. A wild uncultivated tract of ground in-

terspersed with wood.

By many tribulations we enter into the kingdom of heaven, because, in a forest of many wolves, sheep cannot choose but feed in continual danger of life.

Hower.

Macbeth shall never vanquish'd be, until Great Birnam-wood to Dunsinane's high hill

Shall come against him,

That will never be:

Who can impress the forest, bid the tree Unfix his earth-bound root? Shakspeare, Macbeth.

Onnx ms eartn-pount root: Smarspeare; Manageure, There be airs which the physicians advise their patients to remove unto, which commonly are plain champaigns, but grasing, and not overgrown with heath; or else timber-shades, as in forests.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

How the first forest rais'd its shady head.

2. [In law.] A certain territory of woody grounds and fruitful pastures, privileged for wild beasts, and fowls of forest, chase, and warren, to rest and abide in, in the safe protection of the king for his pleasure. The manner of making forests is this: the king sends out his commission, directed to certain persons, for viewing, perambulating, and bounding the place that he has a mind to afforest: which returned into Chancery, proclamation is made, that none shall hunt any wild beasts within that precinct, without licence; after which he appoints ordinances, laws, and officers for the preservation of the vert and venison; and this becomes a forest by matter of record. The properties of a forest are these: a forest, as it is strictly taken, cannot be in the hands of any but the king, who hath power to grant commission to a justice in eyre for the forest; the courts; the officers for preserving the vert and venison, as the justices of the forest, the warden or keeper, the verders, the foresters, agistors, regarders, bailiffs, and beadles. The chief property of a forest is the swainmote, which is no less incident to it than the court of pyepowders to a fair. Covel.

Fo'rest.* adj. [Ital. foresto, agrestis.]
Sylvan; rustick.

In a lodge, or forest house.

Sir G. Buck, Hist. of K. Rich. III. p. 118.

Fo'restaff.* n. s. [fore and staff.] An instrument used at sea for taking the altitudes of heavenly bodies. See Cross-STAFF.

Fo'RESTAGE.* n. s. [Fr. forestage; low Latin, forestagium.] An ancient service paid by foresters to the king; also, the

right of foresters.

To FORESTA'LL, v. a. [ropercallan, Saxon, i. e. pope, before, and real, station. In Domesday Book forestal is an obstructing a person in the highway, an intercepting or stopping in the road. A forestaller, stopping the articles coming to market, hence took his disreputable name.]

1. To anticipate; to take up beforehand.

If thou be master-gunner, spend not all That thou can'st speak at once; but husband it, And give men turns of speech: do not forestall By lavishness thine own and others wit, As if thou mad'st thy will.

Herbert.

What need a man forestall his date of grief,
And run to meet what he would most avoid?

Milton, Comus.

2. To hinder by preoccupation or prevention.

And though good luck prolonged hath thy date, Yet death then would the like mishap forestall. Spenser, F. Q.

What's in prayer, but this twofold force
To be forestalled ere we come to fall,
Or pardon'd being down. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

But for my tears,
I had forestall'd this dear and deep rebuke,
Ere you with grief had spoke. Shaks. Hen. IV.
If thou covet death, as utmost end

Of misery, so thinking to evade
The penalty pronounc'd, doubt not but God
Hath wiselier arm'd his vengeful ire, than so
To be forestall'd.

Milton, P. L.

I will not forestall your judgement of the rest.

 To seize or gain possession of before another; to buy before another in order to raise the price.

He bold spake, Sir knight, if knight thou be, Abandon this forestalled place at erst, For fear of further harm, I counsel thee.

Spenser, F. Q.
4. To deprive by something prior; with of.

Not now in use.

May

This night forestall him of the coming day.

Shakspeare, Cymbeline.

Perhaps forestalling night prevented them.

Milton, Comus,

FORESTA'LLER. n. s. [from forestall.] One that anticipates the market; one that purchases before others to raise the price.

Commodities, good or bad, the workman must take at his master's rate, or sit still and starve; whilst, by this means, this new sort of engrossers or forestallers having the feeding and supplying this numerous body of workmen, set the price upon the poor landholder.

Locke.

resters, agistors, regarders, bailiffs, and | Forestbo'rn. adj. [forest and born.] Born bendles. The chief property of a forest | in a wild.

This boy is forestborn,

And hath been tutor'd in the rudiments

Of desperate studies Shakeverne As your

Of desperate studies. Shakspeare, As you like it. Fo'RESTED.* adj. [from forest.] Supplied with trees.

Whereby she [Newforest] became first forested.

Drayton, Polyolb. S. 1.

Fo'rester. † n. s. [forestier, French; forestarius, low Latin.]

1. An officer of the forest.

Forester, my friend, where is the bush,
That we may stand and play the murtherer in?

— Here by, upon the edge of yonder coppice.

Shakspeare;

An inhabitant of the wild country.
 Foresters and borderers are not generally so civil and reasonable, as might be wished.
 Evelyn, iii. vii. § 3.

3. One who understands the nature and the laws of forests.

You are cried up, my lord, to be an excellent

horseman, huntsman, forester.

Howell, Letter to Lord Lindsey, iv. 16.
The greatest forester, they say, that ever was in England, was king Canutus the Dane; and after him, St. Edward; at which time Liber Rufus, the Red-Book for Forest-Laws was made. Ibid.

A forest-tree.
 This niceness is more conspicuous in flowers, and the herbaceous offspring, than in foresters.

FO'RESWAT.] adj. [of for and swat, from Fo'RESWART.] Spent with heat.

Miso and Mopsa, like a couple of foreswat melters, were getting the pure silver of their bodies out of the ore of their garments.

To FORETA'STE. v. a. [fore and taste.]

1. To have antepast of; to have prescience of.

2. To taste before another.

Perhaps the fact

Is not so heinous now, foretasted fruit,
Profan'd first by the serpent, by him first
Made common, and unhallow'd, ore our taste.
Milton, P. L.

Fo'retaste. n. s. Anticipation of.
A pleasure that a man may call as properly his

A pleasure that a man may call as properly his own as his soul and his conscience, neither liable to accident, nor exposed to injury: it is the foretaste of heaven, and the earnest of eternity. South. FORETA STER. * n. s. [from foretaste.] One

that tastes before another. Sherwood. To FORETE'ACH.* v. a. [fore and teach.] To teach before; to inculcate aforetime. Mr. Upton reads, in the following passage, fortaught, making it a verb, with the meaning of misinterpreted, or

sage, fortaught, making it a verb, with the meaning of misinterpreted, or wrongly and wicked taught; but it is a participle agreeing with hests or commandments. Spenser himself reads foretaught.

And underneath his filthy feet did tread
The sacred things, and holy heastes foretaught.

Spenser, F. Q. i. vii. 18.

To Foretald I for ord to !!

pass. foretold [fore and tell.]

1. To predict; to prophesy.

What art thou, whose heavy looks foretell Some dreadful story hanging on thy tongue?

Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

I found
The new-created world, which fame in heaven
Long had foretold.

Milton, P. L.

Mercia's king,
Warn'd in a dream, his murder did foretell,
From point to point, as after it befell.

Dryden.

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Deeds then undone my faithful tongue foretold; Heaven seal'd my word and you those deeds behold.

2. To foretoken; to foreshow.

These ills prophetic signs have oft foretold. Dr. Warton, Virgil.

To FORETE'LL. v. n. To utter prophecy. All the prophets from Samuel, and those that follow after, have likewise foretold of these days.

Acts, iii. 24. FORETE'LLER. n. s. [from foretell.] Predicter; foreshower.

Others are proposed, not that the foretold events should be known; but that the accomplishment that expounds them may evince, that the foreteller of them was able to foresee them. Boyle on Colours.

FORETE'LLING.* n. s. [from foretell.] A declaration of something future.

These predictions are very rare foretellings, wont to be lapped in obscure folds.

Feltham, Resolv. i. 52.

To FORETHI'NK. + v.a. [fore and think. Sax. rope-dincan.

1. To anticipate in the mind; to have prescience of.

The soul of every man Prophetically does forethink thy fall.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

I do pray to thee, Thou virtuous Dauphin, alter not the doom Forethought by heav'n. Shakspeare, K. John.

Adam could not be ignorant of the punishments due to neglect and disobedience; and felt, by the proof thereof, in himself another terrour than he had forethought, or could imagine.

Ralegh, Hist. of the World. Friday, the fatal day! when next it came, Her soul forethought the fiend would change his

game. Dryden. 2. To contrive antecedently.

Blessed be that God which hath given you an heart to forethink this, and a will to honour him with his own. Bp. Hall.

To Forethi'nk. v. n. To contrive before-

What's my frenzy will be call'd my crime: What then is thine? Thou cool deliberate villain! Thou wise, forethinking, weighing politician!

FORETHO'UGHT. n. s. [from forethink. Sax. rope-donc.]

1. Prescience; anticipation.

He that is undone, is equally undone, whether it be by spitefulness of forethought, or by the folly of oversight, or evil counsel. L'Estrange.

2. Provident care.

Devises by last will and testament are always more favoured in construction, than formal deeds, which are presumed to be made with great caution, forethought, and advise. Blackstone.

FORETHO UGHT.* adj. Prepense.

The second is, where a man is slain upon forethought malice, which the law terms murther. Bacon, Charge at the Sess. of the Verge.

FORETO'KEN. † n. s. [Sax. pope-tacn.] Prevenient sign; prognostick.

It may prove some ominous foretoken of mis-

They misliked nothing more in king Edward the Confessor, than that he was Frenchified; and accounted the desire of foreign language then to be a foretoken of bringing in of foreign powers, which Camden, Rem. indeed happened.

To FORETO'KEN. v. a. [from the noun. Sax. rope-tacnian.] To foreshow; to prognosticate as a sign.

The king from Ireland hastes; but did no good; Whilst strange prodigious signs foretoken blood.

When great Ulysses sought the Phrygian | Foretoo'th. n. s. [fore and tooth.] The | To Forewish. v. a. [fore and wish.] To tooth in the anteriour part of the mouth; the incisor.

> The foreteeth should be formed broad, and with a thin sharp edge like chizzles. Ray on the Creation. Fo'RETOP. † n. s. [fore and top.] That part of a woman's head-dress that is forward, or the top of a periwig. So far Dr. Johnson, who cites Dryden in proof of this definition. It equally meant, within remembrance, the top of men's hair fantastically frizzled or shaped; and was in former days also a male ornament, according to Ben Jonson.

Each after other came in statelie dance, And nimblie cap'ring on the purple wave, With loftie foretops did the welkin brave.

Mir. for Mag. p.777. You must first have an especial care so to wear your hat, that it oppress not confusedly this your predominant or foretop.

B. Jonson, Every Man out of his Humour. Fair trees, those comely foretops of the field,

Are cut to maintain head-tires.

Tourneur, Revenger's Tragedy. So may your hats your foretops never press, Untouch'd your ribbons, sacred be your dress.

Forevou'ched. part. [fore and vouch.] Affirmed before; formerly told.

Sure her offence Must be of such unnatural degree,

That monsters it; or your forevouch'd affection Fall'n into taint. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

Fo'reward, n. s. [fore and ward.] The van; the front.

They that marched in the foreward were all mighty men. 1 Mac. ix. 11.

To Forewa'RN. v. a. [fore and warn. Sax. poppypnan.]

1. To admonish beforehand.

I will forewarn you whom you shall fear: fear him which, after he hath killed, hath power to cast into hell. St. Luke, xii.5.

2. To inform previously of any future

Divine interpreter, by favour sent Down from the empyrean, to forewarn Us timely of what might else have been our loss Unknown. Milton, P. L. To caution against any thing before-

Well I will arm me, being thus forewarn'd.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. Thy pride,

And wand'ring vanity, when least was safe, Rejected my forewarning, and disdain'd Milton, P.L. Not to be trusted. Though Phœbus had forewarned him of singing

wars, yet the search of nature was free. Dryden, Virg. Ded.

Young Choræbus, who by love was led To win renown and fair Cassandra's bed, Had lately brought his troops to Prima's aid; Forewarn'd in vain by the prophetick maid. Dryden, Æn.

To Forewa'ste. † v. a. See To Forwaste. To Forewe'ARY. † v. a. See To Forweary To Forewe'nd.* v. a. [fore and wend.] To go before.

And now they be to heaven forewent. Spenser, Shep. Cal. July.

Fo'rewind.* n. s. [fore and wind.] A favourable wind; a wind that blows a vessel right forward in its course. Long sail'd I on smooth seas, by forewinds borne. Sandys, Job, p. 25. desire beforehand.

The wiser sort ceased not to do what in them lay, to procure that the good commonly forewished might in time come to effect.

Knolles, Hist. of the Turks.

Forewo'rn. part. [for and worn, from wear.] Worn out; wasted by time or

Neither the light was enough to read the words, and the ink was already foreworn, and in many places blotted.

FO'RFEIT. + n. s. [forfait, French, fforfed, Welsh. The word seems connected with the low Latin forisfacere, which, in old glossaries, is interpreted, to offend, to hurt; "forisfacere, quasi foris facere, i. e. extra rationem." Du Cange in voce.]

1. Something lost by the commission of a crime; something paid for expiation of a crime; a fine; a mulct.

Thy slanders I forgive, and therewithal Remit thy other forfeits. Shaks. Meas. for Meas.
The execution leave to high disposal,

And let another hand, not thine, exact Thy penal forfeit from thyself. Milton.
Thy life, Melantius! I am come to take, Milton, S. A.

Of which foul treason does a forfeit make. Waller. 2. Something deposited, and to be re-

deemed by a jocular fine, whence the game of forfeits; one of our festive sports, not yet forgotten; and observed, especially in the country, about Christmas time.

Some, haply, cards adopt; Or if to forfeits they the sport confine, The happy folk, adjacent to the fire, Their stations take; excepting one alone Sometimes the social mistress of the house) Who sits within the centre of the room, To cry the pawns.

R. J. Thorn's Christmas, (1795,) v. 289. 3. A person obnoxious to punishment; one whose life is forfeited by his offence. Now obsolete.

Your brother is a forfeit of the law, And you but waste your words.

Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas. Claudio, whom here you have warrant to execute, is no greater forfeit to the law than Angelo, who hath sentenced him. Shaks. Meas. for Meas.

To Fo'rfeit v. a. [from the noun.] To lose by some breach of condition; to lose by some offence.

If then a man, on light conditions, gain great estate to him, and his, for ever; If wilfully he forfeit it again,

Who doth bemoan his heir, or blame the giver?

Men displeased God, and consequently forfeited all right to happiness. Boule.

A father cannot alien the power he has over his child: he may perhaps to some degrees forfeit it, but cannot transfer it.

Fo'refer. participial adj. [from the verb.] Liable to penal seizure; alienated by a crime; lost either as to the right or possession, by breach of conditions.

All the souls that are, were forfeit once; And he that might the 'vantage best have took Found out the remedy. Shaksp. Meas. for Meas.

Beg that thou may'st have leave to hang thyself;

And yet, thy wealth being forfeit to the state, Thou hast not left the value of a cord. Shakspeare. This now fenceless world.

Forfeit to death. Milton, P. L.

Straight all his hopes exhal'd in empty smoke, And his long toils were forfeit for a look

Dryden, Virg. Methought with wond'rous ease he swallow'd

down His forfeit honour to betray the town.

Dryden, Ind. Emp. How the murd'rer paid his forfeit breath;

What lands so distant from that scene of death, But trembling heard the fame. Pope, Odyss.

Fo'rfeitable. † adj. [from forfeit.] Possessed on conditions, by the breach of which any thing may be lost.

To the trackless deep they trust Crowe's Lewisdon Hill. Their forfeitable cargo.

FO'RFEITER.* n. s. [from forfeit.] One who incurs punishment, by forfeiting his bond. Formerly printed, in the following passage, incorrectly, forfeiture. Lovers,

And men in dangerous bonds, pray not alike; Though forfeilers you cast in prison, yet
You clasp young Cupid's tables. Shakspeare, Cymb.

Fo'rfeiture. † n. s. [forfaiture, French;

from forfeit.]

1. The act of forfeiting; the punishment discharged by loss of something possessed.

His father's care,

That for the want of issue, took him home, (Though with the forfeiture of his own fame,) Will look unto his safety.

Beaum. and Fl. Span. Curate.

2. The thing forfeited; a mulct; a fine.

The court is as well a Chancery to save and debar forfeitures, as a court of common law to decide rights; and there would be work enough in Germany and Italy, if Imperial forfeitures should go for good titles.

Bacon, War with Spain. go for good titles. Ancient privileges and acts of grace indulged by former kings, must not, without high reason, be revoked by their successors; nor forfeitures be exacted violently, nor penal laws urged rigorously. Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy. He fairly abdicates his throne,

He has a forfeiture incurr'd.

FO'RFEX.* n. s. [Latin.] A pair of scissars.

The peer now spreads the glittering forfex wide, To enclose the lock; now joins it, to divide. Pope, Rape of the Lock.

FORGA'VE. The preterite of forgive. FORGE. † n. s. [forge, French; probably corrupted from the Latin, fabrica, a shop or workhouse. The Icel. fergia, however, is to compact or put together, and to press; and accordingly, Mr. Callander thinks that the name of a

1. The place where iron is beaten into In common language we use form. forge for large work, and smithy for small; but in books the distinction is not kept.

smith's forge may be thence derived.]

Now behold,

In the quick forge and working-house of thought, How London doth pour out her citizens.

Shakspeare, Hen. V. In other part stood one who at the forge Labouring, two massy clods of iron and brass Had melted. Milton, P. L.

The o'er-labour'd Cyclop from his task retires, The Æolian forge exhausted of its fires.

2. Any place where any thing is made or shaped.

conceit, that to serve God with any set form of common prayer is superstitious.

3. Manufacture of metalline bodies; the

act of working.

In the greater bodies the forge was easy, the matter being ductile and sequacious and obedient to the stroke of the artificer, and apt to be drawn, formed, and moulded.

To Forge. v. a. [forger, old French.] 1. To form by the hammer; to beat into

The queen of martials, And Mars himself conducted them; both which

being forg'd of gold,

Must needs have golden furniture. Chapman, Iliad. These are still but sparks of odium and scorn, which fly from the vulgar anvils and hammers; which commonly both overheat, and overlabour,

what they undertake to forge or reform.

B). Taylor, Artif. Hands. p.162.

If the substantial subject be well forged out, we need not examine the sparks which irregularly fly Brown, Chr. Mor. ii. 2.

Tyger with tyger, bear with bear you'll find In leagues offensive and defensive join'd; But lawless man the anvil dares profane, And forge that steel by which a man is slain, Which earth at first for plough-shares did afford, Nor yet the smith had learn'd to form a sword.

Tate, Juv.

2. To make by any means. He was a kind of nothing, titleless,

Till he had forg'd himself a name i'th' fire Of burning Rome. Shakspeare, Coriol. His heart's his mouth:

What his breast forges, that his tongue must vent.

Those names that the schools forged, and put into the mouths of scholars, could never get admittance into common use, or within the licence of publick approbation.

3. To counterfeit; to falsify.

Were I king, I should cut off the nobles for their lands: For my more having would be but as sauce To make me hunger more, that I should forge Quarrels unjust against the good and loyal, Destroying them for wealth. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

Fo'rger. † n. s. [from forge.]

One who makes or forms.

Tough holly and smooth birch must altogether

What should the builder serve, supplies the forger's Drayton, Polyolb. S. 17. turn.

2. One who counterfeits any thing; a

As in stealing, if there were no receivers there would be no thieves; so in slander, if there were fewer spreaders there would be fewer forgers of Gov. of the Tongue.

No forger of lies willingly and wittingly furnishes out the means of his own detection. West on the Resurrection.

Fo'rgery. n. s. [from forge.]

1. The crime of falsification.

Has your king married the lady Gray? And now, to sooth your forgery and his, Sends me a paper to persuade me patience

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. Nothing could have been easier than for the Jews, the enemies of Jesus Christ, to have disproved these facts, had they been false, to have shewn their falsehood, and to have convicted them

of forgery. Stephens, Serm. A forgery, in setting a false name to a writing, which may prejudice another's fortune, the law punishes with the loss of ears; but has inflicted no adequate penalty for doing the same thing in print, though books sold under a false name are so many forgeries.

From no other forge hath proceeded a strange | 2. Smith's work; fabrication; the act of the forge.

[He] ran on embattled armies clad in iron; And, weaponless himself,

Made arms ridiculous, useless the forgery Of brazen shield and spear, the hammer'd cuirass, Chalybean temper'd steel, and frock of mail Adamantean proof. Milton, S.A.

To FORGE'T. v. a. preter. forgot; part. forgotten, or forgot. [ropzeran, Saxon; vergeten, Dutch.]

1. To lose memory of; to let go from the remembrance.

That is not forgot Which ne'er I did remember ; to my knowledge, I never in my life did look on him. Shaks. Rich. II. When I am forgotten, as I shall be,

And sleep in dull cold marble, where no mention Of me must more be heard. Shaks. Hen. VIII. Forget not thy friend in thy mind, and be not unmindful of him in thy riches. Ecclus. xxxvii.6.

No sooner was our deliverance compleated, but

we forgot our danger and our duty. Atterbury. Alive, ridiculous; and dead, forgot.

2. Not to attend; to neglect.

Can a woman forget her sucking child? Yea, they may forget : yet will I not forget thee.

If we might forget ourselves, or forget God; if we might disregard our reason, and live by humour and fancy in any thing, or at any time, or at any place, it would be as lawful to do the same in every thing, at every time, and every place. Law.

The mass of mean forgotten things.

FORGE'TFUL + adj. [from forget.] 1. Not retaining the memory of. But didst thou tell me so?

I am forgetful. Beaum. and Fl. Philaster.

2. Causing oblivion; oblivious. If the sleepy drench

Of that forgetful lake benumm not still. Mil. P.L. But when a thousand rolling years are past, So long their punishments and penance last, Whole droves of minds are by the driving god Compell'd to drink the deep Lethean flood, In large forgetful draughts to steep the cares. Of their past labours, and their irksome years.

Dryden, En.

3. Inattentive; negligent; neglectful; careless.

Be not forgetful to entertain strangers. Heb. xiii. 2. The queen is comfortless, and we forgetful

In our long absence. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. Have you not love enough to bear with me, When that rash humour, which my mother gave me, Makes me forgetful? Shakspeare, Jul. Cas-

I, in fact, a real interest have, Which to my own advantage I would save; And with the usual courtier's trick, intend

To serve myself, forgetful of my friend. Forge'Tfulness. n. s. [from forgetful.]

1. Oblivion; cessation to remember; loss of memory.

O gentle sleep! Nature's soft nurse, how have I frighted thee, That thou no more wilt weigh my eyelids down, And steep my senses in forgetfulness!

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. All birds and beasts lie hush'd; sleep steals

away The wild desires of men and toils of day: And brings, descending through the silent air,

A sweet forgetfulness of human care. Pope, Stat. Negligence; neglect; inattention.

The church of England is grievously charged with forgetfulness of her duty.

Fo'rgetive. adj. [from forge.] That may forge or produce. A word, I believe, peculiar to Shakspeare.

Good sherrie sack ascends me into the brain, dries me there all the foolish, dull vapours, makes it apprehensive, quick, forgetive, full of nimble shapes, which, delivered to the voice, becomes excellent wit. Shakspeare.

Forge'tter. † n. s. [from forget.] 1. One that forgets.

I think her A strange forgetter of herself.

Beaum. and Fletch. The Captain.

2. A careless person. Forge'TTING.* n.s. [from forget.] Inattention: forgetfulness.

I am not willing to discover the forgettings of reverend men. Milton, Doct. and Disc. of Divor. FORGE'TTINGLY.* adv. [from forgetting.] Without attention; forgetfully.

I fear I have (forgettingly) transgress'd against the dignity of the court. B. Jonson, Fox. FORGI'VABLE.* adj. [from forgive.] That may be pardoned. Sherwoo To FORGI'VE. v. a. [popgipan, Saxon.] Sherwood.

1. To pardon a person; not to punish. Then heaven forgive him too! Shaksp. Macbeth. I do beseech your grace for charity; If ever any malice in your heart

Were hid against me, now forgive me frankly. - Sir Thomas Lovel, I as free forgive you, As I would be forgiven: I forgive all.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. Slowly provok'd, she easily forgives. 2. To pardon a crime.

The people that dwell therein shall be forgiven Isaiah, xxxiii. 24. their iniquity. If prayers

Could alter high decrees, I to that place Would speed before thee, and be louder heard, That on my head all might be visited, Thy frailty and infirmer sex forgiven,

To me committed, and by me expos'd. Milt. P. L. 3. To remit; not to exact debt or penalty. The lord of that servant was moved with compassion, loosed him, and forgave him the debt.

St. Mat. xviii, 27.

Forgi'veness.n.s. [ropzirennerre, Saxon.] 1. The act of forgiving.

To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses. Dan. ix. 9.

2. Pardon of an offender.

Thou hast promised repentance and forgiveness to them that have sinned against thee. Prayer of Manas.

Exchange forgiveness with me, noble Hamlet; Mine and my father's death come not upon thee. Shakspeare. Nor thine on me. Forgiveness to the injur'd does belong;

But they ne'er pardon who commit the wrong.

3. Pardon of an offence.

God has certainly promised forgiveness of sin to every one who repents.

4. Tenderness; willingness to pardon. Here are introduced more heroick principles of meekness, forgiveness, bounty and magnanimity, than all the learning of the heathens could invent

Mercy above did hourly plead For her resemblance here below; And mild forgiveness intercede To stop the coming blow.

5. Remission of a fine, penalty, or debt. Forgi'ver. n. s. [from forgive.] One who pardons.

To Forgo'.* See To Forego. FORGO'TEN. } part. pass. of forget. Not remembered.

This song shall not be forgotten. Deut. xxxi. 21. Great Strafford! worthy of that name, though all Of thee could be forgotten, but thy fall. Denham.

The soft ideas of the cheerful note, Lightly receiv'd, were easily forgot. Prior.

To Forma'IL. † [perhaps from the Saxon, rop-healban, to detain.] To draw, or distress; as the contemporary commentator on Spenser defines it. Not now in

All this long tale Nought easeth the care that me doth forhaile. Spenser, Shep. Cal. Sept. v. 243.

To Forhe'nd.* See To Forehend. Fori'nsecal.* adj. [Lat. forinsecus, from

without.] Foreign; alien. Submitting ourselves principally to forinsecal potentates and powers. Surrender of the Monks of Bettlesden, 30 Hen. 8. Burnet.

To Forisfami'Liate.* v.a. [Lat. foris and familia. To put a son in possession of land in the life-time of a father. A term of the civil law.

Provided the eldest son had not received a provision in lands from his father, or, as the civil law would call it, had not been forisfamiliated, in his

FORK. † n. s. [popc, Saxon; furca, Latin; forch, Welsh; fourche, French. Our eating-forks were introduced late in the sixteenth or early in the seventeenth century. Beaumont and Fletcher ridicule a traveller by the title of forkcarving.]

1. An instrument divided at the end into two or more points or prongs, used on

many occasions.

They had a file for the mattocks, and for the coulters, and for the forks. 1 Sam. xiii. 21. At Midsummer down with the brembles and brakes,

And after abroad with thy forks and thy rakes.

The vicar first, and after him the crew, With forks and staves the felon to pursue, Ran Coll our dog. Dryden, Nun's Priest. The laudable use of forks, Brought into custom here as they are in Italy.

B. Jonson, Dev. is an Ass. I dine with forks that have but two prongs.

2. It is sometimes used for the point of an

The bow is bent and drawn: make from the shaft. - Let it fall rather, though the fork invade

The region of my heart. Shakspeare, K. Lear. 3. A point.

Several are amazed at the wisdom of the ancients that represented a thunderbolt with three forks, since nothing could have better explained its triple quality of piercing, burning, and melting. Addison on Medals.

4. A gibbet. [old Fr. fourc; Lat. furca.] They had run through all punishments, and just 'scaped the fork. Butler, Rem. ii. 195.

To Fork. v. n. [from the noun.] To shoot into blades, as corn does out of the ground.

The corn beginneth to fork. Mortimer, Husb.

Fo'rked. † adj. [from fork.]

1. Opening into two or more parts.

Naked he was, for all the world, like a forked radish, with a head fantastically carved upon it with a knife. Shaksprare. Sometimes we see a cloud that's dragonish,

A forked mountain, or blue promontory. Shaks. Come, shall we go and kill us venison? And yet it irks me the poor dappled fools

Should in their confines, with forked heads, Have their round haunches gor'd.

Shakspeare, As you like it. He would have spoke;

But hiss for hiss return'd with forked tongue To forked tongue, Milton, Par. Lost. Ye dragons, whose contagious breath Peoples the dark retreats of death,

Changey our fierce hissing into joyful song, And praise your Maker with your forked tongue. Roscommon.

2. Having two or more meanings. I oft have heard him say, how he admir'd Men of your large profession, that could speak To every cause, and things mere contraries, Till they were hoarse again, yet all be law; That with most quick agility, could turn, And re-turn; make knots and undo them: Give forked counsel. B. Jonson, Fox.

Fo'rkedly. † adv. [from forked.] In a forked form. Sherwood.

Fo'rkedness. † n.s. [from forked.] The quality of opening into two parts or Cotgrave, and Sherwood.

Fo'rkhead. n.s. [fork and head.] Point of an arrow.

It seizing, no way enter might; But back rebounding, left the forkhead keen, Eftsoons it fled away, and might no where be seen. Spenser, F. Q.

Fo'rkiness.* n.s. [from forky.] A forklike division. Cotgrave, and Sherwood. Fo'rktail.* n.s. A name given by English fishermen to a young salmon, in his fourth year's growth.

Fo'rky. adj. [from fork.] Forked; furcated; opening into two parts.

A forky staff we dext rously applied.

A forky at we dext rously applied.

Addison, Part of the third Æneid.

The smiling infant in his hand shall take

The crested basilisk and speckled snake; Pleas'd the green lustre of the scales survey, And with their forky tongue and pointless sting shall play. Pope, Messiah

To Forla'y.* See To Forelay. To Forle'nd.* See To Forelend. FORLO'RE. [The preterite and participle

of the Saxon ropleopan, in Dutch verloren.] Deserted; forsook; forsaken. Obsolete.

Such as Diana by the sandy shore Of swift Eurotas, or on Cynthus' green, Where all the nymphs have her forlore.

Spenser, F. Q. That wretched world he 'gan for to abhor, And mortal life 'gan loth, as thing forlore.

Thus fell the trees, with noise the desarts roar; The beasts their caves, the birds their nests forlore.

FORLO'RN. † adj. [roplopen, from ropleo. nan, Saxon; verloren, Dutch.]

1. Deserted; destitute; forsaken; wretched; helpless; solitary.

Make them seek for that they want to scorn; Of fortune and of hope at once forlorn.

Spenser, Hub. Tale. Tell me, good Hobinol, what gars thee greet? What! hath some wolf thy tender lambs ytorn? Or is thy bagpipe broke that sounds so sweet?

Or art thou of thy loved lass forlorne ? Spenser, Shep. Cal.

In every place was heard the lamentation of women and children; every thing shewed the heaviness of the time, and seemed as altogether lost and forlorn. Knolles, Hist. How can I live without thee! how forego

Thy sweet converse, and love so dearly join'd, To live again in these wild woods forlorn / Milton, Par. Lost.

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Their way Lies through the perplex'd paths of this drear wood;

The nodding horrour of whose shady brows, Threats the forlorn and wandering passenger.

Milton, Comus.

My only strength and stay! forlorn of thee, Whither shall I betake me, where subsist! Milton, P. L.

Like a declining statesman, left forlorn To his friends pity and pursuers scorn. Denham.

The good old man forlorn of human aid, For vengeance to his heav'nly patron pray'd

Dryden, Iliad. Philomel laments forlorn. For As some sad turtle his lost love deplores,

Thus far from Delia to the winds I mourn; Alike unheard, unpity'd and forlorn. Pope, Aut. 2. Taken away. This sense shews that it is the participle of an active verb, now lost, Dr. Johnson says, citing the authority of Spenser. The older authority of Chaucer presents the verb in the sense of to lose.

Aurelius, that his cost hath all forlorne, Curseth the time that ever he was borne.

Chaucer, Frankl. Tale. When as night hath us of light forlorn,

I wish that day would shortly reascend. Spenser. What is become of great Acrates' son? Or where hath he hung up his mortal blade, That hath so many haughty conquests won? Is all his force ferlorn, and all his glory done? Spenser, F. Q.

3. Small; despicable; in a ludicrous

He was so forlorn, that his dimensions to any thick sight were invincible. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. FORLO'RN. 7 n. s.

1. A lost, solitary, forsaken person. Henry

Is of a king become a banish'd man, And forc'd to live in Scotland a forlorn.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. Advise, whether I shall, or ought to be, prevailed upon by the impertinencies of my own sex, to give way to the importunities of yours. I assure you I am surrounded with both, though at Tatler, No. 210. present a forlorn.

2. FORLORN Hope. The soldiers who are sent first to the attack, and are therefore doomed or expected to perish.

Criticks in plume,
Who lolling on our foremost benches sit, And still charge first, the true forlorn of wit.

Dryden. If death be not more formidable to you than hell, you are fit for a reserve or forlorn hope, for the cannon's mouth. Hamm. Works, iv. 522.

FORLO'RNNESS. † n. s. [Sax. roplopener.] Destitution; misery; solitude.

Men displeased God, and consequently forfeited all right to happiness; even whilst they completed the forlornness of their condition by the lethargy of not being sensible of it. Boyle.

Our natives without a foreign degeneracy, without an importation, of sin could never have been guilty to such a forlornness, could never have designed such contradictions to religion and Mannyngham, Disc. p. 154.

To Forly'E. v. n. [from fore and lye.] To lye before.

Knit with a golden baldrick, which forlay Athwart her snowy breast, and did divide Her dainty paps, which like young fruit in May, Now little gan to swell; and being ty'd, Through her thin weed their places only signify'd.

FORM. † n. s. [forma, Latin; forme, French; by metathesis, from the Dorick μιρφά, as some contend; the past part. of the Sax. rnemman, to make, according to Mr. H. Tooke. The sound of our word is in most cases with the o short: but in the ninth, tenth, and eleventh senses, it is with o long, as if it were foarm.]

 The external appearance of any thing; representation; shape.

Nay, women are frail too. - Ay, as the glasses where they view themselves,

Which are as easy broke as they make forms.

It stood still; but I could not discern the form. .Tob. iv. 16. thereof.

Gold will endure a vehement fire without any change, and after it has been divided by corrosive liquors into invisible parts; yet may presently be precipitated, so as to appear again in its form. Grew, Cosmol. Sac.

Matter, as wise logicians say, Cannot without a form subsist; And form, say I as well as they,

Must fail, if matter brings no grist. 2. Being, as modified by a particular

When noble benefits shall prove Not well dispos'd, the mind grown once corrupt,

They turn to vicious forms, ten times more ugly Than ever they were fair. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. Here toils and death, and death's half-brother,

Forms terrible to view, their sentry keep; With anxious pleasures of a guilty mind Deep frauds before, and open force behind.

3. Particular model or modification.

He that will look into many parts of Asia and America, will find men reason there perhaps as acutely as himself, who yet never heard of a syllogism, nor can reduce any one argument to those forms.

It lengthens out every act of worship, and produces more lasting and permanent impressions on the mind, than those which accompany any transient form of words that are uttered in the ordinary method of religious worship.

4. Beauty; elegance of appearance. He hath no form nor comeliness. Isaiah, liii. 2.

5. Regularity; method; order.

What he spoke, though it lack'd form a little, Was not like madness. Shakspeare, Hamlet. 6. External appearance without the es-

sential qualities; empty show.

Then those whom form of laws Condemn'd to die, when traitors judg'd their cause. Druden.

They were young heirs sent only for forms from schools, where they were not suffered to stay three months.

7. Ceremony; external rights.

Though well we may not pass upon his life, Without the form of justice, yet our pow'r Shall do a court'sy to our wrath, which men

May blame, but not control. Shakspeare, K. Lear. A long table, and a square table, or seat about the walls seem things of form, but are things of substance; for at a long table, a few at the upper end, in effect, sway all the business; but in the other form, there is more use of the counsellors' opinions that sit lower.

That the parliaments of Ireland might want no decent or honourable form used in England, he caused a particular act to pass that the lords of Ireland should appear in parliament robes.

Davies on Ireland. Their general used, in all dispatches made by himself, to observe all decency in their forms.

How am I to interpret, sir, this visit? Is it a compliment of form, or love?

A. Philips, Distrest Mother. 8. Stated method; established practice;

ritual and prescribed mode.

He who affirmeth speech to be necessary amongst all men, throughout all the world, doth not thereby import that all men must necessarily speak one kind of language; even so the necessity of polity and regimen in all churches may be held, without holding any one certain form to be necessary in them all.

Nor are constant forms of prayer more likely to flat and hinder the spirit of prayer and devotion, than unpremeditated and confused variety to dis-King Charles.

tract and lose it. Nor seek to know

Their process, or the forms of law below. Dryden, Æn.

9. A long seat.

If a chair be defined a seat for a single person, with a back belonging to it, then a stool is a seat for a single person without a back; and a form is a seat for several persons, without a back.

Watts, Logick. I was seen with her in the manorhouse, sitting with her upon the form, and taken following her into the park.

10. A class; a rank of students.

It will be necessary to see and examine those works which have given so great a reputation to the masters of the first form. Dryden, Dufresnow.

11. The seat or bed of a hare. Now for a clod like hare in form thy peer;

Now bolt and cudgel squirrels leap do move; Now the ambitious lark, with mirrour clear, They catch, while he, fool ! to himself makes love.

Have you observ'd a sitting hare, List'ning and fearful of the storm

Of horns and hounds, clap back her ear, Afraid to keep or leave her form.

12. Form is the essential, specifical, or distinguishing modification of the matter of which any thing is composed, so as thereby to give it such a peculiar manner of existence. Harris.

In definitions, whether they be framed larger to augment, or stricter to abridge the number of sacraments, we find grace expressly mentioned as their true essential form, and elements as the matter whereunto that form doth adjoin itself. Hooker.

13. A formal cause; that which gives es-

They inferred, if the world were a living creature, it had a soul and spirit, by which they did not intend God, for they did admit of a deity besides, but only the soul or essential form of the Bacon, Nat. Hist.

To Form. † v. a. [formo, Latin.] 1. To make out of materials.

God formed man of the dust of the ground.

Gen. ii. 7. The liquid ore he drain'd

Into fit molds prepar'd; from which he form'd First his own tools: then what might else be wrought

Fusil, or gray'n in metal. Milton, P. L. Determin'd to advance into our room Milton, P. L.

A creature form'd of earth. She form'd the phantom of well-bodied air.

2. To model to a particular shape or state. Creature in whom excell'd Whatever can to sight or thought be form'd,

Holy, divine, good, amiable, or sweet. Milton, P. L.

Let Eve, for I have drench'd her eyes, Here sleep below, while thou to foresight wak'st; As once thou sleep'st, while she to life was form'd. Milton, P. L.

3. To modify; to scheme; to plan.

Lucretius taught him not to firm his hero, to give him piety or valour for his manners.

Dryden, An. Dedicat.

4. To arrange; to combine in any particular manner; as, he formed his troops.

5. To adjust; to settle.

Our differences with the Romanists are thus formed into an interest, and become the design not of single persons, but of corporations and successions.

Decay of Piety.

6. To contrive; to coin.

The defeat of the design is the routing of opinions formed for promoting it. Decay of Piety.

He dies too soon;

And fate, if possible, must be delay'd: The thought that labours in my forming brain, Yet crude and immature, demands more time,

To model by education or institution.
 Let him to this with easy pains be brought,
 And seem to labour when he labours not:
 Thus form'd for speed he challenges the wind,
 And leaves the Scythian arrow far behind.
 Dryden, Virg.

8. To seat. See the eleventh definition of the substantive.

Where the hearth was warm'd with winter's feasting fires,

The melancholy hare is form'd in brakes and briers.

Drayton, Polyolb. S. 2.

To Form.* v. n. To take any particular form. Chiefly, perhaps, a military expression.

FO'RMAL. adj. [formel, French; forma-lis, Latin.]

1. Ceremonious; solemn; precise; exact to affectation.

The justice,
In fair round belly with good capon lin'd,
With eyes severe, and beard of formal cut,
Full of wise saws and modern instances,
And so he plays his part. Shaksp. As you like it.

Formal in apparel,
In gait and countenance surely like a father.
Shakepeare.

Ceremonies be not to be omitted to strangers and formal natures; but the exalting them above the mean is not only tedious, but doth diminish the credit of him that speaks.

Bacon.

2. Done according to established rules and methods; not irregular; not sudden; not extemporaneous.

There is not any positive law of men, whether it be general or particular, received by formal express consent, as in councils; or by secret approbation, as in customs it cometh to pass, but may be taken away, if occasion serve.

Hooker.

As there are formal and written leagues, respective to certain enemies; so there is a natural and tacit confederation amongst all men against the common enemies of human society, so as there needs no intimation or denunciation of the war; but all these formalities the law of nature supplies, as in the case of pirates.

Bacon, Holy War

3. Regular; methodical.

The formal stars do travel so,

As we their names and courses know; And he that on their changes looks,

Would think them govern'd by our books, Waller.

4. External; having the appearance but

not the essence.

Of formal duty, make no more thy boast;

Of formal duty, make no more thy boast;
Thou disobey'st where it concerns me most.

Dryden, Aurengz.

5. Depending upon establishment or cus-

Still in constraint your suffering sex remains,
Or bound in formal or in real chains. Pope.

6. Having the power of making any thing what it is; constituent; essential.

Of letters the material part is breath and voice: the formal is constituted by the motions and figure of the organs of speech affecting breath with a peculiar sound, by which each letter is discriminated.

Holder, Elem. of Speech.

Bellarmine agrees in making the formal act of adoration to be subjection to a superior; but withal he makes the mere apprehension of excellency to include the formal reason of it; whereas mere excellency, without superiority, doth not require any subjection, but only estimation. Stilling fleet.

The very life and vital motion, and the formal essence and nature of man, is wholly owing to the power of God.

Bentley.

7. Retaining its proper and essential characteristick; regular; proper.

Thou shou'dst come like a fury cover'd with snakes,

Not like a formal man. Shakspeare, Ant. & Cleop. I will not let him stir,

Till I have us'd th' approved means I have; With wholesome syrups, drugs, and holy prayers, To make of him a *formal* man again.

Fo'rmalist. † n. s. [formaliste, French; from form.]

 One who practises external ceremony; one who prefers appearance to reality; one who seems what he is not.

It is a ridiculous thing, and fit for a satyr to persons of judgement, to see what shifts formalists have, and what prospectives to make superficies to seem a body that hath depth and bulk.

A grave, stanch, skilfully managed face, set upon a grasping aspiring mind, having got many a sly formalist the reputation of a primitive and severe piety.

South.

2. An advocate for form in disputations.

It may be objected by certain formalists, that
we can prove nothing duly without proving it in

form. Ld. Shaftesbury. FORMA'LITY. n. s. [formalité, French; from form.]

1. Ceremony; established mode of behaviour.

The attire, which the minister of God is by order to use at times of divine service, is but a matter of mere formality, yet such as for comeliness sake hath hitherto been judged not unnecessary.

Hooker.

Formalities of extraordinary zeal and piety are never more studied and elaborate than in desperate designs.

King Charles.

Many a worthy man sacrifices his peace to formalities of compliment and good manners.

L'Estrange.

Nor was his attendance on divine offices a mat-

ter of formality and custom, but of conscience.

Atterbury.

Solemp order method mode habit or

2. Solemn order, method, mode, habit, or dress.

If men forswear the deeds and bonds they draw, Though sign'd with all formality of law; And though the signing and the seal proclaim The barefac'd perjury, and fix the shame.

The pretender would have infallibly landed in our northern parts, and found them all sat down in their formalities, as the Gauls did the Roman

senators.

3. External appearance.

To fix on God the formality of faculties, or affections, is the impositure of our fancies, and contradictory to his divinity. Glanville, Scepsis.

4. Essence; the quality by which any

thing is what it is.

May not a man vow to A. and B. that he will give a hundred pound to an hospital? Here the

vow is made both to God and to A. and B. But here A. and B. are only witnesses to the vow; but the formality of the vow lies in the promise made to God.

Stilling fleet.

To Fo'RMALIZE, v. a. [formelizer, French; from formal.] To model; to modify. A

word not now in use.

The same spirit which anointed the blessed soul of our Saviour Christ, doth so formalize, unite, and actuate his whole race, as if both he and they were so many limbs compacted into one body.

To Fo'RMALIZE.* v. n. To affect formality; to be fond of ceremony.

Our gallants can formalize in other words.

Hales, Rem. p. 84.
They turned their poor cottages into stately palaces, their true fasting into formalizing and partial abstinence.

Hales, Rem. p. 111.

He formalized so long upon this, that Ireland remained still unsupplied.

Clarendon, Hist. Rebell. b. xi.
There were many particulars in it, which the officers on the king's side, who had no mind to a cessation, formalized much upon.

Ld. Clarendon, Life, i. 148. Fo'rmally. adv. [from formal.]

According to established rules, methods, ceremonies, or rites.
 Formally, according to our law,

Depose him. Shakspeare, Rich. II. 2. Ceremoniously; stiffly; precisely.

To be stiff and formally reserved, as if the company did not deserve our familiarity, is a down-

right challenge of homage. Collier on Pride.
3. In open appearance; in a visible and apparent state.

You and your followers do stand formally divided against the authorised guides of the church, and the rest of the people.

Hooker.

Essentially; characteristically.
 This power and dominion is not adequately and

This power and dominion is not adequately and formally the image of God, but only a part of it.

South.

The Heathens and the Christians may agree in material acts of charity; but that which formally makes this a Christian grace, is the spring from which it flows.

Bp. Smalridge

FORMA'TION. n. s. [formation, French; from formo, Latin.]

The act of forming or generating.
 The matter discharged forth of volcano's, and other spiracles, contributes to the formation of meteors.
 Woodward.

The solids are originally formed of a fluid, from a small point, as appears by the gradual formation of a fectus.

Arbuthnot.

Complicated ideas, growing up under observation, give not the same confusion, as if they were all offered to the mind at once, without your observing the original and formation of them.

Watts on the Mind.

2. The manner in which a thing is formed.
The chorion, a thick membrane obscuring the formation, the dam doth tear asunder.

Fo'rmative. adj. [from formo, Latin.] Having the power of giving form; plastick.

As we have established our assertion of the seminal production of all kinds of animals; so likewise we affirm, that the meanest plant cannot be raised without seed, by any formative power residing in the soil.

Beniley, Serm.

Fo'rmer. † n. s. [from form.] He that forms; maker; contriver; planner.

No more; I have too much on't, Too much by you, ye whetters of my follies, Ye angel-formers of my sins, but devils!

Beaum. and Fl. Valentinian.

The wonderful art and providence of the contriver and former of our bodies, appears in the multitude of intentions he must have in the formation of several parts for several uses.

Ray on the Creation.

FO'RMER. + adj. [from ropma, Saxon, first; whence former, and formost, now commonly written foremost, as if derived from before. Foremost is generally applied to place, rank, or degree, and former only to time; for when we say, the last rank of the procession is like the former, we respect time rather than place, and mean that which we saw before, rather than that which had precedence in place. Dr. Johnson. - This distinction is just, as to present usage. But it was not always so. Spenser uses "former feat" for the first adventure of one of his heroes, F. Q. v. x. 15. And again, in the sense of anteriour or fore, F. Q. vi. vi. 10. "Yet did her face and former parts profess a fair young maiden."

1. Before another in time.

Thy air, Thou other gold-bound brow, is like the first: - a third is like the former. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

2. Mentioned before another.

A bad author deserves better usage than a bad critick: a man may be the former merely through the misfortune of an ill judgement; but he cannot be the latter without both that and an ill temper.

3. Past: as, this was the custom in farmer times.

The present point of time is all thou hast, The future doubtful, and the former past. Harte.

FO'RMERLY. † adv. [from former.]

1. In times past.

The places were all of them formerly the cool retirements of the Romans, where they used to hide themselves among the woods and mountains, during the excessive heats of their summer.

Addison on Italy. As an animal degenerates by diseases, the animal salts, formerly benign, approach towards an alkaline nature. Arbuthnot.

2. At first. Obsolete.

Her fair locks, which formerly were bound up in one knot

She low adown did loose. Spenser, F. Q. ii. xii. 67. Fo'RMFUL.* adj. [form and full.] Ready to create forms; imaginative.

As fleets the vision o'er the formful brain, This moment hurrying wild the impassion'd soul, The next in nothing lost. Thomson, Summer.

FORMICA'TION.* n. s. Latin, formicatio, from formica, a pismire.] A sensation like that of the creeping or stinging of

One of the most considerable signs of the disorder [spasmus] is a sense of formication.

Dr. James, Med. Dict.

FO'RMIDABLE.+ O'RMIDABLE.† adj. [formidabilis, Latin; formidable, French.] Terrible; dreadful; tremendous; terrifick; to be feared.

Such an accident that afflicts him is an evil, and such an object formidable.

Bp. Taylor, Lib. of Proph. § 13. I swell my preface into a volume, and make it formidable, when you see so many pages behind. Dryden, En. Dedic.

They seem'd to fear the formidable sight, And roll'd their billows on, to speed his flight.

FO'RMIDABLENESS. n. s. [from formidable.] 1. The quality of exciting terror or dread.

2. The thing causing dread.

They rather chuse to be shewed the formidableness of their danger, than, by a blind embracing it, Dec. of Piety.

FO'RMIDABLY. adv. [from formidable.] In

a terrible manner. Behold! e'en to remoter shores,

A conquering navy proudly spread;

The British cannon formidably roars. Dryden. To Fo'RMILL.* v. a. [ropmæl, Sax. a bargain.] To order. "Formill'd, ordered, bespoke." Craven Dial. 1824.

Fo'RMLESS. † adj. [from form.] Shapeless; without regularity of form.

All form is formless, order orderless,

Save what is opposite to England's love. Shakspeare, K. John. Countless multitudes

Of formless cures, projects unmade-up, Abuses yet unfashion'd. Donne, Poems, p. 95.

The only unamiable, undesirable, formless, beautiless reprobate in the mass. Hammond, Works, iv. 510.

FORMO'SITY.* [old Fr. formosité, beauté; Latin, formositas.] Beauty; fairness.

Cockeram. FO'RMULA.* n. s. [Latin.] A prescribed

form or order. There are certain formulas of prayer to be used before they make the inspection, which they term

Aubrey, Miscell. p. 129. FO'RMULARY, † n. s. \ formulaire, French; from formule.]

1. A prescribed model; a form usually observed.

In the practice of all law, the formularies have been few, and certain; and not varied according to every particular case. Bacon on a Libel in 1592. These poems abound with modern words, and modern formularies of expression.

Warton, Rowley Enq. p. 23. 2. A book containing stated forms.

By way of innovating still further on our established formulary, he versified the decalogue. Warton, Hist. E. Poet. iii. 168.

FO'RMULARY. adj. Ritual; prescribed; stated.

Fo'rmule. n. s. [formule, French; formula, Latin.] A set or prescribed model.

To FO'RNICATE. † v. n. [French, forniquer, from fornix, Latin, an arch, or vault; and also a brothel-house; such places being anciently in vaults. Milton apparently uses the word fornicated with a view to this double meaning. See FORNICATED.] To commit lewdness.

The heroical spirit of Luther - chose rather to be an honest husband than a fornicating friar. Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Marr. Clergy, p. 42.

Fo'RNICATED.* adj. [from fornicate.] Polluted by fornication.

She gives up her body to a mercenary whoredom under those fornicated arches.

Milton, Reason of Ch. Gov. B. 2. Fornica'tion. † n. s. [fornication, French;

fornicatio, Latin.] 1. Concubinage or commerce with an unmarried woman.

Bless me! what a fry of fornication is at the door. Shakspeare.

The law ought to be strict against fornications and adulteries; for, if there were universal liberty, the increase of mankind would be but like that of foxes at best.

2. In scripture, sometimes idolatry. Thou didst trust in thine own beauty, and playedst the harlot, because of thy renown, and pouredst out thy fornications, on every one that

Ezek. xvi. 15. passed by. 3. Among builders, a kind of arching or vaulting. [Latin, fornicatio, from the verb fornico.] This word is erroneously printed in some editions of Chamber's Cyclopædia, formication, and is so continued in Dr. Ash's vocabulary.

FO'RNICATOR. n. s. [fornicateur, French; from fornix, Latin.] One that has commerce with unmarried women.

A fornicator or adulterer steals the soul as well as dishonours the body of his neighbour.

Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy. Fo'RNICATRESS. n. s. [from fornicator.] A woman who without marriage cohabits with a man.

See you the fornicatress be remov'd; Let her have needful but not slavish means.

Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas. To FORPA'ss. * v. n. [for and pass.] To go by; to pass unnoticed.

Scarce can a bishoprick forepass them by, But that it must be gelt in privity.

Spenser, Hubb. Tale. To FORPI'NE. * v. a. [for and pine.] To waste away.

Through long anguish, and self-murdering thought,

He was so wasted and forpined quight, That all his substance was consum'd to nought.

Spenser, F. Q. iii, x. 57. To FORRA'Y. * v. a. [fourrager, French, "to forage, prey, forray, ravage, &c." Cotgrave. The same meaning is assigned to the French fourrer; low Latin, forrare.] To ravage; to spoil a country.

They themselves were evil grooms, they said, Unwont with herds to watch, or pasture sheep, But to forray the land, or scour the deep.

Spenser, F. Q. vi. xi. 40. They that morn had forraid all the land. Fairfax, Tass. iii. 14.

FORRA'Y.* n. s. [from the verb. In the Border History forray is similar to inroad.] The act of ravaging, or making hostile incursion upon a country.

In dead of night, when all the thieves did rest, After a late forray, and slept full sound, Sir Calidore him arm'd. Spenser, F. Q. vi. xi. 42.

To FORSA'KE. + v. a. preter. forsook; part. pass. forsook, or forsaken, [Saxon, popracan; versaeken, Dutch.]

1. To leave in resentment, neglect, or dislike.

'Twas now the time when first Saul God forsook, God Saul; the room in's heart wild passions took.

Orestes comes in time To save your honour: Pyrrhus cools apace;

Prevent his falsehood, and forsake him first: I know you hate him. A. Philips, Distrest Mother.

Daughter of Jove! whose arms in thunder wield Th' avenging bolt, and shake the dreadful shield, Forsook by thee, in vain I sought thy aid.

Pope, Odyssey. 2. To leave; to go away from; to depart from.

Unwilling I forsook your friendly state, Commanded by the gods, and forc'd by fate.

Dryden, En.

3. To desert; to fail.

Truth, modesty, and shame the world forsook; Fraud, avarice, and force their places took.

Dryden, Ovid. When ev'n the flying sails were seen no more, Forsaken of all sight she left the shore. Dryden.

Their purple majesty, And all those outward shows which we call greatness

Languish and droop, seem empty and forsaken, And draw the wond'ring gazers eyes no more.

Forsa'ker. n. s. [from forsake.] De-

serter; one that forsakes. Thou didst deliver us into the hands of lawless enemies, most hateful forsakers of God.

Song of the Three Children, Apocryph. v. 9. Forsa'king.* n. s. [from forsake.] De-

Until there be a great forsaking in the midst of Isaiah, vi. 12. the land.

To Forsa'y. * v. a. [for and say.] 1. To renounce.

But shepherd must walke another way,

Sike worldly sovenance he must forsay. Spenser, Shep. Cal. May.

2. To forbid.

And sithens shepherds been foresayd From places of delight. Spenser, Shep. Cal. July.

To Forsla'ck.* v. a. [for and slack.] To delay. See To FORESLACK. Ne rested he himself -

For dread of daunger not to be redrest, If he for slouth forslackt so famous quest. Spenser, F. Q. vi. ix. 3.

To Forslo'w.* See To Foreslow. Forsoo'TH. adv. [coprode, Sax.]

1. In truth; certainly; very well. It is used almost always in an ironical or contemptuous sense.

Wherefore doth Lysander Deny your love, so rich within his soul,

And tender me, forsooth, affection! Shakspeare. A fit man, forsooth, to govern a realm, who had so goodly government in his own estate. Hayward.

Unlearned persons use such letters as justly express the power or sound of their speech; yet forsooth, we say, write not true English, or true · Holder on Speech. French.

In the East Indies a widow, who has any regard to her character, throws herself into the flames of her husband's funeral pile, to shew, forsooth, that she is faithful to the memory of her deceased lord. Addison, Freeholder.

She would cry out murder, and disturb the whole neighbourhood; and when John came running down the stairs to enquire what the matter was, nothing, forsooth, only her maid had stuck a pin wrong in her gown.

Arbuthnot, Hist. of J. Bull. Some question the genuineness of his books, because, forsooth, they cannot discover in them that flumen orationis that Cicero speaks of.

Baker on Learning. 2. It is supposed to have been once a word of honour in address to women. It is probable that an inferior, being called, shewed his attention by answering in the word yes, forsooth, which in time lost its true meaning; and instead of a mere exclamatory interjection, was supposed a compellation. It appears in Shakspeare to have been used likewise to men.

Our old English word for sooth has been changed for the French madam.

Fo'rster.* n. s. A forester. So used by Chaucer, who also writes the word foster. See FOSTER.

An horne he bare, the baudrik was of grene: A forster was he sothely as I gesse.

Chaucer, C. T. Prol.

To Forspe'AK.* See the second and third senses of To Forespeak. To Forespe'nd.* See the third sense of

To Forespend.

Forswa't.* adj. [for and swat, from sweat.] Overwearied; spent with heat. See Foresway.

Albe forswork and forswat I am.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. April. To FORSWE'AR. v.a. pret. forswore; part. forsworn. [confpæpian, confpopen, Sax.]

1. To renounce upon oath.

I firmly vow Never to wooe her more; but do forswear her, As one unworthy all the former favours, That I have fondly flatter'd her withal. Shakspeare. 2. To deny upon oath.

And that self chain about his neck, Which he foreswore most monstrously to have.

Observe the wretch who hath his faith forsook, How clear his voice, and how assur'd his look !

Like innocence, and as serenely bold As truth, how loudly he forswears thy gold ! Dryden, Juv.

3. With the reciprocal pronoun: as, to forswear himself; to be perjured; to swear falsely.

To leave my Julia, shall I be forsworn? To leave fair Silvia, shall I be forsworn? To wrong my friend, shall I be much forsworn? And ev'n that power which gave me first my oath, Provokes me to this threefold perjury. Shakspeare. One says, he never should endure the sight

Of that forsworn, that wrongs both land and laws. Daniel.

I too have sworn, ev'n at the altar sworn, Eternal love and endless faith to Theseus And yet am false, forsworn: the hallow'd shrine, That heard me swear, is witness to my falsehood.

To Forswe'AR. v.n. To swear falsely; to

commit perjury. Take heed; for he holds vengeance in his hand, To hurl upon their heads that break his law. · And that same vengeance doth hurl on thee, For false forswearing, and for murder too.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. Forswear'rer. n. s. [from forswear.] One who is perjured.

Forswo'nk.* n. s. [for and swink, to labour.] Overlaboured. Albe forswork and forswat I am,

Spenser, Shep. Cal. April. Forswo'rnness.* n.s. [Sax. popppopenyr.] The state of being forsworn. Manning. FORT. † n. s. [fort, Fr.]

1 A fortified house; a castle. They erected a fort, which they called the fort de l'or; and from thence they bolted like beasts of

Now to their fort they are about to send For the loud engines which their isle defend.

Waller. He that views a fort to take it, Plants his artillery 'gainst the weakest part. Denham, Sophy.

My fury does, like jealous forts pursue With death ev'n strangers who but come to view.

2. A strong side, in opposition to foible; probably, as Mr. Bagshaw also supposes, adopted from the terms of the fencing-school; fort being applied to the strong part of the foil. See Foible. We thus say, it is a man's fort, meaning

that in which he excels. The French use, what comes near it, "le fort d'une affaire, the chiefest point in, the hardest part of, a business." Cotgrave in V. FORT.

FO'RTE.* adv. [Italian.] In musick, loudly, with strength and spirit.

FO'RTED. adj. [from fort.] Furnished or guarded by forts. Not used now. Your desert speaks loud, and I should wrong To lock it in the wards of covert bosom,

When it deserves with characters of brass A forted residence, 'gainst the tooth of time And rasure of oblivion. Shaks. Meas, for Meas.

FORTH.† adv. [popŏ, Saxon; whence further and furthest. The Saxon word is from the old French fors, (modern, hors,) as that is from the Latin fores, Mr. H. Tooke.]

1. Forward; onward in time.

From that day forth I lov'd that face divine; From that day forth I cast in careful mind To seek her out.

Spenser, F. Q. It came to pass from that time forth, that the half of my servants wrought in the work. Nehem. iv. 16.

2. Forward in place or order.

Look at the second admonition, and so forth, where they speak in most unchristian manner

Mad Pandarus steps forth, with vengeance vow'd For Bitias' death. Dryden, Æ

3. Abroad; out of doors. Uncle, I must come forth. Shaks. Othello. I have no mind of feasting forth to-night. Shaks. Attend you here the door of our stern daughter?

Will she not forth ! Shakspeare. When Winter past, and Summer scarce begun, Invites them forth to labour in the sun. Dry. Virg.

4. Out away; beyond the boundary of any

They will privily relieve their friends that are forth; they will send the enemy secret advertisements; and they will not also stick to draw the enemy privily upon them. Even that sunshine brew'd a show'r for him,

That wash'd his father's fortunes forth of France.

5. Out into a publick character; publick view.

You may set forth the same with farmhouses.

But when your troubled country call'd you forth, Your flaming courage, and your matchless worth, To fierce contention gave a prosp'rous end. Waller.

6. Thoroughly; from beginning to end. Out of use.

You, cousin, Whom it concerns to hear this matter forth,

Do with your injuries as seems you best. 7. To a certain degree. Obsolete.

Hence we learn, how far forth we may expect justification and salvation from the sufferings of Christ; no further than we are wrought on by his renewing grace.

8. On to the end. Out of use.

I repeated the Ave Maria: the inquisitor bade me say forth; I said I was taught no more. Memoir in Strype.

9. Away; be gone; go forth. Artesis, that best knowest

How to draw out, fit to this enterprise, The prim'st for this proceeding, and the number To carry such a business; forth, and levy Our worthiest instruments.

Beaum. and Fl. Two Noble Kinsmen.

FORTH. prep. Out of.
And here's a prophet, that I brought with me From forth the streets of Pomfret. Shakspeare. Some forth their cabbins peep, And trembling ask what news, and do hear so As jealous husbands, what they would not know. Donne.

FORTH.* n. s. [Su. Goth. fort, a common way; Welsh, fford; Cornish, ford; Germ. furt.] A way; "a forthe, or a cart-waye." Ort. Vocab. 1514. Not now in use.

FORTHCO'MING. † adj. [forth and coming. Saxon, popo-cuman.] Ready to appear; not absconding; not lost; not suffered to escape.

Carry this mad knave to jail: I charge you see that he be forthcoming. Shaks. Tam. of the Shrew. We'll see your trinkets here forthcoming all.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. But why do they lodge there? -That they may be safe and forth-coming.

Beaum. and Fl. Martial Maid.

To FORTHI'NK.* v. a. [for and think; Germ. forthercan.] To repent of; "to be sorry for," Prompt. Parvulorum; to unthink Of it be not too bolde,

Lest thou forthink it when art too olde.

Old Interlude of Youth. Then gan he think, perforce with sword and

Her forth to fetch, and Proteus to constraine; But soon he gan such folly to forthinke again. Spenser, F. Q. iv. xii. 14.

FORTHI'SSUING. adj. [forth and issue.] Coming out; coming forward from a

Forthissuing thus, she gave him first to wield A weighty ax, with truest temper steel'd,

Pope, Odyss. And double edg'd. FORTHRI'GHT. adv. [forth and right.] Strait forward; without flexions. Not

He ever going so just with the horse, either forthright or turning, that it seemed as he borrowed the horse's body, so he lent the horse his mind.

The river not running forthright, but almost continually winding, as if the lower streams would return to their spring, or that the river had a delight to play with itself.

Sidney.

Arrived there, they passed in forthright; For still to all the gate stood open wide.

Spenser, F. Q. Thither forthright he rode to rouse the prey.

FORTHRI'GHT. n. s. A straight path. Here's a maze trod, indeed,

Through forthrights and meanders. Shaks. Temp. Fo'RTHWARD.* adv. In our old authors

this word is used for forward. He promyseth to them that goo forthwarde and profyte in it [penaunce] joye. Bp. Fisher, Ps. 25.

FORTHWI'TH. adv. [forth and with.] Immediately; without delay; at once;

Forthwith he runs, with feigned faithful haste, , Unto his guest; who, after troublous sights And dreams, gan now to take more sound repast.

Few things are so restrained to any one end or purpose, that the same being extinct, they should

forthwith utterly become frustrate.

Neither did the martial men dally or prosecute the service faintly, but did forthwith quench that

Forthwith began these fury-moving sounds, The notes of wrath, the musick brought from hell, The rattling drums. Daniel, Civil Wars.

The winged heralds, by command Of sov'reign pow'r, throughout the host proclaim A solemn council forthwith to be held At Pandæmonium. Milton, P. L.

In his passage thither one put into his hand a note of the whole conspiracy, desiring him to read it forthwith, and to remember the giver of it as long as he lived.

Fo'rтну.* adv. [Sax. popoi.] Therefore. A common word with Wicliffe, Gower, and Chaucer. Now obsolete.

Thomalin, have no care forthy; Myselfe will have a double eye, Ylike to my flocke and thine.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. March. Faire lady, through foule sorrow ill bedight, Great pity is to see you thus dismay'd, And marre the blossom of your beauty bright; And marre the piosson of your beauty plight,

Forthy appease your grief and heavy plight,

And tell the cause of your conceived payne.

Spenser, F. Q. ii. 14.

Fo'RTIETH. adj. [from forty.] The fourth tenth; next after the thirty-ninth.

What doth it avail To be the fortieth man in an entail? Burnet says, Scotland is not above a fortieth part in value to the rest of Britain; and, with respect to the profit that England gains from hence, not the forty thousandth part.

Fo'RTIFIABLE. † adj. [fortifiable, French.] What may be fortified.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood. FORTIFICA'TION. n. s. [fortification, French;

from fortify.] 1. The science of military architecture.

Fortification is an art shewing how to fortify a place with ramparts, parapets, moats, and other bulwarks; to the end that a small number of men within may be able to defend themselves, for a considerable time, against the assaults of a numerous army without; so that the enemy, in attacking them, must of necessity suffer great loss. It is either regular or irregular; and with respect to time, may be distinguished into durable Harris. and temporary.

The Phoenicians, though an unwarlike nation, yet understood the art of fortification.

Broome, on the Odyssey.

2. A place built for strength.

The hounds were uncoupled, and the stag thought it better to trust to the nimbleness of his feet, than to the slender fortification of his lodging.

Excellent devices were used to make even their sports profitable; images, battles, and fortifications being then delivered to their memory, which, after stronger judgements, might dispense some ad-

3. Addition of strength. Not much used. To strengthen the infested parts, give some few advices by way of fortification and antidote.

Gov. of the Tongue. Fo'rtifier. n. s. [from fortify.]

1. One who erects works for defence. The fortifier of Pendennis made his advantage of

the commodity afforded by the ground. Carew, Surv. of Cornwall.

2. One who supports or secures; one who upholds.

He was led forth by many armed men, who often had been the fortifiers of wickedness, to the place of execution.

To FO'RTIFY. v. a. [fortifier, French.] 1. To strengthen against attacks by walls or works.

Great Dunsinane he strongly fortifies. Shakspeare, Macbeth. He fortified the city against besieging. Ecclus. 14.

2. To confirm; to encourage.

It greatly fortified her desires, to see that her mother had the like desires. To fortify the former opinions Tostatus adds,

that those which dwell near the falls of water are deaf from their infancy; but this I hold as feigned.

3. To fix: to establish in resolution. But in-born worth that fortune can controul. New-strung and stiffer bent her softer soul: The heroine assum'd the woman's place,

Confirm'd her mind, and fortify'd her face. Dryd.

A young man, before he leaves the shelter of his father's house, should be fortified with resolution to secure his virtues.

To Fo'RTIFY. + v. n. To raise strong places. Dr. Johnson cites the following passage from Milton as an illustration of this definition; but the verb here is active, and means to strengthen the dark abyss by the works constructed.

Thou us impower'd To fortify thus far, and overlay, With this portentous bridge, the dark abyss.

Milton, P. L. FO'RTILAGE. n. s. [from fort.] A little fort; a block house.

Yet was the fence thereof but weak and thin, Nought fear'd their force that fortilage to win.

In all straights and narrow passages there should be some little fortilage, or wooden castle set, which should keep and command the straight. Spenser on Ireland.

FO'RTIN. n. s. [French.] A little fort raised to defend a camp, particularly in a siege.

Of palisadoes, fortins, parapets. Shaksp. Hen. IV. FO'RTITUDE. n. s. [fortitudo, Latin.]

1. Courage; bravery; magnanimity; greatness of mind; power of acting or suffering well.

The king-becoming graces, Devotion, patience, courage, fortitude, I have no relish of them. Shakspeare, Macbeth. The better fortitude

Of patience, and heroick martyrdom

Milton, P. L. Fortitude is the guard and support of the other virtues; and without courage, a man will scarce keep steady to his duty, and fill up the character of a truly worthy man. Locke.

They thought it reasonable to do all possible honour to the memories of martyrs; partly that others might be encouraged to the same patience and fortitude, and partly that virtue, even in this world, might not lose its reward.

2. Strength; force. Not in use. He wrongs his fame,

Despairing of his own arm's fortitude To join with witches and the help of hell!

Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

Fo'rtlet. n. s. [from fort.] A little fort. FO'RTNIGHT. n.s. [contracted from fourteen nights, reopentione niht, Saxon. It was the custom of the ancient northern nations to count time by nights: thus we say, this day seven night. So Tacitus, " Non dierum numerum ut nos, sed noctium computant."] The space of two

She would give her a lesson for walking so late, that should make her keep within doors for one fortnight. Sidney.

Hanging on a deep well, somewhat above the water, for some fortnights' space, is an excellent means of making drink fresh and quick.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. About a fortnight before I had finished it, his majesty's declaration for liberty of conscience came abroad.

He often had it in his head, but never, with much apprehension, till about a fortnight before. Swift.

FO'RTRESS. n. s. [foretersse, French.] A strong hold; a fortified place; a castle of defence.

Breaking forth like a sudden tempest, he overran all, breaking down all the holds and fortresses. Spenser on Ireland.

The trump of death sounds in their hearing Their weapon, faith; their fortress was the grave.

God is our fortress, in whose conquering name Let us resolve to scale their flinty bulwarks.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. There is no such way to give defence to absurd doctrines, as to guard them round about with legions of obscure and undefined words; which yet make these retreats more like the dens of robbers, or holes of foxes, than the fortresses of fair warriors.

To Fo'RTRESS.* v. a. [from the noun.] To guard; to fortify.

Honour and beauty, in the owner's arms, Are weakly fortress'd from a world of harms.

Shakspeare, Rape of Lucrece. FORTUITOUS. † adj. [fortuit, French; fortuitus, Lat. Our own word was originally fortuit. Chaucer uses it in his translation of Boethius. So late as in 1656 fortuitous was thought, according to Heylin, new and uncouth. Fortuit was not then disused. Sir K. Digby employs that word.] Accidental; casual; happening by chance.

A wonder it must be, that there should be any man found so stupid as to persuade himself that this most beautiful world could be produced by the fortuitous concourse of atoms.

If casual concourse did the world compose, And things and acts fortuitous arose,

Then any thing might come from any thing; For how from chance can constant order spring? FORTU'ITOUSLY. adv. [from fortuitous.]

Accidentally; casually; by chance. It is partly evaporated into air, and partly diluted into water, and fortuitously shared between

all the elements. FORTU'ITOUSNESS. n. s. [from fortuitous.]

Accident; chance; hit. FORTU'ITY.* n. s. [from fortuit, Fr. and 6. Eng. See the etym. of Fortuitous.]

Chance; accident.

The only question, which the adversaries to Providence have to answer is, How they can be sure, that those deserved judgements were the effect of mere fortuity, without the least intervention on the part of the Lord of the universe? Forbes on Incredulity, p. 79.

Fo'rtunate. adj. [fortunatus, Latin.] Lucky; happy; successful; not subject to miscarriage. Used of persons or

I am most fortunate thus accidentally to encounter you: you have ended my business, and I will merrily accompany you home.

Shakspeare, Coriol. He sigh'd; and could not but their fate de-So wretched now, so fortunate before.

Dryden, Knight's Tale.

No, there is a necessity in fate Why still the brave bold man is fortunate: He keeps his object ever full in sight, And that assurance holds him firm and right: True, 'tis a narrow path that leads to bliss, But right before there is no precipice; Fear makes men look aside, and so their footing miss.

Dryden.

Fo'rtunately. adv. [from fortunate.] Happily; successfully.

Bright Eliza rul'd Britannia's state, And boldly wise, and fortunately great. FO'RTUNATENESS. n. s. [from fortunate.] Happiness; good luck; success.

O'me, said she, whose greatest fortunateness is more unfortunate than my sister's greatest unfor-

FO'RTUNE. n. s. [fortuna, Lat. fortune,

1. The power supposed to distribute the lots of life acording to her own humour. Fortune, that arrant whore,

Ne'er turns the key to th' poor.

Shakspeare, K. Lear. Though fortune's malice overthrow my state, My mind exceeds the compass of her wheel.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. Locke. 2. The good or ill that befals man. Rejoice, said he, to-day;

In you the fortune of Great Britain lies : Among so brave a people you are they Whom heav'n has chose to fight for such a prize.

Dryden. The adequate meaning of chance, as distinguished from fortune, in that the latter is understood to befal only rational agents, but chance to Bentley. be among inanimate bodies.

3. The chance of life; means of living. His father dying, he was driven to London to

seek his fortune. 4. Success, good or bad; event. This terrestrial globe has been surrounded by the fortune and boldness of many navigators.

No, he shall eat, and die with me, or live; Our equal crimes shall equal fortune give. Dryden, State of Innocence.

5. Estate; possessions.

If thou dost As this instructs thee, thou dost make thy way To noble fortunes. Shakspeare, K. Lear. That eyeless head of thine was first fram'd flesh

o raise my fortunes. Shakpeare, K. Lear. But tell me, Tityrus, what heav'nly power To raise my fortunes. Preserv'd your fortunes in that fatal hour.

Dryden, Virg. Past. The fate which governs poets, thought it fit He should not raise his fortunes by his wit. Dryd. He was younger son to a gentleman of a good

birth, but small fortune. The portion of a man or woman: generally of a woman.

I am thought some heiress rich in lands, Fled to escape a cruel guardian's hands; Which may produce a story worth the telling, Of the next sparks that go a fortune stealing.

Prol. to Orphan. The fortune hunters have already cast their eyes upon her, and take care to plant themselves Spectator in her view.

When miss delights in her spinnet, A fiddler may a fortune get.

7. Futurity; future events. You who men's fortunes in their faces read,

To find out mine, look not, alas, on me: But mark her face, and all the features heed; For only there is writ my destiny. Cowley, Mistress. To Fo'RTUNE.* v. a. [Old Fr. fortuner,

"prospérer," Lacombe; Lat. fortuno.] To make fortunate. This is a very old English expression; and is still sometimes used in conversation for endowing with a fortune.

Well could he fortunen the ascendant
Of his images for his patient.

Chaucer's Doctor of Physick, C. T. Prol.

2. To dispose of fortunately or not. Right thus to Mars he said his orison : O stronge god, that hast -Of armes all the bridel in thine hond, And them fortunest as thee list devise. Accept of me my pitous sacrifise.

Chaucer, Knight's Tale. 3. To presage. Not in use.

Fortune fortun'd the dying fate of Rome, Till I her consul sole consol'd her doom.

Dryden, Juv. To Fo'RTUNE. † v. n. [from the noun.] To befall; to fall out; to happen; to come casually to pass; to light upon.

It fortuned, as fair it then befell, Behind his back, unweeting, where he stood, Of ancient time there was a springing well, From which fast trickled forth a silver flood.

Spenser, F. Q. It fortuned the same night that a Christian, serving a Turk in the camp, secretly gave the watchmen warning Knolles.

I'll tell you as we pass along, That you will wonder what hath fortuned.

Shakspeare, Two Gent. of Ver. Here fortun'd Curl to slide. Pope, Dunciad. Had he once fortuned upon the least notion of at excellent manner. Evelyn, Sculpt. p. 45. that excellent manner. Fo'rtuned. adj. Supplied by fortune.

Not th' imperious shew Of the full fortun'd Cæsar ever shall

Be brook'd with me. Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. Fo'rtunebook. n. s. [fortune and book.]

A book consulted to know fortune, or future events. Thou know'st a face, in whose each look

Beauty lays ope love's fortunebook; On whose fair revolutions wait The obsequious motions of love's fate. Crashaw.

Fo'rtunehunter.† n. s. [fortune and hunt.] A man whose employment is to enquire after women with great portions to enrich himself by marrying them.

We must, however, distinguish between fortunehunters and fortunestealers.

The tranquillity and correspondence of the company begins to be interrupted by the arrival of Sir Taffety Trippet, a fortunehunter, whose follies are too gross to give diversion, and whose vanity is too stupid to let him be sensible that he is a publick offence. Tutler, No. 47.

You let loose another species of avarice, that of Burke, Speech on the Bill for Rep. of the Marriage Act.

Fo'RTUNELESS.* adj. [fortune and less.] 1. Luckless.

All hard mishaps and fortunelesse misfare. Spenser, F. Q. iv. viii. 27.

2. Without an estate; without a portion. ToFo'RTUNETELL. v. n. [fortuneand tell.] 1. To pretend to the power of revealing

futurity. We are simple men; we do not know what's brought to pass under the profession of fortune-

Shaksneare. I'll conjure you, I'll fortunetell you. Shaksp. The gypsies were to divide the money got by

stealing linen, or by fortunetelling. Walton, Angler. 2. To reveal futurity.

Cleaveland.

Here, while his canting drone-pipe scan'd The mystick figures of her hand, He tipples palmestry, and dines

On all her fortunetelling lines.

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Fo'RTUNETELLER. n. s. [fortune and teller.] | 2. Ardent; eager; hot; violent. One who cheats common people by pretending to the knowledge of futurity. They brought one Pinch, a hungry lean-fac'd villain.

A thread-bare juggler, and a fortuneteller.

A Welshman being at a sessions-house, and seeing the prisoners hold up hands at the bar, related to some of his acquaintance that the judges were good fortunetellers; for if they did but look upon their hand, they could certainly tell whether they should live or die. Bacon, Apophthegms.

Hast thou given credit to vain predictions of men, to dreams or fortunetellers, or gone about to

know any secret things by lot?

Duppa, Rules for Devotion. There needs no more than impudence on one side, and a superstitious credulity on the other, to the setting up of a fortuneteller. L'Estrange. Long ago a fortuneteller

Exactly said what now befell her-To Fo'RTUNIZE.* v. a. [from fortune.] To regulate the fortune of. A word per-

haps peculiar to Spenser.

Wisedome is most riches : fooles therefore They are, which fortunes doe by yows devize: Sith each unto himself his life may fortunize.

Spenser, F. Q. vi. ix. 30.

FO'RTY. adj. [peopeptiz, Saxon.] Four times ten.

On fair ground I could beat forty of them.

He that upon levity quits his station, in hopes to be better, 'tis forty to one loses, L'Estrange.

FO'RUM. n. s. [Latin.] Any publick

The forum was a publick place in Rome, where lawyers and orators made their speeches before their proper judge in matters of property, or in criminal cases, to accuse or excuse, to complain

or defend. Watts on the Mind. Close to the bay great Neptune's fane adjoins, And near a forum flank'd with marble shines,

Where the bold youth, the num'rous fleets to store, Shape the broad sail, or smooth the taper oar.

To FORWA'NDER. v. n. [for and wander. To wander wildly and wearily. The better part now of the ling'ring day They travelled had, when as they far espy'd A weary wight forward'ring by the way.

Spenser, F. Q. Forwa'ndered.* adj. [for and wander.]

Lost; bewildered. And being thus alone, and all forsake, Amid the thicke, forwandred in despaire,

As one dismaid. Mir. for Mag. p. 447.

FO'RWARD.† adv. [poppeaps, Sax. Su. Goth. for, before, forward, and M. Goth. wairts, towards. " Vox in omnibus dialect. Celto-Scyth. conspicua." Serenius.] Towards; to a part or place before; onward; progressively.

When fervent sorrow slaked was, She up arose, resolving him to find

Alive or dead, and forward forth doth pass. Spenser, F. Q.

From smaller things the mind of the hearers may go forward to the knowledge of greater, and climb up from the lowest to the highest things.

He that is used to go forward, and findeth a stop, falleth off his own favour, and is not the thing he was. Bacon, Essays.

Fo'rward. adj. [from the adverb.] 1. Warm; earnest; not backward.

They would that we should remember the poor, which I also was forward to do. Gal. ii. 10. You'll still be too forward.

Shakspeare, Two Gent. of Ver. Unskill'd to dart the pointed spear, Or lead the forward youth to noble war:

3. Ready; confident; presumptuous.
Old Butes' form he took, Anchises squire, Now left to rule Ascanius by his sire And thus salutes the boy, too forward for his years.

Not reserved; not over modest.

'Tis a per'lous boy, Bold, quick, ingenious, forward, capable; He's all the mother's from the top to toe.

Shakspeare, Rich, III. 5. Premature; early ripe. Short Summer lightly has a forward Spring.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. 6. Quick; ready; hasty.

The mind makes not that benefit it should of the information it receives from civil or natural historians; in being too forward or too slow in making observations on the particular facts recorded in them.

Had they, who would persuade us that there are innate principles, considered separately the parts out of which these propositions are made, they would not perhaps have been so forward to believe they were innate.

7. Antecedent; anteriour: opposed to posteriour.

Let us take the instant by the forward top; For we are old, and on our quick st decrees 'Th' inaudible and noiseless foot of time Steals, ere we can effect them. Shaksneare:

8. Not behindhand; not inferiour. My good Camillo,

She is as forward of her breeding, as She is i'the rear of our birth. Shaksp. Wint. Tale.

To Fo'RWARD. v. a. [from the adverb.] 1. To hasten; to quicken; to accelerate

in growth or improvement.

As we house hot country plants, as lemons, to save them; so we may house our own country plants to forward them, and make them come in the cold seasons. Bacon, Nat. Hist. Whenever I shine,

I forward the grass and I ripen the vine. Swift.

2. To patronise; to advance.

Fo'rwarder. n.s. [from forward.] One who promotes any thing. Sherwood. Fo'RWARDLY. adv. [from the adjective.] Eagerly; hastily; quickly.

The sudden and surprising turns we ourselves have felt, should not suffer us too forwardly to admit presumption. Atterbury.

Fo'rwardness. n. s. [from forward.]

1. Eagerness; ardour; readiness to act.

Absolutely we cannot discommend, we cannot absolutely approve either willingness to live, or forwardness to die. Hooker.

It is so strange a matter to find a good thing furthered by ill men of a sinister intent and purpose, whose forwardness is not therefore a bridle to such as favour the same cause with a better and sincere meaning.

The great ones were in forwardness, the people in fury, entertaining this airy phantasm with incredible affection.

2. Quickness; readiness.

He had such a dextrous proclivity, as his feachers were fain to restrain his forwardness: that his brothers, who were under the same training, might hold pace with him. Wotton.

3. Earliness; early ripeness.

4. Confidence; assurance; want of modesty.

In France it is usual to bring their children

into company, and to cherish in them, from their infaney, a kind of forwardness and assurance. Addison on Italy.

Fo'rwards. adv. Straight before; progressively; not backwards.

The Rhodian ship passed through the whole Roman fleet, backwards and forwards several times, carrying intelligence to Drepanum. Arbuthnot on Coins.

To FORWA'STE. + v. a. [for and waste.] To desolate; to destroy. Not now in

That infernal fiend with foul uprore Forwasted all their land.

Spenser, F. Q. Vespasian, with great spoil and rage, Forwasted all. Spenser, F. Q.

To Forwe'ARY. tv. a. [for and weary.] To dispirit with labour.

By your toil, And labour long, through which ye bither came, Ye both forwearied be; therefore a while I rede you rest, and to your bowers recoile.

Whose labour'd spirits,

Forwearied in this action of swift speed, Crave harbourage within your city walls. Shakspeare, K. John.

Fo'rword.* n. s. [Sax. roppyp8, and ronepyps.] A promise; what was before said or agreed to. Not now in

He that wise was and obedient To kepe his forward by his free assent.

Chauser, C. T. Prol. FOSS.† n. s. [fossa, Latin; fos, Welsh; foss or fos, Cornish; fosse, old French.] A ditch; a moat.

Let Titius Command the company that Pontius lost, And see the fosses deeper. Beaum. & Fl. Valentin.

The sheep-clad summits, roughly crown'd With many a frowning foss and airy mound.

Warton, Ode xxi. In the same Cartulary, many boundaries, ways, and fosses, are specified in the neighbourhood of Warton, Hist. of Kiddington, p. 66. Wilton.

Fo'sser. See FAUCET.

Fo'ssway. n. s. [foss and way.] One of the great Roman roads through England, so called from the ditches on each side.

FO'SSIL. + adj. [fossilis, Latin; fossile, French. Our own adjective was formerly, and is now often written fossile.] Which may be dug out of the earth:

Learned men long conceived it a bituminous and fossile body. Sir T. Brown, Miscell. p. 10. The fossil shells are many of them of the same kinds with those that now appear upon the neighbouring shores; and the rest such as may be presumed to be at the bottom of the adjacent seas.

Woodward, Nat. Hist. Fossil or rock salt, and sal gemm, differ not in nature from each other; nor from the common salt of salt springs, or that of the sea, when pure.

Woodward, Nat. Hist. It is of a middle nature, between fossil and animal, being produced from animal excrements,

intermixed with vegetable salts. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

Fo'ssil. n. s. In this globe are many other bodies, which, because we discover them by digging into the bowels of the earth, are called by one common name fossils; under which are comprehended metals and minerals.

Locke.

Many fossils are very oddly and elegantly shaped.

By the word fossil, used as a denomination of one of three general divisions of natural productions, we understand bodies formed usually within the earth, sometimes on its surface, and sometimes in waters; of a plain and simple structure, in which there is no visible difference of parts, no distinction of vessels and their contents, but every portion of which is similar to and perfect as the whole. Hill, Mat. Med.

Those bodies which will melt in the fire are called minerals, the rest fossils. Pemberton. Fo'ssilist.* n. s. [from fossil.] One who studies the nature of fossils; one who

collects fossils.

If I may be allowed to assume the liberty, in

which fossilists are often indulged.

Phil. Transact. vol. 50, P, ii. (1759,) p. 526. It is well shaded by tall ash-trees, of a species, as Mr. Janes the fossilist informed me, uncommonly valuable. Johnson, Journ, West. Islands. To FO'STER. + v. a. [portpian, Saxon; fostra, Iceland. probably from the Gr. βόσκω, to feed.]

1. To nurse; to feed; to support; to train

Our kingdom's earth should not be soil'd With that dear blood, which it hath fostered. Shakspeare, Rich. II.

That base wretch,

Bred but on alms, and foster'd with cold dishes, With scraps o'th' court. Shakspeare, Cymbeline. Some say that ravens foster forlorn children.

Tit. Andronicus. Fostering has always been a stronger alliance than blood. Davies on Ireland. No more let Ireland brag her harmless nation

Fosters no venom, since that Scots plantation. The son of Mulciber,

Found in the fire, and foster'd in the plains, A shepherd and a king at once he reigns. Dryden, Æn.

2. To pamper; to encourage.

A prince of great courage and beauty, but fostered up in blood by his naughty father. Sidney. 3. To cherish; to forward.

Ye fostering breezes, blow; Ye softening dews, ye tender showers descend.

Thomson. To Fo'ster.* v. n. To be nursed to-

gether; to be trained up together. Other great houses there be of the English in Ireland, which through licentious conversing with the Irish, or marrying, or fostering with them,

have degenerated. Spenser on Ireland. Fo'ster.* n. s. [old Fr. "foster, a park-keeper." Kelham. So Barret gives our own word; "foster, a keeper of a forest." Alv. 1580. Used also by Chaucer and the romance-writers.] A forester; an inhabitant of the forest.

See also Fostership. Lo! where a griesly foster forth did rush.

Spenser, F. Q. iii. i. 17. A foster in the wood he met. Bevis of Hampton.

Fo'sterage, n. s. [from foster,] The charge of nursing; alterage.

Some one adjoining to this lake had the charge and fosterage of this child.

Ralegh, History.

Fo'sterbrother. † n. s. [porten broden, Saxon.] One bred at the same pap; one fed by the same nurse.

I am tame and bred up with my wrongs, Which are my foster-brothers.

Beaum, and Fl. Maid's Tragedy.

Fo'sterchild. n. s. [forten cilo, Saxon.] A child nursed by a woman not the mother, or bred by a man not the

The fosterchildren do love and are beloved of their fosterfathers. Davies on Ireland. The goddess thus beguil'd,

With pleasant stories, her false fosterchild. Addison, Ovid.

Fo'sterdam. n. s. [foster and dam.] A nurse; one that performs the office of a mother by giving food to a young

There; by the wolf were laid the martial twins: Intrepid on her swelling dugs they hung; The fosterdam loll'd out her fawning tongue.

Dryden, Æn.

Fo'sterearth. n. s. [foster and earth.] Earth by which the plant is nourished, though it did not grow at first in it.

In vain, the nursling grove Seems fair a while, cherish'd with fosterearth; But when the alien compost is exhaust, Its native poverty again prevails!

Fo'sterer. † n. s. [from foster.]

1. A nurse; one who gives food in the

place of a parent.

In Ireland they put their children to fosterers; the rich men selling, the meaner sort buying the alterage of their children: in the opinion of the Irish fostering has always been a stronger alliance than blood, Davies on Ireland.

2. An encourager; a forwarder. The fosterer of shooting is labour.

Ascham, Toxophilus. The fosterers and cherishers of truth.

Barrow, vol. i. S. 10. I have neither followers, nor fosterers, nor de-enders. Swift, Lett. to Lady B. G.

Fo'sterfather. n. s. [porteprasen, Sax.] One who gives food in the place of the

In Ireland fosterchildren do love and are beloved by their fosterfathers, and their sept, more than of their own natural parents and kindred. Davies on Ireland.

The duke of Bretagne having been an host and a kind of parent or fosterfather to the king, in his tenderness of age and weakness of fortune, did look for aid this time from king Henry. Bacon, Hen. VII.

Tyrrheus, the fosterfather of the beast, Then clench'd a hatchet in his horny fist.

Fo'stering.* n. s. [Saxon, porchung.] Nourishment.

My spirit hath his fostring in the Bible. Chaucer, Sompn. Tale.

Fo'sterling.* n. s. [Sax. portepling.] A foster-child; a nurse-child.

I'll none o' your light-heart fosterlings, no in-mates. B. Jonson, New Inn.

Fo'sterment.* n. s. [from foster.] Food; nourishment. Not now in use.

Cockeram. Fo'stermother.† n. s. [rojtepmoben, Sax.] A nurse.

That child, that receiveth nutriment from his fostermother, will go near to sympathize with her in condition. Sir M. Sandys, Ess. (1634,) p.127.

Fo'sternurse. n. s. [foster and nurse. This is an improper compound, because foster and nurse mean the same.] A

Our fosternurse of nature is repose, The which he lacks. Shakspear Shakspeare, K. Lear.

Fo'stership.* n. s. [from foster, a forester. See Foster.] The office of a 2. Impure; polluted; full of filth.

forester; which is the old word for forestership.

Adam-held, by the charter of Hugh earl of Chester, in the name of a fostership, MS. Harl. 1505, a blunder, I presume, for forestership. Churton, Life of Sir R. Sutton, p. 406. n.

Fo'sterson. n. s. [foster and son.] One fed and educated, though not the son by nature.

Mature in years, to ready honours move; O of celestial seed! O fosterson of Jove! Dryden, Virg.

Fo'stress.* n. s. [from foster.] A nurse. Glory of knights, and hope of all the earth, Come forth, your fostress bids; who from your

Hath bred you to this hour. B. Jonson, Masques at Court.

Fo'THER.* n. s. [Sax. roden, as pixtiza poopa, sixty loads; German, fuder, a cart-load, fuhren, to carry.] A load; a large quantity. Fudder is so used in the north of England. A fother of lead is still a term for a certain weight, about as much as a cart would carry.

With him there was a plowman, was his brother, That had ylaid of dong ful many a fother.

Chaucer, C. T. Prol. FOUGA'DE. n. s. [French.] In the art of war, a sort of little mine in the manner of a well, scarce more than ten feet wide and twelve deep, dug under some work or fortification, and charged with barrels or sacks of gunpowder to blow it up, and covered over with earth.

FOUGHT. The preterite and participle of

Though unknown to me, they sure fought well, Whom Rupert led, and who were British born.

Fo'ughten.† [The passive participle of fight. Rarely used, Dr. Johnson says, citing only the example from Milton. But it was common. Bishop Lowth objected to this participle, as not agreeable to the analogy of derivation, which obtains in irregular verbs in ght. It is the Teut. vechten.] Contested; disputed by arms.

As in this glorious and well-foughten field. Shakspeare, K. Hen. V.

In seven brave foughten fields. Drayton, Polyolb. S. 12.

The sad sports we riot in, Are tales of foughten fields, of martial scars,

And things done long ago. Beaum. and Fl. Laws of Candy.

On the foughten field Michael and his angels, prevalent

Encamping, plac'd in guard their watches round Cherubick waving fires.

FOUL. † adj. [Su. Goth. ful; M. Goth. fuls; Fr. Theotisc. ful; Sax. rul. See To FILE and FILTH.

1. Not clean; filthy; dirty; miry. Through most of its significations it is opposed to

My face is foul with weeping. Job. xvi. 16. It's monstrous labour when I wash my brain, And it grows fouler. Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. He that can travel in deep and foul ways, ought not to say that he cannot walk in fair. Tillotson.

The stream is foul with strains Of rushing torrents and descending rains. Addison.

With foul mouth,

And in the witness of his proper ear, To call him villain. Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas. Kill thy physician, and the fee bestow

Shakspeare, K. Lear. Upon the foul disease. Intemperance and sensuality debase men's minds, clog their spirits, and make them gross, Tillotson. foul, listless, and unactive.

3. Wicked; detestable; abominable. Jesus rebuked the foul spirit. St. Mark, ix. 25. He hates foul leasings and vile flattery.

Two filthy blots in noble gentry. Spen. Hubb. Tale.
This is the grossest and most irrational supposition, as well as the foulest atheism, that can be imagined.

Satire has always shone among the rest, And is the boldest way, if not the best,

To tell men truly of their foulest faults, To laugh at their vain deeds, and vainer thoughts. Dryden.

4. Not lawful; not according to the established rules. By foul play were we heav'd thence, But blessedly help'd hither. Shakspeare, Tempest.

5. Hateful; ugly; loathsome.
Th' other half did woman's shape retain, Most loathsome, filthy, foul, and full of vile dis-Spenser, F.Q.

Hast thou forgot The foul witch Sycorax, who with age and envy Shakspeare, Tempest. Was grown into a hoop! Foul sights do rather displease, in that they excite the memory of foul things than in the immediate objects; and therefore, in pictures, those foul sights do not much offend. All things that seem so foul and disagreeable in nature, are not really so in themselves, but only relatively.

6. Disgraceful; shameful. Too well I see and rue the dire event, That with sad overthrow and foul defeat Hath lost us heav'n, Milton, P.L. Who first seduc'd them to that foul revolt?

Milton, P.L. Reason half extinct, Or impotent, or else approving sees

Thomson, Spring. The foul disorder. 7. Coarse; gross.

You will have no notion of delicacies, if you table with them: they all for rank and foul feeding, and spoil the best provisions in cooking. Felton on the Classicks.

8. Full of gross humours, or bad matter; wanting purgation or mundification. You perceive the body of our kingdom,

How foul it is ; what rank diseases grow, And with what danger near the heart of it. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

9. Not bright; not serene. It will be foul weather to day; for the sky is red and louring. St. Matt. Xvi. 3.

Who's there besides foul weather? One minded like the weather, most inquietly.

Shakspeare, K. Lear. Be fair or foul, or rain or shine, The joys I have profess'd, in spite of fate are

10. With rough force; with unseasonable violence.

So in this throng bright Sacharissa far'd, Oppress'd by those who strove to be her guard: As ships, though never so obsequious, fall Foul in a tempest on their admiral.

In his sallies their men might fall foul of each other. The great art of the devil, and the principal

deceit of the heart, is to keep fair with God himself, while men fall foul upon his laws.

11. [Among seamen.] Entangled: as, a rope is foul of the anchor.

12. [Among seamen.] Unfavourable; con-

trary to the course of the ship; as, a foul wind.

13. [Among seamen.] Dangerous; as, the foul ground of a road, sea-coast, or bay, i. e. abounding with shallows, or rocky, or in any respect dangerous.

To Foul. v. a. [rýlan, Saxon.] To daub; to bemire; to make filthy; to dirty.

Sweep your walks from autumnal leaves, lest the worms draw them into their holes, and foul your gardens. Evelun. While Traulus all his ordure scatters,

To foul the man he chiefly flatters. Swift. She fouls a smock more in one hour than the

kitchen-maid doth in a week. Swift, Direct. to Servants.

To Fo'ulder. * v. n. [Fr. fouldroyer, "to cast or dart thunderbolts; hence also to bear down with great violence all that comes in the way." Cotgrave. Mr. Church, a commentator on Spenser, is for substituting smouldring in the example, and for dismissing fouldring as an useless repetition, because thunder occurs just before it. This is not to be admitted. The poet's fouldering heat is burning heat.] To emit great heat. Loud thunder with amazement great

Did rend the rattling skyes with flames of fouldring Spenser, F. Q. ii. ii. 20.

Fo'ulfaced. adj. [foul and faced.] Having an ugly or hateful visage. If black scandal, or foulfac'd reproach,

Attend the sequel of your imposition, Your mere enforcement shall acquittance me From all the impure blots and stains thereof. Shakspeare, Richard III.

Fo'ULFEEDING.* adj. [foul and feeding.] Gross: of coarse food.

There is an appetitus caninus, that passing by wholesome viands, falls upon unmeet and foul-feeding morsels. Bp. Hall, Fashions of the World. Fo'ULLY. adv. [from foul.]

1. Filthily; nastily; odiously; hatefully; scandalously; disgracefully; shamefully. We in the world's wide mouth

Live scandaliz'd, and foully spoken of. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

The letter to the protector was gilded over with many smooth words; but the other two did fully and foully set forth his obstinacy, avarice and Hayward. ambition.

O brother, brother! Filbert still is true; I foully wrong'd him: do, forgive me, do. 2. Not lawfully; not fairly.

Thou play'dst most foully for't. Shaksneare. FOULMO'UTHED. adj. [foul and mouth.] Scurrilous; habituated to the use of

opprobrious terms and epithets. My lord, he speaks most vilely of you, like a foulmouth'd man as he is, and said he would

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. It was allowed by every body, that so foulmouthed a witness never appeared in any cause.

My reputation is too well established in the world to receive any hurt from such a foulmouthed scoundrel as he.

Now singing shrill, and scolding oft between, Scolds answer foulmouth'd scolds; bad neighbourhood I ween.

Fo'ulness. n. s. [from foul.]

1. The quality of being foul; filthiness; nastiness.

The ancients were wont to make garments that were not destroyed but purified by fire; and whereas the spots or foulness of other cloaths are washed out, in these they were usually burnt Wilkins, Math. Magick.

2. Pollution; impurity. It is no vicious blot, murder, or foulness,

No unchaste action, or dishonour'd step, That hath depriv'd me of your grace and favour.

There is not so chaste a nation as this, nor so free from all pollution or foulness: it is the virgin of the world.

3. Hatefulness; atrociousness. Consul, you are too mild:

The foulness of some facts takes thence all mercy. B. Jonson.

It is the wickedness of a whole life, discharging all its filth and foulness into this one quality, as into a great sink or common shore.

4. Ugliness; deformity. He by an affection sprung up from excessive

beauty, should not delight in horrible fordness. He's fallen in love with your foulness, and she'll fall in love with my anger. Shaks. As you like it.

The fury laid aside

Her looks and limbs, and with new methods tried The foulness of th' infernal form to hide. Dry. Æn.

5. Dishonesty; want of candour.

Piety is opposed to hypocrisy and insincerity and all falseness or foulness of intentions; especially to that personated devotion, under which any kind of impiety is wont to be disguised. Hammond on Fundamentals.

Fo'ULSPOKEN.* adj. [foul and spoken.] Contumelious; slanderous.

Foulspoken coward, that thunder'st with thy tongue,

And with thy weapon nothing dost perform !

Fo'UMART. * n. s. [ful, Su. Goth. and old Fr. foul, stinking, and mart, a kind of weesel; martes, Lat.] A polecat. See FITCHAT.

Foxes and foumards, with all other vermine. Ascham, Toxophilus-

Found. The preterite and participle passive of find.

I am sought of them that asked not for me: I am found of them that sought me not. Is. lxv. 1. Authors now find, as once Achilles found, The whole is mortal if a part's unsound. Young.

To FOUND. v. a. [fundare, Latin ; fonder, French.

1. To lay the basis of any building.

It fell not; for it was founded upon a rock.

He hath founded it upon the seas, and esta-Ps. xxiv. 2. blished it upon the floods.

2. To build; to raise.

These tunes of reason are Amphion's lyre, Wherewith he did the Theban city found. Davies-They Gabian walls, and strong Fidenæ rear,

Nomentum, Bola with Pometia found, And raise Colatian tow'rs on rocky ground.

Dryden, En.

3. To establish; to erect. This also shall they gain by their delay In the wide wilderness; there they shall found

Their government, and their great senate choose, Through the twelve tribes, to rule by laws ordain'd. Milton. P.L.

He founding a library, gathered together the 2 Mac. ii. 13. acts of the kings and prophets.

4. To give birth or original to: as, he founded an art; he founded a family.

5. To raise upon, as on a principle or ground.

Though some have made use of the opinion of some schoolmen, that dominion is founded in grace; were it admitted as the most certain truth, it could | 2. One who establishes a revenue for any never warrant any such sanguinary method.

Decay of Piety A right to the use of the creatures is founded originally in the right a man has to subsist. Locke. Power, founded on contract, can descend only to him who has right by that contract.

The reputation of the Iliad they found upon the ignorance of his times. Pope, Pref. to the Iliad.

6. To fix firm.

Fleance is escap'd.

- Then comes my fit again: I had else been perfect.

Whole as the marble, founded as the rock. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

To FOUND. v. a. [fundere, Latin; fondre, French.] To form by melting and pouring into moulds; to cast. A second multitude

With wonderous art founded the massy ore, Severing each kind, and scumm'd the bullion dross. Milton, P.L.

Founda'tion. n.s. [fondation, French.] 1. The basis or lower parts of an edifice.

The stateliness of houses, the goodliness of trees, when we behold them, delighteth the eye; but that foundation which beareth up the one, that root which ministereth unto the other nourishment, is in the bosom of the earth concealed. Hooker.

That is the way to make the city flat, To bring the roof to the foundation,

To bury all. Shakspeare, Coriol.

O Jove, I think, Foundations fly the wretched; such, I mean, Where they should be reliev'd. Shakspeare, Coriol. I draw a line along the shore;

I lay the deep foundations of a wall, And Enos, nam'd from me, the city call.

Dryden, Æn. 2. The act of fixing the basis. Ne'er to these chambers where the mighty rest,

Since their foundation, came a nobler guest.

3. The principles or ground on which any notion is raised.

If we give way to our passions, we do but gratify ourselves for the present, in order to our future disquiet: but if we resist and conquer them, we lay the foundation of perpetual peace in our minds. Tillotson

That she should be subject to her husband, the laws of mankind and customs of nations have ordered it so; and there is a foundation in nature for

4. Original; rise.

Throughout the world, even from the first foundation thereof, all men have either been taken as lords or lawful kings in their own houses. Hooker. 5. A revenue settled and established for

any purpose, particularly charity. He had an opportunity of going to school on a foundation.

6. Establishment; settlement.

FOUNDA'TIONLESS.* adj. [foundation and less.] Without foundation.

A flattering, fallacious, foundationless, because unconditionate, hope; which the bigger it swells, the more dangerous it proves.

Hammond, Works, iv. 506.

Fo'under. n. s. [from found.]

1. A builder; one who raises an edifice; one who presides at the election of a

Of famous cities we the founders know; But rivers, old as seas to which they go, Are nature's bounty: 'tis of more renown Waller. To make a river than to build a town. Nor was Prœneste's founder wanting there, Whom fame reports the son of Mulciber.

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The wanting orphans saw with wat'ry eyes Their founders charity in the dust laid low. Dryden. This hath been experimentally proved by the honourable founder of this lecture in his treatise of

3. One from whom any thing has its original or beginning.

And the rude notions of pedantick schools Blaspheme the sacred founder of our rules.

Roscommon. When Jove, who saw from high, with just

The dead inspir'd with vital breath again, Struck to the centre with his flaming dart

Th' unhappy founder of the godlike art. Dryd. Æn. King James I. the founder of the Stuart race, had he not confined all his views to the peace of his own reign, his son had not been involved in Addison, Freeholder. such fatal troubles.

Nor can the skilful herald trace The founder of thy ancient race.

4. [Fondeur, French.] A caster; one who forms figures by casting melted matter into moulds.

Founders add a little antimony to their bellmetal, to make it more sonorous; and so pewterers to their pewter, to make it sound more clear Grew, Museum.

To FO'UNDER. v. a. [fondre, French.] To cause such a soreness and tenderness in a horse's foot, that he is unable to set it to the ground.

Phœbus' steeds are founder'd,

Or night kept chain'd below. Shakspeare, Tempest. I have foundered nine score and odd posts; and here, travel-tainted as I am, have, in my pure and immaculate valour, taken Sir John Coleville of the Dale, a most furious knight: but what of that? he saw me and yielded. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

Thy stumbling founder'd jade can trot as high As any other Pegasus can fly; So the dull eel moves nimbler in the mud,

Than all the swift-finn'd racers of the flood. Dorset. Brutes find out where their talents lie;

A bear will not attempt to fly; "A founder'd horse will oft debate,

Before he tries a five-barr'd gate. Swift. If you find a gentleman fond of your horse, persuade your master to sell him, because he is vicious, and foundered into the bargain.

Swift, Direct. to the Groom. Men of discretion, whom people in power may with little ceremony load as heavy as they please, drive them through the hardest and deepest roads, without danger of foundering or breaking their backs, and will be sure to find them neither resty nor vicious.

To Fo'under. v. n. [from fond, French, the bottom.

1. To sink to the bottom.

New ships, built at those rates, have been ready to founder in the seas with every extraordinary storm'.

2. To fail; to miscarry. In this point

All his tricks founder; and he brings his physick After his patient's death. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. 3. To trip; to fall. Applied to a horse.

His horse for fear began to turn 'And lepe aside, and foundrid as he lepe. Chaucer, Kn. Tale.

It chaunst sir Satyrane his steed at last, Whether through foundring, or through sodein

To stumble, that his rider nigh he cast.

Spenser, F. Q. Fo'underous.* adj. [fondre, Fr. "detruire, ruiner," Borel. Cotgrave renders fondriere "a bog or quagmire."] This

word occurs in our acts of parliament concerning the high-ways. Whoever indicts or presents a road, swears that it is founderous, or in a founderous state. This implies failing, not equal to use,

I have travelled through the negociation, and a sad founderous road it is.

Burke, Letter on a Regicide Peace, L. iii.

Fo'undery. n. s. [fonderie, French, from found.] A place where figures are formed of melted metal; a castinghouse. Fo'undling. n. s. [from found of find.] A child exposed to chance; a child found

without any parent or owner. We, like bastards, are laid abroad, even as foundlings, to be trained up by grief and sorrow.

I pass the foundling by, a race unknown, At doors expos'd, whom matrons make their home, And into noble families advance

A nameless issue; the blind work of chance.

Dryden, Juv. A piece of charity practised by most of the nations about us, is a provision for foundlings, or for those children who are exposed to the barbarity of cruel and unnatural parents.

The goddess long had mark'd the child's distress, And long had sought his suff'ring s to redress; She prays the gods to take the foundling's part, To teach his hands some beneficial art. Gay, Trivia,

Fo'undress. n. s. [from founder.]

 A woman that founds, builds, establishes* causes, or begins any thing. Mr. Mason is ridiculously angry with Dr. Johnson for shortening founderess in the example of the next definition from Spenser, and also contends that foundress, in the example from Dryden, is only a poetical contraction. He has offered no other example either of founderess or foundress. The word foundress is common in both

Forgetfull of himselfe, his birth, his country, friends, and all,

And only minding (whom he mist) the foundress Warner, Albion's England. of his fall. Pride - became the first precedent of God's lessening his family, and the foundress of hell.
Osborne, Advice to a Son, p. 28.

2. A woman that establishes any charitable revenue.

For of their order she was patroness,

Albe Charissa was their chiefest founderess. Spenser, F. Q.

For zeal like hers, her servants were to show ; 7 She was the first, where need requir'd to go; Herself the foundress, and attendant too. Dryde

The great foundress of the Pietists, Madame de Tatler, No. 126. Bourignon. Against the north wall of the north cross is erected a stone monument for Sir John Trussell, and Maud his wife, who were the founder and

foundress of this church. Ashmole, Berk. ii. 487. FOUNTAIN.] n. s. [fons, Latin; fon-taine, French; fontana, low Latin, fountaniou, anc. Prov.]

1. A well; a spring.

He set before him spread A table of celestial food divine, Ambrosial fruits fetcht from the tree of life; And from the fount of life ambrosial drink. Milton, P. R.

2. A small bason of springing water. Proofs as clear as founts in July, when We see each grain of gravel. Shaks. Hen. VIII. paved with marble, than when it swells over the green turf. Bp. Taylor.

Narcissus on the grassy verdure lies; But whilst within the crystal fount he tries To quench his heat, he feels new heat arise. Addison

3. A jet; a spout of water.

Fountains I intend to be of two natures: the one that sprinkleth or spouteth water; the other a fair receipt of water, without fish, or slime, or

4. The head or first spring of a river.

All actions of your grace are of a piece, as waters keep the tenour of their fountains: your compassion is general, and has the same effect as well on enemies as friends. Dryden.

5. Original; first principle; first cause. Almighty God, the fountain of all goodness,

Common Prayer.

You may reduce many thousand bodies to these few general figures, as unto their principal heads and fountains. Peacham.

This one city may well be reckoned not only the seat of trade and commerce, not only the fountain of habits and fashions, and good breeding, but of morally good or bad manners to all England. Sprat, Serm.

6. [In printing.] A set or quantity of characters or letters. See Font.

FO'UNTAINHEAD.* n. s. [fountain and head.] Original; first principle.

Above our atmosphere's intestine wars, Rain's fountain-head, the magazine of hail.

Young, Night. Th. 9.

FO'UNTAINLESS. adj. [from fountain.] Having no fountain; wanting a spring. So large

The prospect was, that here and there was room For barren desart, fountainless and dry.

Milton, P. R. FO'UNTFUL. adj. [fount and full.] Full of springs.

But when the fountful Ida's top they scal'd with

utmost haste, All fell upon the high-hair'd oaks. Chapman, Iliads.

To Fours. † v. a. To drive with sudden impetuosity. A word out of use, Dr. Johnson says. He would not have said, that it ever was in use, if he had consulted the editions of the book, from which he cites the example. The first edition of Camden's Remains in 1605 reads soupe. A very incorrect edition of 1637 reads foupe, but it is corrected in the improved one of 1674. See To Sour. Dr. Ash gravely admits foupe into his vocabulary. The following is the passage, in which the mistaken word occurs, as given by Dr. Johnson, but now with more than one correction. To soup is to draw, to breathe out.

We pronounce, by the confession of strangers, as [sweetly,] smoothly, and moderately, as any of the northern nations, who [are noted to] found [soupe] their words out of the throat with fat and full spirits. Camden, Rem. on Languages.

FOUR. adj. [reopen, Sax. fidwor, Goth. quatuor, Latin.] Twice two.

Just as I wish'd, the lots were cast on four; Myself the fifth. Pope, Odyssey.

FOURBE, n. s. [French.] A cheat; a tricking fellow. Not now in use. Jove's envoy, through the air,

Brings dismal tidings; as if such low care Could reach their thoughts, or their repose disturb! Thou art a false imposter, and a fourbe, Denham.

Can a man drink better from the fountain finely | FOURFO'LD. adj. [four and fold.] Four times told.

He shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he had no nity. 2 Sam. xii. 6,

FOURFO'OTED, adj. [four and foot.] Quadruped; having four feet.

Augur Astylos, whose art in vain From fight dissuaded the fourfooted train, Now beat the hoof with Nessus on the plain. Dmiden.

Fo'urrier.* n. s. [French, fourier, Cotgrave.] An harbinger.

The Duke of Buckingham's revolt was the pre-

parative and fourrier of the rest. Sir G. Buck, Hist. Rich. III. p. 34.

Foursco're. adj. [four and score,] 1. Four times twenty; eighty.

When they were out of reach, they turned and crossed the ocean to Spain, having lost fourscore of their ships, and the greater part of their men.

Bacon, War with Spain. The Chiots were first a free people, being a common-wealth, maintaining a navy of fourscore

ships. The Liturgy had, by the practice of near fourscore years, obtained great veneration from all sober Protestants.

2. It is used elliptically for fourscore years in numbering the age of man.

At seventeen years many their fortunes seek; But at fourscore it is too late a week.

Shakspeare, As you like it. Some few might be of use in council upon great occasions, till after threescore and ten; and the two late ministers in Spain were so till fourscore. T'emple.

Foursqua're. adj. [four and square.] Quadrangular; having four sides and

angles equal.

The temple of Bel was invironed with a wall carried foursquare, of great height and beauty; and on each square certain brazen gates curiously engraven. Ralegh, Hist.

Fourte'en. adj. [reopeptyn, Saxon.] Four and ten; twice seven.

I am not fourteen pence on the score for sheer Shakspeare.

FOURTE'ENTH. adj. [from fourteen.] The ordinal of fourteen; the fourth after the tenth.

I have not found any that see the ninth day, few before the twelfth, and the eyes of some not open before the fourteenth day. Brown, Vulg. Err.

FOURTH. adj. [from four.] The ordinal of four; the first after the third.

A third is like the former: filthy hags! Why do you shew me this? A fourth? start eye! What! will the line stretch out to th' crack of doom? Shakspeare.

Fo'urthly. adv. [from fourth.] In the fourth place.

Fourthly, plants have their seed and seminal parts uppermost, and living creatures have them

Bacon, Nat. Hist. FOURWHE'ELED. adj. [four and wheeled.]

Running upon twice two wheels. Scarce twenty fourwheel'd cars, compact and strong,

The massy load could bear, and roll along. Pope, Odyss.

Fo'uter.* n. s. A despicable fellow. See Foury. This contemptuous expression is both a northern and a west-country word. See Brockett and Jennings.

Fo'utra. n. s. [from foutre, French.] fig; a scoff; a word of contempt. Not A foutra for the world, and wordlings base. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

Fo'uty.* adj. [Fr. foutu, "a scoundrel, a fellow of small account." Cotgrave.] Despicable; colloquially used, in contempt; as, he is a fouty fellow. It is used by Scottish writers.

FOWL. † n. s. [ruzel, ruhl, Saxon; fugl. Icel. and Su. Goth. from flyga, to fly, whence the Sax. rhogan, and the Germ. flugel, wing; voghel, Teut. vogel, Germ.] A winged animal; a bird. It is colloquially used of edible birds, but in books of all the feathered tribes. Fowl is used collectively: as, we dined upon fish and .fowl.

The beasts, the fishes, and the winged fowls, Are their male subjects, and at their controuls.

Shakspeare. Lucullus entertained Pompey in a magnificent house: Pompey said, this is a marvellous house for the summer: but methinks very cold for winter. Lucullus answered, do you not think me as wise as divers fowls, to change my habitation in the winter season? Bacon, Apophthegms.

This mighty breath Instructs the fowls of heaven. Thomson, Spring.

To FowL. v. n. [from the noun.] To kill birds for food or game.

Such persons as may lawfully hunt, fish, or fowl, have only a qualified property in these Blackstone.

Fo'wler. n. s. [from fowl.] A sportsman who pursues birds.

The fowler warn'd By those good omens, with swift early steps Treads the crimp earth, ranging through fields and

Offensive to the birds. With slaught'ring guns th' unweary'd fowler

When frosts have whiten'd all the naked groves.

Fo'wling.* n. s. [from fowl.] The act of catching birds with birdlime, nets, and other devices; the employment of shooting birds; and also falconry or hawking.

Fo'wLINGPIECE. n. s. [fowl and piece.] A gun for the shooting of birds.

'Tis necessary that the countryman be provided with a good fowlingpiece.

FOX. † n. s. [pox, Saxon; vos, vosch, Dutch; fox. Su. Goth. foxa, to deceive; Icel. the same, and fox, false. Hence, perhaps, the name of the animal.

1. A wild animal of the canine kind, with sharp ears and a bushy tail, remarkable for his cunning, living in holes, and preying upon fowls or small animals.

The fox barks not when he would steal the lamb. Shakspeare.

He that trusts to you, Where he should find you lions, finds you hares; Where foxes, geese. Shakspeare, Macbeth. These retreats are more like the dens of robbers,

or holes of foxes, than the fortresses of fair war-Locke. 2. By way of reproach, applied to a knave

or cunning fellow. O how the old for stunk, I warrant thee,

When the rank fit was on him. Otway, Venice Preserved.

3. Formerly a cant expression for a sword. O signieur Dew; thou diest on point of fox! Shakspeare, Hen. V.

He's hurt too, he cannot go far, I made my | 1. Belonging to a fox. father's old fox fly about his ears.

Beaum. and Fl. Philaster. The whinyard of the house of Shrewsbury is not like it, nor the twohanded for of John Falstaff, which bewed in sunder fourteen out of seven principal assailants! Gayton on D. Quix. p.87. To Fox.* v. a. [Su. Goth. foxa, to deceive.] To stupify; to make drunk.

The Dutch-by reason of their custom of immoderate bibbing, and so often being fort, were by the best nations of Europe pointed at as gazing-stocks. Trans. of Boccalini, (1626) p. 51. The drunkard that should offer to justify his

beastliness by affirming, that he never foxes him-

self but with one sort of wine.

Boyle against Cust. Swearing, p.34. Fo'xcase. n. s. [fox and case.] A fox's

One had better be laughed at for taking a foxcase One had better be taugued at for taking a live fox for a fox, than be destroyed by taking a live fox for a case.

L'Estrange.

Fox'chase. n. s. [fox and chase.] The pursuit of the fox with hounds.

See the same man, in vigour, in the gout; Alone, in company; in place or out; Early at business, and at hazard late;

Mad at a foxchase, wise at a debate. Fo'xery.* n. s. [from fox.] Behaviour like that of a fox. An old forgotten word, but full as good as foxship given by Dr. Johnson.

And wrie [hide] me in my foxerie.

Chaucer, Rom. R. 6795. Fo'xEVIL. n. s. [fox and evil.] A kind of disease in which the hair sheds.

Fo'xfish. n. s. [vulpecula piscis.] A fish. Fo'xclove. n. s. [digitalis. Sax. roxerzlora.] A plant.

Fo'xhound.* n. s. [fox and hound.] A hound for chasing foxes.

Who lavishes his wealth, On racer, fox-hound, hawk, or spaniel. Shenstone.

Fo'xhunter. n. s. [fox and hunter.] A man whose chief ambition is to shew his bravery in hunting foxes. A term of reproach used of country gentlemen.

The foxhunters went their way, and then out L'Estrange. John Wildfire, foxhunter, broke his neck over a

six-bar gate. Fox'Ish.* adj. [from fox.] Cunning; artful, like a fox.

Foxery [means] foxish manners.

Tyrwhitt, Gloss. Ch. Fo'xLIKE.* adj. [fox and like.] Resembling the cunning of a fox.

There is such foxlike craft, and such methods of ceit. Goodman, Wint. Ev. Conf. P. iii. deceit. Fo'xLY.* adj. [from fox.] Having the qualities of a fox.

Their wolvish hearts, their trayterous foxly brain, Or prove them base, of rascal race engendred, Or from hault linage bastard-like degendred.

Mir. for Mag. p. 407.

Fo'xship. n. s. [from fox.] The character or qualities of a fox; cunning; mischievous art.

Had't thou foxship To banish him that struck more blows for Rome, Than thou hast spoken words. Shakspeare, Coriol. Fo'xTAIL. n. s. [alopecurus.] A plant.

FO'XTRAP: n. s. [fox and trap.] A gin or snare to catch foxes.

Answer a question, at what hour of the night to set a foxtrap.

Fo'xx.* adj. [from fox.]

Huloet. 2. Wily as a fox. Huloet. Deadly hatred and malice, foxy wiliness, wolvish

ravening and devouring. Abp. Cranmer on the Sacrament, fol. 110.

Foy. n. s. [foi, Fr.] Faith; allegiance. An obsolete word.

He Easterland subdued, and Denmark won, And of them both did foy and tribute raise.

Spenser, F.Q. Foy.* n: s. [probably from the Teut. foey, an agreement, a compact.] A feast given by one who is about to leave a place. In Kent, according to Grose, a treat to friends "either at going abroad

or coming home." He is a passionate lover of morning-draughts, which he generally continues till dinner-time; a rigid exactor of num-groats, and collector general

of foys and biberage [beverage.] England's Jests, Charact. of a Bad Husband, 1687.

Fo'yson. † See Foison.

To Fract. v. a. [fractus, Latin.] To break; to violate; to infringe. Found perhaps only in the following passage. His days and times are past,

And my reliance on his fracted dates Has smit my credit. Shaksp.

Shakspeare, Timon. FRA'CTION. n. s. [fraction, Fr. fractio,

1. The act of breaking; the state of being

The surface of the earth bath been broke, and the parts of it dislocated; several parcels of nature retain still the evident marks of fraction and ruin. Burnet, Th. of the Earth.

2. A broken part of an integral. The fractions of her faith, orts of her love, The fragments, scraps, the bits and greasy reliques

Of her o'er-eaten faith, are bound to Diomede. Neither the motion of the moon, whereby months are computed, nor the sun, whereby years are accounted, consisteth of whole nombers, but admits

of fractions and broken parts. Brown, Vulg. Err. Pliny put a round number near the truth, rather than a fraction. Arbuthnot on Coins.

FRA'CTIONAL. adj. [from fraction.] Belonging to a broken number; comprising a broken number.

We make a cypher the medium between increasing and decreasing numbers, commonly called absolute or whole numbers, and negative or fractional numbers. Cocker's Arithmetick.

FRA'CTIOUS.* adj. [perhaps from fractus, Lat.] Cross; peevish; fretful: as, a fractious child.

FRA'CTURE. n. s. [fractura, Lat.]

1. Breach; separation of continuous parts. That may do it without any great fracture of the more stable and fixed parts of nature, or the infringement of the laws thereof.

Hale, Orig. of Mankind. 2. The separation of the continuity of a bone in living bodies.

But thou wilt sin and grief destroy, That so the broken bones may joy, And tune together in a well-set song, Full of his praises, Who dead men raises;

Fractures well cur'd, make us more strong

Fractures of the skull are dangerous, not in consequence of the injury done to the cranium itself, but as the brain becomes affected.

Sharp, Surgery. To FRA'CTURE. v. a. [from the noun.] 1. To break a bone.

The leg was dressed, and the fractured bones united together. Wiseman, Surgery.

2. To break any thing.

Behold his chair, whose fractur'd seat infirm An aged cushion hides. Shenstone, Economy, P.iii. FRA'GILE.adj. [fragile, French; fragilis, Latin.]

1. Brittle; easily snapped or broken. To ease them of their griefs,

Their pangs of love, and other incident throes, That nature's fragile vessel doth sustain

In life's uncertain voyage. Shakspeare, Timon. The stalk of ivy is tough, and not fragile. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

When subtle wits have spun their threads too

'Tis weak and fragile, like Arachne's line.

A dry stick will be easily broken, when a green one will maintain a strong resistance; and yet in the moist substance there is less rest than in what is drier and more fragile. 2. Weak; uncertain; easily destroyed.

Much ostentation, vain of fleshly arms, And fragile arms, much instrument of war, Long in preparing, soon to nothing brought, Before mine eyes thou'st set. Milton, P.R.

FRAGI'LITY. † n. s. [fragilité, French.] 1. Brittleness; easiness to be broken.

To make an induration with toughness, and less fragility, decoct bodies in water for two or three

Bacon, Nat. Hist. 2. Weakness; uncertainty; easiness to be destroyed.

Fear the uncertainty of man's fragility, the common chance of war, the violence of fortune.

Knolles, Hist.

3. Frailty; liableness to fault.

All could not be right, in such a state, in this lower age of fragility.

FRA'GMENT. n. s. [fragmentum, Latin.] A part broken from the whole; an intperfect piece.

He who late a sceptre did command, Now grasps a floating fragment in his hand.

Cowley, in his unfinished fragment of the Davideis, has shewn us this way to improvement. Watts on the Mind.

If a thin or plated body, which being of an even thickness, appears all over of one uniform colour, should be slit into threads, or broken into fragments of the same thickness, with the plate, I see no reason why every thread or fragment should not keep its colour. Newton, Opticks. Some on painted wood

Transfix'd the fragments, some prepar'd the food. Pope, Odyssey.

FRA'GMENTARY. adj. [from fragment.] Composed of fragments. A word not elegant, nor in use.

She, she's gone; she's gone: when thou know'st

What fragmentary rubbish this world is, Thou know'st, and that it is not worth a thought; He knows it too too much that thinks it nought.

FRA'GOR.† n. s. [Latin.]

1. A noise; a crack; a crash. Not used, Dr. Johnson says, citing only the first of of the examples from Sandys; in whose writings alone I find it in this sense, and who was certainly fond of the word. Sir T. Herbert uses it in a very different sense, that of fragrance.

To earth's extent his winged lightnings flies. Pursued by hideous fragors; though before The flames descend, they in their breaches roar. Sandys, Job, p. 54

The clouds in storms of rain descend; The air Thy hideous fragors rend. Sandys, Ps.77. Arms clashing, trumpets, from the rising sun Horrible fragors, heard by all.

Sandys, Christ's Pass. Notes. p. 111. 2. A sweet smell; a strong smell. A word not justifiable in this sense.

Gardens here for grandeur and fragour are such

as no city in Asia outvies. Sir T. Herbert, Travels, p. 165.

[The musk] by its fragor is oft discovered by the careless passenger. Sir T. Herbert, Trav.p. 363. Fra'Grance. \ n. s. [fragrantia, Latin.] smell;

Sweetness of FRA'GRANCY. pleasing scent; grateful odour. Eve separate he spies,

Veil'd in a cloud of fragrance, where she stood Half-spy'd. Milton, P.I.

I am more pleas'd to survey my rows of coleworts and cabbages springing up in their full fragrancy and verdure, than to see the tender plants of foreign countries kept alive by artificial heats. Addison, Spect.

Not lovelier seem'd Narcissus to the eye; Nor, when a flower, could boast more fragrancy.

Such was the wine: to quench whose fervent steam

Scarce twenty measures from the living stream To cool one cup suffic'd: the goblet crown'd, Breath'd aromatick fragrancies around.

Pope, Odyssey.

FRA'GRANT. † adj. [fragrant, Fr. fragrans, Lat.] Odorous; sweet of smell. Fragrant the fertile earth

After soft showers; and sweet the coming on Milton, P. L. Of grateful evening mild. The nymph vouchsaf'd to place

Upon her head the various wreath: The flow'rs, less blooming than her face; Their scent less fragrant than her breath. Prior.

FRA'GRANTLY. adv. [from fragrant.] With sweet scent.

As the hops begin to change colour, and smell fragrantly, you may conclude them ripe.

Mortimer, Husbandry. FRAIL. † n. s. [old Fr. fraile, a basket, Kel-

ham. 1. A basket made of rushes.

A frail of figs. Barret's Alv. 1580. What would you now give for her? some five

Of rotten figs, good godson? Beaum. and Fl. Hon. Man's Fortune. Three frails of sprats carried from mart. Beaum. and Fl. Q. of Corinth.

2. A rush for weaving baskets.

FRAIL. † adj. Fold Fr. fraile, i. e. fragile, brittle; from fragilis, Lat. Cotgrave and Roquefort.

1. Weak; easily decaying; subject to ca-

sualties; easily destroyed.

I know my body's of so frail a kind, As force without, fevers within can kill. Davies. When with care we have raised an imaginary treasure of happiness, we find, at last, that the materials of the structure are frail and perishing, and the foundation itself is laid in the sand.

2. Weak of resolution; liable to errour or

The truly virtuous do not easily credit evil that

is told them of their neighbours; for if others may do amiss, then may these also speak amiss: man is frail, and prone to evil, and therefore may soon fail in words. Bp. Taylor, Guide to Devotion.

FRA'ILNESS. 7 n. s. [from frail.] Weakness; instability.

Such is the frailness of our nature.

Dr. Jackson, Works, iii. 54. There is nothing among all the frailnesses and uncertainties of this sublunary world so tottering and unstable as the virtue of a coward.

FRA'ILTY. † n. s. [from frail; Norm. Fr. frealté. Kelham.]

1. Weakness of resolution; instability of mind; infirmity.

Though Page be a secure fool, and stands so firmly on his wife's frailty, yet I cannot put off my opinion so easily. Shaksneare. Nor shouldst thou have trusted that to woman's

Ere I to thee, thou to thyself wast cruel. Milton, S. A.

God knows our frailty, pities our weakness, and requires of us no more than we are able to do.

2. Fault proceeding from weakness; sins of infirmity: in this sense it has a plural. Love did his reason blind,

And love's the noblest frailty of the mind. Dryden, Ind. Emp.

Kind wits will those light faults excuse; Those are the common frailties of the muse.

Dryden. Death, only death, can break the lasting chain; And here, ev'n then, shall my cold dust remain; Here all its frailties, all its flames resign,

And wait, till 'tis no sin to mix with thine. Pope. That Christians are now not only like other men in their frailties and infirmities, might be in some degree excusable; but the complaint is, they are like heathens in all the main and chief articles of

FRAI'SCHEUR. n. s. [French.] Freshness; coolness. A word foolishly innovated by Dryden.

Hither in Summer-ev'nings you repair, To taste the fraischeur of the purer air. Dryden.

FRAISE. † n. s. [French.] 1. A pancake with bacon in it. See Froise. 2. Fraises are pointed stakes in fortifi-

FRAM.* adj. [Icel. framur, mollis.] Tender; brittle: written also frem and frim. Craven Dialect, and Wilbraham's Gloss.

To FRAME. † v. a. [Sax. ppemman, to frame; Goth. framna, to produce.]

1. To form or fabricate by orderly construction and union of various parts. The double gates he findeth locked fast;

The one fair fram'd of burnish'd ivory, The other all with silver overcast. Spenser, F. Q.

To fit one to another. They rather cut down their timber to frame it, and to do necessaries to their convenient use, than to fight.

Hew timber, saw it, frame it, and set it together. Mortimer.

3. To make; to compose.

Then chusing out few words most horrible, Thereof did verses frame. Spenser, F. Q. As wine mingled with water is pleasant, and delighteth the taste; even so speech, finely framed, delighteth the ears of them that read the story. 2 Macc. xv. 39.

Fight valiantly to-day And yet I do thee wrong to mind thee of it; For thou art fram'd of the firm truth of valour. Shakspeare.

4. To regulate; to adjust.

Let us not deceive ourselves by pretending to this excellent knowledge of Christ Jesus our Lord, if we do not frame our lives according to it.

5. To form to any rule or method by study or precept.

Thou art their soldier, and, being bred in broils, Hast not the soft way; but thou wilt frame Thyself forsooth hereafter theirs. Shaksp. Coriol.

I have been a truant to the law; I never yet could frame my will to it,

And therefore frame the law unto my will. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

6. To form and digest by thought.

The most abstruse ideas are only such as the understanding frames to itself, by joining together ideas that it had either from objects of sense, or from its own operations about them. Full of that flame his tender scenes he warms,

And frames his goddess by your matchless charms.

Urge him with truth to frame his sure replies, And sure he will; for wisdom never lies,

Pope, Odyssey. How many excellent reasonings are framed in the mind of a man of wisdom and study in a length of years. Watts.

7. To contrive; to plan.
Unpardonable the presumption and insolence in contriving and framing this letter was.

Clarendon. 8. To settle; to scheme out.

Though I cannot make true wars, I'll frame convenient peace. Shakspeare, Coriol.

9. To invent; to fabricate, in a bad sense: as, to frame a story or lie.

Astronomers, to solve the phænomena framed to their conceit eccentricks and epicycles. Bacon. To FRAME.* v. n. To contrive; to at-

tempt: and in this sense it is now a northern expression.

Then said they to him, Say now Shibboleth; and he said Sibboleth; for he could not frame to pronounce it right. Judges, xii. 6. FRAME. n. s. [from the verb.]

1. A fabrick; any thing constructed of various parts or members.

If the frame of the heavenly arch should dissolve itself, if celestial spheres should forget their wonted motions, and by irregular volubility turn themselves any way, as it might happen. Hooker.

Castles made of trees upon frames of timber, with turrets and arches, were anciently matters of magnificence. Bacon.

These are thy glorious works, parent of good! Almighty! thine this universal frame.

Milton, P. L.

Divine Cicilia came, Inventress of the vocal frame. Dryden. The gate was adamant; eternal frame,

Which hew'd by Mars himself, from Indian quarries came, The labour of a god; and all along,

Tough iron plates were clench'd, to make it strong.

We see this vast frame of the world, and an innumerable multitude of creatures in it; all which

we, who believe a God, attribute to him as the author. Tillotson. 2. Any thing made so as to enclose or ad-

mit something else. Put both the tube and the vessel it leaned on

into a convenient wooden frame, to keep them from mischances. Boyle. His picture scarcely would deserve a frame.

Dryden, Juv. A globe of glass, about eight or ten inches in diameter, being put into a frame where it may be swiftly turned round its axis, will, in turning, shine where it rubs against the palm of one's hand.

Newton, Opticks. 3. Order; regularity; adjusted series or disposition.

A woman, that is like a German clock, Still a repairing, ever out of frame,

And never going aright. Shakspeare.

Your steddy soul preserves her frame: In good and evil times the same. Swift. 4. Scheme; order.

Another party did resolve to change the whole frame of the government in state as well as church. Clarendon.

5. Contrivance; projection. John the Bastard.

Whose spirits toil in frame of villanies. Shaksp. 6. Mechanical construction.

7. Shape; form; proportion. A bear's a savage beast,

Whelp'd without form, until the dam Has lick'd it into shape and frame.

FRA'MER. n. s. [from frame; ppemman, Sax. Maker; former; contriver; schemer. The forger of his own fate, the framer of his fortune, should be improper, if actions were pre-Hammond. determined.

There was want of accurateness in experiments in the first original framer of those medals.

Arbuthnot on Coins. FRA'MEWORK.* n. s. [frame and work.] Work done in a frame.

Doubtless a staunch and solid piece of frame-

, Milton, Areopagitica. work. FRA'MING.* n. s. [from frame.] Adjoining together; as the framing of a house,

i. e. the timber-work in it.

FRA'MPOLD. † adj. [This word is written by Dr. Hacket, frampul. I know not its original. Dr. Johnson. - It is written also frampal, or frampel, frampared, and framfold; for they all are evidently the same word. Ray thinks that, like froward, it comes from the Sax. rpam, our from.] Peevish; boisterous; rugged; crossgrained.

Her husband! Alas, the sweet woman leads an ill life with him: she leads a very frampold

life with him.

Shakspeare. The frampul man could not be pacified.

Hacket, Life of Apb. Williams.
Is Pompey grown so malapert, so frampel? Beaum. and Fl. Wit. at Sev. Weapons. I pray thee, grow not frampull now.

B. Jonson, Tale of a Tub. Like faithless wife, that by her frampared guise, Peevish demeanour, sullen sad disdain,

Doth inly deep the spright melancholize Of her aggrieved husband.

More, Song of the Soul, i. iii. 40. As if a child should govern the house, because he will be framfold, and disquieted, otherwise! Thorndike on Forbearance, &c. (1670,) p. 83.

FRA'NCHISE. n. s. [franchise, French.] 1. Exemption from any onerous duty.

2. Privilege; immunity; right granted. They granted them markets, and other franchises, and erected corporate towns among them.

Davies on Ireland. His gracious edict the same franchise yields To all the wild increase of woods and fields.

3. District; extent of jurisdiction.

There are other privileges granted unto most of the corporations, that they shall not be travelled forth of their own franchises. Spenser on Ireland.

To FRA'NCHISE. † v. a. [from the noun.] 1. To enfranchise; to make free; to keep

I lose no honour In seeking to augment it; but still keep My bosom franchis'd, and allegiance clear. Shakspeare, Mach.

2. To possess a right or privilege. To speak we franchis'd are, Because we serv'd for peace.

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Mir. for Mag. p. 477. FRA'NCHISEMENT.* n. s. [from franchise.] Release; freedom.

To work Irena's franchisement, And eke Grantorto's worthy punishment. Spenser, F. Q. v. xi. 36.

FRA'NGIBLE. † adj. [frangible, Fr. from frango, Lat.] Fragile; brittle; easily

Though it seem the solidest wood, if wrought before it be well seasoned, it will shew itself very

FRA'NION. t. n. s. [Of this word I know not the derivation. Dr. Johnson. - It is not peculiar to Spenser, whom alone Dr. Johnson cites, but is used with the same epithet by Heywood. It may be merely a cant expression; or perhaps may be referred to the Goth. frijon, Sax. ppeon, to love, whence our friend.] A paramour; a boon companion.

First, by her side did sit the bold Sansloy, Fit mate for such a mincing minion, Who in her looseness took exceeding joy; Might not be found a franker francon, Of her lewd parts to make companion.

Spenser, F. Q. He's a frank franion, a merry companion. Heywood, Edw. IV. (1600,) sign. c. 5.

FRANK.† adj. [franc, Fr.]

1. Liberal; generous; not niggardly. The moister sorts of trees yield little moss, for

the reason of the frank putting up of the sap into They were left destitute, either by narrow pro-

vision, or by their frank hearts and their open hands, and their charity towards others. Sprat, Serm.

'Tis the ordinary practice of the world to be frank of civilities that cost them nothing. L'Estrange.

2. Open; ingenuous; sincere; not reserved.

I shall have reason

To shew the love and duty, that I bear you, With franker spirit. Shakspeare, Othello.

3. Without conditions; without payment. Thou hast it won; for it is of frank gift, And he will care for-all the rest to shift.

Spenser, Hubb. Tale.
We will that all the Jews, that either before or since have been taken and led away, - shall be sent frank and free.

Donne, Hist. of the Septuagint, p. 25. 4. Not restrained; licentious. Not in use. Might not be found a franker franion.

Spenser, F. Q. 5. Fatted; in good condition. [from franc, old Fr. a place to feed hogs in.] This seems to be the primary sense.

When they were once franke and fat they stoode up together proudly againste the Lord and his worde.

Bale on the Revel. P. 1. sign, I. iiii.

FRANK.† n.s. [Fr. franc, a frank or sty. Cotgrave. See the last sense of the adjective frank.

1. A place to feed hogs in; a sty.

Where sups he? Doth the old boar feed in the Shakspeare, Hen. IV. He feeds like a boar in a frank.

2. A letter which pays no postage [from the third sense of the adjective.

You'll have immediately, by several franks, my epistle to lord Cobham, Pope to Swift.

3. A French coin. To FRANK. + v. a.

1. To shut up in a frank or sty. Hanmer. In the sty of this most bloody boar, My son George Stanly is frank'd up in hold. Shakspeare. 2. To feed high; to fat; to cram.

Junius, and Ainsworth. The husbandmen and farmers never fraunke them [hogs] above three or four months.

Hollingshed, Descript. of Brit. B. 3. p. 1096. Our desire is rather to franke up ourselves with that which we should abhor.

Abp. Sands, Serm. fol. 155. b. 3. To exempt letters from postage.

My lord Orrery writes to you to-morrow; and you see I send this under his cover, or at least franked by him.

Gazette's sent gratis down, and frank'd, For which thy patron's weekly thank'd, Pope. FRANKALMOI'GNE. n. s. The same which we in Latin call libera eleemosyna, or free alms in English; whence that tenure is commonly known among our English lawyers by the name of a tenure in frank aumone, or frankalmoigne, which, according to Britton, is a tenure Ayliffe, Parergon. by divine service.

FRANKCHA'SE.* n. s. [frank and chase.]
A free chase; the liberty of free chase. A forest is of so princely a tenure, that, according to our laws, none but the king can have a

forest; if he chance to pass one over to a subject, 'tis no more forest, but frank-chase.

Howell, Lett. iv. 16. FRA'NKINCENSE. n. s. [frank and incense; so called perhaps from its liberal distribution of odour.

Frankincense is a dry resinous substance in pieces or drops, of a pale yellowish white colour; a strong smell, but not disagreeable, and a bitter, acrid, and resinous taste. It is very inflammable. The earliest histories inform us, that frankincense was used among the sacred rites and sacrifices, as it continues to be in many parts. We are still uncertain as to the place whence frankincense is brought, and as to the tree which produces it.

Take unto thee sweet spices, with pure frankin-I find in Dioscorides record of frankincense

gotten in India. Brerewood on Languages. Black ebon only will in India grow,

And od'rous frankincense on the Sabæan bough. Dryden, Virg.

Cedar and frankincense, an od'rous pile Flam'd on the earth, and wide perfum'd the isle.

FRA'NKLIN. † n. s. [from frank.] A steward: a bailiff of land. It signifies originally a little gentleman, and is not improperly Englished a gentleman servant. Not in use. So far Dr. Johnson. But his definition is not correct, and the word is also common, though he cites only Spenser. A franklin is a freeholder of considerable property; and the name has given rise to that of many families in England.

A spacious court they see, Both plain and pleasant to be walked in, Where them does meet a franklin fair and free.

Spenser, F. Q. A franklin: his outside is an ancient yeoman of England; though his inside may give arms, (with the best gentleman,) and never see the Overbury, Charact. sign. O.6.

There are many now grown into families, now called Franklin; who are men in the county of Middlesex, and other parts, magnis ditati possessionibus. Waterhouse, Comm. on Fortesc. p. 888.

There's a franklin in the wild of Kent, hath brought three hundred marks with him in gold. Shakspeare, K. Hen. IV. P. I.

She can start our franklin's daughters, In their sleep, with shricks and laughters. B. Jonson, Entertainments.

FRA'NKLY. adv. [from frank.] 1. Liberally; freely; kindly; readily.

Oh, were it but my life, I'd throw it down for your deliverance, As frankly as a pin. Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas. If ever any malice in your heart

Were hid against me, now forgive me frankly.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. When they had nothing to pay, he frankly for-

gave them both. St. Luke, vii. 42. By the toughness of the earth the sap cannot get up to spread so frankly as it should do.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. I value my garden more for being full of blackbirds than cherries, and very frankly give them fruit for their songs. Spectator.

2. Without constraint.

The lords mounted their servants upon their own horses; and they, with the voluntiers, who frankly listed themselves, amounted to a body of two hundred and fifty horse.

3. Without reserve.

He entered very frankly into those new designs which were contrived at court. Clarendon.

FRA'NKNESS. n. s. [from frank.]

1. Plainness of speech; openness; ingenuousness.

When the conde duke had some eclaircissement with the duke, in which he made all the protestations of his sincere affection, the other received his protestations with all contempt; and declared, with a very unnecessary frankness, that he would have no friendship with him. Clarendon.

Tom made love to a woman of sense, and al-ways treated her as such during the whole time of courtship; his natural temper and good breeding hindered him from doing any thing disagreeable, as his sincerity and frankness of behaviour made him converse with her before marriage in the same manner he intended to do afterwards.

Addison, Guardian.

Liberality; bounteousness.

3. Freedom from reserve.

He delivered with the frankness of a friend's tongue, word by word, what Kalander had told him touching the strange story.

The ablest men that ever were, have had all an openness and frankness of dealing, and a name of Bacon, Essay. certainty and veracity.

FRANKPLE'DGE. n. s. [franciplegium, Lat. of franc, i.e. liber & pleige, i.e. fidei jussor.] A pledge or surety for freemen. For the ancient custom of England, for the preservation of the publick peace was that every free born man at fourteen years of age, religious persons, clerks, knights, and their eldest sons excepted, should find security for his fidelity to the king, or else be kept in prison: whence it became customary for a certain number of neighbours to be bound for one another, to see each man of their pledge forthcoming at all times, or to answer the transgression of any one absenting himself. This was called frankpledge, and the circuit thereof was called decenna, because it commonly consisted of ten households; and every particular person thus mutually bound, was called decennier. This custom was so strictly observed, that the

to time take the oaths of young ones as they grew to the age of fourteen years, and see that they combined in one dozen or other: this branch of the sheriff's authority was called visus franciplegii, view of frankpledge. Cowel. FRANKS.* n. s. [Lat. Franci.]

1. People of Franconia in Germany; and

the ancient French.

Part of these Sicambers, saith Sebastian Munster, leaving their habitation, where the Rhine entereth into the sea, went up higher, and inhabited about the river of Main, and called themselves Franks. And from these Franks the Franch or Frenchmen are descended; who seem to have been so called, for having chosen, in some sort, to live in more freedom and liberty than some other of the Germans did.

Verstegan, Rest. of Dec. Intell. ch. 1. 2. An appellation given by the Turks, Arabs, and Greeks, to all the people of

the western parts of Europe.

FRA'NTICK. adj. [corrupted from phrenetick, phreneticus, Lat. φεενηλικός, Gr. See FRENETICK.]

1. Mad: deprived of understanding by violent madness; outrageously and turbulently mad.

Far off, he wonders what makes them so glad; Of Bacchus merry fruit they did invent,

Or Cybel's frantick rites have made them mad. Spenser, F. Q.

2. Transported by violence of passion; outrageous; turbulent.

Esteeming, in the frantick errour of their minds, the greatest madness in the world to be wisdom, and the highest wisdom foolishness.

To such height their frantick passion grows, That what both love, both hazard to destroy.

She tears her hair, and frantick in her griefs, Calls out on Lucia. Addison, Cato.

3. Simply mad.

The lover frantick, Sees Helen's beauty in a brow of Egypt. Shaks. FRA'NTICKLY. † adv. [from frantick.] Mad-

ly; distractedly; outrageously.
What wise men do thynke of them that so frantycklye on their ale-benches do prattle, it is easy to conjecture. Bale, Leland's New Year's Gift. Fie, fie, how frantickly I square my talk.

Shakspeare,

Yet still would they his sacred laws transgress-Against their Saviour frantickly rebel.

Sandy's Ps. 78. FRA'NTICKNESS. † n. s. [from frantick.] Madness; fury of passion; distraction.

FRATE'RNAL. adj. [fraternel, French; fraternus, Lat.] Brotherly; pertaining to brothers; becoming brothers.

One shall rise Of proud ambitious heart; who, not content With fair equality, fraternal state,

Will arrogate dominion undeserv'd Over his brethren.

Milton, P. L. The admonitions, fraternal or paternal, of his fellow Christians, or of the governors of the church, then more publick reprehensions; and upon their unsuccessfulness, the censures of the church, until he reform and return. Hammond. Plead it to her,

With all the strength and heats of eloquence Fraternal love and friendship can inspire.

Frate'rnally.† adv. [from fraternal.] In a brotherly manner. Cotgrave.

sheriffs in every county, did from time | FRATE'RNITY. n. s. [fraternité, French: fraternitas, Latin.]

The state or quality of a brother.

2. Body of men united; corporation; society; association; brotherhood.

'Tis a necessary rule in alliances, societies, and fraternities, and all manner of civil contracts, to have a strict regard to the humour of those we have to do withal. 3. Men of the same class or character.

With what terms of respect knaves and sots will speak of their own fraternity. South, Serm. FRATERNIZA'TION.* n. s. [from fraternize.] A sort of brotherhood. See To FRA-

TERNIZE. I hope that no French fraternization, which the relations of peace and amity with systematised regicide would assuredly, sooner or later, draw after them, even if it should overturn our happy constitution itself, could so change the hearts of Englishmen, as to make them delight in representations, and processions, which have no other merit than that of degrading and insulting the Burke on a Regicide Peace. name of royalty.

To FRATE'RNIZE.* v. n. [Fr. fraterniser.] This word has been supposed to have been introduced at the commencement of the French democratical revolution: when pretensions of universal brotherhood were made the cloak of universal villainy. But the word, both in French and English, is at least of two hundred years' age; for thus Cotgrave renders the French fraterniser, "to fraternize, to concur with, to be near unto, to agree as brothers." In the cant of modern philosophy, the verb has been actively employed.

FRA'TRICIDE. † n. s. [fratricide, Fr. fratricidium, Lat.]

1. The murder of a brother.

In an hour and a half we came to a small village called Sinie; just by which is an ancient structure on the top of an high hill, supposed to be the tomb of Abel, and to have given the adjacent country in old times the name of Abilene. The fratricide also is said by some to have been committed in this place. Maundrell, Journ. to Aleppo, p. 134.

2. One who kills a brother.

The infamous fratricide was presently thrown from his usurped greatness.

L. Addison, West. Barbary, p. 16. FRAUD. † n. s. [fraus, Lat. fraus, Cornish; fraude, French.]

1. Deceit; cheat; trick; artifice; subtility; stratagem.

Our better part remains To work in close design, by fraud or guile, What force effected not.

Milton, P. L. None need the frauds of sly Ulysses fear. Dryden, Æn.

If success a lover's toil attends, Who asks if force or fraud obtain'd his ends. Pope.

2. Misfortune; damage. At least our envious foe hath fail'd who thought

All like himself rebellious, by whose aid This inaccessible high strength, the seat Of Deity supreme, us dispossess'd,

He trusted to have seiz'd, and into fraud Drew many, whom their place knows here no Milton, P.L.

To all his angels he propos'd To draw the proud king Ahab into fraud, That he might fall in Ramoth. Milton, P. R. FRA'UDFUL. adj. [fraud and full.] Treacherous; artful; trickish; deceit-

ful; subtle.

The welfare of us all Hangs on the cutting short that fraudful man. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

He, full of fraudful arts, This well-invented tale for truth imparts.

Dryden, Æn. FRA'UDFULLY. adv. [from fraudful.] Deceitfully; artfully; subtilly; treacherously; by stratagem.

n. s. [fraudulentia, Lat.] Deceitfulness; FRA'UDULENCE.† \ n. s. FRA'UDULENCY. \ Lat.] trickishness; proneness to artifice.

We admire the providence of God, in the continuance of Scripture, notwithstanding the endeayours of infidels to abolish, and the fraudulence of hereticks always to deprave the same. Hooker.

The malice, wickedness, and fraudulency of those spirits. M. Casaubon, of Credulity, p. 35.

FRA'UDULENT: adj. [fraudulent, Fr. Cotgrave ; fraudulentus, Latin.

1. Full of artifice; trickish; subtle; deceitful.

He, with serpent tongue, His fraudulent temptation thus began. Milt. P. L. She mix'd the potion, fraudulent of soul; The potion mantled in the golden bowl.

2. Performed by artifice; deceitful; treacherous.

Now thou hast aveng'd Supplanted Adam,

And frustrated the conquest fraudulent. Milton, P.R.

FRA'UDULENTLY. # adv. [from fraudulent.] By fraud; by deceit; by artifice; deceitfully.

The prophete Jeremie pronounceth hym accursed, that doeth his mayster's busynesse fraudu-Woolton, Chr. Man. (1576,) sign. L. 8.

He that by fact, word, or sign, either fraudulently or violently, does hurt to his neighbour, is bound to make restitution.

Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy. FRAUGHT.† particip. pass. [from fraight, now written freight. Dr. Johnson. But this participle is from the Teut. verb, vratchen, "vectare, vehere, et vectura onerare, implere navim, Sax. frachten, Kilian.

1. Laden; charged.

In the narrow seas that part The French and English, there miscarried A vessel of our country, richly fraught. With joy

And tidings fraught, to hell he now return'd. Milton, P. L. And now approach'd their fleet from India,

fraught With all the riches of the rising sun, And precious sand from southern climates brought.

Dryden.

2. Filled: stored; thronged.

The Scripture is fraught even with laws of na-

By this sad Una, fraught with anguish sore, Arriv'd, where they in earth their blood had spilt. Spenser, F. Q.

I am so fraught with curious business, that I leave out ceremony. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. Whosoever hath his mind fraught with many

thoughts, his wits and understanding do clarify and break up in the communicating and discoursing with another.

Hell, their fit habitation, fraught with fire, Bacon.

Unquenchable, the house of woe and pain. Milton, P. L.

Abdallah and Belfora were so fraught with all kinds of knowledge, and possessed with so constant a passion for each other, that their solitude never lay heavy on them. Addison.

FRAUGHT.† n. s. [Teut. vracht; Swed. frakt; Fr. fret, "the freight or fraught of a ship," Cotgrave.] A freight; a

Yield up, oh love, thy crown and parted throne To tyrannous hate! swell, bosom, with thy fraught:
For 'tis of aspick's tongues.

Shaks, Othello. The bark that all our blessings brought, Charg'd with thyself and James, a doubly royal fraught. Dryden.

To FRAUGHT. † v. a. [for freight, by corruption. Dr. Johnson. But see FRAUGHT. Teut. vrachten. 7 To load; to crowd.

Hence from my sight:
If after this command thou fraught the court
With thy unworthiness, thou dy'st. Shaks. Cymb. Being fraughted with sundry base scoffs, and cold amplifications. Bacon, Obs. on a Libel in 1592. Having now full fraughted himself with wealth.

Fuller, Holy State, p. 126 Which shameful libels were fraughted only with odious and scurrilous calumniations.

Sir G. Paul, Life of Abp. Whitgift, p. 52. FRA'UGHTAGE. † n. s. [from fraught.] Lading; cargo. A bad word.

Our fraughtage, sir, I have convey'd abroad. Shaksp. Comedy of Err. On that persuasion am I returned, as to a famous and free port, myself also bound by more than a maritime law, to expose as freely what fraughtage I conceive to bring of no trifles.

Milton, Tetrachordon. FRAY. n. s. [effrayer, to fright, French.] 1. A battle; a fight.

Time tells, that on that ever blessed day, When Christian swords with Persian blood were

The furious prince Tancredie from that fray His coward foes chased through forests wide. Fairfax.

After the bloody fray at Wakefield fought. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

He left them to the fates in bloody fray
To toil and struggle through the well-fought day.

2. A duel; a combat. Since, if we fall before th' appointed day, Nature and death continue long their fray. Denham.

The boaster Paris oft desir'd the day With Sparta's king to meet in single fray.

3. A broil; a quarrel; a riot of violence. I'll speak between the change of man and boy With a reed voice, and turn two mincing steps Into a manly stride; and speak of frays Like a fine bragging youth. Shak. Merch. of Ven. To FRAY. v. a. [effrayer, Fr.]

To fright; to terrify. The panther, knowing that his spotted hide Doth please all beasts, but that his looks them

fray,
Within a bush his dreadful head doth hide, To let them gaze, whilst he on them may prey-

So diversely themselves in vain they fray, Whilst some more bold to measure him stand nigh. Spenser, F. Q. Fishes are thought to be frayed with the mo-

Bacon, Nat. Hist. These vultures prey only on carcases, on such stupid minds as have not life and vigour to fray Gov. of the Tongue. them away.

tion caused by noise upon the water.

[frayer, Fr.] To rub; to wear.
Six round-about aprons with pockets, and four striped muslin night-rails very little frayed. Tatler, No. 245.

3. To burnish, as a deer his head, by Cotgrave. rubbing.

A deer is said to fray her head, when she rubs it against a tree. Whalley, Notes on B. Jonson.

FRA'YING.* n. s. [from fray.] Peel of a deer's horn.

For by his slot, his entries, and his port, His frayings, fewmets, he doth promise sport. B. Jonson, Sad Shepherd.

FREAK.† n. s. [frech, German, saucy, petulant; ppæc, Saxon, fugitive. Dr. Johnson.—Wachter defines the German frech by the Latin nimis liber; i.e. too free, deducing it from the Sax. meah, free. But may it not be from the Icel. freka, to quicken motion, to hasten; Sax. rpician, to dance?

1. A sudden and causeless change of place. 2. A sudden fancy; a humour; a whim; a capricious prank.

O! but I fear the fickle freaks, quoth she, Of fortune, and the odds of arms in field.

When that freak has taken possession of a fantastical head, the distemper is incurable. L'Estr.

She is restless and peevish, and sometimes in a freak will instantly change her habitation.

Spectator. To vex me more, he took a freak To slit my tongue, and make me speak. Swift.

To FREAK. v. a. [a word, I suppose, Scotch, brought into England by Thomson, Dr. Johnson says. The word is not Scotch. Nor is our language indebted to Thomson for it. It had been used, nearly a century before his time, by Milton. And Milton, who loved our ancient language, might adopt this verb from the old word freken, a freckle or spot. See Freckle.] To variegate; to chequer.

The white pink, and the pansy freak'd with jet. Milton, Lycidas.

There furry nations harbour: Sables of glossy black, and dark embrown'd, Or beauteous, freak'd with many a mingled hue. Thomson.

FRE'AKISH. † adj. [from freak.] Capricious; humoursome.

Folly is freakish and humourous.

Barrow, vol. i. S. 1. One grain of true sense and true wisdom, in real worth and use, doth outweigh loads of freakish Barrow, Serm. on Ephes. v. 4. It may be a question, whether the wife or the

woman was the more freakish of the two; for she was still the same uneasy fop. L'Estrange.

FRE'AKISHLY. adv. [from freakish.] Capriciously; humoursomely.

FRE'AKISHNESS. † n. s. [from freakish.] Capriciousness; humoursomeness; whimsicalness.

Some of the Cartesians bid fair towards this freakishness.

Annot. on the Disc. of Truth, (1683,) p. 175. To FREAM. v. n. [fremere, Latin ; fremir,

French.] To growl or grunt as a boar.

FRE'CKLE. n. s. [flech, a spot, German ; whence fleckle, freckle. Dr. Johnson. Our old word is freken or fraken. Thus in the ancient dictionary of Huloet: " Freken, a mole or spot in the body or face." And thus Chaucer: " A few fraknes in his face yspreint." Kn. Tale. Mr. Tyrwhitt says, the word is Saxon; but he produces no proof. Fraken, I may add, is rendered in our old lexicography " Lentigo, id est, vestigium parvularum macularum in facie, scilicet lenticulæ."]

1. A spot raised in the skin by the sun. Ruddy his lips, and fresh and fair his hue; Some sprinkled freckles on his face were seen, Whose dusk set off the whiteness of the skin. Dryden.

2. Any small spot or discolouration. The cowslips tall her pensioners be;

In their gold coats spots you see: Those be rubies fairy favours; In those freckles live their favours.

Shakspeare, Mids. N. Dream. The farewell frosts and easterly winds now spot your tulips; therefore cover such with mats, to Evelyn. prevent freckles.

FRE'CKLED. † adj. [from freckle.] Spotted; maculated; discoloured with small spots. It is a freckled spot that groweth in the skin. Levit. xiii. 39.

Sometimes we'll angle at the brook, The freckled trout to take

With silken worms. Drayton, Cynthia. The even mead that erst brought sweetly forth

The freckled cowslip Wanting the scythe, all uncorrected, rank, Conceives by idleness. Shakspeare, Hen. V. Now thy face charms ev'ry shepherd,

Spotted over like a leopard; And, thy freckled neck display'd,

Envy breeds in ev'ry maid. FRE'CKLEDNESS.* n. s. [from freckle.] The state of being freckled; as, "freckled-

Sherwood. ness of the face." FRE'CKLEFACED.* adj. [freckle and face.] Having a face full of freckles.

He that's freckle-fac'd.

Beaum. and Fl. Two Noble Kinsmen.

FRE'CKLY. † adj. [from freckle.] Full of Sherwood. freckles.

FRED. The same with peace; upon which our forefathers called their sanctuaries fredstole, i. e. the seats of peace. So Frederic is powerful or wealthy in peace; Winfred, victorious peace; Rein-Gibson's Camden. fred, sincere peace.

FREE.† adj. [greah, greo, Saxon; vry, Dutch; frija, Gothick. "Vox antiquissima." Serenius.]

1. At liberty; not a vassal; not enslaved; not a prisoner; not dependant.

A free nation is that which has never been conquered, or thereby entered into any conditions of subjection. Temple.

Free, what, and fetter'd with so many chains? Dryden. How can we think any one freer than to have

the power to do what he will? Locke. This wretched body trembles at your pow'r: Thus far could fortune; but she can no more:

Free to herself my potent mind remains, Nor fears the victor's rage, nor feels his chains.

Prior. Set an unhappy pris'ner free, Who ne'er intended harm to thee.

2. Uncompelled; unrestrained.

Their use of meats was not like unto our ceremonies, that being a matter of private action in common life, where every man was free to order that which himself did; but this is a publick constitution for the ordering of the church. Hooker. Do faithful homage, and receive free honours, All which we pine for now. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

It was free, and in my choice whether or no I hould publish these discourses; yet the publication being once resolved, the dedication was not so in-

3. Not bound by fate; not necessitated. Freely they stood who stood, and fell who fell: Not free, what proof could they have giv'n sincere Of true allegiance, constant faith, or love, Where only what they needs must do, appear'd;

Not what they would?
4. Permitted; allowed. Milton, P. R.

Why, sir, I pray, are not the streets as free For me as for you? Shak. Tam. of the Shrew. Defaming as impure what God declares Pure; and commands to some, leaves free to all.

Milton, P. L. To gloomy cares my thoughts alone are free,

Ill the gay sports with troubled thoughts agree.

5. Licentious; unrestrained. O conspiracy!

Sham'st thou to shew thy dang'rous brow by night,

When evils are most free. Shaksp. Jul. Cæs. Physicians are too free upon the subject, in the conversation of their friends. Temple.

The criticks have been very free in their cen-I know there are two whose presumptuous

thoughts Those freer beauties, ev'n in them, seem faults.

6. Open; ingenuous; frank.

Castalio, I have doubts within my heart; Will you be free and candid to your friend?

Otway, Orphan.

7. Acquainted; conversing without re-'Tis not to make me jealous;

To say my wife is fair, feeds well, loves company, Is free of speech, sings, plays, and dances well, Where virtue is, these make more virtuous. Shakspeare, Othello.

Being one day very free at a great feast, he suddenly broke forth into a great laughter.

Hakewill on Providence.

Free and familiar with misfortune grow, Be us'd to sorrow, and inur'd to woe.

8. Liberal; not parsimonious; with of. Glo'ster too, a foe to citizens

O'ercharging your free purses with large fines, That seeks to overthrow religion. Shaksp. Hen. IV. No statute in his favour says

How free or frugal I shall pass my days; I, who at sometimes spend as others spare.

Pope, Horace. Alexandrian verses, of twelve syllables, should never be allowed but when some remarkable beauty or propriety in them atones for the liberty: Mr. Dryden has been too free of these in his latter

Frank; not gained by importunity; not purchased.

We wanted words to express our thanks: his noble free offers left us nothing to ask.

Bacon, New Atlantis. 10. Clear from distress.

Who alone suffers, suffers most i'th' mind, Leaving free things and happy shows behind. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

11. Guiltless; innocent. Make mad the guilty, and appall the free, Confound the ign'rant. Shakspeare, Hamlet. My hands are guilty, but my heart is free. Dry.

12. Exempt: with of anciently; more properly from.

These

Are such allow'd infirmities, that honesty Is never free of. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. Who fears not to do ill, yet fears the name;

And free from conscience, is a slave to fame. Den. Let envy, then, those crimes within you see. From which the happy never must be free. Dryd.

Their steeds around. Free from the harness, graze the flow'ry ground.

Druden. The will, free from the determination of such desires, is left to the pursuit of nearer satisfactions.

13. Invested with franchises; possessing any thing without vassalage; admitted to the privileges of any body: with of. He therefore makes all birds of every sect

Free of his farm, with promise to respect Their several kinds alike, and equally protect.

What dost thou make a-shipboard? To what end Art thou of Bethlem's noble college free? Stark-staring mad, that thou should'st tempt the sea?

14. Without expence; by charity, as a free school.

Countenance all legal, allowed, free grammarschools, by causing, as much as in you lies, the youth of the nation to be bred up there.

South, Serm. v. 48

15. Accomplished; genteel; charming. [a very ancient application of free to our females; Su. Goth. and Icel. frid, handsome; Germ. frey. Ihre says, that fru once denoted, exclusively, a woman of rank. See Frow. Dr. Johnson overpasses the present sense of free.] Fayre yong Venus, fresh and free.

Chaucer, Kn. Tale. Now were they liegemen to this ladie free, [the fair Britomart.] Spenser, F. Q. iii. i. 44. I meant to make her fair, and free, and wise,

Of greatest blood, and yet more good than great. B. Jonson on Lucy, Counters of Bedford.

16. Ready; eager. We still use the phrase, "a free horse."

Raunging the forest wide on courser free.

Spenser, F.Q. i. ix. 12. To Free. v. a. [from the adjective.]

1. To set at liberty; to rescue from slavery or captivity; to manumit; to

The child was prisoner to the womb, and is By law and process of great nature thence Free'd and enfranchis'd; not a party to The anger of the king, nor guilty of, If any be, the trespass of the queen. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

He recovered the temple, free'd the city, and upheld the laws which were going down.

2 Mac. ii, 22.

Canst thou no other master understand, Than him that free'd thee by the pretor's wand?

Should thy coward tongue Spread its cold poison through the martial throng, My jav'lin shall revenge so base a part, And free the soul that quivers in thy heart. Pope.

To rid from; to clear from any thing

ill: with of or from. It is no marvail, that he could think of no better way to be free'd of these inconveniences the pas-

sions of those meetings gave him, than to dissolve Clarendon.

Free'd Erymanthus from the foaming boar. Dryd. Our land is from the rage of tygers free'd. Dryden, Virg.

3. To clear from impediments or obstructions.

The chaste Sibylla shall your steps convey,

And blood of offer'd victims free the way. Dryden. Fierce was the fight; but hast'ning to his prey, By force the furious lover free'd his way. Dryden.

This master key Frees every lock, and leads us to his person. Dryd. 4. To banish; to send away; to rid. Not in use.

We may again

Give to our tabels meat, sleep to our nights, Free from our feasts and banquets bloody knives. Shakspeare.

Never any sabbath of release Could free his travels and afflictions deep. Daniel.

5. To exempt.

For he that is dead is free'd from sin. Rom. vi. 7.

FREEBO'OTER. + n. s. [free and booty. Dr. Johnson. Our word, it may be added, is, in French, flibutier or flibustier; sometimes also written fribustier. And our old orthography is freebutter. See Sidney State-Papers, vol. 2. p. 78. "The freebutters of Flushenge spoyle all the contribution." Lett. in 1597.] A robber; a plunderer; a pillager.

Perkin was not followed by any English of name, his forces consisted mostly of base people and freeboters, fitter to spoil a coast than to recover a kingdom.

The earl of Warwick had, as often as he met with any Irish frigates, or such freebooters as sailed under their commission, taken all the sea-Clarendon

FREEBO'OTING. n. s. Robbery; plunder; the act of pillaging.

Under it he may cleanly convey any fit pillage, that cometh handsomely in his way; and when he goeth abroad in the night on freebooting, it is his best and surest friend. Spenser on Ireland.

FRE'EBORN. n. s. [free and born. Sax. rpeo-beapn.] Not a slave; inheriting liberty.

The chief captain answered. With a great sum obtained I this freedom. And Paul said, But I Acts, xxii. 28. was free-born.

This is true liberty, when freeborn men, Having to advise the publick, may speak free.

Milton, Tr. from Euripides. O baseness, to support a tyrant's throne, And crush your freeborn brethren of the world!

I shall speak my thoughts like a freeborn subject, such things perhaps as no Dutch commentator

could, and I am sure no Frenchman durst. Dryden, Æn. Dedic.

Dryden

Shall freeborn men, in humble awe, Submit to servile shame;

Who from consent and custom draw The same right to be rul'd by law. Which kings pretend to reign?

FREECHA'PEL. n.s. [free and chapel.] Such chapels as are of the king's foundation, and by him exempted from the jurisdiction of the ordinary. The king may also license a subject to found such a chapel, and by his charter exempt it from the ordinary's visitation. Cowel.

FREECO'ST. n. s. [free and cost.] Without expence; free from charges.

We must not vouch any man for an exact master in the rules of our modern policy, but such a one as has brought himself so far to hate and despise the absurdity of being kind upon freecost, as not so much as to tell a friend what it is o'clock for nothing.

To FREE-DE'NIZEN.* v. a. [free and denizen, or denison. To make free.

No worldly respects can free-denizen a Christian here, and of "peregrinus" make him "civis." Bp. Hall, Rem. p.202.

FREE-DE'NIZEN.* n. s. A citizen.

Plato thought it meet, that in every city or commonweal, as often as any good or harm did happen to any citizen or freedenizon thereof, it should not be counted that man's good or harm only, but the good or harm of the whole city.

Dr. Jackson, Works, iii. 619. FRE'EDMAN. n. s. [free and man.] A slave manumitted. Libertus.

The freedman jostles, and will be preferr'd; First come, first serv'd, he cries. Dryden, Juv.

FRE'EDOM. † n. s. [Sax. physom, pheosom.] 1. Liberty; exemption from servitude; independence.

The laws themselves they do specially rage at, as most repugnant to their liberty and natural Spenser on Ireland.

O freedom ! first delight of human kind! Not that which bondmen from their masters find, The privilege of doles; not yet t' inscribe Their names in this or t'other Roman tribe: That false enfranchisement with ease is found; Slaves are made citizens by turning round. Dryden, Pers.

2. Privileges; franchises; immunities. By our hold sabbath have I sworn To have the due and forfeit of my bond :

If you deny it, let the danger light Upon your charter, and your city's freedom. Shaks. 3. Power of enjoying franchishes.

This prince first gave freedom to servants, so as to become citizens of equal privileges with the rest, which very much increased the power of the

4. Exemption from fate, necessity, or predetermination.

I else must change Their nature, and revoke the high decree Unchangeable, eternal, which ordain'd Their freedom : they themselves ordain'd their fall. Milton, P.L.

In every sin, by how much the more free will is in its choice, by so much is the act the more sinful; and where there is nothing to importune, urge, or provoke the will to any act, there is so much an higher and perfecter degree of freedom about that

5. Unrestraint.

I will that all the feasts and sabbaths shall be all days of immunity and freedom for the Jews in my 1 Mac. x. realm.

6. The state of being without any particular evil or inconvenience.

The freedom of their state lays them under a greater necessity of always chusing and doing the best things.

7. Ease or facility in doing or showing any thing.

8. Assumed familiarity; a colloquial expression: in which sense the plural is used; as, he will not suffer any freedoms to be taken with him.

FREEFO'OTED. adj. [free and foot.] Not restrained in the march.

We will fetters put upon this fear, Which now goes too freefooted. Shaksp. Hamlet.

FREEHE'ARTED. adj. [free and heart.] Liberal; unrestrained.

A freehearted woman, and a chaste.

Homilies, Of the State of Matrimony.
Sir Roger Aston, an Englishman born, but had
his breeding wholly in Scotland, and had served the king many years as his barber; an honest and freehearted man.

Sir A. Weldon, Court of K. James, p. 4. Love must freehearted be, and voluntary; And not inchanted, or by fate constrain'd. Davies.

FRE'EHOLD. n. s. [free and hold.] That land or tenement which a man holdeth in fee, fee-tail, or for term of life. Freehold in deed is the real possession of lands or tenements in fee, fee-tail, or for life. Freehold in law is the right that a man has to such land or tenements before his entry or seisure. Freehold is sometimes taken in opposition to villenage. Land, in the time of the Saxons, was called either bockland, that is holden by book or writing, or folkland, that is, holden without writing. The former was held by far better conditions, and by the better sort of tenants, as noblemen and gentlemen, being such as we now call freehold. The latter was commonly in the possession of clowns, being that which we now call at the will of the lord.

No alienation of lands holden in chief should be available, touching the freehold or inheritance thereof, but only where it were made by matter of Bacon, Off. of Alienation.

There is an unspeakable pleasure in calling any thing one's own: a freehold, though it be but in ice and snow, will make the owner pleased in the possession, and stout in the defence of it.

Addison. Freeholder. My friends here are very few, and fixed to the freehold from whence nothing but death will remove them. Swift.

I should be glad to possess a freehold that could not be taken from me by any law to which I did not give consent.

FRE'EHOLDER. n. s. [from freehold.] One who has a freehold.

As extortion did banish the old English freeholder, who could not live but under the law; so the law did banish the Irish lord, who could not live but by extortion.

FRE'ELY. † adv. [from free. Sax. ppeolice.] 1. At liberty; without vassalage; without slavery; without dependence.

2. Without restraint; heartily; with full

If my son were my husband, I would freelier rejoice in that absence wherein he won honour, than in the embracements of his bed, where he would shew most love. Shakspeare, Coriol.

The vilest persons breathing have passed their lives freely and jocundly, without the least mis-giving or suspicion about their eternal concerns, who yet at length have met with a full payment of wrath and vengeance in the other world for all their confidence and jollity in this.

South Serm. ix. 36.

3. Plentifully; lavishly.

I pledge your grace; and if you knew what pains I have bestow'd to breed this present peace,

You would drink freely. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

4. Without scruple; without reserve. Let such teach others who themselves excel, And censure freely who have written well. Pope.

5. Without impediment.

To follow rather the Goths in rhyming than the Greeks in true versifying, were even to eat acorns with swine, when we may freely eat wheat-bread among men.

The path to peace is virtue: what I show, Thyself may freely on thyself bestow:

Fortune was never worshipp'd by the wise; But set aloft by fools, usurps the skies.

6. Without necessity; without predeter-

mination. Freely they stood who stood, and fell who fell. Milton, P. L.

He leaves us to chuse with the liberty of reasonable beings: they who comply with his grace,

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comply with it freely; and they who reject it, do also freely reject it.

7. Frankly; liberally; without cost. By nature all things have an equally common use: nature freely and indifferently opens the bosom of the universe to all mankind.

8. Spontaneously; of its own accord.

FRE'EMAN. n. s. [free and man.] 1. One not a slave; not a vassal.

Had you rather Cæsar were living, and die all slaves, than that Cæasar were dead, to live all

If to break loose from the conduct of reason, and to want that restraint of examination and judgement which keeps us from chusing or doing the worse, be liberty, true liberty, mad men and fools are only the freemen. Locke.

2. One partaking of rights, privileges, or immunities.

He made us freemen of the continent,

Whom nature did like captives treat before. Dryden. What this union was is expressed in the preceding verse, by their both having been made freemen on the same day. Addison on Italy.

FREEMA'SON.* See MASON.

FREEMI'NDED. adj. [free and mind.] Unperplexed; without load of care.

To be freeminded, and cheerfully disposed at hours of meat, sleep, and exercise, is one of the best precepts of long lasting.

Fre'eness. n. s. [from free. Sax. pniz-

1. The state or quality of being free. Besides this largeness in the will of man And winged freeness, now let's think upon

His understanding. More, Song of the Soul, ii. iii. 9. 2. Openness; unreservedness; ingenuousness; candour.

The reader may pardon it, if he please, for the freeness of the confession.

Dryden.

3. Generosity; liberality.

I hope it will never be said that the laity, who by the clergy are taught to be charitable, shall in their corporations exceed the clergy itself, and their sons, in freeness of giving.

FRE'ER.* n. s. [from free.] One who gives Sherwood.

FREESCHO'OL. n. s. [free and school.] A school in which learning is given without

To give a civil education to the youth of this land in the time to come, provision was made by another law, that there should be one freeschool at least erected in every diocess.

Two clergymen stood candidates for a small freeschool; a gentleman who happened to have a better understanding than his neighbours, procured the place for him who was the better scholar. Swift.

FREESPO'KEN. † adj. [free and spoken.] Accustomed to speak without reserve.

Nerva one night supped privately with some six or seven; amongst whom there was one that was a dangerous man, and began to take the like courses as Marcellus and Regulus had done: the emperor fell into discourse of the injustice and tyranny of the former time, and, by name, of the two accusers; and said, what should we do with them, if we had them now? One of them that was at supper, and was a freespoken senator, said, Marry, they should sup with us. These freespoken and plainhearted men, that are

the eyes of their country. Milton, Anim. Rem. Defence.

The old freespoken shepherd, or those mercenary More against Idolatry. Pref. flatterers.

FRE'ESTONE. † n. s. [free and stone.] Stone commonly used in building, and dug up in many parts of England; so called to be dug up freely in any direction.

Chambers. Freestone is so named from its being of such a constitution as to be wrought and cut freely in any

I saw her hand: she has a leathern hand, a

freestone-coloured hand. Shakspeare, As you like it.

The streets are generally paved with brick or freestone, and always kept very neat.

Addison on Italy.

FREETHI'NKER. v. s. [free and think.] A libertine; a contemner of religion.

Atheist is an old-fashioned word: I'm a freethinker, child.

Of what use is freedom of thought, if it will not produce freedom of action, which is the sole end, how remote soever in appearance, of all objections against Christianity? And therefore the freethinkers consider it as an edifice, wherein all the parts have such a mutual dependence on each other, that if you pull out one single nail, the whole fabrick must fall to the ground.

Swift, Arg. against abolishing Christianity. FREETHI'NKING.* n. s. [free and think.] Contempt of religion; licentious igno-

Are we not grown drunk and giddy with vice, and vanity, and presumption, and freethinking, and

extravagance of every kind?

Bp. Berkeley, Serm. Feb. 18. 1731. We see France and Italy overrun with the worst kind of deism. There our travelling gentry first picked it up for a rarity. And indeed, at first, without much malice. It was brought home in a cargo of new fashions; and worn, for some time with that levity by the importers, and treated with that contempt by the rest, as suited and was due to the apishness of foreign manners; till a set of solemn blockheads, grown insolent by liberty, and malicious by unsuccessful attempts towards distinction, abused the indulgence of a free government, in reducing those vague impleties into a system. And so it was, that licentious ignorance came to be distinguished with the name of free-Warburton, Serm. in 1746. FREETO'NGUED.* adj. [free and tongue.]

Accustomed to speak freely and openly. Where ministers depend upon voluntary benevolences, if they do but, upon some just reproof, gall the conscience of a guilty hearer; or preach some truth, which disrelishes the palate of a prepossessed auditor; how he straight flies out! and not only withholds his own pay, but also withdraws the contributions of others; so as the freetongued preacher must either live by air, or be forced to change his pasture.

Bp. Hall, Cases of Consc. D. iii. C. 7. Freewa'rren.* n. s. [free, and warren.] A privilege of preserving and killing

game. See WARREN. Freewarren is a franchise erected for preservation of beasts and fowls, of war-Blackstone.

FREEWI'LL. n. s. [free and will.]

1. The power of directing our own actions without constraint by necessity or fate, We have a power to suspend the prosecution of

this or that desire: this seems to me the source of all liberty! in this seems to consist that which is improperly called freewill. 2. Voluntariness; spontaneity.

I make a decree, that all they of the people of Israel in my realm, which are minded of their own

freewill to go up to Jerusalem, go with thee Ezra, vii. 13. FREEWO'MAN. n. s. [free and woman.] A woman not enslaved.

All her ornaments are taken away of a freewoman; she is become a bondslave. 1 Mac. ii. 11.

from its being of such a constitution, as | To FREEZE. v. n. preter. froze. [vrieson, Dutch.

1. To be congealed with cold.

The aqueous humour of the eye will not freeze, which is very admirable, seeing it hath the perspicuity and fluidity of common water.

Ray on the Creation. The freezing of water, or the blowing of a plant, returning at equidistant periods in all parts of the earth, would as well serve men to reckon their years by as the motions of the sun.

2. To be of that degree of cold by which water is congealed.

Orpheus with his lute made trees And mountain tops, that freeze Bow themselves when he did sing.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. Thou art all ice, thy kindness freezes.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. Heav'n froze above severe, the clouds congeal, And through the crystal vault appear'd the standing

To FREEZE. v. a. pret. froze, and formerly, freezed; part. frozen or froze.

1. To congeal with cold.

O'er many a frozen, many a fiery Alp. Milton, P. L.

2. To kill by cold. When we both lay in the field,

Frozen almost to death, how did he lap me, Ev'n in his garments! Shakspeare, Rich. III. My master and mistress are almost frozen to death.

Shakspeare. 3. To chill by the loss of power or motion.

I have a faint cold fear thrills through my veins, That almost freezes up the heat of life Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul.

What was that snaky-headed Gorgan shield, That wise Minerva wore, unconquer'd virgin, Wherewith she freez'd her foes to congeal'd stone?

Death came on amain, And exercis'd below his iron reign; Then upward to the seat of life he goes; Sense fled before him, what he touch'd he froze.

To FREIGHT. † v. a. preter. freighted; part. fraught; which being now used as an adjective, freighted is adopted. [fretter, French. Dr. Johnson. Rather the Teut. vrachten. See To FRAUGHT. Icel. fracke, "rudens, à fretten, onerare." Wachter.]

1. To load a ship or vessel of carriage with goods for transportation.

The princes
Have to the port of Athens sent their ships, Fraught with the ministers and instruments Of cruel war. Shakspeare, Troil. and Cress. Prol. Nor is, indeed, that man less mad than these,

Who freights a ship to venture on the seas; With one frail interposing plank to save From certain death, roll'd on by ev'ry wave,

Dryden, Juv. Freighted with iron, from my native land I steer my voyage. Pope, Odyssey.

2. To load as the burthen; to be the thing with which a vessel is freighted. I would

Have sunk the sea within the earth, or ere It should the good ship so have swallow'd, and The freighting souls within her. Shaks. Tempest.

FREIGHT. n. s.

1. Any thing with which a ship is loaded. He clears the deck, receives the mighty freight; The leaky vessel groans beneath the weight.

Dryden, Æn.

2. The money due for transportation of goods.

FRE'IGHTER. † n.s. [fretteur, French.] One who freights a vessel.

The ship, the goods, the freighters, being all free. Sir L. Jenkins's Life and Lett. vol. 2. p. 724.

FREM.* See FRAM.

FRE'MMED * adj. Pronounced frem'd. [Dan. fremmet, German and Sax. frem'd.] Strange; not related; foreign; uncommon. Craven Dial. and Brockett's N. C. Words. Inimical, as well as strange.

Wilbraham's Cheshire Gloss, and Grose. FREN. † n. s. [Dr. Johnson offers no etymology. The German fremd, Dutch, vremd, and Sax. ppemb, signify an alien, a stranger, " from the preposition rpam, or ppa, from." Ray. Chaucer thus uses fremde or fremed for strange. But the contemporary commentator on Spenser considers fren as a contraction of foreign: "Frenne, a stranger. The word I thinke was first poetically put, and and afterward used in common custome of speech for forrene." Notes on the Shep. Cal. April. A stranger. An old word wholly forgotten here; but retained in Scotland.

But now from me his madding mind is start, And wooes the widow's daughter of the glen; So now fair Rosalind hath bred his smart: So now his friend is changed for a fren.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. FRENCH.* n. s.

1. The people of France. [Franci, Lat.] From the Franks the Franch or Frenchmen are descended, who seem to have been so called for having chosen in some sort to live in more freedom and liberty, than some other of the Germans did. Verstegan, Rest. of Dec. Intell. ch. 1.

I come to the French, a people breathing liberty, by the very derivation of their name.

Bewailing of the Peace of Germany, p. 110,

2. The language of the French.

The present French is composed of Latin, German, and the old Gaulick. Camden, Rem. Camden, Rem The English of Chaucer has a great mixture of French in it.

Tyrwhitt on the Lang. and Versif. of Chaucer. FRENCH.* adj. Belonging to the character or language of the French.

Liveliness and assurance are, in a peculiar manner, the qualifications of the French nation.

Addison, Spect. No. 435. We have few Latin words among the terms of domestick use, which are not French; but many French, which are very remote from Latin.

Johnson, Pref. to his Dictionary.

FRENCH Chalk. n. s.

French chalk is an indurated clay, extremely dense, of a smooth glossy surface, and soft and unctuous to the touch; of a greyish white colour, variegated with a dusky green.

Frenck chalk is unctuous to the touch, as steatites is, but harder, and nearer approaching the con-Wooodward. sistence of stone.

FRENCH Grass.* n. s. Saint-foin; so named, as coming originally to this country from France.

FRENCH Horn.* n. s. [French, corne de chasse. A musical instrument of the wind kind, used in hunting; and in modern times employed, with fine effect, in regular concerts.

As the road led them by degrees towards the extremity of the moor, they heard, at a distance, the sound of a French-horn; which a little revived Tugwell's spirits, though it revived at the same | 2. Concourse; full assembly. time the jeopardy he had been in amongst the stag-Graves, Spirit. Quix. x. 7.

To FRE'NCHIFY. v. a. [from French.] To infect with the manner of France; to

make a coxcomb.

They misliked nothing more in king Edward the Confessor than that he was frenchified; and accounted the desire of foreign language then to be a foretoken of bringing in foreign powers, which indeed happened. Camden, Rem. Has he familiarly

Dislik'd your yellow starch, or said your doublet Was not exactly frenchified?

Beaum and Fl. Qu. of Corinth.

FRE'NCHLIKE.* adj. [French and like.] Imitating the French fashion. His hair Frenchlike stares on his frighted head.

FRE'NETICK.† adj. [frenetique, French; φρενητικός; generally therefore written phrenetick; and sometimes frentick; as, "frentike persons," Huloet's Dict.] 3. Full of concourse.

Mad; distracted. Sometimes he shuts up, as in frenetick or infectious diseases. Milton, Reas. of Ch. Gov. B. 2. A foreign, frentick, and unlucky proud king. Hakewill on Providence, p. 394

He himself impotent,

By means of his frenetick malady. Daniel, Civil Wars.

Fre'nzical.* adj. [from frenzy.] Approaching to madness.

The narrowness of her income, the coldness of her lover, the loss of her reputation, all contributed to make her miserable, and to encrease the frenzical disposition of her mind. Orrery on Swift, p. 112.

Fre'nzy. † n. s. [Φρενίτις; phrenitis, Latin: whence phrenetisy, phrenetsy, phrenzy, or frenzy; Fr. frenaisie. Chaucer writes our word frenseie.] Madness; distraction of mind; alienation of understanding; any violent passion approaching to madness.

That knave, Ford, hath the finest mad devil of jealousy in him that ever governed frenzy. Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor.

True fortitude is seen in great exploits, That justice warrants, and that wisdom guides; All else is touring frenzy and distraction.

Addison, Cato. Why such a disposition of the body induceth sleep, another disturbs all the operations of the soul, and occasions a lethargy or frenzy: this knowledge exceeds our narrow faculties. Bentley.

FRE'QUENCE. † n. s. [frequence, old Fr. frequentia, Latin.]

1. Crowd: concourse; assembly. The frequence of degree,

From high to low throughout. Shaksp. Timon.

I was encouraged with a sufficient frequence of auditors.

Bp. Hall, Spec. of his Life, p. 11.

2. Repetition.

I might here have done with the frequence; but let me add this one consideration more, that often inculcation of warning necessarily implies a Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 5. danger. He, in full frequence bright

Of angels, thus to Gabriel smiling spake. Milton, P. L.

FRE'QUENCY. n. s. [frequentia, Latin.]

1. Common occurrence; the condition of being often seen or done.

Should a miracle be indulged to one, others would think themselves equally intitled to it; and if indulged to many, it would no longer have the effect of a miracle; its force and influence would be lost by the frequency of it. Atterbury.

Thou cam'st ere while into the senate: who Of such a frequency, so many friends And kindred thou hast here, saluted thee?

B. Jonson, Catiline. FRE'QUENT. † adj. [frequent, French; frequens, Latin.]
1. Often done; often seen; often oc-

curring.

The frequenter these times are, the better. Duty of Man.

An ancient and imperial city falls; The streets are fill'd with frequent funerals. Dryden, Æn.

Frequent herses shall besiege your gates. 2. Used often to practise any thing.

The Christians of the first times were generally

frequent in the practice of it. Duty of Man. Every man thinks he may pretend to any employment, provided he has been loud and frequent in declaring himself hearty for the government.

'Tis Cæsar's will to have a frequent senate. B. Jonson, Sejanus.

The purpose of this frequent senate Is, first, to give thanks to the gods of Rome. Massinger, Roman Actor.

A thousand demigods on golden seats, Frequent and full. Milton, P. L.

To FRE'QUENT. v. a. [frequento, Latin; frequenter, French.] To visit often; to be much in any place; to resort often to; to haunt.

They in latter day, Finding in it fit ports for fisher's trade,

Gan more the same frequent, and further to invade. Spenser, F. Q.

There were synagogues for men to resort unto: our Saviour himself and the apostles frequented

This fellow here, this thy creature, By night frequents my house. Shaksp. Timon. At that time this land was known and frequented by the ships and vessels. With tears

Watering the ground, and with our sighs the air Frequenting, sent from hearts contrite, in sign Of sorrow unfeign'd, and humiliation meek.

Milton, P. I. To serve my friends, the senate I frequent;

And there what I before digested, vent. Denh. That he frequented the court of Augustus, and was well received in it, is most undoubted. Dryd.

FREQUE'NTABLE. adj. [from frequent.] Conversable; accessible. A word not now used, but not inelegant.

While youth lasted in him, the exercises of that age and his humour, not yet fully discovered, made him somewhat the more frequentable, and less dangerous.

FREQUENTA'TION.* n. s. [Fr. frequent-ation; Lat. frequentatio.] Resort; the act of visiting.

We are separated from other nations, to the end we be not polluted with sin by their frequentation and company.

Donne, Hist. of the Septuagint, p. 100. These inhabitants were much more civilized, than those of the inland country, by the commerce and frequentation of other nations.

Temple, Introd. Hist. of Eng. p. 7.

FREQUE'NTATIVE. adj. [frequentatif, Fr.; frequentativus, Latin.] A grammatical term applied to verbs signifying the frequent repetition of an action.

FREQUE'NTER. + n. s. [from frequent.] One who often resorts to any place.

Daily frequenters of publick prayers.

Dr. Jackson, Works, iii. 60.

Persons under bad imputations are no great frequenters of churches.

Swift.

FRE'QUENTLY. adv. [frequenter, Latin.]
Often; commonly; not rarely; not seldom: a considerable number of times; manifold times.

I could not, without much grief observe how frequently both gentlemen and ladies are at a loss for questions and answers, Swift.

FRE'SCO.† n. s. [Italian.]

1. Coolness; shade; duskiness, like that of the evening or morning.

Hellish sprites
Love more the freeso of the nights.

2. A picture not drawn in glaring light, but in dusk. Dr. Johnson. — But it is a painting on fresh plaster, or on a wall laid with mortar not yet dry; and, being used for alcoves and other buildings in the open air, obtained from the Italians this name of freeso.

The spaces, that lie between, are painted in fresco, by the same hand that has enriched my ceiling.

Tatler, No.179.

Here thy well-study'd marbles fix our eye; A fading fresco here demands a sigh. Pope.

3. It has been sometimes used for any cool, refreshing liquor.

FRESH.† adj. [Frerc, Saxon; fresche, old Fr. fraische, mod. Fr. frisch, Teut.]
1. Cool; not vapid with heat.

I'll cull the farthest mead for thy repast;
The choicest herbs I to thy board will bring,
And draw thy water from the freshest spring,

2. Not salt.

They keep themselves unmixt with the salt water; so that, a very great way within the sea, men may take up as fresh water as if they were near the land.

Abbot, Descript. of the World.

New; not had before.

No borrowed bays his temples did adorn, But to our crown he did fresh jewels bring. Dryd.

4. New; not impaired by time.

The fame of a good knight would ever live Fresh on my memory.

Heaum. and Fl. Kn. of Malta.

This second source of men, while yet but few,
And while the dread of judgment past remain
Fresh in their minds, fearing the Deity,
With some regard to what is just and right,
Shall lead their lives.

Milton, P. L.

That love which first was set, will first decay; Mine of a fresher date will longer stay.

Dryden, Indian Emp. 5. In a state like that of recentness.

We will revive those times, and in our memories Preserve and still keep fresh, like flowers in water.

With such a care
As roses from their stalks we tear,
When we would still preserve them new,
And fresh as on the bush they grew. Waller.
Thou sun, said I, fair light!
And thou enlighten'd earth, so fresh and gay!
Think not, 'cause men flatt'ring say.

Think not, 'cause men flatt'ring say, Y' are as fresh as April, sweet as May, Bright as is the morning star, That you are so.

That you are so. Co.

6. Recent; newly come.

Amidst the spirits Palinuris pressed; Yet fresh from life, a new admitted guest, Dryden. Æn.

Fresh from the fact, as in the present case, The criminals are seiz'd upon the place; FRE
Stiff in denial, as the law appoints,
On engines they distend their tortur'd joints.

Dryden.

Like a fresh tenant of Newgate, when he has refused the payment of garnish.

Swift, Tale of a Tub.

7. Repaired from any loss or diminution.

Nor lies she long; but, as her fates ordain,

Springs up to life, and fresh to second pain;
Is say'd to-day, to-morrow to be slain.

Dryden.

8. Florid; vigorous; cheerful; unfaded; unimpaired.

This pope is decrepid, and the bell goeth for him: take order that when he is dead there be chosen a pope of fresh years, between fifty and threescore.

Two swains,

Fresh as the morn, and as the season fair. Pope. 9. Healthy in countenance; ruddy.

Tell me,
Hast thou beheld a fresher gentlewoman,
Such war of white and red within her cheeks?

It is no rare observation in England to see a fresh coloured lusty young man yoked to a consumptive female, and him soon after attending her to the grave.

Harvey on Consumptions.

They represent to themselves a thousand poor, tall, innocent, fresh coloured young gentlemen.

Addison. Spect.

Brisk; strong; vigorous.
 As a fresh gale of wind fills the sails of a ship.
 Holder.

11. Fasting: opposed to eating or drinking. A low word.12. Sweet: opposed to stale or stinking.

13. Tipsy. A low expression.

14. Raw; unripe in practice. How green are you, and fresh in this old world! Shakspeare, K. John.

FRESH. † n. s.

1. Water not salt.

He shall drink nought but brine; for I'll not

shew him
Where the quick freshes are. Shaksp. Tempest.

2. A flood, or overflowing of a river.

This heavy rain will bring down the freshes.

North. Grose.

They have cut new channels, and even whole rivers, with particular drains from one river to another, to carry off the great flux of waters when floods or freshes come down.

Crutwell, Tour through Gr. Brit. Lincolnshire.
To Fresh.* v. a. To refresh. One of our

oldest verbs.

He thought of thilke water shene
To drinke, and freshe him wele withall.

Chaucer, Rom. R. ver. 1513.
But quickly she it overpast, so soone

As she her face had wypt to fresh her blood.

Spenser, F. Q. v. v. 45.

FRESH-BLOWN * adi. [fresh and blown.]

FRESH-BLOWN.* adj. [fresh and blown.]
Newly blown.

Beds of violets blue,
And fresh-blown roses wash'd in dew.
Milton, L'Allegro.

To Fre'shen, v. a. [from fresh.] To make fresh. Prelusive drops let all their moisture flow

Prelusive drops let all their moisture flow
In large effusion o'er the freshen'd world.

Thomson, Spring.

To Fre'shen, v. n. To grow fresh.

A freshening breeze the magick power supply'd,
While the wing'd vessel flew along the tide.

Pope, Odyssey.

Fre'sher. † n. s. [from fresh.] A stream of fresh water.

Now love the freshet, and then love the sea.

Browne, Brit. Past. (1613.) ii. 3.

All fish from sea or shore, Freshet or purling brook, of shell or fin.

FRESHFO'RCE.** n. s. [low Lat. frisca fortia.] In law, a force done within forty days. If a man be disseised of lands or tenements, within any city or borough; or deforced from them after the death of his ancestors to whom he is heir; or after the death of his tenant for life, or in tail; he may, within forty days after his title accrued, have his remedy by an assize, or bill of freshforce.

Cowel, and Chambers.

The space of forty days hath had with us divers

applications, as in the assize of freshforce in cities and boroughs, &c.

Seldon, on Drayton's Polyolb. §. 17.

FRE'SHLY.† adv. [from fresh.]
1. Coolly.

2. Newly; in the former state renewed.

The weeds of heresy being grown unto such ripeness as that was, do, even in the very cutting down, scatter oftentimes those seeds which for a while lie unseen and buried in the earth; but afterwards freshly spring up again, no less pernicious than at the first.

Then shall our names.

Familiar in their mouth as houshold words, Be in their flowing cups freshly remember'd.

Shakspeare, Hen. V. They are now freshly in difference with him.

3. With a healthy look; ruddily.

Looks he as fresely as he did the day he wrestled?

Shakspeare.
4. Gaily.

Huloet.

FRE'SHMAN.* n. s. [fresh and man.] A novice; one in the rudiments of any knowledge.

The parasite, or freshman in their friendship.

B. Jonson, Discoveries.

I would be a graduate, sir, no freshman.

Beaum. and Fl. Fair Maid of the Inn.
See the dull freshman, just arriv'd from school,

See the dull freshman, just arriv'd from school, A coxcomb ripening from a rustick fool! The Student, i. 240.

Fre'shmanship.* n.s. [from freshman.]
The state of a freshman.
You have practis'd thus

Upon my freshmanship. B. Jonson, Fox.
Instead of a post, this young fencer hath set himself up one of the deepest mysteries of our profession, to practise his freshmanship upon.

Hales, Rem. p. 5.

FRE'SHMENT.* n. s. [from fresh.] Refreshment. Not now in use.

To enjoy the freshment of the air and river.

Cartwright's Preacher's Travels, (1611,) p. 19.

Fre'shness. n.s. [from fresh.]

1. Newness; vigour; spirit; the contrary

to vapidness.

Most odorous smell best broken or crushed;

but flowers pressed or beaten, do lose the freshness and sweetness of their odour. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

2. Freedom from diminution by time; not

staleness.

For the constant freshness of it, it is such a

For the constant freshness of it, it is such a pleasure as can never cloy or overwork the mind; for surely no man was ever weary of thinking that he had done well or virtuously.

South.

 Freedom from fatigue; newness of strength.

The Scots had the advantage both for number and freshness of men. Hayward.

4. Coolness.

There are some rooms in Italy and Spain for freshness, and gathering the winds and air in the heats of Summer; but they be but pennings of the winds, and enlarging them again, and making them reverberate in circles.

Say, if she please, she hither may repair, And breathe the freshness of the open air.

Dryden, Aurengzebe. She laid her down to rest, And to the winds expos'd her glowing breast,

To take the freshness of the morning air. Addison on Italy.

5. Ruddiness; colour of health.

The secret venom, circling in her veins, Works through her skin, and burst in bloating stains;

Her cheeks their freshness lose and wonted grace, And an unusual paleness spreads her face.

Granville.

6. Freedom from saltness.

Freshne'w.* adj. [fresh and new.]
Wholly unacquainted; unpractised. This fresh-new sea-farer. Shakspeare, Pericles.

Freshwa'ter. [a compound word of fresh and water, used as an adjective.] Raw; unskilled; unacquainted. A low term borrowed from the sailors, who stigmatise those who come first to sea as freshwater men or novices.

The nobility, as freshwater soldiers which had never seen but some light skirmishes, in their vain bravery made light account of the Turks. Knolles, Hist. of the Turks.

FRESHWA'TERED.* adj. [fresh and water.] Supplied with fresh water, or perhaps newly watered.

That rocky pile thou seest, that verdant lawn Fresh-water'd from the mountains.

FRET. n. s. [Of this word the etymology is very doubtful: some derive it from ppetan, to eat; others from rperpian, to adorn; some from φρίττω; Skinner more probably from fremo, or the French fretiller: perhaps it comes immediately from the Latin fretum. Dr. Johnson. - A more probable etymology perhaps, is the Saxon ppeodan, or the Fr. frotter, to rub, to wear away; whence the figurative application of the word, to vex, to cause any agitation or commotion. We use to rub in the sense of to excite. Wicliffe writes frotyng for fretting. B. Jonson also uses froted for rubbed. In the first of the definitions, viz. a strait of the sea, frot, it may likewise be observed, is the Cornish word for it.]

1. A frith, or strait of the sea, where the water by confinement is always

mixtures.

Euripus generally signifieth any strait, fret, or channel of the sea, running between two shores. Brown.

2. Any agitation of liquors by fermentation, confinement, or other cause.

Of this river the surface is covered with froth and bubbles; for it runs along upon the fret, and is still breaking against the stones that oppose its Addison on Italy. The blood in a fever, if well governed, like wine upon the fret, dischargeth itself of heterogeneous

Derham. 3. That stop of the musical instrument VOL. II.

which causes or regulates the vibrations | 6. To variegate; to diversify.

It requireth good winding of a string before it will make any note; and in the tops of lutes, the higher they go, the less distance is between the frets. Bacon, Nat. Hist. The harp

Had work, and rested not: the solemn pipe And dulcimer, all organs of sweet stop, All sounds on fret by string or golden wire, Temper'd soft tunings, intermix'd with voice Choral or unison. Milton, P. L.

They are fitted to answer the most variable harmony: two or three pipes to all those of a church-organ, or to all the strings and frets of a lute. Grew, Cosmolog. Sacra.

4. Work rising in protuberances.

The frets of houses, and all equal figures, please; whereas unequal figures are but deformities Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Some making garlands were -The columbine amongst they sparingly do set The yellow kingcup, wrought in many a curious

Drayton, Polyolb. S.15. We take delight in a prospect well laid out, and diversified with fields and meadows, woods and rivers, in the curious fret-works of rocks and grottos.

5. Agitation of the mind; commotion of

the temper; passion.

Calmness is great advantage: he that lets Another chafe, may warm him at his fire, Mark all his wand'rings, and enjoy his frets. As cunning fencers suffer heat to tire. Herbert.

The incredulous Pheac, having yet Drank but one round, reply'd in sober fret.

Tate, Juv. You, too weak, the slightest loss to bear, Are on the fret of passion, boil and rage. Creech, Juv.

Yet then did Dennis rave in furious fret; I never answer'd, I was not in debt. Akenside, Pleas. of Imag. B. 2. 6. In heraldry, a bearing composed of

bars crossed and interlaced, and called the herald's true lover's knot.

To FRET. v. a. [from the noun.] 1. To agitate violently by external im-

pulse or action. You may as well forbid the mountain pines

To wag their high tops, and to make a noise When they are fretted with the gusts of heav'n. Shakspeare.

2. To wear away by rubbing.

Drop them still upon one place, Till they have fretted us a pair of graves Within the earth. Shakspeare, Rich. II. In the banks of rivers, with the washing of the

water, there were divers times fretted out big pieces of gold.

Before I ground the object metal on the pitch, I always ground the putty on it with the concave copper, till it had done making a noise; because, if the particles of the putty were not made to stick fast in the pitch, they would, by rolling up and down, grate and fret the object metal, and fill it full of little holes. Newton, Opticks.

3. To hurt by attrition. Antony

Is valiant and dejected; and, by starts, His fretted fortunes give him hope and fear Of what he has and has not. Shaks. Ant. & Cleop.

4. To corrode; to eat away. Like as it were a moth fretting a garment.

Ps. (Comm. Pr.) xxxix.12.

5. To form into raised work; to work frets in gold and silver. In a long purple pall, whose skirt with gold Was fretted all about, she was array'd. Spens. F. Q.

Nor did there want Cornice or freeze, with bossy sculptures grav'n; Milton, P.L. The roof was fretted gold.

You grey lines, That fret the clouds, are messengers of day. Shakspeare, Jul. C.es.

7. To make angry; to vex. The better part with Mary and with Ruth Chosen thou hast; and they that over-ween,

And at thy growing virtues fret their spleen, No anger find in thee, but pity and ruth.

Because thou hast fretted me in all these things, behold I will recompence thy way upon thine head. Ezek. xvi. 43.

Such an expectation, cries one, will never come to pass: therefore I'll even give it up, and go and fret myself.

Injuries from friends fret and gall more, and the memory of them is not so easily obliterated. Arbuthnot, Hist. of John Bull.

To FRET. + v. n.

1. To be in commotion; to be agitated. He guesses now, and chafes, and frets like tinsel.

Beaum. and Fl. The Pilgrim.

No benefits whatsoever shall ever alter or allay that diabolical rancour, that frets and ferments in some hellish breasts, but that it will foam out in slander and invective.

Th' adjoining brook, that purls along The vocal grove, now fretting o'er a rock, Now scarcely moving through a reedy pool.

Thomson, Summer.

2. To be worn away; to be corroded.

Take a piece of glover's leather that is very thin, and put your gold therein, with sal armoniack, binding it close, and then hang it up: the sal armoniak will fret away, and the gold remain behind. Peacham on Drawing.

That his curtesies might not unravel or fret out, he hath bound them with a strong border, and a rich fringe. Fuller, Inaug. Serm. (1643,) p. 23.

3. To make way by attrition or corrosion. These do but indeed scrape off the extuberances, or fret into the wood, and therefore they

are very seldom used to soft wood. Moxon, Mech. Exer.

It inflamed and swelled very much; many wheals arose, and fretted one into another with great excoriation.

4. To be angry; to be peevish; to vex

They trouble themselves with fretting at the ignorance of such as withstand them in their We are in a fretting mind at the church of Rome,

and with angry disposition enter into cogitation. Helpless, what may it boot

To fret for anger, or for grief to moan! Spenser, F. Q.

Their wounded steeds Fret fetlock deep in gore, and with wild rage Yerk out their armed heels at their dead masters. Shakspeare, Hen. V.

Be lion-mettled, proud, and take no care Who chafes, who frets, or where conspirers are.

Shakspeare, Macbeth. His heart fretteth against the Lord. Prov. xix. 3.

Hudibras fretting Conquest should be so long a getting,

Drew up his force. Hudibras. He swells with wrath, he makes outrageous moan,

He frets, he fumes, he stares, he stamps the

How should I fret to mangle ev'ry line, In rev'rence to the sins of thirty-nine.

Fret.* part. adj. Eaten away.

It is fret inward, whether it be bare within or Levit. xiii. 55.

Shall find, all fret with rust, both pikes and shields. Hakewill on Providence.

FRE'TFUL. adj. [from fret.] Angry; peevish; in a state of vexation.

Thy knotty and combined locks to part, And each particular hair to stand on end, Like quills upon the fretful porcupine. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

Where's the king? - Contending with the fretful elements;

Bids the wind blow the earth into the sea. Shakspeare, K. Lear. They are extremely fretful and peevish, never well at rest; but always calling for this or that,

or changing their posture of lying or sitting. Harvey on Consumptions.

Are you positive and fretful? Swift. Heedless, ignorant, forgetful.

FRE'TFULLY. adv. [from fretful.] Peev-

'FRE'TFULNESS. † n. s. [from fretful.] Passion; peevishness.

Mahomet - by his fretfulness and incessant vexing had, at that time, like to have made death his executioner. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 321.

FRE'TTEN.* adj. [from the verb.] Rubbed; marked: as pock-fretten; marked with the small-pox. An expression in many parts of the country.

FRE'TTER.* n. s. [from fret.] That which causes commotion or agitation.

A hot day, a hot day, vengeance-hot day, boys; Give me some drink; this fire's a plaguy fretter. Beaum, and Fl. Bloody Brother.

FRE'TTING.* n. s. [from fret.] Agitation; commotion.

The frettings and the excruciations of life. Feltham, Res. ii. 57.

FRE'TTY. adj. [from fret.] Adorned with raised work.

FRIABI'LITY. n. s. [from friable.] Capacity of being easily reduced to pow-

Hardness, friability, and power to draw iron, are qualities to be found in a loadstone. FRI'ABLE. adj. [friable, French; friabilis, Latin.] Easily crumbled; easily

reduced to powder. A spongy excrescence groweth upon the roots of the laser-tree, and sometimes on cedar, very white, light, and friable, which we call agarick.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

The liver, of all the viscera, is the most friable, and easily crumbled or dissolved. Arbuth. on Diet. FRI'AR. n.s. [a corruption of frere, Fr.] A religious; a brother of some regular

Holy Franciscan friar ! brother! ho! Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul.

All the priests and friars in my realm, Shall in procession sing her endless praise.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. He's but a friar, but he's big enough to be a Dryden. Many jesuits and friars went about, in the disguise of Presbyterian and independent minis-

ters, to preach up rebellion. A friar would needs shew his talent in Latin. Swift.

FRI'ARLIKE. adj. [from friar.] Monastick; unskilled in the world.

Their friarlike general would the next day make one holyday in the Christian calendars, in remembrance of thirty thousand Hungarian martyrs slain of the Turks.

FRI'ARLY.† adj. [friar and like.] Like a friar, or man untaught in life.

M. Latimer, hearing this friarly sermon of doctor Buckneham, cometh again [in] the afternoone, to answere the friar.

Fox, Acts & Mon. of Bp. Lat.

Some friarly declamation against the excess of Bacon on a Libel in 1592. superfluity. Seek not proud riches, but such as thou may'st

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get justly, use soberly, distribute cheerfully, and leave contentedly; yet have no abstract nor friarly Bacon, Ess. contempt of them.

FRI'ARSCOWL. n. s. [friar and cowl.] A plant. It agrees with arum, from which it differs only in having a flower resembling a cowl.

FRIAR'S Lantern.* n. s. The ignis fatuus, sometimes called Jack with a lantern: formerly believed to lead night-wanderers into marshes and wa-

She was pinch'd, and pull'd, she sed; And he, by friar's lantern led,

Tells how the drudging goblin swet. Milton, L'Allegro.

FRI'ARY. † n. s. [from friar, Fr. frerie.] A monastery or convent of friars.

As to the friaries, which were mendicants, and had nothing but their houses of habitation, I did endeavour, when I had the perusal of the Tower records, to find out the times of their foundations. Letters, (Dugdale to A. Wood,) vol. i. p. 8.

FRI'ARY. † adj.

 Like a friar. Francis Cornfield did scratch his elbow when

he had sweetly invented to signify his name, St. Francis, with a friary cowl in a corn field. Camden, Rem.

2. Belonging to a friary. It was fashionable for persons of the highest rank to bequeath their bodies to be buried in the friary churches. Warton, Hist. Eng. P. i. 293.

To FRI'BBLE. v. n. [probably from the Teut. frevel, or Fr. frivole, frivolous.

1. To trifle.

Though cheats, yet more intelligible

Than those that with the stars do fribble. Hudibras. 2. To totter, like a weak person.

Wretched Nocturnus, her feeble keeper; how the poor creature fribbles in his gait! Tatler, No. 49. FRI'BBLE.* adj. [Fr. frivole.] Trifling; silly : frivolous.

The superficial, trivial, and frigid manner, in which that fribble minister treated this important branch of administration. Brit. Crit. Jan. 1798. FRI'BBLE.* n. s. A frivolous, contemp-

tible fellow; a silly fop.

FRI'BBLER. n. s. [from the verb.] A trifler. A fribbler is one who professes rapture for the woman, and dreads her consent. Spectator.

FRI'BORGH, or FRI'DBURGH.* n. s. [Goth. frid, peace, and borgur, security; Sax. rpeo-bopze, free-borough.] The same as frankpledge; friborgh being in use in the Saxons' time, the other since the conquest. See FrankPledge. Cowel.

A man who could not find the security of some tithing or friborgh for his behaviour, was, upon account of this universal desertion, called Friendless man; [and] was by our ancestors condemned Burke, Abridg. Eng. Hist. ii. 7.

FRI'CACE.* n. s. [Lat. frixus, fried. This is a word much older in our language than fricassee.]

1. Meat sliced, and dressed, with strong sauce.

Hotter than all the roasted cooks you sat To dress the fricace of your alphabet. Lovelace, Luc. Posth. p. 80.

2. An unguent, prepared by frying several materials together.

Some on't there they pour'd into his ears, Some in his nostrils, and recover'd him: Applying but the fricace. B. Jonson, Fox.

A lord that is a leper, A knight that has the bone-ache, or a squire That hath both these, you make 'em smooth and sound

With a bare fricace of your medicine.

B. Jonson, Alchemist. FRICASSE'E. † n .s. [French.] A dish made by cutting chickens or other small things in pieces, and dressing them with strong sauce.

Oh, how would Homer praise their dancing dogs,

Their stinking cheese, and fricacy of frogs! He'd raise no fables, sing no flagrant lye, Of boys with custard choak'd at Newberry. King. Soups, and olios, fricassees, and ragouts.

Swift, Tale of a Tub, § 7. To FRI'CASSEE.* v. a. [from the noun.] To dress in fricassee.

Common sense and truth will not down with them, unless it be hashed and fricassed.

Echard, Observ. (1696,) p. 63. Sirloins and rumps of beef offend my eyes, Pleas'd with frogs fricaseed. Bramston.

FRICA'TION. n. s. [fricatio, Latin.] The act of rubbing one thing against another.

Gentle frication draweth forth the nourishment, by making the parts a little hungry, and heating them: this frication I wish to be done in the Bacon, Nat. Hist. morning.

Resinous or unctuous bodies, and such as will flame, attract vigorously, and most thereof without frication, as good hard wax, which will convert the needle almost as actively as the loadstone. Brown, Vulg. Err.

FRI'CTION. n. s. [friction, Fr. frictio, from frico, Latin.

The act of rubbing two bodies to-

gether.

Do not all bodies which abound with terrestrial parts, and especially with sulphureous ones, emit light as often as those parts are sufficiently agitated, whether the agitation be made by heat, friction, percussion, putrefaction, or by any vital Newton, Opticks.

2. The resistance in machines caused by the motion of one body upon another. 3. Medical rubbing with the fleshbrush

or cloths.

Frictions make the parts more fleshy and full, as we see both in men and in the currying of horses; for that they draw a greater quantity of spirits to the parts.

FRI'DAY. n. s. [ppige-bæg, Saxon.] The sixth day of the week, so named of Freya, a Saxon deity.

An' she were not kin to me, she would be as fair on Friday as Helen is on Sunday.

Shakspeare, Troil. and Cress. For Venus, like her day, will change her cheer, And seldom shall we see a Friday clear. Dryden.

To FRIDGE.* v. n. [Sax. spician, to dance. To move quickly.

The little motes or atoms that fridge and play in the beams of the sun.

Hallywell, Melampron. (1681,) p. 3.

To FRIDGE. v. a. [frico, Lat.] To fret, or fray; to rub to pieces. A northern word. Grose, Wilbraham, and Craven Dialect.

FRI'DSTOLE. † n. s. A sanctuary; the seat of peace. See Fred.

FRIEND.† n. s. [vriend, Dutch; ppeonb, Saxon; from rpeon, to love; so the

Goth. frijons, a friend, frijan, to love.] This word, with its derivatives, is pronounced frend, frendly: the i totally neglected.

1. One joined to another in mutual benevolence and intimacy: opposed to foe or enemy.

Friends of my soul, you twain

Rule in this realm, and the gor'd state sustain. Shakspeare.

Some man is a friend for his own occasion, and will not abide in the day of thy trouble. Ecclus. vi. 8.

God's benison go with you, and with those That would make good of bad, and friends of foes. Shakspeare. Wonder not to see this soul extend

The bounds, and seek some other self, a friend. Dryden.

2. One without hostile intentions. Who comes so fast in silence of the night? - A friend.

- What friend? your name?

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. 3. One reconciled to another: this is put by the custom of the language somewhat irregular in the plural number.

He's friends with Cæsar, In state of health thou say'st, and thou say'st free.

My son came then into my mind; and yet my

Was then scarce friends with him.

Shakspeare, K. Lear. I am friends with all the world, but thy base alice.

Beaum. and Fl. Wife for a Month. If she repent, and would make me amends, Bid her but send me hers, and we are friends.

4. An attendant; or companion.

The king ordains their entrance, and ascends His regal seat, surrounded by his friends. Dryden, Æn.

5. Favourer; one propitious. Aurora riding upon Pegasus, sheweth her swiftness, and how she is a friend to poetry and all ingenious inventions. Peacham.

6. A familiar compellation.

Friend, how camest thou in hither? St. Matt. xxii. 12. What supports me, do'st thou ask? The conscience, friend, t'have lost mine eyes o'er-

ply'd In liberty's defence. Milton, Sonnet.

7. Formerly a cant expression for a paramour of either sex.

Lady, will you walk about with your friend? Shakspeare, Much Ado. Never come in visor to my friend,

Nor woo in rhyme. Shakspeare, Lov. L. Lost.

8. A FRIEND in Court. This is an old expression for one who is supposed to possess sufficient interest to serve another.

Frende in courte aie better is Than peny is in purse, certis.

Chaucer, Rom. R. 5540. A friend i' the court is better than a penny in . Shakspeare, K. Hen. IV. P. II. I tell thee, parson, if I get her, reckon
Thou hast a frend in court; and shalt command

A thousand pound, &c. B. Jonson, Magn. Lady.

To FRIEND. v.a. [from the noun.] To favour; to befriend; to countenance; to support.

So Fortune friends the bold.

Spenser, F.Q. iv. ii. 7. I know that we shall have him well to friend. Shakspeare.

When vice makes mercy, mercy's so extended, | FRY'ENDLY. † adv. [Sax. preonblice.] That, for the fault's love, is th' offender friended. Shakspeare.

If ever fortune friend us with a barque, Largely supply us with all provision.

Beaum. and Fl. Sea Voyage. FRI'ENDED. adj. Well disposed; inclined to love.

Not friended by his wish to your high person, His will is most malignant, and it stretches Beyond you to your friends. Shaksneare. FRI'ENDLESS. † adj. [Sax. peonblear.]

1. Wanting friends; wanting support; without countenance; destitute; forlorn. Alas! I am a woman, friendless, hopeless.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. Woe to him that is alone, is verified upon none so much as upon the friendless person;

To some new clime, or to thy native sky, Oh friendless and forsaken virtue fly.

Dryden, Aurengzebe. To what new clime, what distant sky,

Forsaken, friendless, will ye fly? 2. FRIENDLESS Man. The Saxon word for him whom we call an outlaw, because he was, upon his exclusion from the king's peace and protection, denied all help of friends.

A man who could not find the security of some tithing or friborgh for his behaviour, was, upon account of this universal desertion, called Friendless man. Burke, Abridg. Eng. Hist. ii. 7. FRI'ENDLIKE.* adj. [friend and like. Sax.

ppeonblic.] Having the disposition of

But soon my soul had gathered up her powers, Which in this need might, friendlike, give her aid. Drayton, Legend of Matilda.

FRI'ENDLINESS. † n. s. [from friendly.] 1. A disposition to friendship.

Such a liking and friendliness as hath brought Sidney. forth the effects.

They love discreetly, And place their friendliness upon desert.

Beaum. and Fl. Nice Valour. 2. Exertion of benevolence.

Let all the intervals be employed in prayers, charity, friendliness and neighbourhood, and means of spiritual and corporal health.

Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy. FRI'ENDLY. † adj. [from friend. Saxon, rpeonblic.]

1. Having the temper and disposition of a friend; kind; favourable; benevolent. They gave them thanks, desiring them to be friendly still unto them. 2 Mac. xii. 31. Thou to mankind

Be good, and friendly still, and oft return! Milton, P. L.

How art thou To me so friendly grown above the rest Of brutual kind? Milton, P. L. Let the Nassau-star in rising majesty appear, And guide the prosp'rous mariner

With everlasting beams of friendly light. Prior. 2. Disposed to union; amicable. Like friendly colours found our hearts unite,

And each from each contract new strength and light. 3. Salutary; homogeneal.

Not that Nepenthe, which the wife of Thone In Egypt gave to Jove-born Helena, Is of such power to stir up joy as this, To life so friendly, or so cool to thirst. Milton, Comus.

4. Favourable; convenient. At the approach of night, On the first friendly bank he throws him down, Or rests his head upon a rock till morn. Addison, Cato.

1. In the manner of friends; with appearance of kindness; amicably.

Thou hast spoken friendly unto thine hand-Ruth, ii. 13. Here between the armies,

Let's drink together friendly, and embrace; That all their eyes may bear those tokens home Of our restored love and amity. Shaksp. Hen. IV. I urg'd him gently,

Friendly, and privately, to grant a partage Of this estate to her who owns it all.

Beaum. and Fl. Fair Maid of the Inn. 2. Concurrently; in union.

A lady, In whom all graces that can perfect beauty, Are friendly met.

Beaum. and Fl. Cust. of the Country. FRI'ENDSHIP. † n. s. [Sax. ppeonbrcipe.]

1. The state of minds united by mutual benevolence; amity.

There is little friendship in the world, and least of all between equals, which was wont to be magnified: that that is, is between superiour and and inferiour, whose fortunes may comprehend the one the other.

He lived rather in a fair intelligence than any friendship with the favourites. Clarendon. 2. Highest degree of intimacy.

My sons, let your unseemly discord cease, If not in friendship, live at least in peace.

Dryden, Ind. Emp. 3. Favour ; personal kindness. His friendships, still to few confin'd,

Were always of the middling kind. Raw captains are usually sent only preferred by friendship, and not chosen by sufficiency. Spenser on Ireland.

4. Assistance; help. Gracious, my lord, hard-by here is a hovel; Some friendship will it lend you 'gainst the tem-

pest; Repose you there. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

5. Conformity; affinity; correspondence; aptness to unite.

We know those colours which have a friendship with each other, and those which are incompatible, in mixing together those colours of which we would make trial. Dryden, Dufresnoy.

FRIEZE. n. s. [drap de frise, Fr.] A coarse warm cloth, made perhaps first in Friesland.

If all the world Should in a pet of temperance feed on pulse, Drink the clear stream, and nothing wear but frieze,

The All-giver would be unthank'd.

Milton, Comus. The captive Germans of gigantic size, Are rank'd in order, and are clad in frieze.

Dryden, Pers. He could no more live without his frieze coat

than without his skin. Addison, Guardian. See how the double nation lies, Like a rich coat with skirts of frieze;

As if a man, in making posies Should bundle thistles up with roses.

FRIEZE. \(\) \(n. s. \) [Fr. frize; probably from FRIZE. \(\) the Lat. phrygio, an embroiderer.] A large flat member which separates the architrave from the cornice; of which there are as many kinds as there are orders of columns. Harris.

No jutting frieze, Buttress, nor coigne of 'vantage, but this bird Hath made his pendant-bed, and procreant cradle. Shakspeare.

Nor did there want Cornice or frieze with bossy sculptures grav'n; The roof was fretted gold. Milton, P. L.

Polydore designed admirably well, as to the | 1. Dreadfully; horribly. practical part, having a particular genius for Dryden, Dufresnoy. FRI'EZED. † adj. [from frieze. Fr. frisé.]

Shagged or napped with frieze; as, " garments frysed only on the one side."

FRI'EZELIKE. adj. [frieze and like.] Re-

sembling a frieze.

I have seen the figure of Thalia, the comick muse, sometimes with an entire headpiece and a little friezelike tower, running round the edges of the face, and sometimes with a mask for the face Addison on Italy.

FRI'GAT. n. s. [frigate, French; fregata,

1. A small ship. Ships under fifty guns are generally termed frigats.

The treasure they fought for was, in their view, embezzled in certain frigats. Ralegh, Apology. On high rais'd decks the haughty Belgians ride, Beneath whose shades our humble frigats go.

2. Any small vessel on the water. Behold the water work and play About her little frigat, therein making way. Spenser, F. Q.

FRIGEFA'CTION. n. s. [frigus and facio, Lat. The act of making cold.

To FRIGHT. v. a. [ppihran, Sax.] terrify; to disturb with fear; to shock with fear; to daunt; to dismay. This was in the old authors more frequently written affright, as it is always found in the Scripture. The herds.

Were strongly clam'rous in the frighted fields. Shaksp. Hen. IV.

Such a numerous host Fled not in silence through the frighted deep, With ruin upon ruin, rout on rout,

Milton, P. L. Confusion worse confounded. Cherubick watch, and of a sword the flame

Wide-waving, all approach far off to fright, And guard all passage to the tree of life. Milton, P. L.

Nor exile or danger can fright a brave spirit, With innocence guarded, With virtue rewarded.

I make of my sufferings a merit.

Dryden, Albion and Alb. The mind frights itself with any thing reflected on in gross, and at a distance: things thus offered to the mind, carry the shew of nothing but diffi-

Whence glaring oft with many a broaden'd orb, He frights the nations. Thomson, Autumn.

FRIGHT. n. s. [from the verb.] A sudden terrour.

You, if your goodness does not plead my cause, May think I broke all hospitable laws,

To bear you from your palace-yard by might, And put your noble person in a fright. Dryden.

To FRIGHTEN. v. a. To terrify; to shock with dread.

The rugged bear's, or spotted lynx's brood, Frighten the valleys and infest the wood. Prior.

FRI'GHTFUL. adj. [from fright.] 1. Terrible; dreadful; full of terrour.

Tetchy and wayward was thy infancy. Thy schooldays frightful, desp'rate, wild, and fu-

Without aid you durst not undertake

This frightful passage o'er the Stygian lake. Dryden, Æn.

2. A cant word among women for any thing unpleasing.

FRI'GHTFULLY. adv. [from frightful.]

This will make a prodigious mass of water, and looks frightfully to the imagination; 'tis huge Rurnet. and great.

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2. Disagreeably; not beautifully. man's word.

Then to her glass; and Betty, pray, Don't I look frightfully to-day FRI'GHTFULNESS. † n. s. [from frightful.]

The power of impressing terrour. All this serveth chiefly to cover the frightful-

ness of mortality. Nelson, Life of Bp. Bull, p. 5. FRI'GID. † adj. [frigidus, Lat.]

1. Cold; wanting warmth. In this sense it is seldom used but in science.

In the torrid zone the heat would have been intolerable, and in the frigid zones the cold would have destroyed both animals and vegetables. Cheyne, Phil. Principles.

2. Wanting warmth of affection.

3. Impotent; without warmth of body.

4. Dull; without fire of fancy.

If one considers with how great affectation they utter their frigid conceits, commiseration immediately changes itself into contempt.

Tatler, No. 184. If justice Phillip's costive head

Some frigid rhymes disbursés They shall like Persian tales be read,

And glad both babes and nurses. FRIGI'DITY. n. s. [frigiditas, Lat.]

1. Coldness; want of warmth. 2. Dulness; want of intellectual fire.

Driving at these as at the highest elegancies,

which are but the frigidities of wit. Brown, Vulg. Err.

Of the two extremes, one would sooner pardon phrenzy than frigidity.

Want of corporeal warmth. The boiling blood of youth hinders that serenity which is necessary to severe intenseness; and the frigidity of decrepit age is as much its enemy, by reason of its dulling moisture. Glanville, Scepsis.

 Coldness of affection. FRI'GIDLY. † adv. [from frigid.] Coldly; dully; without affection.

The life of Erasmus, which deserves the finest pen, has been wretchedly and frigidly written by Knight; although, indeed, the materials he has collected are curious and useful.

Dr. Warton, Essay on Pope. FRI'GIDNESS. n. s. [from frigid.] Coldness; dulness; want of affection.

FRIGORI'FICK. † adj. [frigorificus, frigus, and facio, Lat. Causing cold. A word used in science, Dr. Johnson says; and, it may be added, well applied by himself to general use.

Frigorifick atoms or particles mean those nitrous salts which float in the air in cold weather, and occasion freez-

The hand of death is upon me; a frigorifick torpor encroaches upon my veins.

Johnson, Rambler, No. 120. The fatal influence of frigorifick wisdom. Johnson, Rambler, No. 129:

To Frill. v. n. [friller, French. To quake or shiver with cold. Used of a hawk: as, the hawk frills. FRILL.* n. s. A border on the bosom of

a shirt, plaited or furled; any thing collected into gathers. See To Furl. FRIM.* adj. [Saxon, preom, strong.]

1. Flourishing; luxuriant. It is used in the north of England for thriving; as a frim tree.

My plenteous bosom strew'd With all abundant sweets; my frim and lusty

flank Her bravery then displays, with meadows hugely Drayton, Polyolb. S. 13.

2. Brittle; tender; a corruption of fram. See FRAM.

FRINGE. † n. s. [friggio, Italian; frange,

1. Ornamental appendage added to dress or furniture. It is in conversation used of loose and separate threads.

Those offices and dignities were but the facings or fringes of his greatness. Wotton.

The golden fringe ev'n set the ground on flame,

And drew a precious trail.

Dryden, Flower and Leaf. The shadows of all bodies, in this light, were bordered with three parallel fringes, or bands of coloured light, whereof that which was contiguous to the shadow was broadest and most luminous; and that which was remotest from it was narrowest, and so faint as not easily to be visible.

Newton, Opt.

2. The edge; margin; extremity. The fringe or confines of hell.

Mountagu, App. to Cæs. p. 237. The sun — gilds the fringes of a cloud.

Bp. Taylor, Holy Dying, § iii. ch. 1.

To FRINGE. v. a. [from the noun.] To adorn with fringes; to decorate with

ornamental appendages. Either side of the bank, fringed with most beau-tiful trees, resisted the sun's darts. Sidney. Sidney.

Of silver wings he took a shining pair, Fringed with gold. Fairfax.

Here, by the sacred bramble ting'd, My petticoat is doubly fring'd. Swift. FRI'NGEMAKER.* n. s. [fringe and maker.]
A manufacturer of fringe.

A player, hired for the purpose by the corpo-

ration of fringemakers, acted his part in a new comedy, all covered with silver fringe. Swift, Tale of a Tub, § 2.

FRI'NGY.* adj. [from fringe.] Adorned with fringes.

Lord of my time, my devious path I bend Through fringy woodland, or smooth-shaven lawn. Shenstone, Eleg. 21.

FRI'PPER.* n. s. [Fr. frippier. A better word than fripperer, which Dr. Johnson gives us solely on his own authority. Both, however, are in Sherwood's old dictionary, where they are termed fripier and friperer.] A dealer in old things; a broker.

This little island of England, notwithstanding the continual waste and havock that hath been made, since the days of king Henry the eighth, by glovers, bookbinders, frippers, and others; or the continual purloining and conveying of old books beyond the seas; hath at this day remaining, if they were all brought together, more Latin manuscripts than any country else that is of a far greater extent. tent. James, on the Corrupt of Script. Councils, &c. (1688,) p. 530.

FRI'PPERER. † n. s. [from frippier, French.]

One who deals in old things vamped up. Sherwood.

FRI'PPERY. 7 n. s. [fripperie, French ; fripperia, Ital.] The place where old clothes are sold.

We know what belongs to a frippery. Shaksp Lurana is a frippery of bankrupts, who fly thither from Druina to play their after-game. Howell, Voc. For.

2. Old clothes; cast dresses; tattered rags.

Poor poet ape, that would be thought our chief, / Whose works are e'en the frippery of wit; From brocage is become so bold a thief, As we, the robb'd, leave rage, and pity it.

B. Jonson. The fighting-place now seaman's rags supply, And all the tackling is a frippery.

Donne, Poems, p. 144. Ragfair is a place near the Tower of London, where old clothes and frippery are sold. 3. Trumpery; trifles.

You will gather more advantage by listening to them, than from all the nonsense and frippery

of your own sex. They tell me it [the Philosophick Dictionary]

is frippery, and blasphemy, and wit. Gray, Lett. to Mason.

FRI'PPERY.* adj. Trifling; contemptible. My master's bo-peep with me,

With his sly popping in and out again, Argued a cause, a frippery cause.

Beaum. and Fl. The Chances. That city, though the capital of a duchy, made so frippery an appearance, that instead of spending some days there, as had been intended, we only dined, and went on to Parma.

Gnay, Lett. to his Mother.

FRISE'UR. n. s. [French.] A hair-dresser. See To Frizz.

Who now can pedant rules endure? Go, boy, and bid the best friseur At six precise be wi' me

My hair in wires exact and nice, &c.

Poems by Gent. of Oxford, 1757, p. 19. To curl the grove, &c. was surely to derogate from the dignity of the high office and character of his genius, who is degraded to a frisseur.

Warton, Notes on Milton. To FRISK. † v. n. frizzare, Italian. Dr. Johnson. - I should rather pronounce the old Fr. frisque, lively, brisk, jolly, as the parent of our word. V. Cotgrave

and Roquefort in V. FRISQUE.

1. To leap; to skip.

Put water into a glass, and wet your finger, and draw it round about the lip of the glass, pressing it somewhat hard; and after drawing it some few times about, it will make the water frisk and sprinkle up in a fine dew. rinkle up in a fine dew. Bacon, Nat. Hist. The fish fell a frisking in the net. L'Estrange.

Whether every one hath experimented this troublesome intrusion of some frisking ideas, which thus importune the understanding, and hinder it from being better employed, I know not. Locke. 2. To dance in frolick or gaiety.

We are as twinn'd lambs, that did frisk i' the

And bleat the one at the other: what we chang'd, Was innocence for innocence; we knew not

The doctrine of ill-doing. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

About them frisking play'd All beasts of th' earth. Milton, P. L. A wanton heifer frisked up and down in a meadow, at ease and pleasure. L'Estrange. Watch the quick motions of the frisking tail,

Then serve their fury with the rushing male. Dryden, Virg.

So Bacchus through the conquer'd Indies rode, And beasts in gambols frisk'd before their honest god. Oft to the mountains airy tops advanc'd,

The frisking satyrs on the summits danc'd.

Addison. Those merry blades, That frisk it under Pindus' shades.

Peg faints at the sound of an organ, and yet will dance and frisk at the noise of a bagpipe. Arbuthnot, Hist. of John Bull. Sly hunters thus, in Borneo's isle,

To catch a monkey by a wile, The mimick animal amuse; They place before him gloves and shoes; Which when the brute puts aukward on, All his agility is gone

In vain to frisk or climb he tries; The huntsmen seize the grinning prize. Swift. FRISK.* adj. [French, frisque.] Lively; jolly; blithe. Cotgrave, and Sherwood.

Fain would she seem all frixe and frolick still. Bp. Hall, Sat. vi. 6.

FRISK. † n.s. A frolick; a fit of wanton gaiety.

Tumbler-like frisks and motions.

Florio, Tr. of Montaigne, (1613,) p. 228. The frisks and levaltoes of our dancing blood. Feltham, Res. i. 13.

FRI'SKAL.* n. s. [from frisk.] A leap;

She fetched a friscoll, when she was dawnsing in a taverne. Extr. in Fulke's Answ. to P. Frarine, (1580,) p. 12.

Ixion, - turned dancer, does nothing but cut capreols, fetch friskals, and leads levaltoes with the Lamiæ. B. Jonson, Masques.

FRI'SKER. n. s. [from frisk.] A wanton; one not constant or settled.

Now I will wear this, and now I will wear that:

Now I will wear I cannot tell what : All new fashions be pleasant to me: Now I am a frisker, all men on me look; What should I do but set cock on the hoop?

FRI'SKET.* n. s. A part of a printingpress; a frame of iron, very thin, covered with parchment or paper, cut in the necessary places, that the sheet, which is between the great tympan and frisket, may receive the ink, and that nothing may hurt the margins.

The frisket, thy preventing grace, Keeps us from many a sullied face,

Poem at the end of Watson's Hist. of Printing.

FRI'SKFUL.* adj. [frisk and full.] Full of gaiety.

His sportive lambs,

This way and that convolv'd, in frishful glee Their frolicks play. Thomson, Spring.

FRI'SKINESS. n. s. [from frisk.] Gaiety; liveliness. A low word. FRI'SKING.* n. s. [from frisk.] Frolick-

some dancing; wild gaiety. Other objects, that are

Inserted 'tween her mind and eye, become the pranks And friskins of her madness.

Beaum. and Fl. Two Nob. Kinsmen. As if religion were nothing else but a dancing up and down upon the same piece of ground, and making several motions and friskings on it.

Cudworth, Serm. p.58. FRI'SKY. adj. [frisque, French; from frisk.]

Gay; airy. A low word.
To Fri'ssle.* See To Frizzle.

Frit. n. s. [among chymists.] Ashes or salt baked or fried together with sand.

FRITH. n. s. [fretum, Latin.]

1. A strait of the sea where the water being confined is rough.

What desp'rate madman then would venture o'er The frith, or haul his cables from the shore? Dryden, Virg.

Batavian fleets Defraud us of the glittering finny swarms That heave our friths and crowd upon our shores. Thomson.

2. A kind of net. I know not whether this sense be now retained.

The Wear is a frith, reaching through the Ose, from the land to low water mark, and having in it a bunt or cod with an eye-book; where the fish entering, upon their coming back with the ebb, are stopt from issuing out again.

FRITH.* n. s. [Welsh, ffrith, ffrid, a plantation, a small field taken out of a common, a tract enclosed from the mountains, and sometimes a woodland; Gael. frith, a wild mountainous place, a

1. A woody place; a forest.

Over holt and heath, as thorough frith and fell. Drayton, Polyolb. S.11. The Sylvans that about the neighbouring woods

did dwell, Both in the tufty frith and in the mossy fell.

Drayton, Polyolb. S.17. 2. A small field taken out of a common.

There is a market town in Derbyshire called Chapel in the Frith, which is situated in a valley

amongst such enclosures, Hist. Gwedir Fam. p. 131. He did purchase a lease of the castle and friths of Dolwyddelan. Wynne's Hist. of the Gwedir Family, p. 131.

FRI'THY.* adj. [from frith, a forest.] Woody.

Thus stode I in the frithy forest of Galtres.

Skelton, Poems, p. 9.

FRITI'LLARY. n. s. [fritillaire, French.] A plant. Miller. FRI'TINANCY. n. s. [from fritinnio, Latin.]

The scream of an insect, as the cricket The note or fritinancy thereof is far more shrill

than that of the locust, and its life short, Brown, Vulg. Err.

FRITTER. n. s. [friture, French.]

1. A small piece cut to be fried. Maids, fritters and pancakes ynow see ye make; Let Slut have one pancake for company sake.

Tusser. 2. A fragment; a small piece.

Sense and putter! have I lived to stand in the taunt of one that makes fritters of English. Shakspeare, Merr. W. of Windsor.

If you strike a solid body that is brittle, as glass or sugar, it breaketh not only where the immediate force is, but breaketh all about into shivers and fritters; the motion, upon the pressure, searching all ways, and breaking where it findeth the body Bacon, Nat. Hist.

The ancient errand knights Won all their ladies hearts in fights: And cut whole giants into fritters,

To put them into amorous twitters. Hudibras. A cheesecake; a wig. Ainsworth. To FRI'TTER. v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To cut meat into small pieces to be

2. To break into small particles or frag-

Joy to great chaos! let division reign! My racks and tortures soon shall drive them hence, Break all their nerves, and fritter all their sense. Pope, Dunciad.

How prologues into prefaces decay, And these to notes are fritter'd quite away.

Pope, Dunciad. FRIVO'LITY.* n. s. [Fr. frivoleté.] Triflingness. Both the French and English words are modern.

The admiral was no stranger to the frivolity, as well as falsehood, of what he urged in his defence.

FRI'VOLOUS. adj. [frivolous, Latin; frivole, Fr.] Slight; trifling; of no moment.

It is frivolous to say we ought not to use bad ceremonies of the church of Rome, and presume all such bad as it pleaseth themselves to dislike.

These seem very frivolous and fruitless; for, by the breach of them, little damage can come to the common wealth.

Spenser.

"She tam'd the brinded lioness,

And spotted mountain pard; but set at nought The frivolous bolt of Cupid. Millon, Comus. Those things which now seem frivolous and slight,

Will be of serious consequence to you,

When they have made you once ridiculous.

Roscommo

All the impeachments in Greece and Rome agreed in a notion of being concerned, in point of honour, to condemn whatever person they impeached, however frivolous the articles, or however weak the proof.

Swift.

I will not defend any mistake, and do not think myself obliged to answer every frivolous objection.

Arbuthnot.

FRI'VOLOUSLY.† adv. [from frivolous.]
Triflingly; without weight.

You employ your important moments, methinks, too frivolously, when you consider so often little circumstances of dress and behaviour.

Guardian, No. 128. FRI'VOLOUSNESS.† n. s. [from frivolous.]
Want of importance; triflingness.

The idleness, frivolousness, or profuneness of the spirits of men. More, Antid. against Idolutry, Pref.
The impertinency and frivolousness of the end and occasion.

Spenser on Proling. p.231.

Who is it that here appeals to the frivolousness and irrationality of our dreams to shew, that the soul owes the perfection of rational thinking to the body?

A. Baxter, on the Soul, ii.187.

To FRIZZ.* v. a. [friser, or frizer, Fr.]
To curl; to crisp. This is the word of
modern frizeurs. But frizzle is old.

The servants in the family were employed to frizz out a tye-periwig. Smollett.

To FRIZZLE.† v. a. [friser, Fr.] To curl in short curls like nap of frieze.

curl in short curls like hap of irreze.
Who can excuse this broidered and friezded hair?
Harmar, Transl. of Bexa's Serm. (1887.) p.172.
Trerefore the maids, and Roman matrons all,
A shadowing well before their face did we

Their heavenly hew did throw no man to thrall; They were content with plain and decent geare, They huft it not with painted frisled haire.

Mir. for Mag. p. 215. The humble shrub

And bush, with frizzled hair implicit. Milton, P. L.
They frizzled and curl'd their hair with hot irons.
Hakewill on Providence.

I doff'd my shoe, and swear Therein I spy'd this yellow frizzled hair.

Gay, Pastorals.

FRI'ZZLE.* n. s. [from the verb.] A curl;

a lock of hair crisped.

To rumple her laces, her frizzles, and her bolbins.

Milton, Animadv. Rem. Defence.

Imitating the frizzles and curls of the water in canals. Patrick on Canticles, Annot. ch.vii.ver.5.

FRI'ZZLER. n. s. [from frizzle.] One that

FRI'ZZLER. n. s. [from frizzle.] One that makes short curls.

FRO. adv. [of rpa, Saxon.]

 Backward; regressively. It is only used in opposition to the word to; to and fro, backward and forward, to and from.

The Carthaginians having spoiled all Spain, rooted put all that were affected to the Romans; and the Romans, having recovered that country, did cut off all that favoured the Carthaginians: so betwixt them both, to and fro, there was scarce a native Spaniard left. Spenser.

As when a heap of gather'd thorns is cast, Now to, now fro, before th' autumnal blast, Together clung, it rolls around the field.

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2. It is a contraction of from: not now used.

They turn round like grindlestones, Which they dig out fro' the delves,

For their bairns' bread, wives and selves. B. Jonson. FROCK.† n. s. [froc, Fr. But this word must be referred to the same origin as rocket. See ROCHET.]

1. A dress; a coat.

That monster, custom, is angel yet in this,

That to the use of actions fair and good, He likewise gives a frock or livery,

That aptly is put on. Shakspeare, Hamlet. Chalybean temper'd steel, and frock of mail Adamantean proof. Milton, S. A.

2. A kind of close coat for men.

I strip my body of my shepherd's frock. Dryden.
3. A kind of gown for children.

FROG. † n. s. [ppogga, Sax.]

1. A small animal with four feet, living both by land and water, and placed by naturalists among mixed animals, as partaking of beast and fish; famous in Homer's poem. There is likewise a small green frog that perches on trees, said to be venomous.

Poor Tom, that eats the swimming frog, the toad, the todpole. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

Auster is drawn with a pot or urn, pouring forth water, with which shall descend frogs.

Peacham on Drawing.

2. The hollow part of the horse's hoof.
3. A kind of tassel.

Tall caps, laces, frogs, cockades, &c.

Berkeley's Literary Rel. p.290.
FRO'GBIT. n. s. [frog and bit.] An herb.

Ainsworth.

FRO'GFISH. n. s. [frog and fish.] A kind of fish. Ainsworth.

FRO'GGRASS. n. s. [frog and grass.] A kind of herb.

FRO'GGY.* adj. [from frog.] Having frogs; as, "a froggy place." Sherwood. FRO'GLETTUCE. n. s. [frog and lettuce.]

From From the French froisser, as the pancake is crisped or crimpled in frying.] A kind of food made by frying bacon enclosed in a pancake.

FRO'LICK.† adj. [vrolick, Dutch. Dr. Johnson. — The word is originally, perhaps, from the Goth. fro, recreation; whence the German froh, glad, and froblich, full of gaiety; Danish, fro, the same; and the Sax. ppeo, whence ppeolice, in a free or unrestrained manner. Frolick is merely fro, i. e. free or gay, with the adverbial termination like or ly. Free and frolick are combined in one of the prose-examples which I add.] Gay; full of levity; full of pranks.

We fairies, that do run By the triple Hecate's team,

From the presence of the sun,
Following darkness like a dream,
Now are frolick. Shakspeare, Mids. N. Dream.

Whether, as some sages sing,
The frolick wind that breathes the Spring,
Zephyr with Aurora playing,
As he met her once a Maying;

There on beds of violets blue, And fresh blown-roses wash'd in dew, Fill'd her with thee a daughter fair,

So buxom, blithe, and debonnair. Milton, L'Allegro.
Who ripe, and frolick of his full-grown age,
Roving the Celtick and Iberian fields,

At last betakes him to this ominous wood.

Milton, Comus.
The gay, the frolick, and the loud.

Waller.

Then to be free, and frolick, and flourishing in the highest degree.

Bp. Richardson, on the O. Test. (1655,) p.241.

The young women are carelessly frolick, and fearlessly merry. Sir T. Herbert, Tran. p. 55r Ro'lick. n. s. [from the adjective.] A wild prank; a flight of whim and levity.

He would be at his frolick once again,
And his pretensions to divinity. Roscommon.
Alcibiades, having been formerly noted for the
like frolicks and excursions, was immediately accused of this. Swift.

While rain depends, the pensive cat gives o'er Her frolicks, and pursues her tail no more. Swift.

To Fro'Lick. v. n. [from the noun.] To play wild pranks; to play tricks of levity and gaiety.

Manly spirit and genius plays not tricks with words, nor *frolicks* with the caprices of a frothy imagination.

Glanville.

Then to her new love let her go, And deck her in golden array: Be finest at every fine show, And frolick it all the long day.

And frolick it all the long day. Rowe. Fro'LICKLY. † adv. [from frolick.] Gaily;

wildly.
Coming to see you, I was set upon,

I and my men, as we were singing frolickly, Not dreaming of an ambush of base rogues. Beaum. and Fl. Lover's Progress.

Fro'LICKNESS.* n. s. [from frolick.]
Pranks; wildness of gaiety; frolicksomeness.

They with rashness, levity, and a kind of frolickness, undertake that work.

Bp. Ganden, Hieraspistes, (1659,) p.167.
FRO'LICKSOME.† adj. [from frolick.] Full

of wild gaiety.

His highness bespoke him a new suit and cloak,
Which he gave for the sake of this frolicksome joke.

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Old Ballad of the frolicksome Duke &c. Percy,
i. ii. 16.

FRO'LICKSOMENESS.adv. [from frolicksome.]
Wildness of gaiety; pranks.

FRO'LICKSOMELY. n. s. [from frolicksome.]
With wild gaiety.

FROM.† prep. [Fnam, Sax. and Scottish; fram, Gothick. "From means merely beginning, and nothing else. It is simply the Anglo-Saxon and Gothick noun frum, beginning, origin, source, fountain, author." H. Tooke, Div. of Purl. i. 342.]

1. Away; noting privation.

Your slighting Zulema, this very hour
Will take ten thousand subjects from your power.

Dryden.

In fetters one the barking porter ty'd,
And took him trembling from his sov'reign's side.

Dryden.

Clarissa drew, with tempting grace,
A two edg'd weapon from the shining case. Pope.

Noting reception.
 What time would spare from steel receives its date.
 Pone.

3. Noting procession, descent, or birth.
Thus the hard and stubborn race of man
From animated rock and flint began.

Blackmore, Creation.
The song began from Jove, Dryden.
Succeeding kings rise from the happy bed. Irene.

4. Noting transmission.

The messengers from our sister and the king. Shakspeare.

5. Noting abstraction or vacation. I shall find time

From this enormous state, and seek to give Losses their remedies. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

6. With to following; noting succession. These motions we must examine from first to last, to find out what was the form of the earth. Burnet, Theory.

He bid her from time to time be comforted. Addison, Spect.

7. Out of; noting emission. When the most high

Eternal Father, from his secret cloud Amidst, in thunder utter'd thus his voice.

Milton, P. L. Then pierc'd with pain, she shook her haughty

Sigh'd from her inward soul, and thus she said. Dryden, Æn.

8. Noting progress from premises to in-

If an objection be not removed, the conclusion of experience from the time past to the time pre sent will not be sound and perfect.

Bacon, War with Spain. This is evident from that high and refined morality, which shined forth in some of the ancient heathens.

9. Noting the place or person from whom a message is brought.

The king is coming, and I must speak with him from the bridge. — How now, Fluellen, cam'st thou from the bridge? Shakspeare, Hen. V.

Out of; noting extraction.

From high Meonia's rocky shores I came, Of poor descent; Acætes is my name.

Addison, Ovid.

11. Because of. Noting the reason or motive of an act or effect.

You are good, but from a nobler cause; From your own knowledge, not from nature's laws. Dryden.

David celebrates the glory of God from the consideration of the greatness of his works.

Tillotson.

We sicken soon from her contagious care; Grieve for her sorrows, groan for her despair.

Relaxations from plenitude is cured by spare diet, and from any cause by that which is contrary Arbuthnot on Aliments.

12. Out of. Noting the ground or cause of any thing.

By the sacred radiance of the sun, The mysteries of Hecate, and the night; By all the operations of the orbs, From whom we do exist, and cease to be, Here I disclaim all my paternal care.

Shakspeare, K. Lear. They who believe that the praises which arise from valour are superiour to those which proceed

from any other virtues, have not considered. Dryden, Æn. Ded.
What entertainment can be raised from so pitiful a machine? We see the success of the battle

from the very beginning. Dryden. 'Tis true from force the strongest title springs, I therefore hold from that which first made kings.

Dryden. 13. Not near to: noting distance.

His regiment lies half a mile at least South from the mighty power of the king. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

14. Noting separation or recession. To die by thee, were but to die in jest; From thee to die, were torture more than death. Shakspeare, Hen. VI. 27. FROM high.

Hast thou beheld, when from the goal they start, The youthful charioteers with heaving heart, Rush to the race, and, panting, scarcely bear Th' extremes of feverish hope and chilling fear. Dryden, Virg.

Noting exemption or deliverance. From jealousy's tormenting strife, For ever be thy bosom free'd.

16. Noting absence.

Our father he hath writ, so hath our sister, Of diff'rences, which I best thought it fit To answer from our home. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

17. Noting derivation.

I lay the deep foundations of a wall, And Enos, nam'd from me, the city call. Dryden, Æn.

18. Since. Noting distance from the past. The flood was not the cause of mountains, but there were mountains from the creation.

Ralegh, Hist. of the World. I had, from my childhood, a wart upon one of

my fingers. Bacon, Nat. Hist. The other had been trained up from his youth in the war of Flanders. The milk of tygers was his infant food,

Taught from his tender years the taste of blood.

Dryden Were there, from all eternity, no memorable actions done till about that time? Tillotson.

19. Contrary to. Not in use.

Any thing so overdone is from the purpose of playing; whose end, both at the first and now, was and is to hold, as 'twere, the mirrour up to nature. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

Do not believe, That from the sense of all civility,

I thus would play and trifle with your reverence. Shakspeare

Did you draw both bonds to forfeit? Sign, to break?

Ir must we read you quite from what we speak, And find the truth out the wrong way? Donne. 20. Noting removal.

Thrice from the ground she leap'd.

Dryden, Æn.

21. From is very frequently joined by an ellipsis with adverbs: as, from above, from the parts above; from below, from the places below; of which some are here exemplified,

22. From above.

He, which gave them from above such power, for miraculous confirmation of that which they taught, endued them also with wisdom from above, to teach that which they so did confirm. Hooker. No sooner were his eyes in slumber bound,

When, from above, a more than mortal sound Invades his ears. Dryden, Æn.

23. From afar.

Light demilances from afar they throw. Dryden, Æn.

24. From beneath.

With whirlwinds from beneath she toss'd the ship,

And bare expos'd the bosom of the deep.

Dryden, Virg. An arm arises of the Stygian flood, Which, breaking from beneath with bellowing

sound, Whirls the black waves and rattling stones around.

25. From behind.

See, to their base restor'd, earth, seas, and air, And joyful ages from behind in crowding ranks appear.

26. From far.

Their train proceeding on their way, From far the town and lofty tow'rs survey. Dryden, Æn.

Then heav'n's imperious queen shot down from Dryden.

28. From thence. Here from is superfluous.

In the necessary differences which arise from thence, they rather break into several divisions than join in any one publick interest; and from hence have always arisen the most dangerous factions, which have ruined the peace of nations. Clarendon.

29. From whence. From is here super-

While future realms his wandering thoughts delight,

His daily vision, and his dream by night, Forbidden Thebes appears before his eye From whence he sees his absent brother fly.

Pope, Statius.

30. From where.

From where high Ithaca o'erlooks the floods, Brown with o'er-arching shades and pendent woods,

Us to these shores our filial duty draws.

Pope, Odyssey.

31. From without.

When the plantation grows to strength, then it is time to plant it with women as well as with men, that it may spread into generations, and not be pierced from without. If native power prevail not, shall I doubt

To seek for needful succour from without.

Dryden, Æn.

32. From is sometimes followed by another preposition, with its proper case.

33. From amidst.

Thou too shalt fall by time or barb'rous foes, Whose circling walls the sev'n fam'd hills enclose; And thou, whose rival tow'rs invade the skies, And, from amidst the waves with equal glory rise.

34. From among.

Here had new begun My wand'ring, had not he who was my guide Up hither, from among the trees appear'd, Presence divine! Millon Milton, P. L.

35. From beneath.

My worthy wife our arms mislaid, And from beneath my head my sword convey'd. Dryden, Æn.

36. From beyond.

There followed him great multitudes of people from Galilee, and from beyond Jordan. St. Matt. iv. 25.

37. From forth.

Young Aretus, from forth his bridal bow'r, Brought the full laver o'er their hands to pour, And canisters of consecrated flour. Pope, Odys.

38. From off.

The sea being constrained to withdraw from off certain tracts of lands, which lay till then at the bottom of it. Woodward.

Knights, unhors'd may rise from off the plain, And fight on foot their honour to regain. Dryden.

39. From out.

The king with angry threatenings from out a window, where he was not ashamed the world should behold him a beholder, commanded his guard and the rest of his soldiers to hasten their

And join thy voice unto the angel-quire, From out his secret altar touch'd with hallow'd fire.

Milton, Ode Nativ.

Now shake from out thy fruitful breast the seeds Of envy, discord, and of cruel deeds. Dryden, Æn. Strong god of arms, whose iron sceptre sways

The freezing North and hyperborean seas, Terrour is thine; and wild amazement, flung From out thy chariot, withers ev'n the strong. Dryden.

40. From out of.

Whatsoever such principle there is, it was at the first found out by discourse, and drawn from out of the very bowels of heaven and earth. Hooker. 41. From under.

He, though blind of sight, Despis'd, and thought extinguish'd quite, With inward eyes illuminated,

His fiery virtue rous'd

From under ashes into sudden flame. Milton, S. A. 42. From within.

From within The broken bowls, and the bloated skin, A buzzing noise of bees his ears alarm.

Dryden, Georg.

FRO'MWARD. prep. [Fpam and peaps, Saxon.] Away from; the contrary to the word towards. Not now in use.

As cheerfully going towards as Pyrocles went froward fromward his death. The horizontal needle is continually varying

towards east and west; and so the dipping or inclining needle is varying up and down, towards or fromwards the zenith.

FROND.* n.s. [Fr. fronde, from the Lat. frons, frondis.] A green or leafy branch or bough.

The frond itself varies in having its branches from a quarter of an inch to a full inch in breadth. Obs. on the Brit. Fuci, by Dr. Goodenough, &c. (1797,) Linn. Soc. iii. 19.

FRONDA'TION.* n. s. [Lat. frondatio.] A lopping of trees.

Frondation, or the taking off some of the luxuriant branches or sprays of trees, is a kind of Evelyn, iii. ii. § 8.

FRONDI'FEROUS. adj. [frondifer, Lat.] Dict. Bearing leaves.

FRONT. † n. s. [frons, Latin ; front, Fr.] 1. The face.

His front yet threatens, and his frowns com-

They stand not front to front, but each doth view

The other's tail, pursu'd, as they pursue. Creech, Manilius.

It carried its author in its front.

South, Serm. ix. 108. The patriot virtues that distend thy thought,

Spread on thy front, and in thy bosom glow. 2. The face, in a sense of censure or dislike: as, a hardened front; a fierce

front. This is the usual sense. Whence, and what art thou, execrable shape, That dars't, though grim and terrible, advance

Thy miscreated front athwart my way! Milton, P. L.

3. The face as opposed to an enemy. His foul esteem

Sticks no dishonour on our front. Milton, P. L. His forward hand, inur'd to wounds, makes way Upon the sharpest fronts of the most fierce. Daniel.

4. The part or place opposed to the face.

The access of the town was only by a neck of land: our men had shot that thundered upon them from the rampier in front, and from the gallies that lay at sea in flank.

5. The van of an army.

Twixt host and host but narrow space was left, A dreadful interval! and front to front

Presented stood, in terrible array. Milton, P. I.

6. The forepart of any thing, as of a build-

Both these sides are not only returns, but parts of the front; and uniform without, though severally partitioned within, and are on both sides of a great and stately tower, in the midst of the

front. Bacon, Ess.
Palladius adviseth the front of his edifice should so respect the south, that in its first angle it receive the rising rays of the winter sun, and decline a | little from the winter setting thereof.

Brown, Vulg. Err. The prince approach'd the door, Possess'd the porch, and on the front above

Dryden, Æn. He fix'd the fatal bough. One sees the front of a palace covered with

painted pillars of different orders. Addison on Italy. 7. The most conspicuous part or particular. The very head and front of my offending

Hath this extent, no more. Shakspeare, Otheilo. To FRONT. v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To oppose directly, or face to face; to

You four shall front them in the narrow lane; we will walk lower: if they scape from your en-

counter, then they light on us. Shaksp. Hen. IV.
Can you, when you have push'd out of your gates the very defender of them, think to front his

revenges with easy groans? Shakspeare, Coriol. Some are either to be won to the state in a fast and true manner, or fronted with some other of the same party that may oppose them, and so di-

vide the reputation. Bacon, Essays. I shall front thee, like some staring ghost, With all my wrongs about me.

Dryden, Don Sebast. 2. To stand opposed or over against any place or thing.

The square will be one of the most beautiful in Italy when this statue is erected, and a townhouse built at one end to front the church that stands at the other.

To FRONT. v. n. To stand foremost. I front but in that file,

Where others tell steps with me,

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. FRO'NTAL. † n. s. [frontale, Latin ; frontal,

1. Any external form of medicine to be applied to the forehead, generally composed amongst the ancients of coolers and hypnoticks.

We may apply intercipients upon the temples of mastick: frontales may also be applied.

Wiseman, Surgery. The torpedo, alive, stupifies at a distance; but after death, produceth no such effect; which had they retained, they might have supplied opium, and served as frontals in phrensies.

Brown, Vulg. Err. 2. [In architecture] A little pediment over a small door or window.

3. A bandage worn on the forehead; a frontlet. V. Cotgrave in FRONTAL.

FRO'NTATED. adj. [from frons, Latin.] In botany, the frontated leaf of a flower grows broader and broader, and at last perhaps terminates in a right line: used in opposition to cuspated, which is, when the leaves of a flower end in a point.

FRO'NTBOX. n. s. [front and box.] The box in the playhouse from which there is a direct view to the stage.

How vain are all these glories, all our pains, Unless good sense preserve what beauty gains ! That men may say, when we the front-box grace, Behold the first in virtue, as in face.

FRO'NTED. adj. [from front.] Formed with a front.

Part fronted brigades form. Milton, P. L. FRO'NTIER. † n. s. [frontiere, French; Lat. frons and terra.

1. The marches; the limit; the utmost verge of any territory; the border: properly that which terminates not at the sea, but fronts another country.

Draw all the inhabitants of those b or plant garrisons upon all those fronders away, ontiers about

I upon my frontiers here keep residence,
That little which is left so to defend. Milt. P.L. 2. Formerly the forts built along the

bounds of any territory.

In the frontiers made by the late emperour Charles the fifth, divers of their walles having given way.

Ives, Pract. of Fortification, (1589,) p. 21. He'll tell -

Of palisadoes, parapets, frontiers.

Fitzgeoffrey, Notes from Blackfryers, (1617.) FRO'NTIER + adj. Bordering; conterminous.

And Accaron and Gaza's frontier bounds. Milton, P. L.

A place there lies on Gallia's utmost bounds, Where rising seas insult the frontier grounds. Addison.

FRO'NTIERED.* adj. [from frontier.] Guarded on the frontiers.

Now that is no more a border, nor frontiered with enemies. Spenser.

FRONTINIA'CK Wine.* n. s. [from a town of Languedoc in France, so called.] A rich wine.

He [K. James I.] drank very often, which was rather out of a custom than any delight; and his drinks were of that kind for strength, as frontiniack, canary, high canary wine, trent wine, and

Sir A. Weldon, Court of K. James, (1650,) p. 179. Thou wouldst eat nothing but kids and fawns, carps and mullets, snipes and quails; and drink nothing but frontiniack.

Reeve, London's Precedent for Mercy, (1657.)

FRO'NTISPIECE. n. s. [frontispicium, id quod in fronte conspicitur, Lat. frontispice, French.] That part of any building or other body that directly meets the eye.

With frontispiece of diamond and gold Embellish'd, thick with sparkling orient gems The portal shone.

Milton, P. L. Who is it has informed us that a rational soul can inhabit no tenement, unless it has just such a sort of frontispiece?

The frontispiece of the townhouse has pillars of a beautiful black marble, streaked with white. Addison on Italy.

Fro'ntless. adj. [from front.] Not blushing; wanting shame; void of diffidence.

To triumph in a lie, and a lie themselves have forged, is frontless. Folly often goes beyond her bounds; but Impudence knows none.

B. Jonson, Discoveries. Thee, frontless man, we follow'd from afar, Thy instruments of death and tools of war.

Dryden, Iliad. For vice, though frontless and of harden'd face, Is daunted at the sight of awful grace.

Dryden, Hind and Panther. Strike a blush through frontless flattery. Pope.

FRO'NTLET. n. s. [from frons, Latin; fronteau, French.] A bandage worn

upon the forehead. How now, daughter, what makes that frontlet

on? You are too much of late i' th' frown. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

They shall be as frontlets between thine eyes.

To the forehead frontlets were applied, to restrain and intercept the influx. Wisem. Surgery.

FRONTRO'OM, n. s. [front and room.] An apartment in the forepart of the house.

If your shop stands in an eminent street, the | 2. Without warmth of affection. frontrooms are commonly more airy than the backrooms; and it will be inconvenient to make the frontroom shallow.

FRO'PPISH.* adj. [of uncertain etymology.] Peevish; froward.

His enemies - had still the same power, and the same malice, and a froppish kind of insolence, that delighted to deprive him of any thing that pleased him, and manifestly pleased itself in vexing him. Ld. Clarendon, Life, iii. 968.

FRORE.† part. adj. [bevroren, Dutch, frozen.] Frozen. This word is not used since the time of Milton, Dr. Johnson says. He had overlooked Philips; and his contemporary, T. Warton, has somewhere used it.

The parching air Burns frore, and cold performs th' effect of fire. Milton, P.L.

When the aged year Inclines, and Boreas' spirit blusters frore, Beware the inclement heavens.

Philips, Cyder, B. 2.

FRORNE. part. adj. [bevroren, frozen, Dutch.] Frozen; congealed with cold.

My heartblood is well nigh frome I feel,

And my galage grown fast to my heel. Spenser, Shep. Cal.

FRO'RY.* adj. [from frore.]

1. Frozen.

Her up betwixt his rugged hands he rear'd, And with his frory lips full softly kist. Spenser, F. Q. iii. viii. 35.

2. Covered with a froth resembling hoar

frost. She used with tender hand The foaming steed with frory bit to steer. Fairfax, Tass. ii. 40.

FROST. † n. s. [pport, Saxon; and Dr. Johnson might have added that this word is in most of the northern languages; as frost, Germ. Dan. Sw. and Icel. vrost, Dutch; probably from the Lat. frigus, and that from the Gr. κρύος, cold, ice, the * being changed into f.]

1. The last effect of cold; the power or

act of congelation.

This is the state of man: to-day he puts forth The tender leaves of hopes, to-morrow blossoms, And bears his blushing honours thick upon him; The third day comes a frost, a killing frost,

And when he thinks, good easy man, full surely His greatness is a ripening, nips his root, Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. And then he falls.

When the frost seizes upon wine, only the more waterish parts are congealed; there is a mighty spirit which can retreat into itself, and within its own compass lie secure from the freezing impres-

2. The appearance of plants and trees sparkling with congelation of dew.

Behold the groves that shine with silver frost, Their beauty wither'd, and their verdure lost. Pope, Winter.

FRO'STBITTEN. adj. [frost and bitten.]
Nipped or withered by the frost.

The leaves are too much frostbitten. Mortimer. FRO'STED. adj. [from frost.] Laid on in inequalities like those of the hoar frost upon plants.

The rich brocaded silk unfold, Where rising flow'rs grow stiff with frosted gold.

FRO'STILY. adv. [from frosty.] 1. With frost; with excessive cold.

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Courtling, I rather thou should'st utterly Dispraise my work, than praise it frostily. B. Jonson.

Fro'stiness. n. s. [from frosty.] Cold; freezing cold.

FRO'STNAIL. n. s. [frost and nail.] A nail with a prominent head driven into the horse's shoes, that it may pierce the ice.

The claws are straight only to take hold, for better progression; as a horse that is shod with Grew, Cosmol. Sacra.

FRO'STWORK. n. s. [frost and work.] Work in which the substance is laid on with inequalities, like the dew congealed upon shrubs.

By nature shap'd to various figures, those The fruitful rain, and these the hail compose; The snowy fleece and curious frostwork these,

Produce the dew, and those the gentle breeze.

No sooner did the warm aspect of good fortune shine out again, but all those exalted ideas of virtue and honour, raised, like a beautiful kind of frostwork, in the cold season of adversity, dissolved and disappeared. Warburton on Prodigies, p. 17.

Fro'sty. † adj. [Sax. phoptiz.] 1. Having the power of congelation; ex-

cessive cold.

For all my blood in Rome's great quarrel shed, For all the frosty nights that I have watch'd, Be pitiful to my condemned sons. Titus Andron.

The air, if very cold, irritateth the flame, and maketh it burn more fiercely; as fire scorcheth in frosty weather.

A gnat, half starved with cold and hunger, went out one frosty morning to a bee-hive.

2. Chill in affection; without warmth of kindness or courage.

What a frosty spirited rogue is this?

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. 3. Hoary; grey-haired; resembling frost. Where is loyalty?

If it be banish'd from the frosty head, Where shall it find a harbour in the earth? Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

FROTH. † n. s. [frae, Danish and Scottish. Dr. Johnson. - The Su. fra is also spume. These northern words correspond with the Gr. ἀφρὸς, foam, spray.]

1. Spume; foam; the bubbles caused in liquors by agitation.

His hideous tail then hurled he about, And therewith all enrapt the nimble thighs Of his froth foamy steed. Spenser, F. Q.

When wind expireth from under the sea, as it causeth some resounding of the water, so it causeth some light motions of bubbles, and white circles of froth. Bacon, Nat. Hist. Surging waves against a solid rock,

Though all to shivers dash'd, th'assault renew ; Vain batt'ry, and in froth or bubbles end.

Milton, P. R. The useless froth swims on the surface, but the pearl lies covered with a mass of waters. Glanville. The scatter'd ocean flies;

Black sands, discolour'd froth, and mingled mud They were the froth my raging folly mov'd

When it boil'd up; I knew not then I lov'd, Yet then lov'd most. Dryden, Aurengzebe.

If now the colours of natural bodies are to be mingled, let water, a little thickened with soap, be agitated to raise a froth: and after that froth has stood a little, there will appear, to one that shall view it intently, various colours every where in the surfaces of the bubbles; but to one that shall go so far off that he cannot distinguish the colours from one another, the whole froth will grow white with a perfect whiteness.

A painter, having finished the picture of a horse, excepting the loose froth about his mouth and his bridle: and after many unsuccessful essays, despairing to do that to his satisfaction, in a great rage threw a spunge at it, all besmeared with the colours, which fortunately hitting upon the right place, by one bold stroke of chance most exactly supplied the want of skill in the artist.

Bentley, Serm.

2. Any empty or senseless show of wit or eloquence.

3. Any thing not hard, solid, or substantial.

Who eateth his veal, pig, and lamb, being froth, Shall twice in a week go to bed without broth. Tusser.

To FROTH. v. n. [from the noun.] To foam; to throw out spume; to generate

He frets within, froths treason at his mouth,

And churns it through his teeth.

Dryden, Don Sebastian. Excess muddles the best wit, and only makes it flutter and froth high.

To Froth.* v. a. To make to froth; as to froth beer, i. e. to make it rise on the top.

Fill me a thousand pots, and froth 'em, froth 'em. Beaum. and Fl. The Pilgrim.

FRO'THILY. † adv. [from frothy.] 1. With foam; with spume.

Sherwood. 2. In an empty, trifling manner.

FRO'THINESS.* n. s. [from frothy.] Emptiness; triflingness.

The vanity of his conversation, and the profaneness and frothiness of his discourse.

South, Serm. viii. 264.

It would, doubtless, be as much more delightful as beneficial, if, when we meet, we were accustomed, instead of censures and reflections, news and impertinence, or frothiness and lightness, to discourse of some worthy and noble subject, becoming the genius and hope of a christian. Lucas, Serm. on Prov. xiii. 20.

FRO'THY. adj. [from froth.] 1. Full of foam, froth, or spume.

The sap of trees is of different natures; some watery and clear, as vines, beeches, pears; some thick, as apples; some gummy, as cherries; and some frothy, as elms.

Behold a frothy substance rise; Be cautious, or your bottle flies. Swift.

2. Soft; not solid; wasting.

Their bodies are so solid and hard as you need not fear that bathing should make them frothy. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

3. Vain; empty; trifling.

What's a voluptuous dinner, and the frothy vanity of discourse that commonly attends these pompous entertainments? What is it but a mortification to a man of sense and virtue? L'Estr.

Though the principles of religion were never so clear and evident, yet they may be made ridiculous by vain and frothy men; as the gravest and wisest person in the world may be abused by being put in a fool's coat.

FROUNCE. n. s. A word used by falconers for a distemper, in which white spittle gathers about the hawk's bill. Skinner.

To FROUNCE.† v. a. [Fr. froncer, or fronser, "to plait, to fold, to wrinkle," Cotgrave; fronsen, Teut.] To frizzle or curl the hair about the face. This word was at first probably used in contempt.

Some prank their ruffs, and others timely dight Spenser, F.Q.

Their gay attire. Some warlike sign must be used; either a slovenly buskin, or an overstaring frounced head. Ascham, Schoolmaster.

Thus, Night, oft see me in thy pale career, Till civil suited Morn appear;

Not trick'd and frounc'd as she was wont, Milton, Il Pens. With the Attick boy to hunt.

FROUNCE.* n. s. [from the verb.] A wrinkle, a plait; and thence contemptuously, a fringe or curl, or some ornament of dress. Bullokar notices the first meaning. See also FROUNCELESS.
What! shall I leave my state to pins and

poking-sticks, To farthingales and frounces?

Beaum. and Fl. Mons. Thomas.

FRO'UNCELESS.* adj. [frounce and less.] without wrinkle. Obsolete. Her forehead frounciles all plain.

Chaucer, Rom. R. 860.

Swift.

Fro'uzy. adj. [A cant word.] 1. Fetid; musty.

Petticoats in frouzy heaps.

2. Dim; cloudy.

When first Diana leaves her bed, Vapours and steams her looks disgrace; A frouzy dirty-colour'd red

Sits on her cloudy wrinkled face.

FROW.* n. s. [fraw, German; frau, old French; vrowe, Dutch; all signifying a woman; fru, Su. Goth. a woman of rank; Lat. vira, a woman, a manly woman.] A woman; generally applied to Dutch or German women. In the north of England, a frow, according to Grose, is an idle, dirty woman.

They are now Buxom as Bacchus' frows, revelling, dancing. Beaum. and Fl. Wit at sev. Weapons. A Dutch froe's colour hath no grace,

Scen in a Roman lady's face.

Florio, Transl. of Montaigne, p. 269. Your alewives, like the German froas, are all cheeks to the belly. Junius, Sin Stigmatized, p. 38. Frow.* adj. Brittle. Used in Berkshire. It is frough in the north. Ray, and Grose. That [timber] which grows in gravel is subject

to be frow (as they term it) and brittle. Evelyn, i. iii. § 5.

FRO'WARD. † adj. [rpampeaps, Saxon, i. e. from ward, in opposition to to ward. Thus the word was originally used for averse. "So froward is it from sadnesse," Chaucer, Rom. R. 4940, i.e. so far from it. Peevish; ungovernable; perverse; the contrary to angry; toward.

The froward pain of mine own heart made me delight to punish him, whom I esteemed the chiefest let in the way.

She's not froward, but modest as the dove: She is not hot but temperate as the morn.

Whose ways are crooked, and they froward in eir paths.

Prov. ii. 15. Time moveth so round, that a froward retention

of custom is as turbulent a thing as innovation.

Bacon, Essays. 'Tis with froward men, and froward factions too, as 'tis with froward children; they'll be sooner quieted by fear than by any sense of duty.

Motions occasion sleep, as we find by the common use and experience of rocking froward children in cradles.

Some frounce their curled hair in courtly guise, [FRO'WARDLY. adv. [from froward.] Peevishly; perversely.

I hid me and was wroth, and he went frowardly To lvii. 17. in the way of his heart. FRO'WARDNESS. n. s. [from froward.] Peev-

ishness; perverseness.

How many frowardnesses of ours does he smother? how many indignities does he pass by? how many affronts does he put up at our hands?

We'll mutually forget The warmth of youth and frowardness of age. Addison, Cato.

FRO'WER. n. s. [I know not the etymology.] A cleaving tool.

A frower of iron for cleaving of lath, With roll for a sawpit, good husbandry hath.

To FROWN.† v. n. [frogner, old Fr. to wrinkle. Skinner. To this etymology Dr. Johnson accedes. But I do not find this French verb in the old glossaries. Moreover, frown has been better traced to the Goth. ufryn, grim or stern, by Serenius; which corresponds with the Greek ¿peds, bearing the sense of a severe or haughty look.] To express displeasure by contracting the face to wrinkles; to look stern.

Say, that she frowns: I'll say, she looks as clear

As morning roses newly wash'd with dew. Shakspeare.

They choose their magistrate And such a one as he, who puts his shall, His popular shall, against a graver bench Than ever frown'd. Shakspeare, Coriol.

How now, daughter, what makes that frontlet on? You are too much of late i'th' frown. - Thou wast a pretty fellow, when thou hadst no need to care for her frowning. Shaks. K. Lear. Heroes in animated marble frown.

The wood Whose shady horrours on a rising brow Wav'd high, and frown'd upon the stream below.

To Frown. * v. a. To drive back with a look of haughtiness or displeasure.

Ventidius fix'd his eyes upon my passage, Severely, as he meant to frown me back.

Dryden, All for Love. Frown. n. s. [from the verb.] A wrinkled look: a look of displeasure.

Patiently endure that frown of fortune, and by some notable exploit win again her favour. Knolles, Hist. of the Turks.

In his half-clos'd eyes Stern vengeance yet and hostile terror stand; His front yet threatens and his frowns command.

FRO'WNINGLY. adv. [from frown.] Sternly; with a look of displeasure.

What, look'd he frowningly? A countenance more in sorrow than in anger.

Fro'wy. adj. Musty; mossy. This word is now not used; but instead of it frouzy.

But if they with thy gotes should yede, They soon might be corrupted;

Or like not of the frowy fede, Or with the weeds be glutted. Spenser, Shep. Cal.

FRO'ZEN. part. pass. of freeze. 1. Congealed with cold.

What was the waste of war, what fierce alarms Shook Asia's crown with European arms; Ev'n such have heard, if any such there be, Whose earth is bounded by the frozen sea. Dryden, En.

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Fierce Boreas, with his offspring, issues forth T' invade the frozen waggon of the North.

A cheerful blaze arose, and by the fire They warm'd their frozen feet, and dry'd their wet attire. Dryden, Flower and Leaf.

2. Chill in affection. Against whom was the fine frozen knight, frozen

in despair; but his armour naturally representing ice, and all his furniture lively answering thereto.

Be not ever frozen, coy, One beam of love will soon destroy, And melt that ice to floods of joy.

Carery.

3. Void of heat of appetite.

Even here, where frozen chastity retires, Love finds an altar for forbidden fires. Pope. FRO'ZENNESS.* n. s. [from frozen.] State of being frozen.

They soon return to that frozenness which is hardly dissolved.

Bp. Ganden, Hieraspistes, 1653. p. 486. F.R.S. Fellow of the Royal Society. Who virtú profess,

Shine in the dignity of F. R. S. Pope. To FRU'BBISH.* v. a. To furbish. Barret. This corruption also sometimes occurs in our old authors. See To FURBISH.

FRU'CTED.* adj. [Lat. fructus.] An heraldick term, given to all trees bearing

FRU'CTIFEROUS. adj. [fructifer, Lat.] Bearing fruit. Ainsworth. FRUCTIFICA'TION. n. s. [from fructify.]

The act of causing or of bearing fruit; fecundation; fertility.

That the sap doth powerfully rise in the Spring, to put the plant in a capacity of fructification, he that hath beheld how many gallons of water may be drawn from a birch-tree, hath slender reason to doubt. Brown, Vulg. Err.

To FRU'CTIFY. v. a. [fructifier, Fr.] To make fruitful; to fertilise.

Neither, doth the earth bring furthe buddes, or leaves, or other frute, onles it receives moysture of the raine; nor the raine doeth fructifie without

Martin, Marr. of Priests, (1554,) sign. Ee. i. b. The legal levies the sovereign raises are as vapours which the sun exhales, which fall down in sweet showers to fructify the earth.

Howel, Voc. For, Wheree'er she looks, behold some sudden birth Adorns the trees, and fructifies the earth.

To FRU'CTIFY. v. n. To bear fruit.

It watereth the heart, to the end it may fructify; maketh the virtuous, in trouble, full of magnanimity and courage; and serveth as a most approved remedy against all doleful and heavy accidents which befal men in this present life.

Thus would there nothing fructify, either near or under them, the sun being horizontal to the poles.

FRUCTUA'TION.* n. s. [from fructuous.] Product; fruit.

Knowing — with what superabundant population the first fructuation of an advancing society is loaded. Pownal on Antiq. (1782,) p. 60.

FRU'CTUOUS. † adj. [fructueux, Fr. from fructify. This is one of our oldest words. Chaucer uses it. "Be frucwords. Chaucer uses it. "Be fruc-tuous," Parson's Prol.] Fruitful; fertile; impregnating with fertility.

Apples of price, and plenteous sheaves of corn Oft interlac'd occur; and both imbibe

Fitting congenial juice, so rich the soil, So much does fructuous moisture o'erbound! Philips.

FRU'CTURE.** n. s. [Fr. fructure.] The fructure, use, fruition, possession, or enjoyment of. Cotgrave. FRU'GAL. adj. [frugalis, Lat. frugal, Fr.]

Thrifty; sparing; parsimonious; not prodigal; not profuse; not lavish.

Reasoning, I oft admire, How nature wise and frugal could commit Such disproportions, with superfluous hand So many nobler bodies to create,

Greater so manifold to this one use. Millon, P. L.
And wing'd purveyors his sharp hunger fed
With frugal scraps of flesh and maslin bread.

If through mists he shoots his sullen beams,

Frugal of light, in loose and straggling streams,

Suspect a drisling day.

Dryden, Virg.

FRUGA'LITY. n.s. [frugalité, Fr. frugalitas, Lat.] Thrift; parsimony; good husbandry.

As for the general sort of men, frugality may be the cause of drinking water; for that is no small saving, to pay nothing for one's drink.

Bacon.

Frugality and bounty too,

Those diffring virtues, meet in you. Walker.
In this frugality of your praises some things I cannot omit. Dryden, Fab. Dedic.

The boundaries of virtues are indivisible lines: it is impossible to march up close to the frontiers of frugality, without entering the territories of parsimony.

Arbuthnot, John Bull.

FRU'GALLY. † adv. [from frugal.] Parsimoniously; sparingly; thriftily.

He would have us live soberly, that is to say, honestly, shamefacedly, chastely, temperately, and frugally.

Woolton, Christ. Manual, (1576,) sign. L. iii. b. Mean time young Parsimond his marriage press'd,

And frugally resolv'd, the charge to shun,
To join his brother's bridal with his own. Dryd.

FRU'GGIN.* n. s. [Fr. fourgon.] An ovenfork, termed in Lincolnshire a fruggin. Cotgrave. The pole, with which the ashes in the oven are stirred. North. Grose, and Praise of Yorkshire Ale.

Grose, and Praise of Yorkshire Ale.
FRUGI'FEROUS. † adj. [frugifer, Lat.]
Bearing fruit.
Ainsworth.

Every frugiferous herb which is upon the face of the earth. More, Conj. Cabb. (1653,) p. 8. FRUIT.† n. s. [fructus, Lat. fruict, old Fr.

fruit, modern; frwyth, Welsh.]

1. The product of a tree or plant in which

the seeds are contained.

The strawberry grows underneath the nettle,

And wholesome berries thrive and ripen best, Neighboured by fruit of baser quality. Shakspeare, Hen. V.

2. That part of a plant which is taken for food.

By tasting of that fruit forbid,
Where they sought knowledge, they did error
find.
See how the rising fruits the gardens crown,

Imbibe the sun, and make his light their own.

Blackmore.

3. Production.

The fruit of the spirit is in all goodness and righteousness, and truth.

Ephes. v. 9.

4. The offspring of the womb; the young

of any animal.

Blessed shall be the fruit of thy body.

Deut. xxviii. 4. Shall the women eat their fruit, and the children of a span long?

Lament. ii. 20.

Can'st thou their reck'nings keep? the time compute,

When their swol'n bellies shall enlarge the fruit.

Sandys.

5. Advantage gained by any enterprise or conduct.

What is become of all the king of Sweden's victories? Where are the facile of them at this

victories? Where are the fruits of them at this day? Or of what benefit will they be to posterity?

Swift.

Another fruit, from considering things in themselves, will be, that each man will pursue his thoughts in that method which will be most agreeable to the nature of the thing, and to his apprehension of what it suggests to him. Locke.

6. The effect or consequence of any action.

She blushed when she considered the effect of granting; she was pale when she remembered the fruits of denying.

Sidney.

They shall eat of the fruit of their own way.

Shakspeare, Hamlet.

7. The desert after the meat.
Give first admittance to the embassadors;
My news shall be the fruit to that great feast.

To FRUIT.* v. n. To produce fruit.

As it is three years before they fruit, I might as well at my age plant oaks, and hope to have

the advantage of their timber. Ld. Chesterfield.

FRU'ITAGE. n. s. [fruitage, Fr.] Fruit collectively; various fruits.

In heav'n the trees
Of life ambrosial fruitage bear, and vines
Yield nectar.

Milton, P. L.

Greedily they pluck'd
The fruitage, fair to sight, like that which grew
Near that bituminous lake where Sodom flam'd.
Milton, P. L.

What is more ordinary with them than the taking in flowers and fruitage for the garnishing of their work? More.

FRU'ITBEARER. n. s. [fruit and bearer.]
That which produces fruit.

Trees, especially fruitbearers, are often infected with the measels.

Mortimer, Husbandry,
FRU'ITBEARING. adj. [fruit and bear.]
Having the quality of producing fruit.

By this way graft trees of different kinds one on another, as fruitbearing trees on those that bear not.

Mortimer.

FRU'ITERER. n. s. [fruitier, Fr.] One who trades in fruit.

I did fight with one Samson Stockfish, a fruiterer, behind Gray's-inn. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. Walnuts the fruit'rer's hand in Autumn stain; Blue plumbs and juicy pears augment his gain. Gay,

FRU'ITERY. n. s. [fruiterie. Fr.]
1. Fruit collectively taken.

Oft, notwithstanding all thy care
To help thy plants, on the small fruitery
Exempt from ills, an oriental blast
Disastrous flies.

2. A fruit-loft; a repository for fruit. FRU'ITFUL. adj. [fruit and full.]

1. Fertile; abundantly productive; liberal of vegetable product.

Philips.

If she continued cruel, he could no more sustain his life than the earth remain fruitful in the sun's continual absence.

Sidney.

The Earth,
Though in comparison of Heav'n, so small,
Nor glist'ring may of solid good contain
More plenty than the sun that barren shines,
Whose virtue on itself works no effect,
But in the fruitful earth.
Milton, P. L.

2. Actually bearing fruit.

Adonis' gardens,
That one day bloom'd, and fruitful were the next.
Shakspeare.

3. Prolifick; childbearing, not barren.

Hear, Nature, hear; dear goddess, hear a father
Suspend thy purpose, if thou did'st intend

Suspend thy purpose, if thou did'st intend
To make this creature fruitful:
Into her womb convey sterility. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

Male he created thee, but thy consort Female for race; then bles'd mankind, and said, Be fruitful, multiply, and fill the Earth; Subdue it, and throughout dominion hold.

Milton, P. L.
I have copied Nature, making the youths amorous and the damsels fruitful.

Gay, Pref. to the What d'ye Call it.
4. Plenteous; abounding in any thing.

While you, my lord, the rural shades admire, And from Britannia's publick posts retire, Me into foreign realms my fate conveys, Through nations fraulful of immortal lays. Addison. FRU'ITFULLY. adv. [from fruitful.]

In such a manner as to be prolifick.
 How sacred seeds of sea, and air, and earth,
 And purer fire through universal night,

And purer fire through universal night,
And empty space did fruitfully unite. Roscommon.
2. Plenteously; abundantly.

You have many opportunities to cut him off: if your will want not, time and place will be fruitfully offered.

Shake,peare.
Fruitfully abound.

Dryden.

FRU'ITFULNESS. n. s. [from fruitful.]

Fertility; fecundity; plentiful production.

Neither can we ascribe the same fruitfulness to any part of the earth, nor the same virtue to any plant thereon growing, that they had before the flood. Ralegh, Hist.

2. The quality of being prolifick, or bearing many children.

The goddess, present at the match she made, So bless'd the bed, such fraitfulness convey'd, That ere ten moons had sharpen'd either horn, To crown their bliss, a lovely boy was born. Dryden, Ovid.

3. Exuberant abundance.

The remedy of fruitfulness is easy, but no labour will help the contrary: I will like and praise some things in a young writer, which yet, if he continues in, I cannot but justly hate him for.

B. Jonson, Discoveries.
FRU'ITGROVES. n.s. [fruit and groves.]
Shades, or close plantations of fruit trees.

The faithful slave,
Whom to my nuptial train Icarius gave,
To tend the fruitgroves? Pope, Odyss.
RUI'TION, 7 2. s. [old Fr. fruition, from

FRUITION.† n. s. [old Fr. fruition, from fruor, Lat.] Enjoyment; possession; pleasure given by possession or use.

Man doth not seem to rest satisfied either with fruition of that wherewith his life is preserved, or with performance of such actions as advance him most deservedly in estimation.

Hooker.

I am driv'n, by breath of her renown, Either to seek shipwreck, or to arrive Where I may have fruition of her love.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI.
God riches and renown to men imparts,
Ev'n all they wish; and yet their narrow hearts

Cannot so great a fluency receive,
But their fruition to a stranger leave,
Sandys, Paraph, of Ps.

Wit once, like beauty, without art or dress, Naked and unadorn'd, could find success; Till by fruition, novelty destroy'd, The nymph must find new charms to be enjoy'd.

Granville.

Affliction generally disables a man from pursuing those vices in which the guilt of men con-

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sists; if the affliction be on his body, his appetites | To FRUMP. † v. a. Ithis is an old word, are weakened, and capacity of fruition destroyed.

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Rogers, Serm. FRU'ITIVE. adj. [from the noun.] Enjoying; possessing; having the power of enjoyment. A word not legitimate.

To whet our longings for fruitive or experi-mental knowledge, it is reserved among the prerogatives of being in heaven, to know how happy we shall be, when there.

FRU'ITLESS. adj. [from fruit.]

1. Barren of fruit; not bearing fruit. The Spaniards of Mexico, for the first forty years, could not make our kind of wheat bear seed; but it grew up as high as the trees, and was Ralegh, Hist. fruitless.

2. Vain; productive of no advantage; idle; unprofitable.

O! let me not, quoth he, return again Back to the world, whose joys so fruitless are; But let me here for ay in peace remain, Or straighteway on that last long voyage fare.

Spenser, F. Q. Serpent! we might have spar'd our coming hither:

Fruitless to me, though fruit be here t' excess.

Milton, P. L. The other is for entirely waving all searches into antiquity, in relation to this controversy, as being either needless or fruitless.

3. Having no offspring.

Upon my head they plac'd a fruitless crown, And put a barren sceptre in my gripe; No son of mine succeeding. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

FRU'ITLESSLY. adv. [from fruitless.] Vain-

ly; idly; unprofitably. After this fruit curiosity fruitlessly enquireth, and confidence blindly determineth.

Brown, Vulg Err. Walking they talk'd and fruitlessly divin'd What friend the priestess by those words design'd. Druden.

FRU'ITLESSNESS.* n. s. [from fruitless.] Barrenness; unfruitfulness; vanity.

Christ whips our fruitlessness in the innocent fig-tree; like as the manner was among the Persians, when their great men had offended, to take their garments and beat them. Hales, Rem. p.26. Certainly the fruitlessness and inexcusableness of

their vice [swearing] considered, almost no sinners have more to answer for.

Boyle against Cust. Swearing, p. 120. FRU'IT-TIME. n.s. [fruit and time.] The

Autumn; the time for gathering fruit. FRU'IT-TREE. n. s. [fruit and tree.] A tree of that kind whose principal value arises from the fruit produced by it.

Lady, by yonder blessed moon I vow, That tips with silver all these fruittree tops. Shaks.

They possessed houses full of all goods, wells digged, vineyards and oliveyards, and fruittrees in Neh. ix. 25.

All with a border of rich fruittrees crown'd, Whose loaded branches hide the lofty mound. Waller.

FRUMENTA'CEOUS. adj. [from frumentum, Latin.] Made of grain.

FRUMENTA'TION.* n. s. [Lat. frumentatio.] A general dole of corn. Cockeram.

FRU'MENTY. † n. s. [frumentée, Fr. Cotgrave; from frumentum, corn, Latin.] Food made of wheat boiled in milk. Pronounced, and sometimes written, frummety.

Frumenty makes the principal entertainment of all our country wakes. Our country people call it firmitry. It is an agreeable composition of boiled wheat, milk, spice, and sugar.

Dr. Gower, Mat. for Hist. of Cheshire, p. 10.

occurring both in Sherwood's and Cotgrave's dictionaries, and rendered by the French mocquer, i. e. "to mock, flout, frump, scoff, deride; to gull; to frustrate; to disappoint;" so that one is led almost to believe it a corruption of the Fr. tromper, to deceive, to delude. Dr. Johnson barely notices the word, without etymology, or example, from Skinner and Ainsworth ; but Skinner, as well as Minsheu, offers as the etymology the Teut. krum, crooked; or the verb krumpelen. i. e. krimpneusen, to turn up the nose in contempt.] To mock; to insult.

I am abus'd and frump'd, sir. Beaum. and Fl. Maid in the Mill.

Was ever gentlewoman So frump'd off with a fool?

Beaum. and Fl. The Chances. You must learn to mock too, frump your own father on occasion.

Ruggles, Comedy of Ignoramus, (1630,) v.2. FRUMP.* n. s. [from the verb.] A joke; a flout; a trick of mockery.

From hence this orator, this parcel of wit, flies out into a pleasant frump, as he thinks, but indeed an ugly, inhuman, loathsome ribaudrie.

Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Marr. Clergy. p. 164. You must look to be envied, and endure a few B. Jonson, Poetaster. court-frumps for it. Sweet widow, leave your frumps, and be edified. Beaum. and Fl. Scornf. Lady.

FRU'MPER.* n.s. [from frump.] A mocker: Cotgrave, and Sherwood. a scoffer.

To FRUSH. + v. a. [froisser, French.] To break, bruise, or crush. Hanmer. I like thy armour well;

I'll frush it, and unlock the rivets all, But I'll be master of it. Shaks. Troil. and Cress. They are sore frushed with sickness, or too farre withered with age.

Holinshed, Descript. of Ireland, p.29. Rinaldo's armour frush'd and hack'd they had. Fairfax, Tasso.

FRUSH. n. s. [from the verb.] A sort of tender horn that grows in the middle of the sole, and at some distance from the toe: it divides into two branches, running towards the heel, in the form of a fork. Farrier's Dict.

FRUSTRA'NEOUS. adj. [frustra, Lat.] Vain; useless; unprofitable; without advantage. Their attempts being so frustraneous, and the demonstrations to the contrary so perspicuous, it is a marvel that any man should be zealously

affected in a cause that has neither truth nor any honest usefulness in it. He timely withdraws his frustraneous baffled

kindnesses, and sees the folly of endeavouring to stroke a tyger into a lamb, or to court an Ethiopian out of his colour.

To FRU'STRATE. v. a. [frustror, Latin ; frustrer, French.]

1. To defeat; to disappoint; to balk. I survive,

To mock the expectations of the world; To frustrate prophecies, and to raze out Shakspeare, Hen. IV. Rotten opinion. Not more almighty to resist our might, Than wise to frustrate all our plots and wiles. Milton, P.L.

To make null; to nullify.

The act of parliament which gave all his lands to the queen, did cut off and frustrate all such

Now thou hast avenged Supplanted Adam; and by vanquishing Temptation, hast regain'd lost paradise. And frustrated the conquest fraudulent.

Milton, P. R. The peculiar strength of the motive may of itself perhaps contribute to frustrate the efficacy of it, rendering it liable to be suspected by him to whom it is addressed. Atterbury.

FRU'STRATE. † part. adj. [from the verb.] 1. Vain; ineffectual; useless; unprofitable. He is drown'd.

Whom thus we stray to find, and the sea mocks Our frustrate search on land. Shakspeare, Temp.

The ruler of the province of Judea being by Julian busied in the re-edifying of this temple, flaming balls of fire issuing near the foundation, and oft consuming the workmen, made the enterprize frustrate. Ralegh, Hist.

All at once employ their thronging darts; But out of order thrown, in air they join, And multitude makes frustrate the design.

2. Null: void.

Few things are so restrained to any one end or purpose, that, the same being extinct, they should forthwith utterly become frustrate. 3. Disappointed; defeated; balked.

Dryden, Ovid.

That my lord be not defeated and frustrate of his purpose. Judith, xi. 11. It is an axiom of nature that natural desire can-

not utterly be frustrate.
Go to him, Dolabella, bid him yield; Being so frustrate, tell him he mocks us by

The pauses that he makes. Shaks. Ant. and Cleop. Stern look'd the fiend, as frustrate of his will;

Not half suffic'd, and greedy yet to kill. Dryden. FRUSTRA'TION.† n. s. [Fr. frustration; Lat. frustratio.] Disappointment; defeat. If inculpable frustration were intolerable.

Barrow, vol. i. S.1. Vain heats and presumptuous conceits, to which no answer will be given but shame and frustration.

More on the Sev. Churches, Pref.

In states notoriously irreligious, a secret and irresistible power countermands their deepest projects, splits their counsels, and smites their most refined policies with frustration and a curse. South.

FRU'STRATIVE. adj. [from frustrate.] Fallacious; disappointing. Ainsworth. FRU'STRATORY. † adj. [Fr. frustratoire, Cotgrave.] That makes any procedure void; that vacates any former process.

Bartolus restrains this to a frustratory appeal. FRU'STRUM. n. s. [Latin.] A piece

cut off from a regular figure. A term of science. FRU'TICANT. † adj. [fruticans, Lat.] Full

of shoots. These we shall divide into the greater and more

ceduous, fruticant and shrubby. Evelyn, Introd. § 3. FRY. t n. s. [from froe, foam, Danish. Skinner, according to Dr. Johnson, who

makes no further etymological remark. The word is probably from the Goth. fraiw, seed. Old French. "le frie des salmons," Kelham. 1. The swarm of little fishes just produced

from the spawn.

They come to us but as love draws; He swallows us, and never chaws:

By him, as by chain'd shot, whole ranks do die; He is the tyrant pike, and we the fry. Forthwith the sounds and seas, each creek and bay,

With fry innumerable swarm, and shoals Of fish, that with their fins and shining scales Glide under the green wave in sculls that oft Bank the mid-sea Milton, P. L.

The angler had the hap to draw up a very little fish from among the fry. L'Estrange. So close behind some promontory lie

The huge leviathans, t' attend their prey; And give no chace, but swallow in the fry, Which through their gaping jaws mistake the way. Dryden

2. Any swarm of animals; or young people in contempt.

Out of the fry of these rakehell horseboys, growing up in knavery and villany, are their kern continually supplied and maintained.

Spenser on Ireland. Them before the fry of children young,
Their wanton sports and childish mirth did play, And to the maidens sounding timbrels sung. Spenser, F. Q.

Draw me no constellations there, Nor dog, nor goat, nor bull, nor bear; Nor any of that monstrous fry Of animals that stock the sky Oldham.

The young fry must be held at a distance, and kept under the discipline of contempt. Collier on Pride.

3. A swarm or heap of any materials. A flood of mischief flowes, An heap of hurts, a frie of foule decaies,

A flock of feares, and thralls a thousand waies. Mir. for Mag. p. 56. FRY. n. s. A kind of sieve.

He dresseth the dust from malt, by running it through a fan or fry. Mortimer, Husbandry. To FRY. v. a. [frigo, Lat. ffrio, Welsh; frijck, Erse.] To dress food in a pan on the fire.

To FRY. v. n. 1. To be roasted in a pan on the fire.

2. To suffer the action of fire. So when with crackling flames a cauldron fries, The bubbling waters from the bottom rise; Above the brims they force their fiery way Black vapours climb aloft, and cloud the day. Dryden, Æn.

3. To melt with heat. Spices and gums about them melting fry, And, phenix like, in that rich nest they die.

4. To be agitated like liquor in the pan on the fire.

Oil of sweet almonds newly drawn, with sugar, and a little spice, spread upon bread toasted, is an excellent nourisher; but then, to keep the oil from frying in the stomach, drink mild beer after Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Where no ford he finds, no water fries, Nor billows with unequal murmurs roar, But smoothly slide along, and swell the shore, Dryden, Æn. That course he steer'd.

FRY. n. s. [from the verb.] A dish of things fried.

FRY'INGPAN. n. s. [from fry and pan.] The vessel in which meat is dressed on the fire.

If I pass by sea, I may chance to fall from the fryingpan into the fire.

We understand by out of the fryingpan into the fire, that things go from bad to worse.

L'Estrange.

A freeman of London has the privilege of disturbing a whole street with the twanking of a Addison, Spect.

brass kettle or a fryingpan. FRYTH.* See FRITH.

To Fub. + v. a. To put off; to delay by false pretences; to cheat. It is generally written fob. See Fob.

A hundred mark is a long lone for a poor lone woman to bear! and I have borne, and borne, and have been fubb'd off and fubb'd off from this day to that day, that it is a shame to be thought on. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

And no access without I mend my manners? Beaum. and Fl. Mons. Thomas.

FUB. + n. s. A plump chubby boy, according to Ainsworth; applied also to a woman, as Mr. Malone observes. Written also fubs; which word is thought to have been applied by King Charles II. to the Duchess of Portsmouth, who is supposed to have been in her person rather full and plump. See Nichols, Literary Anecd. vol. ix. p. 339.

That same foule deformed fubs.

Rub and a Great Cast, (1614,) Ep. 44. Fu'BBY.*

adj. [from fub.] Plump; chubby.

The sculptors and painters apply this epithet fubbs to children, and say for instance of the boys of Fiammengo, that they are fubby. Nichols, Lit. Anecd. vol. ix. p. 339.

FU'CATE.* adj. [fucatus, Lat. from fucus; Heb. puch, lead.] Painted; whence, disguised by false show.

In virtue nothing may be fucate or counterfaite. Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 152.

Fu'cated. adj. [fucatus, Latin.]

1. Painted; disguised with paint. 2. Disguised by false show,

FU'CUS. † n. s. [Latin.]

1. Paint for the face. Not now in use. Women chat

Of fucus this and fucus that. B. Jonson. Those who paint for debauchery should have the fucus pulled off, and the coarseness underneath

2. Disguise; false show. No fucus, nor vain supplement of art, Shall falsify the language of my heart.

Sandys, Job, p. 52. 3. [In botany.] The name of a genus of submarine plants. The Latin plural. The various authors who have written upon the fuci have very unwarrantably divided the varieties, included in the denomination "vesiculosus," into numerous species.

Obs. on the Brit. Fuci by Dr. Goodenough, &c. Lin. Tr. iii. 19.

FU'DDER of Lead.* Among the miners, a load of lead. See FOTHER.

To FU'DDLE.† v. α. [of unknown etymology. It has been derived indeed from food and ale, as though ale had been the chief food of him who is fuddled. See Craven Dialect, and Brockett's N. C. Words in V. Fuddle. But I cannot think this the origin of the word.] To make drunk.

He thinks there's no man Can give him drink enough.

Host. That's note enough, I'll fuddle him, Or lie i' the suds. Beaum. and Fl. The Captain. I am too fuddled to take care to observe your Steele, Epist. Corresp. i. 162.

The table floating round, And pavement faithless to the fuddled feet.

To FU'DDLE. v. n. To drink to excess. Men will be whoring and fuddling on still. L'Estrange.

FU'DDLER.* n. s. [from fuddle.] drunkard.

The last I heard of him was, that he was grown a fuddler, and railer at strict men. Baxter's Life and Times, 1696, p. 4.

Why Doll, why Doll, I say, my letter fubb'd | FUDGE.* interj. An expression of the utmost contempt, usually bestowed on absurd or lying talkers. It probably was introduced in Goldsmith's time. and is now common in colloquial language.

I should have mentioned the very impolite behaviour of Mr. Burchell; who, during this discourse, sat with his face turned to the fire, and at the conclusion of every sentence, would cry out fudge! Goldsmith, Vicar of Wakefield, ch. Ni. FUE'ILLEMORTE. n. s. [French.] Corruptly pronounced and written phi-

lomot.

Fueillemorte colour signifies the colour of withered leaves in autumn.

FU'EL.† n. s. [fuayl, Norm. French, from feu, fire.] The matter or aliment of fire.

This shall be with burning and fuel of fire.

This spark will prove a raging fire, If wind and fuel be brought to feed it with.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. Mov'd by my charms, with them your love may

And as the fuel sinks the flame decrease. Prior. To Fu'el. v.a. [from the noun.]

1. To feed fire with combustible matter. And yet she cannot waste by this,

Nor long endure this torturing wrong; For more corruption needless is

To fuel such a fever long. Donne, Poems, p.16. Never, alas! the dreadful name

That fuels the infernal flame. The fuel'd chimney blazes wide. Thomson, Aut.

2. To store with firing.

Some are plainly occonomical, as that the seat be well watered, and well fuelled. Wotton, Architect. FU'ELLER.* n.s. [from fuel.] That which supplies fuel; that which kindles. Shops of fashions,

Love's fuellers, and the rightest company Of players. Donne, Poems, p. 258, To FUFF.* v. n. [Germ. pfuffen.] blow or puff. A northern word. Grose gives it in the form of faff, to blow in puffs. But the Craven Dialect and Mr. Brockett, rightly, in the spelling

Fu'ffy.* adj. [from the verb.] Light and soft. Craven Dialect, and Brockett's N. C. Words.

FUGA'CIOUS.† adj. [fugax, fugacis, Latin.] Volatile.

[They] require some nutriment to supply the place of the fugacious atoms.

Hallywell, Melampr. (1681,) p. 100.

A thing so fine and fugacious, as to escape our cest search.

Bp. Berkeley, Siris, § 43. nicest search.

He had hastily snatched at some little fugacious Sterne, Serm. 2.

Fuga'ciousness. n. s. [fugax, Latin.]
Volatility; the quality of flying away. Fuga'city. n. s. [fugax, Latin.]

Volatility; quality of flying away.
 Spirits and saits, which, by their fugacity, colour, smell, taste, and divers experiments that I pur-

posely made to examine them, were like the salt and spirit of urine and soot.

Uncertainty; instability.

Fugh. interj. [perhaps from φεν.] An expression of abhorrence. Commonly foh.

A very filthy fellow: how odiously he smells of his country garlick! fugh, how he stinks of Dryden, Don Sebast. FU'GITIVE. + adj. [fugitif, French; fu- | 3. One hard to be caught or detained. gitivus, Latin.]

1. Not tenable; not to be held or de-

tained. Our idea of infinity is a growing and fugitive

idea, still in a boundless progression, that can stop Happiness, object of that waking dream,

Which we call life, mistaking; fugitive theme Of my pursuing verse, ideal shade, Notional good, by fancy only made.

2. Unsteady; unstable; not durable. These momentary pleasures, fugitive delights.

Daniel, Cleopatra, (1596.)

3. Volatile; apt to fly away. The vexed chymick vainly chases His fugitive gold through all her faces.

Crashaw, Poems, p.77. The more tender and fugitive parts, the leaves of many of the more sturdy vegetables, fall off for want of the supply from beneath: those only which are more tenacious, making a shift to subsist without such recruit. Woodward, Nat. Hist.

4. Flying; running from danger.
Whilst yet with Parthian blood thy sword is warm.

The fugitive Parthians follow. Shaksp. Ant. & Cleop. The Trojan chief

Thrice fugitive about Troy wall. Milton, P. L.

5. Flying from duty; falling off.

Can a fugitive daughter enjoy herself, while her parents are in tears? Richardson, Clarissa.

6. Wandering; runnagate; vagabond.
Putting off his glorious apparel, and discharging his company, he came like a fugitive servant through the mid-land unto Antioch, having very

great dishonour for that his host was destroyed. 2 Macc. viii. 35. They are still seeking change, restless, fickle, fugitive; they may not abide to tarry in one place

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p.185. The most malicious surmise was countenanced by a libellous pamphlet of a fugitive physician.

7. Perishable; as, a fugitive piece; i. e. a little composition printed on a sheet, or less; a small pamphlet. Literary men of modern times have introduced this meaning, no doubt, from the circumstances usually attending such pieces of being soon forgotten, or soon lost; and have accordingly given occasion to collections of some fugitive performances, which ought not so to perish.

Fu'GITIVE. n. s. [from the adjective.]

1. One who runs from his station or duty. Unmarried men are best friends, best masters, best servants, but not always best subjects; for they are light to run away, and almost all fugitives are of that condition. Bacon.

Back to thy punishment, False fugitive / and to thy speed add wings, Lest with a whip of scorpions I pursue Milton, P. L. Thy ling'ring.

We understand by some fugilives that he hath commanded

The generals to return with victory, or expect A shameful death. Denham, Sophy.

2. One who takes shelter under another power from punishment.

Too many, being men of good inheritance, are fled beyond the seas, where they live under princes which are her majesty's professed enemies; and converse and are confederates with other traytors and fugitives there abiding. Spenser on Ireland.

Your royal highness is too great and too just, either to want or to receive the homage of rebellious fugitives. Dryden.

What muse but his can Nature's beauties hit, Or catch that airy fugitive, call'd wit. He FU'GITIVENESS. † n. s. [from fugitive.]

1. Volatility; fugacity.

That divers salts, emerging upon the analysis of many concretes, are very volatile, is plain from the fugitiveness of salt and of hartshorn ascending in distillation.

2. Instability; uncertainty.

The ludicrousness and fugitiveness of our wanton reason. More, Antid. against Idolatry, ch. 1. FUGUE. n. s. [French; from fuga, Latin.] In musick, some point consisting of four, five, six, or any other number of notes begun by some one single part, and then seconded by a third, fourth, fifth and sixth part, if the composition consists of so many; repeating the same, or such like notes, so that the several parts follow, or come in one after another in the same manner, the leading parts still flying before those that follow.

The reports and fugues have an agreement with the figures in rhetorick of repetition and traduc-Bacon, Nat. Hist.

The skilful organist plies his grave and fancied descant in lofty fugues. Milton on Education.

His volant touch

Instinct through all proportions, low and high, Fled, and pursu'd transverse the resonant fugue. Milton, P. L.

Long has a race of heroes fill'd the stage, That rant by note, and through the gamut rage; In songs and airs express their martial fire,

Combat in trills, and in a fugue expire. Addison. U'LCIBLE.* adj. [Latin, fulcibilis.] That may be propped up. Cockeram. Cockeram.

Fu'lciment. n. s. [fulcimen, fulcimentum, Latin.] That on which a body rests, which acts or is acted upon at each end, as a balance or a lever. The power that equiponderates with any weight

must have the same proportion unto it as there is betwixt their several distances from the centre or fulciment. Wilkins.

It had need of another fulciment, upon which

it might the more firmly rest.

Smith, Portr. of Old Age, p. 75. FU'LCRUM. † n. s. [Latin.] In mechanicks, now common for prop; as, the fulcrum of a lever.

To FULFI'L. † v. a. [full and fill. Sax.

pull-pýllan.

To fill till there is no room for more. This sense is now not used, Dr. Johnson says, citing only Shakspeare. - He had forgotten a most expressive passage in our Liturgy.

Six gates i'the city, with massy staples, And corresponsive and fulfilling bolts,

Spar up the sons of Troy.

Shakspeare, Troil. and Cress. Prol. Humbly beseeching Thee, that all we, who are partakers of this Holy Communion, may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction. Communion Service.

2. To answer any prophecy or promise by performance.

They knew him not, nor yet the voices of the prophets which are read every sabbath-day, they have fulfilled them in condemning him.

Acts, xiii. 27. The fury bath'd them in each other's blood; Then, having fix'd the fight, exulting flies, And bears fulfill'd her promise to the skies.

Dryden, Æn.

3. To answer any purpose or design. Here nature seems fulfill'd in all her ends.

Milton, P. L. 4. To answer any desire by compliance or

gratification. I make your grace my executor, and I beseech

ye see my poor will fulfilled.

Beaum. and Fl. Hum. Lieut. If on my wounded breast thou drop'st a tear, Think for whose sake my breast that wound did

And faithfully my last desires fulfil,

As I perform my cruel father's will. Dryden, Ovid. 5. To answer any law by obedience.

This I my glory account My exaltation, and my whole delight, That thou in me well-pleas'd declar'st thy will Fulfill'd, which to fulfil is all my bliss

Milton, P.L. FULFI'LLER.* n. s. [from fulfil.] One that accomplishes or fulfils

That he might not supplant him in his hope of being the fulfiller of the oracle before-mentioned.

Patrick on Genesis, iv. 5. Moses the deliverer, Elijah and Elisha the restorers, and our Saviour the fulfiller and finisher of the law. Spencer, on Vulg. Proph. p. 60. Fulfi'lling.* n. s. [from fulfil.] Com-

pletion; Gr. πλήρωμα.

Love worketh no ill to his neighbour; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law. Rom. xiii. 10. FULFI'LMENT.* n. s. [from fulfil.] Full performance. Not much used.

Gage [is that] by which a man is bound to certain fulfilments. H. Tooke, Div. of Purley, ii. 375. FULFRA'UGHT. † See FULL-FRAUGHT. Fu'LGENCY. n. s. [fulgens, Latin.] Splen-

dour; glitter. Dict. FU'LGENT. adj. [fulgens, Latin.] Shin-

ing; dazzling; exquisitely bright. As from a cloud his fulgent head, And shape star-bright appear'd. Milton, P. L.

The illumination is not so bright and fulgent as to obscure or extinguish all perceptibility of reason. More, Divine Dialogues.

Fu'lgid. adj. [fulgidus, Latin.] Shining; glittering; dazzling.

Fulgi'dity. n. s. [from fulgid.] Splendour; dazzling glitter. Dict.

Fu'lgour. † n. s. [fulgor, Latin.] Splendour; dazzling brightness like that of lightning.

Glow-worms alive project a lustre in the dark; which fulgour, notwithstanding, ceaseth after

Chains of burnished gold or brass, whose fulgor they delighted in. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p.302. When I set my eyes on this side of things, there

shines from them such an intellectual fulgour, that methinks the very glory of the Deity becomes visible through them.

Fu'lgurant.* adj. [Latin, fulgurans.] Lightening; flashing. Though pitchy blasts from hell upborn

Stop the outgoings of the morn, And nature play her fiery games, In this forc'd night, with fulgurant flames.

More, Philosoph. Poems, (1647,) p.314.

To FU'LGURATE. * v. n. [Lat. fulguro.] To emit flashes of light. A term applied to a substance of the phosphorous kind, called fulgurating phosphorus. Chambers.

If enclosed in a glass vessel well stopped, it sometimes would fulgurate, or throw out little flashes of light, and sometimes fill the whole vial with waves of flames. Phil. Transact. No. 134.

Fulguration. † n. s. [fulguratio, Latin.] The act of lightening.

'The shine gave such a lightning from one to another — so as you should be forced to turn them [the eyes] elsewhere, or not too stedfastly to behold their fulguration.

Donne, Hist. of the Sept. (1633,) p.57.
Fu'lgury.* n. s. [Latin, fulgur.] Lightning.
Cockeram.

FU'LHAM.† n. s. A cant word for false dice, which, were chiefly made at Fulham; whence the term high and low fulhams or fullams. Pise, Ital. "false dice, high and low men, high fullams and low fullams." Torriano, Ital. Dict.

Let vultures gripe thy guts! for gourd, and fullam holds,

And high and low beguile the rich and poor.

Shakspeare, Mer. W. of Windsor.

FULI'GINOUS. adj. [fulligineux, Fr. fulliginosus, Lat.] Sooty; smoky.

Burrage bath an excellent spirit to repress the fuliginous vapours of dusky melancholy, and so cure madness.

Whereas history should be the torch of truth, he makes her in divers places a fuliginous link of lies.

Howell.

Full'Ginously.* adv. [from fuliginous.]
In a smoky state.

Or whence the joy 'mid columns, towers, 'Midst all the city's artful trim,
To rear some breathless vapid flowers,

Or shrubs fuliginously grim.

Fu'Limart.† n. s. [This word, of which Skinner observes that he found it only in Walton, seems to mean the same with stoat, Dr. Johnson says. It seems to be the same as foumart, written in Sherwood's dictionary fulmart under the word fitch; and by Ben Jonson fullmart. See Foumart.] A kind of stinking ferret.

The fichat, the *fulimart*, and the ferret, live upon the face and within the bowels of the earth.

Walton, Angler.

FULL.† adj. [rulle, Saxon; vol, Dutch; Goth. fulls; Iceland. fullr; Gr. πλès,]

1. Replete; without vacuity; having no

space void.

Better is an handful with quietness, than both

the hands full with travail and vexation of spirit.

Eccl. iv. 6.
Valley full of chariots.

The trees of the Lord are full of sap. Psalms.
Where all must full or not coherent be. Pope.
Abounding in any quality good or bad.
With pretence from Strephon her to guard,

With pretence from Strephon her to guard, He met her full, but full of warefulness. Sidney. You should tread a course

Pretty and full of view. Shakspeare, Cymb. Followers who make themselves as trumpets of the commendation of those they follow, are full of inconvenience; they taint business, through want of secreey, and export honour from a man, and make him a return in envy.

Bacon.

That must be our cure,

To be no more; sad cure; for who would lose, Though full of pain, this intellectual being, Those thoughts that wander through eternity?

Milton, P.L.
Gay religions full of pomp and gold. Milton.
In that sweet season, as in bed I lay,

I turn'd my weary side, but still in vain, Though full of youthful health and void of pain.

He is full of wants which he cannot supply, and compassed about with infirmities which he cannot remove.

Tillotson.

From yon bright heaven our author fetch'd his fire.

And paints the passions that your eyes inspire;

Full of that flame, his tender scenes he warms,
And frames his goddess by your matchless charms.

Granville.

Stored with any thing; well supplied with any thing.
 Full of days was he;

Two ages past, he liv'd the third to see. Tickell.
4. Plump; saginated; fat.

Pha. Do ladies of this country use to give no more respect to men of my full being?

Gal. Full being! I understand you not, unless your grace means growing to fatness.

Beaum and Fl. Philaster.

A gentleman of a full body having broken his skin by a fall, the wound inflamed.

Wiseman, Surgery.

5. Saturated; sated.

I am full of the burnt offerings of rams. Isa.i.11.
The alteration of scenes feeds and relieves the eye, before it be full of the same object.

Bacon.

Impregnated; made pregnant.
 Ilia the fair —

Who, full of Mars, in time with kindly throes Shall at a birth two goodly boys disclose.

7. Crouded with regard to the imagination or memory.

Every one is full of the miracles done by cold baths on decayed and weak constitutions. Locke.

8. That which fills or makes full; large; great in effect.

Water digesteth a full meal sooner than any liquor.

Arbuthnot.

General Such as that nothing further

9. Complete; such as that nothing further is desired or wanted.

That day had seen the full accomplishment
Of all his travels.

What remains, ye gods,

But up and enter now into full bliss? Milton, P. L.
Being tried at that time only with a promise, he
gave full credit to that promise, and still gave evidence of his fidelity as fast as occasions were
offered.

Hummond, Pract. Catechism.

The resurrection of Jesus from the dead hath given the world full assurance of another life.

Tillotson.

10. Complete without abatement; at the utmost degree.

At the end of two full years Pharaoh dreamed.

Genesis.

After hard riding, plunge the horses into water,

and allow them to drink as they please; but gallop them full speed, to warm the water in their bellies.

Swift, Direct. to the Groom.

1. Containing the whole matter express-

11. Containing the whole matter expressing much.

Where my expressions are not so full as his, either our language or my artwere defective; but where mine are fuller than his, they are but the impressions which the often reading of him have left upon my thoughts.

Denham.

Should a man go about with never so set study to describe such a natural form of the year before the deluge as that which is at present established, he could scarcely do it in so few words, so fit and proper, so full and express.

Woodward.

12. Strong; not faint; not attenuated.

I did never know so full a voice issue from so empty a heart; but the empty vessel makes the greatest sound.

Shakspeare.

Bayrals placed and a the flow of the fl

Barrels placed under the floor of a chamber, make all noises in the same more full and resounding.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Dryden taught to join

The varying verse, the full resounding line. Pope.

13. Mature; perfect.

In the sultanry of the Mamelukes, slaves reigned over families of free men; and much like were the case, if you suppose a nation, where the custom were that after full age the sons should expulse their fathers out of their possessions.

Bacon.

So law appears imperfect, and but given With purpose to resign them in full time Up to a better covenant.

Milton, P.L.

These thoughts
Full counsel must mature.

Milton, P. L.

14. [Applied to the moon.] Complete in its orb.

Towards the full moon, as he was coming home one morning, he felt his legs faulter.

Wiseman, Surgery.

15. Not continuous, or a full stop.
Therewith he ended, making a full point of a hearty sign.
Sidney.

16. Spread to view in all dimensions.

Till about the end of the third century, I do not remember to have seen the head of a Roman emperour drawn with a full face: they always appear in profile.

Addison on Medals.

Full. n. s.

1. Complete measure; freedom from deficiency.

When we return,
We'll see those things effected to the full.

He liked the pomp and absolute authority of a general well, and preserved the dignity of it to the full.

The Picture of Ptolemy Philopater is given by authors to the full.

Clarendon.

Dryden.

Sicilian tortures and the brazen bull,
Are emblems, rather than express the full
Of what he feels,
Dryden, Pers.
If where the rules not far an emble seeds

If where the rules not far enough extend,
Some lucky licence answer to the full
Th' intent propos'd that licence is a rule.

Th' intent propos'd, that licence is a rule. Pope.

2. The highest state or degree.

The swan's down feather,

That stands upon the swell at full of tide, Neither way inclines. Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. 3. The whole; the total.

The king hath won, and hath sent out
A speedy pow'r to encounter you, my lord:
This is the news at full. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.
But what at full I know, thou know'st no part;
I knowing all my peril, thou no art. Shakspeare.

4. The state of being satiated.

When I had fed them to the full. Jer. v. 7.

5. [Applied to the moon.] The time in which the moon makes a perfect orb.

Brains in rabbits, woodcocks, and calves, are fullest in the full of the moon. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Full. † adv.

1. Without abatement or diminution.

He full
Resplendent all his Father manifest

Express'd. Millon, P.L.
In the unity of place they are full as scrupulous; which many of their criticks limit to that very spot

of ground where the play is supposed to begin.

Dryden, Dram. Poesy.

A modest blush he wears, not form'd by art.

A modest blush he wears, not form'd by art;
Free from deceit his face, and full as free his heart.

Dryden.

The most judicious writer is sometimes mistaken after all his care; but the hasty critick, who judges on a view, is full as liable to be deceived.

Dryden, Aureng, Pref.
Since you may

Suspect my courage if I should not lay,
The pawn I proffer shall be full as good.

Dryden, Virg.

2. With the whole effect.

'Tis the pencil thrown luckily full upon the horse's mouth to express the foam, which the painter, with all his skill, could not perform without it.

Dryden, Dufressoy.

From harmony, from heavenly harmony, This universal frame began:

This universal frame began: From harmony to harmony,

Through all the compass of the notes it ran,
The diapason closing full in man.

Dryden.

3. Exactly. Full in the centre of the sacred wood,

An arm ariseth of the Stygian flood. Addison on Italy. Full nineteen sailors did the ship convey, A shoal of nineteen dolphins round her play. Addison, Ovid.

4. Directly.

He met her full, but full of warefulness. Sidney. He then confronts the bull, And on his ample forehead aiming full,

The deadly stroke descending pierc'd the skull. Druden.

At length resolv'd, he throws with all his force Full at the temples of the warrior horse.

5. It is placed before adverbs, adjectives, and participles, to intend or strengthen their signification. So the Sax. rul-ore, full oft; rul-rlap, full slow; rul-pice, full wide; rul-neh, full nigh, rul-bopen, full born.]

Tell me why on your shield, so goodly scor'd, Bear ye the picture of that lady's head?

Full lively is the semblant, though the substance Spenser, F.Q. dead. My time is not yet full come. St. John. vii. 8.

I was set at work Among my maids; full little, God knows, looking Either for such men or such business.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. Full well ye reject the commandment.

St. Mar. vii. 9. Adam was all in tears, and to his guide Milton, P. L. Lamenting turn'd full sad.

You full little think that you must be the beginner of the discourse yourself. More, Div. Dial. Full little thought of him the gentle knight. Dryden.

Full well the god his sister's envy knew, And what her aims and what her arts pursue.

There is a perquisite full as honest, by which you have the best part of a bottle of wine for your-

Full is much used in composition to intimate any thing arrived at its highest state, or utmost degree.

Full-Acorned.* adj. [full and acorned.] Fed full with acorns.

Like a full-acorn'd boar. Shakspeare, Cymb.

Full-bloomed.* adj. [full and bloomed.] Having perfect bloom.

A mouth, whose full-bloom'd lips At too dear a rate are roses. Crashaw, Poems, p. 23.

Full-Blown. adj. [full and blown.] 1. Spread to the utmost extent, as a per-

fect blossom. My glories are past danger; they're full-blown:

Things, that are blasted, are but in the bud. Denham, Sophy. My full-blown youth already fades apace; Of our short being 'tis the shortest space!

Dryden, Juv. 2. Stretched by the wind to the utmost

He who with bold Cratinus is inspir'd,

With zeal and equal indignation fir'd; Who at enormous villany turns pale, And steers against it with a full-blown sail.

Dryden, Pers. FULL-BOTTOMED. adj. [full and bottom.] Having a large bottom.

I was obliged to sit at home in my morninggown, having pawned a new suit of cloaths and a full-bottom'd wig for a sum of money. Guardian. FULL-BUT.* adv. [full and butt.] At the same point, from opposite directions, and not without violence.

full-but; and after a little staring one another in the face, upon the encounter, the babler opened.

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L'Estrange, Tr. of Quevedo, p. 211. Full-charged.* adj. [full and charged.] Charged to the utmost.

I stood i'the level Of a full-charg'd confederacy. Shaks. Hen. VIII.

Full-crammed.* adj. [full and crammed.] Crammed to satiety.

The chub-faced fop Shines sleek with full-cramm'd fat of happiness. Marston, Antonio's Revenge.

Full-dressed.* adj. [full and dressed.] Dressed in form; ceremoniously de-

To convey to us any just idea of a full-dressed Jewish fine lady,

Pilkington, Rem. on the Transl. of the Bible, p. 92. FULL-DRIVE.* adj. [full and drive.] Completed; a very old expression, which we still use, though in a very different way, meaning driving as fast as possible. Yet Chaucer's phrase " to drive a bargain," i.e. to bring it to a conclusion, is now used in colloquial

This bargain is ful-drive, for we ben knit; Ye shul be paid trewely by my troth.

Chaucer, Frankl. Tale. FULL-EARED. adj. [full and eared.] Having the heads full of grain.

As flames roll'd by the winds conspiring force, O'er full-ear'd corn, or torrents raging course. Denham.

FULL-EYED. adj. [full and eye.] Having large prominent eyes.

Full-Fed. adj. [full and fed.] Sated; fat; saginated.

All as a partridge plump, full-fed and fair, She form'd this image of well-bodied air. Pope, Dunciada

FULL-FRAUGHT. † adj. [full and fraught.] Fully stored.

Thy fall hath left a kind of blot To mark the full-fraught man, the best endu'd, Shakspeare, K. Hen. V. With some suspicion. Thither, full-fraught with mischievous revenge, Accurs'd, and in a cursed hour, he hies Milton, P. L.

FULL-GORGED.* adj. [full and gorge.] Too much fed; a term of hawking. Your hawke is full-gorged; and not cropped. The Booke of Haukyng, s. d.

Till she stoop, she must not be full-gorg'd, For then she never looks upon her lure.

Shakspeare, Tam. of the Shrew. Full-Grown.* adj. [full and grown.] Completely grown.

A wench full-grown. Shakspeare, Pericles. Milton, P.R. Full-grown to man.

FULL-HEARTED.* adj. [full and heart.] Full of confidence; elated.

The enemy full-hearted, Lolling the tongue with slaughtering. Shakspeare, Cymbeline.

Full-hor.* adj. [full and hot.] Heated to the utmost.

Anger is like A full-hot horse; who being allow'd his way, Self-mettle tires him. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

Full-Laden. adj. [full and laden.] Laden till there can be no more added.

It were unfit that so excellent a reward as the Gospel promises should stoop down, like fruit upon a full-laden bough, to be plucked by every idle and wanton hand

He and the babler, or talker, I told ye of, met | FULL-MANNED.* adj. [full and manned; Sax. rull-mannob, viris instructus. Lye.] Completely furnished with men.

Our overplus of shipping will we burn; And, with the rest full-mann'd, from the head of Actium

Beat the approaching Cæsar. Shaks. Ant. and Cl. FULL-MOUTHED.* adj. [full and mouthed.] Having a strong voice or sound.

A full-mouth'd diapason swallows all. Crashaw, Poems, p. 86.

Had Boreas blown His full-mouth'd blast, and cast thy houses down? Quarles, Jonah, sign. K. i. b.

FULL-ORBED.* adj. [full and orbed.] 1. Having the orb complete. As Lucifer excels the meanest star ;

Or as the full-orb'd Phœbe, Lucifer. Addis. Ovid. The moon Full-orb'd, and breaking through the scatter'd

clouds, Shews her broad visage in the crimson'd east. Thomson, Autumn.

2. Like a full moon. Twelve thousand crescents all shall swell

To full-orb'd pride, and fading die. Mason, Caractacus:

Full-spread. adj. [full and spread.] Spread to the utmost extent. How easy 'tis, when destiny proves kind, With full-spread sails to run before the wind;

But those that 'gainst stiff gales laveering go, Must be at once resolv'd and skilful too. Dryden, Astræa Redun.

Full-stomached.* adj. [full and stomach.] Having the stomach crammed. The slaughter'd bodies of their men,

Which the full-stomach'd sea had cast upon Tourneur, Ath. Tragedy. Their sands. Full-stuffed.* adj. [full and stuffed.]

Filled to the utmost extent. Their burly sacks and full-stuff'd barns.

Drayton, Polyolb. S. 14.

Full-summed. adj. [full and summed.]

Complete in all its parts. The cedar stretched forth his branches, and the

king of birds nested within his leaves, thick feathered, and with full-summed wings fastening his talons East and West; but now the eagle is become half-naked. Howel, Voc. For.

Full-winged.* adj. [full and winged.] 1. Having large or strong wings. And often to our comfort shall we find

The sharded beetle in a safer hold, Than is the full-wing'd eagle. Shakspeare, Cymb.

2. Ready for flight; eager. May he find it,

When his affections are full-wing'd, and ready To stoop upon the quarry.

Beaum. and Fl. Love's Pilgrimage.

To FULL. v. a. [rullian, Saxon; fullo, Latin.] To cleanse cloth from its oil

or grease; "to full cloth in a mill." Sherwood.

Fu'llage. n. s. [from full.] The money paid for fulling or cleansing cloth.

FULLAM. + See FULHAM. Fu'ller. † n. s. [rullepe, Saxon; fullour, old French; fullo, Latin. One whose

trade is to cleanse cloth. The clothiers have put off The spinsters, carders, fullers, weavers.

Shukspeane, Hen. VIII. His raiment became shining, exceeding white as snow; so as no fuller on earth can whiten them. St. Mar. ix. 3.

Tillotson. Fu'LLERS Earth. n. s.

Fullers earth is a marl of a close texture, extremelys oft and unctuous to the touch: when dry it is of a greyish brown colour, in all degrees, from very pale to almost black, and generally has a greenish cast in it. The finest fullers earth is dug in our own island.

Hill, Mat. Medica. The fullers earth of England very much exceeds any yet discovered abroad in goodness; which is one great reason why the English surpass all other nations in the woollen manufacture.

Woodward on Fossils.

Fu'llers Thistle, or Weed. n. s. [dipsacus.]

FU'LLERY. n. s. [from fuller. The place where the trade of a fuller is exercised. Fu'llingmill. n. s. [full and mill.] A

mill where the water raises hammers which beat the cloth till it be cleansed. By large hammers, like those used for paper

and fulling-mills, they beat their hemp. Mortimer. Fu'lly. † adv. [Sax. rullice.]

1. Without vacuity.

2. Completely; without lack; without more to be desired.

There are many graces for which we may not cease hourly to sue, graces which are in bestowing always, but never come to be fully had in this present life; and therefore, when all things here have an end, endless thanks must have their beginning in a state which bringeth the full and final satisfaction of all such perpetual desires.

He fully possessed the entire revelation he had received from God, and had thoroughly digested The goddess cry'd

It is enough, I'm fully satisfy'd. Addison, Ovid.

FU'LMINANT. adj. [fulminant, Fr. fulminans, Latin.] Thundering; making a noise like thunder.

To FU'LMINATE. + v. n. [fulmino, Lat. fulminer, French.]

1. To thunder.

With a fiery wreath bind thou [Poesy] my brow, That mak'st my muse in flames to fulminate. Davies, Wit's Pilgrimage, sign. I. 4. b. Loud Ætnas fulminate in love to man;

Comets good omens are, when duly scann'd. Young, Night Th. 9.

2. To make a loud noise or crack. Whilst it was in fusion we cast into it a live coal, which presently kindled it, and made it boil and flash for a pretty while: after which we cast in another glowing coal, which made it fulminate

afresh. In damps one is called the suffocating, and the other the fulminating damp. Woodw. Nat. Hist.

3. To issue out ecclesiastical censures. Who shall presume to give orders, or administer sacraments, or grant pardons? - Who shall be depositary of the oaths and leagues of princes, or fulminate against the perjur'd infractors of them? Ld. Herbert. Hen. VIII. p. 363.

To FU'LMINATE. + v. a.

1. To throw out as an object of terrour. As excommunication is not greatly regarded here in England, as now fulminated; so this constitution is out of use among us in a great mea-Ayliffe, Parergon.

Censures were fulminated against him.

Lord Herbert, Hen. VIII. p.369. Judgements — fulminated with the air of one who had the divine vengeance at his disposal.

Warburton, Doct. of Grace, p. 147. 2. To denounce with censure; to condemn.

For all of ancient that you had before, (I mean what is not borrow'd from our store,) Was error fulminated o'er and o'er.

Dryden, Hind and Panther. Those branches of baleful prerogative, which they had so often fulminated. Warburt. Serm. 19.

3. To cause to explode.

If you fulminate it [salt-petre] in a crucible, and burn off the volatile part with powder of coal. Sprat. Hist. R. S. p. 275.

Fulmina'Tion, † n. s. [fulminatio, Latin; fulmination, French.]

The act of thundering.

2. Denunciation of censure.

The fulminations from the vatican were turned into ridicule. Ayliffe, Parergon. Fulminations that have been uttered these seven

years, by those cloven tongues of falsehood and dissention. Milton, Ten. of Kings and Magist.

3. The act of fulminating; a term of chemistry.

The volatile part was separated from it in the fulmination. Sprat, Hist. R. S. p. 275.

FU'LMINATORY + adj. [Fr. fulminatoire.] Thundering; striking horrour.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood. To FU'LMINE.* v. a. [Fr. fulminer.] To shoot; to dart, like lightning. And ever and anon the rosy red

Flash'd through her face, as it had been a flake Of lightning through bright heav'n fulmined.

Spenser, F. Q. To FU'LMINE.* v.n. To thunder; to speak with the resistless power, as it were, of thunder.

Thence to the famous orators repair. Those ancient, whose resistless eloquence Wielded at will that fierce democratie.

Shook the arsenal, and fulmin'd over Greece To Macedon and Artaxerxes' throne. Milton, P.R.

FU'LNESS. n. s. [from full.]

1. The state of being filled so as to have no part vacant.

Your heave-offering shall be reckoned the fulness of the wine-press. Numb. xviii. 27. Let the sea roar and the fulness thereof. Deut. To the houses I wished nothing more than safety,

fulness, and freedom. King Charles. 2. The state of abounding in any quality

good or bad. 3. Completeness; such as leaves nothing

to be desired. Your enjoyments are so complete, I turn wishes

into gratulations, and congratulating their fulness only wish their continuance. 4. Completeness from the coalition of

many parts.

The king set forwards to London, receiving the acclamations and applauses of the people as he went; which indeed were true and unfeigned, as might well appear in the very demonstrations and fulness of the cry. Bacon, Hen. VII.

5. Completeness; freedom from deficiency. In thy presence is fulness of joy.

He is the half part of a blessed man, Left to be finished by such as she; And she a fair divided excellence,

Whose fulness of perfection lies in him.

Shakspeare, K. John. 6. Repletion; satiety.

I need not instance in the habitual intemperance of rich tables, nor the evil accidents and effects of fulness, pride and lust, wantonness and softness Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy.

7. Plenty; wealth. To lapse in fulness

Is sorer than to lie for need; and falshood Is worse in kings than beggars. Shaks. Cymb. 8. Struggling perturbation; swelling in the mind.

A principal fruit of friendship is the ease and discharge of the fulness of the heart, which pas sions of all kinds do cause and induce.

Bacon, Essays.

9. Largeness; extent.

There wanted the fulness of a plot, and variety of characters to form it as it ought; and perhaps something might have been added to the beauty of

10. Force of sound, such as fills the ear; vigour of sound.

This sort of pastoral derives almost its whole beauty from a natural ease of thought and smoothness of verse; whereas that of most other kinds consists in the strength and fulness of both. Pope.

FU'LSOME. † adj. [from rulle, Saxon; fuls, Goth. stinking, foul.

1. Nauseous; offensive.

I come to tell my lady,

There is a fulsome fellow would fain speak with Beaum. and Fl. Rule a Wife, &c. He that brings fulsome objects to my view,

With nauseous images my fancy fills, And all goes down like oxymel of squills.

Now half the youth of Europe are in arms,

How fulsome must it be to stay behind, And die of rank diseases here at home?

Otway, Orphan. Rank; gross to the smell.

White satyrion is of a dainty smell, if the plant puts forth white flowers only, and those not thin or dry, they are commonly of rank and fulsome

3. Lustful. The example, perhaps, more properly belongs to the preceding sense. He stuck them up before the fulsome ewes.

Shakspeare.

4. Tending to obscenity.

A certain epigram, which is ascribed to the emperour, is more fulsome than any passage I have met with in our poet.

FU'LSOMELY. † adv. [from fulsome.] Nauseously; rankly; obscenely.

Box is naturally dry, juicelesse, fulsomely and loathsomely smelling.

Newton, Herball to the Bible, (1587.) Full gorges belk, if not much rather spew, Most fulsomely. Davies, Wit's Pilgrim. sign. T. i.

2. Foully; not decently.

God was sore displeased with his people, because they builded, decked, and trimmed up their own houses, and suffered God's house to be in ruin and decay, to lie uncomely and fulsomely.

Homilies, for rep. and keeping clean Churches.

Fu'lsomeness. † n. s. [from fulsome.] 1. Nauseousness.

Others have described them by some diseases, to manifest the fulsomeness and loathsomness thereof; pride, by an inflammation; luxury, by a fever; envy, by a leprosy.

Price, Creation of the Prince, (1610,) sign. B. i. b.

2. Foulness.

Taking away all such fulsomeness and filthiness, as through ignorance and blind devotion hath crept into the church these many hundred years. Homilies, for Rep. Churches.

3. Rank smell.

4. Obscenity.

No decency is considered, no fulsomeness is omitted, no venom is wanting, as far as dulness can supply it. Dryden.

Fu'LVID.* adj. [Latin, fulvidus.] of a deep yellow colour. Scott.

The fulvid eagle. More, Song of the Soul, i. i. 3.

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FUMA'DO. n. s. [fumus, Latin. A smoked | 3. Exhalation from the stomach.

Fish that serve for the hotter countries, they used at first to fume, by hanging them up on long sticks one by one, drying them with the smoke of a soft and continual fire, from which they purchased the name of fumadoes.

Fu'MAGE. n. s. [from fumus, Latin.] Dict. Hearthmoney.

Fu'MATORY. n. s. [fumaria, Latin, fumeterre, Fr.] An herb.

Her fallow leas

The darnel, hemlock, and rank fumatory, Shakspeare, Hen. V. Doth root upon.

To FU'MBLE. † v. n. [fommelen, Dutch; famla, Su. Goth. " manibus ultro citroque pertentare, ut solent qui in tenebris obambulant." Ihre.

1. To attempt any thing aukwardly or un-

gainly.

His wither'd fist still knocking at death's door, Fumbling and drivelling as he draws his breath, For brief, the shape and messenger of death.

Sackville, Induct. Mir. for Mag. Our mechanick theists will have their atoms never once to have fumbled in these their motions, nor to have produced any inept system. Cudworth. It is continuing to fumble on the lute, though the musick has been long over.

Warburton, Ded. to the Freethinkers.

2. To puzzle; to strain in perplexity. Am not I a friend to help you out? You would have been fumbling half an hour for this excuse. Dryden, Span. Friar.

3. To play childishly. I saw him fumble with the sheets, and play with flowers, and smile upon his finger's end. Shakspeare, Hen. V.

4. To stutter; to hesitate in the speech; to famble. See To FAMBLE.

She fumbled out, "Thanks, good;" and so she died. Marston, Antonio's Revenge. He fumbleth in the mouth,

His speech doth fail.

Trag. of K. John, 1611. To FU'MBLE. v. a. To manage aukwardly. As many farewels as be stars in heav'n,

With distinct breath and consign'd kisses to them, He fumbles up all in one loose adieu. Shakspeare. His greasy bald-pate choir

Came fumbling o'er the beads, in such an agony They told 'em false for fear. Dryden, Span. Friar.

FU'MBLER. n. s. [from fumble.] One who acts aukwardly.

FU'MBLINGLY. † adv. [from fumble:] In an aukward manner...

Many good scholars speak but fumblingly. B. Jonson, Discoveries.

FUME. n. s. [fumée, French; fumus, Latin.

1. Smoke.

Thus fighting fires a while themselves consume; But streight, like Turks, forc'd on to win or die, They first lay tender bridges of their fume, And o'er the breach in unctuous vapours fly.

2. Vapour; any volatile parts flying away. Love is a smoke rais'd with the fume of sighs; Beind purg'd, a fire sparkling in lovers eyes.

It were good to try the taking of fumes by pipes, as they do in tobacco, of other things, to dry and comfort.

In winter, when the heat without is less, breath becomes so far condensed as to be visible, flowing out of the mouth in form of a fume, or crasser vapour; and may, by proper vessel, set in a strong freezing mixture, be collected in a considerable Woodward, Nat. Hist. quantity.

The fumes of drink discompose and stupify the brains of a man overcharged with it. Plung'd in sloth we lie, and snore supine, As fill'd with fumes of undigested wine.

Dryden, Pers. Pow'r, like new wine, does your weak brain surprize,

And its mad fumes in hot discourses rise; But time these yielding vapours will remove: Mean while I'll taste the sober joys of love. Dryden, Aurengzebe.

4. Rage; heat of mind; passion. The fumes of his passion do really intoxicate

and confound his judging and discerning faculty. 5. Any thing unsubstantial. When Duncan is asleep, his two chamberlains Will I with wine and wassel so convince,

That memory, the warder of the brain, Shakspeare, Macbeth. Shall be a fume. 6. Idle conceit; vain imagination.

Plato's great year would have some effect, not in renewing the state of like individuals; for that is the fame of those, that conceive the celestial bodies have more accurate influences upon these

things below, than they have, but in gross. Bacon. To lay aside all that may seem to have a shew of fumes and fancies, and to speak solids, a war

with Spain is a mighty work. Bacon, War with Spain.

To Fume. v. n. [fumer, Fr. fumo, Latin.] To smoke.

Their pray'rs pass'd Dimensionless through heav'nly doors; then clad With incense, where the golden altar fum'd By their great intercessor; same in sight Milton, P. L.

Before the Father's throne. From thence the fuming trail began to spread, And lambent glories danc'd about her head.

Strait hover round the fair her airy band; Some, as she sipp'd, the fuming liquor fann'd.

2. To vapour; to yield exhalations, as by heat.

Tie up the libertine in a field of feasts, Shaks. Ant. and Cleop. Keep his brain fuming. Silenus lay,

Whose constant cups lay fuming to his brain, And always boil in each extended vein. Roscommon.

3. To pass away in vapours. We have

No anger in our eyes, no storm, no lightning: Our hate is spent and fum'd away in vapour, Before our hands be at work. B. Jonson, Catiline.

Their parts are kept from fuming away by their fixity, and also by the vast weight and density of the atmospheres incumbent upon them. Cheyne, Phil. Princ.

The first fresh dawn then wak'd the gladden'd race

Of uncorrupted man, nor blush'd to see The sluggard sleep beneath its sacred beam; For their light slumbers gentle fum'd away Thomson, Spring.

4. To be in a rage; to be hot with anger. When he knew his rival free'd and gone, He swells with wrath; he makes outrageous moan: He frets, he fumes, he stares, he stamps the ground, The hollow tow's with clamours rings around.

Dryden.

To Fume. v. α.

1. To smoke; to dry in the smoke.

Those that serve for hot countries they used at first to fume by hanging them up on long sticks one by one, and drying them with the smoke of a soft

2. To perfume with odours in the fire. She fum'd the temples with an od'rous flame, And oft before the sacred altars came, To pray for him who was an empty name, Dryden.

3. Simply, to perfume. Fume all the ground, And sprinkle holy water.

Fletcher, Faithf. Shepherdess. Now are the lawn sheets fum'd with violets. Marston, Com. of What you Will.

4. To disperse in vapours. The heat will fume away most of the scent.

FU'MET. 7 n. s. The dung of the deer. By his slot, his entries, and his port, His frayings, fewmets, he doth promise sport.

B. Jonson, Sad Shepherd. FUME'TTE. n. s. [French.] A word introduced by cooks, and the pupils of cooks, for the stink of meat.

A haunch of ven'son made her sweat, Unless it had the right fumette. Swift. FU'MID. adj. [fumidus, Latin.] Smoky;

vaporous. A crass and fumid exhalation is caused from the

combat of the sulphur and iron with the acid and nitrous spirit of aqua fortis. Brown, Vulg. Err. Fumi'dity. n. s. [from fumid.] Smokiness;

tendency to smoke. Dict. To FU'MIGATE. v. n. [from fumus, Lat. fumiger, French.]

1. To smoke; to perfume by smoke or

Would'st thou preserve thy famish'd family, With flagrant thyme the city fumigate, And break the waxen walls to save the state. Dryden, Virg.

2. To medicate or heal by vapours. Fumigation. n. s. [fumigatio, Latin; fumigation, French; from fumigate.] 1. Scents raised by fire.

Fumigations, often repeated, are very beneficial. Arbuthnot.

My fumigation is to Venus, just The souls of roses, and red coral's dust: And, last, to make my fumigation good, 'Tis mixt with sparrows brains and pigeons blood. Dryden.

2. The application of medicines to the body in fumes.

Fu'ming.* n. s. [from fume.]

1. The act of scenting by smoke.

The fuming of the holes with brimstone, garlick, or other unsavory things will drive moles out of the ground. Mortimer, Husbandry. 2. Fume; idle conceit.

O Fancie fond, thy fumings hath me fed! The stinking stench of thine inclined hest, Hath poysoned all the virtues in my brest.

Mir. for Mag. p. 250.

Fu'mingly. adv. [from fume.] Angrily; in a rage.

That which we move for our better learning and instruction sake, turneth unto anger and choler in

them: they grow altogether out of quietness with it; they answer fumingly, that they are ashamed to defile their pens with making answer to such Hooker. idle questions.

Fu'mish.* adj. [from fume.] Smoky; also hot, cholerick. Cotgrave in V. Fumeux, and Sherwood.

One loves soft musick and sweet melodie; Another is perhaps melancholike; Another fumish is, and cholericke.

Mir. for Mag. p. 158

Fu'miter. n. s. A plant.

Why, he was met even now, As mad as the vext sea; singing aloud, Crown'd with rank fumiter and furrow-weeds. Shakspeare.

FU'MITORY.* See FUMATORY.

FU'MOUS.) adj. [fumeux, French; from | 6. Power; faculty; either animal or in- | FUNDAME'NTAL. n. s. Leading proposifume.] Producing fumes.

From dice and wine the youth retir'd to rest, And puff'd the fumy god from out his breast : Ev'n then he dreamt of drink and lucky play; More lucky had it lasted 'till the day,

Dryden, Æn. FUN. † n. s. [A low cant word, Dr. Johnson says. It is probably from the Sax. ræzn, merry, glad.] Sport; high merriment; frolicksome delight.

Don't mind me, though, for all my fun and

You bards may find us bloods good-natur'd folks.

Funa'mbulatory.* adj. [Lat. funambu-

1. Narrow, like the walk of a rope dancer. Tread softly and circumspectly in this funambulatory track and narrow path of goodness

Brown, Chr. Mor. i. 1. 2. Performing like a rope-dancer.

There were funambulatory elephants, as we Chambers. are informed by Suetonius. Funa'mbulist.* n. s. [Lat. funambulus; whether coined by the writer, in the

following passage, who has thought proper to ridicule the style of Johnson, I know not.] A rope dancer.

What man will withhold from the funambulist

the praise of justice, who considers his inflexible The Looker-on, No. 80. uprightness! FUNA'MBULO.* n. s. [old French. FUNA'MBULUS.] funambule; Lat. funambulus, from funis, a rope, and ambulo, to walk.] A rope-dancer.

We see the industry and practice of tumblers Bacon, Disc. touching and funambulos.

Helps for the Intell. Powers. I see him walking not like a funambulus upon

a cord, but upon the edge of a razor. Wotton, Rem. p. 365. FU'NCTION. n. s. [functio, Latin.]

1. Discharge; performance.

There is hardly a greater difference between two things than there is between a representing commoner in the function of his publick calling, and the same person in common life.

2. Employment; office.

The ministry is not now bound to any one tribe: now none is secluded from that function of any degree, state, or calling. Whitgift.
You have paid the heav'ns your function, and the prisoner the very debt of your calling.

Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas. Nor was it any policy, or obstinacy, or partiality of affection either to the men or their function, which fixed me. King Charles.

This double function of the goddess gives a considerable light and beauty to the ode which Horace has addressed to her. Addison, on Italy.

Let not these indignities discourage us from asserting the just privileges and pre-eminence of our holy function and character. Atterbury.

3. Single act of any office.

Without difference those functions cannot, in orderly sort, be executed. Hooker. They have several offices and prayers against fire, tempests, and especially for the dead, in which functions they use sacerdotal garments. Stilling fleet.

4. Trade; occupation.

Follow your function; go, and batten on cold

5. Office of any particular part of the

The bodies of men and other animals are excellently well fitted for life and motion; and the several parts of them well adapted to their particular functions. Bentley, Serm. tellectual.

Tears in his eyes, distraction in his aspect, A broken voice, and his whole function suiting With forms to his conceit. Shakspeare, Ham Shakspeare, Hamlet.

Nature seems In all her functions weary of herself: My race of glory run, and race of shame; And I shall shortly be with them that rest.

Milton, S. A. Whatever warms the heart, or fills the head, As the mind opens, and its functions spread, Imagination plies her dang rous art,

And pours it all upon the peccant part. Though every human constitution is morbid, yet are their diseases consistent with the common functions of life.

FU'NCTIONARY.* n. s. [from function.]

1. One who is charged with an office or employment.

2. That which performs any office.

FUND. n. s. [fond, French; funda, a bag,

1. Stock; capital; that by which any ex-

pence is supported.

He touches the passions more delicately than Ovid, and performs all this out of his own fund, without diving into the arts and sciences for a Dryden.

Part must be left, a fund when foes invade, And part employ'd to roll the watry tide.

In preaching, no men succeed better than those who trust entirely to the stock or fund of their own reason, advanced indeed, but not overlaid by commerce with books. Swift.

2. Stock or bank of money.

As my estate has been hitherto either tost upon seas, or fluctuating in funds, it is now fixed in substantial acres.

To Fu'nd.* v.a. [from the noun.] To place money in the funds either of a company, a corporation, or the publick.

FU'NDAMENT. † n. s. [old French, fundement; Lat. fundamentum.]

1. Originally, foundation.

And yet, God wot, uneth the fundament Chaucer, Sompn. Tale. Performed is. 2. The back part of the body.

The angry beast did straight resent The wrong done to his fundament,

Began to kick, &c. Hudibras, i. ii. 846.

Fundame'ntal. adj. [fundamentalis, Lat.] Serving for the foundation; that upon which the rest is built; essential; important; not merely accidental.

Until this can be agreed upon, one main and fundamental cause of the most grievous war is not like to be taken from the earth. Ralegh, Ess. You that will be less fearful than discreet,

That love the fundamental part of state,

More than you doubt the charge of 't.

Shakspeare, Coriol. Others, when they were brought to allow the throne vacant, thought the succession should go to the next heir, according to the fundamental laws of the kingdom, as if the last king were actually dead. Swift, Examiner.

Gain some general and fundamental truths, both in philosophy, in religion, and in human

Such we find they are, as can controul The servile actions of our wav'ring soul,

Can fright, can alter, or can chain the will; Their ills all built on life, that fundamental ill.

Yet some there were among the sounder few, Of those who less presum'd and better knew, Who durst assert the juster ancient cause, And here restor'd wit's fundamental laws. Pope. tion; important and essential part which is the groundwork of the rest.

We propose the question, whether those who hold the fundamentals of faith may deny Christ damnably in respect of superstructures and consequences that arise from them.

It is a very just reproach, that there should be so much violence and hatred in religious matters among men who agree in all fundamentals, and only differ in some ceremonies, or mere speculative points.

Fundame'ntally. adv. [from fundamental.] Essentially; originally.

As virtue is seated fundamentally in the intellect, so perspectively in the fancy; so that virtue is the force of reason, in the conduct of our actions and passions to a good end.

Religion is not only useful to civil society, but fundamentally necessary to its very birth and con-

The unlimited power placed fundamentally in the body of a people, the legislators endeavour to deposite in such hands as would preserve the people. Swift.

Fune Brial. * adj. [funebre, Fr. funebris, Lat.] Belonging to funerals.

Their garlands - were convivial, festival, sa-

crificial, nuptial, honorary, funebrial.

Sir T. Brown, Miscell. p. 91.

Their funebrial garlands had little of beauty in

them beside roses, while they made them of myrtle, rosemary, apium, &c. under symbolical intimations.

Fune'Brious.* adj. [funebris, Lat.] Used at the ceremony of burying the dead.

His body was afterwards interred with funebrious exequies and solemnities.

Mercurius Rusticus, in 1644.

FU'NERAL. † n. s. [funerailles, French; funus, Latin; from funale, a torch or link made of a cord (funis) with wax or resin about it; funerals being anciently selemnized, among the Romans, in the night time with torches. The word funeral, Mr. Malone says, was, agreeably to its French origin (funerailles), almost always used in the plural, previous to the Restoration. But this is not the case. The singular is found repeatedly in Barret's Alveary of 1580: "Friends come together to set forth the solemnization of his funeral." Again, in Sherwood's Dict. 1632. " A funeral," and " Of a funeral.]

1. The solemnization of a burial; the payment of the last honours to the

dead; obsequies.

Here, under leave of Brutus, and the rest,

Come I to speak in Cæsar's funeral.

Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs. All things that we ordained festival,

Turn from their office to black funeral. He that had cast out many unburied, had none to mourn for him, nor any solemn funerals, nor 2 Mac. v. 10. sepulchre with his fathers.

No widow at his funeral shall weep. 2. The pomp or procession with which

the dead are carried. The long fun'rals blacken all the way. Pope. You are sometimes desirous to see a funeral

pass by in the street. Swift, Direct. to the Chambermaid.

3. Burial; interment.

May he find his funeral I' th' sands, when he before his day shall fall. FU'NERAL. + adj.

1. Used at the ceremony of interring the dead.

Our instruments to melancholy bells, Our wedding chear to a sad funeral feast. Shakspeare.

Let such honours And funeral rites, as to his birth and virtues Denham, Sophy. Are due, be first perform'd. Thy hand o'er towns the fun'ral torch displays, And forms a thousand hills ten thousand ways.

2. Mourning.

To converse with his friends and standers by so as may do them comfort, and ease their funeral and civil complaints.

Bp. Taylor, Holy Dying, vi. § 3. To FU'NERATE.* v. a. [Latin, funeratus.] To bury. Cockeram. FUNERA'TION.* n.s. [Lat. funeratio.] The solemnization of a funeral.

In the rites of funeration they did use to anoint the dead body with aromatick spices and ointments, before they buried them. And so was it the Jewish custom to perform their funerals.

Knatchbull, Annot. N. Test. p. 41. Fune REAL adj. [funereus, Lat.] Suiting a funeral; dark; dismal.

But if his soul hath wing'd the destin'd flight,

Inhabitant of deep disastrous night, Homeward with pious speed repass the main, To the pale shade funereal rites ordain.

Pope, Odyssey.

Fune'sT.* adj. [funeste, Fr. funestus, Lat.] Doleful: lamentable.

The violent ends or downfals of great princes, the subversion of kingdoms and estates, or whatever else can be imagined of funest or tragical. Phillips, Theat. Poet. Pref.

The bay is ominous of some funest accident. Evelyn, Sylv. p. 396.

Funge.* n. s. [Lat. fungus.] A blockhead; a dolt; a fool.

A very idiot, a funge, a golden ass.

Burton, Anat of Mel. To the Reader. They are mad, empty vessels, funges, beside themselves, derided. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 122.

Fungo'sity. † n. s. [old Fr. fungosite, from fungus, Lat.] Unsolid excrescence. Dict.

Eggs cast into the matrix of the earth, or certain little pustulæ and fungosities on its surface.

Biblioth, Bibl. (Ox. 1720,) i. 292.

Fu'ngous. † adj. [fungeux, Fr. from fungus, Lat.] Excrescent; spongy; wanting firmness.

The second instrument of the voice is the tongue; and this, by reason of its fungous substance and volubility, is so meet and so principal an agent therein, that speech itself, and all the variety thereof, doth among all sorts of men go by the name of the tongue.

Smith, Portr. of Old Age, p. 137. It is often employed to keep down the fungous lips that spread upon the bone; but it is much more painful than the escharotick medicines.

Sharp, Surgery. The meaner productions of the French and English press; that fungous growth of novels and Harris, Hermes, B. 3. of pamphlets.

FU'NGUS. n. s. [Latin.] Strictly a mushroom: a word used to express such excrescences of flesh as grow out upon the lips of wounds, or any other excrescence from trees or plants not naturally belonging to them; as the agarick from the larch-tree, and auriculæ Judæ from elder. Quincy.

The surgeon ought to vary the diet as the fibres lengthen too much, are too fluid, and produce funguses, or as they harden and produce callosities.

Arbuthnot on Diet. This eminence is composed of little points, or granula, called fungus, or proud flesh.

FU'NICLE. n. s. [funiculus, Lat.] A small cord; a small ligature; a fibre.

FUNI'CULAR. adj. [funiculaire, Fr. from funicle.] Consisting of a small cord or

FUNK.† n. s. A stink. A low word. Dr. Johnson. - Serenius deduces it from the Icel. funa, to putrify. Lye, from fonck, an old Flemish word, implying confusion, perplexity; and he adds, that "to be in a funk" is a common academical expression at Oxford.

See the verb neuter, which Mr. Mason and others have illustrated by an academical epigram. Funk in the Pr. Parv. is a " lytell fyre.'

Fo Funk.* v. a. [See the noun.] poison with an offensive smell.

Tobacco strives to vex A numerous squadron of the tender sex; What with strong smoke, and with his stronger

breath. He funks Basketia and her son to death.

King, The Furmetary, C. iii. To Funk.* v. n. [from the noun.] To stink through fear.

The best part of the yeal, and the Greek for hunc, Is the name of a man that makes us funk.

Epigram on J. Burton, when Proctor at Oxford. FU'NNEL. n. s. [infundibulum, Lat. whence fundible, fundle, funnel.]

1. An inverted hollow cone with a pipe descending from it, through which liquors are poured into vessels with narrow mouths; a tundish.

If you pour a glut of water upon a bottle, it receives little of it; but with a funnel, and by de-

grees, you shall fill many of them.

B. Jonson, Discoveries. Some the long funnel's curious mouth extend, Through which ingested meats with ease descend. Blackmore.

The outward ear or auricula is made hollow, and contracted by degrees, to draw the sound inward, to take in as much as may be of it, as we use a funnel to pour liquor into any vessel. Ray on the Creation.

2. A pipe or passage of communication. Towards the middle are two large funnels, bored through the roof of the grotto, to let in light or fresh air.

Fu'nny.* adj. [from fun.] Comical; a northern word, and now common in colloquial language.

I have done his sermon more honour than is really its due, in wasting a whole day in writing some funny remarks upon it.

Rem. on a Serm. at All Souls' Coll. in 1759, p. 22.

Fu'nny.* n.s. A low term for a light

boat; a kind of wherry.

FUR. † n. s. [fourrure, French. Dr. Johnson. - Fourrure is derived by Du Cange from the low Lat. furrura, a clothing of skins. In like manner our word may be deduced from the low Lat. furra, a hairy skin. But the word is perhaps of northern origin. Su. Goth. fodr, "subtegmen vestium," Serenius. The M. Goth. fodr is the sheath of a sword, and the Sax. robben, a quiver; "because," according to Mr. Callander, "the first quivers, and sheaths for swords, were made of skins, as foder signifies vellis, pellis, [a skin;] Fr. feutre, [felt;] English, fur."]

1. Skin with soft hair with which garments are lined for warmth, or covered for

ornament.

December must be expressed with a horrid and fearful countenance; as also at his back a bundle of holly, holding in fur mittens the sign of Ca-Peacham on Drawing. 'Tis but dressing up a bird of prey in his cap

and furs to make a judge of him. L'Estrange. And lordly gout wrapt up in fur. And wheezing asthma, loth to stir. Swift.

2. Soft hair of beasts found in cold countries, where nature provides coats suitable to the weather; hair in general.

This night wherein the cubdrawn bear would couch.

The lion and the belly-pinched wolf Keep their fur dry, unbonnetted he runs,

And bids what will take all. Shakspeare, K. Lear. Such animals as feed upon flesh qualify it, the one by swallowing the hair or fur of the beasts they prey upon, the other by devouring some part of the feathers of the birds they gorge themselves Ray on the Creation.

3. Any moisture exhaled to such a degree as that the remainder sticks on the part.

Methinks I am not right in ev'ry part; I feel a kind of trembling at my heart: My pulse unequal, and my breath is strong;

Besides a filthy fur upon my tongue. Dryd. Pers. 4. Fur is used in the north of England for furrow, and is supported by the etymology. See Furrow.

To Fur. v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To line or cover with skins that have soft hair.

How mad a sight it was to see Dametas, like rich tissue furred with lambskins? Through tatter'd clothes small vices do appear; Robes and furr'd gowns hide all. Shaksp. K. Lear.

You are for dreams and slumbers, brother priest; You fur your gloves with reasons.

Shakspeare, Troil. and Cress. 2. To cover with soft matter.

To make lampblack, take a torch and hold it under the bottom of a latten bason; and, as it groweth to be furred and black within, strike it with a feather into some shell. Peacham.

The sisters, mourning for their brother's loss, Their bodies hid in bark, and furr'd with moss.

Their frying blood compels to irrigate Their dry furr'd tongues. Philips. A dungeon wide and horrible; the walls

On all sides furr'd with mouldy damps, and hung With clots of ropy gore.

Fur. adv. [It is now commonly written

far.] At a distance.
The white lovely dove

Doth on her wings her utmost swiftness prove, Finding the gripe of faulcon fierce not fur. Sidney.

FUR-WROUGHT. adj. [fur and wrought.] Made of fur.

Silent along the mazy margin stray. And with the fur-wrought fly delude the prey. Gay, Pastorals.

FURA'CIOUS. adj. [furax, Lat.] Thievish; inclined to steal. Dict. FURA'CITY. † n. s. [from furax, Lat.] Dis-

position to theft; thievishness. Cockeram.

FU'RBELOW.* n. s. A piece of stuff plaited and puckered together, either

below or above, on the petticoats or 2. Raging; violent; transported by pasgowns of women. This, like a great many other words, is the child of mere caprice. [Fr. falbala.] Trev. Dict. Nay, oft in dreams invention we bestow

To change a flounce, or add a furbelow. Furbelows and flounces have been disposed of Guardian, No. 149.

To Fu'rbelow. v.a. [from the noun.] To adorn with ornamental appendages of

When arguments too fiercely glare, You calm them with a milder air; To break their points, you turn their force, And furbelow the plain discourse. She was flounced and furbelowed; every ribbon was crinkled, and every part of her garments

To FU'RBISH. v. a. [fourbir, Fr.] To burnish; to polish; to rub to brightness.

It may enter Mowbray's waxen coat, And furbish new the name of John o' Gaunt. Shakspeare, Rich. II. Furbish the spears, and put on the brigandines.

Some others who furbish up and reprint his old errours, hold, that the sufferings of the damned are not to be, in a strict sense, eternal; but that, after a certain period of time, there shall be a general gaol-delivery of the souls in prison, and that not for a farther execution, but a final release.

As after Numa's peaceful reign, The martial Ancus did the sceptre wield, Furbish'd the rusty sword again, Resum'd the long-forgotten shield And led the Latins to the dusty field. Inferior ministers, for Mars repair His broken axle-tree, and blunted war; And send him forth again, with furbish'd arms.

Dryden. FU'RBISHABLE.* adj. [from furbish.] That may be polished. Sherwood. Fu'rbisher. † n. s. [fourbisseur, French;

from furbish.] One who polishes any Barret, Alv. 1580. Fu'reation. n. s. [furca, Latin.] Fork-

iness; the state of shooting two ways like the blades of a fork.

When stags grow old they grow less branched, and first lose their brow-antlers, or lowest furcations next the head. Brown, Vulg. Err.

To Fu'RDLE. * v. a. [Fr. fardeler.] To contract; to draw up, as it were, into a fardle or bundle. This is the parent of our word furl, though it has hitherto been unnoticed. See To Furl.

The rose of Jericho - being a dry and ligneous plant, is preserved many years, and though crumpled and furdled up, yet, if infused in water, will swell and display its parts.

Sir T. Brown, Miscell. p. 34.

FU'RFUR. † n. s. [Latin.] Husk or chaff, scurff or dandriff, that grows upon the skin, with some likeness to bran. Quincy. They reduce the rest; as to leprosy, ulcers, itches, furfures, scabs.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 231.

Furfura'ceous. adj. [furfuraceus, Latin.] Husky; branny; scaly.

FU'RIOUS. adj. [furieux, French; furiosus, Lat.]

1. Mad; phrenetick.

No man did ever think the hurtful actions of furious men and innocents to be punishable. Hooker. sion beyond reason.

Who can be wise, amaz'd, temp'rate, and furious,

Loyal and neutral in a moment? No man. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

To be furious, Is to be frighted out of fear; and in that mood, The dove will peck the estridge.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. Noise, other than the sound of dance or song, Torment, and loud laments, and furious rage.

Milton, P. L. 3. Violent; impetuously agitated.

With clamour thence the rapid currents drive, Towards the retreating sea their furious tide.

Fu'RIOUSLY. adv. [from furious.] Madly; violently; vehemently.

Which when his brother saw, fraught with great grief

And wrath, he to him leapt furiously. Spens. F.Q. They observe countenance to attend the practice; and this carries them on furiously to that which of themselves they are inclined. She heard not half, so furiously she flies;

Fear gave her wings. Dryden. Fu'riousness. n. s. [from furious.] Fren-

zy; madness; transport of passion. The boiling thirst of pain and furiousness.

Brewer, Com. of Lingua. At last they blow up all with a furiousness surmounting that of gunpowder. Dr. Griffith, Fear God and the King, p. 100.

To Furl. v. a. [fresler, French, Dr. Johnson says; but it is clearly a contraction of the hitherto unnoticed verb furdle. See To Furdle. And I may add, that to furl a sail is to wrap and bind it up as it were in a bundle. The word, in the old edit. of Beaumont and Fletcher, is farle, i. e. a contraction of fardle, and applied to a ship: "Farle up all her linens, and let her ride it out." Sea-Voyage.] To draw up; to contract.

When fortune sends a stormy wind, Then shew a brave and present mind; And when with too indulgent gales She swells too much, then furl thy sails. Creech.

Fu'rlong, n. s. ruplanz, Saxon. A measure of length; the eighth part of a mile. If a man stand in the middle of a field and

speak aloud, he shall be heard a furlong in round, and that in articulate sounds. Bacon, Nat. Hist. Coming within a few furlongs of the temple, they passed through a very thick grove.

Addison, Freeholder. Fu'rlough. n. s. [verlof, Dutch, leave.]

A temporary dismission from military service; a licence given to a soldier to he absent.

Brutus and Cato might discharge their souls, And give them furlo's for another world; But we, like sentries, are oblig'd to stand

In starless nights, and wait th' appointed hour.

Fu'rmenty.† n. s. [More properly frumenty, or frumety, of frumentum, Latin. Dr. Johnson. - This method of writing the word was probably adopted from the ancient French furment, wheat; it is also sometimes written furmety.] Food made by boiling wheat in milk.

Remember, wife, therefore, though I do it not, The seed-cake, the pasties, and furmenty pot-

He'll find you out a food, That needs no teeth nor stomach; a strange furmety Will feed ye up as fat as hens i' the foreheads. Beaum. and Fl. Bonduca.

Fu'rmery.* See Furmenry and Fru-MENTY

FU'RNACE. n. s. [furnus, Latin.] An enclosed fireplace.

Heat not a furnace for your foe so hot

That it may singe yourself. Shaksp. Hen. VIII. The fining pot is for silver and the furnace for

We have also furnaces of great diversities, that keep great diversity of heats. Bacon, New Allantis. The kings of Spain have erected divers furnaces and forges for the trying and fining of their gold.

Whoso falleth not down and worshippeth, shall the same hour be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace. A dungeon, horrible, on all sides around,

As one great furnace flam'd. Milton, P. L. To FURNACE. v. a. [from the noun.] To

throw out as sparks from a furnace. A bad word.

He furnaces The thick sighs from him. Shakspeare, Cymb. Fu'rniment.* n. s. [Fr. fourniment; Ital.

fornimento.] Furniture. Lo! where they spyde with speedie whirling

One in a chariot of straunge furniment

Towards them driving. Spenser, F. Q. iv. iii. 38. To FU'RNISH. v. a. [fournir, French.]

1. To supply with what is necessary to a certain purpose. She hath directed

How I shall take her from her father's house; What gold and jewels she is furnish'd with Shakspeare.

His training such, That he may furnish and instruct great teachers,

And never seek for aid out of himself. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

Thou shalt furnish him liberally out of thy flock. Deut. XV.

Come, thou stranger, and furnish a table, and feed me of that thou hast ready. Ecclus. xxix. 26. Auria, having driven the Turks from Corone, both by sea and land, furnished the city with corn, wine, victual, and powder. Knolles, Hist.

I shall not need to heap up instances; every Knolles, Hist.

one's reading and conversation will sufficiently furnish him, if he wants to be better stored. Locke.

2. To give; to supply.

These simple ideas, the materials of all our knowledge, are suggested and furnished to the mind only by these two ways, sensation and re-

It is not the state, but a compact among private persons that hath furnished out these several remittances.

3. To fit up; to fit with appendages.

Plato entertained some of his friends at dinner, and had in the chamber a bed or couch, neatly and costly furnished. Diogenes came in, and got up supon the bed, and trampled it, saying, I trample upon the pride of Plato. Plato mildly answered, But with greater pride, Diogenes.

Bacon, Apophthegms. We were led into another great room, furnished with old inscriptions. Addison, on Italy.

4. To equip; to fit out for any undertaking.

Will your lordship lend me a thousand pounds to furnish me? Shakspeare, Hen. IV. Ideas, forms, and intellects,

Have furnish'd out three diff'rent sects.

with superior powers to all the angels in heaven, because he is employed in superiour work.

Watts, on the Mind. 5. To decorate; to supply with ornamental household stuff.

The wounded arm would furnish all their

And bleed for ever scarlet in their looms. Ld. Halifax.

FU'RNISH.* n. s. [from the verb.] A specimen; a sample not now in use.

To lend the world a furnish of wit, she lays her own to pawn.

Greene, Groatsw. of Wit, (1621.) FU'RNISHER. † n. s. [fournisseur, French; from furnish.] One who supplies or fits out. Sherwood. Patterns of all sorts of things belonging to

the libitinarii or furnishers of the funeral. Greenhill, Art of Embalming, p. 280. Fu'rnishing.* n. s. [from furnish.] A

sample; a show.

Something deeper, Whereof, perchance, these are but furnishings. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

FU'RNISHMENT.* n. s. [Fr. fournissement.] A supply of things necessary. Cotgrave. FU'RNITURE. † n. s. [fourniteur, French; from furnish.]

1. Moveables; goods put in a house for

use or ornament.

No man can transport his large retinue, his sumptuous fare, and his rich furniture into another world. South. There are many noble palaces in Venice: their

furniture is not very rich, if we except the pic-Addison. tures.

2. Appendages.

By a general conflagration mankind shall be destroyed, with the form and all the furniture of Tillotson.

3. Equipage; embellishments; decorations.

Young Clarion, with vauntful lustyhed,

And after his guise did cast abroad to fare, And thereto gan his furnitures prepare. Spenser. The duke is coming: see the barge be ready, And fit it with such furniture as suits

The greatness of his person. Shaksp. Hen. VIII.

The ground must be of a mixt brown, and large enough, or the horse's furniture must be of

very sensible colours. 4. Materials for work of any kind. He disclaims all assistance; he'll decide upon

all points freely and supinely by himself; without furniture, without proper materials. Bentley, Phil. Lips. § 1.

Fu'rrier. † n.s. [from fur; Fr. fourrer.] A dealer in furs. Cotgrave.

FU'RROW.† n.s. [Sax. puph; Dan. fur; Su. Goth. for; Lat. forus, from foro, to bore or perforate; Su. Goth. fara, to cultivate the ground.

1. A small trench made by the plow for the reception of seed.

Wheat must be sowed above furrow before Michaelmas. Then ploughs for seed the fruitful furrows

And oxen labour'd first beneath the yoke.

Dryden, Ovid. 2. Any long trench or hollow; as a wrinkle.

My lord it is, though time has plough'd that face

With many furrows, since I saw it first;

Yet I'm too well acquainted with the g rou qu ite to forget it. Dryden and Lee, Œ dip epithet for the sea.

Expose no ships To threatenings of the furrow-faced sea.

B. Jonson, Fox. FU'RROW-WEED. n. s. [furrow and weed.] A weed that grows in furrowed land.

Crown'd with rank fumiter, and furrow-weeds. Shaksneare.

To Fu'rrow. + v.a. [from the noun rypian, Saxon.]

1. To cut in furrows.

Thou can'st help time to furrow me with age But stop no wrinkle in his pilgrimage. Shak. R. II. While the ploughman near at hand, Whistles o'er the furrow'd land. Milton, L'Allegro.

2. To divide in long hollows.

The threaden sails, Borne with the invisible and creeping wind, Draw the huge bottoms through the furrow'd sea. Shakspeare, Hen. V.

No briny tear has furrow'd her smooth cheek. Suckling. From thence he furrow'd many a churlish sea.

P. Fletcher, Pisc. Ecl. ii. 13. The billows fall, while Neptune lays his mace, On the rough sea, and smooths its furrow'd face. Dryden.

3. To make by cutting. There go the ships that furrow out their way; Yea, there of whales enormous sights we see.

Fu'rry. adj. [from fur.]

1. Covered with fur; dressed in fur. From Volga's banks th' imperious Czar Leads forth his furry troops to war. Felton to Lord Gower.

2. Consisting of fur.

Stretch out thy lazy limbs, awake, awake, And winter from thy furry mantle shake. Dryd. Not arm'd with horns of arbitrary might,

Or claws to seize their furry spoils in fight. Dryd. FU'RTHER. † adj. [from forth, not from far as is commonly imagined; forth, further, furthest, corrupted from forther, forthest, горбер, Saxon. Forther is used by Sir Thomas More. See Forth and FARTHER, of which the examples are to be referred to this word.

1. At a greater distance.

2. Beyond this.

What further need have we of witnesses. Satan had journey'd on pensive and slow:

But further way found none, so thick intwin'd, As one continu'd brake, the undergrowth Of shrubs and tangling bushes had perplex'd All path of man or beast that pass'd that way. Milton, P. L.

Their earnest eyes they fix'd, imagining For one forbidden tree a multitude Now ris'n, to work them further woe or shame.

3. Further has in some sort the force of a substantive in the phrase no further for nothing further; and in what further for something further.

Let this appease Thy doubt, since human reach no further knows. Milton, P. L.

I may meet Some wandering spirit of heaven by fountain side, Or in thick shade retir'd, from him, to draw What further would be learn'd. Milton, P. L. FU'RTHER. adv. [from forth.] To a greater distance.

And the angel of the Lord went further, and stood in a narrow place. -Numb. xxii. 2.

Doubtless the man Jesus Christ is furnished | Fu'rrow and faced.] | To forward; to promote; to countenance; to assist; to help.

> Things thus set in order, in quiet and rest, Shall further thy harvest, and pleasure the best.

Could their fond superstition have furthered so great attempts, without the mixture of a true persuasion concerning the irresistible force of divine power. Grant not, O Lord, the desires of the wicked; further not his wicked device. Ps. cxl. 8.

This binds me then to further my design, Dryd. As I am bound by vow to further thine. FU'RTHERANCE. n. s. [from further.] Promotion; advancement; help.

The Gauls learned them first, and used them only for the furtherance of their trade and private business. Our diligence must search out all helps and

furtherances of direction, which scriptures, councils, fathers, histories, the laws and practices of all churches afford.

For gain and work, and success in his affairs, he seeketh furtherance of him that hath no manner

Cannot my body, nor blood sacrifice, Intreat you to your wonted furtherance?

Shakespeare, Hen. VI. If men were minded to live righteously, to believe a God would be no hindrance or prejudice to any such design, but very much for the advancement and furtherance of it. FU'RTHERER. n. s. [from further.] Pro-

moter; advancer.

That earnest favourer and furtherer of God's true religion, that faithful servitor to his prince Ascham. and country. Fu'rthermore. † adj. [further and more.]

Moreover: besides.

The Lord said furthermore to him, put now thine hand into thy bosom. Exod. iv. 6. Furthermore, it is necessary to everlasting salvation, that he believe rightly the incarnation of Athan. Creed. our Lord Jesus Christ.

This ring I do accept most thankfully, And so, I pray you, tell him: furthermore, I pray you, shew my youth old Shylock's house.

FU'RTHEST.* adj. [superlative of forth. See FAR and FURTHER.] At the greatest distance.

The furthest a prudent man should proceed in general is to laugh at some of his own foibles. Shenstone

Fu'rtive. † adj. [furtive, Fr. furtivus, Lat.] Stolen; gotten by theft.

A furtive simulation, and a bastardly kind of adoption. Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 96. Or do they, as your schemes, I think, have

Dart furtive beams and glory not their own, All servants to that source of light, the sun? Prior. Fu'runcle, n. s. [furoncle, Fr. furunculus,

Lat.] A bile; an angry pustule. A furuncle is in its beginning round, hard, and inflamed; and as it increaseth, it riseth up with

an acute head, and sometimes a pustule; and then it is more inflamed and painful, when it arrives at its state, which is about the eighth or ninth day. Wiseman, Surgery.

FU'RY. † n. s. [Fr. furie, madness, Cotgrave; furor, Lat.]

1. Madness.

It is a tale Told by an idiot; full of sound and fury, Shakspeare, Macbeth. Signifying nothing. 2. Rage; passion of anger; tumult of

mind approaching to madness.

I do oppose my patience to his fury; and am , arm'd

To suffer with a quietness of spirit The very tyranny and rage of his.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. He hath given me to know the natures of living creatures, and the furies of wild beasts.

Wisd. vii. 20.

3. Enthusiasm; exaltation of fancy. Taking up the lute, her wit began to be with a divine fury inspired; and her voice would, in so

beloved an occasion, second her wit. A sybil that had number'd in the world The sun to course two hundred compasses, In her prophetick fury sew'd the work.

Shakspeare, Othello.

Greater than human kind she seem'd to look, And with an accent more than mortal spoke; Her staring eyes with sparkling fury roll, When all the god came rushing on her soul. Dryden, Æn.

4. [From furia, Latin.] One of the deities of vengeance, and thence a stormy, turbulent, violent, raging woman. The sight of any of the house of York,

Is as a fury to torment my soul. Shak. Hen. VI. It was the most proper place for a fury to make her exit; and I believe every reader's imagination is pleas'd when he sees the angry goddess thus sinking in a tempest, and plunging herself into hell, amidst such a scene of horror and confusion. Addison on Italy.

FU'RYLIKE.* adj. [fury and like.] Raving, raging like one of the Furies.

Come and possess my happy breast, Not furylike in flames and fire, In rapture, rage, and nonsense drest.

Thomson's Song. FURZE. n.s [rýpr, Saxon; genista spinosa, Latin.] Gorse; goss.

The whole plant is very thorny: the flowers, which are of the pea-bloom kind, are disposed in short thick spikes, which are succeeded by short compressed pods, in each of which are contained three or four kidney-shaped seeds. Miller.

Carry out gravel to fill up a hole Both timber and furzin, the turf and the cole.

Tusser. For fewel, there groweth great store of furze, of which the shrubby sort is called tame, and the better grown French. Carew, Survey of Cornwall.

We may know, And when to reap the grain, and when to sow, Dryden, Virg. Or when to fell the furzes. Fu'rzy. adj. [from furze.] Overgrown with furze; full of gorze.

Wide through the furzy field their route they

Their bleeding bosoms force the thorny brake. Gay.

Fusca'tion. n. s. [fuscus, Latin.] The act of darkening or obscuring. Dict. FU'SCOUS.* adj. [Lat. fuscus.] Brown;

of a dim or dark colour. [The] feathers of the wing of a dark or fuscous colour, Ray, Rem. p. 247.

Ray, Rem. p. 247. To FUSE. v. a. [fundo, fusum, Lat.] To melt; to put into fusion; to liquify by

To Fuse. v. n. To be melted; to be capable of being liquified by heat.

Fu'see. n. s. [fuseau, French.]

1. The cone round which is wound the cord or chain of a clock or watch.

The reason of the motion of the balance is by the motion of the next wheel, and that by the motion of the next, and that by the motion of the fusee, and that by the motion of the spring; the whole frame of the watch carries a reasonableness in it, the passive impression of the intellectual idea that was in the artist.

in the artist. Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

2. A firelock [from fusil, Fr.] A small neat musquet. This is more properly written fusil.

Fusee of a bomb or granado shell, is that which makes the whole powder or composition in the shell take fire, to do the designed execution. 'Tis usually a wooden pipe or tap filled with wildfire, or some such matter; and is intended to burn no longer than is the time of the motion of the bomb from the mouth of the mortar to the place where it is to Fu'ssock.* n. s. [of unknown derivation.] fall, which time Anderson makes twentyseven seconds.

Fu'see. Track of a buck. Ainsworth. Fu'sible. † adj. [Fr. fusible. This is one of our oldest words: "Metal fusible." Chaucer, Chan. Yeom. Tale.] Capable FUST. 7 n. s. of being melted; capable of being made liquid by heat.

Colours afforded by metalline bodies, either colliquate with or otherwise penetrate into other bodies, especially fusible ones. FUSIBI'LITY. n. s. [from fusible.] Capacity

of being melted; quality of growing 2. A strong smell, as that of a mouldy liquid by heat.

The ancients observing in that material a kind of metallical nature, or at least a fusibility, seem to have resolved it into a nobler use.

Wotton, Architecture. The bodies of most use, that are sought for out of the depths of the earth, are the metals, which are distinguished from other bodies by their weight, fusibility, and malleableness.

Fu'sil. adj. [fusile, French ; fusilis, Latin.] 1. Capable of being melted; liquifiable by heat.

Some, less skilful, fancy these scapi that occur in most of the larger Gothick buildings of England are artificial: and will have it, that they are a kind of fusil marble. Woodward.

2. Running by the force of heat.

The liquid ore he drain'd Into fit molds prepar'd; from which he form'd First his own tools: then, what might else be wrought

Fusile, or grav'n in metal. Milton, P.L. Perpetual flames,

O'er sand and ashes, and the stubborn flint, Prevailing, turn into a fusil sea.

Fu'sil. + n. s.

1. A firelock; a small neat musquet. [Fr. fusil, formerly a fire-steel for a tinderbox. Cotgrave.]

2. [In heraldry; from fuseau or fusee, a spindle.] Something like a spindle. Fusils must be made long, and small in the mid-

dle; in the ancient coat of Montague, argent three fusils in fesse gules. Peacham on Blazoning. Fusile'er. n. s. [from fusil.] A soldier

armed with a fusil; a musketeer.

Fu'sion. n. s. [fusio, Latin; fusion, French.]

1. The act of melting.

2. The state of being melted, or of running with heat.

Metals in fusion do not flame for want of a copious fume except spelter, which fumes copiously, and thereby flames. Newton, Opticks.

Fu'some.* adj. Handsome; neat; notable; tidy. A northern word, of which I know not the origin. But the word is given by Grose and Brockett, and in the West moreland Glossary.

Fuss.† n. s. [A low cant word, Dr. Johnson says. It is, however, a regularly descended northern word; Sax. rur, prompt, eager; Su. Goth. and Cimbr. fus, the same; hence the Sax. ryran, to hasten, and the Su. Goth. fysa, the same. A tumult; a bustle.

End as it befits your station; Come to use and application; Nor with senates keep a fuss : I submit, and answer thus.

Swift.

To Fu'ssle.* See Fuzzle.

A large gross woman. A northern word. Grose, and the Craven dialect. But the Lancashire dialect calls "fussock a term of derision, generally, for fat and idle persons."

1. The trunk or body of a column. [fuste, Fr. literally, a cask.

The bases of a number of columns remain in their original position, and their broken fusts lie scattered around.

Drummond's Travels, Lett. xi. (1748.)

barrel. [Fr. fusté, taking of the cask.]

To Fust.* v. n. [from the noun. See also To Foist.] To grow mouldly; to

Sure he, that made us with such large discourse Looking before and after, gave us not

That capability of godlike reason To fust in us unus d. Sh

Shakspeare, Hamlet. Fu'sted.* adj. [Fr. fusté.] Mouldy; stink-His blowen ware

Of fusted hops, now lost for lack of sale. Bp. Hall, Sat. iv. 5.

FU'STIAN. † n. s. [Fr. fustaine. From the low Lat. fustanum, according to Menage, formed from fustis, on account of the tree on which the cotton grows; from fustat, Arabick, according to Bochart, which means the city of Memphis, where cotton is produced in abundance.]

1. A kind of cloth made of linen and cotton, and perhaps now of cotton only. Is supper ready, the house trimm'd, the serving-men in their new fustian and their white stockings? Shakspeare.

2. A high swelling kind of writing made up of heterogeneous parts, or of words and ideas ill associated; bombast.

Nor will you raise in me combustion, By dint of high heroick fustian. Hudibras.
What fustian have I heard these gentlemen find

out in Mr. Cowley's odes! In general, I will say, that nothing can appear more beautiful to me than the strength of those images which they condemn. Druden.

Fustian is thoughts and words ill sorted, and without the least relation to each other. Dryden. Chance thoughts, when govern'd by the close, Oft rise to fustian, or descend to prose.

Fu'stian. adj. [from the noun.]

Made of fustian.

2. Swelling; unnaturally pompous; ridiculously tumid. Used of stile.

When men argue, th' greatest part O' th' contest falls on terms of art, Until the fustian stuff be spent, And then they fall to th' argument.

Virgil, if he could have seen the first verses of the Sylvæ, would have thought Statius mad in his fustian description of the statue on the brazen Dryden, Dufresnoy. horse. Fu'stianist.* n. s. [from fustian.] One

who writes bombast.

Preferring the gay rankness of Apuleius, Arnobius, or any modern fustianist, before the native Latinisms of Cicero. Milt. Apol. for Smeetymnuus. Fu'stick. † n. s. A sort of wood brought

from the West-Indies, used in dying of cloth.

Next to galls old fustick increases the weight Sprat, Hist. R.S. p. 305. about 1 in 12. To FU'STIGATE. v.a. [fustigo, Lat.] To beat with a stick: to cane.

Fustiga'tion.* n. s. [from fustigate. Fr. fustigation, Cotgrave.] An ancient custom of punishing with a cudgel; the act of beating with a stick; also, a penance enjoined by the Roman inquisition.

They punished such as swore falsely by their

prince with fustigation.

Abp. Sancroft, Mod. Pol. 1657, § 7. Fasting and fustigation may do something. Tobin, Honey Moon. p. 41.

FUSTILA'RIAN. n. s. [from fusty.] A low fellow; a stinkard; a scoundrel. A word used by Shakspeare only.

Away, you scullion, you rampallian, you fus-tilarium; I'll tickle your catastrophe.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

Fu'stilug, or Fu'stilugs.* n. s. [from fusty. This choice expression has some advantage over fustilarian in having been placed in our old dictionaries, as well as used by a very sensible writer! Sherwood and Cotgrave both give it; and the latter defines it, under the word coche, "a woman grown fat by ease and laziness." In the Exmouth dialect, fus-tilugs is "a big-boned person."] A gross, fat, unwieldy person.

You may daily see such fustilugs walking in the streets, like so many tuns, each moving upon two pottle-pots. Junius, Sin Stigmatized, (1639, p. 39.

Fu'stiness. † n. s. [from fusty.] Mould-Sherwood. iness; stink. Fu'sty. adj. [from fust.] Ill-smelling;

mouldy.

Hector shall have a great catch, if he knock out either of your brains; he were as good crack a fusty nut with no kernel. Shaks. Troil and Cress. The fusty plebeians hate thine honours.

Shakspeare, Coriol. The large Achilles, at this fusty stuff, From his deep chest laughs out a loud applause.

Shakspeare. FU'TILE. † adj. [futile, French; futilis, Latin.

1. Talkative; loquacious.

One futile person, that maketh it his glory to tell, will do more hurt than many that know it their duty to conceal.

2. Trifling; worthless; of no weight.

The word may have some allusion to the vessel called futile, used in the sacrifice of Vesta, of that narrow bottom that it could not stand, but was forced to be held up. Thus say, a man is futile ; and, by alluding to a vessel, you call him a leaking, vain, dissolute fellow; a cracked vessel; he still Wake, Rationale on Texts of Script. (1701,) p.234.

The sons of earth, the vulgar crew, Anxious for futile gains, beneath me stray, And seek with erring step contentment's obvious way. Shenstone, Ode after Sickness, (1749.) FUTI'LITY. n. s. [futilité, French; from

futile. Talkativeness; loquacity.

This fable does not strike so much at the futility of women, as at the incontinent levity of a prying L'Estrange

2. Triflingness; want of weight; want of

Trifling futility appears in their signs of the zodiack, and their mutual relations and aspects. Rentley.

Fu'TILOUS.* adj. [Lat. futilis.] Worthless; trifling. Not now in use.

I received your answer to that futilous pamphlet. Howell, Lett. ii. 48. God implants no instincts in his creatures that

are futilous and vain. Granville, Serm. p. 287. FU'TTOCKS. n. s. [corrupted from foot hooks. Skinner. The lower timbers that hold the ship together.

FU'TURE + adj. [futurus, Latin; futur, French. This word had formerly the Latin accent on the last syllable, of which Milton affords perhaps the latest example, P. L. x. 840.7 That which will be hereafter; to come: as, the future

Glory they sung to the most High! good will To future men, and in their dwellings peace. Milton, P.L.

He sows the teeth at Pallas's command. And flings the future people from his hand.

Addison, Ovid. Do and have make the present time; did, had, the past; shall, will, the future.

Lowth, Introd. Eng. Grammar. Fu'Ture. n. s. [from the adjective.] Time to come; somewhat to happen hereafter.

The letters have transported me beyond This ign'rant present time; and I feel now The future in the instant. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

The mind, once jaded by an attempt above its power, either is disabled for the future, or else checks at any vigorous undertaking ever after.

FU'TURELY. + adv. from future.] In time

This prescience of God, as it is prescience, is not the cause of any thing futurely succeeding; neither doth God's foreknowledge impose any necessity, or bind. Ralegh. It more imports me

Than all the actions that I have foregone, Or futurely can hope.

Beaum. and Fl. Two Noble Kinsmen. FUTURI'TION. † n. s. [old Fr. futurition.] The state of being to be; the condition of being to come to pass hereafter.

The time expressed denotes the futurition at the latter day. Pearson on the Creed, Art. II. Is it imaginable, that the great means of the world's redemption should rest only in the number of possibilities, and hang so loose in respect of its futurition, as to leave the event in an equal poise, whether ever there should be such a thing or no? South, Serm. i. 285.

FUTU'RITY. n. s. [from future.]

1. Time to come. Not my service past, nor present sorrows,

Nor purpos'd merit in futurity, Can ransom me. Shakspeare, Othello.

I will contrive some way to make it known to futurity, that I had your lordship for my patron.

2. Event to come.

All futurities are naked before that All-seeing Eye, the sight of which is no more hindered by distance of time than the sight of an angel can be determined by distance of place. South. This, great Amphiarus, lay hid from thee,

Though skill'd in fate and dark futurity.

Pope, Statius.

3. The state of being to be; futurition. It may be well reckoned among the bare pos-

sibilities, which never commence into a futurity; it requiring such a free, sedate and intent mind, as it may be, is no where found but among the platonical ideas. Granville, Scepsis.

To FUZZ. v. n. [without etymology, Dr. Johnson says; but it may be referred perhaps to the same original as fizz is. See To Fizz.] To fly out in small particles.

To Fuzz.* v. a. To make drunk. See To FUZZLE. A low word.

The University troop dined with the Earl of Abingdon, and came home well fuzzed. A. Wood's Life, by himself, p.343.

Fu'zzball. n. s. [fuzz and ball.] A kind of fungus, which, when pressed, bursts

and scatters dust in the eyes. To Fu'zzle.* v. a [Gr. φυσάω, to swell

out. 7 To make drunk. Sherwood. Having liberally taken his liquor, my fine scholar was so fusled, that he was no sooner laid in bed, but he fell fast asleep.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 604.

Fu'zzy.* adj. [Teut. voose turven, fuzzy or fozy turves, Dr. Jamieson.] Light and spungy. A northern word. Craven dialect, and Brockett. By the latter

written also fozy.
Fx.† interj. [This term of abhorrence is found in many languages, and is of great age in our own. Chaucer uses it; Wicliffe, the similar expression, fugh. Gr. $\varphi \varepsilon v$; Lat. phy; old Fr. fy; Ital. and modern Fr. fi; Span. fai; Welsh, ffei; Flem. foei. Our own word is often written fie. The expression may be traced to the verb signifying hate or disgust; Sax. pian; Germ. fien; M. Goth. fijan; old Goth. fia.] A word of blame and disapprobation.

And fy on fortune, mine avowed foe, Whose wrathful wreaks themselves do now allay.

Fy, my lord, fy ! a soldier, and afraid? What need we fear who knows it, when none can call our power to account?

Shakspeare, Macbeth. A bawd, sir, fy upon him! Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas.

But fy, my wand'ring muse, how thou do'st stray!

Expectance calls thee now another way. Milton, Vac. Exerc.

Nay, fy, what mean you in this open place? Unhand me, or, I swear, I'll scratch your face: Let go, for shame; you make me mad for spite: My mouth's my own; and if you kiss, I'll bite.

Fy, madam, he cried, we must be past all these gaieties. Tatler.

† Has two sounds, one from the Gr. | GA'BARDINE. † See GABERDINE. T, and the Latin, which is called that of the hard G, because it is formed by a pressure somewhat hard of the forepart of the tongue against the upper gum. This sound G retains before a, o, u, l, r; as, gate, go, gull; with the exception, however, of gaol and its derivatives, before the a in which the g is soft. The other sound, called that of the soft G, resembles that of J, and is commonly, though not always, found before e, i; as, gem, gibbet. Where g is doubled, the sound before e is usually hard, as dagger, ragged, &c. but not in suggest; and in many words the single g before e has the hard sound, as in geese, get, eager, finger, longer, target, tiger, &c. The same may be said of g before i, whether doubled or not, in numerous instances; as giddy, gift, gild, gird, dig, digger, rigging, &c. Before n, at the end of a word, g is commonly melted away; as in the French, from which these words are commonly derived: thus, for benign, malign, condign, we pronounce benine, maline, condine. It is often silent in the middle of words before h; as might. The Saxon Ir, 3, seems to have had generally the sound of y consonant; whence gate is by rusticks still pronounced yate.

G.* In musick, one of the clefs; that of

the treble or alt.

To GAB.* v. n. [a very ancient word in our own language, and found in many others, with much the same meaning; gaber, old French, to laugh at, from gab, mockery; begabba, Goth. gabba, Icel. the same from gabb, a mock; zabban, Sax. to trifle, to joke, to talk a mere jargon; gabbare, Ital. to mock; ghab, Pers. a foolish or bitter expression. The Europ. word is to be traced, perhaps, to the Celt. gob, a beak; Irish, gob, a beak or mouth; whence gob for the mouth; and hence gabble.] 1. To talk idly; to prate.

I am no labbe, [blab,] Ne though I say it, I n'am not lefe to gabbe.

Chaucer, Mill. Tale. 2. To lie; to impose upon. "Gabbing,

i. e. lving." Bullokar, and Cockeram. I deny that thilke thing be good, that anoyeth hym, that hath it. Gabbe I of this? Thou wilt Chaucer, Boeth. ii. 5. I gabbe not; so have I joye and bliss!

Chaucer, Nuns-Pr. Tale.

GAB* n. s. [from the verb.] Cant; loquacity; imposing language; as "he has the gift of the gab." A colloquial expression.

To GA'BBLE, v. n. [gabbare, Ital. gabberen, Dutch; gafla, Icel. to babble. See also To GAB.

1. To make an inarticulate noise.

When thou could'st not, savage, Shew thine own meaning, but would'st gabble like A thing most brutish, I endow'd thy purposes With words that made them known.

Shakspeare, Tempest. Flocks of fowl, that when the tempests roar, With their hoarse gabbling seek the silent shore

2. To prate loudly without meaning.

Have you no wit, manners, nor honesty, but to gabble like tinkers at this time of night? Do ye make an alehouse of my lady's house

Shakspeare, Tw. Night. Which made some think, when he did gabble, Th' had heard three labourers of Babel. Hudibras. Such a rout, and such a rabble, Run to hear Jack Pudding gabble.

GA'BBLE. n. s. [from the verb.]

1. Inarticulate noise like that of brute animals.

Not to know what we speak one to another, so we seem to know, is to know straight our purpose: chough's language, gabble enough, and good Shakspeare, All's well.

2. Loud talk without meaning. Forthwith a hideous gabble rises loud Among the builders; each to other calls.

Not understood. Milton, P. L. GA'BBLER. + n. s. [from gabble.] A prater. A chattering fellow.

GA'BEL. n. s. [gabelle, Fr. gabello. Ital. zarel, Sax. a tribute, zıran, to give. Some etymologists deduce the word Heb. gab, a present; others from kabbalah, Arab, cabala, or cavala, receipt.] An excise; a tax.

To lay upon them such gabels, taxes, and all manner of tributes, as should please the king to demand. Sir R. Williams, Actions of the Low Countries, (1618,) p. 1.

This may be done, if he impose new gabels or imposts upon his subjects,

Bp. Taylor, Diss. from Popery, iii. § 3. The gabels of Naples are very high on oil, wine, Addison on Italy.

GA'BELLER.* n. s. [from gabel.] A collector of taxes.

To their tumultuous burning the gabeller's goods I think I may, not unaptly, compare our burning the pope.

Wright, View of the late Troubles, (1685,) Pref.

GA'BERDINE. † n. s. | Span. gabardina; old Fr. and Span. gaban, a cloak of felt, a loose coat worn over another; Ital. gavordina, a frock, a shepherd's garment; Fr. galleverdine, " a long coat or cassock of coarse, and for the most part motley or parti-coloured, stuff." Cotgrave. Our word is usually written gaberdine. A coarse frock; any mean

dress. The coarse frock, which resembles a loose shirt, is still worn, instead of a coat, by our peasants in many places.

My best way is to creep under his gaberdine; there is no other shelter hereabout. Shaksp. Temp. You call me misbeliever, cut-throat dog,

And spit upon my Jewish gaberdine.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven.

The knight did straight submit, And laid his weapons at her feet: Next he disrob'd his gaberdine,

And with it did himself resign. GA'BION. n. s. [French.] A wicker basket which is filled with earth to make a fortification or intrenchment.

His battery was defended all along with gabions, and casks filled with sand.

GABLE. † n. s. [Icel. gabl, the end of a thing; Goth. gibal. Du Cange deduces the low Lat. gabulum, frons edificii, from what he calls the Engl. gablehead.] The fore-front or end of a house coming down right. Bullokar. The gable, or gable-end of a house, is the upright triangular end; from the cornice, or eaves, to the top of its roof. Chambers.

Glase the gable, and grave therein thy name. Vision of P. Plowman.

I affect not these high gable-ends.

B. Jonson, Poetaster. Take care that all your brick work be covered with the tiling, according to the new way of building, without gable-ends, which are very heavy, and very apt to let the water into the brick-work. Mortimer, Husbandry.

GABY.* n. s. [perhaps from gaber, old Fr. to laugh at. See To GAB.] A silly or foolish person. A vulgar expression. In the Lancashire dialect, "a dunce or fool is called a gawby." See GAWBY. GAD. + n. s. [3ab, Saxon; gaddr, Icel. a

club.] 1. A sceptre, or club. In the North, a

long stick. To fawning dogs sometimes I gave a bone, And flung some scraps to such as nothing had; But in my hands still kept the golden gad, That serv'd my turne. Mir. for Mag. p. 517.

2. A wedge or ingot of steel.

Flemish steel is brought down the Rhine to Dort, and other parts, some in bars, and some in gads; and therefore called Flemish steel, and sometimes gad steel. Moxon, Mech. Exercises.

3. It seems to be used by Shakspeare for a stile or graver. [from 3ab, Sax. a goad.]

I will go get a leaf of brass, And with a gad of steel will write these words. Tit. Andronicus.

To GAD. + v. n. [derived by Skinner from gadfly; by Junius from gadaw, Welsh, to forsake; thought by others only the preterite of the old word agaan, to go. Mr. Warton thinks that there was

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go, from the circumstances of the old adjective gadling being formerly written gadelyng, and a going about from house to house being, in 1534, written gadyng. See GADDING and GADLING. See also Granger's Divine Logike, (1620,) p. 171. "Gad, or gadding abroad, of gadad, Heb. to rush out, to run all abroad, as soldiers do, issuing out of the camp."] To ramble about without any settled purpose; to rove loosely and idly.

The virgins will be over finely apparelled and trymmed, and will nedes at overmuche libertie gooe raunginge and gaddinge abrode.

Martin, Marr. of Priests, (1554,) sign. Dd, 4. b. How now, my headstrong, where have you

been galding? —

Where I have learnt me to repent.

Shakspeare; Rom. and Jul. Give the water no passage, neither a wicked woman liberty to gad abroad. Ecclus. xxv. 25. The lesser devils arose with ghastly rore,

And throng forth about the world to gad Each land they fill'd, river, stream, and shore.

Envy is a gadding passion, and walketh the streets, and doth not keep home.

Gad not abroad-at ev'ry quest and call Of an untrained hope or passion;

To court each place or fortune that doth fall, Is wantonness in contemplation. Herbert.

Thee, shepherd, thee the woods and desart caves, With wild thyme and the gadding vine o'ergrown, Milton, Lycidas. And all their echoes moan. A fierce loud buzzing breeze; their stings draw

blood, And drive the cattle gadding through the wood.

Dryden. She wreaks her anger on her rival's head; With furies frights her from her native home, And drives her gadding round the world to roam.

There's an ox lost, and this coxcomb runs a

gadding after wild fowl. L'Estrange. No wonder their thoughts should be perpetually shifting from what disgusts them, and seek better entertainment in more pleasing objects, after which they will unavoidably be gadding. . Locke.

GA'DABOUT.* n. s. One who runs much abroad without business: a colloquial

term. See also GADDER.

GA'DDER.* n. s. [from gad.] A rambler; one that runs much abroad without business; a gadder about.

A drunken woman, and a gadder abroad, causeth great anger, and she will not cover her own shame. Ecclus. xxvi. 8.

If she be a noted reveller, a gadder, a singer, a pranker, or a dancer, then take heed of her. Burton, Anat. of Melan. p, 567.

GA'DDING.* n. s. [from gad. Mr. Warton cites, from the register of a chantry in 1534, "Receyvid at the gadyng with Saynte Mary songe at Crismas, which he interprets " at the going about from house to house, &c." Note on Milton's Lycidas, ver. 40. "To gadde in procession is among the articles censured by Bale in his Declaration of To GAG. † v. a. [from gaghel, Dutch, the Bonner's Articles, 1554.] A going palate, Minsheu; the past participle of about: a pilgrimage.

The stations he speaketh of were no gaddings, but standings. Fulke's Retentive, (1580,) p. 162. GA'DDINGLY. † adv. [from gad.] In a

rambling, roving manner. Gaddingly, as they that went on pilgrimage. Huloet.

once the verb gade, a frequentative from GA'DFLY. n. s. [gad and fly; but by Skinner, who makes it the original of gad; it is called goadfly. Supposed to be originally from goad, in Saxon zas, and fly. Dr. Johnson .- It is from the Goth. gadda, to prick; gadd, Swed. a sting.] A fly that when he stings the cattle makes them gad or run madly about; the breese.

The fly called the gad-fly breedeth of somewhat that swimmeth upon the top of the water, and is most about ponds.

Light fly his slumbers, if perchance a flight Of angry gadflies fasten on the herd.

GA'DLING.* adj. [from gad. Gadeling, straggling. Hearne, Gloss. Rob. of Gloucester.] Straggling: in the vocabulary of Bullokar. Chaucer uses it as a substantive for an idle vagabond, a gadder about. Obsolete.

GA'ELICK.* \ n. s. [from Gallia.] A dia-GA'LICK. \ lect of the Celtick tongue. I believe, without vanity, I may say I understand the Galic as well as any man living; for I wrote a Grammar and Dictionary of it.

Shaw on the Authent. of Ossian's Poems, p.24. The young [in the Highlands] are indeed taught to read English, but often they read without understanding, and still prefer speaking Gaelic. Dr. Jamieson on the Orig. of the Scottish Language. GAE'LICK or GA'LICK.* adj. Pertaining to the Gaelick language.

We may determine from the Galic names, which may even now be traced along the Tweed and the Merse. Chalmers on the several People of Scotland. GAFF. † n. s. [gaffe, Fr. "an iron hook, wherewith seamen pull great fishes into their ships." Cotgrave.

A harpoon or large hook. Ainsworth. GAFF.* n. s. A fool. See Goff.

GA'FFER.† n. s. [zerepe, companion, Sax. Dr. Johnson from Junius; others consider it a contraction of good father; and some of godfather, the sense of which word came to be extended to every man of some age. See Elstob on the Sax. Homil. of St. Gregory, p. 20.] A word of respect now obsolete, or applied only to a mean person.

A few honest gaffers with their elect pastor. Bp. Ganden, Eccl. Angl. Susp. (1659,) p. 585. For gaffer Treadwell told us by the bye,

Excessive sorrow is exceeding dry. Gay, Pastorals. GA'FFLE. † n. s.

1. An artificial spur put upon cocks when they are set to fight. [gaflak, Icel. a kind of dart.]

2. A steel lever to bend cross-bows. \[Sax. \] zaveloc. Sherwood.

The gaffle of a cross-bow.

GA'FFLOCK.* See GAVELOCK.

GA'FTY.* adj. Doubtful; suspected. A gafty person is a suspected person. Cheshire. Wilbraham's Gloss. No etymology has been proposed.

the Saxon zæzzian, to close up. Mr. H. Tooke. To stop the mouth with something that may allow to breathe, but hinder to speak.

He's out of his guard already: unless you laugh and minister occasion to him, he is gagg'd. Shakspeare, Tw. Night. Our Spanish licensing gags the English press. Milton, Areopagitica.

They might possibly by obstinacy harden, or by diversion gag, conscience; but they could not bribe and corrupt it. Decay of Christian Piety, p.121.

There foam'd rebellious logick, gagg'd and

GAG. † n. s. [from the verb.] Something put into the mouth to hinder speech or

Your monkish prohibitions, and expurgatorious indexes, your gags and snaffles.

Milton, Animadv. Rem. Defence. Some when the kids their dams too deeply drain, With gags and muzzles their soft mouths restrain.

Your woman would have run up stairs before me; but I have secured her below with a gag in Dryden. her chans. GA'GGER.* 2. s. [from gag.]

uses a gag to stop the mouth.

I undertook to answer that very worthless author, "the gagger of all protestants' mouths for ever." Mountagu, App. to Cas. (1625,) Dedic. Out of just indignation against this gagger and his fellows.

GAGE. † n. s. [gage, French. Dr. Johnson. - The past participle of the Sax. verb zæzzian, to close up; gage being that by which a man is bound to certain Mr. H. Tooke. - See, fulfilments. however, wage, which is the same word as gage, and is formed of the Lat. vas, vadis, a surety; Su. vad, the same; low Lat. vadiare, gagiare; Germ. wagen, to hazard, to engage; Su. Goth. waga, the

1. A pledge; a pawn; a caution; any thing given in security.

He, when the shamed shield of slain Sansfoy He spy'd, with that same fairy champion's page, He to him leapt; and that same envious gage, Of victor's glory from him snatcht away.

Spenser, F.Q.

There I throw my gage Disclaiming here the kindred of a king, And lay aside my high blood's royalty.

Shakspeare, Rick. II. There is my gage, the manual seal of death, That marks thee out for hell. Shakspeare, Rich. II. They from their mothers' breasts poor orphans

rend. Nor without gages to the needy lend. I am made the cautionary pledge,

The gage and hostage of your keeping it. Southern, Oroanoko. But since it was decreed, auspicious king,

In Britain's right that thou shouldst wed the main, Heav'n, as a gage, would cast some previous thing, And therefore doom'd that Lawson should be slain. Dryden.

In any truth, that gets not possession of our minds by self evidence or demonstration, the arguments, that gain it assent, are the vouchers and gage of its probability.

2. A measure; a rule of measuring. One judges, as the weather dictates, right The poem is at noon, and wrong at night; Another judges by a surer gage,

An author's principles, or parentage. Young. 3. In naval language, when one ship is to windward of another, she is said to have the weather gage of her.

To GAGE. v. a. [gager, French.]

1. To wager; to depone as a wager; to impawn; to give as a caution, pledge, or security.

A moiety competent Shakspeare, Hamlet. Was gaged by our king.

He found the Turkish merchants making merry: unto these merchants he gave due salutations, gaging his faith for their safety, and they likewise to him.

Knolles, History. 2. To bind by some caution or surety; to engage.

My chief care
Is to come fairly off from the great debts Wherein my time, something too prodigal, Hath left me gaged. Shakspeare. 3. To measure; to take the contents of

any vessel of liquids particularly. More properly gauge. See To GAUGE.
We shall see your bearing.

— Nay, but I bar to night: you shall not gage me By what we do to night. Shaks. Merch. of Ven.

GA'GER.* n. s. [more properly gauger, Fr. gaulgeur.] One whose business it is to measure vessels or quantities. See GAUGER. Sherwood.

To GA'GGLE.† v. n. [gagen, gagelen, Dutch. Dr. Johnson. From the Icel. gagl, a cuckoo, Norw. a goose; a word from the sound. Serenius. 7 To make noise like a goose.

Birds prune their feathers, geese gaggle, and crows seem to call upon rain; which is but the comfort they receive in the relenting of the air. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

May fat geese gaggle with melodious voice, And ne'er want gooseberries or apple-sauce. King.

GA'GGLING.* n. s. [from gaggle] A noise made by geese.

You know how the gaggling of geese did once preserve the capitol. Howell, Lett. iv. 1.

GA'IETY. + See GAYETY.

GA'ILY. † adv. [from gay.] See GAYLY. 1. Airily; cheerfully.

Gaily said of you. Barret, Alv. (1580.) Wights, who travel that way daily,

Jog on by his example gaily.

Swift, Pieces ascribed to him, ed. Barret, p. 135. Thomson was introduced, and being gaily inter-rogated about the state of his affairs, said, that they were in a more poetical posture than formerly. Johnson, Life of Thomson.

2. Splendidly; beautifully. Some shew their gaily gilded trim Quick glancing to the sun. Gray, Ode I.

3. In the north of England, in good health and spirits; often also used with well; as, I am gaily well, which indeed is an old form of speech. See the next sense. 4. Very; in a great degree.

For this purpose, whereof we now write, this would have served gailie well.

Willson, Arte of Rhetorike, (1553,) fol. 111. a.

GAIN. † n. s. [gain, French. Dr Johnson. — Su. Goth. gagn, emolument; Teut. gewin, gain, gewinnen, to make gain; Sax. repinnan, to acquire.]

1. Profit; advantage; contrary to loss. But what things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ. Phil. iii. 7. Besides the purpose it were now, to teach how victor should be used, or the gains thereof commu-

nicated to the general content. Ralegh, Essays. Havock and spoil, and ruin are my gain. Milton, P.L.

It is in praise of men as in gettings and gains; for light gains make heavy purses; for light gains come thick, whereas great come but now and then. Bacon, Essays.

This must be made by some governor upon his own private account, who has a great stock, that he is content to turn that way and is invited by the

Compute the gains of his ungovern'd zeal, Ill suits his cloth the praise of railing well. Dryd. Folly fights for kings or dives for gain. Pape.

2. Interest; lucrative views. That, sir, which serves for gain, And follows but for form,

Will pack, when it begins to rain,

And leave thee in the storm. Shakspeare, K. Lear-3. Unlawful advantage.

Did I make a gain of you by any of them whom I sent unto you? 2 Cor. xii. 17. If pride, if envy, if the lust of gain,

If mad ambition, in thy bosom reign, Thou boast'st alas! thy sober sense in vain-Fitzgerald.

 Overplus in a comparative computation; any thing opposed to loss.

To GAIN. v. a. [gagner, French.] 1. To obtain as profit or advantage.

Egypt became a gained ground by the muddy and limeous matter brought down by the Nilus, which settled by degrees into a firm land.

Brown, Vulg. Err. What reinforcement we may gain from hope. Milton, P. L.

2. To win; not to lose. A leper once he lost, and gain'd a king. Milton, P.L.

3. To have the overplus in comparative computation. If you have two vessels to fill, and you empty

one to fill the other, you gain nothing by that. Burnet, Theory of the Earth.

4. To obtain; to procure; to receive. I acceptance found, which gain'd This answer from the gracious voice divine.

Milton, P. L. That side some small reflection gains Of glimmering air, less vex'd with tempest loud. Milton, P. L.

If such a tradition were endeavoured to be set on foot, it is not easy to imagine how it should at first gain entertainment; but much more difficult to conceive how ever it should come to be universally propagated. Tillotson, Sermons.

For fame with toil we gain, but lose with ease, Sure some to vex, but never all to please. Pope.

5. To obtain increase of any thing allotted. I know that ye would gain the time,

Because ye see the king is gone from me. Daniel, ii. 8.

6. To obtain whatever, good or bad. Ye should not have loosed from Crete, and have gained this harm and loss. Acts, xxvii. 21.

7. To win against opposition.

They who were sent to the other pass, after a short resistance, gained it. Fat fees from the defendant Umbrian draws, And only gains the wealthy client's cause.

Dryden, Pers. O love! for Sylvia let me gain the prize, And make my tongue victorious as her eyes. Pope.

8. To draw into any interest or party. Come, with presents, laden from the port, To gratify the queen and gain the court.

Dryden, Virg. If Pyrrhus must be wrought to pity, No woman does it better than yourself If you gain him, I shall comply of course.

A. Philips.

9. To obtain as a wooer.

He never shall find out fit mate, but such As some misfortune brings him, or mistake, Or whom he wishes most shall seldom gain Through her perverseness, but shall see her gain'd By a far worse. Milton, P.L.

10. To reach; to attain.

The West still glimmers with some streaks of day:

Now spurs the lated traveller apace, Shakspeare, Macbeth. To gain the timely inn.

Death was the post, which I almost did gain : Shall I once more be tost into the main. Waller. Sun! sound his praise

In thy eternal course, both when thou climb'st, And when high noon hast gain'd, and when thou fall'st. Milton, P. L.

We came to the roots of the mountain, and had a very troublesome march to gain the top of it. Addison on Italy.

Thus sav'd from death, they gain the Phestan shores.

With shatter'd vessels and disabled oars.

Pope, Odyssey. 11. To GAIN over. To draw to another

party or interest. The court of Hanover should have endeavoured to gain over those who were represented as their

To GAIN. v. n.

1. To grow rich; to have advantage; to be advanced in interest or happiness.

Thou hast taken usury and increase, and thou hast greedily gained of thy neighbours by extor-Ezek. xxii.12.

2. To encroach; to come forward by degrees: with on.

When watchful herons leave their wat'ry stand. And mounting upward with erected flight Gain on the skies, and soar above the sight.

Dryden, Virg.

So on the land while here the ocean gains, In other parts it leaves wide sandy plains. Pope. 3. To get ground; to prevail against: with

The English have not only gained upon the Venetians in the Levant, but have their cloth in

Venice itself. 4. To obtain influence with: with on. My good behaviour had gained so far on the em-

perour, that I began to conceive hopes of liberty. Swift.

GAIN. adj. [an old word, but not wholly out of use, as Dr. Johnson has described it.] Applied to things, convenient; to persons, active, expert; to a way, near, short: Ray, who says that in his time, the word was used in many parts of England. In Yorkshire it is now used for near. See the Craven Dialect, 1824, where the learned compiler refers to the Su. Goth. gen, utilis, gagn, Icel. Grose defines it as a Norfolk word, convenient, cheap: "That field his gain for me: I bought that horse pretty gain." Mr. Brockett gives the word as a present Northumbrian expression, generally attached to other words to signify a degree of comparison; as, gain quiet pretty quiet; gain near — conveniently near or at hand."

GA'INABLE.* [Fr. gaignable.] Capable of being gained. Sherwood.

GA'INAGE.* n. s. old Fr. gaignage; low Lat. gainagium, wainagium.] In our old writers the profit that comes by the tillage of land, held by the baser kind of sokemen and villains.

The gainage of the ground in a great shire N' old apparel that place.

P. Plowman's Creed, (1550.)

GA'INER. n. s. [from gain.] One who receives profit or advantage.

The client, besides retaining a good conscience, is always a gainer, and by no means can be at any loss, as seeing, if the composition be overhard, he may relieve himself by recourse to his oath.

Bacon, Off. of Alienation.

If what I get in empire I lose in fame, I think myself no gainer.

Denham, Sophu. He that loses any thing, and gets wisdom by it, is a gainer by the loss. L'Estrange. By trade, we are as great gainers by the com-· modities of other countries as of our own nation. Addison, Freeholder.

GA'INFUL. adj. [gain and full.]

1. Advantageous; profitable. He will dazzle his eyes, and bait him in with the luscious proposal of some gainful purchase, some rich match, or advantageous project. South.

2. Lucrative; productive of money.
The statute of 32 of Hen. 8. c. 38. intending to mar the Romish market of gainful dispensations and injurious prohibitions, professeth to allow all marriages that are not prohibited by God's law.

Bp. Hall, Cases of Conscience, Add. Nor knows he merchants' gainful care.

Dryden, Horace. Maro's muse commodious precepts gives, Instructive to the swains, nor wholly bent On what is gainful: sometimes she diverts From solid counsels.

GA'INFULLY. adv. [from gainful.] fitably; advantageously.

GA'INFULNESS. n. s. [from gainful.] Profit; advantage.

GA'INGIVING. n. s. ['gainst and give.] The same as misgiving; a giving against: as gainsaying, which is still in use, is saying against, or contradicting. Hanmer.

It is but foolery; but it is such a kind of gaingiving as would, perhaps, trouble a woman. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

·GA'INLESS.† adj. [from gain.] Unpro-

fitable; producing no advantage. So absolutely gainless to himself in his vilest Hammond, Works, iv. 514.

It is a strange folly thus to pursue what is so utterly gainless. Whole Duty of Man, ch. 6. § 14. GA'INLESSNESS. n. s. [from gainless.] Unprofitableness: want of advantage.

The parallel holds too in the gainlessness as well as laboriousness of the work; miners buried in earth and darkness, were never the richer for all the ore they digged: no more is the insatiable miser. Decay of Piety.

GA'INLY. † adv. [from gain.] Handily; readily; dexterously.

She laid her child, as gainly as she could, in some fresh leaves and grass. More, Conj. Cabb. p. 133.

.To GAINSAY. v. a. ['gainst and say.] 1. To contradict; to oppose; to contro-

vert with; to dispute against. Speeches which gainsay one another, must of necessity be applied both unto one and the same

To facile then; thou didst not much gainsay; Nay, didst permit, approve, and fair dismiss.

Milton, P. L. 2. To deny any thing.

I never heard yet

That any of those bolder vices wanted Less impudence to gainsay what they did, Than to perform it first. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

GA'INSAYER. n. s. [from gainsay.] ponent; adversary.

Such as may satisfy gainsayers, when suddenly, and besides expectation, they require the same at We are, for this cause, challenged as manifest

gainsayers of Scripture, even in that which we read for Scripture unto the people. Hooker.

It was full matter of conviction to all gainsayers. Hammond.

Others sought themselves a name by being his gainsayers, but failed of their purpose. GA'INSAYING.* n. s. [from gainsay.] Opposition.

They have gone in the way of Cain, and ran greedily after the errour of Balaam, and perished in the gainsaying of Core. St. Jude, ver.11. 'GAINST. prep. [for against.] See A-GAINST.

Tremble, ye nations, who, secure before, Laugh'd at those arms, that 'gainst ourselves we bore.

To GA'INSTAND. † v. a. ['gainst and stand.] To withstand; to oppose; to resist. A proper word, but not in use, Dr. Johnson says, citing only the example from Sidney. But, it may be added, this was evidently an established word, as it is found in the dictionaries of Huloet and Barret. Wicliffe also had long before employed it, in the form of

aghenstonde, i. e. against and stand.
Love proved himself valiant, that durst with the sword of reverent duty gainstand the force of so many enraged desires.

In Sodome was none found that did gainstande that furious and beastly multitude, which did compasse about and besiege the house of Lot. Knight, Tr. of Truth, (1580,) fol. 80. b.

To GAINSTRIVE.* v. a. ['gainst and strive. To withstand; to oppose. The Fates gainstrive us not.

Grimoald, in Songes & Son. pr. by Tottel, (1557.) To GA'INSTRIVE, * v. n. To make resist-

ance. On the spoile of women he doth live, Whose bodies chaste, whenever in his powre, He may them catch, unable to gainestrive, He with his shamefull lust doth first deflowre, And afterwardes themselves doth cruelly devowre. Spenser, F. Q. iv. vii. 12.

GA'IRISH. † adj. So Dr. Johnson chooses to write the word garish, i. e. showy, splendid, &c. as well as its descendant garishness, gairishness. But neither Ascham, nor Shakspeare, nor Taylor, nor Milton, nor South, whom he cites, prefer this method of writing it. Other authors also, whom I shall cite, read garish. See therefore, GARISH, GAR-ISHLY, and GARISHNESS.

GAIRt n. s. [gat, Dutch. Dr. Johnson. -Icel. gata, a way, a road, from gaa, to go. In the north of England, gate, or gait, is common for a path, passage, or road. Gate is the old way of writing this word.

1. A way: as, gang your gait. Good youth, address thy gait unto her; Be not denied access, stand at her door. Shaks. With this field-dew consecrate, Every fairy take his gait;

And each several chamber bless, Through this palace with sweet peace. Shakspeure, Mids. N. Dream.

2. March; walk; progress. Nought regarding, they kept on their gait, And all her vain allurements did forsake. Spenser, F. Q.

Thou art so lean and meagre waxen late, That scarce thy legs uphold thy feeble gait. Spenser, Hubb. Tale.

This palpable gross play hath well beguil'd The heavy gait of night. Shaks. Mids. N. Dream. 3. The manner and air of walking.

Great Juno comes, I know her by her gait. Shakspeare.

He had in his person, in his aspect, the appearance of a great man, which he preserved in his gait and motion.

A third, who by his gait And fierce demeanour, seems the prince of hell-Milton, P.L.

Leviathans Wallowing, unwieldy, enormous in their gait. Milton, P. L. I describ'd his way,

Bent all on speed, and mark'd his airy gait. Milton, P. L.

GA'ITED.* adj. [from gait.] Having a particular gait, or method of walking. You must send the ass upon the horse, for he is slow-gaited. Shakspeare, Love's L. Lost.

And heavy-gaited toads lie in their way. Shakspeare, Rich. II.

To GA'ITER.* v. a. [from gaiters.] To dress with gaiters.

The cavalry must be saddled, the artilleryhorses harnessed, and the infantry gaitered. Proceed. on the Trial of Ld. G. Sackville, 1760, p.11.

GA'ITERS.* n. s. pl. [Fr. guétres.] A kind of spatterdashes. Both the French and English word may be considered as modern.

A'LA.* n. s. [Spanish, finery; Ital. mirth.] A word which has been in-GA'LA.*troduced into our language in modern times: as, a gala-day; that is, any day of show and festivity.

GALA'GE. + n. s. [old Fr. galoge.] A shepherd's clog; a wooden shoe. Galash, galosh, or golosh, is now sometimes heard, instead of this old word. See GALOCHE.

My heartblood is well nigh frome, I feel; And my galage grown fast to my heel.

Spenser, Shep. Cal.

GALA'NGAL. n. s. [galange, French.] A medicinal root. The lesser galangal is in pieces, about an inch or two long, of the thickness of a man's little finger; a brownish red colour, extremely hot and pungent. The larger galangal is in pieces, about two inches or more in length, and an inch in thickness: its colour is brown, with a faint cast of red in it: it has a disagreeable, but much less acrid and pungent taste.

GA'LAXY.† n. s. [γαλαξία, Gr. galaxie. Fr. Chaucer uses this word. 1. The milky way; a stream of light in

the sky, consisting of many small stars, A broad and ample road, whose appear,
And pavement stars, as stars to thee appear,
Milton, P. L. Seen in the galaxy.

A brown, for which heaven would disband The galaxy, and stars be tann'd. Cleaveland.

Several lights will not be seen,

If there be nothing else between; Men doubt, because they stand so thick i' th' sky, If those be stars that paint the galaxy.

Cowley. We dare not undertake to shew what advantage is brought to us by those innumerable stars in the galaxy. Bentley.

2. Any splendid assemblage of persons or things.

There are stars of several magnitudes; some goodly and great ones, that move in orbs of their own; others small and scarce visible in the galaxy of the church; but all are stars, and no star is without some light. Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 45.

Often has my mind hung with fondness and admiration over the crowded, yet clear and lu-

minous, galaxies of imagery, diffused through the works of Bishop Taylor.

Dr. Parr, Tracts by Warburton, &c. p.151. GA'LBANUM.† n. s. [Sax. zalbanum; Gr. χαλβάνη, from the Heb. chalbenah.]

A resinous gum.

We meet with galbanum sometimes in loose granules, called drops or tears, which is the purest, and sometimes in large masses. It is soft, like wax, and ductile between the fingers; of a vellowish or reddish colour: its smell is strong and disagreeable. It is of a middle nature between a gum and a resin, being inflammable as a resin, and soluble in water as a gum, and will not dissolve in oil, as pure resins do. It is the produce of an umbelliferous plant. Hill, Materia Medica. I yielded indeed a pleasant odour, like the best

myrrh; as galbanum. Ecclus. XXIV. 15. GALE.† n. s. [gahling, hasty, sudden, Germ. Dr. Johnson.—Icel. gola, a cold air; haf-gola, a gale or blast from the sea. Serenius.—Erse, gal, a blast of wind. It may perhaps be allied to the Su. Goth. and Icel. gala, to sing, or rather to bawl; to emit a kind of howl. This application of noise to the wind we still use; as, the wind sings, or howls. A wind not tempestuous, yet stronger

than a breeze.

What happy gale Blows you to Padua here from old Verona? Shakspeare.

Of gentlest gale Arabian odours fann'd From their soft wings, and Flora's earliest smells. Milton, P. R. Fresh gales and gentle air. Milton, P. L.

Umbria's green retreats, Where western gales eternally reside.

To GALE.* v. n. [from the noun.] 1. In naval language, when two ships are

near one another at sea, and there being but little wind blowing, one feels more of it than another, they say, the ship gales away from the other. Chambers. 2. To sing. [Sax. zalan, literally to sing.]

Obsolete, except as far as it concerns nightingale.

In Chaucer's Court of Love, the nightingale is said to crie and gale: hence its name, nightegale, Tyrrwhit on Chaucer. or nightengale. GALE.* n. s. A plant, which grows upon

bogs in many parts of England. Gale from the bog shall yield Arabian balm, And the grey willow wave a golden palm. Crabbe, Birth of Flattery.

GA'LEATED. adj. [galeatus, Latin.]

1. Covered as with a helmet.

A galeated eschinus copped, and in shape some-· what more conick than any of the foregoing. Woodward on Fossils.

2. [In botany.] Such plants as bear a flower resembling an helmet, as the monkshood.

GALE'NICK. adj. [from Galen, the ancient physician. Fr. Galenique.] Denoting the manner of considering and treating diseases according to the principles of Galen.

Galenick is more frequently used as contradistinguished from chymical. See : GALENISM.

He has been a packhorse in the practical and old Galenical way of physick.

Life of A. Wood, p. 879. GA'LENISM.* n. s. [Fr. Galenisme.] The doctrine of Galen.

Paracelsus, and after him Van Helmont, altered the whole body of medicine; exploded Galenism, and the whole Peripatetick doctrine; and rendered medicine almost wholly chymical.

GA'LENIST.* n. s. A physician that, in his way of practice, follows the method of Galen. Bullokar.

Let men dispute whether thou breathe or no; Only' in this be no Galenist: to make Courts' hot ambitions wholesome, do not take A dram of country's dulness; do not add Correctives, but, as chymiques, purge the bad.

Donne, Poems, p.147. GALERI'CULATE. adj. [from galerus, Lat.]

Covered as with a hat. GA'LIOT. See GALLIOT.

GALL n.s. [zeala, Sax. galle, Dutch.]

1. The bile; an animal juice, remarkable for its supposed bitterness.

Come to my woman's breast, And take my milk for gall, you murthering ministers ! Shakspeare. A honey tongue, a heart of gall,

Is fancy's spring, but sorrow's fall. This position informs us of a vulgar errour, terming the gall bitter, as their proverb implies, It's as bitter as gall; whereas there's nothing gustable sweeter; and what is most unctuous must needs partake of a sweet savour. Gall is the greatest resolvant of curdled milk

Boerhaave has given at a time one drop of the gall of an eel with success. Arbuthnot on Diet. 2. The part which contains the bile.

The married couple, as a testimony of future concord, did cast the gall of the sacrifice behind

3. Any thing extremely bitter.

Thither write, my queen, And with mine eyes I'll drink the words you send, Though ink be made of gall. Shaksp. Cymb.

Poison be their drink! Gall, worse than gall, the daintiest meat they taste!

She still insults, and you must still adore; Grant that the honey's much, the gall is more.

4. Rancour; malignity. They did great hurt unto his title, and have left a perpetual gall in the mind of the people. Spenser on Ireland.

5. Anger; bitterness of mind. Suppose your hero were a lover, Though he before had gall and rage; He grows dispirited and low,

He hates the fight and shuns the blow. 6. A slight hurt by fretting off the skin.

[from the verb.] This is the fatallest wound: as much superiour to the former, as a gangrene is to a gall or scratch.

Gov. of the Tongue. 7. [from galla.]

Galls or galnuts are preternatural and accidental tumours, produced on trees; but those of the oak only are used in medicine. We have Oriental and European galls: the Oriental are brought from Aleppo, of the bigness of a large nutmeg, with tubercles on their surface, of a very firm texture, and a disagreeable, acerb, and astringent taste. The European galls are of the same size, with perfectly smooth surfaces: they are light, often spongy, and cavernous

within, and always of a lax texture. They have a less austere taste, and are of much less value than the first sort. The general history of galls is this: An insect of the fly kind wounds the branches of the trees, and in the hole deposites her egg: the lacerated vessels of the tree discharging their contents, form a tumour or woody case about the hole, where the egg is thus defended from all injuries. This tumour also serves for the food of the tender maggot, produced from the egg, which, as soon as it is in its winged state, gnaws its way out, as appears from the hole found in the gall; and where no hole is seen, the maggot, or its remains are sure to be found within. It has been observed, that the oak does not produce galls in cold countries: but this observation should be confined to the medicinal galls: for all those excrescences which we call oak-apples, oak-grapes, and oakcones, are true galls, though less firm in their texture.

Besides the acorns, the oak beareth galls, oakapples, and oak-nuts. Bacon, Nat. Hist. Malpighi, in his treatise of galls, under which name he comprehends all preternatural and morbose excrescences, demonstrates that all such excrescences, where any insects are found, are excited by some venenose liquor, which, together with their eggs, such insects shed.

Ray on the Creation. The Alleppo galls, wherewith we make ink, are no other than cases of insects, which are bred in Derham.

To GALL. v. a. [galler, French.]

1. To hurt by fretting the skin. I'll touch my point

With this contagion, that, if I gall him slightly, It may be death. Shakspeare, Hamlet. His yoke is easy, when by us embrac'd;

But loads and galls, if on our necks 'tis cast.

A carrier, when he would think of a remedy for his galled horse, begins with casting his eye upon all things. On the monarch's speech Achilles broke,

And furious thus, and interrupting spoke, Tyrant, I well deserv'd thy galling chain. Pope, Iliad.

2. To impair; to wear away.

He doth object, I am too great of birth; And that my state being galled with my expence,
I seek to heal it only by his wealth. Shakspeare.
If it should fall down in a continual stream, like a river, it would gall the ground, wash away plants by the roots, and overthrow houses. Ray on the Creation.

3. To teaze; to fret; to vex.

In honour of that action, and to gall their minds who did not so much commend it, he wrote his

What they seemed contented with, even for that very cause we reject; and there is nothing but it pleaseth us the better, if we espy that it galleth

When I shew justice, I pity those I do not know; Which a dismiss'd offence would after gall. Shaks. All studies here I solemnly defy

Save how to gall and pinch this Bolingbroke. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. No man commits any sin but his conscience

smites him, and his guilty mind is frequently galled with the remembrance of it.

Tillotson,

4. To harass; to mischief; to keep in a state of uneasiness.

The Helots had gotten new heart, and with divers sorts of shot from corners of streets and housewindows galled them.

Light demilances from afar they throw, Fasten'd with leathern thongs, to gall the foe. Dryden, Æn.

In our wars against the French of old, we used to gall them with our long bows, at a greater distance than they could shoot their arrows. Addis.

To GALL. v. n. To fret. I have seen you glecking and galling at this Shakspeare.

gentleman twice or thrice. GA'LLANT. † adj. [galant, French, from gala, fine dress, Spanish.

1. Gay; well dressed; showy; splendid; magnificent.

The gallant garnishing, and the beautiful setting

forth of it, [the city.]

Robinson, Tr. of More's Utopia, (1551,) ii. 2. A place of broad rivers, wherein shall go no gally with oars, neither shall gallant ships pass Is. xxxiii. 21. The gay, the wise, the gallant, and the grave,

Subdu'd alike, all but one passion have. In gallant trim the gilded vessel goes.

Gray, The Bard. 2. Brave; high spirited; daring; magnanimous.

Scorn, that any should kill his uncle, made him seek his revenge in manner gallant enough.

But fare thee well, thou art a gallant youth. Shak. A gallant man, whose thoughts fly at the highest game, requires no further insight.

Digby on the Soul.

3. Fine; noble; specious. There are no tricks in plain and simple faith; But hollow men, like horses hot at hand, Make gallant shew and promise of their mettle.

Shakspeare. 4. Courtly with respect to ladies.

He discoursed how gallant and how brave a thing it would be for his highness to make a journey into Spain, and to fetch home his mistress,

When first the soul of love is sent abroad, The gay troops begin

In gallant thought to plume their painted wings.

GA'LLANT. † n.s. [from the adjective.] 1. A gay, sprightly, airy, splendid man.

The new proclamation. - What is't for?

- The reformation of our travell'd gallants, That fill the court with quarrels, talk, and taylors. The gallants and lusty youths of Naples came

and offered themselves unto Vastius. Knolles, Hist. of the Turks.

The gallants, to protect the lady's right,

Their fauchions brandish'd at the grisly spright. Dryden. Gallants, look to't, you say there are no sprights; But I'll come dance about your beds at nights.

2. A brave, high-spirited, magnanimous

man. Dr. Johnson overpasses this meaning.

He shall recount his worthies, [in the margin, gallants. Nahum, ii. 5. The mighty [in the margin, gallants] are spoiled. Those that entered France were resisted by

Martel and thirty thousand French gallants. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 269.

3. A whoremaster, who caresses women to debauch them.

One, worn to pieces with age, shews himself a young gallant. Shaksp. M. Wives of Winds.

She had left the good man at home, and brought Addison, Spect. away her gallant.

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4. A wooer; one who courts a woman for marriage. In the two latter senses it has commonly the accent on the last syl-

To GALLA'NT. v. a. [from the adjective.] To pay attention to the ladies; "to court a woman in the way of a gallant.' Kersey, Dict. 1702.

At their first coming to town, I was in a manner obliged to gallant them to the play.

The World, No. 164.

GA'LLANTLY. † adv. [from gallant.]

Gayly; splendidly.

The market, being in center of the town, is gallantly and regularly built.

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 40. The captain was gallantly mounted and armed. Sir T. Herbert, Memoirs, &c. p. 97. The brave imposture gallantly to dress

Beaumont, Psyche, xv. 267. 2. Bravely; nobly; generously.

You have not dealt so gallantly with us as we did with you in a parallel case: last year a paper was brought here from England, which we ordered to be burnt by the common hangman.

GA'LLANTNESS.* n. s. [from gallant.] Elegance; completeness in respect of some acquired qualification.

From the Italian he will borrow his reservedness, not his jealousy and humour of revenge; from the French his horsemanship, and gallantness that way, with his confidence, and nothing else. Howell, Instruct. For. Trav. p. 190.

GA'LLANTRY.† n. s. [gallanterie, Fr.]

 Splendour of appearance; show; magnificence; glittering grandeur; ostentatious finery. Make the sea shine with gallantry, and all

The English youth flock to their admiral. Waller. The greatest gallantry of ladies is to have them [pearls] dangling at their ears by half dozens.

Partheneia Sacra, (1633,) p. 191. Bravery; nobleness; generosity.

That gallantry and greatness of soul, that constant garb of justice.

More, Song of the Soul, Notes, p. 373. The eminence of your condition, and the gallantry of your principles, will invite gentlemen to the useful and ennobling study of nature.

Glanville, Sceps. Preface. Had we any spark of true gallantry and bravery of mind in us, we should despise all other kinds of life but this. Scott, Christian Life, i. 3.

3. A number of gallants. Hector, Deiphobus, and all the gallantry of Troy, I would have arm'd to-day.

4. Courtship; refined address to women. The martial Moors, in gallantry refin'd,

Invent new arts to make their charmers kind.

Granville. That which we call gallantry to women, seems to be the heroick virtue of private persons; and there never breathed one man, who did not, in that part of his days wherein he was recommending bimself to his mistress, do something beyond his ordinary course of life. Tatler, No. 94.

5. Vicious love; lewdness; debauchery. It looks like a sort of compounding between virtue and vice, as if a woman were allowed to be vicious, provided she be not a profligate; as if there were a certain point where gallantry ends, and infamy begins.

GA'LLEASS. n. s. [galeace, French.] A heavy low-built vessel, with both sails and oars. It carries three masts, but they cannot be lowered, as in a galley. It has thirty-two seats for rowers, and six or seven slaves to each. They carry three tire of guns at the head, and at the stern there are two tire of guns.

My father hath no less

Than three great argosies, hesides two galleasses, And twelve tight gallies. Shaks. Tam. of the Sh. The Venetians pretend they could set out, in case of great necessity, thirty men of war, a hun-

dred galleys, and ten galleasses, Add. on Italy. GA'LLEON. n. s. [gallion, French.] A large ship with four or sometimes five decks, now in use only among the Spaniards.

I assured them that I would stay for them at Trinidado, and that no force should drive me thence, except I were sunk or set on fire by the Spanish galleons. Ralegh Anology.

The number of vessels were one hundred and thirty, whereof galleasses and galleons seventy-two, goodly ships, like floating towers or castles.

Bacon, War with Spain.

GA'LLERY. † n. s. [gallerie, French; derived by Du Cange from galeria, low Latin, a fine room. Dr. Johnson. Skinner deduces it from allerie, aller, i.e. to walk: Serenius, from the Su. Goth. gallar, cancelli, i. e. balusters, or rails to compass in.]

1. A kind of walk along the floor of a house, into which the doors of the apartments open; in general, any building of which the length much exceeds

the breadth.

In most part there had been framed by art such pleasant arbors, that, one answering another, they become a gallery aloft from tree to tree, almost round about, which below gave a perfect shadow. Sidney.

High lifted up were many lofty towers, And goodly galleries fair overlaid. Snenser. Your gallery

Have we pass'd through, not without much content. Shaksneare.

The row of return on the banquet side, let it be all stately galleries, in which galleries let there be three cupolas. Bacen. A private gallery 'twixt th' apartments led,

Not to the foe yet known. Nor is the shape of our cathedrals proper for our preaching auditories, but rather the figure of an amphitheatre, with galleries gradually overlooking each other; for into this condition the parish churches of London are driving apace, as appears by the many galleries every day built in them. Graunt.

There are covered galleries that lead from the palace to five different churches. Addison, on Italy. 2. The seats in the playhouse above the

pit, in which the meaner people sit. While all its throats the gallery extends,

And all the thunder of the pit ascends.

GA'LLETYLE. n. s. I suppose this word has the same import with gallipot. Make a compound body of glass and galletyle;

that is to have the colour milky like a chalcedon, being a stuff between a porcellane and a glass. Bacon, Phys. Rem.

GA'LLEY.† n. s. [galea, Italian; galere, French; derived, as some think, from galea, a helmet, pictured anciently on the prow; as others from γαλεώτης, the sword-fish; and others from galleon, expressing in Syriack men exposed to the sea. From galley come galleass, galleon, galliot. Dr. Johnson. - The old French language has galoie or galée for this word. The barbarous Greek yakaia

or γαλέα, is also a galley, which Meursius derives from the Ital. galea. The Goth. galeide is the same. It is most probable that the Greek yakeds, or yaken, a kind of fish, whence the γαλεώτης, or sword-fish, already mentioned, occa-sioned, from some resemblance to it, the transfer of the name to this kind of vessel.

1. A vessel driven with oars, much in use in the Mediterranean, but found unable to endure the agitation of the main

Great Neptune grieved underneath the load, Of ships, hulks, gallies, barks, and brigandines

In the ages following, navigation did every where greatly decay, by the use of gallies, and such vessels as could hardly brook the ocean.

Bacon, New Atlantis. Jason ranged the coasts of Asia the Less in an open boat, or kind of galley. Ralegh, Hist. On oozy ground his gallies moor;

Their heads are turn'd to sea, their sterns to

2. It is proverbially considered as a place of toilsome misery, because criminals are condemned to row in them.

The most voluptuous person, were he tied to follow his hawks and his hounds, his dice and his courtships every day, would find it the greatest torment that could befal him: he would fly to the mines and the gallies for his recreation, and to the spade and the mattock for a diversion from the misery of a continual uninterrupted pleasure.

GA'LLEYFOIST.* n. s. [from galley, and foist, a light vessel. See Foist. Or it may be a corruption of the Span. gala, (joined to foist,) signifying finery, show, pomp; gala, Ital. mirth, cheer.] A barge of state; and by our old authors applied to the Lord mayor of London's barge.

He built, of cedar, barges or gallifoists, their sterns being set with pearl and precious stone.

Hakewill on Providence, p. 409. No plays, nor gallifoists, no strange ambassadors

to run and wonder at. Beaum. and Fl. Wit without Money. He has performed such a matter, wench, that if I live next year I'll have him captain of the galli-

foist, or I'll want my will. Beaum. and Fl. Kn. of the Burn. Pestle. Out of my doors, you sons of noise and tumult, begot on an ill May day, or when the gally-foist is

afloat to Westminster! B. Jonson, Epicæne. GA'LLEY-SLAVE. n. s. [galley and slave.] A man condemned for some crime to

row in the gallies. As if one chain were not sufficient to load poor

man, he must be clogged with innumerable chains this is just such another freedom as the Turkish galley-slaves do enjoy. Bp. Bramhall. Hardened galley-slaves despise manumission.

Decay of Piety. The surges gently dash against the shore,

Flocks quit the plains, and galley-slaves their oar.

GA'LLIARD.* adj. [Fr. gaillard; which under the substantive galliard, (for he notices not the adjective, which, however, is the more ancient word,) Dr. Johnson says, is imagined to be derived from the Gaulish ard, genius, and gay. The Spanish and Italian have the same adjective, viz. gagliardo, and gallardo,

meaning brisk, frolick, &c. Whence, no doubt, the name of the dance, gagliarda, and gallarda, the latter of which has been defined "especie de danza y tañido de la escuela española, así llamada por ser muy ayrosa." Dicc. de la Leng. Castell. Acad. Espan. The Iceland, giaela, to allure, to entice, may perhaps be thought the original of galliard. Certain it is, that the Scotch use galliard for wanton, which Dr. Jamieson deduces from the Sax. 3al, lascivious, not without referring also to the northern verb.] Brisk; gay; lively; nimble.

Gailliard he was, as goldfinch in the shawe. Chaucer, Coke's Tale.

What a thing to laugh at, to see a judge or serjeant at the law in a short coate garded and pounced after the galiarde fashion!

Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 91. GA'LLIARD. † n. s. [from the adjective.] 1. Gay, brisk, lively man; a fine fellow.

Selden is a galliard by himself. 2. An active, nimble, sprightly dance. [Span. gallarda; Ital. gagliarda. It is said to have consisted of five particular steps; and Sir John Davies, who calls it "a swift and wandering dance," as well as "a gallant dance betraying a spirit and virtue masculine," bestows no less than fourteen lines in a description of this once favourite performance. Orchest. 1599. The cinque passi in gagliarda form no less than three distinctions in the Ballarino of F. C. da Sermoneta, Venet. 1581.] It is in both senses now obsolete.

I did think by the excellent constitution of thy leg, it was form'd under the star of a galliard.

Shakspeare, Tw. Night. There's nought in France That can be with a nimble galliard won:

You cannot revel into dukedoms there. Shakspeare, Hen. V. If there be any that would take up all the time, let him find means to take them off, and bring others on; as musicians use to do with those that dance too long galliards.

Bacon.

The tripla's and changing of times have an agreement with the changes of motion; as when galliard-time and measure-time are in the medley

GA'LLIARDISE. n. s. [French.] Merriment; exuberant gaiety. Not in use.

At my nativity my ascendant was the watery sign of Scorpius: I was born in the planetary hour of Saturn, and I think I have a piece of that leaden planet in me: I am no way facetious, nor disposed for the mirth and galliardise of company, Brown, Rel. Med.

GA'LLIARDNESS.* n. s. [from galliard.] Gaiety; cheerfulness.

His rest failed him, his countenance changed, his sprightful pleasance and galliardness abated Gayton, on Don Quix. p. 206.

adj. [Lat. Gallicus; GA'LLICAN.* \ old French, Gallique.] GA'LLICK. (French.

Seditious documents - they have always impugned, for the defence and preservation of the Gallican regalities and liberties

Bp. Morton, Discharge, &c. p. 263. There was a time when the Gallican church understood her own liberty, and boldly asserted it. Bp. Bull, Corrupt. of the Ch. of Rome.

Rob'd in the Gallick loom's extraneous twine.

Shenstone, El. xviii. GA'LLICISM. n. s. [gallicisme, French; from Gallicus, Latin.] A mode of speech peculiar to the French language: such as, he figured in controversy; he held this conduct; he held the same language that another had held before: with many other expressions to be found in the pages of Bolingbroke.

In English I would have gallicisms avoided, that we may keep to our own language, and not

follow the French mode in our speech Felton, on the Classicks.

GALLIGA'SKINS. + n. s. pl. [caligæ Gallo-Vasconum.] Large open hose. Not used but in ludicrous language, Dr. Johnson says. The word, however, is in our old lexicography, without any ludicrous application. It is in Sherwood's Dict. 1632, and is explained by Cotgrave, under guerguesses, viz. " great Gascon or Spanish hose.'

My galligaskins, that have long withstood The winter's fury, and encroaching frosts, By time subdu'd, what will not time subdue? An horrid chasm disclose.

I have sent my Coventry-blue waistcoat to the dyers, and bespoke me a bran-new pair of galligaskins to be made of beggar's velvet.

The Student, ii. 258. GALLIMA'TIA. † n. s. [Fr. galimatias, " gibberish, fustian language, pedlars' French." Cotgrave.] Nonsense; talk without meaning.

GALLIMAU'FRY.† n. s. [galimafrée, Fr.] 1. A hotch-potch, or hash of several sorts of broken meat; a medley.

Another dish hath in it a loin of lamb, or kid, with a hard egge; another containeth a gallimawfrey of apples, nuts, figges, almonds, &c. dressed with wine.

Purchas, Pilgrim. (1617,) p. 222. 2. Any inconsistent or ridiculous medley. They have made our English tongue a gallimaufry, or hodge-podge of all other speeches.

Epist. Pref. to Spenser's Shep. Cal. They have a dance, which the wenches say is a gallimaufrey of gambols, because they are not in't. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

The painter who, under pretence of diverting the eyes, would fill his picture with such varieties as alter the truth of history, would make a ridiculous piece of painting, and a mere gallimaufry of his Dryden, Dufresnoy. work.

3. It is used by Shakspeare ludicrously of a woman.

Sir John affects thy wife.

Why, sir, my wife is not young.
He wooes both high and low, both rich and

He loves thy gallimaufry, friend. Shakspeare. Gallina'ceous.* adj. [Lat. gallinaceous.] Denoting birds of the pheasant kind.

Spallanzani has remarked a circumstantial resemblance between the stomachs of gallinaceous fowls and the structure of corn mills.

Paley, Nat. Theol. ch. 15.

GA'LLIOT. † n. s. [galiotte, French. A little galley, or sort of brigantine, built very slight, and fit for chase. It carries but one mast, and two or three pattereroes. It can both sail and row; and has sixteen or twenty seats for the rowers, with one man to each oar. Dict.

Barbarossa departing out of Hellespontus with eighty gallies, and certain galliots, shaped his course towards Italy.

Knolles.

GA'LLIPOT. n. s. [gleye, Dutch, shining earth. Skinner. The true derivation is from gala, Spanish, finery. Gala, or gallypot, is a fine painted pot.] A pot painted and glazed, commonly used for medicines.

Plato said his master Socrates was like the apothecary's gallipots, that had on the outsides apes, owls, and satyrs: but within, precious Bacon, Apophthegms.

Here phials in nice discipline are set; There gallipots are rang'd in alphabet. Alexandrinus thought it unsafe to trust the real secret of his phial and gallipot to any man.

Thou that do'st Æsculapius deride, And o'er his gallinots in triumph ride. Fenton.

GA'LLIVAT.* n.s. [from galley.] A sort of small vessel used on the Malabar coast; a row-boat in India.

GALL-LESS.* adj. [gall and less.] Without gall or bitterness.

Saltless and gall-less be thy curse!

Cleaveland, Poems, &c. p. 39.

Ah! mild and gall-less dove, Which dost the pure and candid dwellings love.

Cowley, on the Restor. of King Ch. II. A dove, a meek and gall-less creature.

Whole Duty of Man, ch. 17. § 19. GA'LLON.† n. s. [galo, low Latin, Dr. Johnson. — Our word is the old French, gallon. V. Lacombe. And that perhaps may be, by transposition, from the Lat. lagena. V. Du Cange in GALO. The Welsh galwyn is the same.] A liquid measure of four quarts.

Beat them into powder, and boil them in a gallon of wine, in a vessel close stopped.

Wiseman, Surgery. GALLO'ON. + n. s. [galon, French; perhaps from the Span. gala, finery.] A kind of close lace, made of gold or silver, or of silk alone.

Oh! for a whip, To make him galloon-laces;

I'll have a coach-whip. Beaum. and Fl. Philaster. For some years last past the use of gold and silver galloon upon hats has been almost universal. Tatler, No. 270.

To GA'LLOP. + v. n. [galoper, French. Derived [by all the etymologists, after Budæus, from καλπάζειν; but perhaps it comes from gant, all, and loopen, to run, Dutch; that is, to go on full speed. Dr. Johnson. - From the Su. Goth. leopa, to run, and the M. Goth. prefix. ga. Serenius.].

To move forward by leaps, so that all the feet are off the ground at once.

I did hear

The galloping of horse: who was't came by? Shakspeare, Macbeth.

His steeds will be restrain'd, But gallop lively down the western hill. In such a shape grim Saturn did restrain His heav'nly limbs, and flow'd with such a mane, When half surpriz'd, and fearing to be seen,

The leacher gallop'd from his jealous queen.

2. To ride at the pace which is performed by leaps.

Seeing such streams of blood as threatned a drowning life, we galloped toword them to part

They gan espy An armed knight towards them gallon fast, That seem'd from some feared foe to fly.

Spenser, F. Q. He who fair and softly goes steadily forward, in a course that points right, will sooner be at his journey's end than he that runs after every one he meets, though he gallop all day full speed.

3. To move very fast.

The golden sun Gallops the zodiack in his glist'ring coach. Tit. Andronicus.

Whom doth time gallop withal? - With a thief to the gallows.

Shakspeare, As you like it. He that rides post through a country may, from the transient view, tell how in general the parts lie; such superficial ideas he may collect in galloping over it.

GA'LLOP. n. s. [from the verb.] The motion of a horse when he runs at full speed; in which, making a kind of a leap forwards, he lifts both his forelegs very near at the same time; and while these are in the air, and just upon the point of touching the ground, he lifts both his hindlegs almost at once.

Farrier's Dict. GA'LLOPER. † n. s. [from gallop.]

1. A horse that gallops.

Mules bred in cold countries are much better to ride than horses for their walk and trot; but they are commonly rough gallopers, though some Mortimer, Husbandry. of them are very fleet.

A man that rides fast, or makes great haste.

3. A light carriage for a small piece of

GA'LLOPIN.* n. s. [old Fr. gallopin, " an under cook or scullion in monasteries.' Cotgrave.] A servant for the kitchen, Obsolete.

Dyet for the kytchen and gallopins.

Archæolog. xv. 7.

To GA'LLOW. v. a. [azælpan, to fright, Saxon.] To terrify; to fright. In the west of England it is pronounced gally. Grose and Jennings.

The wrathful skies Gallow the very wand'rers of the dark,

And make them keep their caves.

Shakspeare, K. Lear.

GA'LLOWAY. † n. s. A horse not more than fourteen hands high, much used in the north; probably as coming originally from Galloway, a shire in Scot-

Spare yourself, lest you bejade the good galloway. Milton, Anim. Rem. Defence. If any member shall purchase a horse for his own riding above fourteen hands and an half in height, that horse shall forthwith be sold, a Scotch galloway bought in its stead for him, and the overplus of the money shall treat the club. Guardian, No. 91.

GA'LLOWGLASS.† n. s. An ancient Irish foot-soldier. Some think that it was a soldier also who served on horseback.

It is worn likewise of footmen under their shirts of mail, the which footmen they [the Irish] call gallowglasses: the which name doth discover them also to be ancient English; for gallogla signifies an English servitour or yeoman. And he being so armed in a long shirt of mail, down to the calf of his leg, with a long broad ax in his hand, was then pedes gravis armature; and was instead of the footman that now weareth a corslet. before the corslet was used, or almost invented.

Spenser on Ireland. The gallowglasse useth a kind of poleax for his weapon. These men are grim of countenance, tall of stature, big of limme, lusty of body, well and strongly timbered.

Stanihurst, Descript. of Ireland, ch. 8. A puissant and mighty pow'r

Of gallowglasses and stout kernes, Is marching hitherward in proud array.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. P. II.

GA'LLOW. \ n. s. [It is used by some in GA'LLOWS. \ the singular; but by more only in the plural, or sometimes has another plural gallowses. Galga, Goth. zealza, Saxon; galge, Dutch; which some derive from gabalus, furca, Latin; others from high; others from gallu, Welsh, power: but it is probably derived like gallow, to fright, from azelpan, the gallows, being the great object of legal terrour.

1. A beam laid over two posts, on which

malefactors are hanged.

This monster sat like a hangman upon a pair of gallows: in his right hand he was painted holding a crown of laurel, in his left hand a purse of I would we were all of one mind, and one

mind good; O, there were desolation of gaolers and gallowses. Shakspeare, Cymbeline. I prophesied, if a gallows were on land,

This fellow could not drown. Shaksp. Tempest. He took the mayor aside, and whispered him that execution must that day be done, and therefore required him that a pair of gallows should be

Hayward. A poor fellow, going to the gallows, may be allowed to feel the smart of wasps while he is upon Tyburn road.

2. A wretch that deserves the gallows. Cupid hath been five thousand years a boy.

- Ay, and a shrew'd unhappy gallows too. Shaksneare. GA'LLOWSFREE. adj. [gallows and free.]

Exempt by destiny from being hanged. Let him be gallowsfree by my consent,

And nothing suffer, since he nothing meant. Dryden.

GA'LLOWTREE. n. s. [gallows and tree.] The tree of terrour; the tree of execu-

He hung their conquer'd arms, for more defame,

On gallowtrees, in honour of his dearest dame. Spenser, F. Q. A Scot, when from the gallowtree got loose,

Drops into Styx, and turns a Soland goose.

GA'LLY.* adj. [from gall.] Of gall; bitter He abhorreth all gally and bitter drinkes of Abp. Cranmer, Ans. to Bp. Gardiner,

GALLY-WORM.* n. s. An insect, often found in our gardens, with a long body, composed of many rings, and furnished with a great number of feet; which, when touched, has the power of rolling itself up into a ball.

GALO'CHE.* n. s. [French.] A wooden shoe or patten, made all of a piece, without any latchet or tye of leather, and worne by the poor clown in winter. Cotgrave. The use of this shoe passed from the Gauls to the Romans, whence

is in our old lexicography for a kind of shoe, and is used by Chaucer. It afterwards became gallosho, or golosho, and is now pronounced and sometimes written galosh. Galoshes are now understood to be shoes, without buckles or straps, made to wear over other shoes in wet weather.

Ne were worthy to unbocle his galoche.

Chaucer, Squ. Tale. To all this must be added the vast skill that is required in tendering a visit, with approved and modish accuracy; that it be done punctually that the goloshoes be left in their true and proper place - that the footboy be expert in observing Echard, Observ. Cont. his tutored distance! Clergy, p. 158.

GALO'RE.* See GOLORE.

GA'LSOME.* adj. [from gall.] Angry;

malignant.

Such accusations - any vulgar man who understands the language, at the first sight, may cry out upon, and condemn both of galsome bitterness and of wilful fraud and falsehood.

Bp. Morton, Discharge, &c. (1633,) p. 210.

GALVA'NICK.* adj. Denoting the power of Galvanism. See GALVANISM.

All the Galvanick combinations, analogous to the new apparatus of Mr. Volta, which have been heretofore described by experimentalists, consist (as far as my knowledge extends) of series, containing at least two metallic substances, or one metal and charcoal, and a stratum of fluids; and it has been generally supposed, that their agencies are, in some measure, connected with the different powers of the metals to conduct electricity; but I have found, that an accumulation of Galvanic influence, exactly similar to the accumulation in the common pile, may be produced by the arrangement of single metallic plates or arcs, with different strata of fluids.

Davy, Phil. Transact. 1801, P. II. art. xx.

GALVANISM.* n. s. [so called from Galvani, celebrated for the experiments which he made in this branch of phi-Although galvanism and losophy.] electricity may be considered as the same principles, still, according to the present state of our knowledge, they may be thus distinguished. Galvanism is the portion of electricity, which forms a component part of the conducting body, in the act of undergoing a change in its capacity, from a greater to a lesser state; while electricity is the result of a temporary change in non-conducting bodies, insomuch that their capacities become, by attrition, momentarily Wilkinson, Elem. of increased. Galvanism, (1804,) p. 302.

To GA'LVANIZE. * v. a. [from galvanism.] To affect by the power of galvanism.

I have tried galvanism in two cases of palsy, both hemiplegia, one a young lady, aged 20, the other a gentleman, aged 25; and, though neither of them were cured, they both received benefit, particularly the gentleman. After being galvanized for twenty minutes, they felt a glowing warmth the remainder of the day. The apparatus I used was a pile of twenty-four pair of plates, of five inches diameter.

Carpue on Electr. and Galvanism, (1803,) p. 106.

.GALVANO'METER.* n. s. A measure for ascertaining the power of Galvanick operations. VOL. II.

Gallicæ calones. Roquefort. The word | GAMA'SHES.* n. s. pl. Short spatterdashes worn by ploughmen. North. So Grose defines the word. In the Praise of Yorkshire Ale, 1697, gamashes "are coarse cloth stockings that button upon other stockings to keep one warm.

He wore a little brown capouch, girt very near to his body, with a white towel; also a pair of breeches and gamashoes of the same coloured cloth, and on his head a clay-coloured cap; his gama-

shoes were lifted up half the leg.

Shelton, Tr. of D. Quixote, iv. 1.

GAMBA'DOES. n. s. pl. [gamba, Ital. a leg.] Spatterdashes; boots worn upon the legs above the shoe.

It has been my custom any time these sixteen years, as all the parish can testify, to ride in gam-Reasons of Mr. Bays changing his

Religion, (1688,) Pref. The pettifogger ambles to her in his gambadoes Dennis's Letters.

To GA'MBLE.* v.n. To play extravagantly for money. A word of contempt. See GAMBLER.

She held out against all the obligations of fashion, and allurements of example; she had an inbred abhorrence of gambling. Looker-on, No. 21.

GA'MBLER. n. s. [A cant word, I suppose, for game or gamester.] A knave whose practice it is to invite the unwary to game and cheat them.

GA'MBOGE. n. s.

Gamboge is a concreted vegetable juice, partly of a gummy, partly of a resinous nature, heavy, of a bright yellow colour, and scarce any smell. It is brought from America, and the East Indies, particularly from Cambaja, or

To GA'MBOL. v. n. [Fr. gambiller, Dr. Johnson from Skinner. — Cotgrave renders gambiller, merely, "to wag the legs in sitting, as children use to do;" but gambader, "to turn heels over head, to make many gambols." Our own word was formerly gambald. "To fetch gambaldes, Fr. gambader, Lat. crura in sublime jactare. Gambalding horses, being full of praunsings or skippings." Huloet. Barret also gives gambald for gambol in his dictionary. One "that can gambauld or dance feat." Barklay's Egloges, 1570. Egl. 2. The origin is evidently the Ital. gamba, the leg.]

1. To dance; to skip; to frisk; to jump

for joy; to play merry frolicks. Bears, tigers, ounces, pards,

Milton, P. L. Gamboll'd before them. The king of elfs, and little fairy queen, Gamboll'd on heaths, and danc'd on ev'ry green.

The monsters of the flood Gambol around him in the wat'ry way, And heavy whales in aukward measures play.

2. To leap; to start.

'Tis not madness That I have utter'd; bring me to the test, And I the matter will record, which madness Would gambol from. Shakspeare, Hamlet. GA'MBOL. n. s. [from the verb.]

1. A skip; a hop; a leap for joy.

A gentleman had got a favourite spaniel, that would be still toying and leaping upon him, and playing a thousand pretty gambols. L'Estrange. Bacchus through the conquer'd Indies rode, And beasts in gambols frisk'd before their honest god. Dryden.

2. A frolick; a wild prank.

For who did ever play his gambols, With such unsufferable rambles? Hudibras.

GA'MBREL. † n. s. [from gamba, gambarella, Italian.]

1. The leg of a horse.

What can be more admirable than for the principles of the fibres of a tendon to be so mixed as to make it a soft body, and yet to have the strength of iron? as appears by the weight which the tendon, lying on a horse's gambrel, doth then command, when he rears up with a man upon his

2. A crooked piece of wood used by butchers to spread and by which to suspend the carcases. Jennings, West Country Words. See also the citation from Beaumont and Fletcher, under To GAMBREL.

To GA'MBREL.* v. a. [from gamba.] To tie by the leg.

Lay by your scorn and pride, they're scurvy qualities,

And meet me, or I'll box you while I have you, And carry you gambrill'd thither like a mutton. Beaum. and Fl. Nice Valour.

GAME.† n. s. [gaman, Iceland. a jest; gaman, Goth. delight, joy.]

1. Sport of any kind.

We have had pastimes here, and pleasing game. Shakspeare.

Let my son Martin disport himself at any game truly antique. Arbuthnot and Pope, Mart. Scriblerus.

2. Jest; opposed to earnest or serious-

Then on her head they set a garland green, And crowned her 'twixt earnest and 'twixt game.

3. Insolent merriment; sportive insult. Do they not seek occasion of new quarrels, On my refusal to distress me more; Or make a game of my calamities. Milton, S. A.

4. A single match at play.

It is very wonderful to see persons of the best sense passing away a dozen hours together in shuffling and dividing a pack of cards, with no other conversation but what is made up of a few game phrases. Addison, Spect. No. 93.

There is no man of sense and honesty, but must see and own, whether he understands the game or not, that it is an evident folly for any people, instead of prosecuting the old honest methods of industry and frugality, to sit down to a publick gaming-table, and play off their money one to another. Bp. Berkeley, Ess. towards prev. the Ruin of Gr. Brit.

5. Advantage in play. Mutual vouchers for our fame we stand, And play the game into each other's hand. Dryden.

6. Scheme pursued; measures planned. This seems to be the present game of that crown, and that they will begin no other till they see an

end of this. 7. Field sports: as, the chase, falconry.

If about this hour he make his way, Under the colour of his usual game, He shall here find his friends with horse and men, To set him free from his captivity. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

What arms to use, or nets to frame) Wild beasts to combat, or to tame, With all the myst'ries of that game. Waller.

Dryden.

Some sportsmen, that were abroad upon game, spied a company of bustards and cranes L' Estrange.

8. Animals pursued in the field; animals appropriated to legal sportsmen.

Hunting, and men, not beasts, shall be his game, With war, and hostile snare, such as refuse Subjection to his empire tyrannous. Milton, P. L. There is such a variety of game springing up

before me, that I know not which to follow Dryden, Fab. Pref. A bloodhound will follow the person he pursues,

and all hounds the particular game they have in Arbuthnot. Go, with thy Cynthia hurl the pointed spear

At the rough bear, or chace the flying deer; I and my Chloe take a nobler aim,

At human hearts we fling, nor ever miss the game.

Proud Nimrod first the bloody chace began, A mighty hunter, and his prey was man : Our haughty Norman boasts that barb'rous name, And makes his trembling slaves the royal game.

Shorten my labour, if its length you blame, For, grow but wise, you rob me of my game.

9. Solemn contests, exhibited as spectacles to the people.

The games are done, and Cæsar is returning.

Milo, when ent'ring the Olympick game, With a huge ox upon his shoulders came. Denham. To GAME. t v. n. [zamian, Sax.]

1. To play at any sport.

2. To play wantonly and extravagantly for money.

Covetousness will tempt thee to cheat and cozen overousness with tempt there of case and in gaming. Whole Duty of Man, ch. 9. § 7.

Gaming for any thing considerable is founded upon avarice: and is, if not a direct, yet, what is much worse, a deliberate violation of the tenth Delany, Serm. on Gaming.

GA'MECOCK. n. s. [game and cock.] A cock bred to fight.

They manage the dispute as fiercely as two gamecocks in the pit.

GAME-EGG. n. s. [game and egg.] Eggs from which fighting cocks are bred.

Thus boys hatch game-eggs under birds of prey, To make the fowl more furious for the fray. Garth.

GA'MEKEEPER. n. s. [game and keep.] A person who looks after game, and sees it is not destroyed.

GAME-LEG.* n. s. [a corruption, according to Mr. Malone, of the British gam, or cam, crooked, and leg.] A lame leg. Used in the north of England.

GA'MESOME. adj. [from game.] Frolicksome; gay; sportive; playful; sportful. Geron, though old, yet gamesome, kept one end with Cosma.

I am not gamesome; I do lack some part Of that quick spirit that is in Antony.

Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs. A The gamesome wind among her tresses plays, nd curleth up those growing riches short. Fairfax. Belial, in like gamesome mood. Milton, P.L. This gamesome humour of children should rather be encouraged, to keep up their spirits and improve their strength and health, than curbed or restrained.

GA'MESOMENESS. n. s. [from gamesome.] Sportiveness; merriment.

GA'MESOMELY. adv. [from gamesome.] Merrily.

GA'MESTER. n. s. [from game.]

1. One who is vitiously addicted to play.

Keep a gamester from the dice, and a good student from his book, and it is wonderful,

Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor. A gamester, the greater master he is in his art, the worse man he is.

Gamesters for whole patrimonies play; The steward brings the deeds, which must convey Dryden. Juv. The whole estate.

Could we look into the mind of a female gamester, we should see it full of nothing but trumps and mattadores: her slumbers are haunted with kings, queens, and knaves.

Addison, Guard. No. 120.

All the superfluous whims relate, That fill a female gamester's pate; What agony of soul she feels To see a knave's inverted heels.

Her youngest daughter is run away with a gamester, a man of great beauty, who in dressing and dancing has no superior.

2. One who is engaged at play. When lenity and cruelty play for kingdoms, The gentler gamester is the soonest winner.

Shakspeare, Hen. V. A man may think, if he will, that two eyes see no more than one; or that a gamester seeth always more than a looker on: but, when all is done, the help of good counsel is that which setteth business

3. A merry frolicksome person.

You're a merry gamester, My lord Sands. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

4. A prostitute. Not in use. She's impudent, my lord,

And was a common gamester to the camp. Shaks. GA'MING.* n.s. [from game. Sax. zaminz.]

The practice of gamesters.

I come, in the next place, to consider the ill consequences which gaming has on the bodies of our female adventurers. It is so ordered, that almost every thing which corrupts the soul, decays Addison, Guard. No. 120. Gaming leaves no satisfaction behind it: it no way profits either body or mind. Locke.

GA'MING-HOUSE.* n. s. A house where illegal sports are practised, and where gamesters carry on their employment.

The keeper of a gaming-house. Sherwood. Gaming-houses are prohibited under severe penalties by several statutes. Chambers.

GA'MING-TABLE.* n. s. A table at which gamesters practise their art.

It is an evident folly for any people, instead of rosecuting the old honest methods of industry and frugality, to sit down to a publick gaming-table, and play off their money one to another.

Bp. Berkeley, Essay, &c. GA'MMER. † n. s. \[\text{of uncertain etymology} \]; perhaps from grandmere, and therefore used commonly to old women. Dr. Johnson. - From good mother. Ray. -From godmother, perhaps. [Sax. zemedep.] like the contraction of gaffer from godfather; or from the Goth. gumma, a woman.] The compellation of a woman corresponding to gaffer: as, Gammer Gurton's Needle; the name of an old

GA'MMERSTANG.* n. s. A great foolish wanton girl. Praise of Yorkshire Ale, 1697. A hoyden, an awkward girl. Craven Dialect, 1824. The Cumberland Glossary applies the term to an awkward clumsy fellow. Of unknown etymology.

GA'MMON. † n. s.

 The buttock of an hog salted and dried; the lower end of the flitch. [Ital. gambone, from gamba; and that perhaps

from the Celt. gam, the ham or leg. Our own word was at first gambone. The Spanish word is jamon.

Then came haltyng Jone, And brought a gambone

Of bacon that was reasty. Skelton, Poems, p. 132. Ask for what price thy venal tongue was sold: A rusty gammon of some sev'n years old.

Dryden, Juv. Gammons, that give a relish to the taste. And potted fowl, and fish, come in so fast, That ere the first is out, the second stinks.

2. A kind of play with dice. In thunder leaping from the box, awake

The sounding gammon. Thomson, Autumn. GA'MUT. † n. s. [gama, Italian. Dr. Johnson. - It is the Greek letter I, gamma, and ut, the name of a musical note. Guido Aretine distinguished the first note of his scale by the Greek letter. with a view, according to some, of shewing that the Greeks were the inventors of musick; but, as others think, of recording his own name by this, the initial letter of it. 7

1. The first or gravest note in the modern or Guido's scale of musick.

2. The scale of musical notes. Madam, before you touch the instrument, To learn the order of my fingering,

I must begin with rudiments of art, To teach you gamut in a briefer sort. Shakspeare. When by the gamut some musicians make

A perfect song, others will undertake, By the same gamut chang'd, to equal it: Things simply good can never be unfit.

Donne, Poems, p. 70. Long has a race of heroes fill'd the stage, That rant by note, and through the gamut rage; In songs and airs express their martial fire,

Combat in trills, and in a fugue expire. GAN. † pret. of gin. [Sax. zýnnan. Dr. Johnson gives gan as a contraction of began, "as 'gin of begin;" but it is the regular pret. of the Saxon verb. Nor is gin a contraction. See To GIN.

The noble knight gan feel His vital force to faint. To GANCH. † v. a. [ganciare, from gancio, a hook, Italian; ganche, French. See To GAUNCH.] To drop from a high place upon hooks by way of punishment: a practice in Turkey, to which Smith

alludes in his Pocockius. "Cohors catenis qua pia stridulis

"Gemunt onusti, vel sude trans sinum " Luctantur actâ, pendulive

" Sanguineis trepidant in uncis."

Musæ Angl. Take him away, ganch him, impale him. Dryden, Don Sebast.

GA'NDER. † n. s. [zanbpa, Saxon; gans, old Fr. and German. See GANZA.] The male of the goose.

As deep drinketh the goose as the gander. Camden, Rem.

One gander will serve five geese.

Mortimer, Husbandry To GANG. + v. n. [Goth. gaggan, pronounced gangan; gangen, Dutch; zanzan, Saxon; gang, Scottish.] To go; to walk : an old word not now used, except ludicrously, Dr. Johnson says. It is however, still the common language o the north of England.

But let them gang alone, -As they have brewed, so let them bear blame.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. Your flaunting beaus gang with their breasts Arbuthnot.

GANG. † n. s. [from the verb.]

1. A street or road. [Goth. gagg, Sax. gang.] It is retained, provincially, in gangway. See GANGWAY.

2. A number herding together; a troop; a company; a tribe; a herd. It is seldom used but in contempt or abhorrence.

Oh, you panderly rascals! there's a knot, a gang, a pack, a conspiracy against me.

Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor. As a gang of thieves were robbing a house, a mastiff fell a barking. L'Estrange.

Admitted in among the gang. He acts and talks as they befriend him.

GANG-DAYS.* n. s. pl. [Sax. zanz-bazar.] Days of perambulation. See GANGWEEK. GA'NGHON. [French.] A kind of flower. Ainsworth.

GA'NGLION. n. s. [γα/γλίον.] A tumour in the tendinous and nervous parts.

Bonesetters usually represent every bone dislocated, though possibly it be but a ganglion, or other crude tumour or preternatural protuberance of some part of a joint. Wiseman.

To GA'NGRENATE. v. a. [from gangrene.] To produce a gangrene; to mortify. Parts cauterized, gangrenated, siderated, and mortified, become black, the radical moisture or

vital sulphur suffering an extinction. Brown, Vulg. Err.

GA'NGRENE.† n. s. [gangrene, Fr. γάγ/γαινα, Gr. from γράω, to consume,

to eat.] A mortification; a stoppage of circulation followed by putrefaction. This experiment may be transferred unto the

cure of gangrenes, either coming of themselves, or induced by too much applying of opiates.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

She saves the lover, as we gangrenes stay, By cutting hope, like a lopt limb away. A discolouring in the part was supposed an

approach of a gangrene. Wiseman, Surgery. If the substance of the soul is festered with these passions, the gangrene is gone too far to be ever cured: the inflammation will rage to all eternity. Addison, Spect.

To GA'NGRENE. v. a. [gangrener, French; from the noun.] To corrupt to mortification.

In cold countries, when men's noses and ears are mortified, and, as it were, gangrened with cold, if they come to a fire they rot off presently; for that the few spirits that remain in those parts, are suddenly drawn forth, and so putrefaction is made

Gangren'd members must be lopp'd away, Before the nobler parts are tainted to decay. Dryd.

To GANGRE'NE. v. n. To become mortified.

Wounds immedicable

Rankle and fester, and gangrene To black mortification. Milton, S. A.

As phlegmons are subject to mortification, so also in fat bodies they are apt to gangrene after opening, if that fat be not speedily digested out.

Wiseman, Surgeon.

GA'NGRENOUS. adj. [from gangrene.] Mortified: producing or betokening mortification.

The blood, turning acrimonious, corrodes the vessels, producing hæmorrhages, pustules red, lead-coloured, black and gangrenous.

Arbuthnot on Aliments.

GA'NGWAY. + n. s.

1. A thoroughfare, or passage. Used in Kent, according to Grose. This is also the Sax. zanzpez. See GANG.

2. In a ship, the several ways or passages from one part of it to the other. GA'NGWEEK.† n. s. [Sax. zanz-puca.] Rogation week, when processions are made to lustrate the bounds of parishes. This name is still retained in the north

It [birch] serveth well to the decking up of houses and banquetting-rooms, for places of pleasure, and for beautifying of streets in the

crosse or gang-week, and such like.
Gerarde's Herbal, ed. Johnson, p. 1478. GA'NTELOPE.† \ n.s. [gantlet is only cor-GA'NTLET. \ \ \ rupted from gantelope, gant, all; and loopen, to run, Dutch. Dr. Johnson. - Skinner deduces it from Ghent, and the Dutch verb, as if the punishment was first practised at that place. In later times, the word has been found in the shape of Ghent-loup, on this supposition, whether justly or not. See the Brit. Crit. vol. ii. p. 390. Dr. Johnson gives no instance of gantelope, but only of the corruption gantlet.] A military punishment, in which the criminal running between the ranks receives a lash from each man.

But would'st thou, friend, who hast two legs

Would'st thou to run the gantlet these expose, To a whole company of hob-nail'd shoes

Dryden, Juv. He is fain to run the gantelope through the terrors and reproaches of his own conscience.

Scott's Works, (Serm. in 1680,) ii. 29. Young gentlemen are driven with a whip, to run

the gantlet through the several classes. GA'NZA. † n. s. [gansa, Spanish, a goose; old Fr. and Germ. gans; Celt. ganz; Lat. ganza. Celt. kan, white. V. Wachter, Gloss. Germ. in GANS.] A kind of wild goose, by a flock of which a virtuoso was fabled to be carried to the lunar world.

What modest indignation can forbear stamping at the presumption of those men, who, as if Domingo Gonsales his engine, they had been mounted by his gansaes from the moon to the empyreal Bp. Hall, Invis. World, § 7. They are but idle dreams and fancies,

And sayour strongly of the ganzas. Hudibras, ii. 3.

GAOL.† n. s. [geol, Welsh; geole, Fr.
Dr. Johnson. — The old Fr. is gaiole or gaole; low Lat. gajola, from cavea or caveola, a cage for birds; cavus, hollow, and thence any hole or place of confinement; gieol, a cavern, Su. Goth. The Picards call a bird-cage gayolle.] A prison; a place of confinement. It is is always pronounced and often written jail, and sometimes goal.

Then am I the prisoner, and his bed my gaol, Shakspeare, K. Lear.

Have I been ever free, and must my house Be my retentive enemy, my gaol? Shaks. Timon.

If we mean to thrive and do good, break open the gaols, and let out the prisoners.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. In the morning usually the thief is sent to the Beaum. and Fl. Martial Maid. To GAOL. v. a. [from the noun.] To imprison, to commit to gaol.

Gaoling vagabonds was chargeable, pesterous and of no open example.

GA'OLDELIVERY. n. s. [gaol and deliver.] The judicial process, which by condemnation or acquittal of persons confined evacuates the prison.

Then doth the aspiring soul the body leave, Which we call death; but were it known to all, What life our souls do by this death receive, Men would it birth or gaoldelivery call. These make a general gaoldelivery of souls, not

for punishment. GA'OLER. n. s. [from gaol.] A keeper of

a prison; he to whose care the prisoners are committed. This is a gentle provost; seldom, when

The steeled gaoler is the friend of men. Shakspeare. I know not how or why my surly gaoler, Hard as his irons, and insolent has pow'r When put in vulgar hands, Cleanthes,

Put off the brute. Dryden, Cleomenes. From the polite part of mankind she had been banished and immured, till the death of her gaoler.

Tatler.

GAP. † n. s. [from gape.] 1. An opening in a broken fence.

Behold the despair, By custom and covetous pates,

By gaps and opening of gates. Tusser, Husbandry.
Ye have not gone up into the gaps, neither made
up the hedge for the house of Israel. Ezek. xiii. 5.

With terrours and with furies to the bounds And crystal wall of heav'n; which, opening wide, Roll'd inward, and a spacious gap disclos'd

Into the wasteful deep. Milton, P.L. Bushes are most lasting of any for dead hedges, or to mend gaps. Mortimer, Husbandry.

2. A breach.

The loss of that city concerned the Christain common-weal: manifold miseries afterwards ensued by the opening of that gap to all that side of Christendom.

3. Any passage. So stands the Thracian herdsman with his spear. Full in the gap, and hopes the hunted bear,

And hears him rustling in the wood. 4. An avenue; an open way.

The former kings of England passed into them a great part of their prerogatives; which though then it was well intended, and perhaps well deserved, yet now such a gap of mischief lies open thereby, that I could wish it were well stopt.

5. A hole; a deficiency. If you violently proceed against him, mistaking

his purpose, it would make a great gap in your Shakspeare, K. Lear. Nor is it any botch or gap in the works of nature.

6. Any interstice; a vacuity.

Each one demand, and answer to his part Perform'd in this wide gap of time, since first

We were dissever'd. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. That I might sleep out this great gap of time my Antony is away. Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. To make 'twixt words and lines huge gaps,

Wide as meridians in maps. One can revive a languishing conversation by a sudden surprising sentence; another is more dexterous in seconding; a third can fill the gap with

7. An opening of the mouth in speech during the pronunciation of two successive vowels

The hiatus, or gap between two words, is caused by two vowels opening on each other.

8. To stop a GAP, is to escape by some mean shift: alluding to hedges mended with dead bushes, till the quicksets will

grow. Dr. Johnson. It is rather, perhaps, to patch up matters for a time. His policy consists in setting traps,

In finding ways and means, and stopping gaps.

9. To stand in the GAP. To make defence; to expose himself for the protection of something in danger; a phrase borrowed from our version of the Scriptures: "He said he would have destroyed them, had not Moses his chosen stood before him in the gap." Ps. cvi. 23. Comm. Pr. Where gap, however, means breach; which is the reading of the elder version of the Psalms. See also Ezek. xxii. 30.

What would become of the church, if there were none more concerned for her rights than this? Who would stand in the gap?

Lesley.

GAP-TOOTHED.† adj. [gap and tooth.]
Having interstices between the teeth.
So Dr. Johnson defines the word which
Dryden supposed to be Chaucer's. But
the true word is gat-toothed, with a very
different meaning. See GAT-TOOTHED.

The reeve, miller, and cook, are distinguished from each other as much as the mincing lady prioress and the broad speaking gap-toothed wife of Bath. Dryden, Fab. Pref.

To GAPE. † v. n. zeapan, yppan, zeyppan, to open, Sax. whence also our chap. See To CHAP. Gape was at first written galp.]

To open the mouth wide; to yawn. See how he galpetl, lo, this dronken wight, As though he wold us swalow anon right!

Hold close thy mouth, man! Chaucer, Mancip. Prol. Gaping or yawning, and stretching, do pass from man to man; for that that causeth gaping and stretching is when the spirits are a little heavy by any vapour.

Arbuthnot.

She stretches, gapes, unglues her eyes,
And asks if it be time to rise.

Swift

2. To open the mouth for food, as a young bird.

As callow birds,
Whose mother's kill'd in seeking of the prey,
Cry in their nest, and think her long away;
And at each leaf that stirs, each blast of wind,
Gape for the food which they must never find.
Druden.

As in a drought the thirsty creatures cry, And gape upon the gather'd clouds for rain, Then first the martlet meets it in the sky, And with wet wings joys all the feather'd train. Dryden.

3. To desire earnestly; to crave: with for.

for.

To her grim death appears in all her shapes;
The hungry grave for her due tribute gapes.

Denham.

To thy fortune be not thou a slave;
For what hast thou to fear beyond the grave?
And thou, who gap'st for my estate, draw near;
For I would whisper somewhat in thy ear.

Dryden, Pers.

4. With after.

As a servant earnestly desireth [in the margin, gapeth after] the shadow, and as an hireling looketh for the reward of his work.

Job, vii. 2.

What shall we say of those who spend their days in gaping after court-favour and preferments?

5. With at.

Many have gaped at the church revenues; but, before they could swallow them, have had their mouths stopped in the church-yad.

South.

To open in fissures or holes.

If it assume my noble father's person, I'll speak to it, though hell itself should gape And bid me hold my peace. Shakspeare, Hamlet. May that ground gape, and swallow me alive, Where I shall kneel to him that slew my father.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI.
The great horse-mussel, with the fine shell, doth
gape and shut as the oysters do. Bacon, Nat. Hist.
The reception of one is as different from the ad-

The reception of one is as different from the anmission of the other, as when the earth falls open under the incisions of the plough, and when it gapes and greedily opens itself to drink in the dew of heaven, or the refreshments of a shower. South.

The mouth of a little artery and nerve gapes into the cavity of these vesicles. Cheyne, Phil. Prin.

7. To open with a breach.

The planks, their pitchy coverings wash'd away, Now yield, and now a yawning breach display: The roaring waters, with a hostile tide,

Rush through the ruins of her gaping side. Dryd.
That all these actions can be performed by aliment, as well as medicines, is plain; by observing
the effects of different substances upon the fluids
and solids, when the vessels are open and gape by
a wound.

Arbuulnot.

8. To open; to have an hiatus.

There is not to the best of my remembrance, one vowel gaping on another, for want of a cæsura in this poem.

Dryden.

To make a noise with open throat.
 And, if my muse can through past ages see,
 That noisy, nauseous, gaping fool is he.
 Roscommon.

10. To stare with hope or expectation.

Others will gape t' anticipate
The cabinet designs of fate;

Apply to wizards, to foresee
What shall, and what shall never be.
Hudibras.
11. To stare with wonder.

The king gaped and gazed upon her with open mouth.

1 Esdras, iv. 31.
Parts of different species jumbled together, according to the mad imagination of the dawber; and the end of all this is to cause laughter; a very

monster in a Bartholomew fair, for the mob to gape at.

Where elevated o'er the gaping croud,

Clasp'd in the board the perjur'd head is bow'd,
Betimes retreat.

Gay, Trivia.

To stare irreverently.
 They have gaped upon me with their mouth.
 Job, xvi. 10.

GA'PER. † n. s. [from gape.]

1. One who opens his mouth.

2. One who stares foolishly.

Guard, put by those gapers,
And gentlemen-ushers, see the gallery clear

And gentlemen-ushers, see the gallery clear.

Reaum. and Ft. Bloody Brother.

3. One who longs or craves.

Goods and livings were not small;

The gapers for them bare the world in hand
For ten year's space. Mir. for Mag, p. 370.
The golden shower of the dissolved abbey-lands
rained well near into every gaper's mouth.

Carew, Surv. of Cornwall.

GAR, in Saxon, signifies a weapon: so Eadgar is a happy weapon; Ethalgar, a noble weapon. Gibson's Camden.

To Gar. † v. a. [Icel. giora, to make; Su. Goth. goera; Dan. gior.] To cause; to make; to force. Obsolete, Dr. Johnson says, admitting however that it was still in use in Scotland. It is also still used in Lancashire, and other parts of the north of England.

Tell me, good Hobbinol, what gars thee greet? What! hath some wolf thy tender lambs ytorn? Or is thy bagpipe broke, that sounds so sweet? Or art thou of thy loved lass forlorne?

Spenser, Shep. Cal.

GARB.† n. s. [garbe, French. Dr. Johnson. Rather perhaps from the Ital. garbo, fineness, neatness.]

Dress; clothes; habit.
 Thus Belial, with words cloth'd in reason's garb,

Counsell'd ignoble ease and peaceful sloth.

Milton, P. L.

He puts himself into the garb and habit of a prefessor of physick, and sets up.

L'Estrange.

2. Fashion of dress.

In hose and doublet,

The horse-boy's garb. Beaum. and Fl. Love's Pilg. Horace's wit, and Virgil's state, He did not steal, but emulate; And when he would like them appear, Their garb, but not their clothes, did wear. Denham.

3. Exteriour appearance.
This is some fellow

Who, having been prais'd for bluntness, doth affect
A saucy roughness, and constrains the garb

Quite from his nature. Shakspeare, K. Lear. Some noblemen of that kingdom [Ireland] lived, in a higher garb, and made greater expences than the noblemen in England were able to do.

Ld. Clarendon, Life, iii, 707.

4. In heraldry, a sheaf of wheat, or any

other grain. [Latin, garba.]
GA'RBAGE.† n. s. [garbear, Spanish.
This etymology is very doubtful. Dr.

Johnson. Serenius deduces it from the Goth, gar, blood or gore, and bagge or balgs, a little sack or bag.] The bowels; the offal; that part of the inwards which is separated and thrown away.

The cloyed will,

That satiate, yet unsatisfy'd desire, that tub Both fill'd and running, ravening first the lamb, Longs after for the garbage. Shakspeare, Cymb. Lust, though to a radiant angel link'd,

Will sate itself in a celestial bed,

And prey on garbage. Shakspeare, Hamlet.
A flam more senseless than the rog'ry

Of old Aruspicy and aug'ry, That out of garbages of cattle Presag'd th' events of truce or battle.

Presag'd th' events of truce or battle. Hudibras.
Who, without aversion, ever look'd
On holy garbage, though by Homer cook'd?

Roscommon.

When you receive condign punishment, you run to your confessor, that parcel of guts and garbage.

GA'RBAGED.* adj. [from garbage.] That hath the garbage pulled out. Sherwood.

GA'RBELL. n. s. A plank next the keel of a ship.

Bailey.

GA'RBIDGE. n. s. Corrupted from garbage.

All therizes of home both of cattle blood and

All shavings of horns, hoofs of cattle, blood, and garbidge is good manure for land.

Mortimer, Husbandry.

GA'RBISH.† n. s. Corrupted from garbage; but occurring in the old dictionary of Barret, (where the verb garbish also is found,) under the word bowel.

In Newfoundland they improve their ground with the garbish of fish. Mortimer, Husbandry.

To GA'RBISH.* v. a. [from the noun.] To exenterate; as, "to garbish fish."

To GA'RBLE.† v.a. [garbellare, Italian.]

1. To sift and cleanse spices. This is the primary sense, unnoticed by Dr. Johnson; but not overlooked in our old lexi-

cography.
Upon the 7. of April 1620, he [Dr. Gwinne]
white seven others were appointed commissioners
by his majesty for gashling tobacco.

by his majesty for garbling tobacco.

Ward, Hist. of Gresham Coll. and Prof. p. 264.

2. To sift; to part; to separate the good | GA'RDEN-PLOT.* n.s. Plantation laid out from the bad.

But you who fathers and traditions take, And garble some, and some you quite forsake.

Had our author set down this command, without garbling, as God gave it, and joined mother to father, it had made directly against him. Locke.

The understanding works to collate, combine,

and garble the images and ideas, the imagination and memory present to it. Cheyne, Phil. Princ.

GA'RBLER.† n. s. [from garble.]

1. The garbler of spices is an officer of great antiquity in the city of London, who is empowered to enter any shop, warehouse, &c. to view and search drugs, &c. and to garble and cleanse them. Cowel.

2. He who separates one part from another. A farther secret in this clause may best be discovered by the projectors, or at least the garblers

Swift, Examiner. GA'RBOIL. n. s. [garbouil, old Fr. garbuglio, Ital.] Disorder; tumult; uproar; and, in our old lexicography, hurlyburly. Bishop Hall has rendered Virgil's arma, i. e. battles, by this word garboil.

Look here, and at thy sovereign leisure read What garboils she awak'd.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop.
Give me the number'd verse that Virgil sung, And Virgil's self shall speak the English tongue; Manhood and garboils shall he chaunt.

Bp. Hall, Sat. i. 6. Upon this bull ensued open rebellion in the

north, and many garboils.

Proceedings against Garnet, &c, sign. P.2.b. GARD. n. s. [garde, French.] Wardship; care; custody.

To GARD.* v. a. To adorn with lace, or ornamental borders. See To GUARD.

GA'RDEN.† n. s. [gardd, Welsh; jardin, French; giardino, Ital. Dr. Johnson. The etymology has been traced to a different source; Goth. gardr, a garden, from the Su. Goth. gaerda, to enclose, to hedge in. Serenius. The same derivation is observable in other northern languages. V. Ludwig, Jura, Feudorum, &c. p. 508. In like manner Mr. Horne Tooke deduces garden [Sax. zeapo] from the Sax. zypoan, to enclose.]

1. A piece of ground enclosed, and cultivated with extraordinary care, planted with herbs or fruits for food, or laid out

for pleasure.

Thy promises are like Adonis' gardens, Which one day bloom'd and fruitful were the next. Shakspeare.

My lord of Ely, when I was last in Holborn, I saw good strawberries in your garden there.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. In the royal ordering of gardens, there ought to be gardens for all the months in the year.

Bacon, Essays. In every garden should be provided flowers, fruit, shade, and water.

My garden takes up half my daily care, And my field asks the minutes I can spare. Harte.

2. A place particularly fruitful or delight-

I am arriv'd from fruitful Lombardy, The pleasant garden of great Italy.

Shakspeare, Tam. of the Shrew. GA'RDEN-MOULD. n. s. Mould fit for a garden.

They delight most in rich black garden-mould, that is deep and light, and mixed rather with sand Mortimer, Husbandry. in a garden.

Let a man but look upon their steeples, their towers, their cloisters, their oratories and dor-mitories, their garden-plots and orchards.

Harmar, Tr. of Beza's Serm. (1587,) p. 351. In bower and field he sought, where any tuft

Of grove or garden-plot more pleasant lay, Their tendance, or plantation for delight.

Milton, P. L.

GA'RDEN-TILLAGE. n. s. Tillage used in cultivating gardens.

Peas and beans are what belong to garden-tillage

as well as that of the field. Mortimer, Husbandry. GA'RDEN-WARE. n. s. The produce of gardens.

A clay bottom is a much more pernicious soil for trees and garden-ware than gravel.

Mortimer, Husbandry.

To GA'RDEN. v. n. [from the noun.] To cultivate a garden; to lay out gardens. At first, in Rome's poor age

When both her kings and consuls held the plough, Or garden'd well. . B. Jonson, Catiline. When ages grow to civility and elegancy, men come to build stately, sooner than to garden finely;

as if gardening were the greater perfection. To GA'RDEN.* v. a. To dress as a gar-

den; to make a garden. Cotgrave, and Sherwood. GA'RDENER. n. s. [from garden.] He that

attends or cultivates gardens. Our bodies are our gardens, to the which our wills are gardeners; so that, if we will plant nettles, or sow lettuce, the power lies in our will.

Shakspeare, Othello. Gardeners tread down any loose ground, after they have sown onions or turnips.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. The gardener may lop religion as he pleases. Howell.

The life and felicity of an excellent gardener is preferable to all other diversions.

Evelyn, Kalendar. Then let the learned gard'ner mark with care The kinds of stocks, and what those kinds will Dryden.

GA'RDENING. n. s. [from garden.] The act of cultivating or planning gardens. My compositions in gardening are after the Pindarick manner, and run into the beautiful

wildness of nature, without affecting the nicer elegancies of art. GARE. n. s. Coarse wool growing on the

legs of sheep. Dict.

GA'RGARISM.† n. s. [γαργαρισμός, Gr. gargarisme, Fr.] A liquid form of medicine to wash the mouth with. Quincy. Apophlegmatisms and gargarisms draw the rheum down by the palate. Bacon, Nat. Hist. eum down by the palate. Bacon, Nat. Hist. Such [medicines] as are not swallowed, but

only kept in the mouth, are gargarisms. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 387.

Let every man therefore be sure to begin at the right end of his work; to wash his own mouth clean, before he prescribe gargarisms to others. Gov. of the Tongue, p. 219.

Το GA'RGARIZE. v. a. [γαργαρίζο, Gr. gargariser, French.] To wash the mouth with medicated liquors.

Vinegar, put to the nostrils, or gargarized, doth ease the hiccough; for that it is astringent, and inhibiteth the motion of the spirit.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. This being relaxed, may make a shaking of the larynx; as when we gargarize Holder, Elem. of Speech.

GA'RGET. n. s. A distemper in cattle.

The garget appears in the head, maw, or in the nder parts.

Mortimer, Husbandry. hinder parts. To GA'RGLE. v. a. [gargouiller, Fr. gar-

gogliare, Ital. gurgel, Germ. the throat.] 1. To wash the throat with some liquor not suffered immediately to descend.

Gargle twice or thrice with sharp oxycrate.

The excision made, the bleeding will soon be stopt by gargling with oxycrate. Wiseman, Surgery. They comb, and then they order ev'ry hair; Next gargle well their throats. Dryden, Pers.

2. To warble; to play in the throat. An improper use.

Those which only warble long, And gargle in their throats a song, Waller. So charm'd you were, you ceas'd a while to doat On nonsense gargl'd in an eunuch's throat. Fenton. GA'RGLE. n. s. [from the verb.] A liquor

with which the throat is washed. His throat was washed with one of the gargles set down in the method of cure. Wiseman, Surgery.

GA'RGLION. n. s. An exsudation of nervous juice from a bruise, or the like, which indurates into a hard immoveable tumour. Quincy.

GA'RGOL. n. s. A distemper in hogs. The signs of the gargol in hogs are, hanging down of the head, moist eyes, staggering, and loss

GA'RISH. † adj. [Sax. zeappian, to dress fine. In the examples, which are given, the word is uniformly garish. Dr. Johnson has given the word in Shakspeare, Milton, and South, as gairish; in Ascham, garish. The rest are not cited by him.

1. Gaudy; showy; splendid; fine; glaring.

A woman's garish eye.

Riche's Simonides, (1584,) sign. Q. ii. b. The manner of laying out of haire in those daies was much more modest, or at least nothing so garishe as it is now.

Expos. of Sol. Song, (1585,) p. 206. Three or four will outrage in apparel, huge hose, monstrous hats, and garish colours. Ascham. A dream of what thou wast, a garish flag.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. Pay no worship to the garish sun.

Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul. Lady Love doth vaunt with garish grace.

Mir. for Mag. p. 214. Infectious stain

Corrupteth all the lowly fruitful plain; Their modest stole to garish looser weed.

Bp. Hall, Sat. i. 2. The garish and wanton fashion of the woman's dishevelling her hair. shevelling her hair. Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 244. And now at last had laid all garish pompe aside.

Drayton, Polyolb. S. 15. Hide me from day's garish eye. Milton, Il Pens. Through corporal and garish rudiments. Milton, Doct. and Disc. of Divorce.

2. Extravagantly gay; flighty.

Those garish effects of fanatical fancy.

More, Conj. Cabbal. p. 243. Fame and glory transports a man out of himself: - it makes the mind loose and garish, scatters

the spirits, and leaves a kind of dissolution upon South, Serm. ii. 382. all the faculties. GA'RISHLY.* adv. [from garish.]

1. Splendidly; gaudily.

Trimmed up garishly, as a virgin that loves to go gay.

Dr. Westfield, Serm. (1646,) p. 65. 2. Wildly; in a flighty manner.

Starting up, and gairishly staring about, especially in the face of Eliosto.

Hinde, Eliosto Libid. (1606.) GA'RISHNESS. † n. s. [from garish.] 1. Finery; flaunting gaudiness.

The garishnesse, neatnesse, and riches of silken garments grow in contempt.

Florio, Tr. of Montaigne, (1613,) p. 145. 2. Flighty or extravagant joy.

Let your hope be without vanity, or garishness of spirit; but sober, grave, and silent.

Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy. This [Fasting] is a singular corrective of that pride and garishness of temper, that renders it impatient of the sobrieties of virtue, but open to all the wild suggestions of fancy and the impressions of vice.

South, Serm. ix. 157.

GA'RLAND.† n. s. [garlande, guirland, French; garland, Goth. girlanda, Span. ghirlanda, Ital. a wreath, a chaplet; probably from the Lat. gyrus, a circle, Gr. yupog.

1. A wreath of branches or flowers. Strephon, with leavy twigs of laurel-tree, A garland made, on temples for to wear; For he then chosen was the dignity Of village-lord that Whitsuntide to bear. Sidney.

A reeling world will never stand upright, Till Richard wear the garland of the realm. - How! wear the garland ! do'st thou mean the

crown? -Ay, my good lord. Shakspeare, Rich. III.
Then party-colour'd flow'rs of white and red -Ay, my good lord. She wove, to make a garland for her head. Dryden, Fab.

Vanquish again; though she be gone, Whose garland crown'd the victor's hair, And reign; though she has left the throne, Who made thy glory worth thy care.

Her gods and godlike heroes rise to view, And all her faded garlands bloom anew.

2. The top; the principal; the thing most

With every minute you do change a mind, And call him noble, that was now your hate, Him vile, that was your garland. Shakspeare.

3. A collection of little printed pieces. These [ballads] came forth in such abundance, that in the reign of James I. they began to be collected into little miscellanies, under the name of garlands, and at length to be purposely written for such collections.

Percy, Rel. of Anc. Poet. Ess. on the Anc. Minstrels.

To GA'RLAND.* v.a. [from the noun.] To

deck with a garland. He was garlanded with alga, or sea-grass; and in his hand a trident. B. Jonson, Masques.

Florid, or garlanded with flowers. Fuller, Holy War, p. 271.

the leek that shoots up in blades. Skinner. Minsheu had proposed garden and leek; and others the Teut. gar, entirely, altogether, and leek, i. e. the strong leek; but Skinner is right. Thus we have spear-grass, i. e. long stiff grass.]

It has a bulbous root, consisting of many small tubercles included in its coats: the leaves are plain: the flowers consist of six leaves, formed into a corymbus on the top of the stalk; and are succeeded by subrotund fruit, divided into three cells which contain roundish seeds.

Garlick is of an extremely strong smell, and of an acrid and pungent taste. It is extremely active, as may be proved by applying plaisters of garlick to the feet, which will give a strong smell to the breath.

Garlick has, of all our plants, the greatest strength, affords most nourishment, and supplies most spirits to those who eat little flesh.

She smelled brown bread and garlick. Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas.

'Tis mortal sin an onion to devour; Each clove of garlick is a sacred power: Religious nations sure, and blest abodes, Where ev'ry orchard is o'er-run with gods. Tate, Juv.

GA'RLICK Pear-tree. n.s.

This tree is pretty common in Jamaica, and several other places of America, where it usually rises to the height of thirty or forty feet, and spreads into many branches. When the flowers fall off the pointal, it becomes a round fruit, which, when ripe, has a rough brownish rind, and a mealy sweet pulp, but a Miller. strong scent of garlick.

GA'RLICK Wild. n. s. A plant. GA'RLICKEATER. n. s. [garlick and eat.] A mean fellow.

You have made good work, You and your apron men; you that stood so

Upon the voice of occupation, and Shakspeare, Coriol. The breath of garlickeaters.

GA'RMENT. n. s. [guarniment, old French.] Any thing by which the body is covered; clothes; dress.

Hence, rotten thing, or I shall shake thy bones Out of thy garments. Shakspeare, Coriol.
Our leaf, once fallen, springeth no more; nei-Shakspeare, Coriol. ther doth the sun or summer adorn us again with the garments of new leaves and flowers. Ralegh, Hist.

Fairest thing that shines below, Why in this robe dost thou appear? Why in this robe dost thou appear.

Would'st thou a while more perfect show,

Cowley. Thou must at all no garment wear. Three worthy persons from his side it tore, And dy'd his garment with their scatter'd gore.

The peacock, in all his pride, does not display half the colours that appear in the garments of a British lady, when she is dressed. Addis. Spect.

Let him that sues for the coat, i. e. the shirt, or inner garment, take the cloak also, is a proverbial phrase too; for in the truth of the letter, a shirt is no likely matter of a lawsuit, and signifies an uncontesting sufferance of such small losses.

GA'RLICK.† n. s. [Sax. zapleac zaplec; GA'RNER.† n. s. [grenier, French; from zap, Sax. a lance, and leac, a leck, granarium, Lat.] A place in which thrashed grain is stored up.

> The garners are laid desolate, the barns are broken down: for the corn is withered. Joel, i. 17. Earth's increase, and foyson plenty,

Barns and garners never empty. Shaksp. Temp. For sundry foes the rural realm surround; The fieldmouse builds her garner under ground: For gather'd grain the blind laborious mole, In winding mazes, works her hidden hole.

Dryden, Virg. To GA'RNER. v. a. [from the noun.] To

store as in garners. There, where I have garner'd up my heart,

Where either I must live, or bear no life. Shakspeare, Othello.

GA'RNET. n. s. [garnato, Italian; granatus, low Latin; from its resemblance in colour to the grain of the pomegranate.]

The garnet is a gem of a middle degree of hardness, between the saphire and the common crystal. It is found of various sizes. Its surfaces are not so smooth or polite as those of a ruby, and its colour is ever of a strong red, with a plain admixture of blueish; its degree of colour is very different, and it always wants much of the brightness of the

The garnet seems to be a species of the car-buncle of the ancients: the Bohemian is red, with a slight cast of a flame-colour; and the Syrion is red, with a slight cast of purple. Woodward, Met. Fossils.

To GA'RNISH. v. a. [garnir, French.] 1. To decorate with ornamental append-

ages.
There were hills which garnished their proud heights with stately trees. All within with flowers was garnished,

That, when mild Zephyrus amongst them blew, Did breathe out bounteous smells, and painted colours shew Spenser. With taper light

To seek the beauteous eye of heav'n to garnish, Is wasteful and ridiculous excess. Shaks. K. John. Paradise was a terrestrial garden, garnish'd with fruits, delighting both the eye and taste.

Ralegh. All the streets were garnish'd with the citizens, standing in their liveries. Bacon, Hen. VII. 2. To embellish a dish with something laid

round it. With what expence and art, how richly drest! Garnish'd with 'sparagus, himself a feast

Dryden, Juv. No man lards salt pork with orange-peel, Or garnishes his lamb with spitchcock'd eel. King, Cookery.

3. To fit with fetters. A cant term. GA'RNISH. † n. s. [from the verb.]

1. Ornament; decoration; embellishment. So are you, sweet,

Ev'n in the lovely garnish of a boy. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven.

Matter and figure they produce; For garnish this, and that for use; They seek to feed and please their guests. Prior.

2. Things strewed round a dish. 3. [In gaols.] Fetters. A cant term.

4. Pensiuncula carceraria; an acknowledgement in money when first a prison-Ainsworth. er goes into a gaol.

Like a fresh tenant in Newgate, when he has refused the payment of garnish.

Swift, Tale of a Tub. The Sheriffs of London have ordered, that no debtor, in going into any of the gaols of London and Middlesex, shall, for the future, pay any garnish; it having been for many years a great oppression to many. Gent. Mag. (1752,) xxii. 239.

GA'RNISHER.* n. s. [from garnish.] One who decorates. Sherwood.

GA'RNISHMENT. † n. s. [old French garnissement.] Ornament; embellishment. Satan's cleanliness is pollution, and his garnishment disorder and wickedness.

Bp. Hall, Devout Soul, § 9.

The church of Sancta Giustina in Padoua [is] a sound piece of good art, where the materials being but ordinary stone, without any garnishment of sculpture, do yet ravish the beholder. Wotton on Architecture.

GA'RNITURE. † n. s. [garniture, French.] Furniture; ornament.

They conclude, if they fall short in garniture of their knees, that they are inferiour in furniture of their heads. Gov. of the Tongue.

Plain sense, which pleas'd your sires an age ago, Is lost, without the garniture of show. Granville.

As nature has poured out her charms upon the female part of our species, so they are very assiduous in bestowing upon themselves the finest garnitures of art. Addison, Spectator.

GA'ROUS. adj. [from garum.] Resembling pickle made of fish.

In a civet-cat an offensive odour proceeds, partly from its food, that being especially fish; whereof this humour may be a garous excretion, and olidous

GA'RRAN. See GARRON.

GA'RRET.† n. s. [garite, the tower of a citadel, French. Dr. Johnson. — From the Germ. warte, quasi gwarret, a fortification; or warten, to observe. Wachter. And this from the Su. Goth. wara, which means both to observe and to

1. A room on the highest floor of the house.

The mob, commission'd by the government, Are seldom to an empty garret sent. Dryd. Juv. John Bull skipped from room to room; ran up stairs and down stairs, from the kitchen to the

on earth the god of wealth was made Sole patron of the building trade; Leaving the arts the spacious air, With license to build castles there: And 'tis conceiv'd their old pretence, To lodge in garrets, comes from thence. Swift.

2. Rotten wood. Not in use.

The colour of the shining part of rotten wood, by day-light, is in some pieces white, and in some pieces inclining to red, which they call the white and red garret.

GA'RRETED.* adj. [from garret.] Protected by turrets. See the etymology of GARRET.

The high cliffs are by sea inaccessible round about, saving in one only place towards the East, where they proffer an uneasy landing place for boats; which, being fenced with a garretted wall, admitteth entrance through a gate, and is within presently commanded by an hardly climbed Carew, Surv. of Cornwall.

GARRETE'ER. † n. s. [from garret.] An inhabitant of a garret.

To pen with garreteers, obscure and shabby, Inscriptive nonsense in a fancied abbey Pursuits of Literature.

GA'RRISON.† n. s. [garnison, French. Dr. Johnson. - Our own word is written garnison by Chaucer. The old French, however, is garison, "vivres et munitions d'une place de guerre." Lacombe. In this form, from the Su. Goth. waera, to defend; in that of garnison, from warna, with a similar signification.]

1. Soldiers placed in a fortified town or castle to defend it.

How oft he said to me,

Thou art no soldier fit for Cupid's garrison

2. Fortified place stored with soldiers. Whom the old Roman wall so ill confin'd With a new chain of garrisons you bind. Waller.

3. The state of being placed in a fortification for its defence.

Some of them that are laid in garrison will do no great hurt to the enemies. Spenser on Ireland.

To GA'RRISON. v. a. [from the noun.] 1. To supply a place with an armed force to defend it; to place soldiers in garHam. The Polack never will defend it.

Cap. Yes, 'tis already garrison'd. Shaksp. Ham. The legions garrison'd in Gallia. Shak. Cymb. Garrison'd round about him like a camp Of faithful soldiery. Milton, S. A.

There was a single bridge that led into the island, and before it a castle garrisoned by twenty knights, Tatler, No.194.

2. To secure by fortresses.

Others those forces join, Which garrison the conquests near the Rhine.

hobby; a Highland horse, which, when brought into the North of England, takes the name of galloway. Dr. Johnson. -The Irish garron, however, is a strong horse, a hackney. See Shaw's Gal.

When he comes forth he will make their cows and garrons to walk, if he doth no other harm to their persons.

Spenser on Ireland. Every man would be forced to provide Winterfodder for his team, whereas common garrons shift upon grass the year round; and this would force men to the enclosing of grounds, so that the race of garrons would decrease.

GARRU'LITY. † n. s. [garrulité, French; garrulitas, Latin. 7

1. Loquacity; incontinence of tongue; inability to keep a secret.

Let me here

Expiate, if possible, my crime, Shameful garrulity. Milton, S. A.

2. The quality of talking too much; talkativeness.

Some vices of speech must carefully be avoided: first of all loquacity or garrulity.

Ray on the Creation.

GARRU'LOUS.† adj. [garrulus, Latin.]
Prattling; talkative. In use near a century before the time of Thomson, from whose poetry alone Dr. Johnson brought an example of the word.

Busy and garrulous men. Bp. Reynolds's Works, p. 717. Old age looks out,

And garrulous recounts the feats of youth.

Thomson. GA'RTER.† n. s. [gardus, Welsh; jartier, French; from gar, Welsh, the binding of the knee. Dr. Johnson.—It is the Goth. gartur, a binding band; Icel. giorde, the same, from giorda, to gird. 7

1. A string or ribband by which the stock-

ing is held upon the leg.

Let their heads be sleekly comb'd, their blue coats brush'd, and their garters of an indifferent nit. Shakspeare, Taming of the Shrew. When we rest in our clothes we loosen our garters, and other ligatures, to give the spirits free passage.

Handsome garters, at your knees. Swift. There lay three garters, half a pair of gloves, And all the trophies of his former loves. Pope.

2. The mark of the order of the garter, the highest order of English knighthood.

Now by my george, my garter.

The george, profan'd, hath lost his holy honour;
The garter, blemish'd, pawn'd his knightly virtue. Shakspeare, Rich. III. You owe your Ormond nothing but a son,

To fill in future times his father's place, And wear the garter of his mother's race. Dryd.

3. The principal king at arms.

Two aldermen, lord mayor, garter, Crammer, duke of Norfolk, &c. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

Sir Walter Bickerstaff married Maud the milkmaid, of whom the then Garter king at arms (a facetious person) said pleasantly enough, that she had spoiled our blood, but mended our consti-Addison, Tatler, No. 75. To GA'RTER.* v.a. [from the noun.]

1. To bind with a garter.

He, being in love, could not see to garter his hose. Shakspeare. A person was wounded in the leg, below the gartering place. Wiseman, Surgery.

2. To invest with the order of the garter. Say, conscious dome, if e'er thy marshall'd knights

So nobly deck'd their old majestick rites, As when, high thron'd amid thy trophied shrine, George shone the leader of the garter'd line?

Warton on the Birth of the Prince of Wales, (1762.)

GARTH. + n. s. [as if girth, from gird.] 1. The bulk of the body, measured by the

girdle.
2. An enclosure. [Saxon, zeaps; Welsh, garth.] In the north of England, a yard; a garden; a croft. Still in use.

3. In the north of England also, a hoop or

GA'RUM.* n. s. [Latin; Fr. garon.] A word in very common use among the old writers of medicine, who expressed by it a pickle, in which fish had been preserved. See GAROUS Chambers.

GAS.† n. s. [A word invented by the chymists.] It is used by Van Helmont, and seems designed to signify, in general, a spirit not capable of being coagulated: but he uses it loosely in many Harris.

The word gas, which is the name now given to every kind of air which differs from the air of the atmosphere, was first introduced into chemistry by Van Helmont. He seems to have intended to denote by it every thing which is driven off from bodies in the state of vapour by heat. He divides gases into five classes.

Thomson, System of Chemistry, (1802.)

GA'SCON.* n. s. A native of Gascony. See GASCONADE.

A young coquette widow in France having been followed by a Gascon of quality, who had boasted among his companions of some favours which he had never received; to be revenged of him, sent for him, &c. Tatler, No. 126.

GASCONA'DE. † n. s. [French; from the Gascons, a nation eminent for boasting. See Gascon.] A boast; a bravado. Was it a gasconade to please me, that you said

your fortune was increased to one hundred a year since I left you? I could never believe Mrs. Whiteway's gascon-

ades in telling me of her acquaintance with you. Swift, Lett. Berkeley's Lit. Relicks, p. 72.

To GASCONA'DE. v. n. [from the noun.] To boast; to brag; to bluster.

To GASH. † v. a. [from hacher, to cut, to hack, French. Skinner. Hacher, Dr. Johnson should have added, means also to cut into small pieces, to shred; and in this primary sense, which he has overpassed, the word gash is in our own language, which renders its derivation from hacher still more likely.]

1. To cut into small pieces, as applied to

cloth; to shred.

To what end do we jaggle and gash the garments that are sowed together to cover our bodies, but that thereby we may, as it were, by a most fond and ridiculous anatomie, open and lay forth to the eyes of all men what kind of people we are in our inward hearts; jaggled, (God wot,) and ragged, vain, light, and nothing sound?

Trans. of Bullinger's Serm. (1576,) p. 239. 2. To cut deep so as to make a gaping wound: to cut with a blunt instrument so as to make the wound wide.

Where the Englishmen at arms had been defeated, many of their horses were found grievously gashed or gored to death. Hanward.

Wit is a keen instrument, and every one can cut and gash with it; but to carve a beautiful image, and to polish it, requires great art and Tillotson, vol. i. § 2. dexterity.

See me gash'd with knives. Or sear'd with burning steel. Rome, Royal Convert. Streaming with blood, all over gash'd with wounds.

He reel'd, he groan'd, and at the altar fell. A. Philips.

GASH: n. s. [from the verb.] 1. A deep and wide wound.

He glancing on his helmet, made a large And open gash therein; were not his targe, That broke the violence of his intent, The weary soul from thence it would discharge.

A perilous gash, a very limb lopt off.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. Hamilton drove Newton almost to the end of the lists; but Newton on a sudden gave him such a gash on the leg, that therewith he fell to the ground. Hayward.

But th' ethereal substance clos'd, Not long divisible; and from the gash

A stream of nectarous humour issuing flow'd. Milton, P. L.

2. The mark of a wound. I know not if this be proper.

I was fond of back-sword and cudgel-play, and I now bear in my body many a black and blue gash Arbuthnot.

GA'SHFUL.* adj. [gash and full.] Full of gashes; looking terribly. One might at once pronounce this word to be intended for gastful, if two authors did not use it, at a distance of almost forty years; and if a contemporary had not cited the lines of the oldest, (which indeed are a fine and just satire on a certain kind of hypocrites,) where gashful is the word. See Sir Miles Sandys's Essays, p. 190. Yet Mr. Nares in his Glossary has no doubt that gastful, (from gast,) i. e. horrid, frightful, is here the word in-

'Tis not the holding of thy hands so high, Nor yet the purer squinting of thine eye; 'Tis not your mimick mouths, nor autick faces, Nor scripture phrases, nor affected graces, Nor prodigal upbanding of thine eyes Whose gashful balls do seem to pelt the skies; 'Tis not the strict reforming of your hair So close, that all the neighbour skull is bare; 'Tis not the drooping of thy head so low, Nor yet the louring of thy sullen brow — No, no; 'tis none of this that God regards; Such sort of fools their own applause rewards.

Quarles, Hist. of Jonah, (1620,) sign. H. 2. Come death, and welcome; which spoke, comes in a gashful, horrid, meagre, terrible, ugly shape. Gayton on D. Quix. (1654,) p. 69.

GA'SKETS.* n. s. pl. On ship-board, the small cords used to fasten the sails to the yards when furled up. Chambers. GA'SKINS.* n. s. pl. [from Gascoigne.

See Galligaskins.] Wide hose; wide! breeches. An old ludicrous word.

If one point break, the other will hold; Or, if both break, your gaskins fall.

Shakspeare, Tw. Night. Come, come George, let's be merry and wise; the child's a fatherless child, and say they should put him into a strait pair of gaskins, 'twere worse than knot-grass, he would never grow after it.

Beaum. and Fl. Kn. of the Burn. Pest. GASO'METER.* n. s. [gas, and μέτρον, Gr. be invented by Lavoisier and Meunier to measure the quantity of gas employed in experiments.

To GASP. + v. n. [from gape, Skinner; from gispe, Danish, to sob, Junius. Rather from the Su. Goth. gáspa, gespa, to yawn, to gape.]

1. To open the mouth wide; to catch

breath with labour.

The sick for air before the portal gasp. Dryden, Virg.

They rais'd a feeble cry with trembling notes; But the weak voice deceiv'd their gasping throats.

The gasping head flies off; a purple flood Dryden, Æn. Flows from the trunk.

The ladies gasp'd, and scarcely could respire; The breath they drew no longer air, but fire. Dryden.

A scantling of wit lay gasping for life, and groaning beneath a heap of rubbish.

Dryden, Span. Friar. The rich countrymen in Austria were faint and Brown's Travels. gasping for breath. Pale and faint,

He gasps for breath; and, as his life flows from

Addison, Cato. Demands to see his friends. 2. To emit breath by opening the mouth convulsively.

I lay me down to gasp my latest breath; The wolves will get a breakfast by my death.

Dryden. He staggers round, his eyeballs roll in death, And with short sobs he gasps away his breath. Dryden, Æn.

3. To long for. This sense is, I think, not proper, as Nature never expresses desire

by gasping.
The Castilian and his wife had the comfort to be under the same master, who, seeing how dearly they loved one another, and gasped after their liberty, demanded a most exorbitant price for their

GASP. † n. s. [from the verb.]

1. The act of opening the mouth to catch breath.

2. The short catch of breath in the last agonies.

When he was at the last gasp, he said, Thou, like a fury, takest us out of this present life; but the king of the world shall raise us up, who have died for his laws, unto everlasting life.

2 Macc. vii. 9. His fortunes all lie speechless, and his name Shakspeare, Cymbeline.

Ah, Warwick, Montague hath breath'd his last; And to the latest gasp cry'd out for Warwick. Shakspeare, Hen. VI. If in the dreadful hour of death,

If at the latest gasp of breath, When the cold damp bedews your brow, You hope for mercy, shew it now. Addison, Rosamond.

To GAST, v. a. [from zarc, Saxon. See AGHAST.] To make aghast; to fright; to shock; to terrify; to fear; to affray.

When he saw my best alarmed spirits, Bold in the quarrel's right, rous'd to th' encounter, Or whether gasted by the noise I made,

Shakspeare, K. Lear. Full suddenly he fled. To GA'STER.* v. a. Saxon, zarc, a ghost. This is the word of our old lexicography.] To scare; to terrify.

The sight of the lady has gaster'd him.

Beaum. and Fl. Wit at sev. Weapons.

GA'STFUL.* See GHASTFUL. GA'STLY.* See GHASTLY.

GA'STNESS.* n. s. | from gast. This is not the uniform reading of the editions of Shakspeare; but it seems to be the true one; jestures is the word which occurs in the quartos, gastness in the first folio.] Fright; amazement.

Look you pale, mistress? -Do you perceive the gastness of her eye? -Nay, if you stare, we shall hear more anon.

Shakspeare, Othello. GA'STRICK.† adj. [gastrique, French, from γας γρ, Greek.] Belonging to the belly or stomach.

GASTRI'LOQUIST.* n. s. [Fr. gastriloque, from yashe, Greek, and loqui, Lat.] A person who speaks inwardly, and whose voice seems to come afar off; usually called a ventriloquist. See VENTRILO-QUIST.

Gastriloquists are persons, who have acquired the art of modifying their voice, so that it affects the ear of the hearers, as if it came from another person, or from the clouds, or from under the

GASTRO'RAPHY. n. s. [γαςης and ράπλω.] In strictness of etymology signifies no more than sewing up any wound of the belly; yet in common acceptation it implies, that the wound of the belly is complicated with another of the in-Sharp, Surgery. testine. GOSTRO'TOMY. n. s. [yasho and τέτομα.]

The act of cutting open the belly.

GAT. † The preferite of get. Moses gat him up into the mount. Ex. xxiv. 18.

Our daughter, In honour of whose birth these triumphs are, Sits here, like beauty's child, whom nature gat For men to see, and seeing wonder at.

Shakspeare, Pericles. GAT-TOOTHED.* adj. [Sax. zat, a goat, and toothed.] Having a goat's tooth; having a lickerish tooth. This word Dryden has converted into gap-toothed, which Dr. Johnson has admitted into his Dictionary; which however gives no meaning to the passage where it is used, and is not the true word. Gat-toothed Mr. Tyrwhitt places among words in Chaucer not understood. But consider-

clear enough. Gat or gate is, by our elder writers, often used for goat. She coude moche of wandring by the way; Gat-tothed was she, sothly for to say.

ing the disposition of the Wife of Bath,

the poet's meaning in gat-toothed seems

Chaucer, C. T. Prol. Wife of Bath. GATE.† n. s. [Sax. zar, zare, zear; Goth.

gatt; old Fr. gat; a gate.]
The door of a city, castle, palace, or large building.

Open the gate of mercy, gracious God! My soul flies through these wounds to seek thee. Shakspeare. Gates of monarchs

Are arch'd so high, that giants may jet through, And keep their impious turbands on, without Good morrow to the sun. Shakspeare, Cymbeline.

2. A frame of timber upon hinges to give a passage into enclosed grounds. Know'st thou the way to Dover?

Both stile and gate, horseway and footpath. Shaks.

3. An avenue; an opening.

Austria had done nothing but wisely and politickly, in setting the Venetians together by the ears with the Turks, and opening a gate for a long

4. A way; a passage; a road. [Icel. gata, a street.] Thus the town-gate is the town-street, in the North of England. See also GAIT.

The gate of a country is not like the gate of an house; I mean, it is not the utmost limit of the land, as the other is of the building; but rather a difficult pass to be surmounted before we can penetrate into the most valuable part of the country. Drummond, Trav. p. 246.

5. A goat. [Sax. zeit, zat; Icel. geit.] Northernly spoken, says the contemporary commentator on Spenser. It is now used perhaps only in Scotland.

Thilke same kidde Was too very foolish and unwise; For on a time, in sommer season. The gate her dame that had good reason,

Yode forth abroad, &c. Spenser, Shep. Cal. May. GA'TED.* adj. [from gate.] Having gates. Vain Art, thou pigmy power

How dost thou swell, and strut, with human pride, To shew thy littleness! What childish toys -Thy hundred-gated capitals, or those

Where three days' travel left us much to ride, Young, Night Th. 9.

GA'TEVEIN. n. s. The vena porta.

Being a king that loved wealth, he could not endure to have trade sick, nor any obstruction to continue in the gatevein which disperseth that Bacon, Hen. VII.

GA'TEWAY. † n. s. [gate and way.]

1. A way through gates of enclosed

Gateways between enclosures are so miry, that they cannot cart between one field and another. Mortimer, Husbandry.

2. A building to be passed at the entrance of the area to a large mansion.

To GA'THER.† v. a. [zabepian, zabepian, Sax. Our own word was at first gader: Chaucer so writes it.]

1. To collect; to bring into one place. Gather stones - and they took stones and made

2. To get in harvest.

The seventh year we shall not sow, nor gather in our increase. Lev. xxv. 20.

3. To pick up; to glean. His opinions

Have satisfied the king for his divorce, Gather'd from all the famous colleges.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. Cast up the highway, gather out the stones.

I will spend this preface upon those from whom I have gathered my knowledge; for I am but a

To pay the creditor, that lent him his rent, he must gather up money by degrees.

4. To crop; to pluck.
What have I done?

To see my youth, my beauty, and my love No sooner gain'd, but slighted and betray'd; And like a rose just gather'd from the stalk, But only smelt, and cheaply thrown aside,
To wither on the ground! Dryden, Span. Friar.

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5. To assemble.

They have gathered themselves together against

All the way we went there were gathered some people on both sides, standing in a row. Bacon, New Atlantis.

6. To heap up; to accumulate.

He that by usury and unjust gain increaseth his substance, shall gather it for him that will pity

7. To select and take.

Save us, O Lord, and gather us from among the heathen, to give thanks unto thy holy name.

8. To sweep together.

The kingdom of heaven is like unto a net that was cast into the sea, and gathered of every kind. St. Matt. xiii. 47.

9. To collect charitable contributions. Few Sundays come over our head, but decayed

householders or shipwrackt merchants are gathered Dr. King, Serm. (1615,) p. 57. 10. To bring into one body or interest.

I will gather others to him, besides those that are gathered unto him. Is. lvi. 8.

11. To draw together from a state of diffusion; to compress; to contract. Immortal Tully shone,

The Roman rostra deck'd the consul's throne: Gath'ring his flowing robe he seem'd to stand, In act to speak, and graceful stretch'd his hand.

12. To gain.

He gathers ground upon her in the chase; Now breaks upon her hair with nearer pace. Dryden.

13. To pucker needlework; to contract into small folds.

14. To collect logically; to know by in-

That which, out of the law of reason or of God, men probably gathering to be expedient, they make Hooker.

The reason that I gather he is mad, Is a mad tale he told to-day at dinner,

Of his own door being shut against his entrance.

After he had seen the vision, we endeavoured to get into Macedonia, assuredly gathering that the Lord had called us.

From this doctrine of the increasing and lessening of sin in this respect, we may gather, that all sins are not alike and equal, as the stoicks of ancient times, and their followers, have falsely imagined. Perkins.

Return'd By night, and listening where the hapless pair Sat in their sad discourse, and various plaint, Thence gather'd his own doom. Milton, P. L.

Madamoiselle de Scudery, who is as old as Sibyl, is translating Chaucer into French: from which I gather that he has formerly been translated into the old Provençal.

15. To contract; to get.

All faces shall gather blackness. Joel, ii. 6. 16. To GATHER Breath. [A proverbial expression.] To have respite from any calamity.

The luckless lucky maid A long time with that savage people staid, To gather breath, in many miseries. Spenser.

To GA'THER. † v. n.

1. To be condensed; to thicken.

If ere night the gath'ring clouds we fear, A song will help the beating storm to bear.

Dryden, Past. When gath'ring clouds o'ershadow all the skies. And shoot quick lightnings, weigh, my boys! he

When the rival winds their quarrel try, South, East, and West, on airy coursers born, The whirlwind gathers, and the woods are torn.

Think on the storm that gathers o'er your head, And threatens every hour to burst upon it. Addison, Cato.

2. To grow larger by the accretion of similar matter.

Their snow-ball did not gather as it went; for the people came into them. Bacon, Hen. VII. 3. To assemble.

There gathered unto him from Jerusalem a very great multitude of men, and women, and children.

1 Esdr. viii. 91. 4. To generate pus or matter. See the 4th sense of GATHERING.

GA'THER. n. s. [from the verb.] Pucker; cloth drawn together in wrinkles.

Give laws for pantaloons, The length of breeches, and the gathers,

Part cannons, perriwigs, and feathers. Hudibras. GA'THERABLE.* adj. [from gather.] Deducible from premised grounds.

The priesthood of the first-born is gatherable hence, because the Levites were appointed to the service of the altar, instead of the first-born, and as their λύτρον, or price of redemption. Num. iii. Godwin, Mos. and Aaron, i. 6.

GA'THERER. n. s. [from gather.]

1. One that gathers; one that collects; a

I will spend this preface about those from whom I have gathered my knowledge; for I am but a gatherer and disposer of other men's stuff.

Wotton, Pref. to Elem. of Architecture. 2. One that gets in a crop of any kind. I was a herdman and a gatherer of sycamore

Nor in that land Do poisonous herbs deceive the gatherer's hand.

May, Virg.

GA'THERING. † n. s. [from gather.] 1. An assembly.

There be three things that mine heart feareth -the slander of a city, the gathering together of an unruly multitude, and a false accusation. Ecclus. xxvi. 5.

2. An accumulation; a collection.

To receive the gatherings together of the waters which were to run from amongst the hills, and the mountains and hills raised upon the face of the antidiluvian globe.

Shuckford on the Creation, p. 122. 3. A collection of charitable contribu-

Let every one lay by him in store, that there be no gatherings when I come. 1 Cor. xvi. 2. 4. Generation of pus or matter.

Ask one, who by repeated restraints hath subdued his natural rage, how he likes the change, and he will tell you 'tis no less happy than the ease of a broken imposthume after the painful gathering and filling of it. Decay of Chr. Piety.

GA'TTEN-TREE. n. s. A species of Cornelian cherry.

tions.

GAUD. † n. s. [Skinner imagines this word may come from gaude, French, a yellow flower, yellow being the most gaudy colour. Junius, according to his custom, talks of ayang; and Mr. Lve finds gaude, in Gawen Douglas, to signify deceit or fraud, from gwawdio, Welsh, to cheat. It seems to me most easily deducible from gaudium, Latin, joy; the cause of joy; a token of joy: thence aptly applied to any thing that gives or expresses pleasure. In Scot-land, this word is still retained both as a showy bawble, and the person fooled. It also in Scotland denotes a yellow flower. Dr. Johnson. — Mr. Horne Tooke pretends, that gaud is the past participle of the Sax. Syran, to give; gaved, gav'd, gav'd, gaud. Div. of Purley, ii. 267. But the true etymon seems to be the Icel. gaeda, ornare. See Dr. Jamieson's Suppl. in V. To GAUD.] An ornament; a fine thing; a toy; a trinket; a bawble. It is not now much used.

A paire of bedes blacke as sable
She toke, and hynge my necke about;
Upon the gaudees all without
Was wryte of gold, Pur reposer.

Gower, Conf. Am. b. 8.
Their faythe is a substance of thynges unseen, and not of gaudes and fables apperynge to the eye.

Role. Yet a Course, &c. (1543.) fol. 33. b.

Bale, Yet a Course, &c. (1543.) fol.33. b.

He hath put it into the minds of good Christian princes and magistrates to disburden her [the church] of those stincking and defled gawdes.

Harmar, Transl. of Beza's Serm. (1587,) p.82.

He stole the impression of her fantasy, With bracelets of thy hair, rings, gauds, conceits, Knacks, trifles, nosegays, sweatmeats. Shakspeare.

The sun is in the heaven, and the proud day,
Attended with the pleasures of the world,
Is all too wanton, and too full of gauds,
To give me audience. Shakspeare, K. Lear.
My love to Hermia

Is melted as the snow; seems to me now As the remembrance of an idle gaud, Which in my childhood I did doat upon. Shaksp. Some bound for Guiney, golden sand to find, Bore all the gauds the simple natives wear;

Some for the pride of Turkish courts design'd, For folded turbants finest holland bear. Dryden, Ann. Mirab.

To GAUD.† v. n. [gaudeo, Lat.] To exult; to rejoice at any thing. Dr. Johnson produces an example from Shakspeare, where the true reading is go, and gaud is merely a conjecture of Warburton, viz.

Go to a gossip's feast, and go with me.

Com. of Err.

GA'UDED.* adj. [from gaud.]

1. Decorated with beads or trinkets.

About her arm she bare

A pair of bedes, gauded all with greene.

Chaucer, C. T. Prol.

2. Coloured.

Our veil'd dames
Commit the war of white, and damask, in
Their nicely gawded checks. Shakspeare, Coriol.
GA'UDERY. n. s. [from gaud.] Finery;

ostentatious luxury of dress.

The triumph was not pageants and gaudery, but

The triumph was not pageants and gauaery, but one of the wisest and noblest institutions that ever was.

Bacon, Ess. Age, which is but one remove from death, and

Age, which is but one remove from death, and should have nothing about us but what looks like a decent preparation for it, scarce ever appears, of late, but in the high mode, the flaunting garb, and utmost gaudery of youth, with clothes as ridiculously, and as much in the fashion, as the person that wears them is usually grown out of it.

South.

A plain suit, since we can make but one, Is better than to be by tarnish'd gaud'ry known. Dryden.

GA'UDILY.† adv. [from gaudy.] Showily.

Their persons are elegantly formed, gaudily decorated, and highly perfumed.

Guthrie, India in general.

gives or expresses pleasure. In Scot- GA'UDINESS.† n.s. [from gaudy.] Showiland this word is still retained both as ness; tinsel appearance.

She shall have more thanks for the poor's wardrobe (of her procuring) than her own; and for their warmth than her own gaudiness.

Whitlock, Mann. of the Eng. p.351.

Neither are the men much less guilty of this pernicious folly, who, in imitation of a gaudiness and foppery in dress introduced of late years into our kingdom, cannot find materials in their own country, worthy to adorn their bodies of clay, while their minds are naked of every valuable quality. Swift, Serm. on the State of Ireland.

GA'UDY.† adj. [from gaud. This adjective at first was gaudish, and is frequent in the writings of Bale.]

1. Showy; splendid; pompous; ostenta-

Costly thy habit as thy purse can buy, But not exprest in fancy; rich, not gaudy; For the apparel oft proclaims the man.

Shakspeare, Hamlet.
Fancies fond with gaudy shapes possess,
As thick and numberless

As the gay motes that people the sun beams.

Millon.

A goldfinch there I saw, with gaudy pride
Of painted plumes, that hopp'd from side to side.

Dryden.

The Bavarian duke his brigades leads, Gallant in arms, and gaudy to behold. Philips. A man who walks directly to his journey's end, will arrive thither much sooner than him who wanders aside to gaze at every thing, or to gather

every gaudy flower. Watts.

It is much to be lamented, that persons so naturally qualified to be great examples of piety, should, by an erroneous education, be made poor and gaudy spectacles of the greatest vanity. Law.

2. Rejoicing; festal.

Let's have another gaudy night; call to me All my sad captains, fill our bowls; once more Let's mock the midnight bell.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop.
'Tis joy clad like joy,
Which is more honest than a cunning grief

That's only fac'd with sables for a show,
But gaudy hearted.

Massinger, Old Law.

GA'UDY. n. s. [gaudium, Latin.] A feast; a festival; a day of plenty. A word used in the university.

He may surely be contented with a fast to-day, that is sure of a gaudy to-morrow. Cheyne.

GAVE. The preterite of give.

Thou canst not every day give me thy heart;
If thou canst give it, then thou never gav'st it:
Lovers riddles are, that though thy heart depart,
It stays at home, and thou with losing sav'st it.

Donne.

GA'VEL. + n. s.

1. A provincial word for ground.

Let it lie upon the ground or gavel eight or ten days.

Mortimer.

2. A tribute; a toll; a yearly rent. [Sax. zarol.] More usually written gabel. See Gabel.

GA'VELKIND.† n. s. Compounded by Lambert, in his Exposition of Saxon words, of zype, eal, cyn, omnibus cognatione proximis data. Verstegan, in his Restitution of Decayed Intelligence, calls it gavel-kind, quasi, give all kind, that is, give to each child his part. But Taylor, in his History of Gavelkind, would derive it from the British gafuel, a hold or tenure, and cennee, or cennedh, generatio aut familia; and so gavel cen-

nedh might signify tenura generationis. But whatever is the true etymology, it signifies in law a custom whereby the lands of the father are equally divided at his death amongst all his sons, or the land of the brother equally divided among the brothers, if he have no issue of his own. This custom is of force in divers places of England, but especially in Kent.

Cowel.

Among other Welsh customs, he abolished that of gavelkind, whereby the heirs female were utterly excluded, and the bastards did inherit as well as the legitimate, which is the very Irish gavelkind.

Davies on Ireland.

Owen was no sooner dead, but the custom of gavel-kind, which some think has ruined most families in Wales, occasioned great division amongst his sons. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 394. GA'VELOCK.* n. s. [Su. Goth. gafflack, Sax. zaveloc.] An iron crow or lever;

Sax. zaveloc.] An iron crow or lever; a strong iron bar. Common in the north of England, Westmoreland, and Craven Dialects, and Brockett's N. Country Words. In some places it is called also gafflock.

To GAUGE. v. a. [gauge, jauge, a measuring rod, French. It is pronounced,

and often written, gage.]

1. To measure with respect to the contents of a vessel.

2. To measure with regard to any proportion.

The vanes nicely gauged on each side, broad on one side, and narrow on the other, both which minister to the progressive motion of the bird.

Derham, Physico-Theology.

There is nothing more perfectly admirable in itself than that artful manner in Homer, of taking measure or gaging his heroes by each other, and thereby elevating the character of one person by the opposition of it to some other he is made to excel.

Pope, Ess. on Homer's Battles.

GAUGE. n. s. [from the verb.] A measure:

GAUGE. n. s. [from the verb.] A measure a standard.

This plate must be a gage to file your worm and groove to equal breadth by. Maxon, Mech. Exer. If money were to be hired, as land is, or to be had from the owner himself, it might then be had at the market rate, which would be a constant gauge

of your trade and wealth. Locke. Timothy proposed to his mistress that she should entertain no servant that was above four foot seven inches high, and for that purpose had prepared a gage, by which they were to be measured.

Arbuthnot, Hist. of John Bull.

GA'UGER. n. s. [from gauge.] One whose
business is to measure vessels or quantition

Those earls and dukes have been privileged with royal jurisdiction: and appointed their special officers, as sheriff, admiral gauger, and escheator.

Carew on Cornwall.

GAUL.* n. s. [Lat. Gallia.]

1. An ancient name of France. It is yet often used by our poets for modern

Here wak'd the flame that still superiour braves
The proudest threats of Gaul's ambitious slaves.

Warton on the Marriage of the King. (1761.)

Warton on the Marriage of the King, (1761.)
 An old inhabitant of France; and in poetry a modern Frenchman.

Nor did the Gaul

Not find him once a baleful foe. Philips, Blenheim Wherever the Celtæ or Gauls are mentioned by ancient writers, we seldom fail to hear of their druids and their bards.

Blair on the Poems of Ossian, p. 21

GA'ULISH.* adj. Relating to the Gauls.] See GAUL.

The Romans having subdued the Gauls, introduced part of their language among them; and a mixture of half Latin; half Gaulish or Celtick, constituted the romant language; of which the modern French is only an improvement. Chambers. Galliard is imagined to be derived from the Gaulish, ard, genius, and gay.

To GAUM.* v. a. [Icel. gaum, attention, gauma, to take a view of.] To understand; a northern word; as I do not gaum ye, i. e. I do not understand you, according to Grose. In Yorkshire, according to Ray, to mind or look at. We pronounce goam, says Ray, under that word gaum; and speak it of persons that unhandsomely gaze or look about them. Gaum is clearly the true word. It is still in use in Cheshire, and throughout the north of England.

GA'UMLESS.* adj. [from gaum.] Stupid; awkward; lubberly; senseless. Lancashire dialect, and other parts of the

To GAUNCH.* v.a. See To GANCH.

Among them are more frequent and horrid executions than

In the rest of Turky, as empaling, gaunching, flaying alive. Blount, Voyage to the Levant. p.94.

GAUNT. adj. [As if gewant, from zepaman, to lessen, Saxon.] Thin; slender; lean; meagre.

Oh, how that name befits my composition! Old Gaunt, indeed, and gaunt in being old: Within me grief hath kept a tedious fast: And who abstains from meat that is not gaunt? For sleeping England long time have I watch'd; Watching breeds leanness, leanness is all gaunt : The pleasure that some fathers feed upon Is my strict fast: I mean my children's looks: And therein fasting thou hast made me gaunt : Gaunt am I for the grave, gaunt as a grave, Whose hollow womb inherits nought but bones.

Shakspeare, Rich. II.
Two mastiffs gaunt and grim her flight pursu'd, And oft their fasten'd fangs in blood imbru'd.

Dryden, Fab.

GA'UNTLY. adv. [from gaunt.] Leanly;

slenderly; meagerly.

GA'UNTLET. n. s. [gantelet, French.] An iron glove used for defence, and thrown down in challenges. It is sometimes in poetry used for the cestus, or boxing glove.

A scaly gauntlet now with joints of steel, Must glove this hand. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. Feel but the difference soft and rough;

This a gauntlet, that a muff. Some shall in swiftness for the goal contend, And others try the twanging bow to bend;

The strong with iron gauntlets arm'd shall stand, Oppos'd in combat, on the yellow sand.

Who naked wrestled best, besmear'd with oil; Or who with gauntlets gave or took the foil, The funeral of some valiant night

May give this thing its proper light : View his two gauntlets; these declare That both his hands were us'd to war.

Prior. So to repel the Vandals of the stage, Our vet'ran bard resumes his tragick rage He throws the gauntlet Otway us'd to wield, And calls for Englishmen to judge the field,

Southern.

Yorkshire Ale, 1697. Still in use. Craven Dialect, 1824, viz. To stare vacantly. GA'UVISON.* n. s. [from gause.] A weak

foolish fellow; a silly staring fellow.

North. Grose, and Craven Dialect. GAVO'T. † n. s. [gavotte, French; said to be derived from the Gavets, a people inhabiting a mountainous district in France, called Gap. Chambers.] A kind of dance, probably resembling our hornpipe. Cotgrave calls it a kind of brawl danced, commonly, by one alone.

The disposition in a fiddle to play tunes in preludes, sarabands, jigs, and gavots, are real qua-

lities in the instrument.

Arbuthnot and Pope, Mart. Scriblerus.

GAUZE. n. s. [Fr. gaze, "the thin canvas that serves women for a ground unto their cushions, or pursework; also, the slight stuff, tiffany; also, a mantle, &c. also, wealth, substance, and a prince's treasury." Cotgrave. This refers us to the Lat. gaza.] A kind of thin transparent silk.

Silken clothes were used by the ladies; and it seems they were thin like gauze.

Arbuthnot on Coins.

Brocadoes, and damasks, and tabbies and gauzes, Are lately brought over. Swift.

GA'WBY.* n. s. [probably from the Fr. gabé, mocked, flouted. A dunce, fool, or blockhead; which Grose confines to our northern dialect; but it is not uncommon in the southern, with the pronunciation of gaby. A low expression.

GAWD.* See GAUD.

GAWK.† n. s. [zeac, Saxon, a cuckoo; geck, Germ. a fool.]

1. A cuckoo.

2. A foolish fellow. In both senses it is retained in Scotland, Dr. Johnson says, and he might have said in the north of England also.

In the north of England, persons thus imposed upon, [made April fools,] are called April gawks. A gouk or gowk is properly a cuckoo; and is used here metaphorically, in vulgar language, for a fool. The cuckoo is, indeed, every where a name of contempt. Gauch, in the Teutonick is rendered stultus, fool; whence also our northern word a goke or gawky. Brand, Popular Antiquities.

GA'WKY. n. s. A stupid, half-witted, or awkward person. See GAWK.

GA'wky.* adj. Awkward; ungainly; still so used in the north of England. A large half-length of Henry Darnley represents

A large nan-length of him tall, awkward, and gawky.

Pennant, Tour in Sco

To GAWM. See To GAUM.

GAWN. n. s. [corrupted for gallon.] A small tub or lading vessel. A provincial

GA'WNTREE. n. s. [Scottish.] A wooden frame on which beer-casks are set when tunned.

GAY. † adj. [gay, Fr. gae, Celt. gae, Icel. joy, mirth; γάω, Greek.

1. Airy; cheerful; merry; frolick.

Smooth flow the waves, the zephyrs gently play; Belinda smil'd, and all the world was gay. Ev'n rival wits did Voiture's fate deplore. And the gay mourn'd, who never mourn'd before.

A virgin that loves to go gay. Ye have respect to him that weareth the gay clothing. James, ii. 3. 3. Specious.

Neither your fyne disguisyng, nor your paynted colours, nor your gay rhetoricke, nor witty inventions, can so hide and cover the truth that it shall not appeare.

Abp. Cranmer, Answ. to Bp. Gardiner. p. 354, Enjoy your dear wit, and gay rhetorick, That hath so well been taught her dazzling fence.

Milton, Comus. GAY. n. s. [from the adjective.] An ornament; an embellishment.

Morose and untractable spirits look upon precepts in emblem, as they do upon gays and pictures, the fooleries of so many old wives' tales.

L'Estrange. GA'YETY. n. s, [gayeté, French; from gay.]

1. Chearfulness: airiness; merriment.

2. Acts of juvenile pleasure.

And from those gayeties our youth requires.

To exercise their minds, our age retires. Denham. 3. Finery; show.

GA'YLY. + adv. See GAILY.

 Merrily; chearfully; airily. Seest thou how gayly my young master goes, Vaunting himself upon his rising toes?

Bp. Hall, Sat. iii.7. 2. Splendidly; pompously; with great

The ladies, gayly dress'd, the Mall adorn With curious dies, and paint the sunny morn. Gay.

Like some fair flow'r, that early spring supplies, That gayly blooms, but ev'n in blooming dies. Pope. GA'YNESS.† n. s. [from gay.] Gayety; finery. Not much in use, Dr. Johnson

says; and he gives no example; but the first of the following he has applied to gayety, unjustifiably converting the poet's gayness to that word. Our gayness and our guilt are all besmirch'd

With rainy marching in the painful field.

Shakspeare, K. Hen. V. Delicacy of fare, softness of lodging, gayness of tire.

Bp. Hall, Epist. Dec. ii. Ep.10.

The Creator - is willing mankind should serve themselves of all his creatures' various excellencies, in their strength, weight, light, sweetness, warmness, tinctures, beauties, and colours; not only to necessity and plainness, but also curiosity and gayness. Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 99. GA'YSOME.* adj. [from gay.] Full of

And, fier'd with heat of gaysome youth, did venter.

With warlike troopes, the Norman coast to enter. Mir. for Mag. p.633.

To GAZE.† v. n. [ἀγάζεσθαι, or rather zerean, to see, Sax. Dr. Johnson. - Or perhaps the Heb. chazan, to see.] To look intently and earnestly; with eager-

What seest thou there? King Henry's diadem, Inchas'd with all the honours of the world :

If so, gaze on. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. From some she cast her modest eyes below;

At some her gazing glances roving flew. Fairfax. Gaze not on a maid, that thou fall not by those things that are precious in her. Ecclus. ix. 5. A lover's eyes will gaze an eagle blind. Shaksp.

High stations tumults, but not bliss create; None think the great unhappy, but the great. Fools gaze and envy; Envy darts a sting, Which makes a swain as wretched as a king. Young

To GAZE. † v. a. To view stedfastly. Strait toward heav'n my wond'ring eyes I turn'd, And gaz'd a while the ample sky. Milton, P. L. A A 2

To GAUVE.* v. n. To stare. Praise of 2. Fine; showy.

Appal'd I gaz'd The godlike presence; for athwart his brow Displeasure, temper'd with a mild concern, Look'd down reluctant on me.

Akenside, Pleas. of Imag. B. ii.

GAZE. n. s. [from the verb.] 1. Intent regard; look of eagerness or wonder; fixed look.

Being lighten'd with her beauty's beam, And thereby fill'd with happy influence, And lifted up above the worldis gaze, To sing with angels her immortal praise. Spenser. Do but note a wild and wanton herd,

If any air of musick touch their ears, You shall perceive them make a mutual stand, Their savage eyes turn'd to a modest gaze, By the sweet power of musick. Shak. Mer. of Ven. Not a month

'Fore your queen died, she was more worth such gazes

Than what you look on now. Shaksp. Wint. Tale. With secret gaze,

Or open admiration, him behold, On whom the great Creator hath bestow'd

Milton, P. L. Pindar is a dark writer, wants connection as to our understanding, soars out of sight, and leaves s readers at a gaze. Dryden, Pref. to Ovid.

After having stood at gaze before this gate, he his readers at a gaze. Addison, Freeholder. discovered an inscription.

2. The object gazed on.

I must die Betray'd, captiv'd, and both my eyes put out; Made of my enemies the scorn and gaze;

To grind in brazen fetters, under task,
With my heav'n-gifted strength.

Milton, S. A. GA'ZEFUL. adj. [gaze and full.] Looking intently.

The brightness of her beauty clear, The ravisht hearts of gazeful men might rear To admiration of that heavenly light.

Spenser, Hymn on Beauty. GA'ZEHOUND. n. s. [gaze and hound; canis agasæus; Skinner.] A hound that pursues not by the scent, but by the eye. Seest thou the gazehound! how with glance severe From the close herd he marks the destin'd deer!

GAZE'L. 7 n. s. An Arabian deer.

Wild gazels are caught by sending into the herd one already taken and tamed with a noose so fastened to his horns, as to entangle the animal that first approaches to oppose him.

Goldsmith, Nat. Hist. GA'ZEMENT.* n. s. [from gaze.] View.

Then forth he brought his snowy Florimele-Cover'd from people's gazement with a vele.

Spenser, F.Q. v. iii. 17. GA'ZER. n. s. [from gaze.] He that gazes; one that looks intently with eagerness or admiration.

In her cheeks the vermil red did shew, Like roses in a bed of lilies shed; The which ambrosial odours from them threw, And gazers sense with double pleasure fed.

Spenser, F.Q. I'll slay more gazers than the basilisk. Shakspeare, Hen. VI. Bright as the sun, her eyes the gazers strike;

And, like the sun, they shine on all alike. Pope. His learned ideas give him a transcendant de-light; and yet, at the same time, discover the blemishes which the common gazer never observed.

Watts, Logick. GA'ZET.* n. s. [Ital. gazetta.] A Venetian halfpenny. See GAZETTE.

Since you have said the word, I am content, But will not give a gazet less.

Massinger, Maid of Honour. GAZE'TTE. † n. s. [gazetta is a Venetian halfpenny, the price of a newspaper, of Dr. Johnson. - It was a kind of literary newspaper, in single sheets, published at Venice in the sixteenth century, which was sold for a gazet. The foglio d'avvisi, from the circumstance of its price, has given the name of gazette to newspapers in many countries. At first, we used, in the plural, gazetti. Our gazettes began to be regularly printed in 1665.] A paper of news; a paper of publick intelligence. It is accented indifferently on the first or last syllable, Dr. Johnson says; but the most ancient and correct accentuation is on the last.

O, I shall be the fable of all feasts, The freight of the gazetti, shipboys' tale, And, which is worst, ev'n talk for ordinaries. B. Jonson, Fox.

They carry in their pockets Tacitus, And the gazette, or Gallo-Belgicus.

B. Jonson, Emgr. 92. I am glad to hear from abroad in the High Dutch gazette, that there is a treaty of exchange in hand between Prince Rupert and Prince Casimir of Poland. Wotton, Rem. p. 579.

And sometimes when the loss is small, And danger great, they challenge all; Print new additions to their feats,

And emendations in gazettes. Hudibras. An English gentleman, without geography, cannot well understand a gazette.

One cannot hear a name mentioned in it that does not bring to mind a piece of the gazette. Addison, Guardian

All, all but truth, falls dead-born from the press;

Like the last gazette, or the last address. To GAZETTE.* v. a. [from the noun.] To insert in a gazette. A common word in conversation; as the dissolution of partnership is gazetted; his promotion is gazetted.

GAZETTE'ER. † n. s. [from gazette.] 1. A writer of news.

Mount now, to Gallo-Belgicus appear As deep a statesman as a gazetteer.

Donne, Verses on Coryat the Traveller. 2. An officer appointed to publish news by authority, whom Steele calls the lowest minister of state.

Satire is no more: I feel it die:

No gazetteer more innocent than I. He was without the trouble of attendance, or the mortification of a request, made gazetteer.

Johnson, Life of King.

3. A newspaper.

Glasses and bottles, pipes, and guzetteers, As if the table ev'n itself was drunk,

Lie a wet broken scene. Thomson, Autumn. They have drawled through columns of gazetteers and advertisers for a century together.

Burke on the State of the Nation. GA'ZINGSTOCK. † n. s. [gaze and stock.]

1. A person gazed at with scorn and abhorrence.

I will cast abominable filth upon thee, and make thee vile, and will set thee as a gazing-stock.

Nahum, iii. 6. Ye were made a gazing-stock both by reproaches

and afflictions. Heb. x. 33. These things are offences to us, by making us gazingstocks to others, and objects of their scorn

and derision. 2. Any object gazed at.

Every eye that is transported, and every heart that is fired with that immodest gazingstock, are so many spoils and trophies of their temptations.

Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 247,

which the first was published at Venice | GAZO'N. n. s. [French.] In fortification, pieces of fresh earth covered with grass, cut in form of a wedge, about a foot long and half a foot thick, to line parapets and the traversies of galleries.

> GE.* [Saxon.] A particle often prefixed to Saxon verbs, participles, and verbal

This preposition [prefix] was of our ancestors very much used, and is yet exceedingly used in the Low Dutch; where, according to their usual manner of pronouncing with aspiration, they use to put an h to it, and so make it ghe. We have since altered it from ge to y; which yet we seldom use in prose, but sometimes in poetry for the encreasing of syllables; as when we say, ywritten, ycleped, ylearned, ybroken, and the like.

Verstegan, Rest. of Dec. Intell. ch. 7.

To GEAL.* v.n. [old Fr. géler, "to congeal with cold." Cotgrave.] To congeal. It is still a northern word, meaning to be benummed with cold. See also GELABLE.

Receiving the dew of heaven into the gaping shell, it [the mother-pearl] forms little grains or seeds within it, which cleave to its sides, then grow hard, and geal, as it were.

Partheneia Sacra, (1633,) p. 190. GEAR. † n. s. [Sax. zeappian, to prepare, to make ready; zeapa, provision, apparatus. Often written geer.]

1. Furniture; accoutrements, dress; habit; ornaments.

Array thyself in her most gorgeous gear.

Spenser, F. Q. When he found her bound, stript from her gear, And vile tormentors ready saw in place, He broke through.

I fancy every body observes me as I walk the street, and long to be in my old plain gear again.

Addison, Guardian, To see some radiant nymph appear In all her glitt'ring birthday gear, You think some goddess from the sky

Descended ready cut and dry.

2. The traces by which horses or oxen

draw. Apollo's spite Pallas discern'd, and flew to Tydeus' son;

His scourge reacht, and his horse made fresh: then took her angry run At king Eumelus, brake his gears.

Chanman, Iliad. The frauds he learn'd in his fanatick years Made him uneasy in his lawful gears. Dryden.

3. Stuff. They burn frankincense, and other sweet savours; and light also a great number of wax can-

dles and tapers; not supposing this geer to be any thing available to the divine nature.

Robinson, Tr. of More's Utopia, ii. 11. If Fortune be a woman, she is a good wench Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. for this gear. Wel. Do you love tobacco?

Rog. Surely I love it, but it loves not me; yet with your reverence I'll be bold.

Wel. Pray light it, Sir. - How do you like it? Rog. I promise you, it is notable stinking geer indeed. Beaum. and Fl. Scornful Lady.

4. [In Scotland.] Goods or riches; as, he has gear enough.

5. The furniture of a draught-horse.

She rises before the sun to order the horses to their geers. Rambler, No. 138. 6. A general word for business, things, or

matters. That to Sir Calidore was easy geare.

Spensor, F. Q. vi. iii. 6,

I will remedy this gear ere long, Or sell my title for a glorious grave.

Shakspeare, K. Hen. VI. P. II. Why, hear you nurse? how comes this geer to pass? B. Jonson, Magn. Lady. When once her eye

Hath met the virtue of this magick dust, I shall appear some harmless villager, Whom thrift keeps up about his country gear.

Milton, Comus.

To GEAR.* v. a. [from the noun.] To dress; as, " snugly geered, i.e. neatly dressed. North. Ray, and Grose.

GE'ASON. † adj. [A word which I find only in Spenser, Dr. Johnson says; without offering any etymology, and with the definition only of wonderful, applied to his single example from Moth. Hubberd's Tale. It is in our old lexicography, as well as in Spenser, for rare. See Sherwood's Dict. And, according to Grose, it is an Essex word for scarce, hard to procure. It is apparently the Goth. geisn; usgeisnon, to be amazed, to wonder.] Rare; uncommon; wonderful.

The lady, hearkning to his sensefull speech, Found nothing that he said unmeet nor geason. Spenser, F. Q. vi. iv. 37.

It to leaches seem'd strange and geason. Spenser, Hubb. Tale.

Such as this age, in which all good is geason. Spenser, Vis. of the World's Vanity.
It was frosty winter's season,

And faire Flora's wealth was geason.

Greene, Philomel. Sec. Ode.

GEAT. n. s. [corrupted from jet.] The hole through which the metal runs into the mold. Moxon, Mech. Exer. GE'BERISH.* See GIBBERISH.

GECK. n. s. [Sax. zeac, a cuckoo; geck, German, a fool; gawk, Scottish. bubble easily imposed upon. Hanmer. Obsolete.

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First, Moloch, horrid king, besmear'd with blood

Of human sacrifice, and parents' tears;

Though for the noise of drums and timbrels loud, Their children's cries unheard, that pass'd through

To his grim idol - His grove The pleasant valley of Hinnom, Tophet thence And black Gehenna call'd, the type of hell.

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made it an eunuch. Shakspeare, Hen. VI. 2. To deprive of any essential part.

He bears his course, and runs me up With like advantage on the other side, Gelding the opposed continent as much As on the other side it takes from you.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

liable to objection.

For they, by his authentick copy know, Both how to geld and to adulterate it.

Beaumont's Psyche, (1651,) ix. 196. They were diligent enough to make sure work, and to geld it so clearly in some places that they took away the very manhood of it.

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To an infected gelly. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. The tapers of the gods,

The sun and moon, became like waxen globes, The shooting stars end all in purple gellies, And chaos is at hand.

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Spenser, Shep. Cal. Gelt. The participle passive of geld.

Let the others be gelt for oxen. Mortimer, Husb.

GEM.† n. s. Sax. zým; Icel. gem; Fr. gemme ; Lat. gemma.]

1. A jewel; a precious stone of whatever kind.

Love his fancy drew; And so to take the gem Urania sought. Sidney. I saw his bleeding rings Their precious gems new lost, became his guide,

Led him, begg'd for him, sav'd him from despair.

It will seem a hard matter to shadow a gem, or well pointed diamond, that hath many sides, and to give the lustre where it ought.

Peacham on Drawing. Stones of small worth may lie unseen by day; But night itself does the rich gem betray. Cowley.

The basis of all gems is, when pure, wholly diaphanous, and either crystal or an adamantine mat-

Appal'd I gaz'd The godlike presence; for athwart his brow Displeasure, temper'd with a mild concern, Look'd down reluctant on me.

Akenside, Pleas. of Imag. B. ii.

GAZE. n. s. [from the verb.] 1. Intent regard; look of eagerness or wonder; fixed look.

Being lighten'd with her beauty's beam, And thereby fill'd with happy influence, And lifted up above the worldis gaze, To sing with angels her immortal praise. Spenser. Do but note a wild and wanton herd,

If any air of musick touch their ears, You shall perceive them make a mutual stand, Their savage eyes turn'd to a modest gaze, By the sweet power of musick. Shak. Mer. of Ven.

Not a month 'Fore your queen died, she was more worth such

Than what you look on now. Shaksp. Wint. Tale. With secret gaze,

Or open admiration, him behold, On whom the great Creator hath bestow'd Milton, P. L. Worlds.

Pindar is a dark writer, wants connection as to our understanding, soars out of sight, and leaves s readers at a gaze. Dryden, Pref. to Ovid.

After having stood at gaze before this gate, he his readers at a gaze. discovered an inscription. Addison, Freeholder.

2. The object gazed on. I must die

Betray'd, captiv'd, and both my eyes put out; Made of my enemies the scorn and gaze;

To grind in brazen fetters, under task,
With my heav'n-gifted strength.

Millon, S. A. GA'ZEFUL. adj. [gaze and full.] Looking intently.

The brightness of her beauty clear, The ravisht hearts of gazeful men might rear To admiration of that heavenly light.

Spenser, Hymn on Beauty. GA'ZEHOUND. n. s. [gaze and hound; canis agasæus; Skinner.] A hound that pursues not by the scent, but by the eye.

Seest thou the gazehound! how with glance severe From the close herd he marks the destin'd deer!

GAZE'L. n. s. An Arabian deer.

Wild gazels are caught by sending into the herd one already taken and tamed with a noose so fastened to his horns, as to entangle the animal that first approaches to oppose him.

Goldsmith, Nat. Hist. GA'ZEMENT.* n. s. [from gaze.] View.

Tickell.

Then forth he brought his snowy Florimele-Cover'd from people's gazement with a vele.

Spenser, F.Q. v. iii. 17. GA'ZER. n. s. [from gaze.] He that gazes; one that looks intently with eagerness or admiration.

In her cheeks the vermil red did shew, Like roses in a bed of lilies shed; The which ambrosial odours from them threw, And gazers sense with double pleasure fed.

Spenser, F.Q. I'll slay more gazers than the basilisk. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

Bright as the sun, her eyes the gazers strike; And, like the sun, they shine on all alike. Pope.

His learned ideas give him a transcendant delight; and yet, at the same time, discover the blemishes which the common gazer never observed. Watts, Logick.

GA'ZET.* n. s. [Ital. gazetta.] A Venetian halfpenny. See GAZETTE.

Since you have said the word, I am content, But will not give a gazet less. Massinger, Maid of Honour,

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The freight of the gazetti, shipboys' tale, And, which is worst, ev'n talk for ordinaries. B. Jonson, Fox.

They carry in their pockets Tacitus, And the gazette, or Gallo-Belgicus.

B. Jonson, Epigr. 92. I am glad to hear from abroad in the High Dutch gazette, that there is a treaty of exchange in hand between Prince Rupert and Prince Casimir of Poland. Wotton, Rem. p. 579.

And sometimes when the loss is small, And danger great, they challenge all; Print new additions to their feats,

And emendations in gazettes. An English gentleman, without geography,

cannot well understand a gazette. One cannot hear a name mentioned in it that does not bring to mind a piece of the gazette.

Addison, Guardian. All, all but truth, falls dead-born from the press;

Like the last gazette, or the last address. To GAZETTE.* v. a. [from the noun.] To insert in a gazette. A common word in conversation; as the dissolution of partnership is gazetted; his promotion is gazetted.

GAZETTE'ER. † n. s. [from gazette.] A writer of news.

> Mount now, to Gallo-Belgicus appear As deep a statesman as a gazetteer

Donne, Verses on Coryat the Traveller. 2. An officer appointed to publish news by authority, whom Steele calls the

lowest minister of state. Satire is no more: I feel it die: No gazetteer more innocent than I.

He was without the trouble of attendance, or the mortification of a request, made gazetteer. Johnson, Life of King.

3. A newspaper.

Glasses and bottles, pipes, and guzetteers, As if the table ev'n itself was drunk,

Lie a wet broken scene. Thomson, Autumn. They have drawled through columns of gazetteers and advertisers for a century together. Burke on the State of the Nation.

GA'ZINGSTOCK.† n. s. [gaze and stock.]

 A person gazed at with scorn and abhorrence.

I will cast abominable filth upon thee, and make thee vile, and will set thee as a gazing-stock. Nahum, iii. 6.

Ye were made a gazing-stock both by reproaches Heb. x. 33.

These things are offences to us, by making us gazingstocks to others, and objects of their scorn and derision.

2. Any object gazed at.

Every eye that is transported, and every heart that is fired with that immodest gazingstock, are so many spoils and trophies of their temptations.

Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 247,

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> Harris. GE.* [Saxon.] A particle often prefixed to Saxon verbs, participles, and verbal

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Verstegan, Rest. of Dec. Intell. ch. 7.

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Receiving the dew of heaven into the gaping shell, it [the mother-pearl] forms little grains or seeds within it, which cleave to its sides, then grow hard, and geal, as it were. Partheneia Sacra, (1633,) p. 190.

GEAR. † n. s. [Sax. zeappian, to prepare, to make ready; zeapa, provision, apparatus. Often written geer.] 1. Furniture: accoutrements, dress; ha-

bit; ornaments.

Array thyself in her most gorgeous gear.

Spenser, F. Q. When he found her bound, stript from her gear, And vile tormentors ready saw in place, He broke through.

I fancy every body observes me as I walk the street, and long to be in my old plain gear again.

Addison, Guardian, To see some radiant nymph appear In all her glitt'ring birthday gear You think some goddess from the sky

Descended ready cut and dry. Swift. 2. The traces by which horses or oxen

Apollo's spite Pallas discern'd, and flew to Tydeus' son;

His scourge reacht, and his horse made fresh: then took her angry run

At king Eumelus, brake his gears. Chapman, Iliad.

The frauds he learn'd in his fanatick years Made him uneasy in his lawful gears. Dryden. 3. Stuff.

They burn frankincense, and other sweet savours; and light also a great number of wax candles and tapers; not supposing this geer to be any thing available to the divine nature.

Robinson, Tr. of More's Utopia, ii. 11. If Fortune be a woman, she is a good wench for this gear. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. Wel. Do you love tobacco?

Rog. Surely I love it, but it loves not me; yet

with your reverence I'll be bold. Wel. Pray light it, Sir. - How do you like it?

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he has gear enough. 5. The furniture of a draught-horse.

She rises before the sun to order the horses to their geers. Rambler, No. 138. 6. A general word for business, things, or

matters. That to Sir Calidore was easy geare.

Spenser, F. Q. vi. Ti. 6.

I will remedy this gear ere long, Or sell my title for a glorious grave.

Shakspeare, K. Hen. VI. P. II. Why, hear you nurse? how comes this geer to pass? B. Jonson, Magn. Lady. When once her eye

Hath met the virtue of this magick dust, I shall appear some harmless villager, Whom thrift keeps up about his country gear.

Milton, Comus.

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The lady, hearkning to his sensefull speech, Found nothing that he said unmeet nor geason. Spenser, F. Q. vi. iv. 37.

It to leaches seem'd strange and geason. Spenser, Hubb. Tale.

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To Gem. † v. a. [gemmo, Lat. gemmer, old Fr. to adorn, as with jewels or buds. She who in her life-time was cotemn'd, Ev'n in her very funerals is gemm'd.

Lovelace, Luc. Posth. p. 101. To GEM. v. n. [gemmo, Lat.] To put forth the first buds.

Last rose, in dance, the stately trees, and spread Their branches, hung with copious fruit; or gentm'd
Their blossoms.

Milton, P. L. GE'MEL.* n. s. [Lat. gemellus; Fr. gemeau, gemelle.] A pair; two things of a sort. It is still an heraldick term.

The quadrin doth never double; or, to use a word of heraldrie, never bringing forth gemels. Drayton, Barons' Wars, Pref.

GE'MEL Ring * n. s. This is the old expression for what, in later times, has been written gimmal and gimbal ring. It was also called a gemow ring; i. e. " double or twins, because they be rings with two or more links." Minsheu. So, according to the older authority of Huloet, "a gemol or gemmow ring.

A garland of bays and rosemary, a gimmall ring, with one link hanging. Brewer, Com. of Lingua, ii. 4.

GEMELLI'PAROUS. adj. [gemelli and pario, Latin. Bearing twins. To GE'MINATE. v. a. [gemino, Latin.]

GEMINA'TION. n. s.+ [from geminate.] Repetition; reduplication.

If the will be in the sense, and in the conscience both, there is a gemination of it.

Bacon, Tab. of the Col. of Good and Evil. That gemination, after the manner of the Hebrews, hath much emphasis, and fortifies the signification of the words.

Bp. Sanderson on Promiss. Oaths. i. § 13. Be not afraid of them that kill the body: fear him, which, after he hath killed, hath power to cast into hell: yea, I say unto you, with a gemination, which the present controversy shews not to have been causeless, fear him. Boyle.

GE'MINI.* n. s. pl. [Latin.] The twins, Castor and Pollux; the third sign in the zodiack.

In Gemini that noble power is shewn, That twins their hearts, and doth of two make one. B, Jonson, Masques.

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I have grated upon my good friends for three reprieves for you, and your couch-fellow, Nim; or else you had looked through the grate, like a geminy of baboons. Shakspeare. A geminy of asses split, would make just four

GE'MINOUS. adj. [geminus, Latin.] Double. Christians have baptized these geminous births, and double connascencies, with several names, as conceiving in them a distinction of souls.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

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GE'MMY.* adj. [from gem.] Resembling

The flitting cloud against the summit dash'd, And, by the sun illumin'd, pouring bright

Thomson, Liberty, P. iv. A gemmy shower. GE'MOTE. † n. s. [Sax. zemot.] A meeting; the court of the hundred. Obsolete.

GE'NDER. † n. s. [genus, Latin; gendre, French.

1. A kind; a sort. Not in use.

Our bodies are our gardens, to the which our wills are gardeners; so that if we will supply it with one gender of herbs, or distract it with many, the power and corrigible authority of this lies in our will. Shakspeare, Othello.

The other motive, Why to a publick court I might not go, Is the great love the general gender bare me. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

2. A sex.

Sex and gender are qualities which belong to substances, but cannot belong to the qualities of substances. A. Smith, on the Form. of Languages. 3. [In grammar.] A denomination given to nouns from their being joined with an

adjective in this or that termination. Clark. Cubitus, sometimes cubitum in the neutral gender, signifies the lower part of the arm on which

Arbuthnot. Ulysses speaks of Nausicaa, yet immediately changes the word into the masculine gender.

 $Broome_*$ To GE'NDER. v. a. [old Fr. gendrer.] 1. To beget!

Abraham gendred Isaac. Wicliffe, St. Matt. i.2. Hath the rain a father? or who hath begotten the drops of dew? out of whose womb came the ice? and the hoary frost of heaven, who hath gendred it? Job, xxxviii. 28, 29. 2. To produce; to cause.

Foolish and unlearned questions avoid, knowing that they do gender strifes. 2 Tim. ii. 23.

To GE'NDER. v. n. To copulate; to breed. 9. Common: usual. A cistern for foul toads

Shakspeare, Othello, To gender in, Thou shalt not let thy cattle gender with a diverse kind. Lev. xix. 19.

GENEALO'GICAL. † adj. [from genealogy.] Pertaining to descents or families; pertaining to the history of the successions of houses.

Among the rest was the room in which James I. died, and a portico with a genealogical tree of the house of Cecil painted on the walls.

Gough, Topograph. under Theobalds.

GENEALO'GIST.† n. s. [γενεαλογέω, Gr. genealogiste, French.] He who traces descents.

Considering what trash is thought worthy to be hoarded by genealogists, the following may not be a despicable addition so those repositories.

GENEA'LOGY.† n. s. [genealogie, old Fr. Cotgrave; from the Gr. yeved and λόγος. History of the succession of families; enumeration of descent in order of succession; a pedigree.

The ancients ranged chaos into several regions; and in that order successively rising one from another, as if it was a pedigree or genealogy. Burnet, Theory.

GE'NERABLE. * adj. [from genero, Latin.] That may be produced or begotten.

Cockeram, and Bullokar. Others say, that the forms of particular words are generable and corruptible. Bentley, Serm. 6.

GE'NERAL. + adj. [general, French; generalis, Latin.]

1. Comprehending many species or individuals; not special; not particular. Thou thyself hast been a libertine ; -

And all the embossed sores, and headed evils, That thou with licence of free foot hast caught, Would'st thou disgorge into the general world. Shakspeare, As you like it.

2. Lax in signification; not restrained to any special or particular import.

Where the author speaks more strictly and particularly on any theme, it will explain the more loose and general expressions. Watts on the Mind. 3. Not restrained by narrow or distinctive

limitations.

A general idea is an idea in the mind, considered there as separated from time and place, and so capable to represent any particular being that is conformable to it. Locke.

4. Relating to a whole class or body of men, or a whole kind of any being.

They, because some have been admitted without trial, make that fault general which is particular. Whitgift.

5. Publick; comprising the whole. Now would we deign him burial of his men, Till he disbursed at St. Colmeskill isle, Ten thousand dollars to our gen'ral use.

Shakspeare, Macbeth. Nor fail'd they to express how much they prais'd, That for the general safety he despis'd

His own. Milton, P. L. 6. Not directed to any single object.

If the same thing be peculiarly evil, that general aversion will be turned into a particular hatred against it.

7. Having relation to all.

The wall of Paradise upsprung, Which to our general sire gave prospect large Into his nether empire neighb'ring round. Milton, P. L.

8. Extensive, though not universal.

You will rather show our general lowts How you can frown. Shakspeare, Coriol.

10. Compendious.

I have been bold, (For that I knew it the most general way,) To them to use your signet and your name. Shakspeare, Tim. of Athens.

11. General is appended to several offices: as, Attorney General, Solicitor General, Vicar General.

GE'NERAL. + n. s.

1. The whole; the totality; the main, without insisting on particulars.

That which makes an action fit to be commanded or forbidden, can be nothing else, in general, but its tendency to promote or hinder the attainment of some end. Norris.

In particulars our knowledge begins, and so spreads itself by degrees to generals. Locke.

I have considered Milton's Paradise Lost in the fable, the characters, the sentiments, and the language; and have shewn that he excels, in general, under each of these heads.

An history painter paints man in general: a portrait painter, a particular man, and consequently a defective model. Reynolds

2. The publick; the interest of the whole.

Not in use.

Neither my place, nor aught I heard of business, Hath raised me from my bed; nor doth the general Take hold on me; for my particular grief Ingluts and swallows other sorrows.

Shakspeare, Othello.

3. The vulgar. Not now in use. The play, I remember, pleased not the million; 'twas caviare to the general; but it was as I re-

ceived it, and others, whose judgment in such matters cried in the top of mine, an excellent Shakspeare, Hamlet.

Undervaluing many particulars (which they truly esteemed,) as rather to be consented to than

that the general should suffer.

Ld. Clarendon, Hist. Reb. b. 5. 4. [General, Fr.] One that has the command over an army.

A general is one that hath power to command an

The generals on the enemy's side are inferior to several that once commanded the French armies. Addison on the War.

The war's whole art each private soldier knows, And with a gen'ral's love of conquest glows. Addison.

5. A particular beat of the drum; pro-

bably from the preceding word. It is the signal of marching.

GENERALI'SSIMO, † n. s. [generalissime, French, from general. Addison, having termed Agamemnon generalissimo of the Grecian expedition, (Tatler, 152.) is reproved by bishop Hurd with this reflection on the word: "Instead of this cant and ludicrous term, he should have used the more noble one of general, or commander in chief." Addison's Works, edit. Hurd, vol. ii. 337. The examples from Clarendon and Brown, given by Dr. Johnson, might have served to rescue the word from such a charge. The authorities of Sir Henry Wotton, Henry More, and South, which I add, further shew the serious manner in which the word is used. The supreme commander.

Priuli had passed through all the principal charges of the state in the civil way; and had lastly

in the military been generalissimo.

Wotton, Elect. of the Duke of Venice. The officers of the ganeralissimo of the world. that are as the eyes and ears of the great king, in the seeing and hearing all things.

More, Conj. Cabb. p. 183. Ingratitude - a sin of an universal comprehension; and, as I may so speak, the generalissimo of sins, having an influence upon all the particular sins and irregularities of our practice.

South, Serm. ix. 118, Commission of generalissimo was likewise given Clarendon

to the prince.

Pompey had deserved the name of great; and Alexander, of the same cognomination, was generalissimo of Greece.

GENERA'LITY. n. s. [generalité, French;

from general.]

1. The state of being general; the quality of including species or particulars.

Because the curiosity of man's wit doth with peril wade farther in the search of things than were convenient, the same is thereby restrained unto such generalities as, every where offering themselves, are apparent to men of the weakest conceit.

These certificates do only in the generality men- (tion the parties contumacies and disobedience. Ayliffe, Parergon.

2. The main body; the bulk; the common

Necessity, not extending to the generality, but resting upon private heads.

By his own principles he excludes from salvation the generality of his own church; that is, all that do not believe upon his grounds. Tillotson.

The generality of the English have such a favourable opinion of treason, nothing can cure Addison

They publish their ill-natured discoveries with a secret pride, and applaud themselves for the singularity of their judgement, which has found a flaw in what the generality of mankind admires.

The wisest were distracted with doubts, while the generality wandering without any ruler. Rogers. GENERALIZA'TION.* n. s. [from generalis,

Lat.] The act of reducing to a genus. The original invention of such words would require a yet greater effort of abstraction, and generalization, than that of nouns adjective.

A. Smith on the Form of Languages. To GE'NERALIZE.* v. a. [generalis, Lat. To reduce to a genus.

Sometimes the name of an individual is given to a general conception, and thereby the individual in a manner generalised.

GE'NERALLY. adv. [from general.]

1. In general; without specification or exact limitation.

I am not a woman to be touched with so many giddy fancies as he hath generally taxed their whole

Generally we would not have those that read this work of Sylva Sylvarum, account it strange that we have set down particulars untried. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

2. Extensively, though not universally.

3. Commonly; frequently.

4. In the main; without minute detail; in the whole taken together.

Generally speaking, they live very quietly.

Addison, Guardian. Generally speaking, they have been gaining ever since, though with frequent interruptions.

Generally speaking, persons designed for long life, though in the former years they were small eaters, yet find their appetites encrease with their

GE'NERALNESS. n. s. [from general.] Wide extent, though short of universality: frequency; commonness.

They had, with a general consent, rather springing by the generalness of the cause than of any artificial practice, set themselves in arms. Sidney.

GE'NERALSHIP.* n. s. [from general.]
Conduct of him who commands an army; and applied also, generally, to good or bad management.

Cicero laughs, in one of his letters, at his gene-Bolingbroke, Lett. on Hist. This is looked upon in no other light, but as an artful stroke of generalship in Trim to raise a

Sterne. GE'NERALTY. n. s. [from general.] The whole; the totality.

The municipal laws of this kingdom are of a vast extent, and include in their generalty all those several laws which are allowed as the rule of justice and judicial proceedings. Hale.

GE'NERANT. n. s. [generans, Lat.] The begetting, or productive power.

Some believe the soul made by God, some by angels, and some by the generant: whether it be immediately created or traduced bath been the great ball of contention. Glanville, Scepsis.

In such pretended generations the generant or active principle is supposed to be the sun, which, being an inanimate body, cannot act otherwise than by his heat.

To GE'NERATE. v.a. [genero, Lat.] 1. To beget; to propagate.

Those creatures which being wild generate seldom, being tame, generate often. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

2. To produce to life; to procreate. God created the great whales, and each Soul living, each that crept, which plenteously The waters generated by their kinds. Milt. P. L. Or find some other way to generate mankind. Milton, P. L.

3. To cause; to produce. Sounds are generated where there is no air at all.

Whatever generates a quantity of good chyle, must likewise generate milk. Arbuth. on Aliments.

GENERA'TION. n. s. [from generate; generation, Fr.]

1. The act of begetting or producing. Seals make excellent impressions; and so it may be thought of sounds in their first generation : but then the dilation of them, without any new sealing, shews they cannot be impressions.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

He longer will delay, to hear thee tell His generation, and the rising birth

Of nature from the unapparent deep. If we deduce the several races of mankind in the several parts of the world from generation, we must imagine the first numbers of them, who in any place agree upon any civil constitutions, to assemble as so many heads of families whom they represent.

2. A family; a race.

Y'are a dog. - Thy mother's of my generation : what's she, if I be a dog? Shakspeare, Timon.

3. Progeny; offspring.

The barb'rous Scythian, Or he that makes his generation messes, To gorge his appetite, shall to my bosom

Be as well neighbour'd. Shakspeare, K. Lear. 4. A single succession; one gradation in the scale of genealogical descent.

This generation shall not pass till all these things be fulfilled. St. Matt. xxiv. 34. In the fourth generation they shall come hither

A marvellous number were excited to the conquest of Palestine, which with singular virtue they performed, and held that kingdom some few gene-Ralegh, Essays.

5. An age.

By some of the ancients a generation was fixed at an hundred years; by others at an hundred and ten; by others at thirty-three, thirty, twenty-five, and twenty: but it is remarked, that the continuance of generations is so much longer as they come nearer to the more ancient times.

Every where throughout all generations and ages of the Christian world, no church ever perceived the word of God to be against it.

GE'NERATIVE. adj. [generatif, French, from genero, Latin.]

1. Having the power of propagation.

He gave to all, that have life, a power generative, thereby to continue their species and kinds. Ralegh, Hist.

In grains and kernels the greatest part is but the nutriment of that generative particle, so disproportionable unto it.

2. Prolifick; having the power of production; fruitful.

If there hath been such a gradual diminution of | the generative faculty upon the earth, why was there not the like decay in the production of vegetables? Rentley.

GE'NERATOR. † n. s. [generateur, Fr. from genero, Lat.]
1. The power which begets, causes, or

produces.

Imagination assimilates the idea of the generator into the reality in the thing engendered.

Brown, Vulg. Err. 2. The person who begets.

Adam hath not only fallen from his Creator, but we ourselves from Adam, our primary generator. Brown, Chr. Mor. i. 28.

GENE'RICAL.] adj. [generique, French; GENE'RICK. S from genus, Latin.] That which comprehends the genus, or distinguishes from another genus; but does not distinguish the species.

The word consumption being applicable to a proper, and improper to a true and bastard consumption, requires a generical description quadrate to both.

te to both. Harvey on Consumptions.

Though wine differs from other liquids, in that it is the juice of a certain fruit; yet this is but a general or generick difference; for it does not distinguish wine from cyder or perry: the specifick difference of wine, therefore, is its pressure from Watts, Logick.

GENE'RICALLY. adv. [from generick.] With regard to the genus, though not the

species.

These have all the essential characters of seashells, and shew that they are of the very same specifick gravity with those to which they are so generically allied.

GENERO'SITY. † n. s. [generosité, French; generositas, Latin.]

1. High birth.

To break the heart of generosity, And make bold power look pale. Shaksp. Coriol. 2. The quality of being generous; magnanimity; liberality.

Can he be better principled in the grounds of true virtue and generosity than his young tutor is? Locke on Education.

It would not have been your generosity, to have passed by such a fault as this. Locke.

GE'NEROUS.† adj. [generosus, Latin; genereux, French.

1. Not of mean birth; of good extraction. Let her not be poor, how generous soever; for a man can buy nothing in the market with gen-Ld. Burleigh, Precepts to his Son. Your dinner, and the generous islanders By you invited, do attend your person.

Shakspeare, Othello. 2. Noble of mind; magnanimous; open of heart.

A generous virtue of a vigorous kind, Pure in the last recesses of the mind. Dryden. That gen'rous boldness to defend An innocent or absent friend.

The gen'rous critick fann'd the poet's fire, And taught the world with reason to admire.

Such was Roscommon, not more learned than good,

With manners generous as his noble blood. The gen'rous god who wit and gold refines, And ripens spirits as he ripens mines, His gen'rous spouse, Theano, heav'nly fair,

Nurs'd the young stranger with a mother's care.

Pray for others in such forms, with such length, importunity, and earnestness, as you use for yourself; and you will find all little ill-natured passions die away, your heart grow great and generous,

delighting in the common happiness of others, as i you used only to delight in your own. 3. It is used of animals. Spritely; daring;

So the imperial eagle does not stay, Till the whole carcase he devour, As if his gen'rous hunger understood That he can never want plenty of food, He only sucks the tasteful blood. Cowley. Acteon spies

His op'ning hounds, and now he hears their cries: A gen'rous pack.

4. Liberal; munificent.

courageous.

When from his vest the young companion bore The cup the gen'rous landlord own'd before, And paid profusely with the precious bowl, The stinted kindness of this churlish soul. Parnel.

Fast by the margin of her native flood, Whose wealthy waters are well known to fame, Fair as the bordering flowers the princess stood, And rich in bounty as the gen'rous stream. Hey on Pharaoh's Daughter.

5. Strong; vigorous.

Having in a digestive furnace drawn off the ardent spirit from some good sack, the phlegm, even in this generous wine, was copious.

Those who in southern climes complain, From Phœbus' rays they suffer pain, Must own that pain is well repaid, By gen'rous wines beneath a shade.

GE'NEROUSLY. adv. [from generous.] 1. Not meanly with regard to birth.

2. Magnanimously; nobly. When all the gods our ruin have foretold,

Yet generously he does his arms withhold. Dryden, Ind. Emp. 3. Liberally; munificently.

GE'NEROUSNESS. † n. s. [from generous.] The quality of being generous.

The whole Ethnick religion was nothing but a perpetual banishment of all true generousness and freedom of mind. Spencer on Prod. (1665,) p. 82. Is it possible to conceive that the overflowing

generousness of the Divine Nature would create immortal beings with mean or envious principles? Collier on Kindness.

GE'NESIS.† n. s. [Gr. γένεσις; genese, Fr.] Generation; the first book of Moses, which treats of the production of the world.

The first [book of Moses] is called Genesis, because it contains the history of the creation of the world, with which it begins; and the genealogy of the patriarchs down to the death of Joseph, where Patrick on Genesis.

GE'NET. † n. s. [French. The word originally signified a horseman, and perhaps a gentleman or knight. Dr. Johnson. -The original word is the Spanish ginete, "a light horseman, that rideth a la gineta, called a ginnet." Minsheu, Span. Dict. Our word is often written jennet, and sometimes gennet.] A small sized well proportioned Spanish horse.

You'll have your nephews neigh to you; you'll have coursers for cousins, and genets for ger-The king of Navarre escaped by the swiftness

of a Spanish gennet: which race, for their winged speed, the poets feigned to be begot of the wind. Fullar, Holy War, p. 180.

It is no more likely that frogs should he engendered in the clouds than Spanish genets be begotten by the wind. He shews his statue too, where placed on high,

The genet underneath him seems to fly

GE'NET.* n. s. [genette, old Fr. gineta, Spanish. Our word is sometimes writ- 3. Natural; native.

ten ginet.] An animal of the weasel kind; "a beast almost of the bigness of a cat, breeding in Spain. There are two colours of them, black and gray; the fur of the black is most esteemed." Bullokar.

GENETHLIACAL. † adj. [old Fr. genethliaque, from the Gr. yeved hlanos.] Pertaining to nativities as calculated by astronomers; shewing the configurations of the stars at any birth.

The night immediately before he was slighting the art of those foolish astrologers, and genethliacal ephemerists, that use to pry into the horoscope of Howell, Voc. For. nativities.

The genethliacal astrologers have other signs, more subtle, though perhaps not much more cer-Ferrand, Love Melanch. p. 149.

GENETHLIACKS. n. s. pl. [from LEVEDλη.] The science of calculating nativities, or predicting the future events of life from the stars predominant at the

GENETHLIA'TICK. n. s. [γενέθλη.] One who calculates nativities.

The truth of astrological predictions is not to be referred to the constellations: the genethliaticks conjecture by the disposition, temper, and complexion of the person.

GENE'VA. 7 n. s. [A corruption of genevre, French, a juniper-berry.] We used to keep a distilled spirituous water of juniper in the shops. At present only a better kind is distilled from the juniper-berry: what is commonly sold is made with no better an ingredient than oil of turpentine, put into the still, with a little common salt and the coarsest Hill, Mat. Med. It is now a common word for the fiery

liquid called gin. See Gin. Bid him sleep:

'Tis a sign he has ta'en his liquor; and if you meet An officer preaching of sobriety, Unless he read it in Geneva print,

Lay him by the heels. Massinger, Duke of Milan. GENE'VANISM.* n.s. [from Geneva.] Strict

The publick doctrine of the Church of England is not very likely to have been, or to be, upon the party of a faction, that hath so long had a schism on foot against it, to bring in Genevanism into church and state wholly, totally, were it possible. Mountagu, App. to Cæs. p. 72.

GENEVO'IS.* n. s. pl. People of Geneva; now written Genevese.

The Genevois have been very much refined, or, as others will have it, corrupted by the conversation of the French Protestants. Addison on Italy.

GE'NIAL. † adj. [genial, old Fr. genialis, Latin.

That which contributes to propagation. Higher of the genial bed by far, And with mysterious reverence I deem.

Milton, P. L. Creator Venus, genial pow'r of love,

The bliss of men below and gods above!

That gives cheerfulness or supports Nor will the light of life continue long,

But yields to double darkness nigh at hand; So much I feel my genial spirits droop. Milton, S. A.

It chiefly proceedeth from natural incapacity, and genial indisposition. Brown, Vulg. Err.

4. Gay; merry

The celebrated drinking ode of this genial archdeacon [Walter de Mapes] has the regular returns of the monkish rhyme.

Warton, Hist. E. P. vol. i. Diss. ii.

GE'NIALLY. † adv. [from genial.]

1. By genius; naturally.

Some men are genially disposed to some opinions, and naturally as averse to others.

Glanville, Scepsis.

2. Gayly; cheerfully.

The splendid sun genially warmeth the fertile Harris, Hermes, B. 2. ch. 3.

To GENI'CULATE.* v. a. [Lat. geniculo.] To joint or knot. Cockeram. GENI'CULATED. adj. [geniculatus, Latin.]

Knotted; jointed.

A piece of some geniculated plant seeming to be part of a sugar-cane. Wcodward on Fossils. GENICULA'TION. † n. s. [geniculatio, Lat.] 1. Knottiness; the quality in plants of

having knots or joints.

2. The act of kneeling.

There are five points in question: the solemn festivities; the private use of either sacrament; geniculation at the eucharist, &c.

Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 307.

GE'NIE.* n. s. [old Fr. genie.] Inclination; disposition; turn of mind.

Dr. J. Wallis, the keeper of the University registers, &c. did put into the hands of A. Wood the keys of the school-tower, and the key of the room where the said registers, &c. are reposed, to the end that he might advance his esurient genie in antiquities. Life of A. Wood, p. 147.

GE'NIO. n. s. [genio, Ital. genius, Lat.] A man of a particular turn of mind.

Some genios are not capable of pure affection; and a man is born with talents for it as much as for poetry, or any other science. Tatler.

GE'NITALS. n. s. Pl. [genitalis, Latin.] Parts belonging to generation.

Ham is conceived to be Jupiter, who was the youngest son, who is said to have cut off the genitals of his father.

GE'NITING. n. s. [A corruption of Janeton, French, signifying Jane or Janet, having been so called in honour of some lady of that name; and the Scottish dialect calls them Janet apples, which is the same with Janeton: otherwise supposed to be corrupted from Juneting. Dr. Johnson. - May not the word be just as well supposed to be borrowed from the old French genetin, a kind of grape, from which a white wine was made; the apple perhaps resembling it in flavour? See Lacombe and Roq. in V. GENETIN.] An early apple gathered in June.

In July come early pears and plumbs in fruit, genitings, and codlins.

GE'NITIVE. + adj. [genitivus, Latin.] In grammar, the name of a case, which, among other relations, signifies one begotten, as, the father of a son; or one begetting, as, son of a father.

All relatives are said to reciprocate, or mutually infer each other; and therefore they are often expressed by this case, that is to say, the genitive.

Harris, Herm. B. 2, ch. 4. The relation of possession, or belonging, is often expressed by a case, or different ending of the substantive. The case answers to the genitive case VOL. II.

in the Latin, and may still be so called, though perhaps more properly the possessive case.

Lowth, Gramm. GE'NITOR.* n. s. [Latin, genitor; old Fr. geniteur.] A sire; a father.

Profane legends - termed by their genitors and forefathers golden legends.

Sheldon, Mir. of Antichrist, (1616,) p. 12. Whosoever is generative, is from him which is the genitor. Pearson on the Creed, Art. 1. GE'NITURE.* n. s. [old Fr. geniture.] Generation; birth.

He had the significators in his geniture fortune. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 7.

This work, by merit first of fame secure, Is likewise happy in its geniture;

For, since 'tis born when Charles ascends the throne,

It shares at once his fortune and its own. Dryden, Ep. to Sir R. Howard.

GE'NIUS. † n. s. [Lat. genie, French. Dr. Johnson has given no instance of the plural number of this word. It is both genii, and geniuses; the former of which belongs to the first definition only; the latter, to any of the rest.]

1. The protecting or ruling power of men,

places, or things.

There is none but he Whose being I do fear: and, under him, My genius is rebuk'd; as it is said Antony's was by Cæsar. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

The genius and the mortal instruments Are then in council; and the state of man, Like to a little kingdom, suffers then.

Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs. And as I awake, sweet musick breathe, Sent by some spirit to mortals good,

Or th' unseen genius of the wood. Milton, Il Pens. And the tame demon that should guard my throne,

Shrinks at a genius greater than his own. Dryden. To your glad genius sacrifice this day;

Let common meats respectfully give way. Dryden. What indeed are the genii of the Arabs, the peris of the Persians, but the elfs and fairies of England? Hole on the Arabian Nights' Ent. p. 13.

2. A man endowed with superior faculties. There is no little writer of Pindarick who is not mentioned as a prodigious genius.

Among great geniuses, those few draw the admiration of all the world upon them, and stand up as the prodigies of mankind, who by mere strength of natural parts, and without any assistance of art or learning, have produced works that were the delight of their own times, and the wonder of pos-Addison, Spect. No. 160.

3. Mental power or faculties. The state and order does proclaim

The genius of that royal dame. Waller. 4. Disposition of nature by which any one is qualified for some peculiar employ-

A happy genius is the gift of nature.

Dryden, Dufresnoy. Your majesty's sagacity, and happy genius for natural history, is a better preparation for en-quiries of this kind than all the dead learning of the schools. Burnet, Theory, Pref.

One science only will one genius fit; So vast is art, so narrow human wit.

Pope on Criticism. The Romans, though they had no great genius for trade, yet were not entirely neglectful of it. Arbuthnot on Coins.

5. Nature; disposition.

Studious to please the genius of the times, With periods, points, and tropes he slurs his crimes.

Dryden. Another genius and disposition improper for philosophical contemplations is not so much from the narrowness of their understanding, as because they will not take time to extend them.

Burnet, Theory, Pref. He tames the genius of the stubborn plain. Pope. GENOE'SE.* n. s. pl. The people of Genoa in Italy.

The Genoese are esteemed extremely cunning, industrious, and inured to hardship above the rest of the Italians. Addison on Italy.

GENT. † adj. [gent, old French. Dr. Johnson. - This word, in the old romances, is a common epithet applied to ladies. Chaucer's Sir Thopas, however, is distinguished by the same term, "fair and gent." In this sense, it appears to have been a Provençal word: "Gente, gentile, nobile, grazioso; venuta dal Provenzale.' Vocab. Della Crusca.] Elegant; pretty; soft; gentle; polite. A word now disused, Dr. Johnson says; but perhaps transformed, it may be added, into janty. See JANTY.

Vespasian, with great spoil and rage, Forewasted all: till Genuissa gent

Pursuaded him to cease. Spenser, F. Q. She that was noble, wise, as fair and gent,

Cast how she might their harmless lives preserve.

GENTE'EL.† adj. [gentil, French. Our word was at first gentile. "Other guests, that were bidden, gentilely alleged reasonable impediments." Martin, Marr. of Priests, 1554. sign. Ii. 1. And this method of writing it continued till about the close of the seventeenth century. Stillingfleet and Fell both use gentile for

1. Polite; elegant in behaviour; civil.

He had a genteeler manner of binding the chains of this kingdom than most of his prede-Swift to Gay.

Their poets have no notion of genteel comedy, and fall into the most filthy double meanings when they have a mind to make their audience merry. Addison on Italy.

2. Graceful in mien.

So spruce that he can never be genteel. Tatler. 3. Elegantly dressed.

Several ladies that have twice her fortune, are not able to be always so genteel, and so constant at all places of pleasure and expence.

GENTE'ELLY. † adv. [from genteel. See the etymology of genteel.] 1. Elegantly; politely.

Those that would be genteelly learned, need not purchase it at the dear rate of being atheists.

Glanville, Sceps. Pref. After a long fatigue of eating and drinking, and babbling, he concludes the great work of dining

2. Gracefully; handsomely. She is not handsome, being very sickly, but seems lively, and genteelly shaped.

Swinburne, Trav. through Spain, L. 39.

GENTE'ELNESS. n. s. [from genteel.] 1. Elegance; gracefulness; politeness.

He had a genius full of genteelness and spirit, having nothing that was ungraceful in his postures and dresses.

Dryden, Dufresnoy. Parmegiano has dignified the genteelness of modern effeminacy, by uniting it with the simplicity of the ancients and the grandeur and severity of Michael Angelo. Reynolds.

2. Qualities befitting a man of rank.

GE'NTIAN. † n. s. [gentiane, French; gentiana, Latin. The name is said to be

taken from that of Gentius, king of Illyria, who is reported to have first discovered the properties of this plant.] Felwort or baldmony.

The root of gentian is large and long, of a tolerably firm texture, and remarkably tough: it has a faintish and disagreeable smell, and an extremely bitter Hill, Mat. Med.

If it be fistulous, and the orifice small, dilate it with gentian roots. Wiseman, Surgery.

A kind of blue GENTIANE'LLA. n. s. colour.

GE'NTILE. n. s. [gentilis, Latin.]

1. One of an uncovenanted nation; one who knows not the true God.

Tribulation and anguish upon every soul that doeth evil, of the Jew first, and also of the gentile. Rom. ii. 2.

Gentiles or infidels, in those actions, upon both the spiritual and temporal good, have been in one pursuit conjoined.

2. A person of rank. Obsolete. Fine Basil desireth it may be her lot To grow, as a gilliflower, trim in her pot; That ladies and gentiles, for whom we do serve, May help him as needeth, poor life to preserve.

GENTILE.* adj. [Latin, gentilis.] Belonging to a nation; as British, Irish, German, &c. are gentile adjectives.

GENTILE'SSE. n. s. [French.] Complaisance; civility. Not used. She with her wedding clothes undresses

Her complaisance and gentilesses. Hudibras. GE'NTILISH.** adj. [from Gentile.] Hea-Hudibras. thenism; pagan.

Not filing the tongue of Scripture to a Gentilish Milton, Tetrachordon.

GE'NTILISM.† n. s. [gentilisme, French; from gentile.] Heathenism; paganism.
If invocation of saints had been produced in the apostolical times, it would have looked like the introducing of gentilism again.

This was one of those fantasms, which abused the minds of men in the darkness of gentilism.

Spenser on Prod. p. 174. He that if he had been born of heathen parents, or put out to nurse to an Indian, would have sucked in as much of gentilism.

Hammond, Works, iv. 511. The Greeks, in the time of sickness and mournings for the dead, retain not only ceremonies by us accounted superstitions, but also savouring somewhat of ancient gentilism,

Ricaut, Gr. Ch. p. 293.

GENTILI'TIOUS. adj. [gentilitius, Latin.] 1. Endemial; peculiar to a nation.

That an unsavory odour is gentilitious, or national unto the Jews, reason or sense will not in-

2. Hereditary; entailed on a family. The common cause of this distemper is a par-

ticular and perhaps a gentilitious disposition of

GENTI'LITY.† n. s. [gentilité, French from gentil, French; gentilis, Latin.]

1. Good extraction; dignity of birth. 'Tis meet a gentle heart should ever shew By courtesie the fruit of true gentility. Sir J. Harrington.

I have read Shakspeare at Lincoln's Inn, and have published my Canons of Criticism; and for this I am to be degraded of my gentility! Edwards's Can. of Crit. Pref.

2. Elegance of behaviour; gracefulness of mien; nicety of taste.

A dangerous law against gentility.

Shakspeare, Love's Lab. Lost. Gentility here does not signify that rank of people called gentry, but what the French express by gentilesse, i. e. elegantia, urbanitas.

Theobald on Shakspeare. All the men of quality [began] to speak the Gallic idiom in their houses, as a high strain of Harris, Philolog. Inquiries. gentility.

3. Gentry; the class of persons well born. Gavelkind must needs, in the end, make a poor Davies on Ireland.

4. Paganism; heathenism.

When people began to espy the falsehood of oracles, whereupon all gentility was built, their hearts were utterly averted from it.

To GE'NTILIZE. * v. n. [from Gentile; Fr. gentiliser.] To live like a heathen.

Sherwood. This is not my conjecture, but drawn from God's known denouncement against the gentilizing Milton, Way to establish a Free Israelites. Commonwealth.

GE'NTLE.† adj. [gentilis, Latin.]
1. Well born; well descended; ancient,

though not noble. They entering and killing all of the gentle and rich faction, for honesty sake broke open all pri-

These are the studies wherein our noble and gentle youth ought to bestow their time.

Milton on Education. Of gentle blood, part shed in honour's cause, Each parent sprung.

2. Befitting a gentleman; genteel; graceful. See GENTLENESS.

For all so soone as life did me admitt Into this world, and shewed heaven's light, From mother's pap I taken was unfitt, And streight deliver'd to a faery knight,

To be upbrought in gentle thews and martial Spenser, F. Q. i. ix. S.

3. Soft; bland; mild; tame; meek; peace-

I am one of those gentle ones that will use the devil himself with curtesy. Shakspeare, Tw. Night. Her voice was ever soft,

Gentle and low; an excellent thing in woman. As gentle, and as jocund, as to jest,

Shakspeare, Rich. II. Go I to fight. A virtuous and a good man, reverend in conversation, and gentle in condition. 2 Mac. xv. 12.

The gentlest heart on earth is prov'd unkind. Your change was wise; for, had she been deny'd,

A swift revenge had follow'd from her pride : You from my gentle nature had no fears; All my revenge is only in my tears.

Dryden, Ind. Emp. He had such a gentle method of reproving their faults, that they were not so much afraid as ashamed to repeat them. Atterbury.

4. Soothing; pacifick.

And though this sense first gentle musick found, Her proper object is the speech of men. Davies. GE'NTLE. n. s.

1. A gentleman; a man of birth. Now out of use.

Gentles, do not reprehend; If you pardon, we will mend. Sho Where is my lovely bride? Shakspeare.

How does my father? Gentles, methinks you frown.

2. A particular kind of worm.

He will in the three hot months bite at a flagworm, or at a green gentle. Walton, Angler.

To GE'NTLE. v. a. To make gentle; to raise from the vulgar. Obsolete.

He to-day that sheds his blood with me, Shall be my brother; be he never so vile,

This day shall gentle his condition. Shakspeare, Hen. V.

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GE'NTLEFOLK. n. s. [gentle and folk.] Persons distinguished by their birth from the vulgar.

The queen's kindred are made gentlefolk.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. Gentlefolks will not care for the remainder of a bottle of wine; therefore set a fresh one before

GE'NTLEMAN.† n. s. [gentilhomme, Fr. gentilhuomo, Ital. that is, homo gentilis, a man of ancestry. All other derivations seem to be whimsical. Dr. Johnson. - Tyrwhitt and Morin are of the same opinion; the latter of whom refers to Cicero, viz. " Gentiles sunt, qui inter se eodem sunt nomine ab ingenuis oriundi." Topic. 6 6. Dame Juliana Berners, in her treatise on coat-armour, (1486,) quaintly says that "Cain became a churl from the curse of God, and Seth a gentleman through his father and mother's blessing!"

1. A man of birth; a man of extraction, though not noble.

A civil war was within the bowels of that state, between the gentleman and the peasants. Sidney. I freely told you all the wealth I had

Ran in my veins; I was a gentleman. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven.

He hither came a private gentleman, But young and brave, and of a family Ancient and noble. Otway, Orphan.

You say a long descended race Makes gentlemen, and that your high degree Is much disparag'd to be match'd with me.

2. A man raised above the vulgar by his character or post.

Inquire me out some mean-born gentleman, Whom I will marry strait to Clarence' daughter.

Shakspeare. He is so far from desiring to be used as a gentleman, that he desires to be used as the servant of all.

3. A term of complaisance: sometimes ironical.

The same gentlemen who have fixed this piece of morality on the three naked sisters dancing hand in hand, would have found out as good a one had there been four of them sitting at a distance, and covered from head to foot. Addison.

You see among men, who are honoured with the common appellation of gentlemen, so many contradictions to that character, that it is the utmost ill-fortune to bear it. Tatler, No. 66.

4. The servant that waits about the person of a man of rank.

Sir Thomas More, the Sunday after he gave up his chancellorship, came to his wife's pew, and used the usual words of his gentleman usher, Madam, my lord is gone.

Let be call'd before us That gentleman of Buckingham's in person. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

5. It is used of any man however high.

The earl of Hereford was reputed then

In England the most valiant gentleman. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. The king is a noble gentleman, and my familiar. Shakspeare.

GE'NTLEMANLIKE. adj. [gentleman and GENTLEMANLY. like.] Becoming a man of birth.

He holdeth himself a gentleman, and scorneth | 1. A woman of birth above the vulgar; a to work, which, he saith, is the life of a peasant or churl; but enureth himself to his weapon, and to the gentlemanly trade of stealing !

Spenser on Ireland. Pyramus is a sweet-fac'd man; a proper man as one shall see in a Summer's day; a most lovely gentlemanlike man. Shaksveare.

You have train'd me up like a peasant, hiding from me all gentlemanlike qualities.

Shaks. As you like it. Two clergymen stood candidates for a freeschool, where a gentleman procured the place for the better scholar and more gentlemanly person of

GE'NTLEMANLINESS.* n. s. [from gentlemanly.] Behaviour of a gentleman.

Sherwood.

GE'NTLEMANSHIP.* n. s. [from gentleman.] Carriage of a gentleman; quality of a gentleman.

His fine gentlemanship did him no good.

Ld. Halifax. He treated me in a gentlemanlike manner: It should rather be gentlemanly; otherwise it is a reflection, as if his gentlemanship was affected, or mine was doubtful.

Pegge, Anecd. Eng. Language.

GE'NTLENESS. † n. s. [from gentle.]

1. Dignity of birth; goodness of extrac-

Gentleness and gentility are the same thing; and if they are not the same words, they come from one and the same original; from whence likewise is deduced the word gentleman.

Pegge, Anonym. i. 46.

2. Gentlemanly conduct; elegance of behaviour. Not noticed by Dr. Johnson. I must confess,

I thought you lord of more true gentleness.

Skakspeare, Mids. N. Dr. I love measure i' the feet, and number i' the voice; they are gentlenesses, that oftentimes draw no less than the face. B. Jonson, Epicæne.

3. Softness of manners; sweetness of disposition; meekness; tenderness.

My lord Sebastian,

The truth, you speak, doth lack some gentleness. Shakspeare. Your brave and haughty scorn of all,

Was stately and monarchical; All gentleness with that esteem'd

A dull and slavish virtue seem'd Still she retains

Her maiden gentleness, and oft at eve

Visits the herds. Milton, Comus. The perpetual gentleness and inherent goodness

of the Ormond family. Dryden, Fab. Dedica. Changes are brought about silently and insensibly, with all imaginable benignity and gentle-Woodward, Nat. Hist.

Masters must correct their servants with gentleness, prudence, and mercy. Rogers.

Women ought not to think gentleness of heart despicable in a man. Richardson, Clarissa.

4. Kindness; benevolence. Obsolete.

The meane men, they murmure and grudge, and say, the gentlemen have all, and there never were so many gentlemen and so little gentlenesse. B. Gilpin, Serm. before K. Edw. VI. p. 41. The gentleness of all the gods go with thee.

Shakspeare.

GE'NTLESHIP. n. s. [from gentle.] riage of a gentleman. Obsolete.

Some in France, which will needs be gentlemen, have more gentleship in their hat than in their head. Ascham, Schoolmaster.

GE'NTLEWOMAN. n. s. [gentle and woman. See GENTLEMAN.

woman well descended.

The gentlewomen of Rome did not suffer their infants to be so long swathed as poorer people. Abbot, Desc. of the World.

Doth this sir Protheus

Often resort unto this gentlewoman? Shakspeare. Gentlewomen may do themselves much good by kneeling upon a cushion and weeding.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. 2. A woman who waits about the person of one of high rank.

The late queen's gentlewoman, a knight's daughter,

To be her mistress' mistress. Shaksp. Hen. VIII. Her gentlewomen, like the Nereids,

So many mermaids, tended her i' th' eyes, And made their bends adorings.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. 3. A word of civility or irony.

Now, gentlewoman, you are confessing your enormities; I know it by that hypocritical downcast look.

GE'NTLEWOMANLIKE.* adj. [from gentlewoman.] Becoming a gentlewoman. Sherwood.

GE'NTLY. adv. [from gentle.]

1. Softly; meekly; tenderly; inoffensively; kindly.

My mistress gently chides the fault I made.

The mischiefs that come by inadvertency, or ignorance, are but very gently to be taken notice Locke.

2. Softly; without violence. Fortune's blows,

When most struck home, being gently warded, craves

A noble cunning. Shakspeare, Coriol. A sort of great bat, as men lie asleep with their legs naked, will suck their blood at a wound so gently made as not to awake them. Grew, Museum.

GENTO'O.* n. s. [The word Gentoo has been, and is still equally, mistaken to signify, in the proper sense of the term, the professors of the braminical religion; whereas Gent, or Gentoo, means animal in general, and in its more confined sense, mankind; but is never, in the Shanscrit dialect, nor even in the modern jargon of Bengal, appropriated particularly to such as follow the dictates of Brihma. The four great tribes have each their own separate appellation; but they have no common or collective term that comprehends the whole nation under the idea affixed by Europeans to the word Gentoo. Possibly the Portuguese, on their first arrival in India, hearing the word frequently in the mouths of the natives as applied to mankind in general, might adopt it for the domestic appellation of the Indians themselves; perhaps also their bigotry might force from the word Gentoo a fanciful allusion to Gentile, a Pagan. Halhed, Code of Gentoo Laws, Pref. p. xxi.] An aboriginal inhabitant of Hindostan.

Since the age of Tamerlane, Mahometanism has been uniformly the religion of the government of India. The Gentoos, however, are still said to exceed in number the Mahometans in the proportion of ten to one. - The religious creed of the Gentoos is a system of the most barbarous idolatry. Professor White, Serm. x.

I allude to that most cruel custom, by which the wife of the Gentoo is induced to burn herself on the pile which consumes the ashes of her husband. Professor White, Serm. x.

GE'NTRY. † n. s. [gentlery, gentry, from gentle. Dr. Johnson. - It may be from the Lat. gens, gentis, a race, a family. Chaucer, however, uses genterie for gen-

1. Birth; condition; rank derived from inheritance.

You are certainly a gentleman, Clerk-like experienc'd, which no less adorns Our gentry than our parents' noble name, In whose success we are gentle.

Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. 2. Class of people above the vulgar; those between the vulgar and the nobility.

They slaughtered many of the gentry, for whom no sex or age could be accepted for excuse.

Let states, that aim at greatness, take heed how their nobility and gentry multiply too fast. Bacon, Ornam. Ration.

How cheerfully the hawkers cry A satire, and the gentry buy. Swift.

3. A term of civility real or ironical. The many-colour'd gentry there above,

By turns are rul'd by tumult and by love. Prior. 4. Civility; complaisance. Obsolete.

Shew us so much gentry and good will, As to extend your time with us a-while,

Shakspeare, Hamlet. GENUFLE'CTION. n. s. [genuflexion, Fr.; genu and flecto, Lat.] The act of bending the knee; adoration expressed by bending the knee.

Boots and shoes are so long snouted, that one can hardly kneel in God's house, where all genuflection and postures of devotion and decency are quite out of use. Howell, Lett. (1646,) iii. 2.

Here use all the rights of adoration, genuflections, wax-candles, incense, oblations, prayers only ex-Stilling fleet. GE'NUINE. adj. [genuinus, Latin.] Not

spurious; not counterfeit; real; natural; true.

Experiments were at one time tried with genuine materials, and at another time with sophisticated

The belief and rememberance, and love and fear of God, have so great influence to make men religious, that where any of these is, the rest, together with the true and genuine effects of them are supposed to be. Tillotson. A sudden darkness covers all;

True genuine night: night added to the groves. Druden.

GE'NUINELY, adv. [from genuine.] Without adulteration; without foreign admixtures; naturally.

There is another agent able to analize compound bodies less violently, more genuinely, and more universally than the fire. Boyle.

GE'NUINENESS. † n.s. [from genuine.] Freedom from any thing counterfeit; freedom from adulteration; purity; natural state.

To shew how day and night, winter and summer, arise from Copernicus his hypothesis, will not only explain these verses, but exceedingly set out the fitness and genuineness of the hypothesis itself.

More, Song of the Soul, (1647,) Notes, p. 414. It is not essential to the genuineness of colours to be durable.

GE'NUS. n. s. [Latin.] In science, a class of being, comprehending under it many species: as, quadruped is a genus comprending under it almost all terrestrial beasts.

A general idea is called by the schools genus, and it is one common nature agreeing to several other common natures; so animal is a genus, because it agrees to horse, lion, whale, and butter-Watts, Logick.

fly.

If minerals are not convertible into another much less can species, though of the same genus, much less can they be surmised reducible into a species of an-Harvey on Consumptions. other genus.

Geoce'ntrick. adj. [γη and κέντρον; geocentrique, French.] Applied to a planet or orb having the earth for its centre, or the same centre with the earth. Harris.

GEODÆ'SIA. n. s. [γεωδαισία; geodesie, French.] That part of geometry which contains the doctrine or art of measuring surfaces, and finding the contents of all plain figures.

GEODÆ'TICAL. adj. [from geodæsia.] Relating to the art of measuring surfaces; comprehending or showing the art of

measuring land.

Ge'ode.* n. s. [Greek, γεώδης, from γέα, the earth.] Earth-stone.

Geo'GRAPHER. n. s. [γη and γράφω; geographe, Fr.] One who describes the earth according to the position of its different parts.

A greater part of the earth hath ever been peopled than hath been known or described by

geographers.

The bay of Naples is called the Crater by the old From sea to sea, from realm to realm I rove,

Tickell. And grow a meer geographer by love. Geography. I geographique, Fr.; from geography. Relating to geography; belonging to geography.

GEOGRA'PHICALLY. adv. [from geographical.] In a geographical manner; according to the rules of geography.

Minerva lets Ulysses into the knowledge of his country; she geographically describes it to him. Broome on the Odyssey.

GEO GRAPHY. n. s. [γη and γράρω; geographie, Fr.] Geography, in a strict sense, signifies the knowledge of the circles of the earthly globe, and the situation of the various parts of the earth. When it is taken in a little larger sense, it includes the knowledge of the seas also; and in the largest sense of all, it extends to the various customs, habits, and governments of nations.

Olympus is extolled by the Greeks as attaining unto heaven; but geography makes slight account hereof, when they discourse of Andes or Teneriff.

Brown, Vulg. Err. According to ancient Fables the Argonauts sailed up the Danube, and from thence passed into the Adriatick, carrying their ships upon their shoulders: a mark of great ignorance in geography. Arbuthnot on Coins.

Geo'Logy. n. s. [γη and λόγω.] The doctrine of the earth; the knowledge of the state and nature of the earth.

GE'OMANCER. n. s. [γη and μάντις.] A fortune teller; a caster of figures; a cheat who pretends to foretell futurity by other means than the astrologer.

Fortunetellers, jugglers, geomancers, and the incantatory impostors, though commonly men of inferior rank, daily delude the vulgar.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

GE'OMANCY. † n.s. [γη and μαντεια; geomance, French. This word is used by

Chaucer. Sometimes it is written geomanty. "I have seen some notes of his — on Cattan's Geomantie." Aubrey's Lett. and Anec. ii. 473.] The act of casting figures; the act of foretelling by figures what shall happen.

According to some there are four kinds of divination; hydromancy, pyromancy, aeromancy, and geomancy.

He therefore sent out all his senses, To bring him in intelligences; Which vulgars, out of ignorance, Mistake for falling in a trance; But those that trade in geomancy,

Affirm to be the strength of fancy. GEOMA'NTICK. adj. [from geomancy.] Pertaining to the act of casting figures.

Two geomantick figures were display'd Above his head, a warrior and a maid; One when direct, and one when retrograde. Dryden.

Geo'meter † n. s. [γεωμέτρης; geometre, French. One skilled in geometry; a geometrician.

The plane of many sided squares,

That wont be drawn out by geometers. Bp. Hall, Sat. v. 2.

He discerns presently, by your judgement of algebra, what a geometer you are like to prove. Wallis, Correct. of Hobbes, § 1,

He became one of the chief geometers of his age.

GEO'METRAL. adj. [geometral, Fr. from geometry.] Pertaining to geometry. Dict. GEOME TRICAL. adj. [γεωμείρικος; geometrique, Fr. from geo-GEOME'TRICK.

1. Pertaining to geometry. A geometrical scheme is let in by the eyes, but the demonstration is discerned by reason.

More against Atheism. This mathematical discipline, by the help of geometrical principles, doth teach to contrive several powers.

2. Prescribed or laid down by geometry. Must men take the measure of God just by the same geometrical proportions that he did, that gather'd the height and bigness of Hercules by his Stilling fleet. foot ?

Does not this wise philosopher assert, That the vast orb, which casts so far his beams, Is such, or not much bigger than he seems? That the dimensions of his glorious face

Two geometrick feet does scarce surpass? Blackmore. 3. Disposed according to geometry.

Geometrick jasper seemeth to affinity with the lapis sanguinalis described by Boetius; but it is certainly one sort of lapis cruciformis. Grew, Museum.

GEOME'TRICALLY. adv. [from geometrical.] According to the laws of geometry.

'Tis possible geometrically to contrive such an artificial motion as shall be of greater swiftness than the revolutions of the heavens.

Wilkins, Math. Magick. All the bones, muscles, and vessels of the body are contrived most geometrically, according to the strictest rules of mechanicks. Ray on the Creation.

GEOMETRI'CIAN. n. s. [γεωμέτρης.] One skilled in geometry; a geometer.

Although there be a certain truth, geometricians would not receive satisfaction without demonstration thereof. How easily does an expert geometrician, with

one glance of his eye, take in a complicated diagram, made up of many lines and circles!

To Geo'METRIZE. v. n. [γεωμεδρέω.] Το act according to the laws of geometry.

We obtain good store of crystals, whose figures were differing enough, though prettily shaped, as if nature had at once affected variety in their figuration, and yet confined herself to geometrize.

GEO'METRY. n. s. γεωμελρία; geometrie, French.] Originally signifies the art of measuring the earth, or any distances or dimensions on or within it: but it is now used for the science of quantity, extension, or magnitude abstractedly considered, without any regard to matter.

Geometry is usually divided into speculative and practical; the former of which contemplates and treats of the properties of continued quantity abstractedly; and the latter applies these speculations and theorems to use and practice. Harris.

In the muscles alone there seems to be more geometry than in all the artificial engines in the Ray on the Creation.

Him also for my censor I disdain, Who thinks all science, as all virtue, vain; Who counts geometry and numbers toys, And with his foot the sacred dust destroys. Dryden, Pers.

Geopo'NICAL. adj. [γη and πων ; geoponique, Fr.] Relating to agriculture; relating to the cultivation of the ground. Such expressions are frequent in authors geoponical, or such as have treated de re rustica.

Brown, Vulg. Err. GEOPO'NICKS.† n. s. plural. [γη and

πόν .] The science of cultivating the ground; the doctrine of agriculture. The study of geoponicks has always been of esteem in the world; and the writings of Virgil, Con-

stantine, Theophrastus, Varro, Columella, and Palladius, as classical learning as any we have amongst us. Letters (Plot to Charlett,) vol. i. p.73. Herbs and wholesome sallets, and other plain and useful parts of geoponicks. Evelyn, Acet. Ded.

George.† n. s. [Georgius, Lat.]
1. A figure of St. George on horseback

worn by the knights of the garter. Look on my george, I am a gentleman; Rate me at what thou wilt. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

2. A brown loaf. Of this sense I know not the original. Dr. Johnson. - Cowel, under panis militarius, writes, "hard bisket, brown george camp bread, coarse and black." Mr. Bagshaw thinks that the figure of St. George might be stamped upon such bread.

Cubb'd in a cabin, on a mattress laid, On a brown george, with lousy swobbers, fed. Dryden, Pers.

3. George Noble. A gold coin, current at six shillings and eight pence, in the reign of king Henry VIII.

The gold coins of Henry the Eighth, were sovereigns, half sovereigns, rials, half and quarterrials, angels, angelets, and quarter angels, georgenobles, fofty-penny pieces, crowns of the double rose, and half-crowns. Leake on Eng. Coins.

GE'ORGICAL.* adj. See GEORGICK. In the Hist, of the Royal Society, georgical is applied to a list of persons skilled in the doctrine of agriculture, Vol. i. p. 407.

GE'ORGICK.† n. s. [γεωργικὸν; georgiques, Fr.] Some part of the science of husbandry put into a pleasing dress, and set off with all the beauties and embellishments of poetry. Addison.

Georgicks are books speaking of hus | GE'RMAN. n.s. [germain, French; gerbandry and tillage.

Cockeram, and Bullokar.

Much less ought the low phrases and terms of art, that are adapted to husbandry, have any place in such a work as the Georgick, which is not to appear in the natural simplicity and nakedness of its subject, but in the pleasantest dress that poetry can bestow upon it. Addison on Virgil's Georgicks.

The pleasures of imagination, the essay on the Georgicks, and his [Addison's] last papers in the Spectator and Guardian, and models of language. Dr. Warton, Ess. on Pope.

Ge'orgick. adj. Relating to the doctrine of agriculture.

Here I peruse the Mantuan's georgick strains, And learn the labours of Italian swains.

Gay, Rural Sports. GEORGIUM SIDUS.* n. s. [Latin;

called after his majesty king George III.] One of the planets.

The Georgium Sidus is attended by two moons.

The Georgium Sidus was discovered by Dr. Herschel in the year 1781.

GEO'SCOPY.* n. s. [γη and σκοπεω, to view.] A kind of knowledge of the nature and qualities of the ground or soil, gained by viewing and considering it. Chambers.

Geo'TICK. adj. [from γη.] Belonging to the earth; terrestrial. Dict.

GERA'NIUM.* n. s. [geranium, Fr. γεράνιον, Gr. from yépavos, a crane; the plant is called cranesbill.] Its characters are these: the flower hath a permanent empalement, composed of five small oval leaves, and five oval or heart-shaped petals, spreading open, which are in some species equal, and in others the upper two are much larger than the three lower. It has ten stamina, alternately longer than each other, but shorter than the petals, and terminated by oblong summits. In the bottom of the flower is situated a five-cornered germen, which is permanent. The flower is succeeded by five seeds, each being wrapped up in the husk of the beak, where they are twisted together at the point, so as to form the resemblance of a stork's beak. There are forty-three Miller. species. GE'RENT. adj. [gerens, Latin.] Carrying;

Dict. GE'RFALCON. † n. s. [Germ. geirfalk; low Lat. gyrofalco, from gyrare, to turn round, and falco; so named from the circular flights he makes, as some think; others, from the Germ. gier, a vulture, and falke, a falcon.] A bird of prey, in size between a vulture and a hawk, and of the greatest strength next to the eagle.

You must not hope to find your gier-falcon there, which is the noble hawk.

Sir T. Brown, of Hawks, Miscell. p. 118.

GE'RKIN.* See GHERKIN.

GERM. † n. s. [germe, old Fr. germen, Lat.] A sprout or shoot; that part which grows and spreads.

Whether it be not made out of the germ or treadle of the egg, doth seem of lesser doubt.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

manus, Lat.] Brother; one approaching to a brother in proximity of blood: thus the children of brothers or sisters are called cousins german, the only sense in which the word is now used.

They knew it was their cousin german, the famous Amphialus. Sidney. And to him said, go now, proud miscreant,

Thyself thy message do to german dear.

Wert thou a bear, thou wouldst be kill'd by the horse; wert thou a horse, thou wouldst be seiz'd by the leopard; wert thou a leopard, thou wert german to the lion, and the spots of thy kindred were juries on thy life. Shakspeare, Timon.

You'll have your nephews neigh to you; you'll have coursers for cousins, and genets for germans.

Shakspeare, Othello. GE'RMAN. adj. [germanus, Latin.] Related. Obsolete.

Not he alone shall suffer what wit can make heavy, and vengeance bitter; but those that are

german to him, though removed fifty times, shall come under the hangman. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. GE'RMAN.* n. s. [Lat. Germanus, from Germania.

1. A native of Germany.

Germans, and Scythians, and Sarmatians, north Beyond Danubius to the Taurick pool.

Milton, P. R. The blunt honest humour of the Germans sounds better in the roughnes of the High Dutch, than it would in a politer tongue.

Addison, Spect. No. 135. Father Bouhours makes it a question, whether a German can be a wit.

Addison, Freeholder, No. 30. 2. The language of the Germans.

Do you learn German yet, to read, write, and Ld. Chesterfield. GE'RMAN.* adj. Relating to the customs, language, or people of Germany.

A woman that is like a German clock, Still a repairing; ever out of frame; And never going aright. Shaksp. Love's L. Lost.

GE'RMANDER.† n. s. [germandree, French; Chamædrys, Latin.] A plant.

Little heaps, in the nature of mole hills, should be set, some with wild thyme, some with pinks, some with germander, that gives a good flower to Bucon, Ess. of Gardens.

GE'RMANISM.* n. s. [from German.] An idiom of the German language.

It is full of Latinisms, Gallicisms, Germanisms, and all isms but Anglicisms. Ld. Chesterfield. GE'RMANITY.* n.s. [from german.] Brotherhood. Cockeram.

GER'MIN. n. s. [germen, Lat.] A shooting or sprouting seed. Out of use.

Though palaces and pyramids do slope Their heads to their foundations; though the

Of nature's germins tumble all together, Even tild destruction sicken; answer me To what I ask you.

Shakspeare, Macbeth. Thou all-shaking thunder, Strike flat the thick rotundity o' th' world; Crack Nature's mould, all germins spill at once

That make ungrateful man. Shakspeare, K. Lear. GE'RMINANT.* adj. [germinans, Lat.]

Sprouting; branching. Prophecies are not fulfilled punctually, at once, but have springing, and germinant accomplishment throughout many ages.

Bacon, Adv. of Learn. B. 2. To GE'RMINATE. v. n. [germino, Latin.] To sprout; to shoot; to bud; to put

This action is furthered by the chalcites, which hath within a spirit that will put forth and germinate, as we see in chymical trials.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. The seeds of all kinds of vegetables being planted near the surface of the earth, in a convenient soil, amongst matter proper for the formation of vegetables, would germinate, grow up, and replenish the face of the earth. Woodward.

To Ge'RMINATE.* v. a. To cause to sprout. The tree of goodness which is set by fear, strengthened by faith, watered by grace, ger minated by godliness, will wax green by hope, will

fructify by love, will build by learning. Price, Creation of the Prince, (1610). sign. E. 2.

GE'RMINATION. n. s. germination, French, from germinate.] The act of sprouting or shooting; growth.

For acceleration of germination, we shall handle the subject of plants generally. Bacon.

The duke of Buckingham had another kind of

germination; and surely, had he been a plant, he would have been reckoned among the sponte

There is but little similitude between a terreous humidity and plantal germinations.

Glanville, Scepsis. Suppose the earth should be carried to the great distance of Saturn; there the whole globe would be one frigid zone; there would be no life, no germination. Bentley, Serm.

To GERN.* See To GIRN.

GERO'COMY.* n. s. [gerocomie, Fr. from γέρων, an old man, and κομέω, to take care of.] That part of medicine, which treats of the proper regimen to be observed in old age.

GEROCO'MICAL.* adj. Pertaining to that part of medicine, which concerns old

It is my earnest desire, that physicians would study the gerocomical part of physick more than they do. Smith, Portr. of Old Age, (1666,) p. 257.

GERSE.* n. s. [Teut. gers, gars, gras.] Grass. Craven Dialect.

GE'RUND.† n. s. [gerundium, Lat.] In the Latin grammar, a kind of verbal noun, which governs cases like a verb.

There be belonging to the infinitive mood of verbs certain voices called gerunds; which have both the active and passive signification.

The participle with the preposition before it, and still retaining its government, answers to what is called in Latin the gerund.

GE'SLING.* n. s. In the north of England, a gosling; formed from geese, as the other is from goose.

GEST. † n. s. [geste, old French; "chanson de geste, chanson historique, dans laquelle on célébroit les hauts faits des guerriers; la geste, l'histoire." Roq. Gloss. Lang. Rom From the Lat. gesta, res gestæ.

1. A deed; an action; an achievement. Who fair them quites, as him beseemed best, And goodly gan discourse of many a noble gest.

Spenser, F. Q. You use to sharpen and whet your understanding in the exercitation of high deeds and gests; in which you have employed much time.

Donne, Hist. of the Septuagint, p. 180. The Acts of the Apostles, which contain the peregrinations and gests of St. Paul, are a great master-key to open his Epistles.

Apb. Sancroft, Serm. p. 122.

2. Show; representation.

Gests should be interlarded after the Persian manner, by ages young and old.

3. The roll or journal of the several days, and stages prefixed, in the progresses of our kings, many of them being still extant in the herald's office. [giste, Fr. a bed, and lodging place, from the Lat. jacet.

I'll give you my commission, To let him there a month, behind the gest,

Skakspeare, Wint. Tale. Prefix'd for's parting. 4. A stage; so much of a journey as passes without interruption. In all senses obsolete. Hammond writes it gess, in the present sense; if it be not an errour of the press.

The constant stage and post in our gesses to Hammond, Works, iv. 485. heaven.

He distinctly sets down the gests and progress

GESTA'TION. n. s. [gestatio, Latin. Our word is pronounced unusual and uncouth by Heylin, in 1656. Yet it appears in the vocabulary of Cockeram, many years before that date, with the general sense of "a bearing, a carrying."] The act of bearing the young in the womb.

Aristotle affirmeth the birth of the infant, or time of its gestation, extendeth sometimes unto the eleventh month; but Hippocrates avers that it exceedeth not the tenth.

Why in viviparous animals, in the time of gestation, should the nourishment be carried to the embryo in the womb, which at other times goeth Ray on the Creation. not that way?

GE'STATORY.* adj. [Lat. gestatorius.] Capable of being worn or carried.

The crowns and garlands of the ancients were either gestatory, such as they wore about their heads and necks, &c.

Sir T. Brown, Miscell. p. 90. GE'STICK.* adj. [from gest.] Legendary;

historical. Dames of ancient days Have led their children through the mirthful maze; And the gay grandsire, skill'd in gestick lore,

Has frisk'd beneath the burden of threescore. Goldsmith, Traveller.

To GESTI'CULATE. + v. n. [gesticulor, Latin; gesticuler, Fr.] To play antick tricks; to shew postures.

Their hands, eyes, gesticulating severally, and after each other; swimming round, and now and then conforming themselves to a Dorick stillness. Sir T. Herbert. Trav. p. 306.

They [the Spaniards] talk louder, and argue with more vehemence than even the French or Italians, and gesticulate with equal if not superior eagerness.

Swinburne, Tour through Spain, Let. 42.

To GESTI'CULATE. * v. a. To act; to imitate.

If I knew any man so vile

To act the crimes these whippers reprehend, Or what their servile apes gesticulate,

I should not then much muse their shreds were B. Jonson, Apol. Dialogue.

GESTICULA'TION. † n. s. [gesticulatio, La-

tin; gesticulation, Fr. from gesticulate.] Antick tricks; various postures. The wanton gesticulations of a virgin, in a wild

assembly of gallants warmed with wine, could be no other than riggish and unmaidenly.

Bp. Hall, Contempl. B. 4. They leap forth below, a mistress leading them; and with antick gesticulation and action, after the manner of the old pantomimi, they dance over a distracted comedy of love, expressing their con-

fused affections, in the scenical persons and habits of the four European nations. B. Jonson, Masques. Mimical and fantastical gesticulations.

Bp. Reynolds on the Passions, ch. 29. GESTI'CULATOR.* n.s. [Lat. gesticulator.] One that shews postures or tricks.

If king Alfred really went into the Danish camp as a spy, he took upon him the character of a mimick, a dancer, a gesticulator, a jack-pudding.

GESTI'CULATORY.* adj. [from gesticulate.] Representing in an antick manner.

No bishop shall permit plays or sports, undoubtedly mimical and gesticulatory entertainments, to be exhibited in his presence.

Warton, Hist. E. P. GE'STOUR.* n.s. [from gest.] A narrator. Obsolete.

Gestours for to tellen tales.

Chaucer, Rime of Sir Thopas. The proper business of a gestour was to recite tales or gests; which was only one of the branches of the minstrel's profession. Tyrwhitt on Chaucer. GE'STURE. n. s. [gero, gestum, Latin; geste, Fr.]

1. Action or posture expressive of sentiment.

Ah, my sister, if you had heard his words or seen his gestures, when he made me know what and to whom his love was, you would have matched in yourself those two rarely matched together,

pity and delight.

Sidney.

When we make profession of our faith, we stand; when we acknowledge our sins, or seek unto God for favour, we fall down; because the gesture of constancy becometh us best in the one, in the other the behaviour of humility.

To the dumbness of the gesture

One might interpret. Shakspeare, Timon of Athens. Humble and reverend gestures in our approaches to God express the inward reverence of our souls. Whole Duly of Man.

2. Movement of the body. Grace was in all her steps, heav'n in her eye, In ev'ry gesture dignity and love! Milton, P. L.

Every one will agree in this, that we ought either to lay aside all kinds of gesture, or at least to make use of such only as are graceful and ex-Addison, Spect. To GE'STURE. v. a. [from the noun.] To

accompany with action or posture. Our attire disgraceth it; it is not orderly read,

nor gestured as bescemeth. He undertook so to gesture and muffle up himself in his hood, as the duke's manner was, that none should discern him.

To GET. † v. a. pret. I got, anciently gat; part. pass. got, or gotten, and anciently get. [Sax. zeran, zearan; Norm. Fr. get, hath begotten. Kelham.]

1. To procure; to obtain.

Thine be the cosset, well hast thou it got.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. Of that which was our father's hath he gotten Gen. xxxi. 1. all his glory. We gat our bread with the peril of our lives.

Lam. v. 9. David gat him a name when he returned from

smiting of the Syrians. 2 Sam. viii.13. Most of these things might be more exactly tried by the Torricellian experiments, if we could get tubes so accurately blown that the cavity were perfectly cylindrical.

Such a conscience, as has not been wanting to itself, in endeavouring to get the utmost and clearest information about the will of God, that its power, advantages, and opportunities could afford it, is that great internal judge, whose absolution is a rational and sure ground of confidence. South.

He insensibly got a facility, without perceiving how; and that is attributed wholly to nature,

which was much more the effect of use and prac-The man who lives upon alms, gets him his set

of admirers, and delights in superiority. Addison, Spect.

Sphinx was a monster that would eat Whatever stranger she could get, Unless his ready wit disclos'd, The subtle riddle she propos'd.

Addison, Whig Examiner. This practice is to be used at first, in order to get a fixed habit of attention, and in some cases

The word get is variously used: we say to get money, to get in, to get off, to get ready, to get a stomach, and to get a cold. Watts, Logick.

2. To force; to seize.

Such losels and scatterlings cannot easily, by any constable, or other ordinary officer, be gotten, when they are challenged for any such fact. Spenser on Ireland.

The king seeing this, started from where he sat, Out from his trembling hand his weapon gat. Daniel.

All things, but one, you can restore; The heart you get returns no more. Waller.

3. To win by contest.

Henry the sixth hath lost All that which Henry the fifth had gotten.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. He gat his people great honour, and he made battles, protecting the host with his sword.

1 Mac. iii. 3. To get the day of them of his own nation, would be a most unhappy day for him. 2 Mac. v. 6.

Auria held that course to have drawn the gallies within his great ships, who thundering amongst them with their great ordnance, might have opened a way unto his gallies to have gotten a victory Knolles, Hist. of the Turks.

4. To have possession of; to have. This sense is commonly in the compound

preterite. Then forcing thee, by fire he made thee bright; Nay, thou hast got the face of man.

5. To beget upon a female.

These boys are boys of ice; they'll none of her: sure they are bastards to the English, the French Shakspeare. never got them.

Women with study'd arts they vex: Ye gods destroy that impious sex; And if there must be some t' invoke Your pow'rs, and make your altars smoke, Come down yourselves, and, in their place,

Get a more just and noble race. Children they got on their female captives. Locke. If you'll take 'em as their fathers got 'em, so and well; if not, you must stay till they get a bet-Dryden. ter generation.

Has no man, but who has kill'd A father, right to get a child? Prior. Let ev'ry married man, that's grave and wise,

Take a tartuff of known ability, Who shall so settle lasting reformation;

First get a son, then give him education. Dorset. The god of day, descending from above,

Mixt with the day, and got the queen of love. Granville.

To gain as profit.

Though creditors will lose one-fifth of their principal and use, and landlords one fifth of their income, yet the debtors and tenants will not get it.

7. To gain a superiority or advantage. If they get ground and vantage of the king, Then join you with them like a rib of steel.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

8. To earn; to gain by labour.

Having no mines, nor any other way of getting or keeping of riches but by trade, so much of our trade as is lost, so much of our riches must necessarily go with it. Locke.

If it be so much pains to count the money I would spend, what labour did it cost my ancestors Locke.

9. To receive as a price or reward.

Any tax laid on foreign commodities in England raises their price, and makes the importer get more for them; but a tax laid on your homemade commodities lessens their price. Locke. 10. To learn.

This defect he frequently lamented, it being harder with him to get one sermon by heart than to pen twenty.

Get by heart the more common and useful words out of some judicious vocabulary. Watts. 11. To procure to be.

I shall shew how we may get it thus informed, and afterwards preserve and keep it so. South.

12. To put into any state.

Nature taught them to make certain vessels of a tree, which they got down, not with cutting, but with fire.

Take no repulse, whatever she doth say; For, get you gone, she doth not mean away.

Shakspeare.

He who attempts to get another man into his absolute power, does thereby put himself into a state of war with him. Before your ewes bring forth, they may be

pretty well kept, to get them a little into heart. Mortimer.

Helim, who was taken up in embalming the bodies, visited the place very frequently: his greatest perplexity was how to get the lovers out of it, the gates being watched.

13. To prevail on; to induce.

Though the king could not get him to engage in a life of business, he made him however his chief companion.

14. To draw; to hook.

With much communication will he tempt thee, and smiling upon thee get out thy secrets.

Ecclus. xiii. 11. By the marriage of his grandson Ferdinand he got into his family the kingdoms of Bohemia and Hungary.

Addison. Addison.

After having got out of you every thing you cas spare, I scorn to trespass. Guardian.

15. To betake; to remove; implying haste or danger. Get you to-bed on th' instant; I will be re-

turn'd forthwith. Shakspeare, Othello. Arise, get thee out from this land. Gen. xxxi. 13.

Lest they join also unto our enemies, and fight

against us, and so get them up out of the land.

He with all speed got himself with his followers to the strong town of Mega. Knolles, Hist. 16. To remove by force or art.

She was quickly got off the land again. Knolles. The roving fumes of quicksilver, in evaporating, would oftentimes fasten upon the gold in such plenty, as would put him to much trouble to get them off from his rings. Boyle.

When murcury is got by the help of the fire out of a metal, or other mineral body, we may suppose this quicksilver to have been a perfect body of its own kind.

They would be glad to get out those weeds which their own hands have planted, and which now have taken too deep root to be easily extirpated. Locke on Education.

17. To put.

Get on thy boots; we'll ride all night.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

18. To GET off. To sell or dispose of by some expedient.

Wood, to get his halfpence off, offered an hundred pounds in his coin for seventy in silver.

19. To GET over. To conquer; to suppress; to pass without being stopped in thinking or acting. Dr. Johnson makes this sense neuter.

'Tis very pleasant to hear the lady propose her doubts, and to see the pains he is at to get over them. Addison.

I cannot get over the prejudice of taking some little offence at the clergy for perpetually reading their sermons. Swift.

To remove this difficulty, Peterborough was dispatched to Vienna, and got over some of those

20. To GET up. To prepare; to make fit. A colloquial expression: as, the entertainment was got up at a great ex-

To GET. v. n.

1. To arrive at any state or posture by degrees with some kind of labour, effort, or difficulty: used either of persons or things.

Phalantus was entrapped, and saw round about him, but could not get out.

You knew he walk'd o'er perils, on an edge More likely to fall in than to get o'er.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. The stranger shall get up above thee very high, and thou shalt come down very low.

Deut. xxviii. 49. The fox bragged what a number of shifts and devices he had to get from the hounds, and the cat said he had but one, which was to climb a tree.

Bacon Those that are very cold, and especially in their feet, cannot get to sleep. Bacon, Nat. Hist. I utterly condemn the practice of the later times, that some who are pricked for sheriffs, and were fit, should get out of the bill.

Bacon, Advice to Villiers.

He got away unto the Christians, and hardly escaped. Knolles.

He would be at their backs before they could get out of Armenia. Knolles, Hist. of the Turks. She plays with his rage, and gets above his anger. Denham.

The latitant air is got away in bubbles. Boyle. There are few bodies whose minute parts stick so close together, but that it is possible to meet with some other body whose small parts may get between, and so disjoint them.

There was but an insensible diminution of the liquor upon the recess of whatever it was that got through the cork.

Although the universe, and every part thereof, are objects full of excellency, yet the multiplicity thereof is so various, that the understanding falls under a kind of despondency of getting through so great a task. Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

If there should be any leak at the bottom of the vessel, yet very little water would get in, because no air could get out.

Wilkins, Math. Magick. O heav'n, in what a lab'rinth am I led ! I could get out, but she detains the thread! Dryd. So have I seen some fearful hare maintain

A course, till tir'd before the dog she lay; Who, stretch'd behind her, pants upon the plain, Past pow'r to kill, as she to get away.

Dryden, Ann. Mirab. The more oily and light part of this mass would get above the other, and swim upon it.

Burnet, Theory. Having got through the foregoing passage, let us go on to his next argument.

The removing of the pains we feel is the getting out of misery, and consequently the first thing to be done, in order to happiness, absent good.

If, having got into the sense of the epistles, we will but compare what he says, in the places where he treats of the same subject, we can hardly be mistaken in his sense.

I got up as fast as possible, girt on my rapier. and snatched up my hat, when my landlady came up to me.

Bucephalus would let nobody get upon him but Alexander the Great. Addison on Italy. Imprison'd fires, in the close dungeons pent,

Roar to get loose, and struggle for a vent; Eating their way, and undermining all, Till with a mighty burst whole mountains fall. Addison.

When Alma now, in diff'rent ages, Has finish'd her ascending stages, Into the head at length she gets, And there in publick grandeur sits, To judge of things.

Prior. I resolved to break through all measures to get

2. To fall; to come by accident.

Two or three men of the town are got among

3. To find the way; to insinuate itself. When an egg is made hard by boiling, since there is nothing that appears to get in at the shell, unless some little particles of the water, it is not

easy to discover from whence else this change proceeds than from a change made in the texture of Boyle. He raves; his words are loose

As heaps of sand, and scattering wide from sense: So high he's mounted in his airy hopes, That now the wind is got into his head,

And turns his brains to frenzy. Dryd. Span. Fran A child runs to overtake and get up to the top of his shadow, which still advances at the same rate that he does.

Should dressing, feasting, and balls once get among the Cantons, their military roughness would be quickly lost. Addison.

The fluids which surround bodies, upon the surface of the globe, get in between the surfaces of bodies when they are at any distance. Cheyne, Phil. Princ.

4. To move; to remove.

Get home with thy fewel made ready to set; The sooner, and easier carriage to get. Tusser. 5. To have recourse to.

The Turks made great haste through the midst of the town ditch, to get up into the bulwark to help their fellows. Knolles.

Lying is so cheap a cover for any miscarriage, and so much in fashion, that a child can scarce be kept from getting into it.

6. To go; to repair.

They ran to their weapons, and furiously assailed the Turks, now fearing no such matter, and were not as yet all got into the castle.

Knolles, Hist. of the Turks. A knot of ladies, got together by themselves, is a very school of impertinence.

7. To put one's self in any state.

They might get over the river Avon at Stratford, and get between the king and Worcester.

We can neither find source nor issue for such an excessive mass of waters, neither where to have them; nor, if we had them, how to get quit of them. Burnet, Theory of the Earth.

Without his assistance we can no more get quit of our affliction, than but by his permission we should have fallen into it. Wake, Prep. for Death.

There is a sort of men who pretend to divest themselves of partiality on both sides, and to get above that imperfect idea of their subject which little writers fall into. Pope on Homer.

As the obtaining the love of valuable men in the happiest end of this life, so the next felicity is to get rid of fools and scoundrels. Pope to Swift.

8. To become by any act what one was

The laughing sot, like all unthinking men, Bathes and gets drunk; then bathes and drinks Dryden. 9. To be a gainer; to receive advantage. Like jewels to advantage set,

Her beauty by the shade does get.

10. To GET off. To escape. The gallies, by the benefit of the shores and Bacon, War with Spain. shallows, got off. Whate er thou dost, deliver not thy sword; With that thou may'st get off, tho' odds oppose Dryden.

11. To GET up. To rise from repose. Sheep will get up betimes in the morning to Bacon, Nat. Hist. feed against rain.

12. To GET up. To rise from a seat.

13. To remove from a place.

Get you up from about the tabernacle of Koran, Dathan, and Abiram. Numb. xvi.

14. To get, in all its significations, both active and neutral, implies the acquisition of something, or the arrival at some state or place by some means; except in the use of the preterite compound, which often implies mere possession: as, he has got a good estate, does not always mean that he has acquired, but barely that he possesses it. So we say the lady has got black eyes, merely meaning that she has them.

GE'TTER. † n. s. [from get.]

1. One who procures or obtains.

Them that ought to have been the most comfortours of the poor, those have we seen to be the most greedy getters and pourloyners for their misbegotten heires.

Martin, Marr. of Priests, (1554,) sign. B. b.4.

2. One who begets on a female.

Peace is a very lethargy, a getter of more hastard-children than war's a destroyer of men. Shakspeare, Coriol.

GE'TTING. n. s. [from get.]

1. Act of getting; acquisition.

Wisdom is the principal thing, therefore get wisdom; and with all thy gelting get understand-Prov. iv. 7. ing.

2. Gain; profit.
Who hath a state to repair may not despise small things; and it is less dishonourable to abridge a petty charge than to stoop to petty The meaner families return a small share of

their gettings, to be a portion for the child. Swift.

GE'WGAW.† n. s. [zezar, Saxon; joyau, French. Dr. Johnson. - What we write gewgaw is written, in the Anglosaxon, zezar. It is the past participle of the verb ze-zıran; and means any such trifling thing as is given away or presented to any one. Instead of gewgawes it is sometimes written gigawes and gewgaudes. Mr. Horne Tooke, Div. of Purley. ii. 266.-I have given the whole of Mr. Tooke's assertion, which he applies equally to gaud, that I might not be thought to misrepresent his meaning. But neither gaud, nor gewgaw, seems to have any connection with the Saxon verb to give. See GAUD. Is it necessary that a trifle, a bauble, must be that which is given away? Surely the Saxon zegar is not thus to be explained; though that word is certainly used for trifles. See Manning's edit. of Lye, where, under that word, zezarrpæc is also cited in the sense of trifling, scurrilous, or low discourse; and under

occurs with the same meaning, and with that also of derision. We may deduce zezar therefore from zar, and thus account for trifles being named zezar. But as to the termination of gewgaw being sometimes gewgaud, that only serves more strongly to shew that give has nothing to do with the word. Nor may the French gaude, or the northern word for a trifle, be here overpassed. The Icel. gaud, Serenius says, was the name of a pagan deity, which, after the introduction of Christianity, came to signify among them, things of no value; whence godit, puppets, the play-things of little girls. One is tempted almost to pronounce the word formed of gild and gaud. Cotgrave, under babiole, writes it guigaw; Skelton, gigaw; and Beaumont and Fletcher once, gewgaud. At other times gewgaw; and once, with an accompaniment not unfavourable to gild and gaud. "Gewgaws and gilded puppets." Four Plays in One.] A showy trifle; a toy; a bauble; a splendid play-It is for children to cry for the falling of their

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house of cards, or the miscarriage of that painted gewgaw, which the next shower would have de-Bp. Hall, Of Contentation, § 5.

That metal they exchanged for the meanest trifles and gewgaws which the others could bring.

Abbot, Descr. of the World. Prefer that which providence has pronounced to be the staff of life, before a glittering gewgaw that has no other value than what vanity has set upon L'Estrange.

As children, when they throw one toy away, Straight a more foolish gewgaw comes in play.

A heavy gewgaw, call'd a crown, that spread About his temples, drown'd his narrow head, Dryden, Juv. And would have crush'd it. Some loose the bands,

Of ancient friendship, cancel nature's laws For pageantry and tawdry gewgaws. The first images were fans, silks, ribbands, laces, and many other gewgaws, which lay so thick that

the whole heart was nothing else but a toyshop. Addison, Guardian. GE'WGAW. adj. Splendidly trifling; showy

without value. Let him that would learn the happiness of religion, see the poor gewgaw happiness of Feliciana. Law, Serious Call.

GHA'STFUL. † adj. [zart and fulle, Sax.] 1. Dreary; dismal; melancholy; fit for walking spirits.

Here will I dwell apart, In gastful grove therefore, till my last sleep Do close mine eyes

Help me, ye baneful birds, whose shrieking sound Is sign of dreary death. Spenser, Shep. Cal. 2. Dreadful; frightful.

I tell no lie, so gastfull grew my name,

That it alone discomfited an host. Mir. for Mag. p. 315.

GHA'STFULLY.* adj. [from ghastful.] Frightfully. He often stares ghastfully, raves aloud, &c.

Pope, Narrative of Dr. R. Norris. GHA'STLINESS. n. s. [from ghastly.] Horrour of countenance; resemblance of a ghost; paleness.

GHA'STLY. adj. [zarc, or ghost, and

zar, which is base, low, &c. zar-rpæc | 1. Like a ghost; having horrour in the countenance; pale; dreadful; dismal.

Why looks your grace so heavily to-day? (), I have past a miserable night; So full of ugly sights, of ghustly dreams, So full of dismal terrour was the time.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. Envy quickly discovered in court Solyman's changed countenance upon the great bassa, and began now to shew her ghastly face.

Knolles, Hist. of the Turks. Death

Grinn'd horrible a ghastly smile, to hear His famine should be fill'd. Mile Milton, P. L.

Those departed friends, whom at our last separation we saw disfigured by all the ghastly horrours of death, we shall then see assisting about the majestick throne of Christ, with their once vile bodies transfigured into the likeness of his glorious body, mingling their glad acclamations with the hallelujahs of thrones, principalities, and powers. Boyle. He came, but with such alter'd looks,

So wild, so ghastly, as if some ghost had met him, All pale and speechless. Dryden, Span. Friar. I did not for these ghastly visions send; Their sudden coming does some ill portend.

Dryden, Ind. Emp. 2. Horrible; shocking; dreadful. To be less than gods

Disdain'd; but meaner thoughts learn'd in their flight,

Mangled with ghastly wounds through plate and mail. Milton, P. L. I who make the triumph of to-day,

May of to-morrow's pomp one part appear, Ghastly with wounds, and lifeless on a bier!

GHA'STNESS. n. s. [from gart, Saxon.] Ghastliness; horrour of look. Not used. Look you pale, mistress? Do you perceive the ghastness of the eye?

Shakspeare, Othelle. GHE'RKIN. n. s. [from gurcke, German, a cucumber. A small pickled cucumber. Skinner-

To GHESS. † v. n. [See To GUESS. Ghess is by criticks considered as the true orthography, but guess has universally prevailed. Dr. Johnson.—It has prevailed indeed; but ghess is the word in our old lexicography, and is also used by Spenser. See Sherwood's Dict. To GHESSE.] To conjecture.

In such luxurious plentie of all pleasure, It seem'd a second paradise I ghesse.

Spenser, F. Q. iv. x. 23.

GHOST. † n. s. [zart, Saxon.]

1. The soul of man.

Vex not his ghost: O, let him pass! He hates

That would upon the rack of this rough world Stretch him out longer. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

Often did I strive To yield the ghost; but still the envious flood

Kept in my soul. Shukspeare, Rich, III. Where the bodies of the dead have been out of the reach of their surviving enemies, they have thought it highly opprobrious to their ghosts, to take their representations preserved in their pictures and affix them to the cross.

Pearson on the Creed, Art. 4. 2. A spirit appearing after death.

The mighty ghosts of our great Harrys rose, And armed Edwards look'd with anxious eyes, To see this fleet among unequal foes,

By which fate promis'd them their Charles should rise. Dryden.

To give up the GHOST. To die; to yield up the spirit into the hands of God.

Man dieth, and wasteth away; yea, man giveth | GIA'MBEUX. n.s. [jambes, French.] Legs, | GI'ANTSHIP. n.s. [from giant.] Quality Their shadows seem

A canopy most fatal, under which Our army lies ready to give up the ghost.

Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs. 4. The third person in the adorable Trinity, called the Holy Ghost.

I believe in the Holy Ghost. Apostles' Creed. The name of ghost or gast in the ancient Saxon language signifieth a spirit; and, in that appella-

tion of the Spirit of God, his [the Holy Ghost's] nature principally is expressed.

Pearson on the Creed, Art. 8. To GHOST. v. n. [from the noun.] To yield up the ghost; to die. Not in use. Euryalus taking leave of Lucretia, precipitated her into such a love-fit, that within a few hours she ghosted.

To Gноят. † v. a. To haunt with apparitions of departed men. Obsolete.

Julius Cæsar Who at Philippi the good Brutus ghosted, There saw you labouring for him.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. Ask not with him in the poet "Larvæ hunc intemperiæ insaniæque agitant senem," what madness ghosts this old man, but what madness ghosts Burton, Anat. of Mel. To the Reader. Gнo'sтless.* adj. [ghost and less.] Without spirit; without life.

Works are the breath of faith; the proofs by

which we may judge, whether it live. If you feel them not, the faith is ghostless. Dr. R. Clarke, Serm. (1637,) p. 473.

Gно'sтыке.* adj. [ghost and like.] Withered; having hollow, sad, or sunkin eyes; wild-looking; ghastly; ghostlike. Sherwood, and Cotgrave in V. Havé. GHO'STLINESS. n. s. [from ghostly.] Spiritual tendency; quality of having

reference chiefly to the soul. Gно'sтгу. † adj. [from ghost.]

1. Spiritual; relating to the soul; not carnal; not secular.

Save and defend us from our ghostly enemies.

Common Prayer. Our common necessities, and the lack which we all have as well of ghostly as of earthly favours, is in each kind so easily known, but the gifts of God, according to these degrees and times, which he in his secret wisdom seeth meet, are so diversely bestowed, that it seldom appeareth what all receive, what all stand in need of, it seldom lieth hid.

The graces of the spirit are much more precious than worldly benefits, and our ghostly evils of greater importance than any harm which the body feeleth.

To deny me the ghostly comfort of my chaplains, seems a greater barbarity than is ever used by Christians. King Charles.

2. Having a character from religion; spiritual.

Hence will I to my ghostly friar's close cell, His help to crave, and my dear hap to tell.

Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul.
The ghostly father now hath done his shrift.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. 3. Relating to apparitions of departed men.

To muse at last, amid the ghostly gloom Of graves and hoary vaults, and cloister'd cells; To walk with spectres through the midnight shade. Akenside, Pleas. of Imag. B. 1.

GIA'LLALINA. n. s. [Italian.] Earth of a bright gold colour, found in the kingdom of Naples, very fine, and much valued by painters. Woodward, Met. Fos. VOL. II.

or armour for legs; greaves.

The mortal steed dispiteously entail'd,

Deep in their flesh, quite through the iron walls, That a large purple stream adown their giambeux falls. Spenser, F. Q.

GI'ANT. † n. s. [geant, French; zızanz, Saxon; gigant was also our own word in the sixteenth century; gigas, Latin. Anciently also our word was geant; as in the poetry of Gower.] A man of size above the ordinary rate of men; a man unnaturally large. It is observable, that the idea of a giant is always associated with pride, brutality, and wickedness. Several of the ancients translate the Hebrew word niphilim, Gen. vi. 4. (giants) by Blagos, violent men, who carried all before them by main force; who filled the world with rapines, and murders, and all manner of wickedness. Bp. Patrick.

Now does he feel his axle Hang loose about him, like a giant's robe, Upon a dwarfish thief. Shaks. Macbeth.

Gates of monarchs Are arch'd so high that giants may jet through, And keep their impious turbans on, without Good-morrow to the sun. Shakspeare, Cymb.

Woman's gentle brain Could not drop forth such giant-rude invention; Such Ethiop words. Shakspeare, As you like it. Fierce faces threat'ning wars,

Giants of mighty bone, and bold emprise! Milton, P. L. Those giants, those mighty men, and men of renown, far exceeded the proportion, nature, and

strength of those giants remembered by Moses of his own time. Ralegh, Hist. The giant-brothers, in their camp, have found

I was not forc'd with ease to quit my ground. Dryden, Æn.

By weary steps and slow The groping giant with a trunk of pine Explor'd his way. Addison.

Neptune, by pray'r repentant, rarely won, Afflicts the chief t' avenge his giant-son, Great Polypheme of more than mortal might.

GI'ANTESS. n. s. [from giant.] A shegiant; a woman of unnatural bulk and height. I had rather be a giantess, and lie under mount

Pelion. Shaksneare. Were this subject to the cedar, she would be able to make head against that huge giantess.

To GI'ANTIZE. * v. n. [old Fr. geantiser.] To play the giant. Sherwood. GI'ANTLIKE.† adj. [from giant and like.]
GI'ANTLY. Gigantick; vast; bulky.

That proud Philistian - his giantly strength and Bp. Hull, Cases of Conscience. stature. 'Tis giant-like ambition.

Beaum. and Fl. Cust. of the Country. Single courage has often, without romance, overcome giantly difficulties. Decay of Piety

Notwithstanding all their talk of reason and philosophy, which they are deplorably strangers to, and those unanswerable doubts and difficulties, which, over their cups, they pretend to have against Christianity; persuade but the covetous man not to deify his money, the proud man not to adore himself, and I dare undertake that all their giantlike objections against the Christian religion shall presently vanish and quit the field.

GI'ANTRY.* n. s. [old Fr. geanterie.] The race of giants. Cotgrave, and Sherwood.

or character of a giant.

His giantship is gone somewhat crest fallen, Stalking with less unconscionable strides, And lower looks.

Milton, S. A. GIB. † n. s. Any old worn-out animal, Dr. Johnson says, from Sir Thomas Hanmer, citing only the passage from Hamlet. It means a cat; and was a word of contempt in our old authors. She is a tonnishe gyb,

The devill and she be sib. Skelton's Poems, p. 126. For who that's but a queen, fair, sober, wise, Would from a paddock, from a bat, a gib,

Such dear concernings hide? Shakspeare, Hamlet. And call me beldam, gib, witch, night-mare, trot. Drayton, Epist. of El. Cobham to D. Humphrey.

To GIB.* v.n. To act like a cat. What catterwawling's here? what gibbing? Beaum. and Fl. Wildgoose Chase.

GI'BBED.* adj. [from gib.] Having been caterwawling. See GIBCAT.

They have remained somewhat melancholy, like Bulwer, Artif. Changeling. As melancholy as a gib'd cat. Ray's Proverbs. To GI'BBER. v. n. [from jabber.] To speak

inarticulately. The sheeted dead

Did squeak and gibber in the Roman streets. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

GI'BBERISH.† n. s. [Derived by Skinner from gaber, French, to cheat; by others conjectured to be formed by corruption from jabber. But, as it was anciently written gebrish, it is probably derived from the chymical cant, and originally implied the jargon of Geber and his. tribe. Dr. Johnson. - The manner of writing this word geberish or gebrish, is found in Camden: "it would seem most strange and harsh Dutch, or GEBERISH, as women call it!" Rem. on Languages. ed. 1674. p. 30. This observation of Camden will hardly favour the chymical etymon. There is another variation, that of giberidge, or gibbridge, which is in the old dictionary of Sherwood, and in the Satires of Marston, 1599. This also is unfriendly to Geber and his tribe; and the oldest method of writing the word, which is gibberish, and not geberish, will hardly be thought to be on their side. See the first of the examples. It means originally, perhaps, the gabble of the schoolmen; "scholastick gibberish," as Goodman writes, Wint. Ev. Conf. P. iii. Moreover, see Lye, edit. Manning. Labban, to deride, to mock, whence perhaps our gabble and gibberish. Thus Dr. Jamieson considers our word to be from gabber or jabber, whence gibber, and so gibberish, if not rather from the Teut. gaberdacie, trifles. But see To GAB and To GABBER. Serenius also thinks our gibberish to be synonymous with gibe, a mock or joke. Bullokar presents us with another substantive formed from it, viz. gibberishness, which he calls "any kind of mad, broken, fustian language, gibble-gabble, canting, &c." edit. 1656. The word has been formed both into a verb, and an adjective, which has escaped the notice of all our lexicographers.] Cant; the private language of rogues and gypsies; words without meaning.

What! methynke ye be clerkyshe,

For ye speake good gibbryshe.

Interlude of Youth, 1557. Some, if they happen to hear an old word, albeit very natural and significant, cry out straitway, that we speak no English, but gibberish.

Epistle prefixed to Spenser's Shep. Cal. Speaking gibbrish, or pedlars' French, rather than Latin, or any other common language.

Favour, Antiq. over Novelly, (1619,) p. 407. A senseless gibrish, or a fustian language.

Bp. Bramhall against Hobbes, p. 20. Some of both sexes writing down a number of letters, just as it came into their heads; upon reading this gibberish, that which the men had wrote sounded like High Dutch, and the other by the women like Italian.

GI'BBERISH.* adj. Canting; unintelligible; fustian.

A company of gibrish phrases.

Florio, Tr. of Montaigne, (1613,) p. 177. Some contending for privileges, customs, forms, and that old entanglement of iniquity their gibberish laws, though the badge of their aucient slavery. Milton, Tenure of Kings and Magistrates. To GI'BBERISH.* v. n. To prate idly or unintelligibly.

You understand not the state of "limbus patrum," nor the depth of the question, but scum [skim] upon the surface, and gibberish you cannot tell for what. Mountagu, App. to Cas. (1625,) p.248.

GI'BBET. n. s. [gibet, French.] 1. A gallows; the post on which malefactors are hanged, or on which their

carcasses are exposed. When was there ever cursed atheist brought

Unto the gibbet, but he did adore That blessed pow'r which he had set at nought?

You scandal to the stock of verse, a race Able to bring the gibbet in disgrace. Cleaveland. Haman suffered death himself upon the very gibbet that he had provided for another.

L'Estrange. Papers lay such principles to the Tories, as, if they were true, our next business should be to erect gibbets in every parish, and hang them out of Swift. the way.

2. Any traverse beam.

To GI'BBET. v. n. [from the noun.]

1. To hang or expose on a gibbet.

I'll gibbet up his name.

2. To hang on any thing going traverse: as the beam of a gibbet.

He shall come off and on swifter than he that gibbets on the brewer's bucket. Shaks. Hen. IV GI'BBIER. n. s. [French.] Game; wild fowl.

These imposts are laid on all butcher's meat, while, at the same time, the fowl and gibbier are Addison on Italy.

GI'BBLE-GA'BBLE.* n. s. [from gabble.] Any rude or noisy conversation; fustian language; barbarous speech.

Sherwood, and Cotgrave in V. Barragouin.

Mad, broken, fustian language; gibble-gabble; canting: or such private made words as beggars, gipsies, and such confederate rogues use one amongst another.

GIBBO'SITY. † n. s. [gibbosité, French, from gibbous.] Convexity; prominence; protuberance.

This way of description rendereth the face of the earth upon a plane in its own proper figure spherically, as upon the globe itself; the gibbosity only allowed for. Gregory, Posthum. (1650,) p. 305.

When ships, sailing contrary ways, lose the sight one of another, what should take away the sight of ships from each other, but the gibbosity of the interjacent water?

GI'BBOUS.† adj. [gibbeux, French; gibbus, Latin, from the Hebrew gib, prominent, eminent.

1. Convex; protuberant; swelling into inequalities.

The bones will rise, and make a gibbous member.

A pointed flinty rock, all bare and black, Grew gibbous from behind the mountain's back.

The sea, by this access and recess, shuffling the empty shells, wears them away, reducing those that are concave and gibbous to a flat.

Woodward, Nat. Hist. 2. Crookbacked.

I demand how the camels of Bactria came to have two bunches in their back, whereas the camels of Arabia have but one? How oxen, in some countries, began and continue gibbous, or hunch-backed?

GI'BBOUSNESS. n. s. [from gibbous.] Con-

vexity: prominence. To make this convexity of the earth discernible to the eye, suppose a man to be lifted up a great height in the air, that he may have a spacious horizon under one view; but then, again, because of the distance, the convexity and gibbousness would vanish away; he would only see below him a great Bentley, Serm. 8. circular flat.

GI'BCAT. † n. s. [gib and cat.] A he cat. See GIBBED.

I am as melancholy as a gibcat, or a lugg'd bear.

To GIBE. v. n. [gaber, old French, to sneer, to ridicule.] To sneer; to join censoriousness with contempt.

They seem to imagine that we have erected of late a frame of some new religion, the furniture whereof we should not have borrowed from our enemies, lest they should afterwards laugh and Hooker. gibe at our party.

When we saw her toy, and gibe, and geer, And pass the bounds of modest merry-make, Her dalliance he despis'd.

Why that's the way to choak a gibing spirit, Whose influence is begot of that loose grace Which shallow laughing hearers give to fools. Shakspeare.

Thus with talents well endu'd To be scurrilous and rude, When you pertly raise your snout, Fleer and gibe, and laugh and flout.

To GIBE. v. a. To reproach by contemptuous hints; to flout; to scoff; to ridicule; to treat with scorn; to sneer; to taunt.

When rioting in Alexandria, you Did pocket up my letters, and with taunts Did gibe my missive out of audience.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop.

Draw the beasts as I describe them, From their features, while I gibe them.

GIBE. n. s. [from the verb.] Sneer; hint of contempt by word or look; scoff; act or expression of scorn; taunt.

Mark the fleers, the gibes and notable scorns That dwell in every region of his face. Shakspeare, Othello.

The rich have still a gibe in store, And will be monstrous witty on the poor.

Dryden, Juv. If they would hate from the bottom of their hearts, their aversion would be too strong for little Speciator. gibes every moment.

But the dean, if this secret should come to his

Will never have done with his gibes and his jeers.

GI'BER. n. s. [from gibe.] A sneerer; one who turns others to ridicule by contemptuous hints; a scoffer; a taunter. You are well understood to be a more perfect

giber of the table, than a necessary bencher of the Shakspeare, Coriol.

He is a giber, and our present business

Is of more serious consequence. B. Jonson, Catiline.

GI'BELLINES.* n. s. pl. The name of a faction in Italy, opposed to that of the Guelfs, in the thirteenth century. The reason of these names has been variously attempted to be explained. Not content with endless quarrels,

Against the wicked and their morals, The Gibellines, for want of Guelfs,

Divert their rage upon themselves. Hudibras, iii. 2. This would destroy all the records in the Tower, and Magna Charta, and the Act of Oblivion and Indemnity, and divide the whole kingdom into Guelphs and Gibellines.

Bp. Parker, Repr. of Rehears. Transprosed, p. 205.

GI'BINGLY. adv. [from gibe.] Scornfully; contemptuously.

His present portance, Gibingly and ungravely he did fashion After th' inveterate hate he bears to you. Shakspeare, Coriol.

GI'BLETS.† n. s. [According to Minsheu, from gobbet, goblet : according to Junius. more probably from gibbier, game, Fr. Dr. Johnson. — The word is the old French, gibelez, gibelet, giblet, &c. i. e. gibier; Latin, cibarium, Food. V. Roq. Gloss. Lang. Rom.] The parts of a goose which are cut off before it is

The liquorous palate of the glutton ranges through seas and lands for uncouth delicacies, kills thousands of creatures for but their tongues or Bp. Hall, St. Paul's Combat. I shall not like the table of a country justice,

besprinkled over with all manner of cheap sallads, sliced beef, giblets, and petitoes, to fill up room. Beaum. and Fl. Woman-Hater.

'Tis holyday; provide me better cheer:
'Tis holyday; and shall be round the year: Shall I my household gods and genius cheat, To make him rich who grudges me my meat? That he may loll at ease: and pamper'd high, When I am laid, may feed on giblet pie?

Dryden, Pers.

GI'BSTAFF. n. s.

1. A long staff to gage water, or to shove forth a vessel into the deep.

2. A weapon used formerly to fight beasts upon the stage. GI'DDILY. adv. [from giddy.]

1. With the head seeming to turn round.

2. Inconstantly; unsteadily.

To roam

Giddily, and be every where but at home, Such freedom doth a banishment become. Donne.

3. Carelessly; heedlessly; negligently. The parts that fortune hath bestow'd upon her, Tell her, I hold as giddily as fortune. Shakspeare, Tw. Night.

GI'DDINESS. n. s. [from giddy.]

1. The state of being giddy or vertiginous; the sensation which we have when every thing seems to turn round.

Megrims and giddiness are rather when we rise after long sitting, than while we sit.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. This blessed thistle, which is so sovereign a medicine against the giddiness of the brain; 'tis this will settle it. Holuday.

Vain show and noise intoxicate the brain, Begin with giddiness, and end in pain. Young.

Inconstancy; unsteadiness; mutability; changeableness.

There be that delight in giddiness, and count it a bondage to fix a belief. Bacon.

3. Quick rotation; inability to keep its

The indignation of Heaven rolling and turning us, till at length such a giddiness seized upon government, that it fell into the very dregs of secta-South.

4. Frolick; wantonness of life. Thou, like a contrite penitent, Charitably warn'd of thy sins, dost repent, These vanities and giddinesses.

GI'DDY. adj. [31613, Saxon. I know not whether this word may not come from gad, to wander, to be in motion, gad, gid, giddy.]

1. Vertiginous; having in the head a whirl, or sensation of circular motion, such as happens by disease or drunkenness. Them rev'ling thus the Tentyrites invade,

By giddy heads, and stagg'ring legs betray'd. Tate, Juv.

2. Rotatory; whirling; running round with

As Ixion fix'd, the wretch shall feel The giddy motion of the whirling mill.

3. Inconstant; mutable; unsteady; change-Our fancies are more giddy and unfirm,

More longing, wavering, sooner lost and won, Than women's are. Shakspeare, Tw. Night. It may be gnats and flies have their imagination

more mutable and giddy, as small birds likewise Thanks to giddy chance, which never bears That mortal bliss should last for length of years,

She cast us headlong from our high estate, And here in hope of thy return we wait. Dryden, Fab.

The giddy vulgar, as their fancies guide, With noise say nothing, and in parts divide. Dryden, Æn.

You are as giddy and volatile as ever, the reverse of Pope, who hath always loved a domestick life. Swift to Gay.

4. That which causes giddiness. The frequent errours of the pathless wood. The giddy precipice, and the dang'rous flood.

The sylphs through mystick mazes guide their

Through all the giddy circle they pursue. Pope. 5. Heedless; thoughtless; uncautious;

wild. Too many giddy, foolish hours are gone, And in fantastick measures danc'd away.

Rowe, Jane Shore. How inexcusable are those giddy creatures, who, in the same hour, leap from a parent's window to

a husband's bed. Richardson, Clarissa. 6. Tottering; unfixed.

As we have pac'd along Upon the guddy footing of the hatches, Methought that Glo'ster stumbled.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. 7. Intoxicated; elated to thoughtlessness; overcome by any overpowering intice-

Art thou not giddy with the fashion too, that thou hast shifted out of thy tale into telling me of the fashion? Shakspeare.

Like one of two contending in a prize, That thinks he hath done well in people's eyes; Hearing applause and universal shout,

Giddy in spirit, gazing still in doubt, Whether those peals of praise be his or no. Shaks.

To GI'DDY. v. n. [from the noun.] To turn quick. Obsolete. A sodaine North-wind fetcht,

With an extreame sea, quite about againe, Our whole endeavours; and our course constrain To giddie round.

To GI'DDY.* v. a. To make giddy; to render unsteady.

He is a quiet and peaceable man, who is not moved when all things else are; not shaken with fear, not giddied with suspicion. Farindon, Serm. (1657,) p. 423.

GI'DDYBRAINED. adj. [giddy and brain.]

Careless; thoughtless.

Turn him out again, you unnecessary, useless, giddybrain'd ass! Otway, Ven. Pres. GI'DDYHEAD.* n.s. [giddy and head.] One without due thought or judgement.

A company of giddyheads will take upon them to define how many shall be saved, and who damned in a parish; where they shall sit in heaven; interpret apocalypses; and precisely set down when the world shall come to an end, what year, what month, what day.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 677.

GI'DDY-HEADED. adj. [giddy and head. Without thought or caution; without steadiness or constancy.

And sooner may a gulling weather spy, By drawing forth heaven's scheme descry What fashion'd hats or ruffs, or suits, next year,

Our giddyheaded antick youth will wear. Donne. That men are so misaffected, melancholy, giddyheaded, hear the testimony of Solomon.

Burton on Melancholy.

GI'DDYPACED. adj. [giddy and pace.] Moving without regularity. More than light airs and recollected terms,

Of these most brisk and giddypaced times.

To GIE.* v. a. [the parent of our word guide; perhaps from the old Fr. guier, to conduct. See To GUIDE.] To direct; to guide. Obsolete.

And if that ye in clene love me gie, He will you love as me, for your clenenesse, And shew to you his joye and his brightnesse. Chaucer, Sec. Nonnes Tale.

GI'ER-EAGLE. n. s. [Sometimes it is written jer-eagle.] An eagle of a particular

These fowl shall not be eaten, the swan and the pelican, and the gier-eagle. Lev. xi. 18.

GIERFA'LCON.* See GERFALCON. GIF.* conj. [Sax. zir, if; Goth. gau, q. d. gav, the same.] If. The word is used

in the north of England. See Ir. Gif any good knight will fend this dame, Come forth, or she must die.

Ballad of Sir Aldingar, Percy's Rel. ii. i. 9.

GIFT. † n. s. [Sax. gift.] 1. A thing given or bestowed; something conferred without price.

They presented unto him gifts, gold, and ankincense and myrrh. St. Mat. ii. 11. frankincense and myrrh. Recall your gift, for I your pow'r confess; But first take back my life, a gift that's less.

Dryden, Aurengzebe.

2. The act of giving.

God also bearing them witness both with signs and wonders, and with divers miracles and gifts [in the margin, distributions,] of the Holy Ghost. Heb. ii. 4.

Creator bounteous and benign Giver of all things good, but fairest this Of all thy gifts, nor envyest. Milton, P. L. Thee all things living gaze on, all things thine By gift. Milton, P. L.

3. The right or power of bestowing. They cannot give ;

For had the gift been theirs, it had not here Thus grown. Milton, P. L. No man has any antecedent right or claim to that which comes to him by free gift. South.

4. Oblation; offering.

Many nations shall come with gifts in their hands, even gifts to the king of heaven. Tob. xiii. 11.

5. A bribe.

Thou shalt not wrest judgment, thou shalt not respect persons, neither take a gift; for a gift doth blind the eyes of the wise.

Deut. xvi; 19.

6. Power; faculty.

And if the boy have not a woman's gift, To rain a shower of commanded tears, An onion will do well for such a shift.

She was lovely to attract Thy love, not thy subjection, and her gifts Were such as made government well seem'd Unseemly to bear rule.

Milton, P. L. He who has the gift of ridicule, finds fault with any thing that gives him an opportunity of exerting his talent. Addison.

To GIFT.* v. a. To endow with any faculty or power.

Am I better gifted than another? Thou art an ill judge of either, who enviest the gifts of both.

Bp. Hall, Satan's Fiery Darts quenched, § 9. In those primitive times there were some women extraordinarily gifted by God's Spirit, who took upon them to preach and pray publickly.

Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 237. If he be gifted with abilities of mind, that may raise him to such an undertaking.

Milton, Doct. and Disc. of Divorce. There is no talent so pernicious as eloquence, to those who have it not under command : women. who are so liberally gifted by nature in this particular, ought to study the rules of female oratory.

Addison, Freeholder. GI'FTED. † adj. [In this form Dr. Johnson

gives the word. But see To GIFT.] 1. Given; bestowed.

Made of my enemies the scorn and gaze, To grind in brazen fetters, under task,

With my heaven-gifted strength. Milton, S. A. 2. Endowed with extraordinary powers. It is commonly used ironically, Dr. Johnson says; which is not the fact. See To GIFT, and the examples under

Two of their gifted brotherhood, Hacket and Coppinger, got up into a pease-cart and harangued the people to dispose them to an insurrection.

Dryden.

GI'FTEDNESS.* n. s. [from gifted, in its ironical sense.] The state of being endowed with extraordinary powers.

May not a conformist, though of an ordinary invention, and not endued with the sublimest giftednesses of our separatists, say, Seek, seek, seek, or Good, good, good, &c.

Echard, Grounds of Cont. of the Cler. p. 120.

GIG. † n. s. [etymology uncertain.]

1. Any thing that is whirled round in play.

Playthings, as tops, gigs, battledores, should be procured them. Lacke.

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2. [gigia, Icelandick.] A fiddle, Now out of use. See Jig.

3. A dart or harpoon. See Fizgic. At each end of the canoe stands an Indian with a gig, or pointed spear.

Hist. of Virginia, (1722,) p. 181.
4. A wanton girl. [old French, gigues.]

See GIGLOT.

5. A ship's wherry.

6. A light vehicle, with two wheels, drawn by one horse.

To Gig. * v. a. [probably from the Lat. gigno, to beget.] To engender. A low word.

Our diamonds may have procreated these diamonds, and so we are all three double : if so, I hope my goblet has gigged another golden goblet; and then they may carry double upon all four. Dryden, Amphitryon.

GIGANTE'AN.* adj. [Lat. giganteus.] Like a giant; irresistible. A good word. When the strong Fates with gigantean force Bear thee in iron arms, without remorse; Bear, and be borne.

More, Philosoph. Poems, (1647,) p. 318.

GIGA'NTICAL. * adj. [Latin, gigantes.] Big; bulky.

In good earnest gigantical Cyclopes will tran-Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 255. scend spheres.

GIGA'NTICK. adj. [gigantes, Latin.] Suitable to a giant; big; bulky; enormous; likewise wicked; atrocious.

Others from the wall defend With dart and jav'lin, stones, and sulphurous fire; On each hand slaughter and gigantick deeds?

I dread him not, nor all his giant-brood, Though fame divulg'd him father of five sons, All of gigantick size, Goliah chief. Milton, S. A. The son of Hercules he justly seems,

By his broad shoulders and gigantick limbs.

The Cyclopean race in arms arose;
A lawless nation of gigantick foes. Pope, Odyssey. GIGA'NTINE.* adj. [old Fr. gigantin.] Bullokar. Giant-like.

To GI'GGLE. v. n. [gichelen, Dutch. Dr. Johnson. - It may perhaps be referred to the Sax. zæzl, wanton.] To laugh idly; to titter; to grin with merry levity.

They began to fleer and giggle, and to look at men over the shoulder,

World of Wonders, 1608, p. 289. We shew our present, joking, giggling race; True joy consis s in gravity and grace.

Garrick, Epilogue. GI'GGLE.* n.s. [from the verb.] A kind of laugh.

A smile, a giggle, or a hum.

Barrow, Serm. i. 184. GI'GGLER. † n. s. [from giggle.] A laugher;

a titterer; one idly and foolishly merry. A sad wise valour is the brave complexion, That leads the van, and swallows up the cities: The giggler is a milk-maid, whom infection, Or the fir'd beacon, frighteth from his ditties.

This particularity a set of gigglers thought the

most necessary thing to be taken notice of in his whole discourse, and made it an occasion of mirth during the whole time of his sermon.

Spectator, No. 158. I become weary and impatient of the derision of the gigglers of our sex. Tatler, No. 210.

GI'GLOT. + n. s. [zæzl, Sax; geyl, Dutch.] A wanton; a lascivious girl. In the north of England, a laughing girl. Sherwood calls giglot a giggle also. The wife that gads not giglot wise

With every flirting gill, But honestly doth keep at home, Not set to gossip still.

Tr. of Bullinger's Serm. (1576), p. 224. Away with those giglots too, and with the other confederate companion. Shaksp. Meas. for Meas.

B. Jonson, Sejanus. A peevish giglot. GI'GLOT.* adj. Inconstant; giddy; light;

Young Talbot was not born

To be the pillage of a giglot wench.

Shakspeare, K. Hen. VI. The fam'd Cassibelan, who was once at point (O giglot fortune!) to master Cæsar's sword.

Shakspeare, Cymbeline. GI'GOT.† n. s. [French.] The hip joint. It seems to mean in Chapman a joint for the spit, Dr. Johnson says; which is true, gigot de mouton, being an old French phrase of the kitchen, and still used by us. Gigot was also used for a

The inwards slit, They broil'd on coales, and eate; the rest, in gigots cut, they split. Chapman. Cut the slaves to giggets.

Beaum. and Fl. Double Marriage.

To GILD, v. a. pret. gilded, or gilt. [zılban, Saxon.

1. To overlay with thin gold; to cover with foliated gold.

The room was large and wide, As it some gilt or solemn temple were: Many great golden pillars did uprear The massy roof. Spenser. To gild refined gold, to paint the lily,

To throw a perfume on the violet. Shakspeare, K. John.

And the gilded car of day His glowing axle doth allay Milton, Comus. In the steep Atlantick stream.

Purchasing riches with our time and care, We lose our freedom in a gilded snare. Roscom. When Britain, looking with a just disdain

Upon this gilded majesty of Spain, And knowing well that empire must decline, Whose chief support and sinews are of coin.

Her joy in gilded chariots, when alive; And love of ombre after death survive. 2. To cover with any yellow matter. Thou did'st drink

The stale of horses and the gilded puddle, Which beasts would cough at. Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop.

3. To adorn with lustre. No more the rising sun shall gild the morn,

Nor ev'ning Cynthia fill her silver horn.

4. To brighten; to illuminate.

The lightsome passion of joy was not that trivial, vanishing, superficial thing, that only gilds the apprehension and plays upon the surface of the

5. To recommend by adventitious ornaments.

For my part, if a lie may do thee grace, I'll gild it with the happiest terms I have.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. Yet, oh! th' imperfect piece moves more

'Tis gilded o'er with youth, to catch the sight. Dryden, Aurengz.

GILD.* See GUILD. GI'LDER. n. s. [from gild.]

1. One who lays gold on the surface of any other body.

Gilders use to have a piece of gold in their mouth to draw the spirits of the quicksilver.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. We have here a gilder with his anvil and

2. A coin, from one shilling and sixpence, to two shillings. I am bound

To Persia, and want gilders for my voyage. Shaks. GI'LDING. n. s. from gild.] Gold laid on any surface by way of ornament.

Silvering will sully and canker more than gilding, which, if it might be corrected with a little mixture of gold, there is profit.

Bacon, Phys. Rem. The church of the Annunciation, all but one corner of it, is covered with statues, gilding, and Addison on Italy. Could laureate Dryden Pimp and Fry'r

And I not strip the gilding off a knave,

Unplac'd, unpension'd, no man's heir or slave? GILL. † n. s. [agulla, Spanish; gula, Latin.

In sense four, and three following, it is spoken jill.

The apertures at each side of a fish's head.

The leviathan, Stretch'd like a promontory, sleeps or swims, And seems a moving land; and at his gills Draws in, and at his trunk spouts out a sea.

Milton, P. L. Fishes perform respiration under water by the

gills. He hath two gill-fins; not behind the gills, as in most fishes, but before them.

Walton. Till they, of farther passage quite bereft,

Were in the mesh with gills entangl'd left. King's Fisherman.

2. The flaps that hang below the beak of a fowl. The turkeycock hath great and swelling gills,

and the hen hath less. Bacon, Nat. Hist. 3. The flesh under the chin.

In many there is no paleness at all; but, contrariwise, redness about the cheeks and gills, which is by the sending forth of spirits in an appetite to Bacon, Nat. Hist. Like the long bag of flesh hanging down from

the gills of the people in Piedmont. Swift. Waller. 4. [Gilla, barbarous Latin; jail, old French.] A measure of liquids containing the fourth part of a pint; or, in some places, half a pint.

Every bottle must be rinced with wine: some, out of mistaken thrift, will rince a dozen with the same: change the wine at every second bottle: a gill may be enough.

5. A kind of measure among the tinners. They measure their block-tin by the gill, which containeth a pint.

6. [From Gillian, the old English way of writing Julian, or Juliana. The appellation of a woman in ludicrous language, Dr. Johnson says; citing only Ben Jonson. It seems to have been rather a contemptuous name, denoting a wanton; and may be from the Sax. zæzl, zal, lascivious, wanton; and such a woman is called, in our old lexicography, a gill-flirt. See Sherwood in GILL. Mr. Steevens has strangely imagined this word to be from gilly-flower.

The wife that gads not giglot wise With every flirting gill, But honestly doth keep at home,

Not set to gossip still. Tr. of Bullinger's Serm. (1576,) p. 224. Scurvy knave! I am none of his flirt gills. Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul.

You heard him take me up like a gill-flirt. Beaum. and Fl. Kn. of the Burn. Pest. I can, for I will.

Here at Burley o' th' Hill, Give you all your fill,

Each Jack with his Gill. B. Jonson, Gypsies. 7. [Chelidonium.] The name of a plant; ground-ivy.

The lowly gill, that never dares to climb. Shenstone, Schoolmistress.

8. Malt liquor medicated with groundivy.

9. A fissure in a hill. [Icel. gil, a cleft, a rift of mountains; whence, any fis-

The canary birds, which they bring to us in England, breed in the "barancos," or gills, which the water hath fretted away in the mountains,

being places very cold. Relation of Teneriffe, in Sprat's Hist. R. S. p. 208. 10. In the north of England, a place hem-

med in with two steep brows or banks. a rivulet running between them. You may continue along this gill, and passing by one end of the village and its church for half

a mile, it leads to an opening between two hills covered with fir woods, Gray, Letters. 11. In some parts of the south of England, a rivulet or brook.

GI'LLHOUSE. n. s. [gill and house.] A house where gill is sold.

Thee shall each alehouse, thee each gillhouse mourn,

And answ'ring ginshops sourer sighs return.

GI'LLIAN.* n. s. See the sixth meaning of GILL. A wanton.

Thou tookst me up at every word I spoke, As I had been a mawkin, a flirt gillian

Beaum. and Fl. The Chances. GI'LLYFLOWER. † n. s. [Either corrupted from July flower, or from giroflée, Fr. Gawen Douglas writes the word jereflour; and our old lexicographers, Huloet and Barret, gilover and gilofer. I think I have somewhere seen it also girofer.]

Gilly flowers, or rather July flowers, so called from the month they blow in, may be reduced to these sorts; red and white, purple and white, scarlet and white. Mortimer, Husbandry. In July come gillyflowers of all varieties. Bacon.

Fair is the gillyflow'r of gardens sweet, Fair is the marygold, for pottage meet.

Gay, Pastorals.

GILSE.* n. s. [of uncertain etymology.] In the north of England, a young sal-

GILT. n. s. [from gild.] Golden show; gold laid on the surface of any matter. Now obsolete.

Our gayness and our gilt are all besmirch'd, With rainy marching in the painful field.

Shakspeare, Hen. V. When thou wast in thy gilt, and thy perfume, they mockt thee for too much curiosity: in thy rags thou know'st none, but art despis'd for the contrary. Shakspeare, Timon of Athens.
ILT. The participle of GILD, which

Where the gilt chariot never mark'd its way.

GI'LTHEAD. † n. s. [gilt and head.] A sea

The gilthead that doth clive [cleave] Sicilian sea, is brought unto the board alive.

Hakewill on Providence, p. 380. He maketh him to die of a surfeit of giltheads, (a fish, called aurata, or aurella.)

Fuller, Holy War, p. 151.

GILT-TAIL. n. s. [gilt and tail.] A worm so called from his yellow tail.

GIM. † adj. [An old word. Welsh, gwymp, beautiful. Lye.] Neat; spruce; well dressed. Hence the modern expression jemmy, i. e. gimmy. See also GIMP. Gawen Douglas uses gim.

GI'MBAL, OF GI'MBOL.* See GEMEL and GIMMAL.

GI'MCRACK. † n. s. [Supposed by Skinner to be ludicrously formed from gin, derived from engine, Dr. Johnson. - It is more probably from gim and crack, a smart youth, a spruce fellow. See the 13th sense of CRACK. See also GIMP. Gimcrack appears to have been first applied to the person, which has escaped the notice of Skinner and Johnson; and to have been used in a contemptuous sense, as it now sometimes is. Afterwards the word came to signify any trifling contrivance.] A slight or trivial mechanism.

Lady, I pity you: You are a handsome and a sweet young lady,

And ought to have a handsome man yok'd to you, An understanding too: This is a gimcrack! Beaum. and Fl. Elder Brother.

For though these gimcracks were away, However, more reduc'd and plain,

The watch would still a watch remain; But if the horal orbit ceases,

The whole stands still, or breaks to pieces. Prior. What's the meaning of all these trangrams and gimeracks? Jumping over my master's hedges, and running your lines cross his grounds?

Arbuthnot, Hist. of J. Bull. GI'MLET. n. s. [gibelet, guimbelet, French.] A borer with a screw at its point.

The gimlet hath a worm at the end of its bit. Moron.

GI'MMAL. † n. s. [Supposed by Skinner and Ainsworth to be derived from gemellus, Latin, and to be used only of something consisting of correspondent parts, or double. It seems rather to be gradually corrupted from geometry or geometrical. Any thing done by occult means is vulgarly said to be done by geometry.] Some little quaint device or piece of machinery. Hanmer.

I think by some odd gimmals or device Their arms are set like clocks, still to strike on, Else they could not hold out so as they do.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. Some of their Italian friars have confessed withal, that their fashion is, when all their gimmals are in tune for a miracle, to enjoin some seely old woman in her confessions, to say her devotions before the altar, where the image prepared to play a miracle doth stand.

Sir E. Sandys, State of Religion.

GI'MMAL Ring.* See GEMEL.

GI'MMER. 7 n. s. [See GIMMAL.] Movement; machinery.

The holding together of the parts of matter has so confounded me, that I have been prone to conclude with myself, that the gimmers of the world hold together not so much by geometry as some natural magick. More, Divine Dialogues.

Who knows not how the famous Kentish idol moved her eyes, and hands, by those secret gimmers, which now every puppet-play can imitate

Bp. Hall to Sir D. Murray, Dec. I. Epist. G. Here lay a wheel, there the balance; here one gimmer, there another. Bp. Hall, Select Thoughts, § 9.

GI'MMER-LAMB.* n. s. An ewe-lamb. Gimmer is also a two-year old female sheep. A northern word. Grose, Craven Dialect, and Brockett. Of uncertain etymology.

GIMP.* adj. [Welsh, gwymp, pretty; Lat. comptus, neat.] Nice; spruce; trim. In the north of England, it is applied to women, and denotes slimness or elegance of shape. And in vulgar language, a gimcrack is a spruce girl. Gawen Douglas applies the word to flowers; "gimp gilliflowers," Virg. Æn. 12.

GIMP. † n. s. [probably from gimp, old Eng. neat, spruce, though indeed it is pronounced with g hard. See GIMP and GIMCRACK.] A kind of silk twist or lace.

He walk'd the place, Through tape, toys, tinsel, gimp, perfume, and lace. Parnell, Elegy to an Old Beauty.

GIN. + n. s.

1. A trap; a snare. [from engine, Dr. Johnson. - Lye considers it as descended from the Icel. ginna, to deceive; but gin, for engine, is very old in our language. Robert of Gloucester uses it. And Barret, in his Alv. 1580, defines a snare " a ginne or engine."]

As the day begins, With twenty gins we will the small birds take, And pastime make.

For a gin, and for a snare, to the inhabitants of Jerusalem. Isaiah, viii. 14. Which two, through treason and deceitful gin, Had slain sir Mordant. Spenser, F. Q.

So strives the woodcock with the gin; So doth the coney struggle in the net.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. Be it by gins, by snares, by subtilty.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. If those, who have but sense, can shun The engines that have them annoy'd;

Little for me had reason done, If I could not thy gins avoid. B. Jonson, Forest.
I know thy trains,

Though dearly to my cost, thy gins and toils; No more on me have pow'r, their force is null'd. Milton, S. A.

He made a planetary gin, Which rats would run their own heads in, And come on purpose to be taken. Without th' expence of cheese and bacon.

Keep from flaying scourge thy skin, And ankle free from iron gin. Hudibras.

Hudibras.

2. Any thing moved with screws, as an engine of torture. [from engine.] Typhæus' joints were stretched on a gin.

3. In mechanicks, a machine for raising great weights.

4. A pump worked by rotatory sails. [from engine.]

The delfs would be so flown with waters, it being impossible to make any adits or soughs to drain them, that no gins or machines would suffice to lay and keep them dry.

A bituminous plate, alternately yellow and

black, formed by water driveling on the outside of the gin pump of Mostyn coalpits.

Woodward on Fossils. 5. [Contracted from GENEVA, which see.] The spirit drawn by distillation from juniper berries.

This calls the church to deprecate our sin, And hurls the thunder of our laws on gin. Pope. Pope. Gin shops sourer sighs return.

To GIN.* v. a. [from the noun.] To catch in a trap.

So, so, the woodcock's ginn'd.

Beaum. and Fl. Nice Valour. To GIN.* v. n. [Sax. zýnnan.] To begin. This is the original of our begin; which Mr. Mason, with others, has inaccurately considered as a mere poetical abbreviation.

The majestee of hir schal gynne to be destroyed, whom al Asie and the world worschipeth.

Wieliffe, Acts, xix.

When thine hornis new ginnen to spring. Chaucer, Tr. and Cress. v. 657. Our play

Leaps o'er the vaunt and firstlings of those broils, Ginning in the middle. Shakspeare, Tr. and Cress. Prol.

GIN.* conj. [315, Sax. Ray. Gin is no

other than the participle given, gien, gi'n. Mr. Horne Tooke. But see GIFT.] If. Used in our northern counties.

GING.* n. s. [an old word for gang.] A

company. See GANG.

To be auditors in the galleys, there to employ and exercise their turbulent, seditious, litigious, mutinous, harsh and quarrelous talent upon the ging, swabbers, and rowing slaves.

Tr. of Boccalini, (1626,) p. 60.

I would not willingly

See or be seen to any of this ging.

B. Jonson, New Inn, (1631.) Proceeding further, I am met with a whole ging of words and phrases not mine.

Milton, Apol. for Smeetym.

GI'NGER.† n. s. [Sax. zinzifen; Lat. zinziber, gingiber; Ital. gingero; Gr. Ziyylbegis, an Arabian plant; gingerfil, Pers. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 316. Chaucer writes it gingiber, Rom. R. 1369. "Gilofre, and licorice, gingiber,

The flower consists of five leaves, shaped somewhat like those of the iris: these are produced in the head or club, each coming out of a separate leafy scale. The ovary becomes a triangular fruit, having three cells which contain Miller. seeds.

The root of ginger is of the tuberous kind, knotty, crooked, and irregular; of a hot, acrid, and pungent taste, though aromatick, and of a very agreeable smell. The Indians eat both the young shoots of the leaves and the roots themselves. Hill, Mat. Medica.

Or wafting ginger round the streets to go, And visit alehouse where ye first did grow.

Pope, Dunciad.

GI'NGERBREAD. n. s. [ginger and bread.] A kind of farinaceous sweetmeat made of dough, like that of bread or biscuit, sweetened with treacle, and flavoured with ginger and some other aromatick seeds. It is sometimes gilt.

An' I had but one penny in the world, thou | GI'NGLE. n. s. [from the verb.] should'st have it to buy gingerbread.

Shakspeare, Love's Lab. Lost. Her currants there and gooseberries were spread, With the enticing gold of gingerbread.

King, Cookery. 'Tis a loss you are not here, to partake of three weeks' frost, and eat gingerbread in a booth by a fire upon the Thames.

GI'NGERLY. + adv. [I know not whence derived. Dr. Johnson. - Serenius derives it from the Icel. gangr, walking. Su. gaengra, to go step by step. It appears to have been very common; and among good writers, though Dr. Johnson has cited only Shakspeare; nor is it yet disused.] Cautiously; nicely.

Go she never so gingerly, her honestie is gone Skelton, Poems, p. 48.

What is't that you Took up so gingerly? Shaks. Two Gent. of Ver. Has it a corn? or does it walk on conscience,

It treads so gingerly? Beaum.and Fl. Mart. Maid. We must make use of that rotten staff of nature, as far as its strength will bear, and that very gingerly too; never daring to lean or lay our whole Hammond, Works, iv. 660. weight upon it.

He came to him with a soft pace, treading gingerly, (as we speak,) after a nice and delicate man-Patrick on 1 Sam. xv. 32.

He walks like a benighted traveller in a dangerous road, and is fain to feel out his steps, and to tread gingerly and cautiously. Scott, Works, ii. 28. Pray observe how gingerly he translates "tem-

perans," moderate in the enjoyment of pleasure! Whereas temperance, according to Tully, consists in the neglecting and despising of pleasure. Bentley, Phil. Lips. § 44.

GI'NGERNESS. n. s. Niceness; tenderness. Dict.

GI'NGIVAL. adj. [gingiva, Lat.] Belong-

ing to the gums.

Whilst the Italians strive to cut a thread in their pronunciation between D and T, so to sweeten it, they make the occluse appulse, especially the gingival, softer than we do, giving a little of pervious-Holder, Elem. of Speech.

To GI'NGLE. † v. n. [Dr. Johnson offers no etymology. It is probably the Teut. klincken, to ring; German, klingen. Casaubon would derive it from the κιγκλίζω, to move quickly, to shake.]

1. To utter a sharp clattering noise; to utter a sharp noise in quick succession. Did this title here

Of knighthood ask no other ornaments Than other countries glittring show, poor pride, A gingling spur, a feather, a white hand A frizzled hair, powder'd perfumes, and lust, Drinking sweet wines, surfeits and ignorance, Rashly and easily would I venture on't.

Beaum. and Fl. Kn. of Malta. The foot grows black that was with dirt embrown'd.

And in thy pocket gingling halfpence sound.

Once, we confess, beneath the patriot's cloak, From the crack'd bag the dropping guinea spoke, And gingling down the backstairs told the crew, Old Cato is as great a rogue as you. Pope, Epist. 2. To make an affected sound in periods

or cadence. Those petty sectaries - who by their various

kind of gingling fancies in serving God, &c.

Howell, Instruct. For. Trav. (1642,) p. 227.

To Gi'ngle. v. a. To shake so that a sharp shrill clattering noise should be

Her infant grandame's whistle next it grew; The bells she gingled, and the whistle blew. Pope.

1. A shrill resounding noise.

Many of their fancies, which amongst themselves they hold to be strong lines, and quintessential stuff, being turned to another tongue, become flat, and prove oftentimes but mere gingles. Howel, Instruct. For. Trav. p. 158.

2. Affectation in the sound of periods.

GI'NGLYMOID. adj. γιγγλυμος, a hinge, and ellos.] Resembling a ginglymus; approaching to a ginglymus.

The malleus lies along, fixed to the tympanum, and on the other end is joined to the incus by a double or ginglymoid joint. Holder, Elem. of Speech.

GI'NGLYMUS. n. s. A mutual indenting of two bones into each other's cavity, in the manner of a hinge; of which the elbow is an instance. Wiseman.

GI'NNET. n. s. [ylvvos.] A nag; a mule; a degenerated breed. Hence, according to some, but, I believe, erroneously, a Spanish gennet, improperly written for ginnet.

GI'NSENG. n. s. [I suppose Chinese.] A root brought lately into Europe, of a brownish colour on the outside, and somewhat yellowish within; and so pure and fine, that it seems almost transparent. It is of a very agreeable and aromatick smell, though not very strong. Its taste is acrid and aromatick, and has somewhat bitter in it. We have it from China and America. The Chinese value this root at three times its weight in

To GIP. v. a. To take out the guts of herrings. GI'PON.* See Juppon.

GI'PSY. † n.s. [Corrupted from Egyptian; for when they first appeared in Europe, they declared, and perhaps truly, that they were driven from Egypt by the Turks. They are now mingled with all nations. Dr. Johnson.—"The received opinion sets them down for Egyptians, and makes them out to be the descendants of those vagabond votaries of Isis, who appeared to have exercised in ancient Rome pretty much the same profession as that followed by the present gipsies, viz. fortune-telling, strolling up and down, and pilfering." Swinburne, Trav. through Spain, Lett. 29. -"The Gipsies, as it should seem by some striking proofs derived from their language, came originally from Hindostan, where they are supposed to have been of the lowest class of Indians, namely Parias, or, as they are called in Hindostan, Suders. They are thought to have migrated about A. D. 1408, or 1409, when Timur Beg ravaged India for the purpose of spreading the Mahometan religion. - They must certainly have been in Egypt before they reached us, otherwise it is incomprehensible how the report arose that they were Egyptians." Brand, Pop. Antiquities. See also the adjective GIPSY. - Their first appearance in Europe was in the fifteenth century. Our old lexicography denominates them "counterfeit Egyptians."

1. A vagabond who pretends to foretell futurity, commonly by palmistry or physiognomy.

I perceive him to be more ignorant in his art of divining than any gipsy. Milton, Apol. for Smeetym.

The butler, though he is sure to lose a knife, a fork, or a spoon every time his fortune is told him, shuts himself up in the pantry with an old gipsy for above half an hour.

A frantick gipsey now, the house he haunts, And in wild phrases speaks dissembled wants.

Prior, Henry and Emma. In this still labyrinth around her lie Spells, philters, globes, and spheres of palmistry; A sigil in his hand the gipsy bears, In th' other a prophetick sieve and sheers.

Garth, Dispensatory. I, near you stile, three sallow gypsies met; Upon my hand they cast a poring look, Bid me beware, and thrice their heads they shook.

Gay. 2. A reproachful name for a dark complexion.

Laura, to his lady was but a kitchen-wench; Dido a dowdy ;

Cleopatra a gipsy; Helen and Hero hildings and Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul.

3. A name of slight reproach to a woman. The widow play'd the gipsy, and so did her confidant too, in pretending to believe her. L'Estrange. A slave I am to Clara's eyes;

The gipsy knows her pow'r, and flies. GI'PSY.* adj.

1. Denoting the language spoken by the Gypsies.

It seems to be well proved in this learned work A Dissertation on the Gipsies, &c. written in German by H. M. G. Grellman, translated into English by M. Raper, Esq. 1787, that these gipsies came originally from Hindostan. A very copious catalogue is given of Gipsey and Hindostan words collated, by which it appears that every third Gipsey word is likewise an Hindostan one, or still more, that out of every thirty Gipsey words, eleven or twelve are constantly of Hindostan. agreement will appear uncommonly great, if we recollect that the above words have only been learned from the Gipsies within these very few years, consequently after a separation of four complete centuries from Hindostan, their supposed

2. Denoting any jargon or cant.

native country.

The regicide directory on the day, which in their gipsy jargon they call the 5th of Pluviose, charges us with eluding our declarations.

Burke, Burke.

Brand, Popular Antiquities.

GI'PSYISM.* n. s. [from gipsy.] The state of a gipsy.

The companion of his [the tinker's] travels is some foul, sun-burnt quean, that since the terrible statute recanted gypsisme, [gipsyism,] and is turned pedlaress. Overbury, Charact. sign. I. 2.

GIRANDOLE.* n. s. [French; from the Ital. girandola; a kind of firework: "ruota composta di fuochi lavorati, che gira, appicandovi il fuoco." Della Crusc. Vocab.] A large kind of branched candlestick; a chandelier. Modern.

GI'RASOLE. n. s. [girasole, Fr.]

1. The herb turnsol.

2. The opal stone.

To GIRD. † v. a. pret. girded, or girt. zypsan, Sax. gyrta, Icel. gurten, Germ.] 1. To bind round.

They sprinkled earth upon their heads, and girded their loins with sackcloth. 2 Mac. x. 3. 2. To put on so as to surround or bind,

Cords of the bigness of packthread were fastened to bandages, which the workmen had girt round my neck.

3. To fasten by binding.

He girt his warlike harness about him.

1 Mac. iii. 25. My bow and thunder, my almighty arms Gird on, and sword upon thy puissant thigh.

Milton, P. L. No, let us rise at once, gird on our swords, And, at the head of our remaining troops, Attack the foe. Addison, Cato.

The combatant too late the field declines, When now the sword is girded to his loins. Prior.

4. To invest.

Stoop then, and set your knee against my foot; And in reguerdon of that duty done, I gird thee with the valiant sword of York.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. The son appear'd,

Girt with omnipotence. Milton, P. L. 5. To dress; to habit; to clothe.

I girded thee about with fine linen, and I covered thee with silk. Ezek, xvi. 10,

Tysiphone there keeps the ward, Girt in her sanguine gown, by night and day, Observant of the souls that pass the downward way. Dryden.

6. To cover round as a garment.

These, with what skill they had, together sow'd, To gird their waist; vain covering, if it hide Their guilt, and dreaded shame! Milton, P. L.

7. To furnish; to equip. So to the coast of Jordan he directs His easy steps, girded with snaky wiles. Milton, P. R.

8. To enclose; to encircle. That Nyseian isle,

Girt with the river Triton, where old Cham Hid Amalthea, and her florid son Young Bacchus, from his stepdame Rhea's eye.

Milton, P. L. 9. To reproach; to gibe. Being mov'd, he will not spare to gird the gods.

To GIRD. † v. n. [Of this word in this sense I know not the original: it may be formed by a very customary transposition from gride or cut. Dr. Johnson. - It is most probably from the Saxon zýpo, a staff, whence a hit or blow, first in the literal sense; then, in the figurative, for a stroke of wit or sarcasm. The Teut. gorden is actively, to strike, smite, or beat. So Chaucer uses it. Coles accordingly notices the verb gird, "to strike."] To break a scornful jest; to gibe; to sneer.

Men of all sorts take a pride to gird at me: the brain of this foolish compounded clay, man, is not able to invent any thing that tends to laughter more than I invent, or is invented on me: I am not only witty in myself, but the cause that wit is Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

It could not but go deep into thy soul, to hear these bitter and girding reproaches from them Thou camest to save. Bp. Hall, Contempl. The Crucifixion.

We, that are brothers of the blade, know how to put up harder and more girding repartees than this with patience and philosophy.

Bp. Parker, Repr. of Rehears. Transp. p. 31.

GIRD. † n. s. A twitch; a pang: it may come from the sensation caused by a bandage or girdle drawn hard suddenly. This word is now seldom used, unless the former etymology be admitted. Dr. Johnson. - Dr. Johnson means his etymology of the verb. But neither his de-

finition nor his etymology of this word will be generally received. We may refer to the Sax. zýpô, in the sense of a stroke or blow, and so define the word, a taunt, a reproach, a sneer.

Curculio may chatte till his heart ake, ere any

be offended with his gyrdes. Gosson, School of Abuse, (1579.) Sweet king! the bishop hath a kindly gird: For shame, my lord of Winchester, relent.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. All the sharp quips, and witty girds, wherewith Martial doth whet and embellish the conclusions of

Florio, Trans. of Montaigne, (1613,) p. 228. Conscience by this means is freed from many fearful girds and twinges which the atheist feels.

He has the glory of his conscience, when he doth well, to set against the checks and girds of it when he doth amiss. Goodman, Wint. Ev. Conference.

GI'RDER. † n. s. [from gird.]

1. In architecture, the largest piece of timber in a floor. Its end is usually fastened into the summers, or breast summers, and the joists are framed in at one arm to the girders. Harris.

The girders are also to be of the same scantling the summers and ground-plates are of, though the back girder need not be so strong as the front girder. Moxon, Mech. Exer.

These mighty girders which the fabrick bind, These ribs robust and vast in order join'd. Blackmore.

2. A satirist.

We great girders call it a short saying of sharp wit with a bitter sense in a sweet word.

Lilly, Alexan. and Campaspe.

GI'RDING.* n. s. [from gird.] A covering. Instead of a stomacher, a girding of sackcloth. Isaiah, iii. 24.

GI'RDLE.† n. s. [zýpbel, Saxon; girdur, Goth. Dr. Johnson has cited four lines from Marlow's Passionate Shepherd, which he ascribes to Shakspeare; in which, however, the word is not girdle, but kirtle.]

1. Any thing drawn round the waist, and tied or buckled.

Moses - girded them with girdles.

Levit. viii. 13. The same John had his raiment of camel's hair, and a leathern girdle about his loins. St. Matt. iii. 4. Many conceive there is somewhat amiss, until Brown, Vulg. Err. they put on their girdle.

On him his mantle, girdle, sword, and bow, On him his heart and soul he did bestow. Cowley.

2. Enclosure; circumference. Suppose within the girdle of these walls

Are now confined two mighty monarchies. Shakspeare, Hen. V.

The zodiack. Great breezes in great circles, such as are under the girdle of the world, do refrigerate. Bacon.

4. A round iron plate for baking. Nor-Pegge. thumberland.

To GI'RDLE. v. a. [from the noun.] 1. To gird; to bind as with a girdle.

Lay the gentle babes, girdling one another Within their innocent alabaster arms. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

2. To enclose; to shut in; to environ.

Those sleeping stones, That as a waist do girdle you about.

Shakspeare, K. John. Let me look back upon thee, O thou wall,

That girdlest in those wolves! Shakspeare, Timon.

But call you those true spirits ill affected, That whilst the wars were, serv'd like walls and

To girdle in the kingdom?

Beaum, and Fl. The Captain. GI'RDLEBELT. n. s. [girdle and belt.] The belt that encircles the waist.

Nor did his eyes less longingly behold The girdlebelt, with nails of burnish'd gold. Dryden, Æn.

GI'RDLER. 7 n. s. [from girdle.] A maker Huloet. of girdles. Talk with the girdler or the mill'ner.

Beaum, and Fl. Hon. Man's Fortune.

GIRE. n. s. [gyrus, Latin.] A circle described by any thing in motion. See GYRE.

GIRL. † n. s. [About the etymology of this word there is much question: Meric Casaubon, as is his custom, derives it from xoon of the same signification; Minsheu from garrula, Latin, a prattler, or girella, Italian, a weathercock; Junius thinks that it comes from herlodes, Welsh, from which, says he, harlot is very easily deduced. Skinner imagines that the Saxons, who used ceopl for a man, might likewise have ceopla for a woman, though no such word is now found. Dr. Hickes derives it most probably from the Icelandick karlinna, a So far Dr. Johnson. — Girl woman. was formerly an appellation common to both sexes. Serenius says, that from the Su. Goth. karl, a man, many etymologists deduce our word girl." The yonge girles of the diocese," in the Prologue to Chaucer's Canterbury Tales, may be the young men or the young women, the appellation, as already noticed, being common to both. See Mr. Tyrwhitt's Notes on Chaucer. See also Pilkington's Remarks upon several Passages of Scripture, 1759, p. 33. "In old English, the word girl is exactly expressive of the Hebrew נעך, and means a young person of either sex."]

1. A young woman, or female child. In those unfledg'd days was my wife a girl. Shaks. I will love thee ne'er the less, my girl. Shakspeare. The foole Amphimachus, to field brought gold to be his wracke.

Proude girle like, that doth ever bear her dowre upon her backe. Chanman.

A weather-beaten lover, but once known, Is sport for every girl to practise on.

Tragedy should blush as much to stoop Donne.

To the low mimick follies of a farce,

As a grave matron would to dance with girls.

Roscommon. A boy, like thee, would make a kingly line; But oh! a girl, like her, must be divine! Dryden. 2. Among sportsmen, a roebuck of two Bullokar, and Chambers. years age.

GI'RLHOOD.* n. s. [girl and hood.] The state of a girl. A proper word; but, I

believe, of modern usage.

I regret that it is not in my power to collect more anecdotes of Dr. Johnson's infancy. My mother passed her days of girlhood with an uncle at Warwick, consequently was absent from home in the school-boy days of the great man. Miss Seward to Mr. Boswell, (1785,) Lett. i. 38.

girl; youthful.

In her girlish age she kept sheep on the moor. GI'RLISHLY, adv. [from girlish.] In a

girlish manner. To GIRN. + v. n. It seems to be a corruption of grin. It is still used in Scotland, and is applied to a crabbed, captious, or peevish person. Dr. Johnson. - It is also used in the north of England for grin; and our old dictionaries refer girn to grin. See Barret and

Sherwood. And see To GRIN. They make anticke faces, girn, mow and mop

like an ape. Bn. Harsenet, Declaration of Popish Impostures. It has been always found an excellent way of

girning at the government in scripture-phrase. South, Serm. ii. 118.

GIRN.* n. s. A corruption of the substantive grin. See To GIRN.

This is at least a girn of fortune, if Davenant, Wits. Not a fair smile. GI'RROCK. n. s. [acus major.] A kind of Dict.

GIRT. † The part. pass. of gird. Having your loins girt about with truth.

Ephes. vi. 14. The soul may deem herself too straitly girt up. More, Conj. Cabb. p. 228.

To GIRT. + v. a. [Icel. gyrta; Germ. gurten. See To GIRD.] To gird; to encompass: to encircle. Not proper. In the dread ocean, undulating wide

Beneath the radiant line that girts the globe. Thomson. GIRT. † n. s. [from the verb. German,

gurt.] 1. A band by which the saddle or burthen

is fixed upon the horse. Here lies old Hobson, death hath broke his girt; And here, alas! hath laid him in the dirt.

Milton, Ep. on Hobson.

2. A circular bandage. The most common way of bandage is by that of the girt, which girt hath a bolster in the middle, and the ends are tacked firmly together.

3. The compass measured by the girdle,

or enclosing bandage. You shall see a pigmy in stature as big as a giant in the girt. Hammond, Works, iv. 677.

GIRTH. n. s. [from girt.]

1. A band by which the saddle is fixed upon the horse.

Or the saddle turn'd round, or the girths brake; For low on the ground, woe for his sake, B. Jonson, Underwoods. The law is found.

Nor Pegasus could bear the load, Along the high celestial road;

The steed oppress'd, would break his girth, To raise the lumber from the earth. Swift.

Mordanto gallops on alone; The roads are with his foll'wers strown; This breaks a girth, and that a bone. 2. The compass measured by the girdle, 4. To pay as price or reward, or in ex-

or enclosing bandage. He's a lusty jolly fellow that lives well, at least

three yards in the girth. Addison, Freeholder. To GIRTH. v. a. To bind with a girth.

To GISE Ground. v. a. [old Fr. gister. It is a contraction of agist. See To AGIST. Is when the owner of it does not feed it with his own stock, but Bailey. takes in other cattle to graze. GI'RLISH. adj. [from girl.] Suiting a GI'SLE. Among the English Saxons, sig-

pledge of peace; Gislebert an illustrious pledge, like the Greek Homerus.

Gibson's Camden.

GITH. n. s. [nigella.] An herb called Guinea pepper.

GI'TTERN.* n. s. [properly cittern, or cithern. See CITHERN. Lat. cithara: old Fr. gisterne, whence giterne and guiterre.] A kind of harp; a guitar; a rebeck, according to our old diction-

The gittern and the kit the wandering fidlers Drayton, Polyolb. S. 4. Then your qualities;

As playing on a gittern, or a jews-trump. Beaum. and Fl. Lover's Progress.

To GI'TTERN.* v. n. [from the noun.] To play on the gittern. This verb is used by Chaucer.

The first chorus, beginning, may relate the course of the city; each evening every one, with mistress or Ganymede, gitterning along the streets, or solacing on the banks of Jordan.

Milton, Plans for Tragedies on Scripture Subjects. To GIVE. + v. a. preter. gave ; part. pass. given. [zıçan, Saxon; giban, M. Goth. geben, Germ. gifwa, Su. Goth. gifva,

Iceland. 1. To bestow; to confer without any price or reward; not to sell.

I had a master that gave me all I could ask, but thought fit to take one thing from me again. Temple.

While tradesmen starve, these Philomels are gay; For gen'rous lords had rather give than pay. Young.

Half useless doom'd to live, Pray'rs and advice are all I have to give. Harte. 2. To transmit from himself to another by hand, speech, or writing; to deliver.

The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat. Gen. iii. 12. They were eating and drinking, marrying and

giving in marriage. St. Matt. xxiv. 38. Those bills were printed not only every week, but also a general account of the whole year was given in upon the Thursday before Christmas.

Graunt, Bills of Mortality. We shall give an account of these phenomena.

Aristotle advises not poets to put things evidently false and impossible into their poems, nor gives them licence to run out into wildness. Broome. 3. To put into one's possession; to con-

sign; to impart; to communicate. Give us of your oil, for our lamps are gone out.

St. Matt. xxv. Nature gives us many children and friends, to take them away; but takes none away to give Temple. them us again.

Give me, says Archimedes, where to stand firm, and I will remove the earth. Temple. If the agreement of men first gave a sceptre into

any one's hands, or put a crown on his head, that almost must direct its conveyance.

All that a man hath will he give for his life.

If you did know to whom I gave the ring,

If you did know for whom I gave the ring, And would conceive for what I gave the ring, And how unwillingly I left the ring,

You would abate the strength of your displeasure. Shakspeare.

He would give his nuts for a piece of metal, and exchange his sheep for shells, or wool for a Locke sparkling pebble.

nifies a pledge; thus, Freedgisle is a 5. To yield; not to withhold.

Philip, Alexander's father, gave sentence against a prisoner what time he was drowsy, and seemed to give small attention. The prisoner, after sentence was pronounced, said, I appeal: the king, somewhat stirred, said, to whom do you appeal? the prisoner answered, from Philip. when he gave no ear, to Philip, when he shall Bacon, Apophthegms.

Constantia accused herself for having so tamely given an ear to the proposal. Addison, Spect.

6. To quit; to yield as due.

Give place, thou stranger, to an honourable man.

7. To confer; to impart.

I will bless her, and give thee a son also of her. Nothing can give that to another which it hath not itself.

Bramhall against Hobbes. What beauties I lose in some places, I give to others which had them not originally.

Dryden, Fab. Pref. 8. To expose; to yield without retention.

All clad in skins of beasts the jav'lin bear; Give to the wanton winds their flowing hair.

Dryden, Æn.

9. To grant to allow.

*Tis given me once again to behold my friend. He has not given Luther fairer play. Atterbury.

10. To yield; not to deny.

I gave his wise proposal way; Nay, urg'd him to go on: the shallow fraud Will ruin him. Rowe, Amb. Stepm Rowe, Amb. Stepmother.

11. To afford; to supply.

This opinion abated the fear of death in them which were so resolved, and gave them courage to Hooker.

Give us also sacrifices and burnt offerings, that we may sacrifice unto the Lord. Ex. x. 25.

12. To empower; to commission. Prepare

The due libation and the solemn pray'r; Then give thy friend to shed the sacred wine.

Pope, Odyss.

13. To enable.

God himself requireth the lifting up of pure hands in prayers, and hath given the world to understand, that the wicked, although they cry, shall not be heard. Hooker. Give me to know

How this foul rout began, who set it on.

Shakspeare, Othello.

So some weak shoot, which else would poorly

Jove's tree adopts, and lifts into the skies;

Through the new pupil fost ring juices flow, Thrust forth the gems, and give the flow'rs to blow. Tickell.

14. To pay.

The applause and approbation I give to both your speeches. Shakspeare, Troil. and Cress.

15. To utter; to vent; to pronounce. So you must be the first that gives this sentence,

And he that suffers. Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas. The Rhodians seeing their enemies turn their backs, gave a great shout in derision of them. Knolles, Hist.

Let the first honest discoverer give the word about, that Wood's halfpence have been offered, and caution the poor people not to receive them.

16. To exhibit; to shew.

This instance gives the impossibility of an eternal existence in any thing essentially alterable or corruptible. 17. To exhibit as the product of a cal-

culation. The number of men being divided by the num-

ber of ships, gives four hundred and twenty-four men a piece. Arbuthnot.

18. To do any act of which the consequence reaches others.

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As we desire to give no offence ourselves, so neither shall we take any at the difference of judgement in others.

19. To exhibit; to send forth as odours from any body.

In oranges the ripping of their rind giveth out their smell more. Bacon.

20. To addict; to apply.

The Helots, of the other side, shutting their gates, gave themselves to bury their dead, to cure their wounds, and rest their wearied bodies. Sidney.

After man began to grow to number, the first thing we read they gave themselves into, was the tilling of the earth and the feeding of cattle.

Groves and hill-altars were dangerous, in regard of the secret access which people superstitiously given might have always thereunto with ease.

The duke is virtuous, mild, and too well given, To dream on evil, or to work my downfal. Shaks. Fear him not, Cæsar, he's not dangerous :

He is a noble Roman, and well given. Shakspeare. His name is Falstaff: if that man should be lewdly given, he deceives me; for, Harry, I see

virtue in his looks. Shakspeare. Huniades, the scourge of the Turks, was dead long before; so was also Mathias: after whom succeeded others, given all to pleasure and ease.

Dryden.

Though he was given to pleasure, yet he was likewise desirous of glory.

Bacon, Hen. VII.

He that giveth his mind to the law of the Most High, will seek out the wisdom of all the ancients.

Ecclus. xxxix. 1. He is much given to contemplation, and the viewing of this theatre of the world.

More against Atheism. They who gave themselves to warlike action and enterprises, went immediately to the palace of Odin. Men are given to this licentious humour of

scoffing at personal blemishes and defects. L'Estrange. Besides, he is too much given to horseplay in

his raillery; and comes to battle, like a dictator from the plough. Dryden. I have some business of importance with her;

but her husband is so horribly given to be jealous. Dryden, Span. Friar. What can I refuse to a man so charitably given ?

21. To resign; to yield up.

Finding ourselves in the midst of the greatest wilderness of waters, without victual, we gave ourselves for lost men, and prepared for death

Bacon, New Atlantis. Who say, I care not, those I give for lost;

And to instruct them will not quit the cost. Herbert.

Virtue giv'n for lost, Deprest and overthrown, as seem'd; Like that self-begott'n bird

From out her ashy womb now teem'd.

Millon, S. A. Since no deep within her gulph can hold Immortal vigour, though oppress'd and fall'n, I give not Heaven for lost.

Milton, P. I. For a man to give his name to Christianity in those days, was to list a martyr. South.

Ours gives himself for gone; you've watch'd your time,

He fights this day unarm'd, without his rhyme.

The parents, after a long search for the body, gave him for drowned in one of the canals. Addison, Spect.

As the hinder feet of the horse stuck to the mountain, while the body reared up in the air, the poet with great difficulty kept himself from sliding off his back, in so much that the people gave him for gone. Addison, Guardian.

22. To conclude; to suppose.

If ere the sun be set I see you not, give me for dead.

Beaum. and Fl. Span. Curate. Whence came you here, O friend, and whither bound?

All gave you lost on far Cyclopean ground.

Garth, Ovid. 23. To GIVE away. To alienate from one's self; to make over to another; to transfer.

The more he got, the more he shewed that he gave away to his new mistress, when he betrayed his promises to the former. Sidney.

If you shall marry, You give away this hand, and that is mine;

You give away heav'n's vows, and those are mine; You give away myself, which is known mine.

Shakspeare. Honest company, I thank you all, That have beheld me give away myself To this most patient, sweet, and virtuous wife.

I know not how they sold themselves; but thou, like a kind fellow, gav'st thyself away gratis, and I thank thee for thee. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

Love gives away all things, that so he may advance the interest of the beloved person.

Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy.

But we who give our native rights away, And our enslav'd posterity betray, Are now reduc'd to beg an alms, and go

On holidays to see a puppet-show. Dryden, Juv. Alas, said I, man was made in vain! How is he given away to misery and mortality! Addison.

Theodosius made a private vow never to inquire after Constantia, whom he looked upon as given away to his rival, upon the day on which their marriage was to have been solemnized. Addison.

Whatsoever we employ in charitable uses, during our lives, is given away from ourselves: what we bequeath at our death, is given from others only, as our nearest relations. Atterbury.

24. To GIVE back. To return; to restore. Their vices perhaps give back all those advantages which their victories procured. Atterbury.

25. To GIVE forth. To publish; to tell. Soon after it was given forth, and believed by many, that the king was dead. Hayward.

26. To GIVE the hand. To yield preeminence, as being subordinate or in-

Lessons being free from some inconveniences, whereunto sermons are most subject, they may in this respect no less take than in others they must give the hand, which betokeneth pre-eminence.

27. To Give over. To leave; to quit; to cease.

Let novelty therefore in this give over endless contradictions, and let ancient customs prevail.

It may be done rather than that be given over.

Never give her o'er; For scorn at first makes after love the more. Shaks

If Desdemona will return me my jewels, I will give over my suit, and repent my unlawful solicit-Shakspeare, Othello.

All the soldiers, from the highest to the lowest, had solemnly sworn to defend the city, and not to give it over unto the last man.

Knolles, Hist. of the Turks. Those troops which were levied, have given over the prosecution of the war. Clarendon. But worst of all to give her over,

Till she's as desperate to recover. A woman had a hen that laid every day an egg:

she fancied that upon a larger allowance this hen might lay twice a day; but the hen grew fat, and gave quite over laying. L'Estrange. Many have given over their pursuits after fame,

either from the disappointments they have met, or

from their experience of the little pleasure which Addison, Svect.

28. To Give over. To addict; to attach

Zelmane, govern and direct me; for I am wholly given over unto thee.

When the Babylonians had given themselves over ' to all manner of vice, it was time for the Lord, who had set up that empire, to pull it down.

Grew, Cosmol. I used one thing ill, or gave myself so much over to it as to neglect what I owed either to God or the world.

29. To Give over. To conclude lost.

Since it is lawful to practise upon them that are forsaken and given over, I will adventure to pre-Suckling. scribe to you.

'Tis not amiss, ere y' are giv'n o'er, To try one desp'rate medicine more;

And where your case can be no worse,

The desp'ratest is the wisest course. Hudibras. The abbess, finding that the physicians had given her over, told her that Theodosius was just gone before her, and had sent her his benediction.

Addison, Spect. Her condition was now quite desperate, all regular physicians, and her nearest relations, having Arbuthnot. given her over.

Yet this false comfort never gives him o'er, That whilst he creeps, his vig'rous thoughts can

soar. Not one foretells I shall recover; But all agree to give me over. Swift.

30. To GIVE over. To abandon.

That the Edomites should give over the villages of the Jews which then they held. 1 Esdr. iv. 50. The duty of uniformity throughout all churches, in all manner of indifferent ceremonies, will be very hard, and therefore best to give it over.

Abdemelech, as one weary of the world, gave over all, and betook himself to a solitary life, and became monk. Knolles.

Sleep hath forsook and giv'n me o'er

To death's benumbing opium, as my only cure. Milton, S. A.

The cause for which we fought and swore So boldly, shall we now give o'er? Hudibras.

To GIVE out. To proclaim; to publish; to utter.

The fathers give it out for a rule, that whatsoever Christ is said in Scripture to have received, the same we ought to apply only to the manhood of Christ.

Hooker. It is given out, that, sleeping in my orchard, A serpent stung me. So the whole ear of Den-

mark

Is, by a forged process of my death,

Rankly abused. · Shakspeare, Hamlet. One that gives out himself prince Florizel,

Son of Polixenes, with his princess.

Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. It hath been given out, by an hypocritical thief, who was the first master of my ship, that I carried with me out of England twenty-two thousand pieces of twenty-two shillings per piece.

Ralegh, Apology. He gave out general summons for the assembly of his council for the wars. Knolles, Hist. The night was distinguished by the orders which

he gave out to his army, that they should forbear all insulting of their enemies. 32. To GIVE out. To show in false ap-

pearance.

She that, so young, could give out such a seem-

To seal her father's eyes up close as oak.

Shakspeare, Othello.

33. To GIVE a person his own. To rebuke; to chide a person according to his demerits.

Ariosto has made it the business of almost thirty stanzas - not only to praise that beautiful part of the creation, but also to make a sharp satire on their enemies; to give mankind their own, and to tell them plainly that from their envy it proceeds that the virtue and great actions of women are purposely concealed.

Dryden, Pref. to Walsh's Dial. concern. Women.

34. To GIVE up. To resign; to quit; to The people, weary of the miseries of war, would

Sidney. give him up, if they saw him shrink. He has betray'd your business, and given up

For certain drops of salt your city Rome.

Shakspeare, Coriol. The sun, breaking out with his cheerful beams, revived many, before ready to give up the ghost for cold, and gave comfort to them all. Knolles, Hist.

He found the lord Hopton in trouble for the loss of the regiment of foot at Alton, and with the unexpected assurance of the giving up of Arundel-castle. Clarendon.

Let us give ourselves wholly up to Christ in heart and desire. Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy. Such an expectation will never come to pass; therefore I'll e'en give it up, and go and fret my-

Collier against Despair. I can give up to the historians of your country the names of so many generals and heroes which crowd their annals.

He declares himself to be now satisfied to the contrary, in which he has given up the cause.

The leagues made between several states disowning all claim to the land in the other's possession, have, by common consent, given up their Locke. pretences to their natural right.

If they give them up to their reasons, then they with them give up all truth and farther enquiry, and think there is no such thing as certainty. Locke. We should see him give up again to the wild

common of nature, whatever was more than would supply the conveniencies of life. Juba's surrender, since his father's death,

Would give up Africk into Cæsar's hands, And make him lord of half the burning zone. Addison, Cato.

Learn to be honest men, give up your leaders, And pardon shall descend on all the rest.

Addison, Cato. A popish priest threatened to excommunicate a Northumberland squire, if he did not give up to him the church lands. Addison, Freeholder.

He saw the celestial deities acting in a confederacy against him, and immediately gave up a cause which was excluded from all possibility of success. Addison, Freeholder.

An old gentleman, who had been engaged in an argument with the emperour, upon his friend's telling him he wondered he would give up the question when he had the better, I am never ashamed, says he, to be confuted by one who is master of fifty legions. Addison, Spect.

He may be brought to give up the clearest evidence.

The constant health and longevity of men must be given up also, as a groundless conceit. Bentley. Have the physicians giv'n up all their hopes?

Cannot they add a few days to a monarch? Rowe. These people were obliged to demand peace, and give up to the Romans all their possessions in

Every one who will not ask for the conduct of God in the study of religion, has just reason to fear he shall be left of God, and given up a prey to a thousand prejudices, that he shall be consigned over to the follies of his own heart.

Give yourselves up to some hours of leisure. Watts.

35. To GIVE up. To abandon.

If any be given up to believe lies, some must be first given up to tell them. Stilling fleet. Our minds naturally give themselves up to every diversion which they are much accustomed to; 13

, and we always find that play, when followed with assiduity, engrosses the whole woman.

Addison, Guardian. A good poet no sooner communicates his works, but it is imagined he is a vain young creature given up to the ambition of fame.

I am obliged at this time to give up my whole application to Homer. Pope. Persons who, through misfortunes, choose not

to dress, should not, however, give up neatness. Richardson, Clarissa.

36. To GIVE up. To deliver.

And Joah gave up the sum of the number of e people to the king. 2 Sam. xxiv. 9.
His accounts were confused, and he could not the people to the king. Swift. then give them up.

37. To GIVE way. To yield; not to resist; to make room for.

Private respects, with him, gave way to the com-Carew, Surv. of Cornwall. mon good, Perpetual pushing and assurance put a difficulty out of countenance, and make a seeming impossi-

bility give way. Scarce had he spoken when the cloud gave way; The mist flew upward, and dissolv'd in day.

Dryden, En-His golden helm gives way with stony blows,

Batter'd and flat, and beaten to his brows. Dryden, Æn.

38. The word give is used with great laxity; the general idea is that of transmitting from one to another. To GIVE. 7 v. n.

1. To rush; to fall on; to give the assault. A phrase merely French, and

not worthy of adoption. Your orders come too late, the fight's begun; The enemy gives on with fury led.

Dryden, Ind. Emp. Hannibal gave upon the Romans.

Hooke, Rom. Hist. 2. To relent; to grow moist; to melt or

soften; to thaw.

Some things are harder when they come from the fire, and afterwards give again, and grow soft; as the crust of bread, biskets, sweetmeats, and salt. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Only a sweet and virtuous soul, Like season'd timber, never gives;

But though the whole world turn to coal, Then chiefly lives.

Herbert. Unless it is kept in a hot-house, it will so give again, that it will be little better than raw malt. Mortimer.

Before you carry your large cocks in, open them once, and spread them: hay is apt to give in the cock.

3. To move. A French phrase. Up and down he traverses his ground,

Then nimbly shifts a thrust, then lends a wound; Now back he gives, then rushes on amain. Daniel, Civ. Wars.

4. To GIVE back. To retire.

Thurio, give back, or else embrace thy death. Shakspeare, Two Gent. of Ver.

To GIVE in. To go back; to give way. Not in use, Dr. Johnson says, citing an example from Hayward. It is surely still used for to yield to superior strength.

In the mean time, what doth St. Paul? Doth Bp. Hall, St. Paul's Combat. he give in? The charge was giv'n with so well governed

fury, that the left corner of the Scots battalion was Hayward. enforced to give in.

6. To GIVE in to. [A French phrase.] To adopt; to embrace.

This is a geography particular to the medallists: the poets, however, have sometimes given in to it, and furnish us with very good lights for the expli-Addison on Medals. cation of it.

This consideration may induce a translator to give in to those general phrases, which have attained a veneration in our language from being used in the Old Testament.

The whole body of the people are either stupidly negligent, or else giving in with all their might to those very practices that are working their destruc-

7. To Give off. To cease; to forbear. The punishment would be kept from being too much, if we gave off as soon as we perceived that it reached the mind.

8. To GIVE over. To cease; to act no

If they will speak to the purpose, they must give over, and stand upon such particulars only as they can shew we have either added or abrogated, otherwise than we ought, in the matter of church polity. Hooker.

Neither bath Christ, through union of both natures, incurred the damage of either; lest, by being born a man, we should think he hath given over to be God, or that because he continued God, therefore he cannot be man also. Hooker.

Give not o'er so; to him again; intreat him, Kneel down before him, hang upon his gown; You are too cold. Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas.

The state of human actions are so variable, that to try things oft, and never to give over, doth won-Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Demetrius, king of Macedon, had a petition offered him divers times by an old woman, and still answered he had no leisure; whereupon the woman said aloud, Why then give over to be king. Bacon, Apophthegms.

So Satan, whom repulse upon repulse Met ever, and to shameful silence brought, Yet, gives not o'er, though desperate of success. Milton, P. R.

Shall we kindle all this flame Only to put it out again? And must we now give o'er, And only end where we begun? In vain this mischief we have done,

If we can do no more. Denham. It would be well for all authors, if they knew when to give over, and to desist from any farther pursuits after fame. Addison He coined again, and was forced to give over for

the same reason. Swift.

9. To GIVE out. To publish; to pro-

Simon bewitched the people of Samaria, giving out that himself was some great one. Acts, viii. 9.
Julius Cæsar laid asleep Pompey's preparations, by a fame that he cunningly gave out how Cæsar's own soldiers loved him not. Bacon.

Your ill-wishers will give out you are now going to quit your school. Swift.

10. To GIVE out. To cease; to yield. We are the earth; and they, Like moles within us, heave and cast about:

And till they foot and clutch their prey; They never cool, much less give out. Madam, I always believ'd you so stout,

That for twenty denials you would not give out. Swift.

GI'VER. n. s. [from give.] One that gives; donor; bestower; distributer; granter.

Well we may afford Our givers their own gifts. Milton, P. L. By thee how fairly is the giver now Repaid? But gratitude in thee is lost

Long since. Milton, P. R. I have not liv'd since first I heard the news; The gift the guilty giver doth accuse.

Dryden, Aurengzebe. Both gifts destructive to the givers prove; Alike both lovers fall by those they love.

GIVES. † n. s. pl. Fetters or shackles for the feet. See Gyve. For the word is

used in the singular, though Dr. Johnson notices it only in the plural number. Gi'ving.* n.s. [from To give.]

1. The act of bestowing any thing. Constant at church and change, his gains were

His givings rare, save farthings to the poor. Pope. The act of alleging what is not real. His givings out were of an infinite distance

From his true meant design.

Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas. GI'ZZARD. n. s. [gesier, French; gigeria, Latin.] It is sometimes called gizzern.

The strong musculous stomach of a

Fowls have two ventricles, and pick up stones to convey them into their second ventricle, the

In birds there is no mastication in the mouth; but in such as are not carniverous, it is immediately swallowed into the crop, a kind of ante-stomach, where it is moistened by some proper juice from the glandules distilling in there, and thence transferred into the gizzard, or musculous 3. Pleased; elevated with joy. It has

They nestle near the throne, By their high crops and corny gizzards known.

2. It is proverbially used for apprehension or conception of mind; as, he frets his gizzard, he harasses his imagination. But that which does them greatest harm,

Their spiritual gizzards are too warm; Which puts the overheated sots

In fevers still. Satisfaction and restitution lie so cursedly hard upon the gizzards of our publicans, that their blood is not half so dear to them as the treasure in their L'Estrange.

To GLA'BREATE.* v. a. [Lat. glabro.] To make plain or smooth. Not in use. Cockeram.

GLA'BRITY. n. s. [from glaber, Latin.] Smoothness; baldness. Dict. GLA'BROUS.* adj. [Lat. glaber.] Smooth,

like baldness. French elm, whose leaves are thicker, and more

florid, glabrous, and smooth. Evelyn, i. iv. § 1. GLA'CIAL. adj. [glacial, French; glacialis, Latin.] Icy; made of ice; frozen.

To GLA CIATE. v. n. [glacies, Lat. glacer, Fr.] To turn into ice.

GLACIA'TION. † n. s. [from glaciate.] The act of turning into ice; ice formed.

Ice is plain upon the surface of water, but round in hail, which is also a glaciation, and figured in its guttulous descent from the air. Brown, Vul. Err. A violent motion of water is a preservative against glaciation. Dr. Robinson, Calm Ventil. of Brown's Vulg. Err. p. 120.

GLA'CIOUS. adj. [glacio, Latin.] Icy; resembling ice.

Although exhaled and placed in cold conservatories, it will crystallize and shoot into glacious bodies. Brown, Vulg. Err.

GLA'CIS. n. s. [French.] In fortification, a sloping bank. It is more especially taken for that which rangeth from the parapet of the covered way to the level on the side of the field. Harris.

GLAD.† adj. [zlæb, zlab, Saxon; glad, Danish; from the Icel. glaeda, to exhilarate, gled, gladde, I have made glad. The comparative gladder, and superlative gladdest, are not often used; nor has Dr. Johnson given any example of

them. But they are now shewn to exist.]

1. Cheerful; gay; in a state of hilarity. They blessed the king, and went unto their tents joyful and glad of heart. 1 Kings, viii. 66. Twas the most duteous wench, the best companion,

When I was pleas'd, the happiest and the gladdest, The modestest sweet nature dwelt within her. Beaum. and Fl. Loyal Subject.

Glad we return'd up to the coasts of light.

Milton, P. L. The wily adder blithe and glad. Milton, P. L. Thither they

Hasted with glad precipitance. - Millon, P. L. Wearing a gay appearance; fertile; bright; showy.

The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for them, and the desart shall rejoice and blossom as the rose. Isaiah, xxxv. Then first adorn'd

With their bright luminaries, that set and rose, Glad ev'ning and glad morn crown'd the fourth

generally of, sometimes at or with before the cause of gladness: perhaps of is most proper, when the cause of joy is something gained or possessed; and at or with when it is some accident befallen himself or another.

I am glad to see your worship. Shaksp. Hen. IV. He hath an uncle in Messina will be very much ad of it. Shakspeare, Much Ado. He that is glad at calamities shall not be unglad of it.

punished.

Lan. I think he's her servant. — Fran. I'm glad on't.

Lan. She's a good woman. Fran. I am gladder still.

Beaum. and Fl. Wit without Money. He glad

Of her attention, gain'd with serpent tongue, His fraudulent temptation thus began. Milt. P. L. If he be my enemy, let him triumph; if he be my friend, he will be glad of my repentance.

Dryden, Fab. Pref. The gaping wound gush'd out a crimson flood: The Trojan, glad with sight of hostile blood,

His fauchion drew. Dryden, Æn. Glad of a quarrel, straight I clap the door. Pope. 4. Pleasing; exhilarating.

Some very red, and some a glad light grene. Chaucer, Flower and Leaf. Her conversation

More glad to me than to a miser money is. Sidney.

Expressing gladness. Hark! a glad voice the lonely desert cheers:

Prepare the way, a God, a God appears! Pope, Messiah. 6. It is used in a familiar sense, approaching to ludicrousness.

I would be glad to learn from those who pronounce that the human soul always thinks, how they know it.

To GLAD. v. a. [Sax. zlabian. This verb

is one of our oldest.] To make glad; to cheer; to exhilarate.

Tell us swiche thing as may our hertes glade. Chaucer, Nonnes Priest's Prol. Like to a flower that feels no heat of sunne,

Which may her feeble leaves with comfort glade. Spenser, F. Q. vi. x. 44.

Your presence glads our days. Shakspeare, Pericles.

He saw rich nectar-thaws release the rigour Of th' icy north; from frost-bound Atlas hands His adamantine fetters fall: green vigour Gladding the Scythian rocks, and Libyan sands.

Crashaw.

Heaven smil'd, and gladded was the heart of | Dryden, Fab.

It glads me

To see so many virtues thus united, To restore justice, and dethrone oppression. Otro. Each drinks the juice that glads the heart of man.

If justice Philips' costive head Some frigid rhymes disburses, They shall like Persian tales be read, And glad both babes and nurses. Swift.

To GLAD. * v. n. To be glad; to rejoice. Wicliffe uses this neuter verb; but it is now wholly obsolete.

Gladd'st thou in such scorn?

I call my wish back. Massinger, Virgin Martyr.

To GLA'DDEN. v. a. [from glad.] To cheer; to delight; to make glad; to exhilarate.

)h, he was all made up of love and charms! Delight of every eye! When he appear'd A secret pleasure gladden'd all that saw him,

Addison, Cato. A kind of vital heat in the soul cheers and

gladdens her, when she does not attend to it. .1ddison, Spect.

GLA'DDER + n. s. | from glad. This substantive is from Chaucer; as Dryden has literally copied the whole line, in which it occurs, from him.] One that makes glad; one that gladdens; one that exhilarates.

Thou gladder of the mount of Cytheron, -Dryden, Fab. Have pity, goddess.

GLADE. † n. s. [Dr. Johnson strangely imagines it to be from the Sax. zlopan, to be hot or to shine; Mr. H. Tooke from ze-hliban, to cover, part. ze-hlab, whence the English glade, applied to a spot covered or hidden with trees or boughs. - It seems, however, to be still connected with the Icel. hlad, a way, a passage. Barret thus describes what a glade is, Alv. 1580. "To make a glade in the middest of a wood; to loppe or cut away boughes where they let the light."] A lawn or opening in a wood. It is taken for an avenue through a wood, whether open or shaded, and has therefore epithets of opposite meaning.

So flam'd his eyen with rage and rancorous ire; But far within, as in a hollow glade, Those glaring lamps were set, that made a dreadful

Spenser, F. Q. Lo where they spy'd, how in a gloomy glade The lion sleeping lay in secret shade.

Spenser, Hubb. Tale. I laid me down

And listened to the words she sung; for then, Through a small glade cut by the fishermen, I saw it was your daughter.

Beaum. and Fl. Two Nob. Kinsmen. O might I here

In solitude live savage, in some glade, Obscur'd, where highest woods, impenetrable To star or sun-light, spread their umbrage broad, And brown as evening. Milton, P. L.

When any, favour'd of high Jove, Chances to pass through this adventurous glade,

Swift as a sparkle of a glancing star, I shoot from heav'n to give him safe convoy.

Milton, Comus. For noonday's heat are closer arbours made, And for fresh ev'ning air the op'ner glade.

Dryden, State of Innocence. There, interspers'd in lawns and opening glades, Thin trees arise that shun each other's shades. Pone.

By the heroes' armed shades, Glitt'ring through the gloomy glades; By the youths that dy'd for love, Wand'ring in the myrtle grove, Restore, restore Eurydice to life! Oh, take the husband, or restore the wife! Pope, St. Cecilia's Day.

She smil'd, array'd With all the charms of sun-shine, stream and glade, New drest and blooming as a bridal maid. Harte. GLA'DEN. \ n. s. [from gladius, Latin, a GLA'DER. \ sword.] Swordgrass: a gene-

ral name of plants that rise with a broad Junius. blade like sedge.

GLA'DFUL.* adj. [glad and full.] Full of joy and gladness. Not in use.

There leave we them in pleasure and repast, Spending their joyous days and gladfull nights. Spenser, F. Q. v. iii. 40.

GLA'DFULNESS. n. s. [glad and fulness.] Joy; gladness. Obsolete.

And there him rests in riotous suffisance Of all his gladfulness, and kingly jovisance. Spenser, F.Q.

GLA'DIATOR.† n. s. [Latin; gladiateur, Fr.] A swordplayer; a prize-

fighter. They had several delightsome shews to exhilarate the people; gladiators; combats of men with themselves; with wild beasts, &c.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p.269. Then whilst his foe each gladiator foils,

The atheist, looking on, enjoys the spoils. Denh. Besides, in gratitude for such high matters, Know I have vow'd two hundred gladiators.

Dryden, Pers. Writers-have given too great pomp and magnificence to the exploits of the ancient beargarden; and made their gladiators, by fabulous tradition, greater than Gorman and others of Tatler, No. 31. Great Britain!

GLA'DIATORY.* adj. [Lat. gladiatorius; old French, gladiatoire. Belonging to prizefighters or swordplayers.

The Romans did use themselves unto their gladiatory fights and bloody spectacles, that acquaintance with wounds and blood might make them the less fear it in the wars.

Bp. Reynolds on the Passions, ch. 27. At Rome there were usually those gladiatory sports; bloody, sword-killing sports; they killed men in sport. Dr. Westfield, Serm. (1646,) p. 77.

GLADIATO'RIAL.* adj. [Lat. gladiatorius.] Relating to prizefighters.

. Consider only the shocking carnage made in the human species by the exposure of infants, the gladiatorial shows, and the exceedingly cruel usage of slaves, allowed and practised by the ancient Pagans.

Bp. Porteus, Serm. i. xiii.

GLA'DIATURE.* n. s. [Lat. gladiatura.] Fencing; swordplay.

In their amphitheatrical gladiatures, the lives of captives lay at the mercy of the vulgar. Gayton on D. Quix. p. 271.

GLA'DLY + adv. [Sax. zlæblice.] Joyfully; with gayety; with merriment; with triumph; with exultation.

For his particular, I'll receive him gladly; But not one follower. Shakspeare, K. Lear. You are going to set us right; and 'tis an advantage every body will gladly see you engross Blount to Pope. the glory of.

GLA'DNESS.† n. s. [Sax. zlæbner.] Cheerfulness; joy; exultation. The Jews had light, and gladness, and joy, and

Esther, viii. 16. And thou shalt have joy and gladness; and many shall rejoice at his birth. St. Luke, i. 14.

By such degrees the spreading gladness grew In every heart, which fear had froze before The standing streets with so much joy they view, That with less grief the perish'd they deplore. Dryden.

GLA'DSHIP.* n. s. [from glad.] State of gladness. Obsolete. And such a sorowe hath to him take,

That gladshippe he hath all forsake. Gower, Conf. Am. b.1.

GLA'DSOME. † adj. [from glad.] 1. Pleased; gay; delighted.

The highest angels to and fro descend, From highest heaven in gladsome company. Spenser, F.Q.

The gladsome ghosts in circling troops attend, And with unweary'd eyes behold their friend. Dryden.

2. Causing joy; having an appearance of gayety. In this sense it is used by Chaucer.

Swiche thing is gladsom, as it thinketh me, And of swiche thing were goodly for to telle.

Chaucer, Nonnes Priest's Prol. Figurative expressions of some white and glad-

som days shortly to succeed. Spencer on Prod. p.153. Each morn they wak'd me with a sprightly lay; Of opening heav'n they sung and gladsome day.

GLA'DSOMELY. † adv. [from gladsome.]

With gayety and delight. I remembred myselfe by and by,

And behelde the sunne shyne so gladsomely. Pleasant Pathwaye, &c. s. d. sign. A. 1. b.

GLA'DSOMENESS. n. s. [from gladsome.] Gayety; showiness; delight.

GLAIR. † n. s. [zlæp, Saxon, amber; glar, Danish, glass; gler, Icel. glaire, French; glarea, Latin.]

The white of an egg.

Unslekked lime, chalk, and gleire of an ey. Chaucer, Chan. Yeom. Tale.

Take the glaire of eggs, and strain it as short as Peacham on Drawing. water.

2. Any viscous transparent matter, like the white of an egg.

Her lewde lyppes twayne, They slaver, men sayne, Lyke a ropye rayne,

Skelton, Poems, p. 124. A gummy glayre. Blood, poison, slimy glere,

That in his body so aboundant were.

Mir. for Mag. p. 109. I found the tongue black and dry, with a black glare on the teeth. Fordyce on the Mur. Acid, p.11.

To GLAIR. v. a. [glairer, French; from the noun.] To smear with the white of an egg. This word is still used by the bookbinders.

GLAIVE.* See GLAVE.

GLANCE.† n.s. [glantz, German, glitter; glans, Icel. and Goth. splendour; from gla, light: gloa, to shine.]

1. A sudden shoot of light or splendour. His off'ring soon propitious fire from heav'n

Consum'd with nimble glance, and grateful steam: The other's not; for his was not sincere.

2. A stroke or dart of the beam of sight.

The aspects which procure love are not gazings, but sudden glances and dartings of the eye. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

There are of those sort of beauties which last but for a moment; some particularity of a violent passion, some graceful action, a smile, a glance of an eye, a disdainful look, and a look of gravity. Dryden, Dufresnoy.

Boldly she look'd, like one of high degree: Yet never seem'd to cast a glance on me; At which I inly joy'd, for, truth to say, I felt an unknown awe, and some dismay. Harte.

3. A snatch of sight; a quick view. The ample mind takes a survey of several objects with one glance. Watts on the Mind. To GLANCE. v. n. [from the noun.]

1. To shoot a sudden ray of splendour. He double blows about him fiercely laid, That glancing fire out of the iron play'd, As sparkles from the anvil use,

When heavy hammers on the wedge are sway'd.

When through the gloom the glancing lightnings

Heavy the rattling thunders roll on high. Rowe.
2. To fly off in an oblique direction. He has a little gall'd me, I confess; But as the jest did glance away from me 'Tis ten to one it maim'd you two outright.

3. To strike in an oblique direction. Through Paris' shield the forceful weapon went, His corslet pierces, and his garment rends, And glancing downwards near his flank descends.

4. To view with a quick cast of the eye; to play the eye.

O' th' sudden up they rise and dance, Then sit again, and sigh and glance; Then dance again, and kiss. Suckling. Mighty dulness crown'd,

And her Parnassus glancing o'er at once, Behold a hundred sons, and each a dunce.

Pope, Dunciad. 5. To censure by oblique hints. How canst thou thus, for shame, Titania,

Glance at my credit with Hippolita, Knowing I know thy love to Theseus? Shaksp. Some men glance and dart at others, by justifying themselves by negatives; as to say, this I do

I have never glanced upon the late designed procession of his holiness and his attendants, notwithstanding it might have afforded matter to

many ludicrous speculations. He had written verses, wherein he glanced at a certain reverend doctor, famous for dulness.

To GLANCE. v. a. To move nimbly; to shoot obliquely.

Glancing an eye of pity on his losses, Enough to press a royal merchant down. Shakspeure, Merch. of Ven.

GLA'NCING.* n. s. [from glance.] Cen-

sure by oblique hints.

By this upbraiding to me the bordelloes, as by other suspicious glancings in his book, he would seem privily to point me out to his readers as one, whose custom of life were not honest but licen-Milton, Apol. for Smectymnuus.

GLA'NCINGLY. adv. [from glance.] In an oblique broken manner; transiently.

Sir Richard Hawkins hath done something in this kind, but brokenly and glancingly, intending chiefly a discourse of his own voyage.

Hakewill on Providence.

GLAND. † n. s. [glans, Latin; gland, French; βάλανος, Gr. γάλανος, Dor. whence, by contraction, the Lat. glans, glandis.

All the glands of a human body are reduced to two sorts, viz. conglobate and conglomerate. A conglobate gland is a little smooth body, wrapt up in a fine skin, by which it is separated from

all the other parts, only admitting an artery and nerve to pass in, and giving way to a vein and excretory canal to come out: of this sort are the glands in the brain, the labial glands, and testes. A conglomerate gland is composed of many little conglobate glands, all tied together, and wrapt up in the common tunicle or membrane. Quincy. The abscess begun deep in the body of the glands.

The glands, which o'er the body spread, Fine complicated clues of nervous thread, Involv'd and twisted with th' arterial duct,

The rapid motion of the blood obstruct. Blackm. GLA'NDERED.* adj. [from glanders.] Having the distemper called the gland-

Being drank in plenty, it [tar-water] bath recovered even a glandered horse, that was thought incurable.

Bp. Berkeley, Farther Thoughts on Tar-Water. GLA'NDERS. n. s. [from gland.] In a horse is the running of corrupt matter from the nose, which differs in colour according to the degree of the malignity, being white, yellow, green, or black. Farrier's Dict.

His horse is possest with the glanders, and like to mose in the chine. Shaksp. Tam. of the Shrew. Shall take through Grub-street her triumphant round; GLANDI'FEROUS. adj. [glans and fero, Latin.] Bearing mast; bearing acorns,

or fruit like acorns.

The beech is of two sorts, and numbered amongst the glandiferous trees. Mortimer, Husb.

GLA'NDULAR.* adj. [Fr. glandulaire.]
Pertaining to the glands. The modern word for glandulous.

GLA'NDULE. n. s. [glandula, Latin; glandule, Fr.] A small gland serving to the secretion of humours.

Nature hath provided several glandules to separate this juice from the blood, and no less than four pair of channels to convey it into the mouth, which are called ductus salivales.

GLANDULO'SITY. n. s. [from glandulous.] A collection of glands.

In the upper parts of worms are found certain white and oval glandulosities. Brown, Vulg. Err.

GLA'NDULOUS. adj. [glandulosus, Latin : glanduleux, Fr. from glandule.] Pertaining to the glands; subsisting in the glands; having the nature of glands.

The beaver's bags are no testicles, or parts official unto generation, but glandulous substances, that hold the nature of emunctories.

Brown, Vulg. Err. Such constitutions must be subject to glandulous tumours and ruptures of the lymphaticks. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

To GLARE. v. n. [glaren, Dutch.] 1. To shine so as to dazzle the eyes.

After great light, if you come suddenly into the dark, or, contrariwise, out of the dark into a glaring light, the eye is dazzled for a time, and the sight confused.

His glaring eyes with anger's venom swell, And like the brand of foul Alecto flame. Fairfax. He is every where above conceits of epigram-

matick wit, and gross hyperboles: he maintains majesty in the midst of plainness; he shines, but glares not; and is stately without ambition.

The court of Cacus stands reveal'd to sight; The cavern glares with new admitted light. Dryden, Æn.

Alas, thy dazzled eye Beholds this man in a false glaring light, Which conquest and success have thrown upon 2. To look with fierce piercing eyes.

Thou hast no speculation in those eyes, Which thou dost glare with. Shakspeare, Mach. Look, how pale he glares! Shakspeare, Hamlet. Now friends no more, nor walking hand in

But when they met, they made a surly stand, And glar'd like angry lions as they pass'd, And wish'd that ev'ry look might be their last. Dryden, Fab.

3. To shine ostentatiously; or with too much laboured lustre.

The most glaring and notorious passages are none of the finest or most correct. Felton on the Classicks.

To GLARE. v. a. To shoot such splen-

dour as the eye cannot bear. One spirit in them rul'd, and every eye Glar'd lightning, and shot forth pernicious fire Among th' accurst, that wither'd all their strength.

Milton, P. L. GLARE. n. s. [from the verb.]

1. Overpowering lustre; splendour, such as dazzles the eye.

The frame of burnish'd steel that cast a glare, From far, and seem'd to thaw the freezing air. Dryden, Fab.

I have grieved to see a person of quality gliding by me in her chair at two o'clock in the morning, and looking like a spectre amidst a glare of flam-Addison, Guardian.

Here in a grotto, sheltered close from air, And screen'd in shades from day's detested glare, She sighs for ever. Pope, Rape of the Lock.

2. A fierce piercing look. About them round,

A lion now he stalks with fiery glare. Milton, P. L. GLARE.* n. s. Any viscous, transparent

matter. See GLAIR.

GLA'REOUS.† adj. [glarieux, Fr. glareosus, Lat. from glair.] Consisting of viscous transparent matter, like the white of an

egg.

There is a glareous liquor contained in the bowels of infants, and many other animals, when they are born, which it is necessary to carry off. Gregory's Comparative View, (1767,) p.23.

GLA'RING. adj. Applied to any thing notorious: as, a glaring crime.

GLA'RINGLY.* adv. [from glaring.] Evidently; notoriously.

I know not whether the brick-dust men in their martial liveries, and the tallow-chandlers in their sky-coloured frocks, are not too glaringly offensive for a royal eye to bear! The Student, ii. 259.

The passions, necessarily suscitating a violent agitation in the soul, declare themselves glaringly in the aspect.

Philosoph. Lett. upon Physiog. (1751), p. 161.

GLASS. + n. s. [zlær, zlar, Saxon; glas, Dutch, as Pezron imagines from glas, British, green. In Erse it is called klânn, and this primarily signifies clean or clear, being so denominated from its transparency. To this may be added the Icel. glas, and glia, to shine; Goth. gla, light, gloa, to shine. The Cornish glase is both green and sky-coloured.]

1. An artificial substance made by infusing fixed salts and flint or sand together, with a vehement fire.

The word glass cometh from the Belgick and High Dutch: glass, from the verb glansen, which signifies amongst them to shine; or perhaps from glacies in the Latin, which is ice, whose colour it resembles.

Peacham on Drawing.

Glass is thought so compact and firm a body that it is indestructible by art or nature, and is also of so close a texture that the subtlest chymical spirits cannot pervade it.

Boyle.

Show'rs of granadoes rain, by sudden burst Disploding murd'rous bowels, fragments of steel And stones, and glass, and nitrous grain adust.

2. A glass vessel of any kind.

I'll see no more,

And yet the eighth appears, who bears a glass,
Which shews me many more. Shaks. Macbeth.
3. A looking glass; a mirrour.

The glasses, and the fine linen, and the hoods, and the veils.

Isaiah, iii. 23.

He was the mark and glass, copy and book, That fashion'd others. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. He spreads his subtle nets from sight, With twinkling glasses to betray

The larks that in the meshes light.

Dryden, Horace.

4. An Hour GLASS. A glass used in measuring time by the flux of sand.

Were my wife's liver

Infected as her life, she would not live The running of one glass. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

5. The destined time of man's life.

No more his royall self did live, no more his

The golden Meleager now, their glasses all were run.

Chapman.

 A cup of glass used to drink in. [old Fr. glas, "verre à boire. Ce mot est Celtique, Almand, et Anglais." Lacombe.]

To this last costly treaty,
That swallow'd so much treasure, and like a glass
Did break i'th' rinsing. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.
When thy heart

Dilates with fervent joys, and eager soul Prompts to pursue the sparkling glass, besure

'Tis time to shun it. Philips.
7. The quantity of wine usually contained in a glass; a draught.

While a man thinks one glass more will not make him drunk, that one glass hath disabled him from well discerning his present condition.

Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy.

The first glass may pass for health, the second for good humour, the third for our friends; but the fourth is for our enemies.

Temple.

8. A perspective glass.

The moon whose orb

Though optick glass the Tuscan artist views.

Milton, P. L.
Like those who survey the moon by glasses, I
tell of a shining world above, but not relate the
glories of the place.

Dryden.

A glass that shews the weight of the air.
 A state weather-glass, that, by the rising and falling of a certain magical liquor, presages all changes and revolutions in government, as the common glass does those of the weather.

Tatler, No. 214.

GLASS. adj. Vitreous; made of glass. Get thee glass eyes;

And, like a scurvy politician, seem

To see the things thou dost not. Shaksp. K. Lear.

Glass bottles are more fit for this second fining than those of wood.

Mortimer, Husbandry.

To GLASS. v. a.

1. To see as in a glass; to represent, as in a glass or mirrour. Not in use.

Methinks I am partaker of thy passion, And in thy case do glass mine own debility.

Sidney, Arc. b. ii.

2. To case in glass.

Methought all his senses were lockt in his eye, As jewels in crystal for some prince to buy; Who tend'ring their own worth, from whence

they were glasst,
Did point out to buy them, along as you past.

Shakspeare.

3. To cover with glass; to glaze.

I have observed little grains of silver to lie hid in the small cavities, perhaps glassed over by a vitirifying heat, in crucibles wherein silver has been long kept in fusion.

Boyle.

GLA'SSBLOWER.* n. s. [glass and blow.]
One whose business is to blow or fashion

glass.

GLA'SSFUL.* n.s. [glass and full.] As much as is usually taken at once in a glass.

His majesty drank a small glassful of claret wine. Sir T. Herbert, Mem. of K. Ch. I. p. 133. GLA'SSFURNACE. n. s. [glass and furnace.] A furnace in which glass is made by

liquefaction.

If our dreamer pleases to try whether the glowing heat of a glassfurnace be barely a wandering imagination in a drowsy man's fancy, by putting his hand into it, he may perhaps be awakened into a certainty that it is something more than bare imagination.

Locks

GLA'SSGAZING. adj. [glass and gazing.] Finical; often contemplating himself in

a mirrour.

A whorson, glassgazing, finical rogue.

Shakspeare, K. Lear.

GLA'SSGRINDER. n. s. [glass and grinder.]
One whose trade is to polish and grind glass.

The glassgrinders complain of the trouble they meet with.

Boyle.

GLA'SSHOUSE. n. s. [glass and house.] A house where glass is manufactured.

I remember to have met with an old Roman mosaic, composed of little pieces of clay half vitrified, and prepared at the glasshouses.

Addison on Italy.

GLA'ssiness.* n. s. [from glassy.]

1. The making of glass.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood.

2. Smoothness, like glass.

Gum may give the silk a glassiness. Sir W. Petty, in Sprat's Hist. R. S. p. 294. GLA'SSLIKE.* adj. [glass and like.] Clear;

resembling glass.

By example most we sinn'd before,

And glasslike clearness mix'd with frailty bore.

Dryden, Astræa Redux.

GLA'SSMAN. n. s. [glass and man.] One

who sells glass.

The profit of glasses consists only in a small present made by the glassman.

Swift. Direct. to Servants. GLA'SSMETAL. n.s. [glass and metal.] Glass in fusion.

Let proof be made of the incorporating of copper or brass with glassmetal. Bacon, Phys. Rem. GLA'SSWORK. n.s. [glass and work.] Ma-

nufactory of glass.

The crystalline Venice glass is a mixture, in equal portions, of stones brought from Pavia, and the ashes of a weed called kali, gathered in a desert between Alexandria and Rosetta; by the Egyptians used first for fuel, and then they crush the ashes into lumps like a stone, and so sell them to the Venetians for their glassworks.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. GLA'SSWORT. n. s. [salicornia, or saltwort.]

It hath an apetalous flower, wanting the empalement; for the stamina, or chives, and the embryoes grow on the extreme part of the leaves: these embryoes afterward become pods or bladders, which for the most part contain one seed. The inhabitants near the sea-coast cut the plants up toward the latter end of summer; and, having dried them in the sun, they burn them for their ashes, which are used in making of glass and soap. These herbs are by the country people called kelp. From the ashes of these plants is extracted the salt called sal kali, or alkali, by the chemists.

Miller.

GLA

For the fine glass we use the purest of the finest sand, and the ashes of chali, or glasswort; and for the coarser or green sort, the ashes of brake or other plants.

Brown, Yulg, Err.

GLA'SSY. adj. [from glass.]
1. Made of glass; vitreous.

In the valley near mount Carmel in Judea there is a sand, which, of all others, hath most affinity with glass; insomuch as other minerals laid in it turn to a glassy substance.

Bacon.

2. Resembling glass, as in smoothness, or lustre, or brittleness.

Man! proud man!

Drest in a little brief authority, Most ignorant of what he's most assur'd: His glassy essence, like an angry ape,

Plays such fantastick tricks before high heaven,
As makes the angels weep. Shaksp. Meas. for Meas.
There is a riller warms a last a brook

There is a willow grows aslant a brook,
That shews his hoary leaves in the glassy stream.
Shakspeare.

The magnet attracteth the shining or glassy powder brought from the Indies, usually employed in writing-dust.

Brown.
Whose womb produc'd the glassy ice? Who

bred
The hoary frosts that fall on Winter's head?

The glassy deep. Dryden, Æn. GLA'STONBURY Thorn. n. s. A species

of Medlar.
This species of thorn produces some bunches of flowers in winter, and

flowers again in the spring. Miller. GLAUCO'MA.† n. s. [γλωίνωμα, Gr. glaucome, Fr.] A fault in the eye, which changes the crystalline humour into a greyish colour, without detriment of sight, and therein differs from what is commonly understood by suffusion.

Quincy.

The glaucoma is no other disease than the cataract.

Sharp.

The difference has been eagerly contended for between a glaucoma and a cataract, though indeed latterly the contest has been less violent.

The Student, (1750,) i. 341. GLA'ucous.* adj. [glaucus, Lat. γλαυκὸς,

Gr.] Grey, or blue.

The leaves are small, of a glaucous colour.

Ray, Rem. p. 182.

The Esk glides over a bottom covered with mosses or coloured stones, that reflect through the pure water tints glaucous green, or sappharine.

Pennant, Voyage to the Hebrides.

GLAVE.† n.s. [glaive, French; glaif, a hook, Welsh; probably from the Latin gladius, a sword. Chaucer writes it gleve, and uses it in the sense of a lance. And Cotgrave defines glaive "a launce, or horseman's staffe."] A broad sword; a falchion; a lance.

He, —laying both his hands upon his glave, With dreadfull strokes let drive at him so sore.

Spenser, F. Q. iv. vii. 28.

Achilles pressing through the Phrygian glaives. Spenser, Hymn on Love. Two hundred Greeks came next in sight well

try'd,

Not surely arm'd in steel or iron strong, But each a glave had pendant by his side. Fairfax. Behold from yonder hill the foe appears,

Bows, bills, glaves, arrows, shields, and spears, Like a dark wood he comes.

Beaum. and Fl. Mad Lover. When zeal, with aged clubs and glaves,

Gave chase to rockets and white staves. Hudibras. To GLA'VER. † v. n. [glafr, Welsh, flattery; glipepe, a flatterer, a buffoon, from zlipian or zlipan, to play the buffoon. Glaver is used in Cheshire for flatter. But it is not a low word, as Dr. Johnson asserts it is; as it can boast much higher authority than that of the solitary example, given by him, from L'Estrange; and may be adopted from the Lat. glaber, smooth.] To flatter; to wheedle.

The writer of that glavering gloss upon Pope

Bonifacius' bull.

Fulke against Allen, (1586,) p. 512. Some slavish, glavering, flattering parasite, or hanger-on. South, Serm. vi. 110. Kingdoms have their distempers, intermissions,

and paroxyms, as well as natural bodies; and a glavering council is as dangerous as a wheedling priest, or a flattering physician. L'Estrange. GLA'VERER.* n. s. [from glaver.] A flat-

These glaverers gone, my selfe to rest I laid, And doubting nothing soundly fell asleepe.

Mir. for Mag. p. 407. GLA'YMORE.* n. s. [Gael. claidhamh, a sword, and more, great. It is generally pronounced claymore. Dr. Jamieson. It may perhaps be referred to the Lat. gladius. A large two-handed sword, formerly much used by the highlanders of Scotland.

Their arms were anciently the glaymore, or great two-handed sword, and afterwards the two-

edged sword and target.

Johnson, Journey to the West. Isl. To GLAZE. † v. a. [To glass, only accidentally varied. Dr. Johnson .- Chaucer uses glase, for "to put glass into windows." Our old lexicography gives "to glass or glase a window." See Sherwood's 2. To shine. Dict.

1. To furnish with windows of glass. Let there be two delicate cabinets daintily paved, richly hanged, and glazed with crystalline

Bacon, Essays. 2. To cover with glass, as potters do their earthen ware; [from the French glaise, argilla.

3. To overlay with something shining and pellucid.

Sorrow's eye, glaz'd with blinding tears, Divides one thing entire to many objects.

Shakspeare, Rich. II. The reason of one man operates on that of another in all true oratory; wherein though with other ornaments he may glaze and brandish the weapons, yet is it sound reason that carries the stroke home. Grew, Cosm. Sac.

White, with other strong colours, with which we paint that which we intend to glaze, are the life, the spirit, and the lustre of it. Dryd. Dufres. GLA'ZEN.* adj. [from glaze; Sax. zlæren,

glassy.] Resembling glass. A glasun sea meynd with fier.

Wicliffe, Revel. xv. 2.

Old glazen-eyes, He hath not reach'd his despair yet.

B. Jonson, Fox. GLA'ZIER. n. s. [corrupted from glasier, or glassier, of glass.] One whose trade is to make glass windows. Other manufacturers of glass are otherwise named.

Into rabbets, the several panes of glasswork are set, and fastened by the glazier.

Moxon, Mech. Exer. The dext'rous glazier, strong returns the bound, And gingling sashes on the penthouse sound.

Gay, Trivia. And then, without the aid of neighbour's art, Perform'd the carpenter's and glazier's part.

GLEAD.* See GLEDE.

GLEAM.† n. s. [Sax. zlæm, zleam; "the past participle of ze-leoman, to shine.' Mr. H. Tooke. But see also To GLIMPSE.] Sudden shoot of light; lustre; brightness. Then was the fair Dodonian tree far seen

Upon seven hills to spread his gladsome gleam; And conquerors bedecked with his green, Along the banks of the Ausonian stream. Spenser.

At last a gleam Of dawning light turn'd thitherward in haste His travell'd steps. Milton, P. L.

As I bent down to look just opposite A shape within the wat'ry gleam appear'd, Bending to look on me. Milton, P. L. Mine is a gleam of bliss, too hot to last;

Wat'ry it shines, and will be soon o'ercast.

Dryden, Aurengzebe. We ken them from afar; the setting sun Plays on their shining arms and burnish'd helmets, And covers all the field with gleams of fire.

Addison, Cato In the clear azure gleam the flocks are seen, And floating forests paint the waves with green.

Nought was seen, and nought was heard, But dreadful gleams, Fires that glow. Pope, St. Cecilia's Day.

To GLEAM. † v. n. [from the noun.]

1. To shine with sudden coruscation. The field of iron cast a gleaming brown.

Milton, P. R. Observant of approaching day, The meek-ey'd morn appears, mother of dews, At first faint gleaming in the dappled east.

Thomson, Summer.

On each hand the gushing waters play, And down the rough cascade white dashing fall, Or gleam in lengthen'd vistas through the trees.

GLE'AMING.* n. s. [from gleam.] A sudden shoot of light.

Farewell, ye gleamings of departed peace! Shine out your last! Thomson, Spring.

GLE'AMY. adj. [from gleam.] Flashing; darting sudden coruscations of light.

In brazen arms, that cast a gleamy ray, Swift through the town the warriour bends his

To GLEAN. v. a. [glaner, French, as Skinner thinks, from granum; or, as others think, from glans, an acorn; " primitus enim glandes pro frugibus erant." Nicot, and Junius. "Glainer, i. e. glaner, vient de glans, dont on a fait glandée, glander, et glaner, ramasser du gland; signification qu'on a dans la suite adaptée à l'action de ramasser le grain resté dans un champ maisonné le

mot est très ancien dans notre langue." Roq. Gloss. Lang. Rom.]

1. To gather what the gatherers of the harvest leave behind.

She came and gleaned in the field after the reaners. Ruth, ii. Cheap conquest for his following friends re-

He reap'd the field, and they but only glean'd.

The precept of not gathering their land clean, but that something should be left to the poor to glean, was a secondary offering to God himself. Nelson.

She went, by hard necessity compell'd, To glean Palæmon's fields. Thomson, Autumn. 2. To gather any thing thinly scattered.

Gather So much as from occasions you may glean,

If aught, to us unknown, afflicts him thus. Shakspeare, Humlet.

That goodness Of gleaning all the land's wealth into one, Into your own hands, card'nal, by extortion.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. They gleaned of them in the highways five thousand men. Judges, xx. 45.

But Argive chiefs, and Agamemnon's train, When his refulgent arms flash'd through the shady plain,

Fled from his well-known face with wonted fear:

As when his thund'ring sword and pointed spear Drove headlong to their ships, and glean'd the routed rear.

In the knowledge of bodies we must be content to glean what we can from particular experiments; since we cannot, from a discovery of their real essences, grasp at a time whole sheaves, and in bundles comprehend the nature and properties of whole species together.

GLEAN. n. s. [from the verb.] Collection made laboriously by slow degrees. Plains, meads, and orchards all the day he plies;

The gleans of yellow thyme distend his thighs: He spoils the saffron. Dryden, Virg.

GLE'ANER. n. s. [from glean.] 1. One who gathers after the reapers.

For still the world prevail'd, and its dread laugh, Which scarce the firm philosopher can scorn, Should his heart own a gleaner in the field,

Thomson. 2. One who gathers any thing slowly and laboriously.

An ordinary coffee-house gleaner in the city is an arrant statesman. Locke.

GLE'ANING. n. s. [from glean.] of gleaning or thing gleaned.

There shall be as the shaking of an olive-tree, and as the gleaning of grapes when the vintage is

The orphan and widow are members of the same common family, and have a right to be supported out of the incomes of it, as the poor Jews had to gather the gleanings of the rich man's harvest.

GLEBE. + n. s. [glèbe, old French; gleba, Latin.

1. Turf; soil; ground.

This, like the moory plots, delights in sedgy bowers;

The grassy garlands loves, and oft attir'd with flowers Of rank and mellow glebe.

Fertile of corn the glebe, of oil and wine, With herds the pastures throng'd, with flocks the

Milton, P. I. Mark well the flow'ring almonds in the wood; If od'rous blooms the bearing branches load,

The glebe will answer to the sylvan reign, Great heats will follow, and large crops of grain.

Sleeping vegetables lie, Till the glad summons of a genial ray Unbinds the glebe, and calls them out to day.

2. The land possessed as part of the revenue of an ecclesiastical benefice.

The ordinary living or revenue of a parsonage is of three sorts: the one in land, commonly called the glebe: another in tithe, which is a set part of our goods rendered to God; the third, in other offerings bestowed upon God and his church by the people.

A trespass done on a parson's glebe land, which is a freehold, cannot be tried in a spiritual court. Ayliffe, Parergon.

Many parishes have not an inch of glebe.

GLE'BOUS. adj. [from glebe.] Turfy. Dict. GLE'BY. adj. [from glebe.] Turfy; perhaps in the following passage fat or fruitful, if it has indeed any meaning.

Pernicious flattery! thy malignant seeds In an ill hour, and by a fatal hand, Sadly diffus'd o'er virtue's gleby land, With rising pride amidst the corn appear, And choke the hopes and harvest of the year. Prior.

GLEDE. † n. s. Sax. zliba; Su. Goth. glada. Serenius. And so our word was sometimes also written glade. But some think it derived from glide, because the kite glides easily through the air with very little motion of his wings. "Glade, or glead, is a kite in the north of England." Grose.] A kind of hawk. Ye shall not eat the glede, the kite, and the vulture.

Not a glead, not a vulture, not a falcon, not an eagle, not any bird of prey or rapine.

Bp. Hall, Beauty of the Church.

GLEE. † n. s. [Sax. zlızz, musick; whence glie, zle, zleo, mirth, joy. Thus in our oldest lexicography, glee is minstrelsy, Lat. musica. Pr. Parv. Chaucer uses glee for musick. We have thus revived the word in modern times, though Dr. Johnson has taken no notice of it, to signify a piece of light vocal musick for more than one voice, a kind of catch.]

1. Joy; merriment; gayety. It anciently signified musick played at feasts. It is not now used, except in ludicrous writing, or with some mixture of irony and

She marcheth home, and by her takes the knight, Whom all the people follow with great glee.

Spenser, F. Q. Many wayfarers make themselves glee, by vexing the inhabitants; who again foreslow not to baigne em with perfume. Carew, Surv. of Cornwall.

Is Blouzelinda dead? Farewell my glee! them with perfume.

No happiness is now reserv'd for me.

Gay, Pastorals. The poor man then was rich, and liv'd with glee; Each barley-head untaxt, and day-light free.

2. A song, sung in parts; a species of catch.

Airs of the most modern cast, fritted into divisions or even loaded with parts as much in sequence as in a catch or a glee.

Mason on Church Musick, p. 220. Who has not seen the advertisements proposing a reward to him, who should produce the best catch, canon, or glee?

Bp. Percy, Ess. on the Eng. Minstrels.

To GLEE, or GLY. v.n. [Teut. gluyeren, to look askew. But Dr. Jamieson prefers the Icel. gloe, to be purblind.] To squint. This word is in our old dictionaries, and is still used in the north of England.

GLEED. † n. s. [zleb, Sax. from zlopan, to glow; Su. Goth. gloed.] A hot glowing coal. A provincial and obsolete word. Such is Dr. Johnson's statement, and without any example. The word is one of our oldest.

Piping hot out of the glede. Chaucer, Mill. Tale. His armour glytteryde as did a glede. Anc. Ballad of Chevy Chace.

In heart he brent as any glede.

Lydgate, Hist. of Troy.

Fair Ilium fall in burning red gledes down, And from the soil great Troy, Neptunus' town. Sackville, Induct. Mir. for Mag.

When I stir up these embers to the bottom, there are found some living gledes, which do both contain fire, and are apt to propagate it.

Bp. Hall, Occas. Medit. GLE'EFUL.† adj. [glee and full.] Gay; merry; cheerful. Not used.

My lovely Aaron, wherefore look'st thou sad, When every thing doth make a gleeful boast? Shakspeare, Tit. Andronicus.

Nor lacks he gleeful tales, whilst round the nutbrown bowl doth trot. Warner, Albion's Eng. GLEEK. + n. s.

1. Musick. [Sax. zlizz.] Dr. Johnson notices no other meaning of this word, and gives the following example of the present, which however carries an allusion to the next sense.

Musician. What will you give us? Peter. No money on my faith; but the gleek; I will give you the minstrel.

Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul. 2. A scoff; a joke. [Sax. zlızz, mirth, jocularity.]

Now where's the Bastard's braves, and Charles his gleeks? What, all a mort? Shakspeare, K. Hen. VI. P. I.

Here Juno, here; but stay, I do espy A pretty gleek coming from Pallas' eye. Beaum. and Fl. Maid in the Mill.

3. A game at cards. [old French, glic, " nom d'un jeu de cartes." Lacombe, and Roquefort.] Let her bear up to-day,

Laugh, and keep company, at gleek or crimp.

B. Jonson, Magn. Lady. A lady once requesting a gentleman to play at gleeke, was refused, but civilly, and upon three reasons; the first whereof, madam, said the gentleman, is, I have no money. Her ladyship knew that was so material and sufficient, that she desired him to keep the two other reasons to him-Gayton, on D. Quix. p. 14.

To GLEEK. † v. n. [from the Sax. 3lizz, sport. In the north of England, to gleek is still to deceive.]

1. To sneer; to gibe; to droll upon; to practise deceits.

I can gleek upon occasion.

Shakspeare, Mids. N. Dream. I have seen you gleeking and galling at this gentleman twice or thrice. Shakspeare, Hen. V. 2. In Scotland it signifies to fool or spend

time idly, with something of mimickry or drollery.

GLE'EMAN.* n. s. [Sax. zlızman, zlıman, gleekman, gleeman.] A musician; a minstrel.

Blagebride - a conynge musicyan, called of the

Britons god of gleemen. Fabyan, Chron. (1533,) fol. xxxii. The Anglo-Saxon harpers and gleemen were the immediate successors and imitators of the

Scandinavian scalds. Bp. Percy on the Eng. Minstrels. Their national love of verse and musick still so strongly predominated, that in the place of their old scalders a new rank of poets arose, called

gleemen or harpers. Warton, Hist. E. P. vol. i. Diss. I.

To GLEEN. 7 v. n. To shine with heat or polish. I know not the original notion of this word: it may be of the same race with glow or with gleam. I have not remarked it in any other place. Dr. Johnson. - It seems to be the Icel. glia, Fris. glion, to shine; Gr. γληνος, a star, light. Those who labour

The sweaty forge, who edge the crooked scythe, Bend stubborn steel, and harden gleening armour, Acknowledge Vulcan's aid.

GLE'ESOME.* adj. [from glee.] Full of merriment; joyous.

Gleesome hunters, pleased with their sport, With sacrifices due have thank'd me for't.

GLEET.† n. s. [It is written by Skinner glitt, and derived from gliban, Saxon, to run softly. Dr. Johnson. - It is rather from the Icel. glat, glaeta, moisture, humour, liquor," from glaer, glaett, glassy.] A sanious ooze; a thin ichor running from a sore.

A hard dry eschar, without either matter or Wiseman, Surgery. To GLEET. v. n. [from the noun.]

1. To drip or ooze with a thin sanious liquor.

His thumb being inflamed and swelled, I made an incision into it to the bone : this not only bled, but gleeted a few drops. Wiseman, Surgery.

2. To run slowly.

Vapours raised by the sun make clouds, which are carried up and down the atmosphere, till they hit against the mountainous places of the globe, and by this concussion are condensed, and so gleet down the caverns of these mountains, whose inner parts, being hollow, afford them a basin.

Cheyne, Phil. Princ.

GLE'ETY. adj. [from gleet.] Ichory; thinly sanious. If the flesh lose its ruddiness, and the matter

change to be thin and gleety, you may suspect it

GLEN. † n. s. [Gael. gleann; Welsh glyn; Sax. zlen, zlene.] A valley; a dale; a depression between two hills.

From me his madding mind is start, And wooes the widow's daughter of the glen.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. Can silent glens have charms for thee? The lonely cot, and russet gown?

Bp. Percy, Song. Rough glens, and sudden waterfalls. T. Warton, Ode VII.

GLENE.* n. s. [Fr. glene; Gr. γλήνη.] In anatomy, the cavity or socket of the eye; and also any shallow cavity of bones, into which some other bone is received.

To GLENT. * v. n. [Icel. glenta, divaricare.] To start aside; to look aside. A northern word. Praise of Yorksh. Ale, 1697. and Craven Dial.

GLEW. n. s. [glu, Fr. gluten, Latin.] A viscous cement made by dissolving the skins of animals in boiling water, and drying the gelly. See GLUE.

To GLEW.* v.a. [from the noun.] To join; to unite. See To GLUE.

The nobleness of your heart will glew the hearts of your people to you. Apb. Laud, Serm. p. 225. GLE'WER.* n. s. [from glew.] One who gleweth papers, parchments, or other thing. See GLUER.

GLE'WINESS.* n. s. [from glewy.] Adhesive quality; viscousness. Sherwood. GLE'WISH.* adj. [from glew.] Partaking

of the nature of glew; viscous; adhesive; as, "glewish matter."
GLE'wy.* adj. [from glew.] Huloet. Adhesive; viscous; glutinous.

They being no natural stones hewen out of the rock, but artificially made of pure sand by some glewy and unctuous matter knit and incorporated Hakewill on Providence, p. 207. together.

A kind of pitch, which is described by authors as a very glewy thing. Patrick on Gen. xi. 3,

GLIB. † adj. [from helog, Gr. Skinner. By others, from the Lat. lævis, smooth, slippery. But is it not more probably from the Latin glaber, smooth?]

1. Smooth; slippery; so formed as to be easily moved.

Liquid bodies have nothing to sustain their parts, nor any thing to cement them : the parts being glib and continually in motion, fall off from one another, which way soever gravity inclines them. Burnet, Theory.

Habbakkuk brought him a smooth strong rope, compactly twisted together, with a noose that slipt as glib as a birdcatcher's gin. 2. Smooth; voluble.

I want that glib and oily art

To speak and purpose not, since what I well intend, I'll do't before I speak. Shakspeare, K. Lear. There was never so much glib nonsense put to-

gether in well sounding English. Locke. Now Curl his shop from rubbish drains; Three genuine tomes of Swift's remains: And then, to make them pass the glibber,

Revis'd by Tibbald, More, and Cibber. Be sure he's a fine spoken man; Do but hear on the clergy how glib his tongue ran.

GLIB. † n. s. [" In Terconnell the haire of their [the Irish] head grows so long and curled, that they goe bare-headed, and are called glibs; the women, glibbins.' Gainsford's Glory of England, 1618, p. 151.] The Irish have from the Scythians mantles and long glibs; which is a thick curled bush of hair hanging down over their eyes, and monstrously disguising them. Spenser on Ireland. Whom when she saw in wretched weeds dis-

guis'd, With hairy glib deform'd, and meager face, -She knew him not. Spenser, F. Q. iv. viii. 12.

To GLIB.† v. a. [from the adjective.]

1. To castrate. This is the only sense of

the word which Dr. Johnson notices. I'll geld them all : fourteen they shall not see,

To bring false generations: they are coheirs, And I had rather glib myself than they Should not produce fair issue. Shaksp. Wint. Tale.

2. To make smooth or glib.

There is a drunken liberty of the tongue, which, being once glibbed with intoxicating liquor, runs wild through heaven and earth.

Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 20.

I undertook that office, and the tongues Of all his flattering prophets glibb'd with lies To his destruction. Milton, P. R.

GLI'BLY. † adv. [from glib.] Smoothly; volubly.

Wine so choice, or so delicious, that it went down glibly. Patrick on Eccles. vii. 9. Many who would startle at an oath, whose

stomachs as well as consciences recoil at an obscenity, do yet slide glibly into a detraction.

Gov. of the Tongue. Huloet. GLI'BNESS. n. s. [from glib.] Smoothness; slipperiness.

> A polish'd ice-like glibness doth enfold The rock. Chapman, Odyssey.

The tongue is the most ready for motion of any member, needs not so much as the flexure of a joint, and by access of humours acquires a glibness too, the more to facilitate its moving. Gov. of the Tongue.

To GLIDE. v. n. [zliban, Saxon; glijden,

Dutch.]

1. To flow gently and silently.

By East, among the dusty vallies, glide The silver streams of Jordan's crystal flood. Fairfax.

Broke by the jutting land on either side, In double streams the briny waters glide. Dryden, Æn.

Just before the confines of the wood, The gliding Lethe leads her silent flood.

Dryden, Æn. Where stray the Muses, in what lawn or grove? In those fair fields where sacred Isis glides, Or else where Cam his winding vales divides

2. To pass on without change of step. Ye gliding ghosts, permit me to relate The mystick wonders of your silent state.

3. To move swiftly and smoothly along. If one of mean affairs

May plod it in a week, why may not I Glide thither in a day? Shakspeare, Cymb. Shoals of fish, with fins and shining scales, Glide under the green wave. Milton, P. L. He trembled every limb, and felt a smart

As if cold steel had glided through his heart.

Dryden, Fab. All things are beheld as in a hasty motion, where the objects only glide before the eye and disappear.

GLIDE. n. s. [from the verb.] Lapse; act or manner of passing smoothly. About his neck

A green and gilded snake had wreath'd itself, Who, with her head nimble in threats, approach'd The opening of his mouth; but suddenly Seeing Orlando, it unlink'd itself, And with indented glides did slip away Into a bush. Shakspeare, As you like it.

GLI'DER. † n. s. [from glide.]

1. That which glides. The glaunce into my heart did glide;

Hey, ho, the glider; Therewith my soul was sharply gride,

Such wounds soon waxen wider.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. 2. In the north of England, a snare. GLIFF.* n. s. [perhaps from the Icel. glia, to shine. See GLANCE.] A transient

view; a glimpse: still used in the north of England. GLIKE. n. s. [zliz, Saxon. See GLEEK.]

A sneer; a scoff; a flout. Not now in

To GLIME.* v. n. "Glimps and glimes, signifies to look cunningly." Praise of Yorksh. Ale. To look out at the corner of the eye; to glance slyly. Brockett's N. C. Words.

To GLI'MMER. † v. n. [glimmer, Danish, to shine; glimra, Goth. to shine; glimbra, Icel. the same, from glimbr, splendour; glimmen, Teut. to glow, to flame: from the Goth. gla, light. See GLEAM.] 1. To shine faintly.

The West yet glimmers with some streaks of day. Shaksneare.

The truth appears so naked on my side, That any purblind eye may find it out. -And on my side it is so well apparel'd, So clear, so shining, and so evident

That it will glimmer through a blind man's eye. Shakspeare.

For there no twilight of the sun's dull ray Glimmers upon the pure and native day. Cowley. Oft in glimmering bowers and glades He met her. Milton, Il Pens.

See'st thou yon' dreary plain, forlorn and wild, The seat of desolation, void of light, Save what the glimmering of these livid flames Casts pale and dreadful? Milton, P. L. The sacred influence

Of light appears, and from the walls of heav'n Shoots far into the bosom of dim night

A glimmering dawn. Milton, P. L. Through these sad shades this chaos in my soul, Some seeds of light at length began to roll; The rising motion of an infant ray Shot glimm'ring through the cloud, and promis'd

day. Oft by the winds, extinct the signal lies; Or smother'd in the glimm'ring socket dies.

Gay, Trivia. When rosy morning glimmer'd o'er the dales, He drove to pasture all the lusty males.

Pope, Odyssey. 2. To be perceived imperfectly; to ap-

pear faintly. GLI'MMER. † n. s. [from the verb.]

1. Faint splendour; weak light.

Yet hath my night of life some memory, My wasting lamps some fading glimmer left. Shakspeare, Com. of Err.

2. A kind of fossil.

The lesser masses that are lodged in sparry and stony bodies, dispersedly, from their shining and glimmering, were an inducement to the writers of fossils to give those bodies the name of mica and glimmer. Woodward on Fossils.

Stones which are composed of plates, that are generally plain and parallel, and that are flexible and elastick : talc, catsilver, or glimmer, of which there are three sorts, the yellow or golden, the white or silvery, and the black. Woodward.

GLI'MMERING.* n. s. [from glimmer.] Faint or imperfect view.

On the way the baggage post-boy, who had been at court, got a glimmering who they were.

The Pagan priesthood was always in the druids ; and there was a perceivable glimmering of the Jewish rites in it, though much corrupted. Swift. I cannot see a glimmering of distinction.

Burke on the Popery Laws.

To GLIMPSE.* v. n. [from glimmer; if it be not an older word than that. Chaucer uses it substantively. "Ye have some glimsing, and no parfit sight." March. Tale. However, it is to be referred, like glimmer and gleam, to the Goth. gla, light; while it also resembles the Gr. λάμπω, λάμψω, to shine, and Icel. liome, light, from the same root. 7 To appear by glimpses.

Deformed shadows glimpsing in his sight. Drayton, Barons' Wars, ii. 46,

GLIMPSE. † n. s. [from the verb.]

1. A weak faint light.

Such vast room in nature, Only to shine, yet scarce to contribute Each orb a glimpse of light, convey'd so far Down to this habitable, which returns Milton, P. L. Light back to them.

Thousands of things, which now either wholly escape our apprehensions, or which our shortsighted reason having got some faint glimpse of, we, in the dark, grope after.

2. A quick flashing light.

Light as the lightning glimpse they ran. Milton, P. L.

My thoughtless youth was wing'd with vain

My manhood, long misled by wand'ring fires, Follow'd false lights; and when their glimpse was

My pride struck out new spangles of her own.

3. Transitory lustre.

There no dear glimpse of the sun's lovely face Strikes through the solid darkness of the place. Cowley.

Man he seems In all his lineaments, though in his face The glimpses of his Father's glory shine. Millon, P. R.

Have serv'd thy will, or gratified thy thought, One glimpse of glory to my issue give; Grac'd for the little time he has to live. Dryden, Fab.

If I, celestial sire, in ought

4. Short fleeting enjoyment.

If, while this weary'd flesh draws fleeting breath, Not satisfy'd with life, afraid of death, If hap'ly be thy will that I should know Glimpse of delight, or pause from anxious woe; From now, from instant now, great sire, dispel The clouds that press my soul.

5. A short transitory view. O friends! I hear the tread of nimble feet Hasting this way, and now by glimpse discern Ithuriel, and Zephon, through the shade.

Milton, P. L. Some God punisheth exemplarily in this world, that we might have a taste or glimpse of his pre-

sent justice. A man used to such sort of reflections, sees as much at one glimpse as would require a long dis-

course to lay before another, and make out in one entire and gradual deduction. What should I do! while here I was enchain'd,

No glimpse of godlike liberty remain'd. Dryden, Virg.

6. The exhibition of a faint resemblance. No man hath a virtue that he has not a glimpse Shakspeare.

To GLI'STEN. t v. n. [not from glitten, German, which Dr. Johnson adduces, but perhaps from gleissen in that language; though the Sax. zlırnıan is to shine; and our own word was formerly glissen. I find it in use nearly a century before the time of Thomson, from whom Dr. Johnson's earliest example is cited.] To shine, to sparkle with light.

How unpolished soever this diamond be, yet if it do but glissen, 'tis too pretious to be cast away. Hammond, Works, iv. 660.

The bleating kind Eye the bleak heaven, and next the glistening earth, With looks of dumb despair. Thomson, Winter. The ladies' eyes glistened with pleasure. Richardson, Pamela.

To GLI'STER. tv. n. [Teut. glinsteren, glisbright.

The wars flame most in summer, and the helmets glister brightest in the fairest sunshine. Spenser on Ireland.

'Tis better to be lowly born, And range with humble livers in content, Than to be perk'd up in a glistering grief, And wear a golden sorrow. Shaksp. Hen. VIII. The golden sun

Gallops the zodiack in his glist'ring coach. Shaksp. All that glisters is not gold.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven.

You were more the eye and talk Of the court to-day, than all Else that glister'd in Whitehall.

B. Jonson, Underwoods. When the sun shone upon the shields of gold and brass, the mountains glistered therewith, and 1 Mac. vi. 39. shined like lamps of fire.

It consisted not of rubies, yet the small pieces of it were of a pleasant reddish colour, and glistered

GLI'STER.* n. s. [from the verb.] Lustre; glitter. Dr. Jamieson notices this word as a Scottish substantive, but says that he had never observed it as an English one. It, however, exists.

As fair Aurora in her morning gray, Deck'd with the ruddy glister of her love, Is fair Samela.

Greene, Descript. of Samela, Arcad. (1610.)

GLI'STER. n. s. [Properly written clyster, from κλύζω.] See CLYSTER. It is written wrong, even by Brown.

Now enters Bush, with new state airs, His lordship's premier minister

And who, in all profound affairs, Swift. Is held as needful as his glister.

Choler is the natural glister, or one excretion whereby nature excludeth another; which descending daily unto the bowels, extimulates those parts, and excites them unto expulsion.

Brown, Vulg. Err. GLI'STERINGLY.* adv. [from To glister.] Sherwood. Brightly; splendidly.

GLIT.* See GLEET.

To GLI'TTER.† v. n. [Goth. glitmunjan; Icel. glitta; Sw. glitra.]

1. To shine; to exhibit lustre; to gleam. Before the battle joins, from afar,

The field yet glitters with the pomp of war. Druden, Virg. Scarce hadst thou time t' unsheath thy con-

qu'ring blade; It did but glitter, and the rebels fled.

2. To be specious; to be striking.

On the one hand set the most glittering temptations to discord, and on the other the dismal effects Decay of Piety. In glitt'ring scenes, o'er her own heart, severe;

In crowds collected; and in courts sincere. Young.

GLI'TTER. n.s. [from the verb.] Lustre; bright show; splendour. Clad

With what permissive glory since his fall
Was left him, or false glitter. Milton, P. L.
Flourish not too much upon the glitter of fortune, for fear there should be too much alloy in it.

Collier on Pride. Take away this measure from our dress and habits, and all is turned into such paint and glitter, and ridiculous ornaments, as are a real shame to the wearer.

GLI'TTERAND. Shining; sparkling. A participle used by Chaucer and the old English poets. This participial termination is still retained in Scotland. Spenser, Shep. Cal.

Belts of glitterand gold. teren; Sw. glistra.] To shine; to be GLI'TTERING.* n. s. [from glitter.] Lustre; gleam.

Steel glosses are more resplendent than the like plates of brass, and so is the glittering of a blade. Bacon. Phys. Rem.

GLI'TTERINGLY. + adv. [from glitter.] Radiantly; with shining lustre. Sherwood. To GLOAM.* v. n. [perhaps from the Germ. glum, turbid.] To be sullen; to be melancholy. See To GLOOM.

Woman, pluck up your heart, and leave off all this gloming. Gammer Gurton's Needle, (1551.) To GLOAR. † v. a. [gloeren, Dutch; glora,

Cimbr.] To squint; to look askew. Skinner. 2. In Scotland, to stare: as, "what a gloarand quean." Dr. Johnson. — It is

also used, in the north of England, in the same sense; and it occurs in our old lexicography. "To gaze and glore." Barret in V. GAZE. See also the Lancashire and Westmoreland Dialects, and

other northern vocabularies.

To GLOAT. † v. n. [This word I conceive to be ignorantly written for gloar. Dr. Johnson. - It is not so; but may be from the Swedish glutta, "leviter velfurtim inspicere," Serenius; having indeed the same origin as gloar, viz. gloa, Goth. to look attentively. To gloat, or glote, is in our old lexicography. See Sherwood's and Cole's Dict.] To cast side glances, as a timorous lover, Dr. Johnson says; but it is rather to stare with admiration, eagerness, or desire.

Teach every grace to smile in your behalf, And her deluding eyes to gloat for you.

Rowe, Jane Shore. Some praise his sleeves; and others gloat Upon his rich embroider'd coat. Gay, Fables.

GLO'BARD. n. s. [from glow.] A glow-

GLO'BATED. adj. [from globe.] Formed in shape of a globe; spherical; sphe-

GLOBE. n. s. [globe, French; globus, Latin.

1. A sphere; a ball; a round body: a body of which every part of the surface is at the same distance from the centre. 2. The terraqueous ball.

The youth, whose fortune the vast globe obey'd, Finding his royal enemy betray'd,

Wept at his fall. Where God declares his intention to give dominion, he meant that he would make a species of creatures that should have dominion over the

other species of this terrestrial globe. 3. A sphere in which the various regions of the earth are geographically de-picted, or in which the constellations

are laid down according to their places in the sky. The astrologer who spells the stars Mistakes his globe, and in her brighter eye

Cleaveland. Interprets heaven's physiognomy.

These are the stars, But raise thy thought from sense, nor think to

Such figures there as are in globes design'd. Creech.

4. A body of soldiers drawn into a circle. Him round A globe of fiery seraphim enclos'd,

With bright imblazonry, and horrent arms.

GLOBE Amaranth, or everlasting flower. n. s. [amaranthoides.] A flower. Miller.

GLOBE Daisy. n. s. A kind of flower. GLOBE Fish. n. s. A kind of orbicular

Globe Ranunculus. n. s. [helleboro-ranunculus.] A plant. GLOBE Thistle. n. s. [carduus orbiculatus.]

A plant. Miller. To GLOBE. * v. a. [Lat. globo.] To gather

round together.

Although I have given it the name of a liquid thing, yet it is not incontinent to bound itself, as humid things are, but hath in it a most restraining and powerful abstinence to start back, and globe itself upward from the mixture of any ungenerous and unbeseeming motion, or any soil wherewith it may peril to stain itself.

Milton, Reas. of Ch. Gov. ii. 3. GLOBO'SE. adj. [globosus, Latin.] Sphe-

rical; round.

Regions, to which All thy dominion, Adam, is no more Than what this garden is to all the earth, And all the sea, from one entire globose Stretch'd into longitude. Milton, P. L.

Then form'd the moon Globose, and ev'ry magnitude of stars. Milt. P. L.

GLOBO'SITY. n. s. [from globose.] Sphe-

ricity; sphericalness.

Why the same eclipse of the sun, which is seen to them that live more easterly, when the sun is elevated six degrees above the horizon, should be seen to them that live one degree more westerly, where the sun is but five degrees above the horizon, and so lower and lower proportionably, till at last it appear not at all: no account can be given, but the globosity of the earth. Ray on the Creation. GLO'BOUS. † adj. [globosus, Lat.; globeaux,

French. When the accent is intended to be on the last syllable, the word should be written globose, when on the first globous: I have transferred hither a passage of Milton, in which this rule has been neglected. Dr. Johnson.-The word in the following passage of Milton is not globose, as Dr. Johnson pretends, and as he has cited it; but is, in the poet's own edition of his immortal poem, globous.] Spherical; round. Having reduced [it] into a globous form.

Gregory, Posthum. (1650,) p. 282. Wide over all the plain, and wider far

Than all this globous earth in plain outspread, Such are the courts of God! Milton, P. L. The brazen instruments of death discharge

Horrible flames, and turbid streaming clouds; Large globous irons fly, of dreadful hiss, Singeing the air. Philips.

GLO'BULAR. adj. [globulus, Latin.] Having the form of a small sphere; round; spherical.

The figure of the atoms of all visible fluids seemeth to be globular, there being no other figure so well fitted to the making of fluidity.

Grew, Cosm. Sacra. GLOBULA'RIA. n. s. [Latin; globulaire, French. A flosculous flower.

GLO'BULE. n. s. [globule, French; globulus, Latin.] Such a small particle of matter as is of a globular or spherical figure; as the red particles of the blood, which swim in a transparent serum, and are easily discovered by the microscope. These will attract one another when they come within a due distance, and unite like the spheres of quicksilver.

The hailstones have opaque globules of snow in | 2. To be cloudy; to be dark. their centre, to intercept the light within the halo. Newton, Opticks.

Blood consists of red globules, swimming in a thin liquor called serum: the red globules are elastick, and will break; the vessels which admit the smaller globule, cannot admit the greater with-Arbuthnot on Aliments.

GLO'BULOUS. adj. [from globule.] In form of a small sphere; round.

The whiteness of such globulous particles proceeds from the air included in the froth. Boyle. GLO'BY.* adj. [from globe.] Orbicular; round. Sherwood.

Your hair, whose globy rings He flying curls, and crispeth with his wings.

B. Jonson, Elegy. One of the highest arcs, that human contemplation circling upwards can make from the globy sea whereon she stands.

GLODE.* Milton, Doct. and Disc. of Divorce,
The old preterite of To glide. Forth upon his way he glode,

As sparkle out of bronde.

Chaucer, Rime of Sir Thopas. She glode forth as an adder doth.

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 5. Like sparke of fire that from the anvile glode. Spenser, F. Q. iv. iv. 23.

To GLO'MERATE. + v. a. [glomero, Latin.] To gather into a ball or sphere. A filamentous substance gathered into a ball is said to be *glomerated*, but discontinuous particles are conglobated.

A river which, from Caucasus, after many glo-

merating dances, increases Indus. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 68.

GLOMERA'TION. n. s. [glomeratio, Latin.]

1. The act of forming into a ball or

2. A body formed into a ball.

The rainbow consisteth of a glomeration of small drops, which cannot fall but from the air that is

GLO'MEROUS. adj. [glomerosus, Latin.] Gathered into a ball or sphere, as a ball of thread.

GLOOM.† n. s. [zlomunz, Saxon, twilight. Dr. Johnson. Rather perhaps from the German glum, turbid. Yet Mr. H. Tooke deduces gloom from the Sax. zeleoman, to shine, the very reverse of its meaning. See his Div. of Purley, ii. 373.]

1. Imperfect darkness: dismalness; obscurity; defect of light.

Glowing embers through the room,

Teach light to counterfeit a gloom. Milt. Il Pens. Is this the seat,

That we must change for heaven? This mournful gloom

For that celestial light? Milton, P. L. The still night; not now, as ere man fell, Wholesome, and cool, and mild; but with black

Accompanied: with damps, and dreadful gloom.

Milton, P. L. Now warm in love, now with'ring in thy bloom,

Lost in a convent's solitary gloom. 2. Cloudiness of aspect; heaviness of mind; sullenness.

To GLOOM. v. n. [from the noun.]

1. To shine obscurely, as the twilight. This sense is not now in use. His glist'ring armour made

A little glooming light much like a shade. Spenser, F.Q.

Scarcely had Phœbus in the glooming East Yet harnassed his fiery-footed team. Spens. F.Q.

Through dreadful shades of ever glooming night. Span. Tragedy, (1603.)

To be melancholy; to be sullen. See To GLOAM. "To gloom, is to frown and be sullen." Praise of Yorksh. Ale,

4. To look darkly or dismally.

Here while the proud their long-drawn pomps display,

There the black gibbet glooms beside the way. Goldsmith, Deserted Village.

To GLOOM.* v. a. To fill with gloom, with darkness, or dismalness.

A night that glooms us in the noontide ray, And wraps our thoughts at banquets in the shroud.

Young, Night Thoughts, 2. Good heaven! what sorrows gloom'd that part-

ing day, That call'd them from their native walks away.

Goldsmith, Deserted Village. GLOO'MILY. adv. [from gloomy.]

1. Obscurely; dimly; without perfect light; dismally.

2. Sullenly; with cloudy aspect; with dark intentions; not cheerfully.

See, he comes: how gloomily he looks! Dryd.
Gloomily retir'd

The villain spider lives. Thomson, Summer. GLOO'MINESS. † n. s. [from gloomy.]

1. Want of light; obscurity; imperfect . light; dismalness.

A day of darkness and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness. Zeph. i. 15.

Want of cheerfulness; cloudiness of look; heaviness of mind; melancholy.

Neglect spreads gloominess upon their humour, and makes them grow sullen and unconversable. Collier of the Spleen.

The gloominess in which sometimes the minds of the best men are involved, very often stands in need of such little incitements to mirth and laughter as are apt to disperse melancholy. Addison.

GLOO'MY.† adj. [from gloom.]
1. Obscure; imperfectly illuminated; al-

most dark: dismal for want of light. These were from without

The growing miseries, which Adam saw Already in part, though hid in gloomiest shade, Milton, P. L. To sorrow abandon'd.

Deep in a cavern dwells the drowsy god, Whose gloomy mansion nor the rising sun,

Nor setting visits, nor the lightsome noon. Dryden, Fab.

The surface of the earth is clearer or gloomier, just as the sun is bright or more overcast.

Pope, Letters.

2. Dark of complexion. That fair field

Of Enna, where Proserpine gathering flow'rs, Herself a fairer flow'r, by gloomy Dis Was gather'd.

3. Sullen; melancholy; cloudy of look; heavy of heart.

And you, ye hopeless gloomy-minded tribe, You who, unconscious of those nobler flights That reach impatient at immortal life, Against the prime endearing privilege Of being dare contend.

Thomson on Sir Isaac Newton.

To GLO'PPEN.* v. a. To surprise; to astonish. Common throughout the north. Westm. Chesh. and Craven Dialects. Supposed to be from the Icel. glopur, stultus.

GLORE.* adj. [Icel. hlyre, a very fat fish; whence hlyre-feitr, extremely fat. Sere-

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nius. But see also Golore.] Fat; as, "glore fat, very fat." Yorksh. Gloss. to the Praise of Yorkshire Ale. "Glore, fat." North. Glur, soft fat. Lancashire. Pegge.

GLORIA TION.* n. s. [old French, gloriation, Latin, gloriatio, from glorior, to glory; to boast.] Boast: triumph.

Mutual praises, gloriations, and congratulations.

Bp. Richardson on the O. Test. p. 338.

Suspicion, peremptoriness, despondency, triumph or gloriation. More, Conj. Cabb. p. 211.

More, Conj. Cabb. p. 214.

How were the Jews puffed up with that vain gloriation, that they were the sons of Abraham.

Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 141.

GLO'RIED. adj. [from glory.] Illustrious; honourable; decorated with glory; dignified with honours. Not now in use.

As I suppose, towards your once gloried friend, My son, now captive, hither hath inform!d Your younger feet, while mine cast back with age Came lagging after. Milton, S. A.

GLORIFICA'TION. n. s. [glorification, Fr.; from glorify.] The act of giving glory.

At opening your eyes, enter upon the day with thanksgiving for the preservation of you the last night, with the glorification of God for the works of the creation.

Bp. Taylor.

To GLO'RIFY. v. a. [glorifier, French; glorifico, Latin.]

1. To procure honour or praise to one.

Two such silver currents, when they join,
Do glorify the banks that bound them in.

Shakspeare, K. John.

Justice is their virtue: that alone
Makes them sit sure, and glorifies the throne.

2. To pay honour or praise in worship.
God is glarified when such his excellency, above all things, is with due admiration acknowledged.

Honker.

This form and manner of glorifying God was not at that time first begun; but received long before, and alleged at that time as an argument for the truth.

Good fellow, tell us here the circumstance,

That we for thee may glorify the Lord.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI.
All nations shall glorify thy name. Ps. lxxxvi. 9.
Our bodies with which the apostle commands us to glorify God, as well as with our souls.

This is the perfection of every thing, to attain its true and proper end; and the end of all the gifts and endowments, which God hath given us to glorify the giver.

Tillotson.

3. To praise; to honour; to extol.

Whomsoever they find to be most licentious of life, desperate in all parts of disobedience and rebellious disposition, him they set up and glorify.

Spenser on Ireland.

No chymist yet the elixir got, But glorifies his pregnant pot, If by the way to him befall,

Some odoriferous thing, or medicinal. Donne.
4. To exalt to glory in heaven; to raise to

celestial beatitude.

If God be glorified in him, God shall also glorify him in himself, and shall straightway glorify

orify him in himself, and shall straightway glorify m.

St. John, xiii. 32.

Whom he justified them he also glorified.

Rom. viii. 30.

The members of the church remaining, being perfectly sanctified, shall be eternally glorified; then shall the whole church be truly and perfectly holy.

Pearson.

The soul, being immortal, will, at some time or other, resume its body again in a glorified manner.

Ayliffe's Parergon.

nius. But see also Golore.] Fat; as, GLO'RIOUS.† adj. [gloriosus, Latin; "glore fat, very fat." Yorksh. Gloss. | glorieux, French.]

Noble; illustrious; excellent. It is frequently used by theological writers, to express the brightness of triumphant sanctity rewarded in heaven.

Let them know that thou art Lord, the only God, and glorious over the whole world.

Dan. iii. 22.

He is glorious in respect of the brightness and splendour of his celestial body, still made more glorious and majestick by the authority which his Father hath committed to him of universal judge.

Nelson.

Impartial justice holds her equal scales, Till stronger virtue does the weight incline; If over thee thy glorious foe prevails, He now defends the cause that once was thine.

Let us remember we are Cato's friends,

And act like men who claim that glorious title.

Addison, Cato.

She must stand amongst the first servants of God, and be glorious amongst those that have fought the good fight.

Law.

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If there be nothing so glorious as doing good, if
there is nothing that makes us so like to God, then
nothing can be so glorious in the use of our money,
as to use it all in works of love and goodness.

2. Boastful; proud; haughty; ostentatious.

Glorious followers, who make themselves as trumpets of the commendation of those they follow, taint business for want of secrecy. **Bacon.**

They that are *glorious* must needs be factious; for all bravery stands upon comparisons. Bacon.

We have not

Receiv'd into our bosom and our grace
A glorious lazy drone, grown fat with feeding
On others' toil, but an industrious bee.

Massinger, Gr. Duke of Florence.

GLO'RIOUSLY. † adv. [from glorious.]

Nobly; splendidly; illustriously.
 He hath triumphed gloriously. Exod. xv. 1.
 They inspire with those celestial flames, which shine so gloriously in their works.

Dryden, Dufresney.

Great wits sometimes may gloriously offend,
And rise to faults true criticks dare not mend.

Pope.

2. Ostentatiously; boastingly.

I protest to you, signior, I speak it not gloriously, nor out of affectation.

B. Jonson, Every Man out of his Humour. GLO'RIOUSNESS.* n. s. [from glorious.]

The state or quality of being glorious.

GLO'RY.† n.s. [old French, glorie, and glore; afterwards, gloire; from gloria, Latin. Among the old poets, both English and Scottish, it was used sometimes

as one syllable, glore.]

1. Praise paid in adoration.

Glory to God in the highest. St. Luke, ii. 14.

2. The felicity of heaven prepared for those that please God.

Thou shalt guide me with thy counsel, and afterwards receive me into thy glory. Psalm lxxiii. 24. Then enter into glory, and resume

Then enter into glory, and resume
His seat at God's right hand, exalted high
Above all names in heav'n.

Milton, P. L.

Above all names in heav'n. Milton, P. L.
It is hardly possible for you to beseech and intreat God to make any one happy in the highest enjoyments of his glory to all eternity, and yet be troubled to see him enjoy the much smaller gifts of God, in this short and low state of human life.

Lea.

3. Honour; praise; fame; renown; celebrity.

Think it no glory to swell in tyranny. Sidney.

Glory is like a circle in the water, Which never ceaseth to enlarge itself, Till by broad spreading it disperse to nought,

Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

And with that word and warning soon was dight,
Each soldier longing for near coming glory.

Fairfax.

Israel's bright sceptre far less glory brings,
There have been fewer friends on earth than kings.

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Cowley.

Can we imagine that neither the ambition of princes, or interest, or gain in private persons, or curiosity and the desire of knowledge, or the glary.

of discoveries, could ever move them in that endless time to try their fortunes upon the sea?

Burnet.

Your sex's glory 'tis to shine unknown,

Of all applause, be fondest of your own. Young.
4. Splendour; magnificence.

Solomon, in all his glory, was not array'd like one of these.

St. Matt. vi. 29.

Treated so ill, chas'd from your throne, Returning, you adorn the town; And with a brave revenge do show

Their glory went and came with you. Waller.
Aristotle says, that should a man under ground
converse with works of art, and be afterwards
brought up into the open day, and see the several
gleries of the heaven and earth, he would pronounce
them the works of God. Addison, Spect.

5. Lustre; brightness.
Now sleeping flocks on their soft fleeces lie;
The moon, serene in glory, mounts the sky.

Pope, Winter.

From opening skies may streaming glories shine,
And saints embrace thee with a love like mine.

Pope.

A circle of rays which surrounds the heads of saints in pictures.

It is not a converting but a crowning grace, such an one as irradiates, and puts a circle of glory about the head of him upon whom it descends.

South, Serm.

A smile plays with a surprising agreeableness in the eye, breaks out with the brightest distinction,

the eye, breaks out with the brightest distinction, and sits like a glory upon the countenance.

Collier of the Aspect.

7. Pride; boastfulness; arrogance.

By the vain glory of men they entered into the world, and therefore shall they come shortly to an end.

Wisd. xiv. 14:
On death-beds some in conscious glory lie,

On death-beds some in conscious girry ite;
Since of the doctor in the mode they die. Young.

8. Generous pride.

The success of those wars was too notable to be unknown to your ears, to which all worthy fame hath glory to come unto.

Sidney.

To GLO'RY. v. n. [glorior, Latin.] To boast in; to be proud of.

With like judgement glorying when he had happened to do a thing well, as when he had performed some notable mischief. Sidney.

They were wont, in the pride of their own proceedings, to glory, that whereas Luther did but blow away the roof, and Zuinglius batter but the walls of popish superstition, the last and hardest work of all remained, which was to raze up the very ground and foundation of popery. Hooker.

Let them look they glory not in mischief, Nor build their evils on the graves of great men; For then my guiltless blood must cry against them.

Your glorying is not good.

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The hat a good.

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Thou hast seen mount Atlas,
While storms and tempests thunder on its brow,
And oceans break their billows at its feet,
It stands unmov'd, and glories in its height.
Addison. Cato.

This title of Freeholder is what I most glory in, and what most effectually calls to my mind the happiness of that government under which I live.

Addison, Freeholder.

If others may glory in their birth, why may not we, whose parents were called by God to attend on him at his altar? Atterbury.

No one is out of the reach of misfortune; no one therefore should glory in his prosperity.

Richardson, Clarissa.

To GLOSE.† v. n. [Sax. zleran, to flatter.] To flatter; to collogue. See To GLOZE.

GLO'SER.* n. s. [from glose.]

1. A commentator.

Sophisters, and doctors, and legends, and glosers. Bp. of Chichester, Serm. (1576,) sign. C. v.

- 2. A flatterer; a deceiver. See GLOZER. GLOSS. † n. s.
- 1. A scholium; a comment. [Gr. γλώσσα; Icel. glosa; Fr. glose.]

They never hear sentence which mentioneth the word or scripture, but forthwith their glosses upon it are the word preached, the scripture explained, or delivered unto us in sermons. If then all souls, both good and bad, do teach,

With general voice, that souls can never die;
'Tis not man's flatt'ring gloss, but nature's

Which, like God's oracles, can never lie. Davies. Some mutter at certain passages therein, by putting ill glosses upon the text, and taking with the left hand what I offer with the right. Howell, All this, without a gloss or comment,

He could unriddle in a moment. Hudibras. In many places, he has perverted my meaning by his glosses, and interpreted my words into blas-

phemy and bawdry, of which they were not guilty Dryden, Fab. Pref.

They give the scandal, and the wise discern; Their glosses teach an age too apt to learn. Dryden. Explaining the text in short glosses, was Accursius's method. Baker on Learning.

Indentures, cov'nants, articles, they draw, Large as the fields themselves, and larger far Than civil codes with all their glosses are.

2. Superficial lustre. In this sense, it seems to have another derivation; it has perhaps some affinity to glow. Dr. Johnson. — It is from the Goth. gloa, to shine; whence glassa, and thence our glaze, and gloss.

His iron coat all over grown with rust, Was underneath enveloped with gold, Whose glistering gloss darken'd with filthy dust. Spenser, F. Q.

You are a sectary, That's the plain truth: your painted gloss dis-

To men that understand you, words and weakness.

Golden opinions from all sorts of people, Which would be worn now in their newest gloss. Shakspeare.

The doubt will be whether it will polish so well; for steel glosses are more resplendent than plates of brass.

Weeds that the wind did toss The virgins wore: the youths, woven coats, that

cast a faint dim gloss, Like that of oil. Chapman, Iliad.

It was the colour of devotion, giving a lustre to reverence, and a gloss to humility.

Groves, fields, and meadows, are at any season pleasant to look upon; but never so much as in the opening of the spring, when they are all new and fresh, with their first gloss upon them.

Addison, Spect.

5. An interpretation artfully specious; a specious representation. This sense seems to partake of both the former.

Poor painters oft with silly poets join, To fill the world with strange but vain conceit: One brings the stuff, the other stamps the coin, Which breeds nought else but glosses of deceit.

It is no part of my secret meaning to draw you hereby into hatred, or to set upon the face of this cause any fairer gloss than the naked truth doth Hooker, Pref.

He seems with forged quaint conceit To set a gloss upon his bad intent.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

The common gloss Of theologians. Milton, P. L.

To GLOSS. v. n. [gloser, French, from the noun. Dr. Johnson. - Gloser, in the sense of comment, is of no great age in the French language. V. Lacombe. "Glosée, notée, 1450." The Sax. zleran, is both to comment and to flatter.]

1. To comment.

Of a beautiful countenance; or, had beautiful eyes; - as Conradus Pellicanus here glosses. Patrick on 1 Sam. xvi. 12.

Thou detain'st Briseis in thy bands, By priestly glossing on the gods' commands.

Dryden, Fab.

2. To make sly remarks. Her equals first observ'd her growing zeal, And laughing gloss'd, that Abra serv'd so well.

To GLOSS. v. a.

1. To explain by comment.

In parchment then, large as his fields, he draws Assurances, big as gloss'd civil laws. Donne, Poems, p. 124.

2. To palliate by specious exposition or representation.

Is this the paradise, in description whereof so much glossing and deceiving eloquence hath been Hooker, Serm.

Do I not reason wholly on your conduct? You have the heart to gloss the foulest cause.

Philips, Briton.

3. To embellish with superficial lustre. But thou, who lately of the common strain, Wert one of us, if still thou dost retain The same ill habits, the same follies too, Gloss'd over only with a saintlike show, Then I resume the freedom which I gave, Still thou art bound to vice, and still a slave.

GLOSSA'RIAL.* adj. [from glossary.] Relating to a glossary; as, a glossarial in-dex, i. e. an index referring to words explained in a work, as in the late editions of Shakspeare.

GLO'SSARIST.* n. s. [from glossary.] 1. One who writes a gloss or commentary.

This seems not to be proper. The glossarist I take to be Philip de Bergamo, a

prior at Padua, who wrote a most elaborate moral-Warton, Hist. E. P. ii. 169.

2. One who writes a dictionary of obscure or antiquated words.

Mr. J. Kersey - with laudable industry has collected almost all the old words, I believe, which are to be found either in Speght or Skinner, and has generally with much fidelity copied the interpretations assigned to them by those two glossarists. Tyrwhit, Vindic. Rowley Controv. p. 162.

GLO'SSARY. n. s. [glossarium, Latin; glossaire, French.] A dictionary of obscure

or antiquated words.

According to Varro, when delubrum was applied to a place, it signified such a one, in quo dei simulachrum dedicatum est, and also in the old glossaries. Stilling fleet.

I could add another word to the glossary.

Baker.

GLOSSA'TOR. † n. s. [glossateur, French; from gloss.] A writer of glosses; a commentator.

The Jewish doctors understood the text better than Gratian, or John Semeca his glossator.

Bp. Barlow, Rem. p. 298. The reason why the assertion of a single judge does not prove the existence of judicial acts, is because his office is to pronounce judgement, and not to become an evidence; but why may not the same be said of two judges? Therefore, in this respect the glossator's opinion must be false. Ayliffe. All this is related by Aldred, the Saxon glossator,

at the end of St. John's Gospel. Warton, Hist. E. P. i. Diss. i.

GLO'SSER. † n. s. [glossarius, Latin.]

1. A scholiast; a commentator.

Neither the glossers upon the Alcoran, nor the most authentic legend of his life, take any notice thereof. L. Addison, Life of Mahomet, (1679,) p. 62. 2. A polisher.

GLO'SSINESS. n. s. [from glossy.] Smooth polish; superficial lustre.

Their surfaces had a smoothness and glossiness much surpassing whatever I had observed in marine or common salt.

GLO'SSIST.* n. s. [from gloss.] A writer of glosses.

It was raised by inconsiderate glossists from the mistake of this text. Milton, Tetrachordon.

GLOSSO GRAPHER. † n. s. [γλώσσα and γράφω.] A scholiast; a commentator.

The like whereto is found also in the canon law, and noted by the glossographer.

Hayward, Answ. to Doleman, ch. 1. Some [words] I believe may pose the ablest glessographer now living. Blount, Anc. Ten. Pref.

GLOSSO GRAPHY. n. s. [γλώσσα and γράφω.] The writing of commentaries.

GLO'SSY. † adj. [from gloss.] 1. Shining; smoothly polished.

There came towards us a person of place: he had on him a gown with wide sleeves, of a kind of water camblet, of an excellent azure colour, far more glossy than ours.

Bacon.

The rest entire Milton, P. L. Shone with a glossy scurf. His surcoat was a bearskin on his back; His hair hung long behind, a glossy raven black.

Druden. Myself will search our planted grounds at home, For downy peaches and the glossy plum.

Dryden, Virg.

2. Specious.

That Lord Chesterfield must have been mortified by the lofty contempt, and polite yet keen satire, with which Johnson exhibited him to himself in this letter, it is impossible to doubt. He, however, with that glossy duplicity which was his constant study, affected to be quite unconcerned. Boswell, Life of Johnson.

GLO'TTIS.* n. s. [Gr. ylwils.] In anatomy, a cleft or chink in the larynx, serving for the formation of the voice: it is in the form of a little tongue.

The glottis, - reckoned among the cartilages before mentioned - is the principal instrument of Smith, on Old Age, p. 142. Letting it pass promptly from the upper part of the glottis, along the roof of the mouth.

Pownell, on the Elem. of Speech, Antiq. p. 154.

GLOVE. † n. s. [zlore, Saxon, from kloffue, Danish, to divide; klyfwa, Su. Goth, the same. This brings it near to our own word cleave. Junius says that the glove, in Danish, is called haandkloffuer, because it splits and divides the hand. Others think it to be from the Gr. καλύπ/ω, to hide or cover; or κέλυφος, the rind or shell of any thing. The word is old in our language: "I wole thee gyfe both goolde and gloves," Romance of The Sowdon of Babyloyne, written, according to Mr. Steevens, before the year 1375.] Cover of the hands.

They flew about like chaff i' the wind; For haste some left their masks behind, Some could not stay their gloves to find.

Drayton. White gloves were on his hands, and on his head Dryden.A wreath of laurel. To GLOVE. v. a. [from the noun.] To

cover as with a glove.

My limbs, Weaken'd with grief, being now enrag'd with grief, Are thrice themselves: hence therefore, thou nice

crutch; A scaly gauntlet now, with joints of steel, Shakspeare, Hen. IV. Must glove this hand. The next he preys on is her palm, That alm'ner of transpiring balm;

So soft, 'tis air but once remov'd, Tender as 'twere a jelly glov'd.

Cleaveland. GLO'VER. n. s. [from glove.] One whose trade is to make or sell gloves.

Does he not wear a great round beard like a glover's paring knife? Shaks. Mer. W. of Windsor. To GLOUR.* See to GLOAR: which is in some places pronounced glour or glower. To GLOUT. tv. n. [A low word, of which I find no etymology. Dr. Johnson. -It is by no means a low word. Better writers than Chapman and Garth, whom Dr. Johnson cites, use it, both as a neuter and active verb. And it is, like gloar, and gloat, descended from the Goth. gloa, to behold.] To pout; to look sullen. It is still used in Scotland.

She lurks in midst of all her den, and streaks From out a ghastly whirlpool all her necks, Where, glowting round her rock, to fish she falls.

That feast of love and heavenly-admitted friendship, the seat of filial grace, became the subject of horrour and glouting admiration, pageanted about Milton, Of Reform. B. 1. like a dreadful idol. Glouting with sullen spight, the fury shook Her clotted locks, and blasted with each look.

To GLOUT. * v. a. To gaze; to view attentively.

His majesty - knew full well - that whosoever attempteth any thing for the publick, (especially if it pertain to religion, and to the opening and clearing of the Word of God,) the same setteth himself upon a stage to be glouted upon by every evil eve.

Translators of the Bible to the Reader, 1611.

To GLOW. + v. n. [zlopan, Sax. gloeyen, Dutch; gloa, Icel. to shine; Gael. and Welsh, glo, a live coal.]

1. To be heated so as to shine without

But sithence silence lesseneth not my fire, But told it flames, and hidden it does glow, I will reveal what ye so much desire. Spenser, F.Q. His goodly eyes,

That o'er the files and musters of the war Have glow'd like plated Mars, now bend, now turn Their office upon a tawny front.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop.

Kunigund, wife to the emperour Henry II. to shew her innocency, did take seven glowing irons, one after another, in her bare hands, and had thereby no harm. Hakewill on Providence.

Not all parts like, but all alike inform'd With radiant light, as glowing iron with fire.

2. To burn with vehement heat.

Nor would you find it easy to compose The mettled steeds, when from their nostrils flows The scorching fire that in their entrails glows. Addison, Ovid.

How op'ning heav'ns their happy regions show, And yawning gulphs with flaming vengeance glow.

Pope.

Fires that glow, Shrieks of woe.

3. To feel heat of body.

Did not his temples glow In the same sultry winds and scorching heats?

Addison, Cato.

4. To exhibit a strong bright colour. With a smile that glow'd

Celestial rosy red, love's proper hue. Milton, P. L. Clad in a gown that glows with Tyrian rays.

Whose red and fiery beams cast through your 2. With passion; with admiration, love, or A malicious joy,

visage Dryden and Lee, Œdipus. A glowing pleasure. From the mingled strength of shade and light,

A new creation rises to my sight; Such heav'nly figures from his pencil flow, So warm with life his blended colours glow, Addison. Amidst the soft variety I'm lost.

Like th' ethereal glow'd the green expanse.

Fair ideas flow, Strike in the sketch, or in the picture glow. Pope. Not the fair fruit that on you branches glows, With that ripe red th' autumnal sun bestows,

Can move the god. Pope.

Each pleasing Blount shall endless smiles

And fair Belinda's blush for ever glow. Here clearer stars glow round the frozen pole.

5. To feel passion of mind, or activity of fancy.

You strive in vain, To hide your thoughts from him, who knew too well The inward glowings of a heart in love.

Addison, Cato. Forc'd compliments and formal bows Will shew thee just above neglect; The fire with which thy lover glows,

Prior. Will settle into cold respect, Did Shadrach's zeal my glowing breast inspire To weary tortures, and rejoice in fire. Prior. Let the gay conscience of a life well spent

Calm ev'ry thought, inspirit ev'ry grace, Glow in thy heart, and smile upon thy face. Pope.

With furies surrounded,

Despairing, confounded, He trembles, he glows, Amidst Rhodope's snows,

Pope. So perish all whose breasts ne'er learn'd to glow Pope. For other's good, or melt at other's woe. To praise is always hard,

When real virtue fires the glowing bard. Lewis. 6. To rage or burn as a passion.

A fire which every windy passion blows; With pride it mounts, and with revenge it glows. Dryden.

When crept into aged veins, Love slowly burns, and long remains; It glows, and with a sullen heat, Like fire in logs, it warms us long. Shadwell. in this sense, gloze.

To Glow. v. a. To make hot so as to Gloze. n. s. [from the verb.] shine. Not in use.

On each side her Stood pretty dimpled boys, like smiling Cupids, With divers colour'd fans, whose wind did seem To glow the delicate cheeks which they did cool. Shakspeare.

GLow. n. s. [from the verb.] Milton, P.L. 1. Shining heat.

2. Vehemence of passion.

3. Brightness or vividness of colour. The pale complexion of true love, And the red glow of scorn and proud disdain.

Shaksneare. A waving glow his bloomy beds display,

Blushing in bright diversities of day. Such as suppose that the great stile might happily be blended with the ornamental, that the simple, grave, and majestic dignity of Raffaelle could unite with the glow and bustle of a Paulo, or Tintoret, are totally mistaken,

To GLOWER.* See To GLOUR. The cord glides swiftly through his glowing GLO'WINGLY.* adv. [from the part. glowing.]

1. In a shining manner; brightly.

A little stoop there may be to allay him; he would grow too rank else: a small eclipse to shadow him; but out he must break glowingly again, and with a greater lustre.

Beaum. and Fl. Wit without Money.

GLO'WWORM. n. s. [glow and worm.] A small creeping grub with a luminous

The honey bags steal from the humble bees, And for night-tapers crop their waxen thighs, And light them at the fiery glowworm's eyes.

The glowworm shews the matin to be near, And 'gins to pale his ineffectual fire. Shaks. Hamlet.

A great light drowneth a smaller that it cannot be seen ; as the sun that of the glowworm. Bacon, Nat, Hist.

The man, who first upon the ground A glowworm spy'd, supposing he had found A moving diamond, a breathing stone; For life it had, and like those jewels shone:

He held it dear, till by the springing day Inform'd, he threw the worthless worm away. To GLOZE. † v. n. [zleran, Saxon. One of our oldest words. Wicliffe and

Chaucer use it in the sense of flatter; by whom it is written glose.] 1. To flatter; to wheedle; to insinuate;

to fawn. For he could well his glozing speeches frame, Spenser, F. Q. iii. viii. 14.

Man will hearken to his glozing lies, Milton, P. L. And easily transgress. Milton, P. So gloz'd the tempter, and his proem tun'd:

Into the heart of Eve his words made way. Milton, P. L.

A false glozing parasite would call his foolhardiness valour, and then he may go on boldly, because blindly, and by mistaking himself for a lion, come to perish like an ass. South.

Now for a glozing speech, Fair protestations, specious marks of friendship.

2. To comment. This should be gloss. Which Salique land the French unjustly gloze To be the realm of France. Shakspeare, Hen. V.

To GLOZE over.* v. a. To palliate by specious exposition. See To GLOSS. But it is often pronounced and written,

1. Flattery; insinuation.

Now to plain dealing; lay these glozes by. Shakspeare.

2. Specious show; gloss. Not used. Precious couches full oft are shaked with a fever; If then a bodily evil in a bodily gloze be not hidden, Shall such morning dews be an ease to the heat of a love's fire ? Sidney.

GLO'ZER. † n. s. [from gloze.] A flatterer; "a liar." Huloet.

Yet must I talke so sage and smooth, as though I were a gloser. Gamm. Gurton's Needle, (1551.) I may not use the gloser's trade;

I cannot say the crow is white, But needs must call a spade a spade.

Gifford, Posie of Gilloflowers, (1580.) GLO'ZING.* n. s. [from gloze.] Specious

representation. Your goodly glozings and time-serving collud-

ings with the state are but like watermen on the Thames, looking one way, rowing another way. Mountagu, App. to Cas. p. 43.

GLUE. n. s. [glu, Fr. gluten, Lat. glud, Welsh.] A viscous body commonly made by boiling the skins of animals to a gelly; any viscous or tenacious matter by which bodies are held one to another; a cement.

Water, and all liquors, do hastily receive dry and more terrestrial bodies proportionable; and dry bodies, on the other side, drink in waters and liquors: so that, as it was well said by one of the ancients of earthly and watery substances, one is Bacon, Nat. Hist. a glue to another. The driest and most transparent glue is the best.

To build the earth did chance materials chuse,

And through the parts cementing glue diffuse. Bluckmore. The flowers of grains, mixed with water, will

make a sort of glue. Arbuthnot on Aliments. To GLUE. v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To join with a viscous cement.

I fear thy overthrow More than my body's parting with my soul: My love and fear glu'd many friends to thee.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. Whoso teacheth a fool is as one that glueth a

potsherd together. Eccles. xxii. 7. The custom of crowning the Holy Virgin is so much in vogue among the Italians, that one often sees in their churches a little tinsel crown, or a circle of stars, glued to the canvass over the head of the figure. Addison on Italy.

Most wounds, if kept clean, and from the air, the flesh will glue together with its own native

2. To hold together.

The parts of all homogeneal hard bodies which fully touch one another, stick together very strongly; and for explaining how this may be, some have invented hooked atoms, which is begging the question; and others tell us their bodies are glued together by rest; that is by an occult quality, or rather by nothing. Newton, Opticks. 3. To join; to unite; to inviscate.

Those wasps in a honeypot are sensual men plunged in their lusts and pleasures; and when they are once glued to them, 'tis a very hard matter to work themselves out. L'Estrange.

Intemperance, sensuality, and fleshly lusts do debase men's minds and clog their spirits; sink us down into sense, and glue us to those low and inferior things. Tillotson.

She curb'd a groan, that else had come; And pausing, view'd the present in the tomb: Then to the heart ador'd devoutly glu'd Her lips, and raising it, her speech renew'd.

I hear thee, view thee, gaze o'er all thy charms, And round thy phantom glue my clasping arms.

GLU'EBOILER. n. s. [glue and boil.] One | 5. To saturate. whose trade is to make glue.

GLU'ER. n. s. [from glue.] One who cements with glue. See also GLEWER. GLU'EY.* adj. See GLEWY, and GLUY.

GLU'EYNESS.* See GLEWINESS. GLU'ISH.* adj. Partaking of the nature of

glue. See also GLEWISH. Sherwood. To GLUM.* v.n [from gloom; formerly written glomb. Dr. Johnson notices only the adjective glum, which he calls a low cant word, and for the usage of which he cites the comparatively modern authority of the Guardian. For glum is both a verb, and a substantive, in our ancient writers. To look sourly; to be sour of countenance.

It is of Love, as of Fortune, -Which whilom will on folke smile, And glombe on hem anothir while.

Chaucer, Rom. R. 4356. GLUM.* n. s. Sullenness of aspect; a

frown. She looked hautely, and gave on me a glum; There was among them no word then but mum.

Skelton, Poems, p. 44. GLUM. † adj. Sullen; stubbornly grave. It is used, in some places, for melancholy, dull; and, like the old adjective glummy, is adopted from gloom. See

Some when they hear a story, look glum, and cry, Well, what then?

GLU'MMY.* adj. [from glum, i. e. gloom.] Dark; dismal for want of light.

Such casual blasts may happen, as are most to be feared, when the weather waxeth darke and glummy. Knight, Trial of Truth, (1580,) fol. 27.

To GLUT. v. a. [engloutir, French; glutio, Lat. to swallow; γλύζω, Gr.]

1. To swallow; to devour.

Till cramm'd and gorg'd, nigh burst With suck'd and glutted offal. Milton, P. L.

2. To cloy; to fill beyond sufficiency; to sate; to disgust.

The ambassador, making his oration, did so magnify the king and queen, as was enough to glut the hearers. Bacon. Love breaks friendship, whose delights

Feed, but not glut our appetites. Denham. What way remove

His settled hate, and reconcile his love, That he may look propitious on our toils,

And hungry graves no more be glutted with our spoils. No more, my friend;

Here let our glutted execution end. Dryden, En. I found

The fickle ear soon glutted with the sound, Condemn'd eternal changes to pursue, Tir'd with the last, and eager of the new. Prior.

3. To feast or delight even to satiety. With death's carcass glut the grave.

Milton, P. L. His faithful heart, a bloody sacrifice,

Torn from his breast, to glut the tyrant's eyes. Dryden.

A sylvan scene, which, rising by degrees, Leads up the eye below, nor gluts the sight With one full prospect; but invites by many, To view at last the whole,

4. To overfill; to load.

He attributes the ill success of either party to their glutting the market, and retailing too much of a bad commodity at once.

Arbuthnot, Art of Polite Lying.

The menstruum, being already glutted, could not act powerfully enough to dissolve it. Boyle, GLUT. n. s. [from the verb.]

1. That which is gorged or swallowed.

Disgorging foul Their devilish glut, chain'd thunderbolts, and hail Of iron globes. Milton, P. L. 2. Plenty even to loathing and satiety.

So death Shall be deceiv'd his glut; and with us two

Be forc'd to satisfy his rav'nous maw. Milton, P. L. Let him but set the one in balance against the

other, and he shall find himself miserable, even in the very glut of his delights. L'Estrange. A glut of study and retirement in the first part of my life, cast me into this; and this will throw me again into study and retirement. Pope to Swift.

3. More than enough; overmuch.

If you pour a glut of water upon a bottle, it receives little of it. B. Jonson, Discoveries. 4. Any thing that fills up a passage.

The water some suppose to pass from the bottom of the sea to the heads of springs, through certain subterranean conduits or channels, until they were by some glut, stop, or other means arrested in their passage. Woodward.

To GLU'TINATE.* v.a. [Lat. glutino.] To join with glue; to cement. Bailey. GLUTINA'TION.* n. s. [from glutinate.]
The act of joining with glue. Bailey.

GLU'TINATIVE.* adj. [from glutinate.] Tenacious. See AGGLUTINATIVE and

CONGLUTINATIVE.

GLUTINO'SITY.* n. s. [Fr. glutinosité.] Glutinousness; clamminess. Cotgrave. GLU'TINOUS. adj. [glutineux, French; from gluten, Latin.] Gluy; viscous; tenacious.

The cause of all vivification is a gentle and proportionable heat, working upon a glutinous and yielding substance; for the heat doth bring forth spirit in that substance, and the substance being glutinous, produceth two effects: the one, that the spirit is detained, and cannot break forth; the other, that the matter, being gentle and yielding, is driven forwards by the motion of the spirits, after some swelling, into shape and members.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. Next this marble venom'd seat,

Smear'd with gums of glutinous heat.

Millon, Comus. Nourishment too viscid and glutinous to be subdued by the vital force. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

GLU'TINOUSNESS. [n. s. from glutinous.] Viscosity; tenacity. There is a resistance in fluids, which may arise

from their elasticity, glutinousness, and the friction of their parts. GLU'TTON. † n. s. [glouton, French;

gluto, Lat. from glutio, to swallow.]

1. One who indulges himself too much in eating. The Chinese eat horseflesh at this day, and

some gluttons have used to have catsflesh baked. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Through Macer's gullet she runs down, While the vile glutton dines alone; And, void of modesty and thought,

She follows Bibo's endless drought. If a glutton was to say in excuse of his gluttony, that he only eats such things as it is lawful to eat, he would make as good an excuse for himself as the greedy, covetous, ambitious tradesman, that

should say, he only deals in lawful business. Law. One eager of any thing to excess. The rest bring home in state the happy pair To that last scene of bliss, and leave them there;

All those free joys insatiably to prove, With which rich beauty feasts the glutton love. Cowley.

Gluttons in murder, wanton to destroy, Granville. Their fatal arts so impiously employ. 3. A species of bear. Pennant. To GLU'TTON. * v. a. [from the noun.] To

load; to glut; to overfill.

Then after all your fooling, fat, and wine, Glutton'd at last, return at home to pine.

Lovelace, Luc. Posth. p. 81. To GLUTTONI'SE. t v. n. [from glutton.] To play the glutton; to be luxurious.

And again, οἱ περὶ τὴν ὅλην δαίμονες - the material demons do strangely gluttonize upon the

nidours and blood of sacrifices.

Hallywell, Melampron. (1681,) p. 102. GLU'TTONOUS. adj. [from glutton.] Given to excessive feeding; delighted overmuch with food.

When they would smile and fawn upon his debts,

And take down th' interest in their glutt'nous Shaksneare.

The exceeding luxuriousness of this gluttonous age, wherein we press nature with overweighty burdens, and finding her strength defective, we take the work out of her hands, and commit it to the artificial help of strong waters.
Well observe

The rule of not too much, by temperance taught In what thou eat'st and drink'st; seeking from thence

Due nourishment, no gluttonous delight.

Milton, P. L.

GLU'TTONOUSLY. † adv. [from gluttonous.] With the voracity of a glutton.

GLU'TTONY. n. s. [gloutonnie, French; from glutton.] Excess of eating; luxury of the table.

Gluttony, a vice in a great fortune, a curse in

Their sumptuous gluttonies and gorgeous feasts, On citron tables or Atlantick stone. Milton, P. R. Well may they fear some miserable end,

Whom gluttony and want at once attend.

Dryden, Juv. The inhabitants of cold moist countries are generally more fat than those of warm and dry; but the most common cause is too great a quantity of food, and too small a quantity of motion; in plain English, gluttony and laziness. Arbuthnot. GLU'Y. adj. [from glue.] Viscous; tenacious; glutinous.

It is called balsamick mixture, because it is a gluy spumous matter. Harvey on Consumptions. With gluy wax some new foundations lay

Dryden, Ann. Mirab. Of virgin combs. Whatever is the composition of the vapour, let it have but one quality of being very gluy or viscous, and it will mechanically solve all the phænomena of the grotto.

GLYCO'NIAN.* adj. [Fr. glyconien, gly-GLYCO'NICK. conique; from the Lat. glyconium.] Denoting a kind of verse in Greek and Latin poetry.

He [Watts] was a maker of verses from fifteen to fifty, and in his youth appears to have paid attention to Latin poetry. His verses to his brother, in the glyconick measure, written when he was seventeen, are remarkably easy and Johnson, Life of Watts.

GLYN. + n. s. [Irish; glyn, Norm. Fr. a valley; glyn, Cornish, a woody valley; gleann, glyn, pl. Erse; glen, Scottish. See Glen.] A hollow between two mountains.

Though he could not beat out the Irish, yet he | To GNASH. v. n. did shut them up within those narrow corners and glyns under the mountain's foot.

Spenser, State of Ireland. GLYPH.* n. s. [Fr. glyphe; Gr. γλυφή, 2. To rage even to collision of the teeth; from γλύφω, to engrave. In sculpture or architecture, any kind of ornamental Chambers. cavity.

GLY'PHICK.* n. s. [from γλύφω.] A picture or figure, by which a word was implied; usually hieroglyphick. See HIEROGLY-PHICK. But glyphicks is in the Hist. of Peru, p. 43.

GLY'PTICK.* n. s. [Fr. glyptique; Gr. γλυπίδς, from γλύσω, to engrave.] The art of engraving figures on precious

GLYPTOGRA'PHICK.* adj. [γλυπίος, and γεάφω, Gr.] Describing the methods of engraving figures on precious stones.

A particularly valuable part of this introduction is the glyptographick lithology.

GLYPTO'GRAPHY.* n. s. [γλυπίδς, and γεάφω; Fr. glyptographic.] A description of the art of engraving upon gems.

The general prolegomena are followed by the author's introduction to glypography, (l'étude des pierres gravées,) in which he shows himself to be a person who has not derived his information merely from the descriptions given by others, and from books of prints, but from the actual contemplation of the originals themselves.

Brit. Crit. vol. 10. 1797. Oct. To GNAR. † (v. n. znýppan, Sax.; knor-To GNARL. \ ren, Dutch; knorra, Goth. to murmur; knurra, Icel. the same.] To growl; to murmur; to snarl.

He gan to rear his bristles strong, And felly gnar, until day's enemy

Did him appease. Spenser, F. Q. Thus is the shepherd beaten from thy side, And wolves are gnarling who shall gnaw thee first.

Gnarling sorrow hath less power to bite The man that mocks at it, and sets it light.

Shakspeare, Rich. II. The gnarring porter durst not whine for doubt; Still were the furies while their sovereign spoke.

GNAR.* n. s. A knot. See GNARLED. GNA'RLED.† adj. [gnar, nar, or nurr, is in Staffordshire a hard knot of wood which boys drive with sticks. Dr. Johnson .- Gnar, as a hard knot of wood, is one of our oldest words. Chaucer uses it. It is also in our old lexicography. See Bullokar and Cockeram. It is from the Teut. knorre. See likewise KNARE.] Knotty.

Merciful heav'n! Thou rather with thy sharp and sulph'rous bolt Split'st the unwedgeable and gnarled oak,

Than the soft myrtle. Shakspeare. Meas. for Meas. To GNASH. † v. a. [knaschen, Dutch; gnista, Icelandick; and our own word at first was gnast. Wicliffe uses gnastide for gnashed; and nearly two centuries after him, bishop Fisher, in his Psalms: "They gnaste with theyr teeth."] To strike together; to clash.

Laugh not with him, lest thou have sorrow with him, and lest thou gnash thy teeth in the end.

Ecclus. xxx. 10. The seer, who could not yet his wrath asswage, Roll'd his green eyes, that sparkl'd with his rage, And gnash'd his teeth, Dryden, Virg.

1. To grind or collide the teeth. He shall gnash with his teeth, and melt away.

Psalm cxii. 10. to fume; to growl.

His great iron teeth he still did grind, And grimly gnash, threatning revenge in vain. Spenser, F. Q.

They gnashed upon me with their teeth. Psalm xxxv. 16.

They him laid

Gnashing for anguish, and despite and shame, To find himself not matchless. Milton, P. L. With boiling rage Atrides burn'd, And foam betwixt his gnashing grinders churn'd.

Dryden. GNA'SHING.* n. s. [from gnash.] Collision of the teeth in rage or pain.

Let her taste of most terrible punishmentes, sorrowful plagues, waylinges, and gnashinges of Bale on the Revel. (1550,) P. iii.

There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. St. Matt. viii. 12.

Brit. Crit. vol. 10. 1797. Oct. GNAT. n. s. [znæt, Saxon.] A small winged stinging insect.

Her whip of cricket's bone, the lash of film; Her waggoner, a small grey-coated gnat. Shaks.

2. Any thing proverbially small. Ye blind guides, which strain at a gnat and St. Matt. xxiii. 24. swallow a camel. GNA'TFLOWER. n. s. [gnat and flower.] A flower, otherwise called the bee-

GNATHO'NICAL.* adj. [Lat. gnathoni-

cus. Deceitful in words; flattering; like a smellfeast or parasite. Bullokar, and Cockeram.

GNATHO'NICALLY.* adv. [from gnathonical.] Flatteringly; deceitfully.

Cockeram.

GNA'TSNAPPER. n. s. [gnat and snap.] A bird so called, because he lives by catching gnats.

They deny that any bird is to be eaten whole, but only the gnatsnapper. Hakewill on Providence.

GNA'TWORM.* n. s. [gnat and worm.] A small water insect produced of a

To GNAW.† v. a. [znazan, Saxon; knaghen, Dutch; gnaga, Su. Goth. nagen, German; naga, Icel. χναύω, Gr.

1. To eat by degrees; to devour by slow corrosion.

A knowing fellow that would gnaw a man Like to a vermine, with his hellish braine, And many an honest soule, even quick had slain.

Chapman. To you such scabb'd harsh fruit is giv'n, as raw

Young soldiers at their exercisings gnaw. Druden, Juv.

2. To bite in agony or rage. Alas, why gnaw you so your nether lip? Some bloody passion shakes your very frame.

Shakspeare, Othello. They gnawed their tongues for pain.

Rev. xvi. 10. He comely fell, and dying gnaw'd the ground. Dryden.

3. To wear away by biting. Gnawing with my teeth my bonds asunder, I gain'd my freedom. Shakspeare, Com. of Err. Like rotten fruit I fall, worn like a cloth,

Gnawn into rags by the devouring moth. Sandys. A lion, hampered in a net, called to a mouse to help him out of the snare: the mouse gnawed the threads to pieces, and set the lion at liberty.

L'Estrange.

4. To fret; to waste; to corrode.

5. To pick with the teeth.

His bones clean pick'd; his very bones they gnaw. Dryden.

To GNAW. v. n. To exercise the teeth.
It is now used actively.

I might well, like the spaniel, gnaw upon the chain that ties me; but I should sooner mar my teeth than procure liberty.

teeth than procure liberty.

See the hell of having a false woman: my bed shall be abused, my coffers ransacked, my reput-

ation gnawn at.

I thought I saw a thousand fearful wrecks,

A thousand men that fishes gnaw'd upon.

Shakspeare, Rich. III.

GNA'WER. † n. s. [from gnaw.] One that gnaws.

Plautus calls him [the backbiter] "mus nominis," a mouse (that is the gnawer, or eater up,) of one's good name.

Bp. Andrews on the Dec. (ed. 1650,) p. 507.

To GNI'BBLE.* See To NIBBLE. Gnib-

ble, however, is the old orthography.

GNOFF.* n. s. [perhaps of the same origin with chuff. See Chuff. Bullokar and Cockeram define a gnoff to be a chuft.] A miser.

A rich gnofe, i. e. a rich grub, or miserable caitiff, as I render it; which interpretation, to be proper and significant, I gather by the sense of that ancient metre,

The caitiff gnof sed to his crue, My meney is many, my incomes but few. Comm. upon Chaucer's Mill. Tale, &c. (1665,) p.8.

Comm. upon Chaucer's Mill. Tale, &c. (1665,) p.8 GNOME.* n. s. [Gr. γνώμη.]

1. A brief reflection, worthy to be remembered.

Gnome [is] a saying pertaining to the manners and common practices of men, which declareth, by an apte brevity, what in this our lyfe ought to be done or not done.

Peacham, Gard. of Eloq. (1577,) sign. V. iii.

2. One of those invisible people, who are fabled to inhabit the inner parts of the earth, and to fill it to the centre. [Fr. gnome. Vigenere calls them also gnomons; and some derive the word from the Gr. γνώμων, one that takes cognizance of a thing.]

The graver prude sinks downward to a gnome, In search of mischief still on earth to roam.

Pope, Rape of the Lock.
The laughers gave out, that the gromes and sylphs, disguised like ruffians, had shot him, as a punishment for revealing the secrets of the cahala; a crime not to be pardoned by these jealous spirits!

Dr. Warton, Ess. on Pope.

GNO'MICAL.** adj. [Fr. gnomique, from γνώμη, a sentence.] Sententious; containing maxims or reflections.

Adding this excellent, gnomical, and canon-like conclusion.

Conference at Hampton Court, (1603,) p. 44.

GNOMOLO'GICAL.* | adj. [from gnomo-GNOMOLO'GICK.] logy.] Pertaining to gnomology. Ash.

GNOMO'LOGY.* n. s. [γνωμη and λογὸς.]

A collection of maxims and reflections.

Which art of powerful reclaiming wisest men have also taught in their ethical precepts and gno mologies.

Milton, Tetrachordon.

GNO'MON. n. s. [γνώμων.] The hand or pin of a dial.

The gnomon of every dial is supposed to represent the axis of the world, and therefore the two VOL. II.

ends or extremities thereof must directly answer to the north and south pole.

Harris.
There were from great antiquity sun-dials, by

the shadow of a style or gnomon, denoting the hours of the day.

GNOMO'NICK.* adj. [from gnomon.]

GNOMO'NICK.* adj. [from gnomon.]
GNOMO'NICAL. Pertaining to the art
of dialling.

The gnomonick projection is also called the horologiographick projection, because it is the foundation of dialling.

Chambers.

GNOMO'NICKS. n. s. pl. [γνωμωνική.] A science which makes a part of the mathematicks: it teaches to find the just proportion of shadows for the construction of all kinds of sun and moon dials, and for knowing what ο'clock it is by means thereof; as also of a gnomon or stile, that throws off the shadow for this purpose.

Trevoux.

GNO'STICISM.* n. s. [from Gnostick.] The heresy of the Gnosticks.

Though it be indeed but a spice of the old abhorred Gnosticism.

More, Antid. against Idolatry, Pref. Gno'stick.* n. s. [old French, gnostique, Greek γνωςικὸς, from γινώσκω, to know.]

Greek γνωςικὸς, from γινώσκω, to know.]
One of the earliest hereticks.
I think that no man that reads it [the first

I think that no man that reads it [the first Epistle of St. John] with attention, can doubt that it is particularly designed against the impious sect of the Gnosticks; who, as the fathers tell us, sprang from Simon Magus, and pretended to extraordinary knowledge and illumination; from whence they had the name of Gnosticks; but notwithstanding this glittering pretence, they did allow themselves in all manner of impious and vicious practices; "turning the grace of God into lasciviousness," as St. Jude speaks of them. Tillotson, Serm. vol. i. S. 15.

GNO'STICK.* adj. Relating to the heresy of the Gnosticks.

The Nicolaitans, of whom mention is made in the Apocalypse of St. John, seem to have been of the Grossick sect. Percy, Key to the N. Test.

To GO.† v.n. pret. I went; I have gone. [zan, Sax. This was probably changed to gone, or gang, then contracted to go. Went is the preterite of the old verb wend. Dr. Johnson.—Go, goen, and gon are the ancient past participles of this verb. The Icelandick, Su. Gothick, and Dan. gaa, to go, must be likewise observed in the etymology. Some refer to the Greek verb also, κίω, to go.]

1. To walk; to move step by step.
You know that love

Will creep in service where it cannot go. Shaks.

After some months those muscles become callous; and, having yielded to the extension, the patient makes shift to go upon it, though lamely.

Wiseman, Surgery.

2. To move; not stand still.

Rise, let us be going. St. Matt. xxvi. 46.
3. To walk solemnly.

If there be cause for the church to go forth in solemn procession, his whole family have such business come upon them that no one can be spared.

Hooker,

4. To walk leisurely, not run.
And must I go to him?

— Thou must run to him; for thou hast staid so long, that going will scarce serve the turn. Shaks.

To march or walk a-foot.

I will only go through on my feet. Num.xx.19.

6. To travel; to journey.

From them I go
This uncouth errand sole.

Milton, P. L.

7. To proceed; to make a progress.

Thus others we with defamation wound,
While they stab us; and so the jest goes round.

Dryden.

8. To remove from place to place.

I am in blood

Stept in so far, that, should I wade no more, Returning were as tedious as go o'er. Shaks. Macb. 9. To depart from a place; to move from

a place; the opposite of to come.
I hope it be not gone, to tell my lord
That I kiss aught but him.
Shakspeare, Cymb.

At once, good-night:
Stand not upon the order of your going,
But go at once. Shakspeare, Macbeth.
And when she had so said, she went her way.

St. John, xi. 28.

I will let you go, that ye may sacrifice, only you shall not go very far away.

Colchester oysters are put into pits, where the sea goeth and cometh.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

A young tall squire

Did from the camp at first before him go. Cowley.

Then I concur to let him go for Greece,

And wish our Egypt fairly rid of him. Dryden.
Go first the master of thy herds to find,
True to his charge, a loyal swain and kind.

Pope, Odyssey.

10. To move or pass in any manner, or to

any end.

Though the vicar be bad, or the parson be evil, Go not for thy tything thyself to the devil. Tusser.

She may go to bed when she list; all is as she

will.

Shakspeare,
You did wish that I would make her turn;
Sir, she can turn and turn, and yet go on.

Shakspeare, Othello.

I am glad to see your lordship abroad: I heard say your lordship was sick: I hope your lordship goes abroad by advice.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

The mourners go about the streets. Eccl. xii. 5.
The sun shall go down over the prophets, and the day shall be dark over them. Mac. iii. 6.
Put every man his sword by his side, and go in and out from gate to gate throughout the camp.

Ex. xxxii. 27.

The sun, which once did shine slone,
Hung down his head, and wish'd for night,
When he beheld twelve suns for one
Going about the world, and giving light. Herbert.

This seen, the rest at awful distance stood, As if they had been there as servants set, To stay, or to go on, as he thought good, And not pursue, but wait on his retreat.

Dryden, Ann. Mir.
Turn not children going, 'till you have given
them all the satisfaction they are capable of. Locke.
History only acquaints us that his fleet went up
the Elbe, he having carried his arms as far as that

river.

The last advice I give you relates to your behaviour when you are going to be hanged, which, either for robbing your master, for housebreaking, or again your the highway recommendation.

either for robbing your master, for housebreaking, or going upon the highway, may very probably be your lot.

Swift, Direct. to the Footman.

Those who come for gold will go off with pewter and brass, rather than return empty. Swift.

11. To pass in company with others.

Thou shalt again be adorned with thy tabrets, and shalt go forth in the dances of them that make merry.

Jer. xxxi. 4.

Away, and with thee go, the worst of woes,

That seek'st my friendship, and the gods thy foes.

He goeth in company with the workers of iniquity, and walketh with wicked men.

Job, xxxiv, 8,

Whatever remains in story of Atlas, or his kingdom of old, is so obscured with age or fables, that it may go along with those of the Atlantic islands. Temple. 12. To proceed in any course of life good | 18. To have recourse to. or bad.

And the Levites that are gone away far from me, when Israel went astray, which went astray away from me after their idols, they shall even bear their Ezek. xliv. 10. iniquity.

13. To proceed in mental operations.

If I had unwarily too far engaged myself for the present publishing it, truly I should have kept it by me till I had once again gone over it.

Digby on the Soul, Dedic. Thus I have gone through the speculative consideration of the Divine Providence.

Hale, Orig. of Mankind. I hope, by going over all these particulars, you

may receive some tolerable satisfaction about this great subject. If we go over the laws of Christianity, we shall

find that, excepting a few particulars, they enjoin the same things, only they have made our duty Tillotson. more clear and certain. In their primary qualities we can go but a very

Locke. little way. I go over some parts of this argument again, and enlarge a little more upon them.

They are not able all their life-time to reckon, or regularly go over any moderate series of num-

14. To take any road.

I will go along by the highway; I will neither turn to the right hand nor to the left. Deut. ii. 27. Who shall bemoan thee? Or who shall go aside to ask how thou doest? Jer. XV. 5.

His horses go about

Shakspeare, Macbeth. Almost a mile. I have endeavoured to escape into the ease and freedom of a private scene, where a man may go Temple. his own way and his own pace.

15. To march in a hostile or warlike manner.

You were advis'd his flesh was capable Of wounds and scars, and that his forward spirit Would lift where most trade of danger rang'd; Yet did you say go forth. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

We be not able to go up against the people, for they are stronger than we. Numb. xiii. 31. Let us go down after the Philistines by night,

and spoil them until the morning light. 1 Sam. xiv. 36.

Thou art not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him. 1 Sam. xvii. 93. The remnant of Jacob shall be among the Gen-

tiles as a lion among the beasts of the forest; who, if he go through, both treadeth down and teareth in pieces, and none can deliver. Mic. v. 8.

16. To change state or opinion for better or worse.

We will not hearken to the king's words to go 1 Mac. ii. 22. from our religion.

The regard of the publick state, in so great a danger, made all those goodly things, which went so to wreck, to be lightly accounted of in comparison of their lives and liberty.

They look upon men and matters with an evil eye; and are best pleased when things go backward, which is the worst property of a servant of a prince or state. Bacon. All goes to ruin, they themselves contrive

To rob the honey, and subvert the hive.

Dryden, Virg. Landed men, by their providence and good husbandry, accommodating their expences to their income, keep themselves from going backwards in Locke. the world,

Cato, we all go into your opinion. Addison

17. To apply one's self.

Seeing himself confronted by so many, like a resolute orator, he went not to denial, but to justify his cruel falsehood.

Because this atheist goes mechanically to work, he will not offer to affirm that all the parts of the embryon could, according to his explication, be Bentley. formed at a time.

Dare any of you, having a matter against another, go to law before the unjust, and not before 1 Cor. the saints?

GO

19. To be about to do.

So extraordinary an example, in so degenerate an age, deserves for the rarity, and, I was going to say, for the incredibility of it, the attestation of all that knew him, and considered his worth. Locke. 20. To shift; to pass life not quite well.

Every goldsmith, eager to engross to himself as much as he could, was content to pay high for it, rather than go without. Locke.

Clothes they must have; but if they speak for this stuff, or that colour, they should be sure to go

21. To decline; to tend towards death or ruin. This sense is only in the participles going and gone.

He is far gone, and, truly, in my youth, I suffer'd much extremity for love,

Shakspeare, Hamlet. Very near this.

22. To be in party or design. They with the vanquish'd prince and party go, And leave their temples empty to the foe. Dryd.

23. To escape.

Timotheus himself fell into the hands of Dositheus and Sosipater, whom he besought with much craft to let him go with his life. 2 Mac. xii. 24.

24. To tend to any act. There be some women, Silvius, had they mark'd

In parcels as I did, would have gone near To fall in love with him. Shaksp. As you like it.

25. To be uttered. His disciples personally appeared among them, and ascertained the report which had gone abroad concerning a life so full of miracles. Addison on the Christian Religion.

26. To be talked of; to be known.

It has the greatest town in the island that goes under the name of Ano-Caprea, and is in several places covered with a very fruitful soil. Add. on It. 27. To pass; to be received.

Because a fellow of my acquaintance set forth her praises in verse, I will only repeat them, and spare my own tongue, since she goes for a woman.

And the man went among men for an old man 1 Sam. xvii. 12. in the days of Saul.

A kind imagination makes a bold man have vigour and enterprize in his air and motion; it stamps value upon his face, and tells the people he is to go for so much.

Clipping should be finally stopped, and the money which remains should go according to its true Locke.

28. To move by mechanism.

This pope is decrepit, and the bell goeth for him. Clocks will go as they are set; but man,

Irregular man's never constant, never certain. Otway.

Tis with our judgements as our watches, none Go just alike, yet each believes his own. 29. To be in motion from whatever cause.

The weird sisters, hand in hand,

Posters of the sea and land,

Shaksneare, Macbeth. Thus do go about, about. Clipt and washed money goes about, when the entire and weighty lies hoarded up. 30. To move in any direction.

Doctor, he is a curer of souls, and you a curer of bodies: if you should fight, you go against the hair of your professions.

Shakspeare, M. Wives of Winds. Shall the shadow go forward ten degrees, or go 2 Kings, xx. 9. back ten degrees? 31. To flow; to pass; to have a course.

The god I am, whose yellow water flows Around these fields, and fattens as it goes, Tyber my name.

32. To have any tendency.

Athenians, know Against right reason all your counsels go; This is not fair, not profitable that, Nor t'other question proper for debate.

Dryden, Pers. 33. To be in a state of compact or partnership.

As a lion was bestriding an ox that he had newly plucked down, a robber passing by cried out to him, half shares: you should go your snip, says the lion, if you were not so forward to be your own L'Estrunge. There was a hunting match agreed upon betwixt

a lion, an ass, and a fox, and they were to go equal L'Estrange. shares in the booty. 34. To be regulated by any method; to

proceed upon principles.

Where the multitude beareth sway, laws that shall tend to the preservation of that state must make common smaller offices to go by lot, for fear of strife and divisions likely to arise. Hooker. We are to go by another measure. Sprat.

The principles I there went on, I see no reason Locke. to alter.

The reasons that they went upon were very specious and probable. Bentley.

35. To be pregnant. Great bellied women,

That had not half a week to go. Shak. Hen. VIII. The fruit she goes with,
I pray that it good time and life may find.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

Of living creatures some are a longer time in the womb, and some shorter: women go commonly nine months, the cow and the ewe about six months. Racon.

Some do go with their young the sixth part of a year, or two over or under, that is, about six or nine weeks: and the whelps of these see not till twelve days.

And now with second hopes she goes, And calls Lucina to her throes.

Milton, Ep. M. of W.

36. To pass; not to remain. She began to afflict him, and his strength went

Judges, xvi. 19. from him. When our merchants have brought them, if our

commodities will not be enough, our money must go to pay for them. Locke. 37. To pass, or be loosed; not to be re-

tained. Then he lets me go,

And, with his head over his shoulder turn'd, He seem'd to find his way without his eyes. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

Let go the hand of that arch heretick. Shakspeare, K. John.

38. To be expended.

Scholars are close and frugal of their words, and not willing to let any go for ornament, if they will Felton on the Classicks. not serve for use. 39. To be in order of time or place.

We must enquire farther what is the connexion of that sentence with those that go before it, and those which follow it. Watts, Logick.

40. To reach or be extended to any degree.

Can another man perceive that I am conscious of any thing, when I perceive it not myself? No man's knowledge here can go beyond his expe-

41. To extend to consequences. It is not one master that either directs or takes

notice of these: it goes a great way barely to per-L'Estrange. mit them.

42. To reach by effects.

Considering the cheapness, so much money might go farther than a sum ten times greater could Wilkins. do now.

Dryden, En. | 43. To extend in meaning.

virtue may allow.

44. To spread; to be dispersed; to reach. Whose flesh, torn off by lumps, the rav'nous foe In morsels cut, to make it farther go. Tate, Juv.

45. To have influence; to be of weight; to be of value.

I had another reason to decline it, that ever uses to go far with me upon all new inventions or experiments; which is, that the best trial of them is by time, and observing whether they live or no.

'Tis a rule that goes a great way in the government of a sober man's life, not to put any thing to hazard that may be secured by industry, consideration, or circumspection. L'Estrange.

Whatever appears against their prevailing vice goes for nothing, being either not applied, or passing for libel and slander.

46. To be rated one with another; to be considered with regard to greater or less

I think, as the world goes, he was a good sort of man enough. Arbuthnot.

47. To contribute; to conduce; to concur; to be an ingredient.

The medicines which go to the ointments are so strong, that if they were used inwards, they would kill those that use them. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

More parts of the greater wheels go to the making one part of their lines. Glanville, Scepsis. There goes a great many qualifications to the

compleating this relation; there is no small share of honour and conscience and sufficiency required. Collier of Friendship.

I give the sex their revenge, by laying together the many vicious characters that prevail in the male world, and shewing the different ingredients that go to the making up of such different humours and constitutions. Addison.

Something better and greater than high birth and quality must go towards acquiring those demonstrations of publick esteem and love

Swift to Pope. 48. To fall out, or terminate; to succeed. Your strong possession much more than your

right, Or else it must go wrong with you and me.

Shakspeare, K. John. Howe'er the business goes, you have made fault I' th' boldness of your speech. Shaksp. Wint. Tale. I will send to thy father, and they shall declare

unto him how things go with thee. Tob. x. 8.

In many armies, if the matter should be tried by duel between two champions, the victory shall go on the one side; and yet, if it be tried by the gross, it would go on the other side. Bacon.

It has been the constant observation of all, that if a minister had a cause depending in the court, it was ten to one but it went against him. South.

At the time of the prince's landing, the father, easily foreseeing how things would go, went over, like many others, to the prince.

Whether the cause goes for me or against me, you must pay me the reward. Watts, Logick. 49. To be in any state. This sense is im-

personal. It shall go ill with him that is left in his taber-Job. xx.

He called his name Beriah, because it went evil with his house. 1 Chron. vii. 23.

50. To proceed in train or consequence. How goes the night, boy?

- The moon is down: I have not heard the clock;

And she goes down at twelve. Shakspeare, Macb. I had hope, When violence was ceas'd, and war on earth,

All would have then gone well. Milton, P. L. Duration in itself is to be considered as going on in one constant, equal, uniform course. Locke.

His amorous expressions go no farther than true may allow.

Dryden, Ovid, Pref. vour; to set one's self to any business. your; to set one's self to any business. O dear father,

It is thy business that I go about. Shaks. K. Lear. I lost him; but so found, as well I saw He could not lose himself, but went about

His father's business.

Milton, P. R. Which answer exceedingly united the vulgar minds to them, who concurred only with them as they saw them like to prevail in what they went Clarendon.

Some men, from a false persuasion that they cannot reform their lives, and root out their old vicious habits, never so much as attempt, endeavoor, or go about it. South.

Either my book is plainly enough written to be rightly understood by those who peruse it with attention and indifferency, or else I have writ mine so obscurely that it is in vain to go about to mend it. Locke.

They never go about, as in former times, to hide or palliate their vices; but expose them freely to

52. To Go aside. To err; to deviate from the right.

If any man's wife go aside, and commit a trespass against him. Numb. v. 12. 53. To Go between. To interpose; to

moderate between two.

I did go between them, as I said; but more than that, he loved her; for, indeed, he was mad for Shaksneare.

54. To Go by. To pass away unnoticed. Do not you come my tardiness to chide. That laps'd in time and passion, lets go by

Th' important acting of your dread command? Shakspeare, Hamlet. So much the more our carver's excellent,

Which lets go by some sixteen years, and makes

As she liv'd now. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. What's that to us? The time goes by; away. Shakspeare.

55. To Go by. To find or get in the conclusion.

In argument with men a woman ever Goes by the worse, whatever be her cause.

Milton, S. A. He's sure to go by the worse that contends with an adversary that is too mighty for him. L'Est. 56. To Go by. To observe as a rule.

'Tis not to be supposed, that by searching one can positively judge of the size and form of a stone; and indeed the frequency of the fits, and violence of the symptoms, are a better rule to Sharp, Surgery.

57. To Go down. To be swallowed; to be received, not rejected.

Nothing so ridiculous, nothing so impossible, but it goes down whole with him for truth and earnest. L'Estrange.

Folly will not easily go down in its own natural form with discerning judges.

If he be hungry, bread will go down. Locke. Ministers are so wise to leave their proceedings to be accounted for by reasoners at a distance, who often mould them into the systems that do not only go down very well in the coffeehouse, but are supplies for pamphlets in the present age. Swift.

58. To Go in and out. To do the business of life.

The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in.

59. To Go in and out. To be at liberty. He shall go in and out, and find pasture. St. John, x. 9.

60. To Go off. To die; to go out of life; to decease.

I would the friends we miss were safe arriv'd: Some must go off; and yet, by these I see, So great a day as this is cheaply bought. Shaks. Mac.

In this manner he went off, not like a man that departed out of life, but one that returned to his

61. To Go off. To depart from a post. The leaders having charge from you to stand, Will not go off until they hear you speak.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

62. To Go off. To fire. As a goose

In death contracts her talons close, So did the knight, and with one claw The tricker of his pistol draw:

The gun went off. Hudibras, i. iii. 63. To Go on. To make attack.

Bold Cethegus, Whose valour I have turn'd into his poison, And prais'd so to daring, as he would

Go on upon the gods. B. Jonson, Catiline. 64. To Go on. To proceed.

He found it a great war to keep that peace, but was fain to go on in his story. He that desires only that the work of God and

religion shall go on, is pleased with it, whoever is the instrument. Bp. Taylor. I have escaped many threats of ill fits by these

motions; if they go on, the only poultice I have dealt with is wool from the belly of a fat sheep.

Temple. To look upon the soul as going on from strength to strength, to consider that she is to shine for ever with new accessions of glory, and brighten to all eternity, is agreeable. Addison.

Go on chearfully in the glorious course you have undertaken. Addison.

Copious bleeding is the most effectual remedy in the beginning of the disease; but when the expectoration goes on successfully, not so proper, because it sometimes suppresseth it.

Arbuthnot on Diet. I have already handled some abuses during the late management, and in convenient time shall go on with the rest.

When we had found that design impracticable, we should not have gone on in so expensive a management of it.

Many clergymen write in so diminutive a manner, with such frequent blots and interlineations, that they are hardly able to go on without perpetual hesitations, or extraordinary

I wish you health to go on with that noble work. Bp. Berkeley.

65. To Go over. To revolt; to betake himself to another party.

In the change of religion, men of ordinary understandings don't so much consider the principles as the practice of those to whom they go Addison on Italy.

Power, which, according to the old maxim, was used to follow, is now gone over to money. Swift.

66. To Go out. To go upon any expedition.

You need not have pricked me: there are other men fitter to go out than I. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

67. To Go out. To be extinguished. Think'st thou the flery fever will go out,

With titles blown from adulation? Shaks. Hen. V. Spirit of wine burned till it go out of itself, will burn no more. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

The care of a state, or an army, ought to be as constant as the chymist's fire, to make any great production; and if it goes out for an hour, perhaps the whole operation fails.

The morning, as mistaken, turns about; And all her early fires again go out.

Dryden, Aurengzebe. Let the acquaintance be decently buried, and the flame rather go out than be smothered.

Collier of Friendship. My blood runs cold, my heart forgets to heave,

And life itself goes out at thy displeasure. Addison, Cato. And at her felt approach and secret might, Art after art goes out, and all is night.

68. To Go out. To proceed formatly; still an academical phrase; as, to go out grand compounder.

Now heaven be praised, Silvio;
Thy all-destroying arrows and thy bow
Thou hast plied so well about these woods, that

Thou art gone out thy arts-master.

Fanshaw, Past. Fido, p. 146.
69. To Go through. Toperform throughly;
to execute.

Finding Pyrocles every way able to go through with that kind of life, he was as desirous for his sake as for his own to enter into it.

Sidney.

If you can as well go through with the statute laws of that land, I will think you have not lost

all your time there.

Kings ought not to suffer their council to go through with the resolution and direction, as if it depended on them, but take the matter back into their own hands.

Bacon.

He much feared the earl of Antrim had not steadiness of mind enough to go through with such an undertaking.

Clarendon.

The amazing difficulty and greatness of his account will rather terrify than inform him, and keep him from setting heartily about such a task, as he despairs ever to go through with it.

South, Serm.
The powers in Germany are borrowing money,
in order to go through their part of the expence.
Addison on the War.

70. To Go through. To suffer; to undergo. I tell thee that it is absolutely necessary for the common good that thou shouldst go through this operation. Arbuthnot.

To Go upon. To take as a principle.
 This supposition I have gone upon through those papers.
 Addison.

72. The senses of this word are very indistinct: its general notion is motion or progression. It commonly expresses pasage from a place, in opposition to come. This is often observable even in figurative expressions. We say, the words that go before and that come after: today goes away, and to-morrow comes.

Go ro. interj. Come, come, take the right course. A scornful exhortation, Dr. Johnson says; citing only the three poetical examples. It is sometimes also a phrase of exhortation or encouragement, as in the example from Genesis; and of preparation required, as in that from the book of Kings.

They said to one another, Go to, let us make brick, &c. And they said, Go to, let us build us a city and tower, whose top may reach unto Gen. xi. 3, 4.

One went in, and told his lord, saying, Thus and thus said the maid that is of the land of Israel. And the king of Syria said, Go to, go, and I will send a letter unto the king of Israel.

2 Kings, v. 4, 5.

Go to now, ye that say, To-day or to-morrow
we will go into such a city, and continue there a
year, and buy and sell, and get gain; whereas ye
know not what shall be on the morrow.

St. James, iv. 13, 14.

Go to then, O thou far renowned son
Of great Apollo; shew thy famous might
In medicine.
Sp.

Go to, go to, thou art a foolish fellow; Let me be clear of thee. Shakspeare, Tw. Night. My favour is not bought with words like these: Go to; you'll teach your tongue another tale.

G O A

Go-By. n. s. Delusion; artifice; circumvention; over-reach.

Except an apprentice is instructed how to adulterate and varnish, and give you the go-by upon occasion, his master may be charged with neglect.

Collier on Pride.

GO-CART. n. s. [go and cart.] A machine in which children are inclosed to teach them to walk, and which they push forward without danger of falling.

Young children, who are tried in Go-carts, to keep their steps from sliding, When members knit, and legs grow stronger, Make use of such machine no longer. Prior.

GOAD.† n. s. [Sax. 30be, 3abe, 3ab; Icel. gadda, to prick.] A pointed instrument with which oxen are driven forward.

How can he get wisdom that holdeth the plough, and that glorieth in the goad, that driven oxen, and is occupied in their labours, and whose talk is of bullocks? Ecclus. xxxviii. 25.

Oft in his harden'd hand a goad he bears. Pope.

To GOAD. † v. a. [Icel. gadda.]

To prick or drive with the goad.
 To incite; to stimulate; to instigate; to drive forward.

Most dangerous

Is that temptation, that doth goad us on To sin in loving virtue. Shaks, Meas. for Meas. Goaded with most sharp occasions, Which lay nice manners by, I put you to The use of your own virtues. Shaks. All's well.

Of all that breathes the various progeny, Stung with delight, is goaded on by thee. Dryden.

Goal. n. s. [gaule, Fr. a long pole set up to mark the bounds of the race.]

 The landmark set up to bound a race; the point marked out to which racers run. As at the Olympian games, or Pythian fields, Part curb their fiery steeds, or shun the goal With rapid wheels. Milton, P. L.

With rapid wheels. Milton, P. L.

And the slope sun his upward beam

Shoots against the dusky pole,

Pacing toward the other goal. Millon, Comus.

2. The starting post.

Hast thou beheld, when from the goal they start,

The youthful charioteers with heaving heart
Rush to the race?

Dryden, Virg.

Go To.† interj. Come, come, take the right course. A scornful exhortation, design tends.

Our poet has always the goal in his eye, which directs him in his race: some beautiful design, which he first establishes, and then contrives the means, which will naturally conduct him to his end.

Dryden.

Each individual seeks a several goal;
But heav'n's great view is one, and that the whole.

So man, who here seems principal alone, Perhaps acts second to some sphere unknown; Touches some wheel, or verges to some goal; 'Tis but a part we see, and not a whole.

4. It is sometimes improperly written for gaol, or jail.

To GOAM.* See To GAUM.

GOAR.† n. s. [goror, Welsh. Dr. Johnson. — Geir, Icel. a shred. "Goor of a cloth, lacinia." Prompt. Parv.] Any edging sewed upon cloth to strengthen it, according to Skinner; but rather a slip of cloth or linen, inserted in order to widen a garment in any particular place. A goar-coat was, in the time of queen Elizabeth, a gown or petticoat so cut, as to be very broad at the bottom, and narrow at the upper end; as may be

observed in the pictures of that period. See Suppl. to Grose's Gloss.

A seint she wered, barred all of silk, A barme-cloth eke as white as morwe milk Upon her lendes, full of many a gore.

Chaucer, Mill. Tale.

Go'ARISH.* adj. [from goar.] Patched; mean; doggerel.

May they know no language but that gibberish they prattle to their parcels, unless it be the goarish Latin they write in their bonds; and may they write that false, and lose their debts.

Beaum. and Fl. Philaster.

GOAT.† n. s. [zar, Sax. and Scottish; geit, Icel. gaitin, Goth. See the 5th sense of GATE.] A ruminant animal that seems a middle species between deer and sheep.
Gall of goat, and slips of yew. Shaks. Macbeth.

We Cyclops care not for your goat-fed Jove,
Nor other blest ones; we are better farre.

Chapman.
You may draw naked boys riding and playing with their paper mills upon goats, eagles, or dolphins.

Peacham.

The little bear that rock'd the mighty Jove,
The swan whose borrow'd shape conceal'd bis love,
Are grac'd with light; the nursing gont's repaid
With heaven, and duty rais'd the pious maid.

Creech.

GOA'TBEARD. n. s. [goat and beard; barba capri.] A plant.

Goa'tchafer. n. s. An insect; a kind of beetle.

Bailey.

Go'ATFISH.* n. s. [goat and fish.] The name of a fish, caught in the Mediterranean; called also by some caper.

Goa'therd. n.s. [zat and hypo, Saxon, a feeder or tender.] One whose employment is to tend goats.

Is not thilk same goatherd proud, That sits on yonder bank,

Whose straying herd themselves doth shrowd Among the bushes rank? Spenser, Shep. Cal.

They first gave the goatherd good contentment, and the marquis and his servant chased the kid about the stack.

Wotton-

GoA'TISH. adj. [from goat.] Resembling a goat in any quality; as, rankness; lust.

An admirable evasion of a whoremaster, man, to lay his goatish disposition on the change of a star.

Shakspeare, K. Lear.

The last is notorious for its goalish smell, and tufts not unlike the beard of that lecherous animal.

More against Atheism.

Goatsbeard. The same with

GOA'TSMILK. n. s. [goat and milk.] This is more properly two words.

After the fever and such like accidents are diminished, asses and goatsmilk may be necessary.

Wiseman, Surgery.

Gon'tmilker. n.s. [goat and milker.]
A kind of owl so called from sucking

goats.

Goat's Rue. n. s. [galega.] A plant.

Goat's Rue has the reputation of being
a great alexipharmick and sudorifick:

Goat's Rue has the reputation of being a great alexipharmick and sudorifick: the Italians eat it raw and boiled; with us it is of no esteem. ... Hill.

Goa'TSKIN. n. s. [goat and skin.]

Then fill'd two goatskins, with her hands divine;
With water one, and one with sable wine.

Pope, Odyssey.

GOA'TSUCKER.* n. s. [goat and sucker.] A name by which the bird caprinulgus is called in some parts of England.

GOA'TS-THORN. n. s. [goat and thorn.] An herb.

GOB. † n. s. [gob, old Fr.]

1. A quantity; a lump: a low word, but still in use in the North. Craven Dialect. Dost think I have so little wit as to part with such a gob of money?.

2. A mouthful, in some parts of England; whence a gob-string also for a bridle, and gob-stick for a spoon. [Irish, gob. See GAB.

GO'BBET. † n. s. [from gob, the mouth. See GAB. Old Fr. gob, a gulph; gober, to swallow.] A mouthful; as much as can be swallowed at once; originally a morsel, a small quantity of any thing. A litil sour-dow apeireth all the gobet.

Wicliffe, Galat. v. 9. He saide, he hadde a gobbet of the sayl That seinte Peter hadde. Chaucer, C. Chaucer, C. T. Prol. Therewith she spew'd out of her filthy maw A flood of poison, borrible and black,

Full of great lumps of flesh and gobbets raw. Spenser, F. Q.

By devilish policy art thou grown great, And, like ambitious Sylla, overgorg'd With gobbets of thy mother's bleeding heart. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

The cooks, slicing it into little gobbets, prick it on a prong of iron, and hang it in a furnace.

Sandys, Travels. The giant gorg'd with flesh, and wine, and

Lay stretch'd at length, and snoring in his den, Belching raw gobbets from his maw, o'ercharg'd With purple wine and cruddl'd gore confus'd.

To Go'BBET. v. a. [from the noun.] To swallow at a mouthful. A low word. Down comes a kite powdering upon them, and gobbets up both together. L'Estrange.

Go'BBETLY.* adv. [from gobbet.] In pieces. Obsolete. Huloet. To GO'BBLE. + v.a. [from gob; whence

gober, to swallow, old Fr. See GAB and GOB.] To swallow hastily with tumult

The sheep were so keen upon the acorns, that they gobbled up now and then a piece of the coat along with them. The time too precious now to waste,

And supper gobbled up in haste, Again afresh to cards they run.

To Go'BBLE.* v. n. To make a noise in the throat, as the turkey does. Dr. Johnson confounds this word with the verb active.

Of last year's corn in barn great store; Fat turkies gobbling at the door. Prior. As a male turkey straggling on the green -Urg'd by enkindling wrath he gobbling goes. Crabbe.

Go'BBLEGUT.* n. s. [gobble and gut.] A greedy feeder. A low expression.

Sherwood. Go'BBLER. n. s. [from gobble.] One that devours in haste; a gormand; a greedy

Go'BETWEEN. † n. s. [go and between.] One that transacts business by running between two parties. Commonly in an ill sense.

go-between, parted from me: I say, I shall be with her between ten and eleven.

Shakspeare, Merry W. of Windsor. They only are the internuncios, or the gobetweens, of this trim devised mummery.

Milton, Animadv. Rem. Def. The broker has his countenance ready to laugh with the merchant, though the abuse is to fall on himself, because he knows that, as a gobetween, he shall find his account in being in the good graces of a man of wealth. Tatler, No. 225.

Go'blet. † n. s. [gobelet, Fr.; from the Gr. κύπελλον, a sort of cup; Lat. cupellum; hence cupelet, as it were; and so gobelet, goblet.] A bowl, or cup, that holds a large draught.

Like a round goblet, which wanteth not liquor. Cantic, vii, 2,

My figur'd goblets for a dish of wood.

Shakspeare, Rich. II. We love not loaded boards, and goblets crown'd; But free from surfeits our repose is found. Denh. Crown high the goblets with a cheerful draught; Enjoy the present hour, adjourn the future thought,

Go'BLIN.† n. s. [French, gobelin, which Spenser has once retained; writing it in three syllables. This word some derive from the Gibellines, a faction in taly; so that elfe and goblin is Guelph and Gibelline, because the children of either party were terrified by their nurses with the name of the other; but it appears that elfe is Welsh, and much older than those factions. Eilff uilhon are phantoms of the night; and the Germans likewise have long had spirits among them named Goboldi, from which gobelin might be derived. Dr. Johnson. The word is probably from the Gr. κόβαλος, a kind of demon, according to the scholiast on the Plutus of Aristophanes; whence also the low Latin gobelinus. "Dæmon enim, quem de Dianæ phano expulit, adhuc in eâdem urbe degit, et in variis frequenter formis apparens neminem lædit. Hunc vulgus gobelinum appellat.' Orderic. Vitalis, lib. 5. p. 556. Du Cange represents the goblin as delighting more in mockery than mischief. V. GOBELINUS.]

1. An evil spirit; a walking spirit; a frightful phantom.

Angels and ministers of grace defend us! Be thou a spirit of health, or goblin damn'd, Bring with thee airs from heav'n, or blasts from Shakspeare.

To whom the goblin, full of wrath, reply'd, Art thou that traitor angel? Milton, P. L.

Always, whilst he is young, be sure to preserve his tender mind from all impressions and notions of spirits and goblins, or any fearful apprehensions in the dark.

2. A fairy; an elf.

His son was Elfinel, who overcame The wicked gobbelines in bloody field; But Elfant was of most renowned fame, Who of all crystal did Panthea build. Spens. F. Q. Go, charge my goblins that they grind their

With dry convulsions; shorten up their sinews With aged cramps. Shakspeare, Tempest. Mean time the village rouzes up the fire, While well attested, and as well believ'd, Heard solemn goes the goblin story round. Thoms.

Even as you came into me, her assistant, or GOD. n. s. [506, Saxon, which likewise signifies good. The same word passes in both senses with only accidental variations through all the Teutonick dia-

1. The Supreme Being.

God is a spirit, and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth. St. John, iv. 24. God above

Deal between thee and me, Shakspeare, Macb. All the churches of God are united into one by the unity of discipline and government, by virtue whereof the same Christ ruleth in them all. Pears.

The Supreme Being, whom we call God, is necessary, self-existent, eternal, immense, omni-potent, omniscient, and best being; and therefore also a being who is and ought to be esteemed most sacred or holy. Grew, Cosmol. Sacra.

2. A false god; an idol.

He that sacrificeth unto any god, save unto the Lord only, he shall be utterly destroyed.

Exod. xxii. 20. As flies to wanton boys are we to the gods, They kill us for their sport. Shakspeare, K. Lear. Strong god of arms, whose iron sceptre sways

The freezing north, and Hyperborean seas, And Scythian colds, and Thracia's winter coast. Where stand thy steeds, and thou art honour'd

3. Any person or thing deified or too much honoured.

Whose end is destruction, whose god is their belly.

I am not Licio, But one that scorns to live in this disguise. For such a one as leaves a gentleman,

And makes a god of such a cullion. Shakspeare. To God. v. a. [from the noun.] To deify; to exalt to divine honours.

This last old man,

Lov'd me above the measure of a father; Nay, godded me, indeed. Shakspeare, Coriol. God's Penny.* An old expression for an earnest-penny; and used in the north of England.

Young Lo. Come, strike me luck with earnest, and draw the writings.

More. There's a God's penny for thee.

Beaum. and Fl. Scornful Lady. Go'dchild. n. s. [god and child.] term of spiritual relation; one for whom one became sponsor at baptism, and promised to see educated as a Christian.

Go'DDAUGHTER. † n. s. [god and daughter.] A girl for whom one became sponsor in baptism. A term of spiritual relation.

How doth my cousin, your bedfellow? and your fairest daughter, and mine, my god-daughter Shakspeare, K. Hen. IV. P. 11. Ellen? Go'ddess. n. s. [from god.] A female divinity.

Hear, nature, hear; dear goddess, hear a father! Shaksneare.

A woman I forswore; but I will prove, Thou being a goddess, I forswore not thee :

My vow was earthly, thou a heav'nly love. Shaks. I long have waited in the temple nigh, Built to the gracious goddess Clemency;

But rev'rence thou the pow'r. Dryden, Fab. From his seat the goddess born arose, And thus undaunted spoke.

Dryden, Fab. When the daughter of Jupiter presented herself among a crowd of goddesses, she was distinguished by her graceful stature and superior beauty.

Addison. Modesty with-held the goddess' train.

Pope, Odyssey. Go'ddess-Like. † adj. [goddess and like.] Resembling a goddess. Mr. Malone Johnson has cited only an example from The following examples will prove the frequency and the propriety of its use.

Your high self, The gracious mark o' the land, you have obscur'd With a swain's wearing; and me, poor lowly maid, Most goddess like prank'd up. Shaks. Wint. Tale. More goddess like than wife-like. Shaks. Cymb.

She sings like one immortal, and she dances As goddess-like to her admired lays. Shaks. Peric. In comelie garments, like some virgin maid Of Dian's troope, she trimlie was arraid;

Save, goddesse-like, her globe-like head around With verdant wreath of sacred bay was crown'd. Mir. for Mag. p. 782.

With goddess-like demeanour forth she went. Milton, P. L.

She - Delia's self In gait surpass'd and goddess-like deport.

Milton, P. L. Then female voices from the shore I heard;

A maid amidst them goddess-like appear'd. Pope, Odyssey.

Go'DFATHER. † n. s. [god and father. Sax. zoofæben. See also Godmother.] The sponsor at the font.

He had a son by her, and the king did him the honour as to stand godfather to his child.

Bacon, Hen. VII. Confirmation, a profitable usage of the church, transcribed from the apostles, consists in the child's undertaking in his own name the baptismal vow; and, that he may more solemnly enter this obligation, bringing some godfather with him, not now, as in baptism, as his procurator. Hammond.

Go'dhead. † n.s. [from god.]

1. Godship; deity; divinity; divine nature. It is used both of idols and of the true God.

The Godhead of the Father, of the Son, and of 2. General observation of all the duties the Holy Ghost, is all one; the glory equal, the Athanas. Creed. majesty coeternal. Be content;

Your low-laid son our godhead will uplift.

Shakspeare, Cymb.

Prior.

At the holy mount

Of heaven's high-seated top, the imperial throne Of Godhead, fix'd for ever firm and sure, The filial pow'r arriv'd. Milton, P.L. So may thy godhead be confest,

So the returning year be blest.

2. A deity in person; a god or goddess. Forasmuch then as we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Godhead is like unto gold, or silver, or stone, graven by art and

man's device. Acts, xvii, 29. Were your godheads to borrow of men, men would forsake the gods. Shakspeare, Timon. Adoring first the genius of the place,

- The nymphs and native godheads yet unknown. Dryden, Æn.

Go'dless.† adj. [Sax. goblear.] Without sense of duty to God; atheistical; wicked; irreligious; impious.

Of these two sorts of men, both godless, the one has utterly no knowledge of God, and the other studies how to persuade themselves that there is no such thing to be known.

My lords, he bade me say, that you may know How much he scorns, and (as good princes ought) Defies base, indirect, and godless treacheries.

Beaum, and Fl. Laws of Candy. That godless crew

Rebellious. Milton, P. L. For faults not his, for guilt and crimes Of godless men, and of rebellious times, Him his ungrateful country sent, Their best Camillus, into banishment. Dryden.

state of being wicked.

The sinner gives himself over to a wild and loose profaneness; to a lawless course of godless-Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 87.

Go'dlike. adj. [god and like.] Divine; resembling a divinity; supremely excel-

Thus Adam his illustrious guest besought, And thus the godlike angel answer'd mild. Milton, P. L.

Musing and much revolving in his breast, How best the mighty work he might begin Of saviour to mankind, and which way first

Publish his godlike office now mature. Milt. P. R. That prince shall be so wise and godlike, as, by established laws of liberty, to secure protection and encouragement to the honest industry of man-

Go'DLILY. * adv. [from godly. This is the true word, though the repetition of the syllable is certainly harsh. See the adverb Godly. Righteously; piously.

Enjoining them upon the severest penalties to live gadlily, holily, and righteously in this present Hen. Wharton, Serm. (1697,) i. 114.

Go'dling. † n. s. [from god.] A little divinity : a diminutive god.

Thy puny godlings of inferior race, Whose humble statues are content with brass.

Dryden, Juv. He preserved a young plump godling called Bacchus, after the death of his mother Semele.

Gayton on D. Quix. p. 241.

Go'dliness. † n. s. [from godly.] Piety to God.

Add to your faith virtue, and to virtue knowledge, and to knowledge temperance, and to temperance patience, and to patience godliness, and to godliness brotherly kindness. 2 Pet. i. 5, 6, 7.

prescribed by religion.

Virtue and godliness of life are required at the hands of the minister of God. Hooker.

Go'dLy. † adj. [Sax. zoblic.] 1. Pious towards God.

Grant that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life. Common Prayer.

2. Good; righteous; religious. Help, Lord, for the godly man ceaseth, for the faithful fail among the children of men. Ps. xii. I. The same church is really holy in this world, in relation to all godly persons contained in it, by

a real infused sanctity. Go'dly. adv. Piously; righteously. By analogy it should be godlily, but the repetition of the syllable is too harsh.

The apostle St. Paul teacheth, that every one which will live godly in Christ Jesus must suffer persecution.

Go'dlyhead.† n. s. [from godly.] Goodness; righteousness. An old word, Dr. Johnson says, citing an example from Spenser, in which, however, the true word is goodlyhead. See GOODLYHEAD.

Go'DMOTHER. † n. s. [god and mother. Sax. zosmosep.] A woman who has undertaken sponsion in baptism. A term of spiritual relation.

There shall be for every male child to be baptized two godfathers and one godmother; and for every female, two godmothers, and one godfather. Rubrick, Comm. Prayer.

The duchess of Norfolk, godmother, bearing the child [the princess Elizabeth] richly habited in a mantle; the marchioness of Dorset, the other godmother, and ladies. Shakspeare, K. Hen. VIII.

thinks this epithet not common, and Dr. Go'dlessness.* n. s. [from godless.] The Go'dship.† n. s. [from god.] The rank Lohnson has cited only an example from state of being wicked. Perhaps not used in a serious sense.

Discoursing largely on this theme, O'er hills and dales their godships came. Venus -

Trudg'd it away to Jove's high court, And there his godship did entreat To look out for his best receipt.

Swift, ed. Barret, p. 95. Go'dsib.* See Gossip.

Go'DSMITH.* n. s. [god and smith.] A maker of idols.

Gods they had tried of every shape and size, That godsmiths could produce, or priests devise. Dryden, Abs. and Achit.

Go'Dson. † n. s. [god and son. Sax. 308runu.] One for whom one has been sponsor at the font.

What, did my father's godson seek your life? He whom my father named? your Edgar?

Shaksneare. Go'DWARD. † adv. To Godward is toward God. So we read, Hac Arethusa tenus, for hactenus Arethusa.

And such trust have we through Christ to Godward. What the eye of a bat is to the sun, the same

is all human understanding to Godwards. Howell, Lett. ii. 11.

Go'DWIT.† n. s. [306, good, and piht, an animal. Dr. Johnson. - From the Icel. god, good, and veide, prey taken in hunting, or vist, food. Serenius.] A bird of particular delicacy.

My foot-boy shall eat pheasants, calver'd sal-

Knots, lampreys, godwits. B. Jonson, Alchemist. Nor ortelans nor godwits crown'd his board.

Cowley.

GO'DYELD. 7 adv. [corrupted from God GO'DYIELD. Shield or protect.] A term Now not used. of thanks.

Herein I teach you, How you should bid godyeld us for your pains, And thank us for your trouble. Shakspeare, Mac. Goel. † adj. [Sax zeolepe, yellow; Su. Goth. gul. This word must be pronounced gool; and is of the same family as gold. Goel or gole is used in Suffolk

and Essex for yellow.] Yellow. An old In March at the furthest, dry season or wet, Hop-roots so well chosen let skilful go set; The goeler and younger, the better I love; Well gutted and pared, the better they prove.

Go'en.* part. preter. of go; formerly so written, and indeed rightly.

Go'er. † n. s. [from go.] 1. One that goes; a runner.

I would they were in Africk both together, Myself by with a needle, that I might prick The goer back. Shakspeare, Cymbeline. Such a man

Might be a copy to these younger times; Which, follow'd well, would now demonstrate

them But goers backward. Shakspeare, All's well. Nothing could hurt either of us so much as the intervening officious impertinence of those goers between us, who in England pretend to

intimacies with you, and in Ireland to intimacies with me. Pope to Swift. 2. A walker; one that has a gait or man-

ner of walking good or bad.

The earl was so far from being a good dancer, Wotton.

that he was no graceful goer.

3. One that transacts business between two parties. In an ill sense, See Go-

Let all pitiful goers-between be called to the world's end after my name, call them all Pandars. Shakspeare, Tr. and Cress.

4. A term often applied to a horse; as,

he is a good goer, a safe goer.

Is the rough French horse brought to the door? They say he is a high goer. I shall soon try his Beaum. and Fl. Cupid's Revenge mettle.

5. The foot. Obsolete. A double mantle, cast

Athwart his shoulders, his faire goers grac't With fitted shoes.

Go'ETY.* n. s. [Fr. goetie; Gr. γοητεία, enchantment.] A kind of magick; an invocation of evil spirits.

Porphyry and some others did distinguish these two sorts, so as to condemn indeed the grosser, which they called magick or goety.

Hallywell, Melampr. (1681,) p. 51. GOFF.* n. s. [old French, goffe, rude,

blockish, clownish.] 1. A foolish clown. North. Grose. Sometimes pronounced gaff.

2. A game. See Golf.

3. A mow of hay or corn. Essex. Grose. Of uncertain etymology.

He was in his labour stacking up a goff of corn.

Fox, cited by Wood, Ath. Ox. i. 592. Go'ffish.* adj. [from goff.] Foolish; indiscreet.

Beware of gofishe peplis speche,

That dremen thingis, which that nevir were.

Chaucer, Tr. and Cress. iii. 585. Gog.* n. s. [perhaps from the Goth. gagg, the way. See Agog.] Haste; desire

You have put me into such a gog of going, I would not stay for all the world.

Beaum. and Fl. Wit without Money. To GO'GGLE. + v. n. [Dr. Johnson offers no etymology; Junius derives it from the Lat. cocles, having one eye only; and Wicliffe uses gogil yghed for having one eye, St. Mark, ix. 47. Serenius offers the Icel. gagr, prominent, which is not improbable, the meaning of goggle being not to look asquint, which is the definition given of the word by Dr. Johnson; but rather to have full eyes, a kind of prominent look. See both the substantive and adjective.] To strain the eyes; to roll the eyes.

A hugye giaunt stiffe and starke, All foule of limbe and lere, Two goggling eyen like fire.

Sir Cauline, Percy's Rel. of Anc. Poetry. Such sight have they that see with goggling eyes. Sidney, Arcad. b. ii.

Inflam'd all over with disgrace, To be seen by her in such a place, Which made him hang his head, and scoul, And wink and goggle like an owl. Hudibras. Nor sighs, nor groans, nor goggling eyes did Dryden.

Go'GGLE.* n. s. [from the verb.] 1. A stare; a bold or strained look.

Do ye stare goggles? I hope to make winter boots of thy hide yet. Beaum. & Fl. Kn. of Malta.
Others will have such a divided face between a devout goggle and an inviting glance, that the unnatural mixture will make the best look to be

at that time ridiculous. Lord Halifax. 2. In the plural only, both blinds for horses that are apt to take fright, and glasses worn by persons to defend the eyes from dust or the heat of the sun. Both these senses are modern, and rather vulgar.

Go'GGLE.* adj. Staring; having full eyes. Frowning he enters

And louring on me with the goggle eye.

Mir. for Mag. p. 427.

Give him admonition to forsake his sawcy glavering grace, and his goggle eye.

B. Jonson, Poetaster.

That rolls one goggle eye in its vast brow, Like a grim Cyclop. Fenshaw, Past. Fid. p. 113.

Go'GGLE-EYED † adj. [from goggle and eye. See the etym. of To Goggle.] Having eyes ready to start, as it were, out of the head.

They are deformed, unnatural, or lame; and very unseemly to look upon, except to men that be goggle-eyed themselves. Ascham, Schoolmaster. Every lover admires his mistress, though she be very deformed, - bald, goggle-eyed, blear-eyed, or with staring eyes, heavy, dull, hollow-eyed, black or yellow about the eyes, or squint-eyed.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 524.

Go'GGLED.* adj. [from goggle.] Prominent; staring.

Ugly faced, with long black hair, goggled eyes, wide-mouthed, Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 50.

Go'ing. n. s. [from go.] 1. The act of walking

When nobles are their taylors' tutors, No hereticks burnt, but wenches' suitors, Then comes the time, who lives to see't, That going shall be us'd with feet.

Shakspeare, K. Lear.

2. Pregnancy.

The time of death has a far greater latitude than that of our birth; most women coming, according to their reckoning, within the compass of a fortnight; that is, the twentieth part of their going. Grew, Cosmol. Sacr.

3. Departure.

Thy going is not lonely; with thee goes Thy husband; him to follow thou art bound.

Milton, P. L. 4. Proceeding; series of conduct. In colloquial language we say, goings-on.

His eyes are upon the ways of man, and he seeth all his goings. Job, xxxiv. 21.

To Goke.* To stupify. See To Gowk. Go'LA. n. s. The same with CYMATIUM.

In a cornice the gola, or cymatium of the co-rona, the coping, the modillions or dentelli make a noble show. Addison, Spect. No. 415.

GOLD. † n. s. [3016, Saxon; golud, riches, Welsh. It is called gold in our English tongue, either of geel, as Scaliger says, which is in Dutch to shine; or of another Dutch word, which is gelten, and signifies in Latin valere, in English to be of price or value: hence cometh their ordinary word gelt, for money. Peacham on Drawing. Dr. Johnson. Others, noticing the Icel. guld, gold, consider gul, yellow, as the origin. See GOEL. Serenius and Wachter deduce it from the Icel. gilde, value, price.]

1. Gold is the most valuable of all metals, more malleable and ductile than any other, exceeding all in weight except platina, and of a bright yellowish colour; assuming, when melted, that of a bluish-

Gold hath these natures: greatness of weight, closeness of parts, fixation, pliantness or softness,

immunity from rust, and the colour or tincture of yellow.

Ah! Buckingham, now do I ply the touch,
To try if thou be current gold indeed. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Shakspeare, Rich. III.

We readily say this is gold, and that a silver goblet, only by the different figures and colours represented to the eye by the pencil. Locke.

The gold fraught vessel, which mad tempests beat,

He sees now vainly make to his retreat. Dryden, Tyran. Lov.

2. Money.

For me, the gold of France did not seduce, Although I did admit it as a motive The sooner to effect what I intended.

Shakspeare, Hen. V. Thou that so stoutly hast resisted me, Give me thy gold, if thou hast any gold

For I have bought it with an hundred blows. Shakspeare, Hen. VI. The old man's god, his gold, has won upon her.

Beaum. and Fl. Little Thief. 3. It is used for any thing pleasing or valuable. So among the ancients χευσή άφροδίτη; and "animamque moresque

aureos educit in astra." Horace. The king's a bawcock, and a heart of gold,

A lad of life, an imp of fame. Shukspeare, Hen. V. 4. A flower.

Jalousie,

That wered of yelwe goldes a gerlond.

Chaucer, Kn. Tale. The crimsin darnell flower, the bluebottle, and

gold, Which, though esteem'd but weeds, yet for their dainty hews

And for their scent not ill, they for this purpose Drayton, Polyolb. S. 15. use. GOLD of Pleasure. n. s. [myagrum.] A

plant. GO'LDBEATEN.* adj. [gold and beat.]

Gilded; covered with gold. In many gay garments that weren goldbeaten.

Pierce, Ploughman's Crede. Go'LDBEATER. n. s. [gold and beat.] One

whose occupation is to beat or foliate gold to gild other matter.

Our goldbeaters, though, for their own profit sake, they are wont to use the finest gold they can get, yet they scruple not to employ coined gold; and that the mint-masters are wont to alloy with copper or silver, to make the coin more stiff, and less subject to be wasted by attrition.

GO'LDBEATER'S Skin. n. s. The intestinum rectum of an ox, which goldbeaters lay between the leaves of their metal while they beat it, whereby the membrane is reduced thin, and made fit to apply to cuts or small fresh wounds, as is now the common practice. Quincy.

When your gillyflowers blow, if they break the pod, open it with a penknife at each division, as low as the flower has burst it, and bind it about with a narrow slip of goldbeater's skin, which moisten with your tongue, and it will stick to-gether. Mortimer, Hushandry.

Go'LDBOUND. adj. [gold and bound.] Encompassed with gold.

Thy air, Thou other goldbound brow, is like the first. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

Gol'DEN. + adj. [Sax. zolben.]

1. Made of gold; consisting of gold. The golden image that Nebuchadnezzar the Dan. iii. 5. king hath set up.

O would to God that the inclusive verge Of golden metal, that must round my brow, Were red-hot steel to sear me to the brain!

Shakspeare, Rich. III.

Nine royal knights in equal rank succeed, Each warrior mounted on a fiery steed, In golden armour glorious to behold; The rivets of their arms were nail'd with gold.

2. Shining; bright; splendid; resplendent.
So sweet a kiss the golden sun gives not
To those fresh morning drops upon the rose;
Nor shines the silver moon one half so bright
Through the transparent bosom of the deep. Shaks.
'Tis better to be lowly born

'Tis better to be lowly born
Than wear's golden sorrow. Shaks. Hen. VIII.
Heaven's golden winged herald late he saw
To a poor Galilean virgin sent. Crashaw.
To her hard yoke you must hereafter bow,

How'er she shines all golden to you now. Dryden.
And see the guardian angels of the good,
Reclining soft on many a golden cloud. Rowe.

3. Yellow; of the colour of gold.

Golden russeting hath a gold coloured coat under a russet hair, and its flesh of a yellow colour.

Mortimer.

4. Excellent; valuable.

I have bought
Golden opinions from all sorts of people,
Which would be worn now in their newest gloss,
Not cast aside so soon. Shakspeare, Macbeth.
That verse which they commonly call golden,

has two substantives and two adjectives, with a verb betwirt them to keep the peace. Dryden.

Thence arises that golden rule of dealing with

others, as we would have others deal with us.

Watts, Logick.

5. Happy; resembling the age of gold.

Many young gentlemen flock to him every day, and fleet the time carelessly, as they did in the golden world.

Skakspeare.

Go'LDEN Number. n. s. The number, which shews the year of the moon's

cvcle.

This was invented, long before our Saviour's nativity, by Meton the Athenian, from whence it was styled the Metonic cycle; till afterwards it changed its name, being either from its great usefulness in ascertaining the moon's age, or else from its being written in letters of gold, called the golden number; though sometimes, for the first of these reasons, it is called the cycle of the moon.

Wheatly on the Common Prager.

Go'LDEN Rod.* n. s. [virga aurea.] A

plant.
Go'lden Rule.* n. s. In arithmetick, the
Rule of Three, or Rule of Proportion.

Go'LDEN Saxifrage. n. s. [chrysoplenium.]
An herb.

Go'LDENLY. adv. [from golden.] Delightfully; splendidly.

My brother Jaques he keeps at school, and report speaks goldenly of his profit.

Shakspeare, As you like it.

GO'LDFINCH. n. s. [zolbrine, Saxon.] A singing bird, so named from his golden colour. This is called in Staffordshire a proud taylor.

Of singing birds they have linnets, goldfinches, ruddocks, Canary-birds, blackbirds, thrushes, and divers others.

Carew.

A goldfinch there I saw, with gaudy pride
Of painted plumes, that hopp'd from side to side.

Druden.

Go'ldfinder. n. s. [gold and find.] One who finds gold. A term ludicrously applied to those that empty jakes.

His empty paunch that he might fill,
He suck'd his vittals through a quill;
Untouch'd it pass'd between his grinders,
Or't had been happy for goldfinders.

Swift.

GO'LDHAMMER. n. s. A kind of bird. Dict. Go'LDING. n. s. A sort of apple. Dict.

GOLDHI'LTED.* adj. [Sax. zolbhiltéb.]
Having a golden hilt; a phrase applied
to a sword.

Go'ldleaf.* n. s. [Saxon, zolblæfa.]
Beaten gold.

Go'ldney. n. s. A sort of fish, otherwise called gilthead.

Go'ldpleasure. n. s. An herb.

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Go'ldproof.* adj. [gold and proof.]

Able to resist the temptation of gold.

This is most strange: Art thou goldproof?
There's for thee. Beaum. and Fl. Maid's Tragedy.

Go'LDSIZE. n. s. A glue of a golden colour: glue used by gilders.

The gum of ivy is good to put into your goldsize, and other colours. Peacham on Drawing.

Go'LDSMITH. 7 n. s. [Sax. zolormio.]

1. One who manufactures gold.

Neither chain nor goldsmith came to me. Shaks.

2. A banker; one who keeps money for

others in his hands.

They (hankers) were a tribe that had risen

They [bankers] were a tribe that had risen and grown up in Cromwell's time, and never were heard of before the late troubles, till when the whole trade of money had passed through the hands of the scriveners: they were for the most part goldsmidts, men known to be so rich, and of so good reputation, that all the money of the kingdom would be trusted or deposited in their hands.

Ld. Clarendon, Life, iii. 597.

The goldsmith or scrivener, who takes all your fortune to dispose of, when he has beforehand resolved to break the following day, does surely deserve the gallows.

Swift.

Borrowed 500l. of a goldsmith upon my ticket.

Spectator, vol. ix. (1715,) No. 14. Go'LDYLOCKS. 7 n. s. [coma aurea, Latin.]

A plant.
Fair ox-eye, goldylocks, and columbine.

Golf.* n. s. [Dutch and Sw. kolf, a club; kolf is also a Dutch game played in an enclosed area with clubs and balls.] A game played with a ball and a club or bat; formerly called bandy-ball. It consists in driving the ball from one hole to another; and he who drives his ball into the hole with the fewest strokes, is the winner. It is a common game in Scotland: See Dr. Jamieson's Etym. Scot. Dict. in V. Golf. Strutt says, that it is also used in the north of England.

Golf was a fashionable game among the nobility at the commencement of the seventeenth century, and it was one of the exercises with which prince Henry, eldest son to James the first, occasionally amused himself.

Strutt, Sports and Passimes of the People of Eng. Golf and foot-ball appear to have been prohibited in Scotland by king James the second in 1457. Brand, Popular Antiquities.

Goll.† n. s. [corrupted, as Skinner thinks, from pal or pol, whence pealsan, to handle or manage. Dr. Johnson.—
May it not be a more easy corruption of the Greek γψαλων, (gualon,) the palm of the hand?] Hands; paws; claws. Used in contempt.

They set hands, and Mopsa put her golden golls among them; and blind fortune, that saw not the colour of them, gave her the pre-eminence. Sidney.

Make 'em hold up their spread golls.

B. Jonson, Poetast

Wish her To wash her hands in bran or flour; And do you, in like manner, scour

Your dirty golts.

GOLO'RE.* n. s. [Irish, gleire, plenty, a great deal; Gael. leor, go leoir, enough; Shaw; gelore, Scottish; Jamieson in V. GELORE.] Abundance. Still used in many parts of England. See also GLORE.

GOM.* n. s. [Goth. guma, Sax. guma; Germ. gomo, 'a man.] A man. Obsolete.

I Gloton, quod the gome, giltye me yelde,
That I have trespassed with tong.

P. Ploughmon's Vision.

This term remained on the English stage till the time of Charles the first. It occurs in The Widow, which was acted in that reign with much applause.

Rich. Say you, sir? —
I'll try your ladyship, faith. — Lady, well met.

Fran. I do not think so, sir. Rich. A scornful gom.

On which passage the commentator observes, (Old Pl. vol. xii. p. 245.) that Junius in his Etymologicon says, that gom or gome signifies a man. Richardo therefore means, that Francisco, in his assumed character of a woman, acts not with the softness and delicacy of a female, but with the scorn and haughtiness of a male.

Whiter, Etymolog. Mag. p. 355.
Go'MAN.** n. s. [from gom.] A man,
simply; not a goodman, an householder,
a master of a family, as Verstegan, Bailey, and others have asserted. Obsolete.

From this name for man under the form of gm, gom, gome, &c. the etymologists have rightly derived gomman, which some have idly conceived to be quasi goodman. Whiter.

Gome.† n.s. The black grease of a cartwheel. Dr. Johnson thus gives this word, without any etymology, from Bailey. It is probably a corruption of coom. See Coom.

GOMPHO'SIS.† n. s. [Gr. γόμφωσις, from γόμφος, a nail; old French, gomphose. Cotgrave.] A particular form of articulation.

Gomphosis is the connexion of a tooth to its socket. Wiseman.

GO'NDOLA.† n. s. [gondole, French; gondola, Ital. and low Lat. **ωνντελώς, Græcobarb. a kind of little vessel, "ex idiomate Italico, gondola." Meursius. Some derive it from the Gr. **κόνδυ, a sort of vase.] A boat much used in Venice; a small bont.

He saw did swim
Along the shore, as swift as glance of eye,
A little gondelay, bedecked trim
With boughs and arbours woven cunningly.

Spenser, F. Q.
In a gondola were seen together Lorenzo and his amorous Jessica.

Shakspeare.

As with gondolas and men, his Good excellence the duke of Venice Sails out, and gives the gulph a ring.

GONDOLI'ER.† n. s. [Fr. gondolier, Cotgrave; gondoliere, Ital.] A boatman; one that rows a gondola. Your fair daughter,

Transported with no worse nor better guard, But with a knave of hire, a gondolier, To the gross clasps of a lacvious Moor. Shakspeare, Othello.

GONE. part. preter. [from go. See To

B. Jonson, Poetaster. 1. Advanced; forward in progress.

I have known sheep cured of the rot, when | GONIOME'TRICAL.* adj. See GONIOME- | 10. Sound; not false; not fallacious. they have not been far gone with it, only by being put into broomlands. Mortimer

The observator is much the brisker of the two, and, I think, farther gone of late in lies and impudence than his Presbyterian brother. Swift,

2. Ruined; undone.

He must know 'tis none of your daughter, nor my sister : we are gone else. Shaks. Wint. Tale.

I'll tell thee the story of my life,

And the particular accidents gone by, Since I came to this isle. Shakspeare, Tempest. Since I came to this isle.

4. Lost; departed.

When her masters saw that the hope of their gains was gone, they caught Paul and Silas.

Acts, xvi. 19. Speech is confined to the living, and imparted to only those that are in presence, and is transient and gone.

5. Dead; departed from life.

I mourn Adonis dead and gone. Oldham. A dog, that has his nose held in the vapour, loses all signs of life; but carried into the air, or thrown into a lake, recovers, if not quite gone. Addison on Italy.

GO'NFALON.†] n. s. [gonfanon, Fr. gunfana, Icelandick, gunfana, Icelandick, from gunn, a battle, and fani, a flag. Lye. Dr. Johnson. - Our old word is gonfanon, which Chaucer uses. Milton introduced gonfalon into our language immediately from the Italian gonfalone, which is a chief standard, the name of the pope's standard, and often occurs in Ariosto. The gonfanon is described by the French as a little square flag, or penon, at the end of a lance.] An ensign; a standard.

He that bare the enseigne Of worship, and the gonfanoun.

Chaucer, Rom. R. ver. 1201. Ten thousand thousand ensigns high advanc'd, Standards and gonfalons, 'twixt van and rear, Stream in the air. Milton, P. L.

GONFALONI'ER.* n. s. [old Fr. gonfalonier, and gonfanonnier; Ital. gonfaloniere.]

· A chief standard-bearer.

Had she not [Florence] her private councils debating, her great council resolving, and her magistrates executing? Was not the rotation too provided for by the annual election of her gon-

Bp. Wren, Monarchy Asserted, (1659,) ch. 10.

GONG.* n. s.

1. A draught, or privy; a jakes. [Sax. zanz, zonz, a passage.] Obsolete.

Huloet. A commune gong, whereas men purge their Chaucer, Pars. Tale.

2. An instrument of a circular form, made of brass, which the Asiaticks strike with a large wooden mallet; the sound of which is heard at a great distance. It has been introduced into this country in some of the entertainments of the stage and of country fairs.

The Chinese believe that during eclipses of the sun and moon these celestial bodies are attacked by a great serpent, to drive away which they

strike their gongs or brazen drums.

Douce, Illustr. of Shakspeare, i. 29.

GONIO'METER.* n. s. [Fr. goniomètre, from the Gr. ywvía, an angle, and μέλρον, a measure.] An instrument for measuring angles.

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TER. Goniometrical lines are lines used for measuring or determining the quantity of angles. Such are sines, tangents, secants, &c. Chambers.

GONORRHOE'A. n. s. [γόνος and ρεω.] A morbid running of venereal hurts.

Rauty mummy or stone mummy grows on the tops of high rocks: they powder and boil it in milk, and then give it to stop gonorrhaus.

Woodward on Fossils.

GOOD. † adj. comp. better, superl. best. [305, Saxon; goed, Dutch; gods, goda, gotha, Gothick; ἀγαθός, Greek. Saxon is also written zoob or zoobe.]

1. Having, either generally or for any particular end, such physical qualities as are expected or desired. Not bad: not ill.

God saw every thing that he had made, and behold it was very good. Gen. i. 31. A universe of death! which God by curse

Created evil; for evil only good. Milton, P. L. Resolv'd

From an ill cause to draw a good effect.

Dryden, Fab. Notwithstanding this criticism the verses were Spectator.

A man is no more to be praised upon this account, than because he has a regular pulse and a good digestion. The very foundation of poetry is good sense, if

we may allow Horace to be a judge of the art. Addison, Tatler, No. 240.

Ah! ne'er so dire a thirst of glory boast,

Nor in the critick let the man be lost! Good nature and good sense must ever join;

To err is human, to forgive divine. 2. Proper; fit; convenient; right; not

Amongst a man's peers a man shall be sure of familiarity, and therefore it is good a little to keep state: amongst a man's inferiors one shall be sure of reverence, and therefore it is good a little to be familiar.

If you think good, give Martius leave. Bacon. It was a good time to comply with the importunity of the gentlemen of Sussex. Clarendon

3. Conducive to happiness.

It is not good that the man should be alone.

Gen. ii. 18. We may as well pretend to obtain the good which we want without God's assistance, as to know what is good for us without his direction. Bp. Smalridge, Serm.

4. Uncorrupted; undamaged.

He also bartered away plums, that would have rotted in a week, for nuts, that would last good for his eating a whole year. Locke.

5. Wholesome; salubrious.

A man first builds a country seat, Then finds the walls not good to eat.

6. Medicinal; salutary.

The water of Nilus is sweeter than other waters in taste, and it is excellent good for the stone and hypochondriack melancholy. Bacon, Nat. Hist. 7. Pleasant to the taste.

Eat thou honey, because it is good; and the

honeycomb which is sweet, Prov. xxiv. 13. Of herbs and plants some are good to eat raw; as lettuce, endive, and purslane.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. 8. Complete; full.

The Protestant subjects of the abbey make up a good third of its people. Addison on Italy.

9. Useful; valuable.

All quality, that is good for any thing, is ori-ginally founded upon merit, Collier on Envy. Collier on Envy. We discipline betimes those other creatures we would make useful and good for somewhat. Locke.

He is resolved now to shew how slight the propositions were which Luther let go for good. Atterbury.

11. Legal; valid; rightly claimed or

According to military custom the place was good, and the lieutenant of the colonel's company might well pretend to the next vacant captainship in the same regiment. Wotton.

12. Confirmed; attested; valid. Ha! am I sure she's wrong'd? Perhaps 'tis

malice! Slave, make it clear, make good your accusation.

13. With as preceding. It has a kind of negative or inverted sense; as good as, no better than.

Therefore sprang there even of one, and him as good as dead, so many as the stars of the sky in

14. With as preceding. No worse.

He sharply reproved them as men of no courage, which, being many times as good as in possession of the victory, had most cowardly turned their backs upon their enemies. The master will be as good as his word, for his

15. Well qualified; not deficient.

If they had held their royalties by that title, either there must have been but one sovereign over them all, or else every father of a family had been as good a prince, and had as good a claim to royalty as these.

16. Skilful; ready; dexterous.

Flatter him it may, I confess; as those are generally good at flattering who are good' for nothing South.

I make my way where e'er I see my foe; But you, my lord, are good at a retreat. Dryden.

17. Happy; prosperous.

[He] on the other side did so farre From malicing or grudging his good hour, That, all he could, he graced him with her.

Spenser, F. Q. vi. ix. 39. Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity.

Ps. cxxxiii. 1.

Many good morrows to my noble lord!

— Good morrow, Catesby, you are early stirring. Good e'en, neighbours;

Good e'en to you all, good e'en to you all.

Shakspeare, Coriol. At my window bid good morrow. Milton, L'All. Good morrow, Portius! let us once embrace.

18. Honourable. They cast to build

A city and tower, whose top may reach to heaven; And get themselves a name;

Regardless whether good or evil fame.

Milton, P. L. Silence, the knave's repute, the whore's good

The only honour of the wishing dame.

19. Cheerful; gay. Joined with any words expressing temper of mind.

They may be of good comfort, and ever go cheerfully about their own affairs. 2 Mac. xi. 26. There was but one who kept up his good humour to the Land's-end. Addison, Tutler, No. 192. Quietness improves into cheerfulness, enough to make me just so good humoured as to wish that world well.

20. Considerable; not small, though not very great.

A good while ago God made choice that the Gentiles by my mouth should hear the word. Acts, xv. 7.

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The plant having a great stalk and top, doth prey upon the grass a good way about, by drawing the juice of the earth from it. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Mirtle and pomegranate, if they be planted, though a good space one from the other, will meet. Peacham on Drawing.

The king had provided a good fleet, and a body of three thousand foot to be embarked. Clarendon.

We may suppose a great many degrees of littleness and lightness in these earthy particles, so as many of them might float in the air a good while, like exhalations before they fell down.

Burnet, Theory. They held a good share of civil and military employments during the whole time of the usurp-Swift.

21. Elegant; decent; delicate; with breeding.

If the critick has published nothing but rules and observations in criticism, I then consider whether there be a propriety and elegance in his thoughts and words, clearness and delicacy in his remarks, wit and good breeding in his raillery.

Addison, Guardian. Mankind have been forced to invent a kind of artificial humanity, which is what we express by the word good breeding. Addison, Spect.

Those among them, who return into their several countries, are sure to be followed and imitated as the greatest patterns of wit and good breeding.

22. Real; serious; not feigned.

Love not in good earnest, nor no further in sport neither, than with safety of a pure blush thou may'st in honour come off again.

Shakspeare, As you like it.

23. Rich; of credit; able to fulfil engage-

Antonio is a good man: my meaning, in saying that he is a good man, is to have you understand me that he is sufficient. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. I'm call'd for now in haste by master Meercraft.

To trust master Fitz-dottrel, a good man; I have enquir'd him, eighteen hundred a year, &c. B. Jonson, Dev. is an Ass.

24. Having moral qualities, such as are wished; virtuous; pious; religious; applied both to persons and actions. Not bad; not evil.

For a good man some would even dare to die. Rom. v. 7.

The woman hath wrought a good work upon St. Matt. All man's works on me,

Good or not good, ingraft my merit, these Shall perfect, and for these my death shall pay. Milton, P. L.

What reward Awaits the good, the rest what punishment.

Milton, P. L. The only Son of light

In a dark age, against example good, Milton, P. L. Against allurement. Such follow him, as shall be registred

Part good, part bad, of bad the larger scroll. Milton, P. L.

Grant the bad what happiness they would, One they must want, which is to pass for good.

Why drew Marseilles' good bishop purer breath. When nature sicken'd, and each gale was death?

Such was Roscommon, not more learn'd than

good, With manners gen'rous as his noble blood. Pope. No farther intercourse with heav'n had he,

But left good works to men of low degree.

Harte.

Matters being so turned in her, that where at first liking her manners did breed good will, now good will became the chief cause of liking her manners.

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, St. Luke, ii. 14. good will towards men. Without good nature man is but a better kind

of vermin. Here we are lov'd, and there we love;

Good nature now and passion strive Which of the two should be above,

Suckling. And laws unto the other give. 'Tis no wonder if that which affords so little glory to God, hath no more good will for men.

Decay of Piety. When you shall see him, sir, to die for pity,

Bacon.

'Twere such a thing, 'twould so deceive the world, 'Twould make the people think you were good natur'd.

To teach him betimes to love and be good natur'd to others, is to lay early the true found-Locke. ation of an honest man.

Good sense and good nature are never separated, though the ignorant world has thought otherwise.

Affability, mildness, tenderness, and a word which I would fain bring back to its original signification of virtue, I mean good nature, are of daily use.

This doctrine of God's good will towards men, this command of men's proportionable good will to one another, is not this the very body and substance, this the very spirit and life of our Saviour's whole institution?

It was his greatest pleasure to spread his healing wings over every place, and to make every one sensible of his good will to mankind.

Calamy, Serm. A cheerful temper, joined with innocence, will make beauty attractive, knowledge delightful, and Addison, Tatler, No. 192. wit good natur'd. How could you chide the young good natur'd prince.

And drive him from you with so stern an air? Addison, Cato.

26. Favourable; loving.

But the men were very good unto us, and we were not hurt. 1 Sam. xxv. 15. Truly God is good to Israel, even to such as are of a clean heart. Psalm lxxiii. I.

You have good remembrance of us always, desiring greatly to see us, as we also to see you. 1 Thess, iii. 6.

This idea must necessarily be adequate, being referred to nothing else but itself, nor made by any other original but the good liking and will of him that first made this combination.

27. Companionable; sociable; merry. Often used ironically.

If he be not fellow with the best king, thou shalt find [him] the best king of good fellows. Shakspeare, K. Hen. V.

Tell me true, Even in the soul of sound good fellowship.

Shakspeare, Troil, and Cress.

Excellent sir, I know you use to sip Much of the Muses' fair good fellowship. Jordan's Poems.

Though he did not draw the good fellows to him by drinking, yet he eat well. Clarendon. Not being permitted to drink without eating, will prevent the custom of having the cup often at his nose; a dangerous beginning and preparation to good fellowship.

It was well known, that Sir Roger had been a good fellow, in his youth. Arbuthmot.

28. It is sometimes used as an epithet of slight contempt, implying a kind of negative virtue or bare freedom from ill, Dr. Johnson says. Yet both the examples imply merely an husband. See GOODMAN.

My good man, as far from jealousy as I am from giving him cause.

Shakspeare, Mer. W. of Windsor. She had left the good man at home, and brought away her gallant. Addison, Spect.

29. In a ludicrous sense.

As for all other good women that love to do but little work, how handsome it is to louse themselves in the sunshine, they that have been but a while in Ireland can well witness.

30. Hearty; earnest; not dubious.

He, that saw the time fit for the delivery he intended, called unto us to follow him, which we both, bound by oath and willing by good will, Sidney. obeyed.

The good will of the nation to the present war has been since but too much experienced by the successes that have attended it. Good will, she said, my want of strength sup-

plies; And diligence shall give what age denies.

Dryden, Fab. 31. In Good sooth. Really; seriously. What, must I hold a candle to my shames? They in themselves, good sooth, are too too light. Shakspeare.

32. In Good time. Not too fast. In good time, replies another, you have heard them dispute against a vacuum in the schools.

Collier on Human Reason. 33. In Good time. Opportunely. Pr. Fye, what a slug is Hastings, that he comes

not To tell us whether they will come or no.

Buck. And in good time here comes the sweat-Shakspeare, K. Rich. III. ing lord.

34. In Good time. A colloquial expression for time enough; as, we are in good time for the occasion.

35. Good [To make.] To keep; to maintain; not to give up; not to abandon.

There died upon the place all the chieftains, all making good the fight without any ground given. Bacon, Hen. VII.

He forced them to retire in spite of their dragoons, which were placed there to make good their Clarendon.

Since we claim a proper interest above others in the pre-eminent rights of the household of faith, then to make good that claim, we are obliged above others to conform to the proper manners and virtues that belong to this household.

He without fear a dangerous war pursues; As honour made him first the danger choose, So still he makes it good on virtue's score. Dryden.

36. Good [To make.] To confirm; to establish.

I farther will maintain Upon his bad life to make all this good.

Shakspeare, Rich. II. To make good this explication of the article, it

will be necessary to prove that the church, which our Saviour founded and the apostles gathered, was to receive a constant and perpetual accession. These propositions I shall endeavour to make

good. 37. Good [To make.] To perform.

While she so far extends her grace, She makes but good the promise of her face.

38. GOOD [To make.] To supply. Every distinct being has somewhat peculiar to

itself, to make good in one circumstance what it wants in another. L'Estrange. Good. t n. s.

1. That which physically contributes to happiness; benefit; advantage; the contrary to evil or misery.

25. Kind; soft; benevolent.

I fear the emperor means no good to us.

Tit. Andronicus, Let me play the lion too: I will roar, that I will do any man's heart good to hear me.

Shakspeare, Mids. Night Dr. He wav'd indifferently 'twixt them, doing neither good nor harm. Shakspeare, Coriol.

Love with fear the only God,

Merciful over all his works, with good Still overcoming evil.

Milton, P. L. God is also in sleep, and dreams advise, Which he hath sent propitious, some great good

Presaging. Milton, P. L. Nature in man's heart her laws doth pen, Prescribing truth to wit, and good to will. Davies.

The lessening or escaping of evil is to be reckoned under the notion of good: the lessening or loss of good is to be reckoned under the notion of evil. Wilkins.

This caution will have also this good in it, that it will put them upon considering, and teach them the necessity of examining more than they do.

Good is what is apt to cause or increase pleasure, or diminish pain in us : or else to procure or preserve us the possession of any other good, or absence of any evil.

Refuse to leave thy destin'd charge too soon, And for the church's good defer thy own. Prior. Works may have more wit than does them good,

As bodies perish through excess of blood. Pope. A thirst after truth, and a desire of good, are principles which still act with a great and universal force.

2. Prosperity; advancement.

If he had employ'd

Those excellent gifts of fortune and of nature ' Unto the good, not ruin, of the state.

B. Jonson, Catiline.

3. Earnest; not jest. The good woman never died after this, till she came to die for good and all. L'Estrange.

4. Moral qualities, such as are desirable: virtue; righteousness; piety; the contrary to wickedness.

Depart from evil, and do good.

Psalm xxxiv. 14. Not only carnal good from evil does not justify; but no good, no not a purposed good, can make Holyday.

O sons, like one of us is man become, To know both good and evil, since his taste Of that defended fruit, but let him boast His knowledge of good lost, and evil got, Happier had it suffic'd him to have known

Good by itself, and evil not at all. Milton, P. L. Empty of all good, wherein consists Woman's domestick honour, and chief praise.

Millon, P. L. By good, I question not but good, morally so called, bonum honestum ought, chiefly at least, to be understood; and that the good of profit or pleasure, the bonum wile, or jucundum, hardly come into any account here.

Nor holds this earth a more deserving knight For virtue, valour, and for noble blood,

Truth, honour, all that is compriz'd in good. Dryden.

5. Property. See Goods. Not now in use.

Farewel my good, for it is all ago.

Chaucer, Sompn. Tale. Moreover, because I have set my affection to the house of my God, I have of mine own proper good, of gold and silver, which I have given to the house of my God, over and above all that I have prepared for the holy house, even three thousand talents of gold. 1 Chron. xxix. 3. 3. That which is right and fit. See the

second sense of the adjective. In word and deede that shew'd great modestee,

And knew his good to all of each degree.

Spenser, F. Q. i. x. 7.

7. Good placed after had, with as, seems | Good-HU'MOUR. 7 n. s. A cheerful and a substantive; but the expression is, I think, vitious; and good is rather an adjective elliptically used, or it may be considered as adverbial. See Goop, adv.

The pilot must intend some port before he steers his course, or he had as good leave his vessel to the direction of the winds, and the government of the waves.

Without good nature and gratitude, men had as good live in a wilderness as in a society. L'Estrange.

Good. + adv.

1. Well; not ill; not amiss.

2. Reasonably; as, good cheap. See CHEAP. Victuals shall be so good cheap upon earth, that they shall think themselves to be in good case. 2 Esdr. xvi. 21.

3. As Good. No worse.

Was I to have never parted from thy side, As good have grown there still a lifeless rib.

Milton, P. L. Says the cuckow to the hawk, Had you not as good have been eating worms now as pigeons?

L'Estrange. Good. interj. Well! right! It is sometimes used ironically.

To Good.* v. a. [Su. Goth. goeda.] To manure.

A fruitful hill not by nature, but by grace: nature was like itself in it, in the world: God hath taken it from the barren downs, and gooded Bp. Hall, Fast Serm. (1628.)

The husbandman looks not for a crop in the wild desart; but where he hath gooded, and plowed, and eared, and sown, why should he not look for an harvest? Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 121.

Good-BRE'EDING.* n. s. Elegance of manners derived from a good education. Good-Now. interj. See the nineteenth sense of the adjective Good.

Good-by.* adv. [a contraction of God, or good be with you.] A familiar way of bidding farewell. It should be written, properly, good-b'ye.

GOOD-CONDI'TIONED. adj. Without ill qualities or symptoms. Used both of things and persons, but not elegantly.

No surgeon dilates an abscess of any kind by injections, when the pus is good-conditioned.

Sharp, Surgery. GOOD-DEN.* adv. A form of wishing, a compliment, which has been generally considered a corruption of good even; but Mr. Pegge says that it is a contraction of good-dayen, the Saxon plural of day. Good-den or good-e'en, however, is, in the provincial Glossary of Yorkshire words, the wish of a good evening. The phrase good den is frequent in our old language.

GOOD-E'VEN.* See the seventeenth sense of the adjective Good, and Good-Den. Good-fe'Llow. † n. s. A jolly companion.

See the twenty-seventh sense of the adjective Good.

Good-FE'LLOWSHIP. † n. s. Merry or jolly society. See the twenty-seventh sense of the adjective Good.

To Good-fe'llow.* v. a. To make a jolly companion; to besot.

Let me rather be disliked for not being a beast, than be good-fellowed with a hug for being one: Some laugh at me for being sober; and I laugh at them for being drunk. Feltham, Res. i. 84. at them for being drunk.

agreeable temper of mind. See the nineteenth sense of the adjective Good, Good-HU'MOURED. † adj. Cheerful. See the nineteenth sense of Good.

GOOD-HU'MOUREDLY.* adv. [from goodhumoured. In a cheerful way.

Johnson good-humouredly and sarcastically re-Wakefield, Mem. p. 27.

GOOD-MA'NNERS.* n. s. [good and manners.] Habitual propriety of manners; polite and correct behaviour, derived from a good education.

Good-manners is such a part of good sense, that they cannot be divided; but that which a fool calleth good-breeding is the most unmannerly thing in the world. Lord Halifax.

Good-Mo'RROW. + See the seventeenth sense of the adjective Good.

GOOD-NA'TURE. † n. s. Kindness; habitual benevolence: the most pleasing quality that man or woman can possess. See the twenty-fifth sense of the adjective

GOOD-NA'TURED.† adj. Habitually benevolent. See the twenty-fifth sense of

GOOD-NA'TUREDLY.* adv. [from goodnatured.] In a kind, benevolent man-

She very good-naturedly answered, she had received that paltry fellow we just parted from, merely because he had a superior share of ease and freedom! The Student, i. 114. They good-naturedly invited me to their party.

Graves, Recoll. of Shenstone, p. 16.

1. In good time; à la bonne heure. A gentle exclamation of intreaty. It is now a low word.

Good-now, sit down, and tell me, he that knows, Why this same watch? Shakspeare, Hamlet. 2. A soft exclamation of wonder.

Good-now, good-now, how your devotions jump with mine! Dryden, Span. Friar.

Good-sense. † n. s. See the first definition of the adjective Good.

GOOD-SPEED*. n. s. [from good and speed. " And so good-speed me !" Beaum, and Fl. Maid in the Mill. An old form of wishing success; success itself.

I know, downe I must;

Middleton's Witch. And good-speed send me. GOOD-WILL. n. s.

1. Benevolence; kindness. See the twentyfifth sense of the adjective Good.

2. Earnestness; heartiness. See the thirtieth sense of the adjective Good.

Goo'ding. * adj. To go a gooding, is a custom observed in several parts of England on St. Thomas's day by women only, who ask alms, and in return for them wish all that is good, such as a happy new year, &c. to their benefactors, sometimes presenting them also with sprigs of ever-greens. In some parts of Surrey and Kent, the custom is thus kept up; and in other counties gooding is the word, among the poor, for collecting before Christmas what may enable them to keep the festival.

Goo'dless.* adj. [good and less.] Without goods or money.

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Goodles for to ben it is no game.

Chaucer, Shipm. Tale.

Goo'dlihood. See Goodlihead. Goo'dliness. n. s. [from goodly.] Beauty; grace; elegance.

She sung this song with a voice no less beautiful to his ears, than her goodliness was full of harmony to his eyes.

Sidney.

The stateliness of houses, the goodliness of trees, when we behold them, delighteth the eye. Hooker.

Goo'dly. adj. [from good.]

1. Beautiful; graceful; fine; splendid.

Now little in use.

A prince of a goodly aspect, and the more goodly by a grave majesty, wherewith his mind did deck his outward graces.

Sidney.

A goodly city is this Antium. Shaksp. Coriol.

Patience and sorrow strove

Which should express her goodliest: you have seen Sunshine and rain at once. Her smiles and tears Were like a wetter May. Shakspeare, K. Lear. Here from gracious England have I office

Of goodly thousands.

Rebekah took goodly raiment of her eldest son Esau, and put them upon Jacob. Gen. xwii. 15.

There was not among the children of Israel a

goodlier person than he. 1 Sam. ix. 2.
Both yonger then they were; of stature more;
And all their formes, much goodlier then before.

He had not made them any recompence for their goodly houses and olive gardens, destroyed in the former wars.

Knolles.

The goodliest man of men since born His sons, the fairest of her daughters Eve.

Mülton, P. L

Of the fourth Edward was his noble song; Fierce, goodly, valiant, beautiful, and young. Waller.

Not long since walking in the field,
My nurse and I, we there beheld
A goodly fruit, which, tempting me,
I would have pluck'd.

Waller.

How full of ornament is all I view In all its parts! and seems as beautiful as new: O goodly order'd work! O power divine! Of thee I am, and what I am is thine! Dryden-

Of thee I am, and what I am is thine! Dryde His eldest born, a goodly youth to view, Excell'd the rest in shape and outward shew; Fair, tall, his limbs with due proportion join'd, But of a heavy, dull, degen'rate mind.

Dryden, Fab

Bulky; swelling; affectedly turgid.
 Round as a globe, and liquor'd every chink,
 Goodly and great he sails behind his link. Dryden.

Happy; desirable; gay.
 England was a peaceable kingdom, and but lately inured to the mild and goodly government of the Confessor.

he Confessor. Spenser. We have many goodly days to see.

Shakspeare, Rich. III.
Goo'dly. adv. Excellently. Obsolete.
There Alma, like a virgin queen most bright,
Doth flourish in all beauty excellent;
And to her guests doth bounteous banquet dight,

And to her guests doth bounteous banquet dight, Attempered goodly well for health and for delight. Spenser, F. Q.

Goo'dlyhead.† n.s. [from goodly.] Grace; goodness. Obsolete.
For this, and many more such outrage, Craving your goodlyhead to asswage

Craving your goodlyhead to asswage
The ranckorous rigour of his might.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. Feb.

So be your goodlihead do not disdaine
The base kindred of so simple swaine.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. May.

Goo'dman. † n. s. [good and man.]
1. A slight appellation of civility: generally ironical.

How now, what's the matter? part.

- With you, goodman boy, if you please: come,
I'll flesh ye. Shakspeare, K. Lear.
A rustick term of compliment: gaffer.

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A rustick term of compliment; gaffer.
 Nay, hear you, goodman delver. Shaks. Hamlet.
 But see the sun-beams bright to labour warn,
 And gild the thatch of goodman Hodge's barn.
 Gay, Pastorals.

Old goodman Dobson of the green,
Remembers he the trees has seen.

Swift.

3. A familiar term for husband. See the twenty-eighth sense of the adjective Goop.

Let us solace ourselves with loves: for the goodman is not at home. Prov. vii. 19.

The vow she made unto her goodman.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 622.

4. The master of a family. Huloet.

The goodman of this house was Dolon hight.

Spenser, F. Q. v. vi. 32.

If the goodman of the house had known in what watch the thief would come, he would have watched, and would not have suffered his house to be broken up.

The goodman himself must draw the liquor.

Purchas, Pilgrim. (1617,) p. 222.

Goo'dness.† n. s. [Sax. zooner, zooner.]

Desirable qualities either moral or physical: kindness: favour.

If for any thing he loved greatness, it was because therein he might exercise his goodness.

There is in all things an appetite or desire, whereby they incline to something which they may be; all which perfections are contained under the general name of goodness.

All goodness

Is poison to thy stomach.

— Yes, that goodness
Of gleaning all the land's wealth into one,
Into your own hands, cardinal, by extortion:
The goodness of your intercepted packets
You writ to the pope against the king; your good-

ness,
Since you provoke me, shall be most notorious.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

There's no goodness in thy face.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop.

There is a general, or natural goodness in creatures, and a more special or moral goodness.

The goodness of every thing is measured by its end and use, and that's the best thing which serves the best end and purpose.

Tillotson.

All made very particular relations of the strength of the Scots army, the excellent discipline that was observed in it, and the goodness of the men.

No body can say that tobacco of the same goodness is risen in respect of itself: one pound of the same goodness will never exchange for a pound and a quarter of the same goodness. Locke.

Goods.† n. s. [from good.]

1. Moveables in a house.

That giv'st to such a guest As my poore selfe, of all thy goods the best.

Chapman.

2. Personal or moveable estate: formerly used in the singular number. See the fifth sense of the substantive Good. Cattle are called goods in some parts. See Cattle.

That a writ be su'd against you, To forfeit all your goods, lands, tenements,

Castles, and whatsoever. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.
This hinders nothing the proceedings of the civil courts, which respect the temporal punishment upon body and goods.

Leslie.

3. Wares; freight; merchandise.

Her majesty, when the goods of our English merchants were attached by the duke of Alva,

arrested likewise the goods of the Low Dutch here in England.

Ralegh, Essays.

Sallee, that scorn'd all pow'r and laws of men.

Goods with their owners hurrying to their den.

Waller.

GOODSHIP.* 7. s. [from good.] Favour;

Goo'dship.* n. s. [from good.] Favour; kindness. Obsolete.

For the goodship of this dede They granten him a lustic mede.

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 4.

Goo'dy.† n. s. [corrupted from goodwife. This is obvious from a passage in B. Jonson's Magnetick Lady: "Her mother goodwy' Polish has confess'd it."] A low term of civility used to mean persons.

Soft, goody sheep, then said the fox, not so; Unto the king so rash you may not go.

Spenser, Hubb. Take.
Swarm'd on a rotten stick the bees I spy'd,
Which erst I saw when goody Dobson dy'd.

Gay, Pastorals.

Plain goody would no longer down;
'Twas madam in her grogram gown. Swift.

Goodystap v. s. [from goody.] The

GOO'DYSHIP. n. s. [from goody.] The quality of goody. Ludicrous.

The more shame for her goodyship,

To give so near a friend the slip. Hudibras.

GOO'DWIFE.* n. s. [good and wife.] The
mistress of a family. Huloet.

mistress of a family. Huloet.
Which is an ordinary passion amongst our good-wices; if their husband tarry out a day longer than his appointed time, or break his hour, they take on

presently with sighs and tears; he is either robbed or dead!

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 161.

By this had chanticleer the village cocke

Bidden the good-wife for her maids to knocke,

W. Rrowne.

There is many a goodwife that understands very well all the intrigues of pepper, salt, and vinegar, who knows not any thing of the all-powerfulness of aqua-fortis! Echard, Gr. Cont. of the Clergy, p. 66. It serves the maiden female crew,

The ladies and the good-wives too. Sir J. Suckling. GOODWO'MAN.* n. s. [good and woman.]

The mistress of a family in the lower

The mistress of a family in the lower walks of life.

She who neglected her kitchen-garden (for that

Sale who neglected for kitchen-garden (for that was still the goodwoman's province) was never reputed a tolerable huswife. Evelyn, Acetaria.

Goody, good-woman, gossip, n'aunt, forsooth,
Or dame, the sole additions she did hear.

Shemstone, Schoolmistress.

GOOSE.† n. s. plural geese. [307, Sax.;
goes, Dutch; gaas, Dan. and Icel.; gus,
Russian. See also GANZA.]

 A large waterfowl proverbially noted, I know not why, for foolishness.

Thou cream-faced lown,
Where got'st thou that goose look? Shaks, Macbeth.
Since I pluckt geese, play'd truant, and whipt
top, I knew not what 'twas to be beaten till
lately.
Shakspeare.

lately.

Birds most easy to be drawn are waterfowl; as the goose and swan.

Peacham on Drawing.

Nor watchful dogs, nor the more wakeful geese,

Disturb with nightly noise the sacred peace.

Dryden, Fab.

2. A taylor's smoothing iron.

Come in, taylor: here you may roast your goose.

Shakspeare.

Goo'seberry, † n. s. [goose and berry, because eaten with young geese as sauce. Dr. Johnson.—This may surely be termed a ludicrous etymology. Yet Mr. Pegge, noticing the Latin word for a gooseberry, viz. grossula, (and he might have added our northern word groser,)

says, it is certainly big, or great, in comparison with the current or currentberry, as they call it in Kent; wherefore it may be a corruption of grosberry, which would be more easily received on account of its use as the sauce already named! Anonym. Cent. viii. 79. - I think the goose-sauce may be easily given up, if it be only observed that goss is another word in our language for gorse, or furze, which has prickles like the gooseberry-tree; zopyz, Saxon, the blackberry bush; and thus gooseberry may be goss berry or thorn berry. See Goss.] A berry and tree. The species are, 1. The common gooseberry. 2. The large manured gooseberry. 3. The red hairy gooseberry. 4. The large white Dutch gooseberry. 5. The large amber gooseberry. 6. The large green gooseberry. 7. The large red gooseberry. 8. The yellow-leaved gooseberry. 9. The striped-leaved gooseberry. August has upon his arm a basket of all manner of ripe fruits; as pears, plums, apples, gooseberries.

Upon a gooseberry bush a snail I found; For always snails near sweetest fruit abound. Gay.

Goo'seberry Fool.* See Fool.
Goo'secap.† n. s. [from goose and cap.]
A silly person.

Why what a goosecap would'st thou make me!

Beaum. and Fl. Beggar's Bush.

Goo'seroot. n. s. [chenopodium.] Wild orach. Willer.

Goo'segrass. n. s. Clivers; an herb.

Goosegrass, or wild tansy, is a weed that strong clays are very subject to.

Mortimer.

Goo'sequill.* n. s. [goose and quill.]
A pen made of the quill of a goose.

Yet think these Jesuits, with a goosequill, within four distinctions to remove the crown from the head of any king christened.

Proc. against Garnet, &c. (1606,) sign. F. i. b.
Many, wearing rapiers, are afraid of goosequills.

Shakspeare, Hamlet.

Go'PPISH.* adj. [of uncertain etymology.]
Proud; testy; pettish; apt to take exceptions. North.

Ray, and Grose.

GO'RBELLY.† n. s. [from 507s, dung, and belly, according to Skinner and Junius. It may perhaps come from gor, Welsh, beyond, too much; or, as seems to me more likely, may be contracted from gormand or gorman's belly, the belly of a glutton.] A big paunch; a swelling belly. A term of reproach for a fat man.

Sherwood.

The belching gorbelly hath well nigh killed me.

Brewer, Com. of Lingua, v. 2.

GO'RBELLIED.† adj. [from gorbelly. It is sometimes written gorrel-bellied; and in Derbyshire gorrel-bellied is spoken for pot-bellied.] Fat; bigbellied; having swelling paunches.

Hang ye, gorbellied knaves, are you undone? No, ye fat chuffs, I would your store were here. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

Gorrel-bellyed Bacchus, gyant-like, Bestrid a strong-beere barrell.

Gorce.* n. s. [Norm. Fr. gors.] A pool of water to keep fish in; a wear.

Obsolete. It occurs in the Statutes, 25 Edw. III. ch. 4.

Go'rcock.* n. s. [perhaps from gorse, furze or heath.] The moor-cock, or red game; grouse.

Go'rcrow.* n. s. [gore and crow.] The carrion crow.

Vulture, kite,

Raven, and gorcrow, all my birds of prey,
That think me turning carcass, now they come.

B. Jonson, Fox.

GORD. n. s. An instrument of gaming, as appears from Beaumont and Fletcher.

Thy dry bones can reach at nothing now, but gords and ninepins. Beaum. and Fl. Scornful Lady. Let vultures gripe thy guts, for gourd and Fulham holds.

Shatspeare.

Go'RDIAN.* adj. [from Gordius, a Phrygian husbandman, made king by the oracle of Apollo; who is said to have then tied up his utensils of husbandry in the temple, and in a knot so intricate that no one could find out where it began or ended. It was pretended, that whoever should loose this knot, should be king of all Asia. Alexander the Great, without staying to untie it, cut it with his sword. The Latin nodus gordianus, or gordian knot, was hence adopted to express any difficult matter; and has passed into our language.] Intricate; difficult.

Turn him to any cause of policy,
The Gordian knot of it he will unloose,
Familiar as his garter. Shakspeare, K. Hen. V.
As slippery as the Gordian knot was hard.

The binding knot of the late Gordian conspiracie. Proc. against Garnet, &c. sign. S. s. 3. Strange power of home, with how strong-twisted

And Gordian-twined knot, dost thou enchain me!

P. Fletcher, Poesies.

What power, what force, what mighty spell, if

not
Your learned hands can loose this Gordian knot?

Milton, Vac. Ex.
Close the serpent sly,

Insinuating, wove with Gordian twine
His braided train.

Milton, P. L.

GORE.† n. s. [zop, Saxon, gor, Welsh, sanious matter; gorr, Swed. the same; gar, Goth. blood.]

1. Blood effused from the body.

A griesly wound, From which forth gush'd a stream of gore-blood thick,

That all her goodly garment stain'd around, And into a deep sanguine dy'd the grassy ground, Spenser, F. Q.

Another's crimes the youth unhappy bore, Glutting his father's eyes with guiltless gore.

Their veius, after forty days' burial, extended with blood, being opened with a lancet, have yielded a gore as plentiful, fresh, and thick, as that which issues from the vessels of young and sanguine persons.

Ricaut, State of the Greek Church, p. 278.
2. Blood clotted or congealed.

The bloody fact
Will be aveng'd; though here thou see him die,
Rolling in dust and gore.

Milton, P. L.
His horrid beard and knotted tresses stood
Stiff with his gore, and all his wounds ran blood.

3. Dirt; mud. The Saxon and Swedish words have also the same meaning. Gar

is used in the north of England for miry or dirty.

As a sowe waloweth in the stynkynge gore pytte, or in the puddell.

Bp. Fisher, Ps. p. 18.

To Gore. v. a. [zebopian, Sax.]

1. To stab; to pierce.

Oh, let no noble eye profane a tear
For me, if I be gor'd with Mowbray's spear.

Shakspeare, Rich. II.

No weaker lion's by a stronger slain; Nor from his larger tusks the forest boar Commission takes his brother swine to gore.

Tate, Juv.

For arms his men long pikes and javlins bore.

And poles with pointed steel their foes in battle

gore.

Dryden.

2. To pierce with a horn.

Some toss'd, some gor'd, some trampling down he kill'd.

He idly butting, feigns

His rival gor'd in ev'ry knotty trunk.

Thomson, Spring.

GORGE. † n. s. [gorge, Fr.]

1. The throat; the swallow,

There were birds also made so finely, that they did not only deceive the sight with their figures, but the hearing with their songs, which the watry instruments did make their gorge deliver.

And now how abhorred in my imagination; it is! my gorge rises at it. Shakspeare, Hamlet. Her delicate tenderness will find itself abused, begin to heave the gorge, disrelish and abhor the Moor. Shakspeare, Othello.

This mighty sail-winged monster, that menaces to swallow up the land, unless her bottomless gorge may be satisfied with the blood of the king's daughter of the church.

Milton, Reas. of Ch. Gov. B. 2.

2. That which is gorged or swallowed. Not in use.

And all the way, most like a brutish beast, He spewed up his gorge, that all did him detest. Spenser, F. Q.

3. A meal or gorgeful given unto birds, especially hawks.

Cotgrave.

No lure will cause her stoop, she bears full gorge. Watson, Sonnets. Because the vultures had but small pickings, shall we therefore go and fling them a full gorge?

Millon, Apol. for Smectymu.

4. In architecture, a kind of concave moulding.

5. In fortification, the entrance of a bastion, a ravelin, or other outwork.

To Gorge. v. a. [gorger, Fr.]

 To fill up to the throat; to glut; to satiate.
 Being with his presence glutted, gorg'd, and full.

Being with his presence glutted, gorg'd, and full
Shakspeare
He that makes his generation messes,

To gorge his appetite. Shakspeare, K. Lear. Gorge with my blood thy barbarous appetite.

Dryden.

I desire that they will not gorge the lion either with nonsense or obscenity. Addison.

Nor would his slaughter'd army now have lain On Africk's sands, disfigur'd with their wounds,

To gorge the wolves and vultures of Numidia.

Addison, Cato.

The giant, gorg'd with flesh, and wine, and

The giant, gorg'd with flesh, and wine, and blood,
Lay stretcht at length, and snoring in his den.

Addison

2. To swallow: as, the fish has gorged the hook.

To Gorge.* v. n. To feed.

fowls of prey and ravin in the land, to come and gorge upon the church.

Milton, Animadv. Rem. Def. Go'rged. † adj. [from gorge.] 1. Having a gorge or throat.

Look up a height, the shrill gorg'd lark so far Cannot be seen or heard. Shakspeare.

2. In heraldry, denoting a crown of a peculiar form about the neck of a lion or other animal.

Go'regeful.* n. s. [gorge and full.] A meal for birds. See the third sense of

Gorge. Not now in use.

GO'RGEOUS.† adj. [gorgias, old Fr. Skinner .- Our own word at first was gorgiouse.] Fine; splendid; glittering in various colours; showy; magnificent. The houses be curiouslye builded after a gorgiouse and gallant sorte.

Robinson, Tr. of More's Utopia, ii. 2. (1551.) They make themselves believe that they are

faire and gorgeous.

Outred, Tr. of Cope on Prov. xi. 22. (1580.) O, that deceit should dwell

In such a gorgeous palace! Shakspeare, Rom. & Jul. As full of spirit as the month of May, And gorgeous as the sun at Midsummer.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. He bad them look upon themselves and upon their enemies, themselves dreadful, their enemies gorgeous and brave.

The gorgeous East, with richest hand,

Pours on her kings barbaric pearl and gold.

Milton, P. L. With gorgeous wings, the marks of sov'reign sway,

The two contending princes make their way.

Dryden, Virg. Go'RGEOUSLY. † adv. [from gorgeous.]

Splendidly; magnificently; finely.

They which are gorgeously apparelled, and live delicately, are in kings' courts. St. Luke, vii. 25. Transl. of 1578.

Most precious stones, gorgeously and cunningly Sidney, Arcad. b. 1. set in divers manners. Crown'd with embroider'd banks, and gorgeously array'd

Will all th' enamell'd flowers of many a goodly mead. Drayton, Polyolb. S. 3. The duke, one solemn day, gorgeously clad in a suit all overspread with diamonds, lost one of them of good value. Wotton, Life of D. of Buck.

Go'rgeousness. n. s. [from gorgeous.] Splendour; magnificence; show. Huloet. They ought to be diligently admonished to flye gorgiousnesse and sumptuousnesse.

Outred, Tr. of Cope on Prov. xi. 22. (1580.) In that day shall the Lord take away the gor-

geousness of their apparel.

Knight, Trial of Truth, (1580,) fol.7. What gorgeousness of shews with the vulgar and simple, what multitude of ceremonies with the superstitious! Sir E. Sandys, State of Religion.

Go'rget.† n. s. [from gorge.]

1. The piece of armour that defends the throat.

He with a palsy fumbling on his gorget, Shakes in and out the rivet. Shaks. Troil. & Cress. He did oftentimes spend the night in the church

alone praying, his headpiece, gorget, and gauntlets lying by him. Knolles. See how his gorget peers above his gown,

To tell the people in what danger he was. B. Jonson.

About his neck a threefold gorget, As rough as trebled leathern target. 2. It is now a small convex ornament, gilt

or of silver, worn by the officers of foot upon their breasts when on duty.

The very garbage that draws together all the | 3. Formerly it was used for that part of the female dress called a ruff. It is in our old lexicography, and is so used by 2. Bloody; murderous; fatal. Cleaveland in his poems; but is now obsolete; though Dr. Johnson explains neckerchief by gorget. See NECKER-CHIEF.

GO'RGON. n. s. [γοργώ, Gr.] A monster with snaky hairs, of which the sight turned beholders to stone; any thing

ugly or horrid.

Gorgons, and hydras, and chimeras dire. Milton, P. L.

Why didst thou not encounter man for man, And try the virtue of that gorgon face

To stare me into statue? GORGO'NIAN.* adj. Having the power of the gorgon to terrify or strike with 1. A young goose; a goose not yet full horrour.

Gorgonian scolds, and harpyes.

B. Johnson, Epigr. 134. Medusa with Gorgonian terrour guards Milton, P. L.

Go'RHEN.* n. s. The female of the gorcock.

Go'RING.* n. s. [from gore.] Puncture; 2. A katkin on nut-trees and pines.

His horses' flanks and sides are forc'd to feel The clinking lash, and goring of the steel.

Dryden, Æn. GO'RMAND. † n. s. [gourmand, French. See Gourmand.] A greedy eater; a ravenous luxurious feeder.

The gurmond's paunch is fed. Marston, Scourge of Vill. (1599,) i. 4.

That great gormond, fat Apicius. B. Jonson, Sejanus. Many are made gormands and gluttons by cus-

tom, that were not so by nature. Go'RMANDER.* n. s. [gourmand, French.] Huloet. A great eater.

Go'RMANDIZE.* n. s. [from gormand.] Voraciousness. See GOURMANDIZE.

To Go'RMANDIZE. v. n. [from gormand.] To eat greedily; to feed ravenously.

Make less thy body, hence, and more thy grace; Leave gormandizing. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. P. II. He that censures the good fellow, commonly makes no conscience of gluttony, and gormandizing Howell, Lett. ii. 3. at home. No scene of it must pass without an eating

and gormandizing parasite. Hales, Serm. at the end of his Rem. p. 29. GORMANDI'ZER. 7 n. s. [from the verb.]

A voracious eater.

It were enough, you being such gormandisers, To make the sheriffs, henceforth, turn arrant Cleaveland, Poems, &c. p.113. misers!

Go'rrel-bellied.* See Gorbellied. Gorse.† n. s. [zoppt, Sax.] Furze; a thick prickly shrub that bears yellow flowers in winter.

And for fair corn-ground are our fields surcloy'd

With worthless gorse.

Kyd, Trag. of Cornelia, (1594.) I see thee breathing on the barren moor, That seems to bloom, although so bleak before; There if beneath the gorse the primrose spring, Or the pied daisy smile below the ling. They shall new charms, at thy command, disclose.

Crabbe, Birth of Flattery. Go'RY. adj. [from gore.]

1. Covered with congealed blood. When two boars with rankling malice met, Their gory sides the fresh wounds fiercely fret.

Why dost thou shake thy gory locks at me? Thou canst not say I did it. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

The obligation of our blood forbids A gory emulation 'twixt us twain.

Shakspeare, Troil. and Cress.

Go'shawk.† n. s. [zor, goose, and haroc, a hawk. It is said to prey on wild geese.] A hawk of a large kind. Such dread his awful visage on them cast; So seem poor doves at goshawks sight aghast.

Fairfax. Here are also averies of hawks, and sundry other birds; as, goshawks, lannars, hobbies, &c. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 383.

Go'sling. n. s. [from goose.]

grown.

Why do you go nodding and waggling so like a fool, as if you were hipshot? says the goose to her gosling.

Nature hath instructed even a brood of goslings to stick together, while the kite is hovering over

GO'SPEL. † n. s. [zober rpel, Sax. God's or good tidings; εὐαγγέλιον, Greek; soskel, skeal suach, happy tidings, Erse.]

1. The glad tidings of the actual coming of the Messiah; and hence the evan-

gelical history of Christ.

What the word εὐαγγέλιον in Greek, which we render gospel, signifies among authors, is ordinarily known, viz. from εὖ and ἀγγέλλω, good news, or good tidings. Thus the angel speaks of the birth of Christ, ΕΥΑΓΓΕΛΙΖΟΜΑΙ ύμεν χαράν μεγάλην, I bring you good tidings of great joy, i. e. very joyful good tidings. Only in this sacred use of it, there seems to be a metonymy, or figure very ordinary, whereby the word which signifies good news, is set to denote the history of that good news, the birth, and life, and resurrection of Christ, which all put together is that joyful news or good tidings. -And so this word zooppel, or by euphony gospel, in Wicliffe's translation, and ever since, notes these good tidings delivered; as first by an angel; and after that, by the apostles by word of mouth; so here in writing, by way of history also; and in brief signifies that blessed story of the birth, life, actions, precepts, and promises, death, and resurrection of Christ; which, of all other stories in the world, we Christians ought to look on with most joy, as an εὐαγγέλιον or good word, i. e. a gospel.

Hammond on the Gospels, Annot. 1.

Not fit that you should be the sheriffs' tasters; 2. God's word; the holy book of the Christian revelation.

Thus may the gospel to the rising sun Be spread, and flourish where it first begun.

All the decrees whereof Scripture treateth are conditionate, receiving Christ as the gospel offers him, as Lord and Saviour; the former, as well as the latter, being the condition of scripture-election, and the rejecting, or not receiving him thus, the condition of the scripture-reprobation.

How is a good Christian animated and cheered by a stedfast belief of the promises of the gospel! Bentley.

3. Divinity; theology.

Help us to save free conscience from the paw Of hireling wolves, whose gospel is their maw. Milton, Sonnet to Cromwell.

4. Any general doctrine.

The propagators of this political gospel are in hopes their abstract principle would be overlooked.

To Go'spel. v. a. [from the noun.] To fill with sentiments of religion. This word in Shakspeare, in whom alone I have found it, is used, though so venerable in itself, with some degree of irony: I suppose from the gospellers, who had long been held in contempt.

Are you so gospell'd To pray for this good man, and for his issue, Whose heavy hand hath bow'd you to the grave?

Go'SPELLARY.* adj. [from gospel.] Theological.

Let any man judge, how well these gospellary principles of our presbyterians agree with the practice and doctrine of the holy apostles.

The Cloak in its Colours, (1679,) p. 8. Go'speller.† n. s. [Sax. zobrpellepe,

evangelista. Sax. Chron.]

1. An evangelist. This is the primary sense, of which Dr. Johnson takes no notice, but assigns the use of this word merely to the name of the followers of Wicliffe. Wicliffe himself uses it for an evangelist.

Matheu that was of Judee, as he is sett first in order of gospellers, so he wroot first the gospel in Judee. Wicliffe, N. Test. Prolog. on St. Matt.

Men maie in the gospel rede Of sainct Mathewe the gospellere.

Chaucer, Rom. R. 6887. 2. A name of the followers of Wicliffe. who first attempted a reformation from popery, given them by the Papists in reproach, from their professing to follow and preach only the gospel.

Our new gospellers do spurne and kicke against it. Martin, Marr. of Priests, (1554,) sign. Q. iii. b.

What, is Juventus become so tame,

To be a new gospeller?

Old Morality of Lusty Juventus. The blynde papiste, the weake papiste, and simple gospeller, as you terme them.

Bp. Hooper on the Ministers' Apparel. That as well the catholicks with the gospellers, as they again with the catholicks, be and remain in true and unfeigned peace.

Accord of Ulm, (1620,) Wotton's Rem. p. 533. How much have we declined from that zeal and love, which our fathers bore to the Reformation! There were two things that were visible in the practice of those who first embraced it among us: the one was the great pleasure they took in reading the Scriptures, from whence they were in derision called gospetters.

Bp. Burnet, Fast Sermon, (1680.) These gospellers have had their golden days, Have trodden down our holy Roman faith.

Rowe, Jane Shore. 3. He who reads the Gospel at the altar. See EPISTLER.

These be my gospellers, These be my pistillers,

These be my queristers. Skelton, Poems, p. 113. The principal minister using a decent cope, and being assisted with the gospeller and epistler.

Const. and Can. Ecc. 24. To Go'spellize.* v.a. [from gospel.] To form according to the gospel.

This command, thus gospellized to us, hath the same force with that whereon Ezra grounded the pious necessity of divorcing.

Goss.* n. s. A kind of low furze or gorse. See Gorse. Gorse is called goss in Kent.

Tooth'd briers, sharp furzes, pricking goss, and

Shakspeare, Tempest. GO'SSAMER.† n. s. [gossipium, low

Lat. Dr. Johnson. Skinner and Mr. Nares offer the French gossampire. "The true etymon of this word is obvious to many illiterate peasants, however, in Craven. This down, or rather exhalation, is well known by the name of summer-goose, or summer-gauze; hence gauze o' th' summer, gauzamer, alias gossamer." Craven Dialect, 1824.] The down of plants; the long white cobwebs which fly in the air in calm sunny weather, especially about the time of autumn; or rather vapour arising from boggy or marshy ground, in warm weather. Craven Dial.

A lover may bestride the gossamers That idle in the wanton summer air, And yet not fall; so light is vanity.

Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul. Four nimble gnats the horses were, Their harnesses of gossamere.

Drayton, Nymphidia. The filmy gossamer now flits no more, Nor halcyons bask on the short sunny shore.

Dryden, Virg. Go'ssamery.* adj. [from gossamer.] Light; flimsy; unsubstantial.

Filmy, gawzy, gossamery lines

With lucid language, and most dark designs. Pursuits of Lit. P. 1. ver. 85.

GO'SSIP. † n. s. [306 and 1yb, relation, affinity, Saxon; i. e. relation by a religious obligation. Our own word was accordingly at first godsib, as in Chaucer; then godsip, as in Campion's Hist. of Ireland; and lastly, gossip. It is now commonly understood of the godmother. Chaucer uses it for godfather.]

1. One who answers for the child in Gosso'on.* n.s. [Fr. garçon.] A lad, a

baptism.

Our christian ancestors, understanding a spiritual affinity to grow between the parents and such as undertooke for the child at baptisme, called each other by the name of Godsib, which is as much as to say, that they were sib together, that is of kin together through God. And the child, in like manner, called such his God-fathers, or Godmothers. Verstegan, Rest. of Dec. Intell. Go to a gossip's feast, and go with me;

After so long grief, such nativity. At the christening of George duke of Clarence, who was born in the castle of Dublin, he made both the earl of Kildare and the earl of Ormond Davies on Ireland.

2. A tippling companion. From the familiarity of conversation, or merry making, at some christenings, this sense of gossip perhaps arose.

And sometimes lurk I in a gossip's bowl, In very likeness of a roasted crab, And when she drinks, against her lips I bob.

3. One who runs about tattling like women

at a lying-in. To do the office of a neighbour,

And be a gossip at his labour.
'Tis sung in ev'ry street, Hudibras.

The common chat of gossips when they meet. Dryden.

4. In a good sense, as a friend or neighbour. One mother, whenas her foolhardy child

Did come too neare, and with his talons play Half dead through feare, her little babe revil'd, And to her gossibs gan in counsell say; How can I tell, &c. Spenser, F. Q. A woman said to her neighbour, alas, gossip, what should we now do at church, since all our saints are taken away?

Homil. of Place and Time of Prayer, P. ii. 5. In modern conversation, mere tattle; trifling talk.

To Go'ssip. † v. n. [from the noun.]

1. To chat; to prate; to be merry.
Go to a gossip's feast, and go with me.

With all my heart, I'll gossip at this feast. Shak. His mother was a vot'ress of my order, And, in the spiced Indian air by night,

Full often hath she gossip'd by my side. Such swarms of men that had renounced their virility, and led an idle life, &c. went gadding and gossiping up and down, telling odd stories to the people, as old wives and nurses do to children.

More on the Sev. Churches, Pref. He gives himself up to an idle gossiping conversation.

2. To be a pot-companion.

Nor met with fortune other than at feasts, Fullwarm of blood, of mirth, of gossiping.

Shakspeare, K. John. Go'ssiping.* n. s. [from gossip.] A going about to collect or report mere tattle; a meeting of gossips.

Let not customary sluggishness make us unwieldy for any thing but gossipings.

Bp. Rainbow, Serm. (1635,) p. 40. 'Tis possible to go into a masculine company, where 'twill be as hard to edge in a word as at a Gov. of the Tongue, p. 73. female gossiping.

The market and exchange must be left to their own ways of talking, and gossipings not be robbed of their ancient privilege.

Go'ssipred. n. s. [gossipry, from gossip.] Gossipred or compaternity, by the canon law, is a spiritual affinity; and the juror, that was gossip to either of the parties, might, in former times, have been challenged as not indifferent.

Davies on Ireland.

low attendant formerly in the wealthy families in the Irish. The Scotch use garson as an attendant.

In most Irish families there used to be a barefooted gossoon, who was slave to the cook and the butler, and who in fact, without wages, did all the hard work of the house. Gossoons were always employed as messengers. Castle Rackrent, p. 93. Go'sting. n. s. [rubia.] An herb.

Ainsworth.

Gor. pret. of get.

Titus Lartius writes, they fought together; but ufidius got off.

Shakspeare, Coriol.

If you have strength Achilles' arms to bear, Aufidius got off.

Though foul Thersites got thee, thou shalt be Lov'd and esteem'd. These regions and this realm my wars have got;

This mournful empire is the loser's lot. Dryden, State of Inn.

When they began to reason about the means how the sea got thither, and away back again, there they were presently in the dark. Woodward, Nat. Hist.

Got. part. pass. of get.
Solyman commended them for their valour in their evil haps, in a plot so well by them laid, more than he did the victory of others got by good fortune, not grounded upon any good reason. Knolles, Hist.

A gentle persuasion in reasoning, when the first point of submission to your will is got, will

If he behaves himself so when he depends on us for his daily bread, can any man say what he will do when he is got above the world?

Arbuthnot, John Bull.

Thou wert from Ætna's burning entrails torn, Got by fierce whirlwinds, and in thunder born.

Gote.* n. s. A water-passage; a channel for water. A northern word. Grose, and Craven Dial. See GUTTER.

GOTH.* n. s. [Lat. Gothus; old French, Goth; Sax. Loca; from Gothia, or Goth-

1. One of the people in the northern parts of Europe, first called Getes, afterwards

There are considerable reasons to persuade us, that the Getes and Goths, who were of Aramaan original, made their incursions out of the northern parts of Asia, through Sarmatia, into Scandia and other regions of Europe, where they settled them-Bibliott. Bibl. i. SO7.

selves. Not very solicitous whether originally a Goth or a Celt.

Celt. Campbell, Lit. Hist. of Ireland, p. 72. The Goths [spoken of by Hickes, in his remarks on the Mœso-Gothick language,] were those who inhabited Mosia, not far from the northern borders of Greece, a vast tract of country now comprehended in Turkey; whose language, with different dialects, probably extended over all the north of Europe, nearly in the same latitude, from the coast of Norway to the Black Sea.

Pegge, Anec. of the Eng. Language. 2. One not civilized; one deficient in 2. Conformity to Gothick architecture. general knowledge; a barbarian.

I look upon these writers as Goths in poetry. Addison, Spect. No. 62.

What do you think of the late extraordinary event in Spain? Could you have ever imagined, that those ignorant Goths would have dared to banish the Jesuits? Lord Chesterfield.

GO'THAMIST.* n. s. [from the old saying, " As wise as a man of Gotham;" a place in Nottinghamshire formerly, it is feigned, noted for some pleasant blunders; whence a man of Gotham denoted a simple person. See Grose's Local Proverbs.] One who is not wise.

As those scholars in their tales, even so the Romish writers have been so defective in uttering of their meaning concerning the same speech of Christ, that they have merited, like to the former Gothamists, to be dismissed with laughter for speaking so foolishly.

Bp. Morton, Disch. of Imputat. &c. (1633,) p. 123. Go'THICAL.*] adj. [old Fr. gothique, from

Go'THICK. J Goth.]

1. Respecting the country or language of the Goths.

In which box were certain scrolls of parchment written with Gothical characters, but containing Castilian verses, which comprehended many of his Shelton, Don Quix. iv. 24.

Francis Junius published those precious fragments of the ancient Teutonick language, [the fragments of the Moso-Gothick gospels,] under the name of Uphil, a Gothick bishop in Mœsia.

M. Shelton, Tr. of Wotton's View of Hickes, p 200. Dr. Hickes points out a very striking feature of resemblance in the similar pronunciation of gg when in contact, by observing that, in this situation, the first g had, in the Mæso-Gothick, the sound of n, as it has in the Greek. This he exemplifies in the Gothick verb gaggan, to go, which, he tells us, from such pronunciation produced the Saxon verb gangan.

Pegge, Anecd. of the Eng. Language.

chitecture, distinguished by the terms ancient and modern, the heavy or light; the former being that which the Goths brought with them from the north in the fifth century, which is very coarse about the tenth century, which runs

lightness, and is sometimes called arabesque. See ARABESQUE.

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There is nothing in this city [Sienna] so extraordinary as the cathedral, which - can only be looked upon as one of the master pieces of Addison on Italy. Gothick architecture.

York-minster I look upon to be the criterion, according to which the beauties or defects of every

Gothic church are to be estimated.

Swinburne, Trav. through Spain, L. 44. 3. Rude; uncivilized.

Ah! rustic ruder than Gothic. Congreve. Go'THICK.* n. s. The Gothick language. Besides Wormius, Verelius, and Gudmundus Andreæ, there are very few that have professedly treated the ancient Gothick.

Pref. to Serenius's Swed. and Eng. Dict. 2d ed. 1757. Go'THICISM.* n.s. [from Gothick.]

1. A Gothick idiom.

This peculiarity Mr. Sibbald, the chronicler of the Scottish poetry, in his zeal for Gothicism, has endeavoured to derive from an unknown character (0) in the Gothic Gospels of Ulphilas, which were written in the fourth century.

Chalmers on the Language of Sir D. Lyndsay.

I am glad you enter into the spirit of Strawberry Castle, it has a purity and propriety of Gothicism Gray, Letters.

3. The state of barbarians. Night, Gothicism, confusion, and absolute Shenston Chaos are come again.

To Go'THICIZE.* v. a. [from Gothick.] To

bring back to barbarism. The language and manners of the higher ranks are not gothicized. Strutt, Queen-Hoo Hall.

GO'TTEN. part. pass. of get. Wisdom cannot be gotten for gold.

Job, xxviii. 15. Few of them, when they are gotten into an office, apply their thoughts to the execution of it.

Temple. Dict. Goud. n. s. Woad: a plant. Tusser. GOVE. n. s. A mow.

To Gove. v. n. To mow; to put in a gove, goff, or mow. An old word.

Load safe, carry home, follow time being fair, Gove just in the barn, it is out of despair. Tusser.

To GO'VERN. v. a. [gouverner, French; guberno, Latin.

To rule as a chief magistrate.

This inconvenience is more hard to be redressed in the governor than the governed; as a malady in a vital part is more incurable than in an external. Spenser on Ireland. Slaves to our passions we become, and then

It grows impossible to govern men. 2. To regulate; to influence; to direct.

I am at present against war, though it puts the power into my hands, and though such turbulent and naughty spirits as you are, govern all things in times of peace.

The chief point, which he is to carry always in his eye, and by which he is to govern all his counsels, designs, and actions. Atterbury.

3. To manage; to restrain.

Go after her, she's desperate; govern her. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

2. Denoting a particular kind of ar- 4. [In grammar.] To have force with regard to syntax; as, amo governs the accusative case.

> Listen, children, unto me, And let this your lesson be, In our language evermore

Words that govern go before. Manger, Fr. Gram. and massive; the latter being introduced 5. To pilot; to regulate the motions of a

into the other extreme of delicacy and | To Go'vern. v. n. To keep superiority; to behave with haughtiness.

By that rule, Your wicked atoms may be working now To give bad counsel, that you still may govern. Dryden.

Go'VERNABLE. adj. [from govern.] Submissive to authority; subject to rule; obedient: manageable. The flexibleness of the former part of a man's

age, not yet grown up to be headstrong, makes it more governable and safe.

Go'vernance. n. s. [from govern.]

1. Government; rule; management. Jonathan took the governance upon him at that time, and rose up instead of his brother Judas. 1 Mac. ix. 31.

2. Control, as that of a guardian. Me he knew not, neither his own ill.

Till through wise handling, and fair governance, I him recured to a better will. What! shall king Henry be a pupil still, Under the surly Gloster's governance?

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. 3. Behaviour; manners. Obsolete.

He likest is to fall into mischance That is regardless of his governance.

Spenser, Muiopotmos.

Go'vernant. + n. s. [gouvernante, Fr.] A lady who has the care of young girls of quality. The more usual and proper word is governess.

I saw Envy there drest up in a widow's veil,

and the very picture of the governante of one of

your noblemen's houses.

L'Estrange, Tr. of Quevedo's Vis. p. 98. Go'verness. n.s. [gouverneresse, old Fr., from gove.]

1. A female invested with authority. The moon, the governess of floods,

Pale in her anger, washes all the air, That rheumatick diseases do abound. Shakspeare.

2. A tutoress; a woman that has the care of young ladies.

He presented himself unto her, falling down upon both his knees, and holding up his hands, as the old governess of Danae is painted, when she suddenly saw the golden shower. Sidney. His three younger children were taken from

the governess in whose hands he put them.

Clarendon.

3. A tutoress; an instructress; a directress.

Great affliction that severe governess of the life of man brings upon those souls she seizes on. More against Atheism.

Go'vernment. n. s. [gouvernement, Fr.] 1. Form of a community with respect to the disposition of the supreme authority.

There seem to be but two general kinds of government in the world: the one exercised according to the arbitrary commands and will of some single person; and the other according to certain orders or laws introduced by agreement or custom, and not to be changed without the consent of many.

No government can do any act to limit itself: the supreme legislative power cannot make itself not to be absolute.

2. An established state of legal authority. There they shall found

Their government, and their great senate choose Through the twelve tribes, to rule by laws ordain'd.

Milton, P. L. While he survives, in concord and content

The commons live, by no divisions rent; But the great monarch's death dissolves the government. Dryden

Every one knows, who has considered the na- | 5. Pilot; regulator; manager. ture of government, that there must be in each particular form of it an absolute unlimited power.

Addison. Where any one person or body of men seize into their hands the power in the last resort, there is properly no longer a government, but what Aristotle and his followers call the abuse or corruption of one.

3. Administration of publick affairs. Safety and equal government are things Which subjects make as happy as their kings

Those governments which curb not evils, cause; And a rich knave's a libel on our laws. Young.

4. Regularity of behaviour. Not in use. You needs must learn, lord, to amend this fault;

Though sometimes it shews greatness, courage, blood,

Yet oftentimes it doth present harsh rage, Defect of manners, want of government. Pride, haughtiness, opinion, and disdain.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. 'Tis government that makes them seem divine; The want thereof makes thee abominable

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. 5. Manageableness; compliance; obsequiousness.

Thy eyes' windows fall, Like death, when he shuts up the day of life; Each part depriv'd of supple government, Shall stiff and stark, and cold appear, like death. Shakspeare.

6. Management of the limbs or body. Obsolete.

Their god Shot many a dart at me with fierce intent : But I them warded all with wary government. Spenser, F. Q.

7. [In grammar.] Influence with regard to construction.

Go'vernour. n.s. [gouverneur, French.] 1. One who has the supreme direction.

It must be confessed, that of Christ, working as a creator and a governour of the world by providence, all are partakers.

They beget in us a great idea and veneration of the mighty author and governour of such stu-pendous bodies, and excite and elevate our minds to his adoration and praise.

2. One who is invested with supreme

authority in a state. For the kingdom is the Lord's, and he is the

governour among the nations. Ps. xxii. 28. The magistrate cannot urge obedience upon such potent grounds as the minister, if so disposed, can urge disobedience; as, for instance, if my governour should command me to do a thing, or I must die, or forfeit my estate; and the minister steps in and tells me that I offend God, and ruin my soul, if I obey that command, 'tis easy

to see a greater force in this persuasion. South. 3. One who rules any place with delegated and temporary authority.

To you, lord governour, Remains the censure of this hellish villain,

Shakspeare, Othello. A tutor; one who has care of a young

To Eltham will I, where the young king is, Being ordain'd his special governour And for his safety there I'll best devise.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI.
The great work of a governour is to fashion the carriage, and form the mind; to settle in his pupil good habits, and the principles of virtue and wisdom.

During the minority of kings, the election of bishops, and other affairs of the church, must be left in the hands of their governours and courtiers.

Behold also the ships, which though they be so great, and are driven of fierce winds, yet they are turned about with a very small helm, whithersoever the governour listeth.

GOUGE. n. s. [French.] A chisel having a round edge, for the cutting of such wood as is to be rounded or hol-

To Gouge.* v. a. [from the noun.] To scoop out as with a gouge or chisel. I will save in cork,

In my meer stop'ling, 'bove three thousand pound, Within that term; by googing of 'em out Just to the size of my bottles, and not slicing.

B. Jonson, Dev. is an Ass. Go'UJEERS. † n. s. [from gouge, French, a

camp trull.] The French disease. Hanmer. The goujeers shall devour them, flesh and fell.

Shakspeare, K. Lear. Go'uland.* n.s. A flower.

Pinks, goulands, king-cups, and sweet sops-in-

B. Jonson, Masques. Goula'RD.* n. s. An extract of lead, so called from M. Goulard, the inventor of it, used as a remedy for inflammations, bruises, sprains, and the like.

GOURD. † n. s. [gouhorde, French.]

1. A plant. The fruit of some species are long, of others round, or bottle-shaped. Miller.

But I will haste, and from each bough and brake, Each plant, and juiciest gourd, will pluck such choice To entertain our angel-guest. . Milton, P. L.

Gourd seeds abound so much in oil, that a sweet and pleasant one may be drawn from them by expression: they are of the four greater cold seeds, and are used in emulsions.

A bottle [from gourt, old French. Skinner.] The large fruit so called is often scooped hollow, for the purpose of containing and carrying wine, and other liquors; from thence any leathern bottle grew to be called by the same name, and so the word is used by Chaucer.

3. An instrument of gaming. See Gord. Gou'rdiness. n. s. [from gourd.] swelling in a horse's leg after a journey. Farrier's Dict.

GO'URMAND.* n. s. [French. GORMAND. Written also gurmand, as are also the derivatives, gurmandize.] A glutton; a greedy eater.

This gourmand sacrifices whole hecatombs to Bp. Hall, St. Paul's Combat. With difficulty I return to what remains of this ignoble task, for the disdain I have to change a

period more with the filth and venom of this gourmand, swelled into a confuter. Milton, Colast. To Go'URMANDIZE.* v. n. [from gourmand.] To play the glutton. See To

GORMANDIZE. Cockeram. Go'URMANDIZE.* n. s. [from gourmand.] Gluttony; voraciousness.

A tiger forth out of the wood did rise, That with fell claws, full of fierce gourmandize, And greedy mouth wide gaping like hell gate, Did run at Pastorell, her to surprize.

Spenser, F. Q. vi. x. 34. Lacedemon, whence gourmandize, drunkenness, luxury, dissolution, avarice, envy, and ambition were banished,

Summary of Du Bartas, (1621,) P. ii. p. 54.

Go'URNET. n. s. [cuculus.] A fish. GOUT. n. s. [goutte, French.]

1. The arthritis; a periodical disease attended with great pain.

The gout is a disease which may affect any membranous part, but commonly those which are at the greatest distance from the heart or the brain, where the motion of the fluids is the lowest, the resistance, friction, and stricture of the solid parts the greatest, and the sensation of pain, by the dilaceration of the nervous fibres, extreme. Arbuthnot on Diet.

One that's sick o' th' gout, had rather Groan so in perplexity, than be cur'd By the sure physician death. Shakspeare, Cymb. This very rev'rend lecher, quite worn out

With rheumatisms, and crippled with his gout, Forgets what he in youthful times has done, And swinges his own vices in his son. Dryden, Juv.

2. A drop. [goutte, French; gutta, Latin.] Gut for drop is still used in Scotland by physicians.

I see thee still; And on thy blade, and dudgeon, gouts of blood, Which was not so before. Shakspeare, Macbeth. GOUT. n. s. [French.] A taste. An affected cant word.

Catalogues serve for a direction to any one that has a gout for the like studies.

Woodward on Fossils. GOUT-SWOLLEN.* adj. [gout and swollen.] Inflamed with the gout.

The best lies low Quoth old Eudemon, when his gout-swolne fist

Gropes for his double ducats in his chist. Bp. Hall, Sat. iv. 1.

Go'utwort. n.s. [gout and wort, podagraria.] An herb. Ainsworth.

Go'uty. † adj. [from gout.] 1. Afflicted or diseased with the gout.

Huloet. The sickly ladie, and the gowtie peere, Still would I haunt, that love their life so deare.

Bp. Hall, Sat. ii. 4. There dies not above one of a thousand of the gout, although I believe that more die gouty.

Knots upon his gouty joints appear, And chalk is in his crippled fingers found.

Dryden, Pers. Most commonly a gouty constitution is at-tended with great acuteness of parts, the nervous fibres, both in the brain and the other extremities, Arbuthnot on Diet.

being delicate. 2. Relating to the gout.

There are likewise other causes of blood-spitting; one is the settlement of a gouty matter in the substance of the lungs. Blackmore.

3. Boggy; as, gouty land.

4. Swelled.

This humour in historians hath made the body of ancient history in some parts so gouty and mon-Spenser on Prod. p. 105.

Go'UTINESS.* n. s. [from gout.] The pain of the gout. Sherwood.

Gowd.* n.s. A gaud; a toy; whence gowdies, play-things. Used in the north of England. See GAUD.

Gowk.* n. s. [Teut. gauch.] A foolish fellow; and also a cuckoo. See GAWK. Such giddy-headed gowks.

Dalrymple's Mem. 1766, p. 27.

To Gowk.* v. a. [Teut. gauch, a fool; whence a goke, or gawky. See GAWK.] To stupify.

Nay, lock how the man stands as he were gok'd! B. Jonson, Mag. Lady.

Used by Wicliffe. Obsolete. See To Howl, and To YELL.

GOWN. n. s. [gonna, Ital; gwn, Welsh and Erse.]

1. A long upper garment.

They make garments either short, as cloaks, or,

as gowns, long to the ground.

Abbot, Description of the World. If ever I said a loose bodied gown, sew me up in the skirts of it, and beat me to death with a bottom of brown thread; I said a gown.

Shakspeare, Tam. of the Shrew. In length of train descends her sweeping gown, And by her graceful walk the queen of love is Dryden. known.

2. A woman's upper garment.

I despise your new gown, till I see you dressed

3. The long habit of a man dedicated to acts of peace, as divinity, medicine,

The benefices themselves are so mean in Irish counties, that they will not yield any competent maintenance for any honest minister, scarcely to Spenser on Ireland. buy him a gown.

Girt in his Gabin gown the hero sat. Dryden, Æn.

Yet not superior to her sex's cares, The mode she fixes by the gown she wears; Of silks and china she's the last appeal; In these great points she leads the commonweal.

4. The dress of peace.

He Mars depos'd, and arms to gowns made yield;

Successful councils did him soon approve As fit for close intrigues as open field. Dryden.

Go'wned. † adj. [from gown.] Dressed in a gown.

A noble crew about them waited round

Of sage and sober peers, all gravely gown'd. Spenser, F. Q. Well might the gowned Romans fear when Pompey fled. Bp. Taylor, Serm. (1651,) p. 215.

In velvet white as snow the troop was gown'd, The seams with sparkling emeralds set around.

Go'wnman. n. s. [gown and man.] A man devoted to the acts of peace; one

whose proper habit is a gown. Let him with pedants

Pore out his life amongst the lazy gownmen.

Thus will that whole bench, in an age or two, be composed of mean, fawning gownmen, depend-ants upon the court for a morsel of bread. Swift.

Go'wnsman.* n.s. An academical phrase of modern times for a member of the university, at least of Oxford; formerly gownman.

These were all the gownmen that I knew above 80 years old in Oxford.

Bp. Lloyd to Dr. Charlett, (1710,) Aub. L. i. 208. If townsmen by our influence are so enlightened, what must we gownsmen be ourselves! The Student, (1750,) i. 56.

Go'zzard.* n. s. [a corruption of gooseherd.] One who tends geese: used in the north of England, and perhaps elsewhere, Mr. Malone says: In Lincoln-

ing of a fool. GRAB,* n. s. A vessel peculiar to the Malabar coast; having usually two masts, but sometimes three.

shire, Mr. Pegge says, but in the mean-

GRA from grapple.

1. To grope; to feel eagerly with the hands.

My blood chills about my heart at the thought of these rogues, with their bloody hands grabbling in my guts, and pulling out my very entrails. Arbuthnot, John Bull.

2. To lie prostrate on the ground.

Ainsworth.

3. To grapple, in the west of England. Grose.

GRACE. † n. s. [grace, French; gratia, Latin ; graace, Erse.]

1. Favour; kindness.

If the highest love in no base person may aspire to grace, then may I hope your beauty will not

O momentary grace of mortal men, Which we more hunt for than the grace of God. Shakspeare.

Such as were popular, And well deserving, were advanced by grace. Daniel.

Is this the reward and thanks I am to have for those many acts of grace I have lately passed? King Charles.

Yet those remov'd, Such grace shall one just man find in his sight, That he relents, not to blot out mankind.

Milton, P. L. He received all the graces and degrees, the proctorship and the doctorship could be obtained Clarendon. there.

Or each, or all, may win a lady's grace; Then either of you knights may well deserve A princess born. Dryden, Fab.

None of us, who now your grace implore, But held the rank of sovereign queen before, Dryd. Proffer'd service I repaid the fair,

That of her grace she gave her maid to know
The secret meaning of this moral show. Dryden.

2. Favourable influence of God on the human mind.

In simplicity and godly sincerity, not with fleshly wisdom, but by the grace of God, we have had our conversation in the world. 2 Cor. i. 12.

The evil of sin is that we are especially to pray against, most earnestly begging of God, that he will, by the power of his grace, preserve us from Prevenient grace descending had remov'd falling into sin.

The stony from their hearts, and made new flesh Regenerate grow instead.

3. Virtue; effect of God's influence. Within the church, in the publick profession and external communion thereof, are contained persons truly good and sanctified, and hereafter saved; and together with them other persons void of all saving grace, and hereafter to be damned.

How Van wants grace, who never wanted wit.

4. Pardon; mercy.

Noble pity held

His hand a while, and to their choice gave space Which they would prove, his valour or his grace.

Bow and sue for grace, Milton, P. L. With suppliant knee.

5. Favour conferred.

I should therefore esteem it great favour and Would you be so kind as to go in my place. Prior.

6. Privilege. But to return and view the chearful skies,

To few great Jupiter imparts this grace. Dryd. 7. A goddess, by the heathens supposed to bestow beauty.

This forehead, where your verse has said The loves delighted, and the graces play'd. Prior.

To Gowr. * v.n. [Icel. goela.] To howl. To GRA'BBLE. v.n. [probably corrupted | 8. Behaviour, considered as decent or unbecoming.

The same words in Philoclea's mouth, as from one woman to another, so as there were no other body by, might have had a better grace, and perchance have found a gentler receipt. Sidney. Have I reason of good grace in what I do?

Temple. 9. Adventitious or artificial beauty; pleasing appearance.

One lilac only, with a statelier grace, Presum'd to claim the oak's and cedar's place; And, looking round him with a monarch's care. Spread his exalted boughs to wave in air. Harte.

Her purple habit sits with such a grace On her smooth shoulders, and so suits her face.

To write and speak correctly gives a grace, and gains a favourable attention to what one has to Locke.

10. Natural excellence.

It doth grieve me, that things of principal excellency should be thus bitten at by men whom God hath endued with graces, both of wit and learning, for better purposes. To some kind of men,

Their graces serve them but as enemies. Shakspeare, As you like it.

In his own grace he doth exalt himself More than in your advancement. Shaks. K. Lear. The charming Lausus, full of youthful fire,

To Turnus only second in the grace Of manly mien, and features of the face.

Dryden, Æn. 11. Embellishment; recommendation;

Where justice grows, there grows the greater

The which doth quench the brand of hellish smart.

Set all things in their own peculiar place, Dryd. And know that order is the greatest grace. The flow'r which lasts for little space,

A short-liv'd good, and an uncertain grace Dryden. 12. Single beauty.

I pass their form and every charming grace. 13. Ornament; flower; highest perfection.

By their hands this grace of kings must die, If hell and treason hold their promises. Shakspeare, Hen. V.

14. Single or particular virtue. The king-becoming graces,

As justice, verity, temp'rance, stableness, Devotion, patience, courage, fortitude, I have no relish of them. Shakspeare Shakspeare, Macbeth.

The graces of his religion prepare him for the most useful discharge of every relation of life.

Virtue physical.

O, mickle is the powerful grace that lies In plants, herbs, stones, and their true qualities. Shakspeare.

16. The title of a duke or archbishop; formerly of the king, meaning the same as your goodness, or your clemency. Here come I from our princely general

To know your griefs; to tell you from his grace, That he will give you audience. Shaks. Hen. IV. High and mighty king, your grace, and those your nobles here present, may be pleased to bow

your ears. Bacon, Hen. VII. According to the usual proceedings of your grace, and of the court, with delinquents which are overtaken with error in simplicity, there was yielded unto him a deliberate, patient, and full

hearing, together with a satisfactory answer to all his main objections. 17. A short prayer said before and after meat. [from the first word of the Latin

prayer, " Gratias Tibi agimus." Wic- GRA'CEFUL. † adj. [from grace.] xiv.]

Your soldiers use him as the grace 'fore meat, Their talk at table, and their thanks at end.

Shakspeare, Coriol. Our excess of modesty makes us shamefaced in all the exercises of piety and devotion. This humour prevails upon us daily; insomuch, that at many well-bred tables the master of the house is so very modest a man that he has not the confidence to say grace at his own table; a custom which is not only practised by all the nations about us, but was never omitted by the heathens themselves. Addison, Spect. No. 458.

While grace is saying after meat, do you and your brethren take the chairs from behind the company. Swift.

Then cheerful healths, your mistress shall have

And what's more rare, a poet shall say grace. Pope. GRACE-CUP. n. s. [grace and cup.] The cup or health drank after grace. The grace-cup serv'd, the cloth away,

Jove thought it time to shew his play.

To GRACE. v. a. [from the noun.] 1. To adorn; to dignify; to embellish; to recommend; to decorate.

This they study, this they practise, this they grace with a wanton superfluity of wit. Hooker.

I do not think a braver gentleman, More daring, or more bold, is now alive, To grace this latter age with noble deeds.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. Little of this great world can I speak, And therefore little shall I grace my cause

In speaking for myself. Shakspeare, Othello. There is due from the judge to the advocate some commendation and gracing, where causes are well handled.

Rich crowns were on their royal scutcheons plac'd,

With sapphires, diamonds, and with rubies grac'd.

By both his parents of descent divine : Great Jove and Phœbus grac'd his noble line.

Though triumphs were to generals only due, Crowns were reserv'd to grace the soldiers too.

2. To dignify or raise by an act of favour. He writes

How happily he lives, how well-belov'd, And daily graced by the emperor.

Shakspeare, Two Gent. of Verona. He might at his pleasure grace or disgrace whom he would in court. Dispose all honours to the sword and gun,

Grace with a nod, and ruin with a frown. Dryden, Juv.

3. To favour.

Please it your highness To grace us with your royal company. Shakspeare, Macbeth. When the guests withdrew,

Their courteous host, saluting all the crew, Regardless pass'd her o'er, nor grac'd with kind Dryden. adieu.

4. To supply with heavenly grace. Grace the disobedient. Bp. Hall, Works, ii. 50.

GRA'CED. adj. [from grace.]

1. Beautiful; graceful. Not in use.

He saw this gentleman, one of the properest and best graced men that ever I saw, being of a middle age and a mean stature.

2. Virtuous; regular; chaste. Not in use. Epicurism and lust

Make it more like a tavern or a brothel, Than a grac'd palace. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

liffe uses graces for thanks, St. Mark, 1. Full of grace and virtue. Not now in

You have a holy father, A graceful gentleman, against whose person, So sacred as it is, I have done sin. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

2. Beautiful with dignity.

Amid the troops, and like the leading god, High o'er the rest in arms, the graceful Turnus

Matchless his pen, victorious was his lance; Bold in the lists, and graceful in the dance. Pope. Yet graceful ease, and sweetness void of pride, Might hide her faults, if belles had faults to hide

Graceful to sight, and elegant to thought, The great are vanquish'd, and the wise are taught.

GRA'CEFULLY. † adv. [from graceful.] Elegantly; with pleasing dignity.

Through nature and through art she rang'd, And gracefully her subject chang'd. Swift.

Walking is the mode or manner of man, or of a beast; but walking gracefully implies a manner or mode superadded to that action.

Watts, Logick. GRA'CEFULNESS. † n. s. [from graceful.]

Elegance of manner; dignity with beauty.

Petrarch's Tuscan gracefulness, Or Theban Pindar's lofty strain.

Hakewill on Providence, p. 256. His neck, his hands, his shoulders, and his breast.

Did next in gracefulness, and beauty, stand To breathing figures. He executed with so much gracefulness and

beauty, that he alone got money and reputation. Dryden, Dufresnoy. There is a secret gracefulness of youth which

accompanies his writings, though the staidness and sobriety of age be wanting. Dryd. Ovid, Pref. If hearers are amaz'd from whence

Proceeds that fund of wit and sense, Which, though her modesty would shroud, Breaks like the sun behind a cloud; While gracefulness its art conceals,

And yet through ev'ry motion steals. Swift. Void of GRA'CELESS. adj. [from grace.] grace; wicked; hopelessly corrupt;

abandoned. This graceless man, for furtherance of his guile, Did court the handmaid of my lady dear. Spenser. Whose hap shall be to have her,

Will not so graceless be to be ingrate. In all manner of graceless and hopeless characters, some are lost for want of advice, and others for want of heed. L'Estrange. Furnish'd for offence, he cross'd the way

Betwixt the graceless villain and his prey. Dryd.

GRA'CELESSLY.* adv. [from graceless.] Without elegance.

The French, in his whole language, hath not one word that hath his accent in the last syllable, saving two called antepenultima; and little more hath the Spanish; and therefore very gracelessly may they use dactyls. Sidney, Def. of Poesy.

GRA'CELESSNESS.* n. s. [from graceless.] Want of grace; profligacy.

It were loathsome to run over what has been before said of our adversary's insolency and unmannerliness, impudency and gracelessness against the Scriptures.

Dr. Favour, Antiq. Tr. over Nov. (1619,) p. 165. GRA'CES. † n. s. Good graces for favour is seldom used in the singular.

Demand deliv'ry of her heart, Her goods, and chattels, and good graces, And person, up to his embraces. Hudibras.

He knows that, as a go-between, he shall find his account in being in the good graces of a man of Tatler, No. 225.

GRA'CILE. adj. [gracilis, Lat.] Slender; small. GRA'CILENT. adj. [gracilentus, Lat.] Lean.

GRACI'LITY. † n. s. [gracilité, old French; gracilitas, Latin.] Slenderness; small-

ness; leanness. Cockeram. GRA'CIOUS.† adj. [gracieux, French.]

1. Merciful; benevolent.

Common sense and reason could not but tell them, that the good and gracious God could not be pleased, nor consequently worshipped, with any thing barbarous or cruel. To be good and gracious, and a lover of know-

ledge, are two of the most amiable things. Burnet, Theory.

2. Favourable; kind.

And the Lord was gracious unto them, and had compassion on them. 2 Kings, xiii. 23. Unblam'd Ulysses' house,

In which I finde receipt so gracious. Chapman. From now reveal A gracious beam of light; from now inspire

My tongue to sing, my hand to touch the lyre. Prior.

3. Acceptable: favoured. Doctrine is much more profitable and gracious

by example than by rule. He made us gracious before the kings of Persia, so that they gave us food. 1 Esd. viii. 80.

Goring, who was now general of the horse, was no more gracious to prince Rupert than Wilmot had been.

4. Virtuous; good.

Kings are no less unhappy, their issue not being gracious, than they are in losing them when they have approved their virtues.

Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

5. Excellent. Obsolete.

The grievous abuse which bath been of councils, should rather cause men' to study how so gracious a thing may again be reduced to that first perfection.

6. Graceful; becoming; pleasing. Obsolete, Dr. Johnson says, citing only the example from Camden. There is no usage of this word more ancient than in the present sense; and it has been employed, in our own time, by one of our ablest writers.

A knave childe she bare by this Waltere Ful gracious, and fair for to behold.

Chaucer, Clerk's Tale. There was not such a gracious creature born.

Shakspeare, K. John. Being season'd with a gracious voice.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. Our women's names are more gracious than their Rutilia, that is, red head.

Sallust's expression would be shorter and more compact: Cicero's more gracious and flowing. Bp. Hurd.

GRA'CIOUSLY. adv. [from gracious.] 1. Kindly; with kind condescension.

His testimony he graciously confirm'd, that it was the best of all my tragedies.

He heard my vows, and graciously decreed My grounds to be restor'd, my former flocks to

If her majesty would but graciously be pleased to think a hardship of this nature worthy her royal consideration.

2. In a pleasing manner.

GRA'CIOUSNESS. r. s. [from gracious.] 1. Mercifulness.

Their enemies shall laugh, when themselves shall have cause to weep, unless the graciousness of God

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stir up some worthy princes of renown, and reputation, with both sides to interpose their wisdom. Sir E. Sandys, State of Religion.

2. Kind condescension.

The graciousness and temper of this answer made no impression on them.

Clarendon. 3. Possession of graces or good qualities. The acts derive their graciousness from the habits. Bp. Barlow, Rem. p. 437.

4. Pleasing manner.

He possessed some science of graciousness and attraction which books had not taught.

Johnson, Rambler, No. 147.

GRADA'TION. n. s. [gradation, French; gradus, Latin.]

1. Regular progress from one degree to another.

The desire of more and more rises by a natural gradation to most, and after that to all.

2. Regular advance step by step. From thence,

By cold gradation, and well balanc'd form,

We shall proceed with Angelo.

Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas. The psalmist very elegantly expresseth to us the several gradations by which men at last come to this horrid degree of impiety.

3. Order; sequence; series. 'Tis the curse of service; Preferment goes by letter and affection, Not, as of old, gradation, where each second

Shakspeare, Othello. Stood heir to th' first. 4. Regular process of argument.

Certain it is, by a direct gradation of consequences from this principle of merit, that the obligation to gratitude flows from, and is enjoined by, the first dictates of nature.

GRA'DATORY. n. s. [gradus, Latin.] Steps from the cloisters into the church.

Ainsworth.

GRA'DATORY.* adj. [from gradation.] Proceeding step by step.

Could we have seen his [Macbeth's] crimes darkening on their progress, till they attain the direct excess of human depravity; could this gradatory apostacy have been shewn us; could the noble and useful moral, which results, have been thus forcibly impressed upon our minds, without a violation of those senseless unities [of time and Seward, Lett. iii. 243.

GRADE.* n.s. [French.] Rank; degree. This word is of modern introduction into our language. And yet the Sax. zpase, zpab, ordo, was in use. See GRADELY.

GRA'DELY.* adv. Well; handsomely. Lancashire Dialect. Decently; orderly. Craven Dial. In Cheshire, the word is an adjective, denoting a decent, orderly, good sort of man; perhaps, Mr. Wilbraham says, from gradus, Latin. Others cite the Saxon zpase, zpas, ordo. See Craven Dial. and Brockett's N. C. Words.

GRA'DIENT. adj. [gradiens, Lat.] Walking; moving by steps.

Amongst those gradient automata, that iron spider is especially remarkable, which, being but of an ordinary bigness, did creep up and down as if it had been alive.

GRA'DUAL. adj. [graduel, Fr.] Proceeding by degrees; advancing step by step; from one stage to another. Nobler birth

Of creatures animate with gradual life,

Of growth, sense, reason, all summ'd up in man. Milton, P. L.

Men still suppose a gradual natural progress of things; as that, from great, things and persons should grow greater, till at length, by many steps and ascents, they come to be at greatest.

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GRA'DUAL. † n. s. [gradus, Latin.]

1. An order of steps.

Before the gradual prostrate they ador'd, The pavement kiss'd, and thus the saint implor'd. Dryden.

2. A grail; an ancient book of hymns or prayers. [Fr. graduel.] See GRAIL. GRADUA'LITY. n. s. [from gradual.] Re-

gular progression. This some ascribe unto the mixture of the

elements, others to the graduality of opacity and

GRA'DUALLY. adv. [from gradual.]

1. By degrees; in regular progression. When the moon passes over the fixed stars, and

eclipses them, your light vanishes; not gradually, like that of the planets, but all at once. Newton, Opticks.

The Author of our being weans us gradually from our fondness of life the nearer we approach towards the end of it.

Human creatures are able to bear air of much greater density in diving, and of much less upon the tops of mountains, provided the changes be made gradually.

2. In degree.

Human reason doth not only gradually, but specifically differ from the fantastick reason of

To GRA'DUATE. v. a. [graduer, Fr.; gradus, Latin.]

To dignify with a degree in the university.

John Tregonwel, graduated a doctor and dubbed a knight, did good service.

Carew, Surv. of Cornwall. Concerning columns and their adjuncts, architects make such a noise as if the terms of architraves, frizes, and cornices were enough to graduate a master of this art.

2. To mark with degrees.

The places were marked where the spirits stood at the severest cold and greatest heat, and according to these observations he graduates his thermometers.

3. To raise to a higher place in the scale of metals: a chemical term.

The tincture was capable to transmute or graduate as much silver as equalled in weight that Boule.

4. To heighten; to improve. Not only vitriol is a cause of blackness, but the salts of natural bodies; and dyers advance and graduate their colours with salts.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

To GRA'DUATE.* v. n.

1. To take an academical degree; to become a graduate: as, he graduated at Oxford.

2. To proceed regularly, or by degrees. A grand light falls beautifully on the principal figure, but it does not graduate sufficiently into distant parts of the cave.

GRA'DUATE.† n. s. [gradué, Fr. graduatus, low Latin, from gradus, Latin.] A man dignified with an academical degree. I know the arts

And sciences do not directlier make A graduate in our universities, Than an habitual gravity prefers

B. Jonson, Magn. Lady. A man in court. An oath taken by Oxford graduates [was] that they should not profess at Stamford. Selden on Drayton's Polyolb. S. 8.

Of graduates I dislike the learned rout, And choose a female doctor for the gout.

Bramston. GRA'DUATESHIP.* n. s. [from graduate.]

The state of a graduate. An English concordance, and a topick folio, the gatherings and savings of a sober graduateship. Milton, Areopagitica.

GRADUA'TION. † n. s. [graduation, French; from graduate.]

1. Regular progression by succession of degrees.

The graduation of the parts of the universe is likewise necessary to the perfection of the whole.

2. Improvement; exaltation of qualities. Of greater repugnancy unto reason is that which he delivers concerning its graduation, that heated in fire, and often extinguished in oyl of mars or iron, the loadstone acquires an ability to extract a nail fastened in a wall.

3. The act of conferring academical de-

The ministers are now reconciled to distinction; and as it must always happen, that some will excel others, have thought graduation a proper testimony of uncommon abilities or acquisitions. Johnson, Journ. West. Islands.

GRAFF. n. s. A ditch; a moat. See GRAVE. Though the fortifications were not regular, yet the walls were good, and the graff broad and deep.

GRAFF. 1 n. s. [greffe, Fr. Dr. John-GRAFT. Son. - Rather from the Sax. zparan, as Lye long since observed, which signifies to dig, to excavate. So also Mr. H. Tooke, Div. of Purley, ii. 376. And see To GRAFF. A small branch inserted into the stock of another tree, and nourished by its sap, but bearing its own fruit; a young cyon.

God gave unto man all kind of seeds and graffs of life; as the vegetative life of plants, the sensual of beasts, the rational of man, and the intellectual of angels.

It is likely, that as in fruit-trees the graft maketh a greater fruit, so in trees that bear no

fruit it will make the greater leaves. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

'Tis usual now an inmate graff to see With insolence invade a foreign tree.

Dryden, Virg. If you cover the top with clay and horse-dung, in the same manner as you do a graft, it will help to heal the sooner.

Now the cleft rind inserted graffs receives, And yields an offspring more than nature gives.

To GRAFF.† \ v. a. [greffer, Fr. Dr. John-To GRAFT. \} v. a. [greffer, Fr. Dr. John-It is the Saxon verb zparan, to dig; Goth. graban, the same; and Iceland. grafa.]

1. To insert a cyon or branch of one tree

into the stock of another. His growth is but a wild and fruitless plant: I'll cut his barren branches to the stock,

And graft you on to bear. Dryden, Don Sebast. With his pruning hook disjoin Unbearing branches from their head,

And graft more happy in their stead. Dryden. 2. To propagate by insertion or inoculation.

Now let me graff my pears, and prune the vine.

3. To insert into a place or body to which it did not originally belong.

And they also, if they bide not still in unbelief, shall be graffed in; for God is able to graff them Romans, xi, 23.

These are th' Italian names which fate will join | 2. Corn. With ours, and graff upon the Trojan line.

Dryden, En. 4. To impregnate with an adscititious

We've some old crab-trees here at home, that will not

Be grafted to your relish. Shakspeare, Coriol. The noble isle doth want her proper limbs; Her royal stock graft with ignoble plants. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

5. To join one thing so as to receive support from another.

This resolution against any peace with Spain is a new incident grafted upon the original quarrel, by the intrigues of a faction among us. May one kind grave unite each hapless name, And graft my love immortal on thy fame. Pope.

To GRAFF. v. n. To practise insition. In March is good graffing the skilful do know, So long as the wind in the east do not blow: From moon being changed, till past be the prime, For graffing and cropping is very good time

To have fruit in greater plenty the way is to graft, not only upon young stocks, but upon divers boughs of an old tree; for they will bear great numbers of fruit; whereas, if you graft but upon one stock, the tree can bear but few.

GRA'FFER. \(\) \(n. s. \) [from graff or graft.]

GRA'FFER. \(\) One who propagates fruit One who propagates fruit by grafting.

Or that the grafter and waterer be nothyng without whose work there should be no increase. Abp. Cranmer, Answ. to Bp. Gardiner, p. 878.

I am informed, by the trials of the most skilful grafters of these parts, that a man shall seldom fail of having cherries borne by his graft the same year in which the insition is made. Evelyn.

GRAIL.† n. s. [grêle, Fr. from gracilis, Lat. Menage.] Small particles of any

Hereof this gentle knight unweeting was; And, lying down upon the sandy grail Dronk of the stream as clear as crystal glass.

The bottom yellow, like the golden grayle, That bright Pactolus washeth with his streams. Spenser, Vis. of Bellay.

GRAIL.* n. s. [low Latin, graduale, gradale; old French, greel.] A book containing some of the offices of the Roman

The greyle is not sayd. Lib. Fest. fol. 33. Among the books they found there, were one hundred psalters, as many grayles, and forty missals, which undoubtedly belonged to the choir of the -church. Warton, Hist. Eng. Poet. vol. 1. Diss. 2.

GRAIN.† n. s. [graine, French; granum, Latin; grano, Italian; have all the fol-lowing significations. Dr. Johnson.— Icel. and Norv. grion, corn, fruits of the earth; from the Su. Goth. gro, to germinate, to grow.]

1. A single seed of corn.

Look into the seeds of time. And say which grain will grow, and which will not.

His reasons are as two grains of wheat hid in two bushels of chaff. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. Let them pronounce the steep Tarpeian death, Vagabond exile, flaying, pent to linger

But with a grain a day, I would not buy Their mercy at the price of one fair word.

Shakspeare, Coriol. Many of the ears, being six inches long, had sixty grains in them, and none less than forty.

As it ebbs, the seedsman Upon the slime and ooze scatters his grain, And shortly comes to harvest.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. Pales no longer swell'd the teeming grain, Nor Phœbus fed his oxen on the plain.

Dryden, Pastorals. 'Tis a rich soil, I grant you; but oftener covered with weeds than grain. Collier on Fame. As to the other grains, it is to be observed, as the wheat ripened very late, the barley got the start

of it, and was ripe first. Burke on the Scarcity. The seed of any fruit.

4. Any minute particle; any single body. Thou exist'st on many thousand grains That issue out of dust. Shaks. Meas. for Meas.

By intelligence And proofs as clear as founts in July, when

We see each grain of gravel. Shaks. Hen. VIII.

5. The smallest weight, of which in physick twenty make a scruple, and in Troy weight twenty-four make a pennyweight; and so named because it is supposed of equal weight with a grain of corn.

Unity is a precious diamond, whose grains as they double, twice double in their value.

They began at a known body, a barley-corn, the weight whereof is therefore called a grain; which ariseth, being multiplied, to scruples, drachms, ounces, and pounds.

The trial being made betwixt lead and lead, weighing severally seven drachms, in the air; the balance in the water weigheth only four drachms and forty-one grains, and abateth of the weight in the air two drachms and nineteen grains: the balance kept the same depth in the water. Bacon. His brain

Outweigh'd his rage but half a grain. Hudibras.

6. Any thing proverbially small. For the whole world before thee is as a little

grain of the balance. Wisd. xi. 22 It is a sincerely pliable, ductile temper, that neglects not to make use of any grain of grace.

The ungrateful person lives to himself, and subsists by the good nature of others, of which he himself has not the least grain.

7. Grain of Allowance. Something indulged or remitted; something above or under the exact weight.

He whose very best actions must be seen with grains of allowance, cannot be too mild, moderate, I would always give some grains of allowance to

the sacred science of theology. Watts on the Mind. 8. The direction of the fibres of wood, or other fibrous matter. [from the Teut.

graenen.] Knots, by the conflux of meeting sap, Infect the sound pine, and divert his grain

Tortive and errant from his course of growth. 9. The body of the wood as modified by

the fibres. The beech, the swimming alder, and the plane, Hard box, and linden of a softer grain. Dryden.

10. The body considered with respect to the form or direction of the constituent

The tooth of a sea-horse, in the midst of the solider parts, contains a curdled grain not to be found in ivory.

Stones of a constitution so compact, and a grain Woodward. so fine, that they bear a fine polish.

11. Died or stained substance.

How the red roses flush up in her cheeks, And the pure snow with goodly vermil stain, Like crimson dy'd in grain. Spenser, Epithalam.

Over his lucid arms A military vest of purple flow'd, Livelier than Melibæan, or the grain Of sarra, worn by kings and heroes old.

Milton, P.L. Come, pensive nun, devout and pure, All in a robe of darkest grain,

Flowing with majestick train. Milton, Il Pens. The third, his feet

Shadow'd from either heel with feather'd mail, Sky-tinctur'd grain ! Milton, P. L.

12. Temper; disposition; inclination; humour from the direction of fibres. This and the next sense are adopted from the

Your minds, pre-occupied with what You rather must do than with what you should do, Made you against the grain to voice him consul.

Quoth Hudibras, it is in vain,

I see, to argue 'gainst the grain. Hudibras. Old clients, weary'd out with fruitless care, Dismiss their hopes of eating, and despair; Though much against the grain, forc'd to retire, Buy roots for supper, and provide a fire.

Dryden, Juv.

13. The heart; the bottom.

The one being tractable and mild, the other stiff and impatient of a superior, they lived but in cunning concord, as brothers glued together, but not united in grain. Hayward.

14. The form of the surface with regard to roughness and smoothness.

The smaller the particles of cutting substances are, the smaller will be the scratches by which they continually fret and wear away the glass until it be polished; but be they never so small, they can wear away the glass no otherwise than by grating and scratching it, and breaking the protuberances; and therefore polish it no otherwise than by bringing its roughness to a very fine grain, so that the scratches and frettings of the surface become too small to be visible. Newton, Opticks.

15. A tine; a spike.

A grain-staff is a quarter-staff with a pair of short tines at the end, which they call grains

Ray, E. and South Country Words. The boatswain struck with a pair of grains out of the cabin window a most beautiful fish, about ten pounds' weight. White's Journal, p. 36. To GRAIN.* v. n. [from the noun. Fr.

grainer.] To yield fruit.
The londe began to greyne,

Which whilom had ben bareyne.

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 5.

To Grain, or Grane.* v. n. [Sax. zpanian.] To groan. Yorkshire dialect, and more conformable to the original word than groan.

GRAI'NED. † adj. [from grain.] 1. Rough; made less smooth.

Though now this grained face of mine be hid In sap consuming winter's drizzled snow, Yet hath my night of life some memory. Shaksp.

2. Dyed in grain.

Thou turn'st mine eyes into my very soul: And there I see such black and grained spots, As will not leave their tinct. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

Persons lightly dipt, not grained in generous honesty, are but pale in goodness.

Brown, Chr. Mor. i. 9.

GRAI'NING.* n. s. [from grain.] Indent-

It is called by some the unmilled guinea, as having no graining upon the rim.

GRAINS. n. s. [without a singular.] The husks of malt exhausted in brewing.

Give them grains their fill, Husks, draff, to drink and swill.

B. Jonson, New Inn.

GRAINS of Paradise. n. s. [cardamomum, Latin. An Indian spice.

GRA'INSTAFF.* n. s. A quarter staff. See the fifteenth sense of grain.

GRAINY. adj. [from grain.]

1. Full of corn.

2. Full of grains or kernels.

To GRAITH. * v. a. [Sax. держыап.] То prepare; to make ready; to furnish with things suitable, in the north of England. These clerkes bete him well, and let him lie, And griethen hem, and take hir horse anon, And eke hir mele, and on hir way they gon.

Chaucer, Reve's Tale. GRAITH.* n. s. [Sax. zepæbe; Germ.

gerath.] Furniture; equipage; goods; riches. North. Gram.* adj. [Sax. zpam; old Fr. grams, "faché, en colere." Lacombe.] Angry. In our old lexicography, grame. See GRIM

and GRUM.

GRAME'RCY. † interj. [contracted from grant me mercy. Dr. Johnson. - This is a mistake: It is the French grand merci, great thanks. Our old lexicography thus explains it: "Gramercy to thee; which is a manner of thankes geving among the vulgares." Huloet. Chaucer writes it after the original, "Grand mercy, lord, God thank it you, quoth Clerk's Tale. An obsolete expression of obligation.

Gramercy, Mammon, said the gentle knight, Spenser, F.Q. For so great grace. Gramercy, sir, said he; but mote I weet

What strange adventure do ye now pursue?

Spenser. Gramercy, lovely Lucius, what's the news? Shakspeare.

We have our several psalms for several occasions, without gramercy to your liturgy. Milton, Animadv. Rem. Defence.

Madam, quoth he, gramercy for your care. Dryden, Cock and the Fox.

GRAMI'NEOUS. adj. [gramineus, Latin.] Grassy. Gramineous plants are such as have a long leaf without a footstalk.

GRAMINI'VOROUS. adj. [gramen and voro, Latin.] Grass-eating; living upon grass. The ancients were versed chiefly in the dissection of brutes, among which the graminivorous kind have a party-coloured choroides. Sharpe, Surgery.

GRA'MMAR.† n. s. [grammaire, Fr. grammatica, Latin; γραμμαλικη.]

1. The science of speaking correctly; the art which teaches the relations of words to each other.

To be accurate in the grammar and idioms of the tongues, and then as a rhetorician to make all their graces serve his eloquence.

Fell, Life of Hammond. We make a countryman dumb, whom we will not allow to speak but by the rules of grammar. Dryden, Dufresnoy.

Men, speaking language according to the grammar rules of that language, do yet speak improperly of tlings.

2. Propriety or justness of speech; speech according to grammar.

Varium et mutabile semper femina, is the sharpest satire that ever was made on woman; for the adjectives are neuter, and animal must be understood to make them grammar.

3. The book that treats of the various relations of words to one another.

guage of one's country, is commendable in persons of all stations, and to some indispensably necessary; and to this purpose, I would recommend above all things the having a grammar of our mother tongue first taught in our schools, which would facilitate our youths learning their Latin Tatler, No. 234. and Greek grammars.

GRA'MMAR School. n. s. A school in which the learned languages are grain-

matically taught.

Thou hast most traiterously corrupted the youth of the realm in erecting a grammar school.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. P. II. The ordinary way of learning Latin in a grammar school I cannot encourage. Locke.
To GRA'MMAR.* v. n. To discourse ac-

cording to the rules of grammar. I'll grammar with you,

And make a trial how I can decline you. Beaum. and Fl. Laws of Candy.

GRAMMA'RIAN. n. s. [grammarien, Fr. from grammar.] One who teaches grammar; a philologer.

Many disputes the ambiguous nature of letters hath created among the grammarians.

Holder, Elem. of Speech. They who have called him the torture of grammarians, might also have called him the plague of

GRAMMA'TICAL. adj. [grammatical, Fr. grammaticus, Latin.]

I. Belonging to grammar.

The beauty of virtue still being set before their eyes, and that taught them with far more diligent care than grammatical rules.

I shall take the number of consonants, not from the grammatical alphabets of any language, but from the diversity of sounds framed by single articulations with appulse.

2. Taught by grammar.

They seldom know more than the grammatical construction unless born with a poetical genius.

Dryden, Dufresnoy. GRAMMA'TICALLY. adv. [from grammatical.] According to the rules or science

When a sentence is distinguished into the nouns, the verbs, pronouns, adverbs, and other particles of speech which compose it, then it is said to be analysed grammatically.

As grammar teacheth us to speak properly, so it is the part of rhetorick to instruct how to do it elegantly, by adding beauty to that language that before was naked and grammatically true.

Baker on Learning. GRAMMA'TICASTER. † n. s. [Latin.] A mean verbal pedant; a low grammarian.

He tells thee true, my noble neophyte; my little B. Jonson, Poetaster. grammaticaster, he does! There would not then be so many fustian and unworthy preachers in divinity, so many pettyfoggers in law, so many quack-salvers in physick, so many grammaticasters in country schools.

Sir W. Petty, Advice to Hartlib, (1648,) p. 23. I have not vexed language with the doubts, the remarks, and eternal triflings of the French grammaticasters.

To GRAMMA'TICISE.* v. n. [from the Lat. grammaticus.] To act the gram-

Grammaticising pedantically, and criticising spuriously upon a few Greek particles.

Bp. Ward on the Myst. of the Gospel, (1673,) p. 44. To GRAMMA'TICISE.* v. a. [from the Lat. grammaticus.] To render grammatical. I always said, Shakspeare had Latin enough to grammaticise his English.

Johnson, Boswell's Life of Johnson.

To speak and write without absurdity the lan- GRAMMATICA'TION.* n. s. [from the Lat. grammaticus.] Rule of grammar.

A language of a philosophical institution, or a real character, would be by much the most easy; as being free from all anomaly, equivocalness, redundancy, and unnecessary grammatications.

Dalgarno, Didascaloph. (Ox. 1680,) p. 52.

GRAMMA'TICK.* adj. [Lat. grammaticus.]

Pertaining to grammar.

They having but newly left those grammatick flats and shallows, where they stuck unreasonably to learn a few words with lamentable construction. Milton on Education.

We conclude, therefore, that what was thus inspired was the terms, and that grammatick congruity in the use of them, which is dependent Warburton, Doctrine of Grace. thereon.

GRA'MMATIST.* n. s. [Lat. grammatista. "Græci grammaticum à grammatista distinguunt; et illum quidem absolutè, hunc mediocriter doctum existimant.' V. Sueton, de Gram. Illustr. cap. 4.] A grammaticaster.

The grammatist has misled the grammarian, and both of them the philosopher.

H. Tooke, Div. of Purley, i. 328 GRA'MPLE. † n. s. [Fr. grampelle.] A Cotgrave. crab-fish. GRA'MPUS. † n. s. [perhaps from the Fr.

grand and poisson, a large fish.] A large fish of the cetaceous kind.

Give me leave to name what fish we took; dolphins, porpice, grampasse, which Mr. Sands thinks is the right dolphin, none else being of that Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 384.

Grana'do.* n. s. [Span. granada de fuego.] A grenade. See Grenade.

GRANADI'ER.* See GRENADIER. GRA'NAM.* See GRANNAM.

GRA'NARY. n. s. [granarium, Lat.] A storehouse for threshed corn.

Ants, by their labour and industry, contrive that corn will keep as dry in their nests as in our granaries. The naked nations clothe.

And be the exhaustless granary of a world. Thomson, Spring.

GRA'NATE. † n. s. [from granum, Latin.] 1. A kind of marble so called, because it is marked with small variegations like grains. Otherwise GRANITE.

The gem called a garnet. See GAR-

GRAND. † adj. [grand, Fr. grandis, Lat.] 1. Great; illustrious; high in power or

God had planted, that is, made to grow the trees of life and knowledge, plants only proper and becoming the paradise and garden of so grand a Lord. Ralegh, Hist.

2. Great; splendid; magnificent. À voice has flown

To re-enflame a grand design. Young. There is generally in nature something more grand, and august, than what we meet with in the curiosities of art. Addison, Spect. No. 414.

3. Principal; chief. Hence, in composition, grand-juror, grand-master, grand-

signior, and the like. What cause Mov'd our grand parents, in that happy state,

Favour'd of heav'n so highly, to fall off From their Creator. Milton, P. L.

4. Eminent; superiour; very frequently in an ill sense. Our grand foe Satan. Milton, P. L.

So clomb this first grand thief into God's fold. Milton, P. L.

5. Noble; sublime; lofty; conceived or expressed with great dignity.

Among colours, such as are soft or cheerful (except perhaps a strong red which is cheerful) are unfit to produce grand images.

Burke on the Sublime and Beautiful, § 16. 6. It is used to signify ascent or descent of consanguinity.

GRA'NDAM. n. s. [grand and dam or dame.] 1. Grandmother; my father's or mother's

I meeting him, will tell him that my lady Was fairer than his grandam, and as chaste

As may be in the world.

Shakspeare, Troil. and Cress. We have our forefathers and great grandames all before us, as they were in Chaucer's days.

The tygress heart belies thy angel face: Too well thou shew'st thy pedigree from stone; Thy grandame's was the first by Pyrrha thrown.

2. An old withered woman.

The women Cry'd, one and all, the suppliant should have right,

And to the grandame hag adjudg'd the knight. Dryden.

GRA'NDCHILD. † n. s. [grand and child. There is something very absurd in this. Grandfather is properly the great or greater father; but the case seems to be just the contrary with grand-child, who is the little or less child. The French therefore express it much more The son or daughter of my son or daughter; one in the second degree of descent.

Augustus Cæsar, out of indignation against his daughters and Agrippa his grandchild, would say that they were not his seed, but imposthumes broken from him.

These hymns may work on future wits, and so May great grandchildren of thy praises grow.

He hoped his majesty did believe, that he would

never make the least scruple to obey the grandchild of king James. Clarendon. Fair daughter, and thou son and grandchild

Milton, P. L. He 'scaping with his gods and reliques fled, And tow'rds the shore his little grandchild led.

GRA'NDAUGHTER. † n.s. [grand and daughter. 7 The daughter of a son or daugh-

This grandaughter of a man, who will be an everlasting glory to the nation, has now for some years with her husband kept a little chandler's or grocer's shop for their subsistence.

Bp. Newton, Life of Milton.

GRANDE'E. n. s. [grand, French; grandis, Latin. At first our word was grandy.] A man of great rank, power, or dignity.

In a great person, right worshipful sir, a right honourable grandy, 'tis not a venial sin; no, not a peccadillo! Burton, Anat. of Mel. To the Reader.

In this mercy-seat, it is observable, three grandies are met together; blessing, joy, and hope; and yet there is no strife for precedence.

Abp. Laud, Serm. p. 83. They had some sharper and some milder differences, which might easily happen in such an interview of grandees, both vehement on the parts which they swayed.

When a prince or grandee manifests a liking to [GRA'NDLY.* adv. [from grand.] Subsuch a thing, men generally set about to make themselves considerable for such things.

Some parts of the Spanish monarchy are rather for ornament than strength: they furnish out viceroyalties for the grandees, and posts of honour for the noble families.

Grande'eship.* n. s. [from grandee.] The rank, or estate, of a grandee; a lordship. I think the conde de Altamira has no less than

nineteen grandeeships centered in his person. Swinburne, Trav. through Spain, L. 42.

GRANDE'VITY. † n. s. [from grandævus, Latin.] Great age; length of life.

Dr. More for his function and grandevity sake handles Mr. Baxter so respectfully, and forbears all such juvenilities as he had used towards Eugenius. Annot. on the Disc. of Truth, (1683,) p. 185.

GRANDE'VOUS. adj. [grandævus, Latin.] Long lived; of great age. GRA'NDEUR. † n. s. [French.]

1. State; splendour of appearance; magnificence.

As a magistrate or great officer, he locks himself from all approaches by the multiplied formalities of attendance, by the distance of ceremony and grandeur.

2. Greatness, as opposed to minuteness. Let a man try to conceive the different bulk of an animal, which is twenty, from another, which is a hundred times less than a mite; or to compare, in his thoughts, a length of a thousand diameters of the earth with that of a million; and he will quickly find that he has no different measures in his mind adjusted to such extraordinary degrees of grandeur or minuteness.

Addison, Spect. No. 420. sensibly than we do, by petit fils. Pegge. 3. Elevation of sentiment, language, or

> To want little is true grandeur; and very few things are great to a great mind. Tatler, No. 170.

GRA'NDFATHER. n. s. [grand and father.] The father of my father or mother; the next above my father or mother in the scale of ascent.

One was saying that his great grandfather, and grandfather, and father died at sea: said another, that heard him, an' I were as you, I would never come at sea. Why, saith he, where did your great grandfather, and grandfather, and father die? He answered, where but in their beds? He answered, an' I were as you, I would never come in bed.

Our grandchildren will see a few rags hung up in Westminster-hall, which cost an hundred millions, whereof they are paying the arrears, and boast that their grandfathers were rich and great. Swift.

GRANDI'FICK. adj. [grandis and facio, Latin.] Making great. Dict. GRANDI'LOQUENCE.* n. s. [Lat. gran-

dis, great, and loquor, to speak. In our old lexicography, the word is grandiloguy.] High, lofty, big speaking.

The prophet has promised them with such magnificent words, and enthusiastic grandiloquence. More, Myst. of Godl. p. 271.

GRANDI'LOQUOUS.* adj. [Lat. grandiloquus.] Using lofty words. Cockeram. GRA'NDINOUS. adj. [grando, Latin.] Full Dict. of hail; consisting of hail.

GRA'NDITY. n. s. [from grandis, Latin.] Greatness; grandeur; magnificence. An old word.

Our poets excel in grandity and gravity, smoothness and property, in quickness and briefness. Camden, Rem. limely; loftily.

I now saw what I never saw before, a prodigious sea, with immense billows, coming upon a vessel, so as that it seemed hardly possible to escape. There was something grandly horrible in the sight. Boswell, Tour to the Hebrides, p. 348.

GRA'NDMOTHER. n. s. [grand and mother.] The mother of my father or mother.

Thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice. 1 Tim. i. 5.

GRA'NDNESS.* n. s. [from grand.] Great-

In order to prove to any one the grandness of this fabrick of the world, one needs only to bid him consider the sun. Wollaston, Rel. of Nat. § v. 14. GRA'NDSIRE. n. s. [grand and sire.] 1. Grandfather.

Think'st thou, that I will leave my kingly throne,

Wherein my grandsire and my father sat?

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. Thy grandsire, and his brother, to whom fame Gave, from two conquer'd parts o' th' world, their name. Denham.

The wreaths his grandsire knew to reap By active toil and military sweat.

2. Any ancestor, poetically. Why should a man, whose blood is warm within,

Sit like his grandsire cut in alabaster? Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven.

Above the portal, carv'd in cedar wood, Plac'd in their ranks, their godlike grandsires

So mimick ancient wits at best As apes our grandsires in their doublets drest.

Pope.

GRA'NDSON. n. s. [grand and son.] son of a son or daughter.

Almighty Jove augment your wealthy store, Give much to you, and to his grandsons more.

Grandfathers in private families are not much observed to have great influence on their grandsons, and, I believe, they have much less among princes.

To Grane.* To groan. See To Grain. Grange, french; low Lat. grangia; probably from grana gerendo, the grange being in former times the place where the rents of monasteries were paid in grain, which was there stored up; the custody of which was assigned to one of the monks, who was called grangiarius; and hence grange means simply a granary also, though Dr. Johnson takes no notice of the distinction. The grange, in Lincolnshire, and other northern counties, signifies any lone house; and, in some places, bears with it the name of the village or town to which it is near.]

1. A farm: generally a farm with a house at a distance from neighbours.

At the moated grange resides this dejected Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

One, when he had got the inheritance of an unlucky old grange, would needs sell it; and, to draw buyers, proclaimed the virtues of it: nothing ever thrived on it, saith he; - the trees were all blasted, the swine died of the measles, the cattle of the murain, and the sheep of the rot; nothing was ever reared there, not a duckling or B. Jonson, Discoveries. a goose.

It is only the poor grange,

The patrimony which my father left me, I would be tenant to.

Beaum, and Fl. The Prophetess.

If the church was of their own foundation, they | GRA'NNY.* See GRANNAM. might chuse, the incumbent being once dead, whether they would put any other therein; unless, perhaps, the said church had people belonging to it; for then they must still maintain a curate: and of this sort were their granges and priories.

Ayliffe. 2. A granary. [Fr. grange, a barn. Cotgrave.

Methought it was the sound Of riot and ill-manag'd merriment, Such as the jocund flute, or gamesome pipe, Stirs up among the loose unletter'd hinds; When for their teeming flocks, and granges full, In wanton dance they praise the bounteous Pan. Milton, Comus.

GRA'NITE. n. s. [granit, Fr. from granum, Lat. because consisting as it were of grains, or small distinct particles.] A stone composed of separate and very large concretions, rudely compacted together; of great hardness, giving fire with steel; not fermenting with acids, and imperfectly calcinable in a great fire. The hard white granite with black spots, commonly called moor-stone, forms a very firm, and though rude, yet beautifully variegated mass. It is found in immense strata in Ireland, but not used there. In Cornwall it is found in prodigious masses, and brought to London, for the steps of publick buildings. Hard red granite, variegated with black and white, now called oriental granite, is valuable for its extreme hardness and beauty, and capable of a most elegant polish. Hill on Fossils. Alabaster, marble of divers colours, both sim-

ple and mixed, the opulites, porphyry, and the Woodward. There are still great pillars of granite, and other

fragments of this ancient temple. Addison on Italy.

GRANI'TICAL.* adj. [from granite.] Consisting of granite.

Viewed at a distance, this enormous mass of stone has the appearance of a human figure; and its gigantic form has given rise to a variety of fables. On approaching it, we find that it consists of several ledges of granite, piled one upon another in the rudest manner. If, however, we bow down to this granitical god, we shall meet deities at every step.

Polwhele, Hist. of Devonsh. vol. i. P. i.

GRANI'VOROUS. adj. [granum and voro, Lat. Tating grain; living upon grain. Granivorous birds, as a crane, upon the first peck of their bills, can distinguish the qualities of hard bodies, which the sense of men discerns not without mastication. Brown. Panick affords a soft demulcent nourishment,

both for granivorous birds and mankind.

Arbuthnot on Aliments.

GRA'NNAM. + n. s. [for grandam.] Grandmother. Only used in ludicrous or low language. Granny is still the northern word.

Her mother goodwy' Polish has confess'd it To grannum Keep, the nurse, how they did change The children in their cradles.

B. Jonson, Magn. Lady. Ghosts never walk till after midnight, if I may believe my grannam.

Beaum, and Fl. Lover's Progress. I stripped again, as well to find what ailed me, as to satisfy my grannam's farther curiosity.

Tatler, No. 15. Oft my kind grannam told me, Tim, take warning.

To GRANT. † v. a. [from garantir, Fr. Junius and Skinner; perhaps, as Minsheu thinks, from gratuito, or rather from gratia or gratificor. Dr. Johnson. - It is directly from the old French verb, graanter, or graaunter, to promise, to satisfy. V. Roquefort, Gloss. in V. GRAANTER. Probably from the Latin gratum, what is agreeable. Our word at first, like the French, was graunt, and so continued to be late in the seventeenth century.]

GRA

To admit that which is not yet proved;

to allow; to yield; to concede.

They gather out of Scripture general rules to be followed in making laws; and so, in effect, they plainly grant, that we ourselves may lawfully make laws for the church.

I take it for granted, that though the Greek word which we translate saints, be in itself as applicable to things as persons; yet in this article it signifieth not holy things, but holy ones.

Grant that the fates have firm'd, by their de-

The Trojan race to reign in Italy. Dryden, En. Suppose, which yet I grant not, thy desire A moment elder than my rival fire,

Can chance of seeing first thy title prove? Dryden. If he be one indifferent as to the present rebellion, they may take it for granted his complaint is the rage of a disappointed man.

Addison, Freeholder. 2. To bestow something which cannot be

claimed of right. The God of Israel grant thee thy petition that 1 Sam. xvii. thou hast asked of him. Then hath God also to the Gentiles granted

repentance unto life. Acts, xiii. 18. Didst thou not kill this king?

- I grant ye.

- Dost grant me, hedgehog? Then God grant me too.

Thou may'st be damned for that wicked deed. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

He heard, and granted half his prayer; The rest the winds dispers'd. GRANT. n. s. [from the verb.]

1. The act of granting or bestowing. 2. The thing granted; a gift; a boon.

Courtiers justle for a grant, And when they break their friendship plead their

3. [In law.] A gift in writing of such a thing as cannot aptly be passed or conveved by word only; as rent, reversions, services, advowsons in gross, common in gross, tithes, &c. or made by such persons as cannot give but by deed, as the king, and all bodies politick; which differences be often in speech neglected, and then is taken generally for every gift whatsoever, made of any thing by any person; and he that granteth it is named the grantor, and he to whom it is made the grantee. A thing is said to be in grant which cannot be assigned without deed. Cowel.

All the land is the queen's, unless there be some grant of any part thereof, to be shewed from Spenser on Ireland.

Not only the laws of this kingdom, but of other places, and the Roman laws, provide that the prince should not be deceived in his grants. Davenant.

4. Concession; admission of something in dispute.

But of this so large a grant, we are content not to take advantage.

This grant destroys all you have urg'd before. Dryden.

GRA'NTABLE. † adj. [from grant.] That may be granted.

The office of the bishop's chancellor was grantable for life. Ayliffe, Parergon. I will inquire therefore in what cases dispensations are grantable, and by whom.

Bp. of London's (Sherlock) Charge, 1759, p. 6.

GRANTE'E. n. s. [from grant.] He to whom any grant is made.

To smooth the way for popery in Mary's time. the grantees were confirmed by the pope in the possession of the abby-lands.

GRA'NTOR. n. s. [from grant.] He by whom a grant is made.

A duplex querela shall not be granted under pain of suspension of the grantor from the execution of his office. Ayliffe.

GRA'NULARY. adj. [from granule.] Small and compact; resembling a small grain

Small-coal, with sulphur and nitre, proportionably mixed, tempered, and formed into granulary bodies, do make up that powder which is in use Brown, Vulg. Err.

To GRA'NULATE. v.n. [granuler, Fr. from granum, Latin.] To be formed into small grains.

The juice of grapes, inspissated by heat, granulates into sugar.

To GRA'NULATE. + v. a.

1. To break into small masses or granules. Most of the Schemnitz silver ore holds some gold, which they separate by melting the silver, Brown's Travels, p. 59. then granulating it. .

2. To raise into small asperities.

I have observed, in many birds, the gullet, before its entrance into the gizzard, to be much dilated, and thick set, or as it were granulated with a multitude of glandules, each whereof was provided with its excretory vessel. Ray.

GRANULA'TION. n. s. [granulation, Fr. from granulate.

I. The act of pouring melted metal into cold water, so as it may granulate or congeal into small grains: it is generally done through a colander, or a birchen broom. Gunpowder and some salts are likewise said to be granulated, from their resemblance to grain or seed. Quincy.

2. The act of shooting or breaking in small

Tents in wounds, by resisting the growth of the little granulations of the flesh, in process of time harden them, and in that manner produce a Sharp, Surgery.

GRA'NULE. n. s. [from granum, Latin.] A small compact particle.

With an excellent microscope, where the naked eye did see but a green powder, the assisted eye could discern particular granules, some blue, and some yellow. Boyle on Colours.

GRA'NULOUS. adj. [from granule.] Fall of little grains.

GRAPE. n. s. [grappe, French; krappe, Dutch.] The fruit of the vine, growing in clusters; the fruit from which wine is expressed.

And thou shalt not glean thy vineyard, neither shalt thou gather every grape of thy vineyard; thou shalt leave them for the poor and stranger.

Lev. xix. 10.

Anacreon, for thy sake I of the grape no mention make; Ere my Anacreon by thee fell, Cursed plant, I lov'd thee well.

Here are the vines in early flow'r descry'd, Here grapes discolour'd on the sunny side.

Pope, Odyss.

GRAPE Hyacinth, or GRAPE Flower. n. s.

A flower. GRAPE Shot.* n. s. In artillery, a combination of small shot, put into a thick canvass bag, and corded strongly together, so as to form a kind of cylinder, the diameter of which is equal to that of the ball which is adapted to the can-Chambers.

To GRAPE. See To GROPE.

GRA'PELESS.* adj. [grape and less.] Wanting the strength and flavour of the grape. The entertainment consisted of cold fish, lean

chickens, rusty hams, raw venison, and grapeless

GRA'PESTONE. n. s. [grape and stone.]
The stone or seed contained in the When obedient nature knows his will,

A fly, a grapestone, or a hair can kill. Prior.

GRA'PHICAL.† adj. [γράφω.] Well de-

Write with a needle, or bodkin, or knife, or the like, when the fruit or trees are young; for as they grow, so the letters will grow more large and graphical. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

In this so graphical a description of the Son of God, clothed in all the pomp and majesty of his Father, the attitude is most observable: "His right foot was on the sea, and his left on the Warburton, Serm. xx.

GRA'PHICALLY. † adv. [from graphical.] In a picturesque manner; with good description or delineation.

After it, succeeded their third dance; than which a more numerous composition could not be seen; graphically disposed into letters, and honouring the name of the most sweet and ingenious prince, Charles duke of York.

B. Jonson, Masques at Court. Very rhetorical delineations follow their miseries by this invasion of Nebuchadnezzar, graphically as

in a map described.

Bp. Richardson, on the O. Test. p. 419. The hyena odorata, or civet cat, is delivered and graphically described by Castellus.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

GRA'PHICK.* adj. 1. Graphical.

He can Find all our atoms from a point t'a span; Our closest creeks and corners; and can trace Each line, as it were graphick, in the face. B. Jonson, Underwoods.

2. Relating to engraving.

Availing himself of his poetical talent, and his facility in the graphick art.

Warton, Hist. Eng. Poet. ii. 157.

GRAPHO'METER.* n. s. [Fr. graphomètre, from the Gr. γράφω, to write, and μέτρου, a measure.] A surveying instrument. As for the bearings and distances, they are very

different from those I have given, which answered in every part, almost as exactly as if I had surveyed a field with a graphometer.

Drummond, Trav. (1749,) p. 244. GRA'PNEL. † n. s. [grappil and grappin, Fr. the grapple of a ship. Cotgrave.]

1. A small anchor belonging to a little vessel.

2. A grappling iron with which in fight | 1. Full of clusters of grapes. one ship fastens on another.

With grisly soune out goeth the grete gunne -In goth the grapinel so ful of crokes.

Chaucer, Leg. of Cleopatra.

To GRA'PPLE. + v. n. [grabbelen, Dutch; krappeln, German. Dr. Johnson. - It is from the M. Goth. griepan, to seize, to lay hold of any thing; Su. Goth. gripan; Sax. zpipan.]

1. To contend by seizing each other, as wrestlers.

Your grace and I

Must grapple upon even terms no more

Beaum. and Fl. Maid's Tragedy. They must be also practised in all the locks and gripes of wrestling, as need may often be in fight to tug or grapple, and to close.

Milton on Education. Living virtue, all atchievements past,

Meets envy, still to grapple with at last. Waller.

Does he think that he can grapple with divine vengeance, and endure the everlasting burnings?

Antæus here and stern Alcides strive, And both the grappling statues seem to live. Addison.

2. To contest in close fight.

I'll in my standard bear the arms of York, To grapple with the house of Lancaster.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. Sometimes, from fighting squadrons of each

Two grappling Ætnas on the ocean meet, And English fires with Belgian flames contend.

To GRA'PPLE. v. a.

1. To fasten; to fix; to join indissolubly. Now obsolete.

Grapple your minds to sternage of the navy, And leave your England as dead midnight still. Shakspeare, Hen. V.

That business Grapples you to the heart and love of us.

Shakspeare, Macbeth. 2. To seize; to lay fast hold of.

For hippagines, vessels for the transporting of horse, we are indebted to the Salaminians; for grappling hooks to Anacharsis.

GRA'FPLE. n. s. [from the verb.] I. Contest hand to hand, in which the combatants seize each other; the wrestler's hold.

As when earth's son, Antæus, strove With Jove's Alcides, and, oft foil'd, still rose Fresh from his fall, and fiercer grapple join'd, Throttled at length in the air, expir'd and fell. Milton, P. R.

Or did his genius Know mine the stronger demon, fear'd the grapple, And, looking round him, found this nook of fate, To skulk behind my sword.

Dryden, Don Sebastian.

2. Close fight.

In the grapple I boarded them; on the instant they got clear of our ship, so I alone became their prisoner. Shakspeare, Hamlet. Iron instrument by which one ship

fastens on another. But Cymon soon his crooked grapples cast,

Which with tenacious hold his foes embrac'd.

GRA'PPLEMENT. n.s. [from grapple.] Close fight; hostile embrace. Not in use.

They catching hold of him, as down he lent, Him backward overthrew, and down him stay'd With their rude hands and griesly grapplement. Spenser, F. Q.

GRA'PY.* adj. [Fr. grappu.]

Cotgrave. The grapy clusters spread

On his fair brows, and dangle on his head. Addison, Ovid.

2. Made of the grape.

And on the marble altar's polish'd frame Pours forth the grapy stream. Gay, Ovid.

GRA'SHOPPER. † n. s. [grass and hop.] A small insect that hops in the summer grass. The cicada of the Latins is often by the poets translated grashopper, but improperly.

Her waggon spokes made of long spinners' legs, The cover of the wings of grashoppers.

Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul. Grashoppers eat up the green of whole countries. Bacon.

While cicada is rendered a grashopper, we commonly think that which is so called among us to be the true cicada; wherein, as we have elsewhere declared, there is a great mistake; for we have not the cicada in England, and indeed no proper word for that animal, which the French nameth cigale: That which we commonly call a grashopper, and the French saulterelle, being one kind of locust, so rendered in the plague of Egypt, and in old Saxon named gersthop.

Sir T. Brown, Miscell, p. 109.

Where silver lakes, with verdant shadows crown'd.

Disperse a grateful chilness all around; The grashopper avoids th' untainted air, Nor in the midst of summer ventures there,

Addison. The women were of-such an enormous stature, that we appeared as grashoppers before them. Addison, Spect.

GRA'SIER. † n. s. One who feeds cattle. See GRAZIER.

He was by turns a fiddler and a farmer, a grasier and a poet, with equal success.

Warton, Hist. Eng. Poet. iii. 299.

To GRASP. v. a. [graspare, Italian.] 1. To hold in the hand; to gripe.

O fool that I am, that thought I could grasp water and bind the wind. In his right hand

Grasping ten thousand thunders, which he sent Before him, such as in their souls infix'd

Milton, P. L. Kings, by grasping more than they could hold,

First made their subjects, by oppression, bold. Denham

Doom, as they please, my empire not to stand, I'll grasp my sceptre with my dying hand. Dryden, Ind. Emperor. 2. To seize; to catch at,

This grasping of the militia of the kingdom into their own hands, was desired the summer before.

For what are men who grasp at praise sublime, But bubbles on the rapid stream of time? Young.

To GRASP. v. n.

1. To catch; to endeavour to seize; to So endless and exorbitant are the desires of men.

that they will grasp at all, and can form no scheme of perfect happiness with less.

2. To struggle; to strive; to grapple. Not now in use.

See, his face is black and full of blood; His hands abroad display'd, as one that graspt And tugg'd for life. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

3. To gripe; to encroach. Like a miser 'midst his store,

Who grasps and grasps till he can hold no more. Dryden.

GRASP. n. s. [from the verb.] 1. The gripe or seizure of the hand.

Nor wanted in his grasp What seem'd both spear and shield. Milton. This hand and sword have been acquainted well: It should have come before into my grasp, Dryden, Don Sebast. To kill the ravisher.

The left arm is a little defaced, though one may see it held something in its grasp formerly. Addison on Italy.

2. Possession; hold.

I would not be the villain that thou think'st For the whole space that's in the tyrant's grasp And the rich East to boot. Shakspeare, Macbeth. 3. Power of seizing.

Within the direful grasp

Of savage hunger, or of savage heat,

Milton, Comus. They looked upon it as their own, and had it Clarendon. even within their grasp.

GRA'SPER. † n. s. [from grasp.] One that grasps, seizes, or catches at. Sherwood.

GRASS.† n. s. [zpær, Sax. gras, Goth. graes, Icel. from gro, to germinate, to sprout.] The common herbage of the field on which cattle feed; an herb with long narrow leaves.

Ye are grown fat as the heifer at grass, and bellow as bulls.

The beef being young, and only grass fed, was thin, light, and moist, and not of a substance to endure the salt. Temple. You'll be no more your former you;

But for a blooming nymph will pass, Just fifteen, coming summer's grass. Swift.

GRASS of Parnassus. n. s. [parnassia,

Latin. A plant.

This plant is called parnassia from mount Parnassus, where it was supposed to grow; and because the cattle feed on it, it obtained the name of grass, though the plant has no resemblance to the Miller. grass kind.

To GRASS. v.n. [from the noun.] To breed grass; to become pasture.

Land arable, driven, or worn to the proof, With oats ye may sow it, the sooner to grass,

More soon to be pasture, to bring it to pass.

Mortimer.

GRASS-GREEN.* adj. [grass and green.] Green with grass.

He is dead and gone, lady,

He is dead and gone; At his head a grass-green turf,

At his heels a stone. Shakspeare, Hamlet. He hyed him to the fatal place,

Where Margaret's body lay; And stretch'd him on the grass-green turf,

That wrapt her breathless clay.

Mallet, William and Margaret. GRASS-GROWN.* adj. [grass and grown.]

Grown over with grass. Desolating Famine, who delights In grass-grown cities, and in desert fields.

Thomson, Liberty, P. iv. Desolation o'er the grass-grown street

Expands his raven wings.

Akenside, Pleas. of Imag. B. 2. If a friend my grass-grown threshold find, O, how my lonely cot resounds with glee! Shenstone, Eleg. 7.

GRASS-PLOT. n. s. [grass and plot.] A small level covered with short grass.

Here on this grass-plot, in this very place, Shakspeare, Tempest. Come and sport. The part of your garden next your house should be a parterre for flowers, or grass-plots bordered They are much valued by our modern planters,

to adorn their walks and grass-plots.

GRASS-POLY. n. s. A species of WILLOW- | To GRATE. v. n.

GRASSA'TION.* n. s. [Lat. grassatio.] A ranging about to do wrong.

If in vice there be a perpetual grassation, there must be in virtue a perpetual vigilance.

Feltham, Res. ii. 8. GRA'SSLESS.* adj. [grass and less.] Want-

ing grass. The wintrie snow had covered all their greene,

Nought else upon the grassless ground but winter's waste was seene. Mir. for Mag. p. 556.

GRA'SSINESS. n. s. [from grassy.] The state of abounding in grass.

GRA'SSY. adj. [from grass.] Covered with grass; abounding with grass.

Ne did he leave the mountains bare unseen, Nor the rank grassy fens delights untry'd. Spenser. Rais'd of grassy turf

Their table was, and mossy seats had round.

Milton, P. L. The most in fields, like herded beasts, lie down, To dews obnoxious, on the grassy floor. Dryden. GRATE. n. s. [crates, Lat.]

1. A partition made with bars placed near to one another, or crossing each other: such as are in cloysters or prisons.

I have grated upon my good friends for three reprieves for you, and your couch-fellow, Nim; or else you had looked through the grate, like a geminy of baboons. Out at a little grate his eyes he cast

Upon those bord'ring hills, and open plain. Daniel. A fan has on it a nunnery of lively black-eyed vestals, who are endeavouring to creep out at the Addison. grates.

2. The range of bars within which fires are made.

My dear is of opinion that an old fashioned grate consumes coals, but gives no heat. Spectator. To GRATE.* v. a. [from the noun.] To Sherwood. shut up with bars.

To GRATE. v. a. [grater, Fr.]

1. To rub or wear any thing by the attrition of a rough body.

Thereat the fiend his gnashing teeth did grate. Spenser.

Blind oblivion swallow'd cities up, And mighty states characterless are grated

To dusty nothing. Shakspeare, Troil. and Cress. If the particles of the putty were not made to stick fast in the pitch, they would, by rolling up and down, grate and fret the object metal, and fill Newton, Opticks. it full of little holes. 2. To offend by any thing harsh or vex-

atious.

Thereat enraged, soon he gan upstart, Grinding his teeth, and grating his great heart.

They have been partial in the gospel, culled and chosen out those softer and more gentle dictates which should less grate and disturb them. Decay of Piety.

Just resentment and hard usage coin'd Th' unwilling word; and, grating as it is,

Take it, for 'tis thy due. Dryden, Don Sebast. This habit of writing and discoursing, wherein I unfortunately differ from almost the whole kingdom, and am apt to grate the ears of more than I could wish, was acquired during my apprenticeship in London.

3. To form a sound by collision of asperities or hard bodies.

The grating shock of wrathful iron arms. Shakspeare, Rich. II.

On a sudden open fly, With impetuous recoil and jarring sound, The infernal doors, and on their hinges grate Harsh thunder, that the lowest bottom shook

1. To rub hard so as to injure or offend; to offend, as by oppression or importunity.

Wherein have you been galled by the king? What peer hath been suborn'd to grate on you, That you should seal this lawless bloody book Of forg'd rebellion with a seal divine?

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. I have grated upon my good friends for three reprieves for you, or else you had looked through

Shaksneare. Paradoxing is of great use; but the faculty must be so tenderly managed as not to grate upon the truth and reason of things. This grated harder upon the hearts of men.

I never heard him make the least complaint, in a case that would have grated sorely on some men's patience, and have filled their lives with discontent.

2. To make a harsh noise, as that of a rough body drawn over another.

We are not so nice as to cast away a sharp knife, because the edge of it may sometimes grate.

GRATE.* adj. [Fr. grate, "grateful," Cotgrave; Lat. gratus.] Agreeable. Not now in use; but if ingrate, as Dr. Johnson asserts, be proper for what is unpleasing to the sense, grate for what is the contrary seems also to be proper. It becomes grate and delicious enough by cus-

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p.311.

GRA'TEFUL. adj. [gratus, Lat.] 1. Having a due sense of benefits; willing to acknowledge and to repay benefits. A grateful mind

By owing owes not, but still pays. Milton, P. L. When some degree of health was given, he exerted all his strength in a return of grateful recognition to the author of it.

Fell, Life of Hammond. Years of service past,

From grateful souls exact reward at last. Dryden, Fab.

2. Pleasing; acceptable; delightful; de-

Whatsoever is ingrate at first, is made grateful by custom; but whatsoever is too pleasing at first, groweth quickly to satiate. Bacon, Nat. Hist. A man will endure the pain of hunger and

thirst, and refuse such meats and drinks as are most grateful to his appetite, if he be persuaded that they will endanger his health. This place is the more grateful to strangers in

respect that it being a frontier town, and bordering upon divers nations, many languages are understood here. Brown, Travels.

Now golden fruits on loaded branches shine, And grateful clusters swell with floods of wine.

GRA'TEFULLY. adv. [from grateful.] 1. With willingness to acknowledge and repay benefits; with due sense of ob-

ligation. He, as new wak'd, thus gratefully replied.

Milton, P. L. Enough remains for household charge beside, His wife and tender children to sustain,

And gratefully to feed his dumb deserving train.

In Cyprus long by men and gods obey'd,
The lover's toil she gratefully repaid. Granville. 2. In a pleasing manner.

Study detains the mind by the perpetual occurrence of something new, which may gratefully strike the imagination.

Milton, P. I. GRA'TEFULNESS. 7 n. s. [from grateful.]

1. Gratitude; duty to benefactors. Now [GRA'TING.* n.s. [from grate.] obsolete, Dr. Johnson says, citing Sidney and Herbert. The authority of others, especially of Pope, might have been added to defend the usage of the world. Nor is it yet, perhaps, disused.

A Laconian knight having sometime served him with more gratefulness than good courage defended him.

Blessings beforehand, ties of gratefulness, The sound of glory ringing in our ears. Herbert.

I am pitch'd so high To such a growth of full prosperities, That, to conceal my fortunes, were an injury To gratefulness, and those more liberal favours

By whom my glories prosper. Beaum. and Fl. Fair Maid of the Inn. He [Fenton] died poor, but honest; leaving no debts, or legacies, except of a few pounds to Mr. Trumbull and my lady, in token of respect, gratefulness, and mutual esteem.

Pope, Lett. to Broome. 2. Quality of being acceptable; pleasant-

GRA'TER. n.s. [gratoir, Fr. from grate.] A kind of coarse file with which soft

bodies are rubbed to powder. Tender handed touch a nettle,

And it stings you for your pains; Grasp it like a man of mettle, And it soft as silk remains.

So it is with common natures, Treat them gently, they rebel; But be rough as nutmeg-graters,

A. Hill. And the rogues obey you well. GRATIFICA'TION. † n. s. [gratification, Fr. gratificatio, Latin.]

1. The act of pleasing.

They are incapable of any design above the present gratification of their palates. 2. Pleasure; delight.

How hardly is his will brought to change all its desires and aversions, and to renounce those gratifications in which he has been long used to place his happiness!

3. Reward; recompence. A low word. Calling drunkenness, good fellowship; pride, comeliness; rage, valour; bribery, gratification. "Bp. Morton, Discharge, &c. (1633,) p. 233.

GRA'TIFIER.* n. s. [from gratify.] One who gratifies, or delights.

Bacchus, Ceres, and other eminent persons amongst the heathens, who were great gratifiers of the natural life of man.

More, Myst. of Godl. p. 169.

To GRA'TIFY. + v. a. [gratifier, old Fr.;

gratificor, Latin.]
1. To indulge; to please by compliance. You steer between the country and the court, Nor gratify whate'er the great desire,

Nor grudging give what publick needs require. Dryden.

sooth. But pride stood ready to prevent the blow;

For who would die to gratify a foe? Dryden, Fab.

The captive generals to his car are ty'd; 7 The joyful citizens tumultuous tide Echoing his glory, gratify his pride. \(\) Prior.

A palled appetite is humorous, and must be gratified with sauces rather than food. Tatler. At once they gratify their scent and taste,

While frequent cups prolong the rich repast. A thousand little impertinencies are very gratifying to curiosity, though not improving to the

understanding. 3. To requite with a recompence; as, I'll gratify you for this trouble.

1. A partition made with bars placed near to one another, or crossing each other; as, the iron gratings of a prison.

2. In a ship, gratings are small ledges of sawed plank on the upper deck.

GRA'TINGLY. adv. [from grate.] Harshly, offensively.

GRA'TIS. adv. [Latin.] For nothing; without a recompence.

The people cry you mock'd them; and of late, When corn was given them gratis, you repin'd.

They sold themselves; but thou, like a kind fellow, gav'st thyself away gratis, and I thank

thee for thee. Shakspeare. The taking of use, though he judged lawful, yet never approved by practice, but lent still gratis both to friends and strangers.

Fell, Life of Hammond. Kindred are no welcome clients, where relation gives them a title to have advice gratis.

I scorned to take my degree at Utrecht or Leyden, though offered it gratis by those universities. Arbuthnot, J. Bull.

GRA'TITUDE. n. s. [gratitudo, low Latin.] I. Duty to benefactors.

Forbid

That our renowned Rome, whose gratitude Tow'rds her deserving children is enroll'd, Should now eat up her own! Shakspeare, Coriol.
Suspicious thoughts his pensive mind employ, A sullen gratitude, and clouded joy.

2. Desire to return benefits. The debt immense of endless gratitude.

Milton, P. L. Gratitude is properly a virtue, disposing the mind to an inward sense and an outward acknowledgment of a benefit received, together with a readiness to return the same, or the like.

South, Serm.

GRATUITOUS. adj. [gratuitus, Latin; gratuit, Fr.]

Voluntary; granted without claim or merit.

We mistake the gratuitous blessings of heaven for the fruits of our own industry. L'Estrange.

2. Asserted without proof.

The second motive they had to introduce this gratuitous declination of atoms, the same poet

GRATU'ITOUSLY. adv. [from gratuitous.] 1. Without claim or merit.

2. Without proof.

I would know whence came this obliquity of direction, which they gratuitously tack to matter; this is to ascribe will and choice to these particles. Cheyne, Phil. Prin.

2. To delight; to please; to humour; to GRATU'ITY. n. s. [gratuité, Fr. from graa free gift.

They might have pretended to comply with Ulysses, and dismissed him with a small gratuity. Broome on the Odyssey.

He used every year to present us with his almanack, upon the score of some little gratuity we gave him.

To GRA'TULATE. v. a. [gratulor,

1. To congratulate; to salute with declarations of joy.

To gratify the good Andronicus, And gratulate his safe return to Rome, The people will accept whom he admires. Titus Andronicus.

Whither away so fast? - No farther than the Tower, To gratulate the gentle princes there.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. Envy itself cannot but gratulate the church of England that is so furnished with learned bishops. Sir J. Harington, Br. View of the Church, p. 10. Since nature could behold so dire a crime,

I gratulate at least my native clime, That such a land, which such a monster bore, So far is distant from our Thracian shore.

Dryden, Fab.

2. To declare joy for; to mention with expressions of joy. Yet give thy jealous subjects leave to doubt,

Who this thy 'scape from rumour gratulate, No less than if from peril; and devout, Do beg thy care unto thy after state. B. Jonson.

3. To reward. Not now in use. A thanks to ev'ry one; and to gratulate

So great a service done at my desire, Ye shall have many floods fuller and higher Than you have wish'd for.

Beaum. and Fl. Maid's Tragedy. I could not chuse but gratulate your honest endeavours with this remembrance.

Heywood, Apol. for Actors. GRATULA'TION. n. s. [from gratulatio, Latin.] Salutations made by expressing joy; expression of joy.

They are the first gratulations wherewith our Lord and Saviour was joyfully received at his entrance into the world, by such as in their hearts, arms, and bowels embraced him. The earth

Gave signs of gratulation, and each hill.

Milton, P.L. Your enjoyments, according to the standard of a Christian desire, require no addition; I shall turn my wishes into gratulations, and, congratulating their fulness, only wish their continuance.

GRA'TULATORY. † adj. [from gratulate.] 1. Congratulatory; expressing congratulation.

After a short preamble gratulatory, and signifying his majesty's summous.

Conference at Hampton Court, (1603,) p. 23. There is a gratulatory gift, when one sendeth to another to testify their love and joy.

Willet, Treat. of Solomon's Marriage, p. 31.

2. Expressing thanks.

They make a gratulatory oration unto God, for that he has been pleased to assist and accept their services.

L. Addison, on the State of the Jews, p. 125. Formerly he had disowned any propitiatory sacrifice, content with gratulatory, after the Protestant way.

Waterland, Charge on the Eucharist, p. 54.

GRAVE, a final syllable in the names of places, is from the Saxon zpær, a grove Gibson's Camden. or cave.

GRAVE. † n. s.

tuitous.] A present or acknowledgment; 1. The place in the ground in which the dead are reposited. [zpær, zpar, Sax. from zparan, to dig; grafa, Icel. graban, Goth. and thus the Germ. grab, a grave; and perhaps all may be referred to the Heb. kaber, a grave. Graves were for, merly called by the English pits.]

> Now it is the time of night, That the graves, all gaping wide, Every one lets forth his spright,

In the church-way paths to glide. Shakspeare.

Thou wilt not leave me in the loathsome grave. Milton, P. L.

To walk upon the graves of our dead masters, Denham, Sophy. Is our own security. A flood of waters would overwhelm all those

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fragments which the earth broke into, and bury in [5. [From grave.] To entomb. Not now one common grave all the inhabitants of the earth. Rurnet.

They were wont once a year to meet at the graves of the martyrs: there solemnly to recite their sufferings and triumphs, to praise their virtues, to bless God for their pious examples, for their holy lives and their happy deaths.

2. In the plural only, graves is a word used to signify the sediment of tallow melted for the making of candles. It means also this refuse made into cakes as food for dogs.

3. [graf, Germ. A count; low Lat. gravio, and graphio.] A ruler; usually in composition, as landgrave, margrave. GRAVE-CLOTHES. n. s. [grave and clothes.]

The dress of the dead.

But of such subtle substance and unsound, That like a ghost he seem'd, whose grave-clothes were unbound. And he that was dead came forth, bound hand

and foot with grave-clothes. St. John, xi. 44. GRAVE-DIGGER.* n. s. [grave and digger.]

One who digs graves.

Shakspeare, who was a great copier of nature, whenever he introduces any artisans, or low characters, into his plays, never fails to dash them strongly with some distinguishing stain of humour; as may be seen more remarkably in the scene of the grave-diggers in Hamlet.

Guardian, No. 144.

GRAVE-MAKER.* n.s. [grave and maker.]

A grave-digger.

When you are asked this question next, say a grave-maker; the houses that he makes last till doomsday. Shakspeare, Hamlet. If you would hear more of this rare physician, and his feats, (for I am sick of him,) enquire of

sad families, and merry grave-makers.

Whitlock, Mann. of the Eng. p. 100. GRAVE-STONE. † n. s. [grave and stone.]
The stone that is laid over the grave; the monumental stone.

Timon, presently prepare thy grave; Lie where the light foam of the sea may beat Thy grave-stone daily. Shakspeare, Timon. The grave-stone of Christ's tomb was sealed. Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 132.

To GRAVE. † v. a. preter. graved; part.

pass. graven.

To dig. [Sax. zparan. See GRAVE. This is the primary sense, which Dr. Johnson has overpassed.] To grave is our northern expression for to break up ground with a spade.

He hath graven and digged up a pit.

Ps. vii. 16. Comm. Prayer. 2. To insculp; to carve a figure or inscription in any hard substance. [zparan, Sax.; graven, Dutch; graver, Fr.; γράφω, Gr.

Cornice with bossy sculptures graven.

Thy sum of duty let two words contain;

O! may they graven in thy heart remain, -Be humble and be just.

3. To carve or form.

What profiteth the graven image, that the maker thereof bath graven it? Heb. ii. 18. 4. To copy paintings upon wood or metal,

in order to be impressed on paper. The gravers can and ought to imitate the bodies

of the colours by the degrees of the lights and shadows: 'tis impossible to give much strength to what they grave, after the works of the schools, without imitating in some sort the colour of the Dryden, Dufresnoy.

in use, but formerly common in this sense, among our writers, from Gower to Shakspeare.

There's more gold:
Do you damn others, and let this damn you:

And ditches grave you all! Shakspeare, Timon. 6. To clean, caulk, and sheath a ship. Ainsworth.

To GRAVE. v. n. To write or delineate on hard substances.

Thou shalt make a plate of pure gold, and grave Ex. xxviii. 36.

GRAVE. adj. [grave, Fr.; gravis, Lat.] 1. Solemn; serious; sober; not gay; not light or trifling.

To the more mature, A glass that featur'd them; and to the grave, A child that guided dotards. Shakspeare, Cymb. We should have else desir'd

Your good advice, which still bath been both grave And prosperous, in this day's council.

Shakspeare, Macbeth. That grave awfulness, as in your best breed of mastives, or elegancy and prettiness, as in your lesser dogs, are modes of beauty.

More against Atheism. Even the grave and serious characters are distinguished by their several sorts of gravity.

Dryden, Fab. Pref. Youth on silent wings is flown;

Graver years come rolling on. To laugh, were want of goodness and of grace; And to be grave, exceeds all power of face. Pope. Folly-painting humour, grave himself,

Calls laughter forth. Thomson. They have as much reason to pretend to, and as much necessity to aspire after, the highest accomplishments of a Christian and solid virtue, as the gravest and wisest among Christian philosophers.

2. Of weight; not futile; credible. Little used.

The Roman state was of all others the most celebrated for their virtue, as the gravest of their own writers, and of strangers, do bear them wit-Grew, Cosmol.

3. Not showy; not tawdry: as, a grave suit of cloaths.

4. Not sharp of sound; not acute.

Accent, in the Greek names and usage, seems to have regarded the tone of the voice: the acute accent raising the voice, in some syllables, to a higher, i. e. more acute pitch or tone, and the grave depressing it lower, and both having some emphasis, i. e. more vigorous pronunciation.

GRA'VEL. n. s. [gravier, French; graveel, Dutch; gravel, Armorick.]

1. Hard sand; sand consisting of very

small pebble-stones. Gravel consists of flints of all the

usual sizes and colours, of the several sorts of pebbles; sometimes with a few pyritæ, and other mineral bodies, confusedly intermixed, and common sand. Woodward.

His armour, all gilt, was so well handled, that it shewed like a glittering sand and gravel, interlaced with silver rivers.

Proofs as clear as founts in July, when We see each grain of gravel. Shaks. Hen. VIII.

Providence permitted not the earth to spend itself in base gravel and pebbles, instead of quarries of stones.

So deep, and yet so clear, we might behold The gravel bottom, and that bottom gold. Dryden.

The upper garden at Kensington was at first nothing but a gravel pit. Gravel walks are best for fruit-trees. Mortimer.

2. [gravelle, French.] Sandy matter con-

creted in the kidneys. If the stone is brittle, it will often crumble, and pass in the form of gravel: if the stone is too big to pass, the best method is to come to a sort of a

composition or truce with it. Arbuthnot. To GRA'VEL. v. a. [from the noun.] 1. To pave or cover with gravel.

Moss groweth upon alleys, especially such as lie cold, and upon the north, as in divers terrasses; and again, if they be much trodden, or if they were at the first gravelled. 2. To stick in the sand.

William the Conqueror, when he invaded this island, chanced at his arrival to be gravelled; and one of his feet stuck so fast in the sand, that he fell to the ground.

3. To puzzle; to stop; to put to a stand; to embarrass.

I would kiss before I spoke.

- Nay, you were better speak first, and when you were gravelled for lack of matter, you might take occasion to kiss. Shaksneare. The disease itself will gravel him to judge of it;

nor can there be any prediction made of it, it is so

What work do our imaginations make with eternity and immensity! And how are we gravelled by their cutting dilemmas! Glanv. Scepsis. Mat, who was here a little gravell'd,

Tost up his nose, and would have cavill'd. Prior. 4. [In horsemanship.] To hurt the foot

with gravel confined by the shoe. GRA'VELESS. adj. [from grave.] Wanting

a tomb; unburied. My brave Egyptians all,

By the discandying of this pelletted storm, Lie graveless. Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop.

GRA'VELLY. adj. [graveleux, French; from gravel.] Full of gravel; abounding with gravel; consisting of gravel.

There are some natural spring-waters that will inlapidate wood; so that you shall see one piece of wood, whereof the part above the water shall continue wood, and the part under the water shall be turned into a gravelly stone. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

If you live in a consumptive air, make choice of the more open, high, dry, and gravelly part of it. Harvey on Consump.

GRA'VELY. adv. [from grave.] 1. Solemnly; seriously; soberly; without lightness or mirth.

Thou stand'st Gravely in doubt whether to hold them wise.

Milton, P. L. A girl longs to tell her confident that she hopes to be married in a little time, and asks her very gravely what she would have her to do. Spect.

Wisdom's above suspecting wiles; The queen of learning gravely smiles. A formal story was very gravely carried to his

excellency, by some zealous members. Swift. Is't not enough the blockhead scarce can read,

But must he wisely look, and gravely plead? Young. 2. Without gaudiness or show.

GRA'VENESS. n. s. [from grave.] Seriousness; solemnity and sobriety of behaviour.

Youth no less becomes The light and careless livery that it wears, Than settled age his sables, and his weeds Importing health and graveness. Shaksp. Hamlet.

But yet beware of counsels when too full; Number makes long disputes and graveness dull.

GRA'VEOLENT. adj. [graveolens, Latin.] Strong scented.

GRA'VER. n. s. [graveur, French; from grave.] carve upon hard substances; one who

1. One whose business is to inscribe or

copies pictures upon wood or metal to be impressed on paper. If he makes a design to be graved, he is to remember that the gravers dispose not their colours as the painters do; and that, by consequence, he

must take occasion to find the reason of his design in the natural shadows of the figures, which he has disposed to cause the effect. Dryden, Dufres. 2. The stile or tool used in graving.

With all the care wherewith I tried upon it the known ways of softening gravers, I could not soften this.

The toilsome hours in diff'rent labour slide, Some work the file, and some the graver guide.

Gay, Fan. GRA'VID.* adj. [Lat. gravidus.] Pregnant. The word is old in our language. A careful husband over his gravid associate.

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 25. GRA'VIDATED.* part. adj. [gravidatus, Lat.] Great with young.

Her womb is said to bear him, to have been gravidated, or great with child.

Barrow, vol. ii. S. 24. GRAVIDA'TION.* n. s. [Latin, gravidatio.] Pregnancy; state of being with child. As έν γασρί έχειν expresseth a proper gravidation, so doth έν γαστρί συλλαβείν a proper con-Pearson on the Creed, Art. 3. ception.

GRAVI'DITY. n. s. [gravidus, Lat.] Pregnancy; state of being with child.

Women obstructed, have not always the forementioned symptoms: in those the signs of gravidity and obstructions are hard to be distinguished in the beginning. Arbuthnot on Diet.

GRA'VING. † n. s. [from grave.]

1. Carved work.

Skilful to work in gold; - also to grave any manner of graving, and to find out every device which shall be put to him. 2 Chron. ii. 14. 2. Impression.

Later vows, oaths, or leagues can never blot out those former gravings, or characters, which by just and lawful oaths were made upon their souls. King Charles.

To GRAVITATE. v. n. I from gravis, Latin.] To tend to the centre of attraction.

Those who have nature's steps with care pursu'd, That matter is with active force endu'd,

That all its parts magnetick pow'r exert,

And to each other gravitate, assert. Blackmore.

That subtle matter must be of the same substance with all other matter, and as much as is comprehended within a particular body must gravitate jointly with that body. Bentley.

GRAVITA TION. n. s. [from gravitate.] Act 1. White with a mixture of black. of tending to the centre.

The most considerable phenomenon belonging to terrestrial bodies is the general action of gravitation, whereby all known bodies, in the vicinity of the earth, do tend and press towards its centre. Bentley.

When the loose mountain trembles from on

Shall gravitation cease, if you go by?

GRA'VITY. n. s. [gravitas, Latin; gravité, French.]

1. Weight; heaviness; tendency to the

That quality by which all heavy bodies tend towards the centre, acceler-

ating their motion the nearer they approach towards it, true philosophy has shewn to be unsolveable by any hypothesis, and resolved it into the immediate will of the Creator. Of all bodies, considered within the confines of any fluid, there is a twofold gravity, true and absolute, and vulgar or comparative: absolute gravity, is the whole force by which any body tends downwards; but the relative or vulgar is the excess of gravity in one body above the specifick gravity of the fluid, whereby it tends downwards more than the ambient fluid doth.

Bodies do swim or sink in different liquors, according to the tenacity or gravity of those liquors which are to support them. Brown, Vulg. Err.

Though this increase of density may at great distances be exceeding slow, yet if the elastick tone of this medium be exceeding great, it may suffice to impel bodies from the denser parts of the medium towards the rarer, with all that power which we call gravity. Newton, Opticks.

2. Atrociousness; weight of guilt.

No man could ever have thought this reasonable, that had intended thereby only to punish the injury committed, according to the gravity of the fact.

3. Seriousness; solemnity.

There is not a white hair on your face but should have his effect of gravity. Shaksp. Hen. IV. Our youths and wildness shall no whit appear,

But all be buried in his gravity. Shaksp. Jul. Cæs. For the advocates and council that plead, patience and gravity of hearing is an essential part of

Great Cato there, for gravity renown'd.

Dryden, Æn. The emperors often jested on their rivals or predecessors, but their mints still maintained their

He will tell you with great gravity, that it is a dangerous thing for a man that has been used to get money, ever to leave it off.

GRA'vy. † n. s. [krav, Cambro-Brit. grav, Germ. cruor, blood, Serenius.] serous juice that runs from flesh not much dried by the fire.

Meat we love half raw, with the blood trickling down from it, delicately terming it the gravy, which in truth looks more like an ichorous or raw oody matter. Harvey on Consumption.

There may be a stronger broth made of vegebloody matter.

tables than of any gravy soup.

Arbuthnot on Aliments.

GRAY.† adj. [zpæz, Saxon; grau, Danish; graw, Germ. and Dutch. Mr. H. Tooke thinks that it is from the Sax. zepeznan, to dye, to colour.]

They left me then, when the gray hooded even, Like a sad votarist in palmer's weed,

Rose from the hindmost wheels of Phœbus' wain. Milton, Comus.

These gray and dun colours may be also produced by mixing whites and blacks, and by consequence differ from perfect whites, not in species of

colours, but only in degree of luminousness. Newton, Opticks.

2. White or hoary with old age.

Living creatures generally do change their hair with age, turning to be gray; as is seen in men, though some earlier and some later; in horses, that are dappled and turn white; in old squirrels that turn grisley, and many others.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Thou hast neither forsaken me now I am become gray headed, nor suffered me to forsake thee in the late days of temptation.

Walton, Life of Bp. Sanderson. Anon

Gray headed men and grave, with warriors mix'd, Milton, P. L.

The restoration of gray heirs to juvenility, and renewing the exhausted marrow, may be effected. Glanville, Scepsis. Gray headed infant! and in vain grown old!

Art thou to learn that in another's gold

Lie charms resistless? Dryden, Juv. We most of us are grown gray headed in our dear master's service. Addison, Spect.

Her gray hair'd synods damning books unread, And Bacon trembling for his brazen head. Pope.

3. Dark, like the opening or close of day; of the colour of ashes. Our women's names are more gracious than

their Cæsilia, that is, gray eyed. Camden, Rem. The gray ey'd morn smiles on the frowning night,

Chequ'ring the eastern clouds with streaks of light. Shakspeare.

Soon as the gray ey'd morning streaks the skies,

And in the doubtful day the woodcock flies. Gay, Trivia.

GRAY. † n. s. A gray colour. The gray of the morning is common in many places for the break of day. I'll say you gray is not the morning's eye;

'Tis but the pale reflex of Cynthia's brow.

Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul. Down sunk the sun, the closing hour of day Came onward, mantled o'er with dusky gray.

GRAY. + n. s. [from its colour.] A badger. Ainsworth.

This fine Smooth bawson's cub, the young grice of a gray. B. Jonson, Sad Shepherd.

GRAY.* n. s. A kind of salmon, having a gray back and sides: probably the same as the gilse.

GRA'YBEARD.† n. s. [gray and beard.] An old man; in contempt.

Youngling, thou canst not love so dear as I. Graybeard, thy love doth freeze. Shakspeare. Have I in conquest stretcht mine arm so far,

To be afraid to tell graybeards the truth? Shakspeare, Jul. Cas. A dull relation of the acts of grave graybeards to a young prince might grow fastidious.

Sir J. Harington, Br. View of the Church, p. 35. GRA'YFLY.* n. s. [gray and fly.] The

trumpet-fly.
We drove afield, and both together heard

What time the grayfly winds her sultry horn. Milton, Lycidas.

GRA'YISH.* adj. [from gray.] Approaching to a gray colour. Sherwood. On either side did shine a grayish eye.

Warner, Albion's England.

GRAYLE.* See GRAIL.

GRA'YLING. n. s. [thymallus.] The umber,

The grayling lives in such rivers as the trout does, and is usually taken with the same baits, and after the same manner: he is of a fine shape, his flesh white, and his teeth, those little ones that he has, are in his throat. He is not so general a fish as the trout, nor Walton, Angler. so good to eat.

Sherwood. lity of being gray. She To GRAZE. † v. n. [Sax. zparan.]

1. To eat grass; to feed on grass. The greatest of my pride is to see my ewes

graze, and my lambs suck. Shakspeare, As you like it. Graze where you will, you shall not house with

Shakspeare.

Leaving in the fields his grazing cows, He sought himself some hospitable house.

Dryden, Fab.

The more ignoble throng Attend their stately steps, and slowly graze along. Dryden.

2. To supply grass.

Physicians advise their patients to remove into airs which are plain champaigns, but grazing, and not overgrown with heath.

The sewers must be kept so as the water may not stay too long in the spring; for then the ground continueth the wet, whereby it will never graze to purpose that year. Bacon. A third sort of grazing ground is that near the

A third sort of grazing ground is sea, which is commonly very rich land.

Mortimer, Husbandry.

3. To move on devouring. As every state lay next to the other that was

oppressed, so the fire perpetually grazed.

Bacon on the War with Spain.

From raser, French. To touch lightly. Mark then a bounding valour in our English, That being dead, like to the bullets grazing, Breaks out into a second course of mischief, Killing in relapse of mortality. Shaksp. Hen. V.
A bullet grases on any place, when it gently

turns up the surface of what it strikes upon. Cowel, in V. Grass-Hearth.

The shot -Pierc'd Talgol's gaberdine, and grazing Upon his shoulder, in the passing, Lodg'd in Magnano's brass habergeon, Who straight A surgeon cried, a surgeon! Hudibras, i. iii.

To GRAZE. v. a.

1. To tend grazing cattle; to set cattle to feed on grass.

Jacob graz'd his uncle Laban's sheep. Shaksp. O happy man, saith he, that lo! I see Grazing his cattle in those pleasant fields, If he but know his good. Daniel, Civil Wars.

2. To feed upon. I was at first as other beasts, that graze The trodden herb, of abject thoughts and low.

Milton, P. L. Their steeds around, Free from their harness, graze the flow'ry ground.

Some graze their land till Christmas, and some Mortimer. This Neptune gave him, when he gave to keep

His scaly flocks that graze the wat'ry deep. Dryden, Virg.

The lambs with wolves shall graze the verdant mead. 3. To supply with grass.

He hath a house and barn in repair, and a field or two to graze his cows, with a garden and orchard.

4. To strike lightly. [Fr. raser.]
Whose solid virtue

The shot of accident, nor dart of chance, Could neither graze, nor pierce. Shaksp. Othello. We still say, the skin is grased, or slightly hurt. Cowel, in V. Grass-Hearth.

GRA'ZER. n. s. [from graze.] One that grazes or feeds on grass.

His flock daily crops Their verdant dinner from the mossy turf Sufficient: after them the cackling goose, Close grazer, finds wherewith to ease her want. Philips.

GRE feeds cattle.

All graziers prefer their cattle from meaner pastures to better. Racon. Gentle peace, which fillest the husbandman's barns, the grazier's folds, and the tradesman's

His confusion increased when he found the alderman's father to be a grazier. Spectator.

Of agriculture, the desolation made in the country by engrossing graziers, and the great yearly importation of corn from England, are lamentable instances under what discouragement

GREASE. n. s. [graisse, French.] 1. The soft part of the fat; the oily or

unctuous part of animals. Grease, that's sweaten

From the murth'rer's gibbet, throw Into the flame. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

To take out a spot of grease they use a coal upon Bacon, Nat. Hist. brown paper. Thou hop'st, with sacrifice of oxen slain,

To compass wealth, and bribe the god of gain To give thee flocks and herds, with large increase; Fool! to expect them from a bullock's grease. Dryden, Juv.

A girdle, foul with grease, binds his obscene Dryden

2. [In horsemanship.] A swelling and gourdiness of the legs, which happens to a horse after a journey, or by standing long in the stable.

To GREASE. v. a. [from the noun.] 1. To smear or anoint with grease.

A treatise - never to be thumbed or greased by students, nor bound to everlasting chains of darkness in a library. Swift, Tale of a Tub, § 7.

2. To bribe; to corrupt with presents.

Envy not the store Of the greas'd advocate that grinds the poor. Dryden, Pers.

GRE'ASILY.* adv. [from greasy.] 1. With an appearance, as if smeared with grease.

His sweaty neck did shine right greasily. More, Song of the Soul, i. ii. 77.

2. Grossly; indelicately. You talk greasily, your lips grow foul. Shakspeare, L. Lab. Lost.

GRE'ASINESS. n. s. [from grease.] Oiliness; fatness.

Upon the most of these stones, after they are cut, there appears always, as it were, a kind of greasiness or unctuosity.

GRE'ASY. † adj. [from grease.] Oily; fat; unctuous.

The fragments, scraps, the bits and greasy reliques

Shakspeare. Of her o'ereaten faith.

2. Smeared with grease. Even the lewd rabble Govern'd their roaring throats, and grumbled

I could have hugg'd the greasy rogues; they pleas'd me. Otmon

Buy sheep, and see that they be big-boned, and have a soft, greasy, well curled close wool. Mortimer, Husbandry.

3. Fat of body; bulky: in reproach. Let's consult together against this greasy knight. Shakspeare.

4. Gross; indelicate; indecent. Chaste cells, when greasy Aretine, For his rank fico, is surnam'd divine.

Marston, Scourge of Vill. i. 3.

GRA'YNESS. † n. s. [from gray.] The qua- | GRA'ZIER. n. s. [from graze.] One who | GREAT. † adj. [xpeat, Saxon; groot, Dutch: from the Su. Goth. gro, to encrease. 7

1. Large in bulk or number.

Judas, one of the twelve came, and with him a great multitude with swords and staves.

St. Matt. xxvi. 47. All these cities were fenced with high walls,

Milton, P. L.

gates and bars, besides unwalled towns a great Deut. iii. 5. Elemental air diffus'd

In circuit to the uttermost convex Of this great round.

And God created the great whales. Milton, P. L.

A dungeon horrible, on all sides round, Milton, P. L. As one great furnace flam'd. The tallest pine

Hewn on Norwegian hills, to be the mast Milton, P. L. Of some great ammiral.

2. Having any quality in a higher degree. There were they in great fear. Psalm xiv. 5. Their power was great. Milton, P. L. Great triumph and rejoicing was in heaven. Milton, P. L.

Charms such as thine, inimitably great,

Broome. He only could express.

3. Having number or bulk, relative or comparative.

The idea of so much is positive and clear: the idea of greater is also clear, but it is but a comparative idea.

4. Considerable in extent or duration. Thou hast spoken of thy servant's house for a great while to come. 2 Sam. vii. 19.

5. Important; weighty. Make sure

Her favours to thee, and the great oath take With which the blessed gods assurance make. Chapman.

Many Have broke their backs with laying manors on

them, For this great journey. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. What is low raise and support,

That to the height of this great argument I may assert eternal Providence And vindicate the ways of God to men. Milton, P. L.

On some great charge employ'd He seem'd, or fix'd in cogitation deep. Milton, P. L.

By experience of this great event, In arms not worse. Milton, S. A.

After silence then, And summons read, the great consult began.

Milton, P. L. And though this be a great truth, if it be impartially considered, yet it is also a great paradox

to men of corrupt minds and vicious practices. Tillotson. 6. Chief; principal.

Hear the king's pleasure, cardinal, who commands you To render up the great seal presently.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. 7. Venerable; adorable; awful.

Thou first are wont God's great authentick will, Interpreter, through highest heaven to bring.

Milton, P. L. 8. Wonderful; marvellous.

Great things, and full of wonder. Milton, P. L. 9. Of high rank; of large power.

Then the king made Daniel a great man.

Such men as he be never at heart's ease, Whilst they behold a greater than themselves. Shakspeare, Jul. Ces.

Worthiest by being good, Far more than great or high. Milton, P. I.

The fantastick complaisance, which is paid to them, may blind the great from seeing themselves in a just light. Tatler, No. 196.

Of all the great, how few Are just to heav'n, and to their promise true!

Pope, Odyss. Misfortune made the throne her seat.

And none could be unhappy but the great. Rowe. Despise the farce of state,

The sober follies of the wise and great. The marble tombs that rise on high,

Whose dead in vaulted arches lie; These, all the poor remains of state, Adorn the rich, or praise the great.

Parnel.

10. General; extensive in consequence or influence. Prolifick humour, softening all her globe, Fermented the great mother to conceive

Milton, P. L. 11. Illustrious; eminent; noble; excel-

lent. O Lord, thou art great, and thy name is great in might. Jer. x. 6. The great Creator thus replied. Milton, P. L.

The great Son return'd

Victorious with his saints. Milton, P. L. Fair angel, thy desire which tends to know The works of God, thereby to glorify

The great Work-master, leads to no excess That reaches blame. Milton, P. L. Great are thy works, Jehovah, infinite

Thy power! what thought can measure thee, or Relate thee! greater now in thy return,

Than from the giant angels: Thee that day Thy thunders magnified, but to create Is greater than created to destroy. Millon, P. L.

The great luminary Aloof the vulgar constellations thick, That from his lordly eye keep distance due, Dispenses light from far. Milton, P. L. Here Cæsar grac'd with both Minervas shone, Cæsar, the world's great master, and his own.

Scipio, Great in his triumphs, in retirement great. Pope.

12. Grand of aspect; of elevated mien. Such Dido was; with such becoming state, Amidst the crowd, she walks serenely great.

Dryden, Virg.

13. Magnanimous; generous; high minded. In her every thing was goodly and stately; yet so, that it might seem that great mindedness was but the ancient-bearer to the humbleness. Sidney.

14. Opulent; sumptuous; magnificent. Not Babylon, Nor great Alcairo, such magnificence

Equall'd in all their glories. Milton, P. L. He disdained not to appear at great tables and festival entertainments. 15. Intellectually great; sublime.

This new created world, how good, how fair, Answering his great idea. Milton, P. L.

16. Swelling; proud.

Solyman perceived that Vienna was not to be won with words, nor the defendants to be discouraged with great looks; wherefore he began to batter the walls.

17. Familiar; much acquainted. A low word, Dr. Johnson says. It is used in this sense in Scotland, and Dr. Jamieson thinks it not the adjective great improperly used, but as immediately formed from the Saxon zpio, peace, zpioian, to agree, to be in a state of agreement.

Those that would not censure, or speak ill of a man immediately, will talk more boldly of those that are great with them, and thereby wound their

18. Pregnant; teeming.

His eyes sometimes even great with tears.

Because he slew me not from the womb; or that my mother might have been my grave, and her womb always great with me.

Their bellies great Jerem. xx. 17.

With swelling vanity, bring forth deceit. Sandys. This fly, for most he stings in heat of day, From cattle great with young keep thou away.

May, Virgil.

19. It is added in every step of ascending or descending consanguinity: as, great grandson is the son of my grandson.

I dare not yet affirm for the antiquity of our language, that our great-great-great grandsires tongue came out of Persia. Camden, Rem What we call great-great grandfather they called forthafader.

Camden, Rem. Your great uncle, Edward the black prince of Wales. Shakspeare, Hen. V.

He has crack'd the league

Between us and the emperor, the queen's great Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. Their holyday-clothes go from father to son, and are seldom worn out till the second or third generation; so that 'tis common enough to see a countryman in the doublet and breeches of his great grandfather. Addison.

20. Hard; difficult; grievous. A pro-

verbial expression.

It is no great matter to live lovingly with goodnatured and meek persons. Bp. Taylor, Devotions.

GREAT. n. s. [from the adjective.] The whole; the gross; the whole in a lump. To let out thy harvest by great or by day, Let this by experience lead thee the way

By great will deceive thee with ling'ring it out, By day with dispatch. Tusser, Husbandry. It were behoveful, for the strength of the navy, that no ships should be builded by the great; for

by daily experience they are found to be weak and imperfect. Ralegh, Essays. He did at length so many slain forget, And lost the tale, and took them by the great.

Carpenters build a house by the great, and are agreed for the sum of money. Moxon, Mech. Exer. I set aside one day in a week for lovers, and interpret by the great for any gentlewoman who is turned of sixty.

GRE'ATBELLIED. adj. [great and belly.] Pregnant; teeming.

Greatbellied women, That had not half a week to go, like rams

In the old time of war, would shake the press.

A greatbellied woman, walking through the city in the daytime, had her child struck out of her womb, and carried half a furlong from her. Wilkins, Math. Magick.

To GRE'ATEN. v. a. [from great.] aggrandize; to enlarge; to magnify. A word little used, Dr. Johnson says; yet it is found in the writings of some of our best authors.

After they sought to greaten themselves in Italy itself, using strangers for the commanders of their armies, the Turks by degrees beat them out of all their goodly countries.

Whither doth he bend all his powers but to attain his own ends, to cross another's, to greaten himself, to supplant a rival?

Bp. Hall, Sermon on Man. The popes are accustomed to do the like, in consideration of their nephews whom they would greaten. eaten. Dryden, Def. of the Duchess of York.
A favourite's business is to please his king, a minister's to greaten and exalt him.

To GRE'ATEN.* v. n. To increase; to become large.

Being committed against an infinite majesty, it [sin] greatens, and rises to the height of an infinite South, Serm. x. 336.

GREATHE'ARTED. adj. [great and heart.] High spirited; undejected.

The earl, as greathearted as he, declared that he neither cared for his friendship, nor feared his

GRE'ATLY. adv. [from great.]

1. In a great degree.

n a great degree.

Thy sorrow I will greatly multiply.

Milton, P. L.

2. Nobly; illustriously.

Yet London, empress of the northern clime, By an high fate thou greatly didst expire.

Dryden, Ann. Mir.

3. Magnanimously; generously; bravely. Where are these bold intrepid sons of war, That greatly turn their backs upon the foe, And to their general send a brave defiance?

Addison, Cato.

GRE'ATNESS. † n. s. [Sax. zpeacnerre.] 1. Largeness of quantity or number.

By greatness I do not only mean the bulk of any single object, but the largeness of a whole view, considered as one entire piece.

Addison, Spect. No. 412.

2. Comparative quantity.

We can have no positive idea of any space or duration, which is not made up of and commensurate to repeated numbers of feet or yards, or days or years, and wherehy we judge of the greatness of these sort of quantities.

All absent good does not, according to the greatness it has, or is acknowledged to have, cause pain equal to that greatness, as all pain causes desire equal to itself; because the absence of good is not always a pain, as the presence of pain is. Locke.

3. High degree of any quality.

Zeal, in duties, should be proportioned to the greatness of the reward, and the certainty. Rogers. 4. High place; dignity; power; influence;

empire.

The most servile flattery is lodged most easily in the grossest capacity; for their ordinary conceit draweth a yielding to greatness, and then have they not wit to discern the right degrees of duty.

Farewell, a long farewell, to all my greatness. Shakspeare.

So many

As will to greatness dedicate themselves. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

I beg your greatness not to give the law In other realms; but beaten, to withdraw.

Dryden, Æn. Approaching greatness met him with her charms Of pow'r and future state;

He shook her from his arms. Themistocles raised the Athenians to their great-

ness at sea, which he thought to be the true and constant interest of that commonwealth.

5. Swelling pride; affected state.

My lord would have you know that it is not of pride or greatness that he cometh not aboard your 6. Merit; magnanimity; nobleness of mind.

Greatness of mind and nobleness their seat Build in her loveliest. Milton, P. L.

7. Grandeur; state; magnificence. Greatness with Timon dwells in such a draught, As brings all Brobdignag before your thought.

GREAVE. † n. s.

 Λ grove. [Sax. πρæγ. This is a very ancient form of our word grove.]

Phebus - with his stremes drieth in the greves The silver droppes, hanging on the leves. Chaucer, Kn. Tale. She fled into that covert greave. Spenser, F. Q. vi. ii. 43.

Some hid among the leaves, Some in the taller trees, some in the lower greaves. Drayton, Polyolb. S. 13.

Yet when there haps a honey-fall, We'll lick the sirupt leaves,

And tell the bees that theirs is gall Drayton. To that upon the greaves. 2. A groove. [Icel. groof, from grafa, to

dig. J - Either fast closed in some hollow greave, Or buried in the ground from jeopardy Spenser, F. Q. iii. x. 42.

GREAVES. n. s. [from greves, French.] 3. A step. [Lat. gradus; Fr. grez. Dr. Armour for the legs; a sort of boots. It wants the singular number.

He had greaves of brass upon his legs.

1 Sam. xvii. 6. A shield make for him, and a helm, fair greaves, and curets such

As may renown thy workmanship, and honour him Chapman, Iliads. as much.

GRE'CIAN.* n. s. [Latin, Græcus, from Græcia.]

1. A native or inhabitant of Greece. The children also of Judah, and the children of Jerusalem, have ye sold unto the Grecians. Joel, iii. 6.

For every false drop in her bawdy veins A Grecian's life hath sunk.

Shakspeare, Troil. and Cress. 2. A Jew who understood or spoke Greek. There arose a murmuring of the Grecians against Acts. vi. 1. He - disputed against the Grecians. Acts, ix. 29.

3. One skilled in the Greek language; as, he is a good Grecian. A colloquial ex-

GRE'CIAN.* adj. Relating to the country of Greece.

The royal towers

Of great Seleucia, built by Grecian kings. Milton, P. L.

Look upon Greece under its free states, and you would think its inhabitants lived in different climates, and under different heavens from those at present; so different are the geniuses which are formed under Turkish slavery and Grecian liberty. Addison, Spect. No. 287.

GRECIAN Fire.* [Fr. feu Gregeois.] Wildfire: such as will burn within water.

To GRE'CIANIZE.* v. n. [from Grecian; Fr. grecanizer.] To play the Grecian; to speak Greek; to use phrases borrowed from the Greek.

Cotgrave, in V. Grecizer. To GRE'CISE.* v. a. [Fr. grecizer.] To translate into Greek.

The name - is grecised, with many other Ger-Warton, Hist. E. P. man words.

GRE'CISM.† n. s. [græcismus, Latin.] An idiom of the Greek language. This word was in use early in the seventeenth century. It is in the enlarged edition of Bullokar's Expositor, 1656.

Milton has infused a great many latinisms, as well as grecisms, and sometimes hebraisms, into Addison, Spect. his poem.

That the present Latin Dictys had a Greek original, now lost, appears from the numerous grecisms with which it abounds. Warton, Hist. E.P. Literal renderings of hebraisms and grecisms should be given in the margin.

Abp. Newcome, Ess. on the Tr. of the Bible, p. 378. GRE'DALIN.* See GRIDELIN.

GREE. † n. s.

1. Good will; favour; good graces. \[gre', \] French; probably from the Lat. gratia, or gratus. Ital. "Prendi in grado;" and so our old phrase, "to take in gree," i. e. in good part, favourably; frequent in Spenser. And falling her before on lowly knee,

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To her makes present of his service seen Which she accepts with thanks and goodly gree. Spenser, F. Q.

2. Rank; degree. [Lat. gradus.] He is a shepherd great in gree. Spenser, Shep. Cal. July.

Johnson gives greece, which he says is also written greeze or grice, and is corrupted from degrees; and he defines it "a flight of steps." But the word, thus varied, seems to be nothing more than the plural of gree, a step; whence, in the north of England, grees are stairs, steps. Grees has been also used in the singular number, and greeses in the plural. See Grees.]

And when he suffride, Paul stood in the grees, [on the stairs, present translation.]

Wicliffe, Acts, xxi. 40.

By many a gree ymade of marbyll graye. Lydgate, cited by Warton, H. E. P. ii. 89.

To GREE.* v. n. [old Fr. greer.] To agree. It is common in our old poetry, but in modern editions is printed with an elision 'gree, as if it were merely an abbreviation of agree.

Ludgate - for free-men debtors, free From hurt, till with their creditors they gree. Mir. for Mag. p. 116.

We have 'greed so well together, That upon Sunday is the wedding day.

Shakspeare, Tam. of the Shrew. The meane that grees with country musicke best. Greene, Farewell to Folly, (1617.)

GREECE. + n. s. [a corruption of grees. See Gree.] A flight of steps.

After the procession, the king himself remaining seated in the quire, the lord archbishop, upon the greece of the quire, made a long oration.

Bacon, Hen. VII.

GREED.* n. s. [Sax. zpæbiz; Goth. gredags, from gredon, to hunger; Icel. graed, voracity; probably from the Gr. γράω, to devour.] Greediness. I find it so used by Scottish writers; and Chaucer once mentions a "rich grede," meaning a greedy person, Rom. R. 6002.

Whose avarice and gread of geare is such, that they care not whom with they joine.

Graham, Anat. of Humours, (Edinb. 1609.) His insatiable greed of money and power. Bruce, Trav. iv. III.

GRE'EDILY. † adv. [Sax. zpæbelice.] 1. Eagerly; ravenously; voraciously; with

keen appetite or desire. He coveteth greedily all the day long.

Prov. xxi. 26. Greedily she ingorg'd without restraint.

Milton, P. L. He swallow'd it as greedily As parched earth drinks rain. Ev'n deadly plants, and herbs of pois'nous juice, Wild hunger seeks; and to prolong our breath,

We greedily devour our certain death. 2. With vehemence; with desire. In the primitive churche was the gospell gredylyc receyved of the universall worlde.

Bale, Yet a Course, &c. (1543,) fol. 96. b.

They have gone in the way of Cain, and ran greedily after the errour of Balaam for reward. St. Jude, ver. 11.

GRE'EDINESS. † n. s. [Sax. zpæbiznerre.] Ravenousness; voracity; hunger; eagerness of appetite or desire.

Let not the greediness of the belly, nor lust of the flesh, take hold of me. Ecclus. xxiii. 6. Fox in stealth, wolf in greediness.

Shakspeare, K. Lear. Thither with all greediness of affection are they gone, and there they intend to sup.

Shakspeare, Wint, Tale. If thou wert the wolf, thy greediness would lict thee.

Shakspeare, Timon. afflict thee.

I with the same greediness did seek As water when I thirst, to swallow Greek. Denham.

GRE'EDY. + adj. [zpæbiz, Sax. graadig, Dan. gretig, Dutch. See also GREED. 1. Ravenous; voracious; hungry.

As a lion that is greedy of his prey.

Psalm xvii. 12. Be not unsatiable in any dainty thing, nor too greedy upon meats. Ecclus. xxxvii. 29. He made the greedy ravens to be Elias's caterers, and bring him food. King Charles.

2. Eager; vehemently desirous. It is now commonly taken in an ill sense.

Greedy to know, as is the mind of man, Their cause of death, swift to the fire she ran.

Fairfas. The ways of every one that is greedy of gain. Prov.

Stern look'd the fiend, as prostrate of his will, Not half suffic'd, and greedy yet to kill. Dryden. While the reaper fills his greedy hands, And binds the golden sheaves in brittle bands.

How fearful would be be of all greedy and unjust ways of raising their fortune! GRE'EDY-GUT.* n. s. A glufton; a devourer; a belly-god. Cotgrave and Sherwood both give this word; and it is

yet retained in low conversation. GREEK.* n. s. [Lat. Græcus.]

1. A native of Greece. [Sax. Lpeca; Fr. Grec.

Titus, who was with me, being a Greek. Gal. ii. 3.

Or Neptune's ire, or Juno's, that so long Perplex'd the Greek, and Cytherea's son.

He [Homer] makes his countrymen and favourites, the Greeks, move forward in a regular determined march, and in the depth of silence. Addison, Spect. No. 13.

2. The Greek language. Paul said unto the chief captain, May I speak unto thee? who said, Canst thou speak Greek?

Acts, xxi. 37.

When thou taught'st Cambridge, and king Edward Greek. Milton, Sonnet.

3. A term applied to a merry person. supposed to be from the Lat. græcor, to play the Greek, to use their exercises; or, as some take it, to drink and revel as they used to do. Sherwood has the phrase, "a merry Greek," which he renders into the French gale-bon-temps; and Cotgrave renders that by "a merrie grig." However, see CRICK and GRIG.] She's a merry Greek indeed. ,,

Shakspeare, Tr. and Cress. GREEK.* adj. Belonging to Greece; re-

lating to that country. In the Greek tongue he hath his name Apollyon.

Revel. ix. 11.

I shall publish, very speedily, the translation of a little *Greek* manuscript. *Addison*, *Spect*. No. 227.

GRE'EKISH.* adj. [Sax. Lpecifc.] Peculiar to Greece; pertaining to Greece.

He forthwith brought his own nation to the Greekish fashion. 2 Macc. iv. 10. I'll heat his blood with Greekish wine to-night. Shakspeare, Tr. and Cress.

They allege their numbers, and the promis'd help of Assaracus, a noble Greekish youth.

Milton, Hist. of Eng. B. 1.

GRE'EKLING.* n. s. [from Greek.] An inferiour Greek writer. A contemptuous

Which of the Greeklings durst ever give precepts to Demosthenes? B. Jonson, Discoveries. GREEKRO'SE.* n. s. [lychnis.] The flower

Thy beauty, Campion, very much may claim; But of Greek-rose how didst thou gain thy name? Tate, Tr. of Cowley.

GREEN.† adj. [grun, German; groen, Dutch. Dr. Johnson. - Our word is the Saxon adjective zpene. Junius derives green from the verb znopan, frondere, virere; Mr. H. Tooke represents it as the past participle of zpenian, virescere.

1. Having a colour formed commonly by compounding blue and yellow; of the The green colour is said to be most fa-

vourable to the sight.

The general colour of plants is green, which is a colour that no flower is of: there is a greenish primrose, but it is pale, and scarce a green.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. There are writers of great distinction, who have made it an argument for Providence, that the whole earth is covered with green, rather than with any other colour, as being such a mixture of light and shade, that it comforts and strengthens the eve, instead of weakening or grieving it. For this reason several painters have a green cloth hanging near them, to ease the eye upon, after too great an application to their colouring.

Addison, Spect. No. 387. Groves for ever green.

2. Pale; sickly: from whence we call the maid's disease the green sickness, or chlorosis. Like it is Sappho's χλωροτέρη

Was the hope drunk,

Wherein you drest yourself? Hath it slept since? And wakes it now to look so green and pale At what it did so freely? Shakspeare, Macbeth.

There's never any of these demure boys come to any proof : they fall into a kind of male green sick-Shakspeare, Hen. IV. Till the green sickness and love's force betray'd

To death's remorseless arms the unhappy maid.

3. Flourishing; fresh; undecayed: from trees in spring.

If I have any where said a green old age, I have Virgil's authority; Sed cruda deo viridisque senec-

4. New; fresh: as, a green wound.

The door is open, sir; there lies your way: You may be jogging while your boots are green. Shakspeare.

Griefs are green; And all thy friends, which thou must make thy

friends. Have but their stings and teeth newly ta'en out. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

Where bloody Tybalt, yet but green in earth, Lies festering in his blood. Shaks. Rom. and Jul. VOL. II.

A man that studieth revenge keepeth his own wounds green, which otherwise would heal and do well. Bacon, Essays.

I might dilate on the temper of the people, the power, arts, and interest of the contrary party; but those are invidious topicks, too green in our remembrance.

If a spark of errour have thus far prevailed, falling even where the wood was green, and farthest off from any inclination unto furious attempts; must not the peril thereof be greater in men, whose minds are of themselves as dry fewel, apt Hooker, Dedication. beforehand unto tumults?

Being an olive tree Which late he fell'd; and being greene, must be Made lighter for his manage. Chapman.

Of fragility the cause is an impotency to be extended, and therefore stone is more fragile than metal, and so dry wood is more fragile than green. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

If you but consider a piece of green wood burning in a chimney, you will readily discern, in the disbanded parts of it, the four elements. The green do often heat the ripe, and the ripe,

so heated, give fire to the green. Mortimer, Husb.

6. Not roasted; half raw.

Under this head we may rank those words which signify different ideas, by a sort of an unaccountable far fetched analogy, or distant resemblance, that fancy has introduced between one thing and another; as when we say the meat is green when it is half roasted. Watts, Logick.

colour of the leaves of trees or herbs. 7. Unripe; immature; young; because fruits are green before they are ripe. My salad days,

When I was green in judgement, cold in blood! Shakspeare.

O charming youth, in the first op'ning page; So many graces, in so green an age. You'll find a difference

Between the promise of his greener days, And these he masters now. Shakpeare, Hen. V.

If you would fat green geese, shut them up when they are about a month old. Mortimer, Husb. Stubble geese at Michaelmas are seen

Upon the spit, next May produces green. King, Cookery.

GREEN. + n. s.

1. The green colour; green colour of different shades. Her mother hath intended,

That, quaint in green, she shall be loose enrob'd. Shakspeare.

But with your presence cheer'd, they cease to

And walks wear fresher green at your return.

Cinnabar, illuminated by this beam, appears of the same red colour as in daylight; and if at the lens you intercept the green making and blue making rays, its redness will become more full Newton, Opticks.

Let us but consider the two colours of yellow and blue: if they are mingled together in any considerable proportion, they make a green

Watts, Logick.

2. A grassy plain.

For this down-trodden equity, we tread In warlike march these greens before your town. Shakspeare.

O'er the smooth enamell'd green, O'er the smooth enames.

Where no print of step hath been,

Milton, Arcades.

The young Æmilia, fairer to be seen Than the fair lily on the flow'ry green. Dryden, Fab.

3. Leaves; branches; wreaths; herbs;

With greens and flow'rs recruit their empty hives, And seek fresh forage to sustain their lives. Dryden, Virg. The fragrant greens I seek my brows to bind.

The vineyard seems to have been a plantation distinct from the garden; as also the beds of greens mentioned afterwards at the extremity of the inclosure, in the nature and usual place of our kitchen garden. Addison, Guard. No. 173.

To Green. v. a. [Sax. zpenian.] To make green. A low word. Great spring before

Green'd all the year; and fruits and blossoms blush'd

In social sweetness on the self-same bough.

Thomson, Spring.

GRE'ENBROOM. n. s. [cytiso genista, Latin.] A shrub.

GRE'ENCLOTH. n. s. A board or court of justice held in the counting-house of the king's household, for the taking cognizance of all matters of government and justice within the king's court-royal; and for correcting all the servants that shall offend. For the greencloth law, take it in the largest

sense, I have no opinion of it.

Bacon, Advice to Villiers.

Gre'encoloured.* adj. [green and colour.] Pale; sickly. At your foul name

Green-colour'd maids would have turn'd red with Tourneur, Revenger's Tragedy. shame.

GRE'ENEVED. adj. [green and eye.] Having eyes coloured with green. Doubtful thoughts, and rash-embrac'd despair,

And shudd'ring fear, and greeney'd jealousy. Shakspeare.

GRE'ENFINCH. n. s. [chloris.] A kind of

The chaffinch, greenfinch, dormouse, and other small birds, are injurious to some fruits. Mortimer.

GRE'ENFISH. n. s. [asellus, Latin.] A kind

Ainsworth. of fish. GREENGA'GE. n. s. A species of plum.

GREENGRO'CER.* n. s. [green and grocer.] A retailer of greens, i. e. fruit and the productions of the kitchen garden. It is a word common in the metropolis, and perhaps in other large towns.

GRE'ENHOOD.* n. s. [green and hood.] A state of immaturity; childishness.

In her is beautie withouten pride, Youthe, withouten grenehed or folie.

Chaucer, Man of Law's Tale.

GRE'ENHORN.* n. s. [from green.] A raw youth, easily imposed upon, unacquainted with the world. A low expression.

GRE'ENHOUSE. n. s. [green and house.] A house in which tender plants are shel-

tered from the weather.

If the season prove exceeding piercing, which you may know by the freezing of a moistened cloth set in your greenhouse, kindle some charcoal. Evelyn, Kalendar.

Sometimes our road led us into several hollow apartments among the rocks and mountains, that look like so many natural greenhouses, as being always shaded with a great variety of trees and shrubs that never lose their verdure.

Addison.

A kitchen garden is a more pleasant sight than the finest orangery or artificial greenhouse. Spect.

GRE'ENISH. adj. [from green.] Somewhat green; tending to green.

With goodly greenish locks, all loose, unty'd, As each had been a bride.

to be, partly by reason of the intenseness of their colours, and partly because, when they wither, some of them turn to a greenish yellow.

Newton, Opticks. GRE'ENLY.* adj. [from green.] Of a green colour.

And make the greenly ground a drinking cup To sup the blood of murder'd bodies up. Gascoigne, Jocasta, (1577.)

GRE'ENLY. † adv. [from green.]

1. With a greenish colour.

2. Newly; freshly. 3. Immaturely.

We have done but greenly, In hugger-mugger to inter him. Shaksp. Haml.

4. Wanly; timidly. Not in use.

Kate, I cannot look greenly, nor gasp out my eloquence; nor have I cunning in protestation. Shakspeare, K. Hen. V.

GRE'ENNESS. † n. s. [Sax. zpennýrre.] 1. The quality of being green; viridity; viridness.

About it grew such sort of trees, as either excellency of fruit, stateliness of growth, continual greenness, or poetical fancies have made at any time Sidney. famous.

In a meadow, though the meer grass and greenness delights, yet the variety of flowers doth heighten and beautify. R. Jonson.

My reason, which discourses on what it finds in my phantasy, can consider greenness by itself, or mellowness, or sweetness, or coldness, singly and alone by itself. Digby on Bodies.

2. Immaturity; unripeness. This prince, while yet the errors in his nature were excused by the greenness of his youth which took all the fault upon itself, loved a private man's

3. Freshness; vigour.

Take the picture of a man in the greenness and vivacity of his youth, and in the latter date and declension of his drooping years, and you will scarce know it to belong to the same person. South, Serm. 3.

4. Newness. GREENSI'CKNESS. n. s. [green and sickness.] The disease of maids, so called from the

paleness which it produces. Sour eructations, and a craving appetite, especially of terrestrial and absorbent substances, are the case of girls in the greensickness. Arbuthnot.

GREENSI'CKNESSED.* adj. [from greensickness.] Having a sickly taste.

Thy works [Sir R. Steele's] will be a medicine of the mind, and cure all the greensicknessed appetites that will seize on the gay and young, without so friendly a cordial.

Bp. Rundle, in Hildesdley's Life by Butler, p. 165. GRE'ENSTALL.* n. s. [green and stall.] A

stall on which fruit and greens are exposed to sale.

GRE'ENSWARD.† n.s. [green and sward: GRE'ENSWORD.] of the same original with swath.] The turf on which grass grows.

This is the prettiest low-born lass that ever Ran on the greensword. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. Dance them down on their own greenswarth. B. Jonson, Masques.

The very greenswart, as we call it. Hammond, Works, iv. 471.

After break their fast On greensword ground, a cool and grateful taste.

In shallow soils all is gravel within a few inches and sometimes in low ground a thin greensward, and sloughy underneath; which last turns all into

Of this order the green of all vegetables seems | GRE'ENWEED. n. s. [green and weed.] Dvers' weed.

GRE'ENWOOD. n. s. [green and wood.] A wood considered as it appears in the spring or summer. It is sometimes used as one word.

Among wild herbs under the greenwood shade. Fairfax.

It happen'd on a summer's holiday, That to the greenwood shade he took his way; Dryden. For Cymon shunn'd the church.

GREES.* n. s. [Fr. grez; Lat. gradus.] A stair. See GREE. Sherwood.

Ascending from this picture by two or three greeses or steps, until you come to the rails that compass in the high altar, you there behold that noble and most glorious inlaid floor.

Keepe, Monument. Westm. (1683,) p. 32.

To GREET. † v. a. [grator, Lat.; znecan, Saxon; grit, Su. Goth.; zpio, Saxon, peace; "Gud groete ju," God bless you, Pomer. Germ. Serenius. So greet is explained in the margin of our present version of the Bible, " Ask him in my name of peace." 1 Sam. xxv. 5.]

1. To address at meeting.

Go to Nabal, and greet him in my name. 1 Sam. xxv. 5.

I think if men, which in these places live, Durst look in themselves, and themselves retrieve, They would like strangers greet themselves.

I would gladly go, To greet my Pallas with such news below.

Dryden, En. 2. To address in whatever manner.

My noble partner You greet with present grace, and great prediction; Shakspeare, Macbeth. To me you speak not. Now, Thomas Mowbray, do I turn to thee,

And mark my greeting well; for what I speak, My body shall make good. Shaksp. Rich. II.

To salute in kindness or respect. All the brethren greet you. Greet ye one an-1 Cor. xvi. 20. other with an holy kiss. My lord, the mayor of London comes to greet you.

- God bless your grace with health and happy days. Shakspeare.

Now the herald lark Left his ground nest, high tow'ring to descry The morn's approach, and greet her with his song.

Milton, P.R. Once had the early matrons run To greet her of a lovely son. Milton, Epit. M. W.

The sea's our own; and now all nations greet, With bending sails, each vessel of our fleet.

Thus pale they meet, their eyes with fury burn: None greets: for none the greeting will return; But in dumb surliness, each arm'd with care, His foe profest, as brother of the war. Dryd. Fab.

4. To congratulate. His lady, seeing all that channel from afar, Approacht in haste to greet his victorie.

Spenser, F. Q. 5. To pay compliments at a distance.

The king's a-bed, And sent great largess to your officers; This diamond he greets your wife withal, By the name of most kind hostess. Shaksp. Macb.

6. To meet, as those do who go to pay congratulations. Not much in use. Your baste

Is now urg'd on you. - We will greet the time. Shaksp. K. Lear. To GREET. v.n. To meet and salute.

There greet in silence, as the dead are wont, Shaksneare. And sleep in peace.

Such was that face on which I dwelt with joy, Ere Greece assembled stem'd the tides to Troy; But parting then for that detested shore, Our eyes, unhappy! never greeted more.

Pope, Odyssey. To GREET.* v. n. To weep; to lament. See To GREET.

GRE'ETER. n. s. [from the verb.] He who greets.

GRE'ETING. † n. s. | Sax. meting. St. Luke, xi. 43. zpetinga on [tpætum.] Salutation at meeting, or compliments at a distance.

I from him Give you all greetings, that a king, as friend, Can send his brother. Shaksp. Wint. Tale.

GREEZE. † n. s. Otherwise written greece. See Gree, Grees, Greece, Grieze, or GRICE. A flight of steps; a step.

GRE'FFIER.* n. s. [Fr. greffier; Lat. graphiarius; from the Gr. γεάφω, to write.] A recorder; a registrar.

A short but memorable story the grephier of that town, though of different religion, reported to more ears than ours.

Bp. Hall, Epist. Dec. 1. Ep. 5.

GRE'GAL. adj. [greg, gregis, Lat.] Belonging to a flock. Dict. GREGA'RIAN.* adj. [Lat. gregarius.] Of the common sort : ordinary.

The gregarian soldiers and gross of the army is well affected to him. Howell, Lett. (1646,) iii. 1.

GREGA'RIOUS. † adj. [gregarius, Lat.] Going in flocks or herds, like sheep or partridges.

No birds of prey are gregarious.

Ray on the Creation. Without intelligence, man is not social, he is only gregarious. Johnson, Journ. West. Islands. GREGA'RIOUSLY.* adv. [from gregarious.]

In a flock, or company.

GREGA'RIOUSNESS.* n. s. [from gregarious.] The state of being in herds or companies.

GREGO'RIAN.* adj. [from a pope named Gregory.] Belonging to the style or method of computation instituted by pope Gregory in 1582; as, the Gregorian calendar.

To GREIT.* v. n. [Goth. greitan, to weep.]
To cry; to lament. Pronounced greet, and common in our northern dialect.

Tell me, good Hobbinol, what gars thee greete? Spenser, Shep. Cal. April.

To GREITH.* To prepare. See To GRAITH.

GRE'MIAL. adj. [gremium, Latin.] Pertaining to the lap. GRENA'DE. n. s. [Fr. from pomum gra-

natum, Lat.] A little hollow globe or ball of iron, or other metal, about two inches and a half in diameter, which, being filled with fine powder, is set on fire by means of a small fusee fastened to the touch-hole; as soon as it is kindled, the case flies into many shatters, much to the damage of all that stand Harris.

GRENADI'ER. n. s. [grenadier, Fr. from grenade. A tall foot-soldier, of whom there is one company in every regiment:

such men being [formerly] employed to throw grenades.

Peace allays the shepherd's fear Of wearing cap of grenadier. Gay, Pastorals.

GRENA'DO. n.s. See GRENADE. Yet to express a Scot, to play that prize, Not all those mouth grenadoes can suffice.

Cleaveland. You may as well try to quench a flaming grenado with a shell of fair water as hope to succeed.

GREUT. n. s. A kind of fossile body.

A sort of tin ore, with its greut; that is, a congeries of crystals, or sparks of spar, of the bigness of baysalt, and of a brown shining colour, immersed Grew, Museum.

GREW. The preterite of grow. The pleasing task he fails not to renew; Soft and more soft at ev'ry touch it grew.

Dryden, Fab. GREY. adj. [gris, French. More properly written gray.] See GRAY.

This ancient ruffian, sir, whose life I spar'd at suit of his grey beard. Shakspeare, K. Lear. Our green youth copies what grey sinners act, When venerable age commends the fact. Dryd.

GRE'YHOUND.† n. s. [zpizhunb, Saxon. Serenius calls the animal zpiphuns, from zpipan, to seize. Caius de Canibus derives the name from the Lat. gradus, implying a dog of the first order, or degree. Minsheu from Græcus, as if the word were Greek-hound; the Greeks being the first, he says, who used such dogs for hunting. Blount calls them 2. Grievance; harm. Not in use. gyre-hounds. Mr. Pegge follows Blount's opinion; and observes, that "gyre-falcon, according to Phillips, is the largest sort of falcon, next in size to the eagle. So, I conceive, the greyhound was originally gyrehound, as being the largest, tallest, and swiftest species of hound. The letter r, being transposed into the place of the y, will produce grye-hound." Anecd. of the Engl. Lang. 2d edit. p. 350.] A tall fleet dog that chases in sight.

First, may a trusty greyhound transform himself into a tiger? Sidney So on the downs we see, near Wilton fair, A hast'ned hare from greedy greyhounds go.

Th' impatient greyhound, slipt from far, Bounds o'er the glebe to catch the fearful hare.

GRICE. † n. s.

1. A little pig. [Su. Goth. grys, the same. Formerly it meant a young wild boar. Grise in the north of England is used for swine.]

2. A step or grees.

No, not a grice ; Shakspeare, Tw. Night. This a step to love. One shewed how fruitfully they had watered his head, as he stood under the grices.

B. Jonson, Masques at Court. To GRIDE. v. n. [gridare, Ital.] To cut; to make way by cutting. A word elegant, but not now in use.

His poynant spear he thrust with puissant sway, That through his thigh the mortal steel did gride

Spenser, F. Q. So sore The griding sword, with discontinuous wound,

Pass'd through him! Milton, P. L GRI'DELIN. † adj. [Fr. gris de lin, gray of flax, q. d. gray with a purple hue. Our word is also written gredaline. It was probably a fashionable colour among | To GRIEVE. + v. a. [grever, Fr.; griever, the ladies.] Of a purplish colour.

The ladies dress'd in rich symars were seen, Of Florence satten, flower'd with white and green, And for a shade betwixt the bloomy gridelin. Dryden, Fab.

His love fades, like my gredaline petticoat. Killigrew, Pars. Wedding.

GRI'DIRON.† n.s. [grind, Islandick, a grate, and iron. Dr. Johnson. — Rather, perhaps, from the Su. Goth. graedda, to bake; as Dr. Jamieson also observes. A portable grate on which meat is laid to be broiled upon the fire.

He had added two bars to the gridiron Spectator.

GRIEF.† n. s. [from grieve; griff, Welsh, probably from the English. Dr. Johnson. - Our word is the Fr. grief, which may be from the Lat. gravo, to weigh down. Grief had formerly, for the plural, grieves or greeves.]

1. Sorrow; trouble for something past. I will instruct my sorrows to be proud; For grief is proud, and makes his owner stout.

Wringing of the hands, knocking the breast, are but the ceremonies of sorrow, the pomp and ostentation of an effeminate grief, which speak not so much the greatness of the misery as the smallness of the mind.

The mother was so afflicted at the loss of a fine boy, who was her only son, that she died for grief Addison.

Be factious for redress of all these griefs, And I will set this foot of mine as far Shakspeare.

And I win section.

As who goes farthest.

The king hath sent to know The nature of your gricfs, and whereupon You conjure from the breast of civil peace

Such bold hostility? Shakspeare, Hen. IV. 3. Pain; disease. Obsolete.

He being at that time griped, sore, and having grief in his lower bellie.

Treatise of Sundry Diseases, (1591.) Can honour set to a leg? No. Or an arm? No. Or take away the grief of a wound? No. Honour has no skill in surgery then? No.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. P. I.

GRIE'FFUL.* adj. [grief and full.] Full of sorrow or grief. Obsolete. The day renews my griefful plaint.

Sackville, Trag. of Gorbodue, (1561.) Which when she sees with ghastly griefful eyes, Her heart does quake. Spenser, F. Q. vi. viii. 40.

GRIE'FLESS.* adj. [grief and less.] Sorrowless; without grief.

GRIEFSHO'T.* adj. [grief and shot.] Pierced with grief.

A discontented friend, griefshot With his unkindness. Shakspeare, Coriolanus. GRIE'VABLE.* adj. [from grieve.] La-

mentable. There is a vice full grievable.

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 4.

GRIE'VANCE. † n. s. [grevance, old Fr.] 1. A state of uneasiness. Out of use. Madam, I pity much your grievances.

Shakspeare, Two Gent. of Ver. 2. The cause of uneasiness. Used of such causes as are the effects of human

What remedy can be found against grievances, but to bring religion into countenance, and encourage those who, from the hope of future re-ward, and dread of future punishment, will be moved to justice and integrity?

Flemish; gravis, Lat.]

1. To afflict; to hurt.

For he doth not afflict willingly, nor grieve the children of men. Luke, iii. 33. Forty years long was I grieved with this gener-

It repented the Lord that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart.

Griev'd at the thought, he vow'd his whole en-

Should be to close those breaches. 2. To make sorrowful.

When one man kills another, thinking that he killeth a wild beast; if the same man remembereth afterwards what he hath done, and is not grieved for the fact, in this case he hath sinned; because his not grieving is offensive unto God, though the fact were merely besides his will, 3. To lament.

The beholders believed his [lord Stafford's] words, and grieved his destiny.

Reresby, Mem. p. 112.

To GRIEVE. v. n. To be in pain for something past; to mourn; to sorrow, as for the death of friends. It has sometimes at and sometimes for before the cause of grief: perhaps at is proper before our misfortunes, and for before our faults.

Do not you grieve at this. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. How didst thou grieve then, Adam, to behold The end of all thy offspring end so sad.

Milton, P. L.

With equal mind what happens let us bear; Nor joy nor grieve too much for things beyond our care. Dryden, Fab.

GRIE'VER.* n. s. [from grieve.] The person or circumstance which causes grief. A griever and quencher of the Spirit, a more perfect piece of atheism. Hammond, Works, iv. 514.

GRIE'VINGLY. adv. [from grieve.] In sorrow; sorrowfully.

Grievingly, I think, The peace between the French and us not values

The cost that did conclude it. Shaksp. Hen. VIII. GRIE'VOUS.† adj. [grevoux, old Fr. gravis. Lat.]

1. Afflictive; painful; hard to be borne.

To the flesh, as the apostle himself granteth, all affliction is naturally grievous. Hooker. Correction is grievous unto him that forsaketh the way, and he that hateth reproof shall die. Prov. XV. 10.

2. Such as causes sorrow.

To own a great but grievous truth, though they quicken and sharpen the invention, they corrupt the temper.

3. Expressing a great degree of uneasi-

He durst not disobey, but sent grievous com-plaints to the parliament of the usage he was Clarendon. forced to submit to,

4. Atrocious; heavy.

It was a grievous fault, And grievously hath Cæsar answer'd it.

Shakspeare, Jul. Cas. Crying sins I call those, which are so heinous, and in their kind so grievous, that they hasten God's judgements, and call down for speedy vengeance upon the sinner.

5. Sometimes used adverbially in low lan-

He cannot come, my lord; he's grievous sick.

GRIE'VOUSLY. adv. [from grievous.] Swift. | 1. Painfully; with pain.

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Wide was the wound, and a large lukewarm flood.

Red as the rose, thence gushed grievously. Spenser, F. Q.

2. With discontent; with ill will.

Grittus, perceiving how grievously the matter was taken, with the danger he was in, began to

3. Calamitously; miserably.

I see how a number of souls are, for want of right information, oftentimes grievously vexed.

4. Vexatiously; to a great degree of un-

Houses built in plains are apt to be grievously annoyed with mire and dirt. Ray on the Creation.

GRIE'VOUSNESS. † n. s. [from grievous.]

1. Sorrow; pain; calamity.

They fled from the swords, from the drawn sword and from the bent bow, and from the griev-Is. xxi. 15. ousness of war.

That the grievousness of the penalty in many statutes be mitigated.

Bacon, Prop. on the Laws of England. 2. Atrociousness.

Deferring of time, or grievousness of sinners, do not prejudicate his grace.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 709.

GRI'FFIN.+ \ n. s. [It should rather be GRI'FFON. \ written gryfon, or gryphon; Lat. gryphus and gryps; Gr. γουψ; Icel. griffon or griffun; Goth. greip, from gripan, to seize; and so, in our old language, this fabled animal is termed the gripe. See GRIPE.] A fabled animal, said to be generated between the lion and eagle, and to have the head and paws of the lion, and the wings of the GRIM. † adj. [Sax. zpim, sour, savage, eagle.

Of all bearing among these winged creatures,

the griffin is the most ancient.

Peacham on Blazoning. Aristeus, a poet of Proconesus, affirmed, that near the one-eyed nations griffins defended the mines of gold.

GRI'FFONLIKE.* adj. [griffon and like.] Resembling the rapacity of a griffon.

Citations and processes to be served by a corporality of griffonlike promoters and apparitors. Milton, Of Reformat. B. 1.

GRIG. † n. s. [kricke, Bavarian, a little duck.]

1. It seems originally to have signified any thing below the natural size.

2. A small eel. [Some dérive this appellation from the Sax. epecca, the bank of a river, because these animals are fond of harbouring under it. But, from the contortions of this fish, the name may be a corruption of crook, Su. Goth. krok, kroka, to bend. And thus Serenius gives the Iceland. "krokaell, anguilla contorta, à hrokwa, Su. kroekas, corrugari, item contorqueri."

There be several sorts or kind of eels; as the silver eel; and green or greenish eel, with which the river of Thames abounds; and those are called Walton, Angler, ch. 13.

3. A merry creature. [supposed from Greek; the Lat. græculus denoting festive, Dr. Johnson says; rather perhaps, triffing, silly. But see the third sense of GREEK. Grig may be thus adopted from the old Fr. Grigois, which means Greek. Yet the French have not this proverbial expression. "A merry grig or Greek" is, in that language, rendered gale-bon-temps. V. Cotgrave and Sherwood. Some pretend, that the origin of this expression is from the nimble and lively motion of the small eel. I find a "merry cricke," however, to be an expression of at least two centuries' date in our language, and of that word grig may be a corruption. See the third sense of CRICK.

Hard is her heart as flint or stone,

She laughs to see me pale; And merry as a grig is grown,

Swift. And brisk as bottle-ale. 4. Health. Shropshire. Grose. To GRILL. v. a. [Fr. griller, from gril, a

gridiron; grille, an iron grate.] To broil on a grate or gridiron.

GRILL.* adj. [gryl, horridus. Pr. Parv. The Lat. horridus is used in a similar sense, "cold through fear;" and the Teut. grouwel is horrour.] Causing to shake through cold. Obsolete. They han suffrid cold ful stronge

In wethers grille, and darke to sight.

Chaucer, Rom. R. 73.

GRI'LLADE. n. s. [from grill.] Any thing

broiled on the gridiron.

To GRI'LLY. v. a. [from grill.] This word signifies, as it seems, to harass; to hurt: as we now say, to roast a man, for to teaze him.

For while we wrangle here and jar, W' are grillied all at Temple-bar. Hudibras.

furious; zpimman, torage; Germ. grimm, furious; grimmen, to rage; Su. Goth. gram, enraged, angry; all which, perhaps, may be referred to the Celt. grim, war, battle. " Nothing is so common through the whole compass of language, as to find a word, which was originally applied in an appropriate sense, afterwards converted into some other term with a different meaning, though with a kindred idea. - Grim, which originally meant war in the dialects of the Celtic, still continued among our ancient poets to be attached to the same subject, though from its accidental similarity to grim, in the sense of fierce-looking, it was used as an epithet of war, and oftentimes with a metaphorical application derived from the idea of a furious countenance or menacing form .-In a celebrated passage of Shakspeare we have the addition of the countenance, to which grim was imagined to belong, and the metaphorical imagery arising from this notion: Grim-visag'd War hath smooth'd his wrinkled brow." Whiter, Etymol. Magn. p. 368. See also Grim-VISAGED.

1. Having a countenance of terrour; hor-

rible; hideous; frightful.

The innocent prey in haste he does forsake, Which quit from death, yet quakes in every limb, With change of fear to see the lion look so grim. Spenser, F. Q.

Grim Saturn yet remains, Bound in those gloomy caves with adamantine Drayton.

Thou hast a grim appearance, and thy face Bears a command in't. Shakspeare, Coriol. Their dear causes

Would to the bleeding and the grim alarm Excite the mortified man. Shakspeare, Macbeth. What if the breath that kindled those grim fires, Awak'd, should blow them into sevenfold rage? Milton, P. L.

Expert to turn the sway Of battle, open when and where to close

The ridges of grim war. Milton, P. L. Here we have him in the grimmer dress of a South, Serm. viii. 204. revenging judge. Whether it would not be the grimmest dispens-

ation that ever befel him, to be thrust out of the world with his sins about his ears.

South, Serm. ix. 185. He that dares to die,

May laugh at the grim face of law and scorn, The cruel wrinkle of a tyrant brow.

Denham, Sophy. Their swarthy hosts would darken all our plains, Doubling the native horrour of the war,

And making death more grim. Addison, Cato. 2. Ugly; ill-looking.

Strait stood up to him

Divine Ulysses; who with lookes exceeding grave and grim,

This better check gave. Chapman. Venus was like her mother; for her father is Shakspeare. but grim. GRIM-FACED.* adj. [grim and face.]

Having a stern countenance.

Like the grim-fac'd god of war.

Mir. for Mag. p. 863. GRIM-GRINNING.* adj. [grim and grin.]
Grinning horribly, as Milton expresses it, a ghastly smile.

Hateful divorce of love, (thus chides she Death,) Grim-grinning ghost, earth's worm, what dost

thou mean

To stifle beauty, and to steal his breath? Shakspeare, Ven. and Adon. He, grim-grinning king,

Who caitiff's scorns, and doth the blest surprise, Late having deck'd with beauty's rose his tomb, Disdains to crop a weed, and will not come.

Drummond, Madrigal. GRIM-VISAGED.* adj. [grim and visage.] Grimfaced. Apparently a favourite expression of our old poets; one of whom Gray has literally followed, in the fine application of it to Despair.

Grim-visag'd war hath smooth'd his wrinkled Shakspeare, Rich. III. front. Death-darting pestilence did seem to slide,

Grim-visag'd, like the grizly dreaded night. Mir. for Mug. p. 777.

I, for my part, grim-visaged goblin, do no more fear death than I fear my best bliss. Stafford's Niobe, P. ii. p. 85.

Grim-visaged Despair. Yarrington, Two Tragedies in One, (1601.)

Grim-visag'd comfortless Despair.

Gray, Ode on Eton Coll.

GRIMA'CE. 7 n. s. [French, from grim. Dr. Johnson. - Serenius, and Lye in his additions to Junius, refer the word to the Icel. grima, the skin of the face; but the former also says, that the Icel. gryma, a mask or hood, in which pilgrims concealed the face so as not to be known, affords the best root of grimace. Bishop Hurd says, that grimace, in the time of Addison, meant, simply, such a turn of the countenance as expressed acquaintance or civility; but because this air of complaisance was assumed, or was taken by our surly countrymen to be assumed, without meaning, the word came to be used, as it is now, in an ill sense, for any affected distortion of features. Addison's Works, edit. Hurd, vol. iii. p. 170. note.]

1. A distortion of the countenance from habit, affectation, or insolence.

He had not spar'd to shew his piques, Against th' haranguer's politicks, With smart remarks of leering faces,

And annotations of grimaces I Hudibras.

The favourable opinion and good word of men
comes oftentimes at a very easy rate; and by a few
demure looks and affected whims, set off with
some odd devotional postures and grimaces, and
such other little arts of dissimulation, cunning
men will do wonders.

South, Serm.

The buffoon ape, with grimaces and gambols, carried it from the whole field.

L'Estrange.

The French nation is addicted to grimace.

2. Air of affectation.

Vice in a vizard, to avoid grimace,
Allows all freedom, but to see the face. Granville.

GRIMA'LKIN. n. s. [gris, French, gray, and malkin, or little Moll.] Gray little woman; the name of an old cat.

Grimalkin, to domestick vermin sworn An everlasting foe, with watchful eye Lies nightly brooding o'er a chinky gap, Protending her fell claws, to thoughtless mice Sure ruin.

To GRIME.† v. a. [from the Icel. gryma, the mask, already noticed in grimace. See also Dr. Jamieson's Scott. Dict. in V. GRYMING. "Our peasants call him grimug, whose face is covered with spots of dirt, as if he used this as a mask." Ihre. Lex. Su. Goth.—Belg. griemen, to daub with spots.] To dirt; to sully deeply; to daub with filth.

My face I'll grime with filth,

Blanket my loins, elf all my hair in knots. Shaks.

GRIME.† n. s. [from the verb.] Dirt deeply insinuated; sullying blackness not easily cleansed.

Swart, like my shoe, but her face nothing so clean kept; for why? she sweats: a man may go over shoes in the grime of it.

Shakspeare, Com. of Errours.
Collow is the word by which they denote black
grime of burnt coals or wood. Woodward on Fossils.

GRI'MLY.* adj. [from grim.] Having a frightful or hideous look.

When it was grown to dark midnight, And all were fast asleep,

In came Margaret's grimly ghost, And stood at William's feet.

Beaum. and Fl. Kn. of the Burn. Pestle.

GRI'MLY.† adv. [Sax. znimlice.]
1. Horribly; hideously; terribly.

We've landed in ill time: the skies look grimly, And threaten present blusters.

Shakspeare, Winter's Tale.
So Pluto, seiz'd of Proserpine, convey'd
To hell's tremendous gloom th' affrighted maid;

To hell's tremendous gloom th' affrighted maid;
There grimly smil'd, pleas'd with the beauteous
prize,

Nor envy'd Jove his sunshine and his skies.

Addison, Cato.

2. Sourly; suddenly.

The augurs
Say they know not; they cannot tell; look grimly,
And dare not speak their knowledge.
Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop.

GRI'MNESS.† n.s. [Sax. zpunnerre] Horrour; frightfulness of visage.

The grimness of her visage disguised, yet will it be fearful enough.

Bp. King, Thanks. Serm. (1619,) p. 26.

GRI'MY.* adj. [from grime.] Dirty; cloudy.

Mines of grimy coal low-hid.

More, Song of the Soul, Inf. of Worlds. st. 73.

To GRIN.† v. n. [zpenman, zpinman, Saxon; grinnen, grinden, Dutch; grina, Su. Goth. undoubtedly of the same origin with grind, as we now say to grind the teeth; grincer, French. At first our own word was gren. "They

grennyden with teeth on hym." Wicliffe, Acts, vii. 54. See also To Girn.]

1. To set the teeth together and withdraw

the lips either in anger or in mirth.

Death, death! oh, amiable, lovely death!

Come grin on me, and I will think thou smil'st.

What valour were it, when a cur doth grin, For one to trust his hand between his teeth, When he might spurn him with his foot away? Shakspeare.

It was no unpleasant entertainment to me to see the various methods with which they have attacked me; some with pitcous moans and outcries, others grinning, and only shewing their teeth.

Stilling fleet.

A lion's hide he wears;
About his shoulders hangs the shaggy skin;
The teeth and gaping jaws severely grin.
Dryden, Æn.

They neither could defend, nor can pursue;
But grinn'd their teeth, and cast a helpless view.

Dryden.

Madness, we fancy, gave an ill-tim'd birth To grinning laughter and to frantic mirth. Prior. Fools grin on fools, and Stoiclike support, Without one sigh, the pleasures of a court. Young.

2. To fix the teeth as in anguish.

I like not such grinning honour as sir Walter hath: give me life, which if I can save, so; if not, honour comes unlook'd for, and there's an end. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

GRIN. n.s. [from the verb.] The act of closing the teeth and shewing them.

He laughs at him; in's face too.

— O you mistake him; 'twas an humble grin,
The fawning joy of courtiers and of dogs. Dryd.
The muscles were so drawn together on each

The muscles were so drawn together on each side of his face, that he shewed twenty teeth at a grin.

Addison.

Deists are effectually beaten in all their combats at the weapons of men, that is, reason and argument; and they would now attack our religion with the talents of a vile animal, that is, grin and grimace.

Watts on the Mind.

What lords are those saluting with a grin?

One is just out, and one is lately in. Young.

Grin. n. s. [zýpene, zpýn, Saxon.] A snare; a trap.

Like a birde that hasteth to his gryn,

Not knowinge the perile. Chaucer.

The grin shall take him by the heel, and the robber shall prevail against him. Job, xviii. 9.

To GRIND.† v. a. preter. I ground; part, pass. ground, Ignnban, zezyunben, ground, Saxon; grenna, Icelandick; grincer, French. Our own word at first was grint or grinst. "There shall be wepinge and gryntynge of teeth." Wicliffe, St. Luke, xiii. "Grynstyng of teeth." St. Matt. viii. "Grint with his teeth." Chaucer, C. T.]

1. To reduce any thing to powder by friction; to comminute by attrition.

And whosoever shall fall on this stone, shall be broken; but on whomsoever it shall fall, it will grind him to powder.

St. Matt. xxi. 44.

He that will have a cake out of the wheat, must needs tarry the grinding. Shaks. Troil. and Cress. What relation or affinity is there between a

What relation or affinity is there between a minute body and cogitation, any more than the greatest? Is a small drop of rain any wiser than the ocean? Or do we grind inanimate corn into living and rational meal? Bentley, Serm. 2. To comminute by the teeth or grinders.

Fierce famine is your lot for this misdeed, Reduc'd to grind the plates on which you feed. Dryden, Æn.

 To sharpen or smooth by rubbing on something hard.
 Meeting with Time, Slack thing, said I,

Meeting with 1 time, Slack thing, said 1,
Thy sithe is dull; whet it, for shame:
No marvel, sir, he did reply,
If it at length deserve some blame;
But where one man would have me grind it,
Twenty to one too sharp do find it,

Against a stump his tusk the monster grinds, And in the sharpen'd edge new vigour finds.

Dryden, Fab.

4. To rub one against another.
So up he let him rise; who with grim look,

And count nance stern, upstanding, gan to grind His grated teeth for great disdain. Spenser, F. Q. Harsh sounds, as of a saw when it is sharpened, and grinding of one stone against another, make a shivering or horror in the body, and set the teeth

on edge. Bacon, Nat. Hist. That the stomach in animals grinds the substances which it receives, is evident from the dissection of animals, which have swallowed metals, which have been found polished on the side next the stomach. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

5. To harass; to oppress.

Some merchants and tradesmen, under colour of furnishing the colony with necessaries, may not grind them so as shall always keep them in poverty.

Bacon, Advice to Villiers.

Another way the Spaniards have taken to grind

the Neapolitans, and yet to take off the odium from themselves.

Addison.

 In the following lines, I know not whether it be not corruptly used for griding, cutting.

Not knowing 'twas my labour, I complain Of sudden shootings and of grinding pains, My throws come thicker, and my cries increas'd.

To GRIND. v. n.

1. To perform the act of grinding; to move a mill.

Fetter'd they send thee
Into the common prison, there to grind

Among the slaves and asses.

Millon, S. A.

To be moved as in the act of grinding.

Shrinking sinews start.

Shrinking sinews start,
And smeary foam works o'er my grinding jaws.

GRI'NDER. 7 n. s. [Sax. zpinbepe.]

1. One that grinds; one that works in a

Those manacles put upon him were exceedingly inconvenient for a grinder in a mill.

Smith on Old Age, p. 115.

2. The instrument of grinding.

His heart a solid rock, to fear unknown, And harder than the *grinder's* nether stone.

Now exhort
Thy hinds to exercise the pointed steel
On the hard rock, and give a wheely form
To the expected grinder.

Philips.

3. [Lpm5-rodar.] The back teeth; the double teeth.

The teeth are in men of three kinds: sharp, as the fore-teeth; broad, as the back-teeth, which we call the molar-teeth, or grinders; and pointed teeth, or canine, which are between both.

Bacon, Nat. Hist He the raging lioness confounds.

The roaring lion with his javelin wounds; Scatters their whelps, their grinders breaks; so they With the old hunter starve for want of prey.

The jaw-teeth or grinders, in Latin molares, are made flat and broad a-top, and withal somewhat uneven and rugged, that, by their knobs and little cavities, they may the better retain, grind, and commix the aliments. Ray on the Creation.

Nature is at a great deal of labour to transmute vegetable into animal substances; therefore herbeating animals, which don't ruminate, have strong grinders, and chew much. Arbuthnot.

4. The teeth, in irony or contempt.

One, who at sight of supper, open'd wide His jaws before, and whetted grinders tried.

Dryden, Juv.
Both he brought;

He mouth'd them, and betwixt his grinders caught.

Dryden.

GRI'NDLESTONE.] n. s. [from grind and GRI'NDSTONE.] the stone on which edged instruments are sharpened.

Such a light and metall'd dance Saw you never yet in France; And by the lead-men, for the nonce, That turn round like grindlestones.

That turn round like grindlestones. B. Jonson.
Literature is the grindlestone to sharpen the coulters, and to whet their natural faculties.

Hammond on Fundamentals.

Smiths that make hinges brighten them, yet seldom file them; but grind them on a grindstone till.bright.

Mozon.

GRI'NNER. n.s. [from grin.] One that grins.

The frightful'st grinner

Be the winner. Addison, Spect. No. 173. GRI'NNINGLY. adv. [from grin.] With a

grinning laugh.

GRIP.† n. s. [Sax. zpæp, from zparan, to dig.] A little ditch, or trench. Not peculiar to the north of England, as Ray states; but of general use.

Another will make the *grip* or foss of the ditch serve for the area of his habitation.

Phil. Survey of the South of Ireland.
To Grip.** v. a. [from the noun.] To
cut into diches; to drain. "Gripped
is delved to draw away water." Yorkshire Glossary.

GRIP, Or GRIPE.* n. s. [Lat. gryps. See GRIFFIN.] The fabulous animal called the griffon, as Barret defines it; and, as Huloet the older lexicographer explains it, "the grype bird." This squares with the old Gothick greip, used for a bird of prey, probably a vulture.

An horrible cage for every foule byrde and fylthie gryppe.

Anderson, Expos. upon Bened. (1573,) fol.45.b. Like a white hind under the grype's sharp claws. Shakspeare, Rape of Lucrece.

To GRIPE † v. a. [greipan, M. Goth.; gripa, Su. Goth.; gripan, Sax.; gripen, Dutch; old French, grip or gripe, both plunder and the hand; and thus Ihre deduces gripa from grip, an old Gothick word also for the hand.]

1. To hold with the fingers closed; to grasp; to press with the fingers.

He that speaks doth gripe the hearer's wrist, Whilst he that hears makes fearful action With wrinkled brows. Shakspeare, K. John.

 To hold hard. He seiz'd the shining bough with griping hold,

And rent away with ease the ling'ring gold.

Dryden, En.

To catch eagerly:

3. [gripper, French.] To catch eagerly; to seize.

You took occasion to be quickly woo'd,
To gripe the gen'ral sway into your hands.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

To close; to clutch.
 Unlucky Welsted! thy unfeeling master,
 The more thou ticklest, gripes his hand the faster.

Fope.

To pinch; to press; to squeeze.

A wond'rous way it for this lady wrought,

From lion's claws to pluck the griped prey. Spens.

From lion's claws to pluck the griped prey. Spens
And first the dame came rushing through the
wood;
And next the famish'd hounds that sought their

food,
And grip'd her flanks, and oft essay'd their jaws

Dryden, Fab

6. To give a pain in the bowels.

Thus full of counsel to the den she went,

Grin'd all the way, and longing for a vent, Dru

in blood.

Grip'd all the way, and longing for a vent. Dryd.
7. To afflict. This would now be considered a ludicrous usage of the word; but it was formerly not so. See the fourth sense of the substantive Gripe.

Griefe gripte me so, I pin'd away, and died.

Mir. for Mag. p. 292. Whom griping sorrow doth so sore attaint. Ibid. p. 447.

Grief gripes my heart, when I think that the Mars of men received his death's blow from a pen-maker, a pedagogue.

Stafford's Niobe, (1611,) p. 145.
To Gripe. v. n.

1. To feel the colick, to have the belly-

Many people would, with reason, prefer the griping of an hungry belly to those dishes which are a feast to others.

Locke.

Manna, by the bulk, figure, texture, and motion of its parts, has a power to produce the sensations of sickness, and sometimes of acute pains or gripings in us.

Looke.

2. To pinch; to catch at money meanly.

It is mean revenue, by being scattered, in the worst of times growing upon him, when others that had great ones, by griping, made them less, and grew stark beggars.

Fell.

 [In naval language.] When a ship runs her head too much into the wind, she is said to gripe.

GRIPE.† n. s. [gpipe, Sax.; grip, old Goth. and French. See To GRIPE.]

1. Grasp; hold; seizure of the hand or paw.

Therefore still on high
He over him did hold his cruel claws,
Threatning with greedy gripe to do him dy.

Spenser, F. Q.

They put a barren sceptre in my gripe,
Thence to be wrench'd with an unlineal hand.
Shakspeare, Macbeth.

Should I

Slaver with lips, as common as the stairs
That mount the Capitol; join gripes with hands
Made hardy with hourly falsehood as with labour.

Shakspeare.

He gave me his hand,

And, with a feeble gripe, says, dear, my lord, Command my service. Shakspeare, Hen. V. I fell; and with my weight the helm constrain'd, Was drawn along, which yet my gripe retain'd. Dryden, Æn.

2. Squeeze; pressure.

Fir'd with this thought, at once he strain'd the breast;

'Tis true, the harden'd breast resists the gripe, And the cold lips return a kiss unripe. Dryd. Fab.

3. Oppression; crushing power.

I take my cause
Out of the gripes of cruel men, and give it

To a most noble judge, the king my master.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

4. Affliction; pinching distress.

Free from the gripes of sorrow every one,

Browne, Brit. Past. î. 3.

Adam, at the news

Heart-struck with chilling gripe of sorrow stood,
That all his senses bound! Milton, P. L.
Canst thou bear cold and hunger? Can these limbs,

Fram'd for the tender offices of love, Endure the gripes of smarting poverty? Otway. 5. [In the plural.] Belly-ache; colick.

In the jaundice the choler is wanting; and the icterical have a great sourness and gripes, with windiness.

Floyer.

 In naval language. The compass or sharpness of the prow or stem of a ship under water. Dr. Scott and Dr. Ash have said the stern instead of the stem.

7. [In naval language.] Gripes is the name of a machine formed by an assemblage of ropes, hooks, and dead eyes; and used to secure the boats upon the deck of a ship at sea. Chambers.

GRI'PER. n. s. [from gripe.] Oppressor; usurer; extortioner.

Others pretend zeal, and yet are professed usurers, gripers, monsters of men, and harpies.

Burton on Melancholy.

GRI'PING.* n. s. [from gripe.]
1. Pain arising from colick.

After certain gripings, the wind and vapours, issuing forth,—distorted the mouth, bloated the cheeks, and gave the eyes a terrible kind of relievo.

Swift, Tale of a Tub, § 8.

2. Distress; affliction.

Whether all the fictitious pleasures of sin can compensate for the acute tortures and gripings of mind. Killingbeck's Serm. (1730.) p. 361.
GRI'PINGLY. adv. [from griping.] With

pain in the guts.

Clysters help, lest the medicine stop in the guts, and work gripingly.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

GRIPPLE.* adj. [from gripe, in the sense of pinching, meanly grasping or hoarding money. Dr. Johnson barely mentions griple as a substantive, and defines it "a greedy snatcher; a griping miser;" to which he adds, without an example however, the name of Spenser. Spenser uses the word as an adjective, but not as a substantive. And there are few words better authorized than this adjective; but as a substantive I have no where found it.]

1. Greedy; covetous; unfeeling; oppressive.

He gnash'd his teeth, to see Those heapes of gold with griple covetyse.

Spenser, F. Q. i. iv. 31.

It is easy to observe, that none are so gripple and hard-fisted as the childless.

Bp. Hall, Balm of Gilead.

The insatiate slave—

That thrusts his gripple hand into her golden maw.

Drayton, Polyolb, S. 3.

The gripple wrotch who will become at this con-

The gripple wretch, who will bestow nothing on his poor brother for God's sake, is evidently an

infidel, having none at all or very heathenish notions of God. Barrow, Works, i. 438.

To bestow aught in good earnest on the magistrate, we know your classick priestship is too gripple; for ye are always begging.

Milton, Art. of Peace betw. E. of Orm. & Irish.

2. Grasping fast; tenacious. On his shield he griple hold did lay,

And held the same so hard, that by no wise He could him force to loose. Spens. F.Q. vi. iv. 6.

GRI'PPLENESS.* n. s. [from gripple.] Co-

Age is not a more common plea than unjust: The young man pretends it for his wanton and inordinate lust; the old, for his grippleness, techiness, loquacity: all wrongfully, and not without foul abuse. Bp. Hall, Tempt. Repelled, iii. § 10.

GRIS.* n. s. [Fr. gris; low Lat. grisium, " pellis animalis cujusdam, quod vulgò vair Galli appellant." Du Cange.] A kind of fur; one of the better sorts of fur. See MINEVER.

I saw his sleves purfiled at the hond With gris, and that the finest of the lond.

Chaucer, C. T. Prol.

GRIS-A'MBER. n. s. Used by Milton for

ambergrise. Beasts of chase, or fowl of game, In pastry built, or from the spit, or boil'd, Gris-amber steam'd. Milton, P. R.

GRISE. † n. s.

1. A swine. See GRICE.

2. A step, or scale of steps. See Gree and GREES. Barret writes it "grises or steps.'

Let me speak like yourself; and lay a sentence, Which as a grise or step, may help these lovers Into your favour. Shakspeare, Othello.

GRISE'TTE.* n. s. [French.] The wife or daughter of a tradesman. She was the handsomest grisset I ever saw.

Sterne, Sentim. Journey.

GRI'SKIN. n. s. [grisgin, roast meat, Irish. Dr. Johnson. - This etymology may apply to a beef-steak when dressed, or to any other, as well as a griskin; and therefore, notwithstanding Lye endeavours to support it by adding that grisgin may be from gris, fire, the etymon must be sought elsewhere; and there can be no question that it is from gris, grise, or grice, a swine.] The vertebræ of a hog broiled, Dr. Johnson says; in any way, it may be added, raw, fried, or roasted. It is not the cookery that confers the name.

GRI'SLY.† adj. [zpirhc, Sax.; azpiran, to affright; griselig, Goth. horrible; griselga, Iceland. horribly. Bullokar defines grisly also adverbially, viz. abominably, fearfully. Expos. ed. 1656. But I find no usage of it. Dreadful; horrible; hideous; frightful; terrible. His grisly locks, long growen and unbound,

Disordered hung about his shoulders round.

Spenser, F. Q. Where I was wont to seek the honey bee, The grisly toadstool grown there might I see.

My grisly countenance made others fly; None durst come near, for fear of sudden death Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

The grisly face of a convicting conscience. Bp. Reynolds on the Passions, ch. 41. | GRIT. + n. s.

So sudden to behold the grisly king; Yet thus, unmov'd with fear, accost him soon.

For that damn'd magician, let him be girt With all the grisly legions that troop

Under the sooty flag of Acheron. Milton, Comus. The beauteous form of fight

Is chang'd, and war appears a grisly sight. Dryden, Fab.

In vision thou shalt see his grisly face, The king of terrors, raging in thy race.

Dryden, State of Innocence. Thus the grisly spectre spoke again. Dryd. Fab. Close by each other laid, they press'd the ground, Their manly bosoms pierc'd with many a grisly wound.

Dryden. So rushes on his foe the grisly bear. Addison.

GRI'sons.* n. s. Inhabitants of the mountainous parts of the Alps in Italy. There is the noblest summer-prospect in the world from this walk, for you have a full view of a huge range of mountains that lie in the country of the Grisons, and are buried in snow.

Addison on Italy.

Milton, P. L.

GRIST. + n. s. [zpirt, Saxon; the past participle of zepıran, to crush. Mr. H. Tooke.

1. Corn to be ground.

Get grist to the mill to have plenty in store, Lest miller lack water. Tusser, Husbandry. A mighty trade this lusty miller drove; Much grist from Cambridge to his lot did fall, And all the corn they us'd at scholar's hall.

Miller of Trompington 2. Supply; provision.

Matter, as wise logicians say, Cannot without a form subsist;

And form, say I, as well as they, Must fail, if matter brings no grist. 3. GRIST to Mill, is profit; gain.

The computation of degrees, in all matrimonial causes, is wont to be made according to the rules of that law, because it brings grist to the mill. Ayliffe's Parergon.

GRI'STLE. n. s. [zpircle, Saxon.] A cartilage; a part of the body next in hardness to a bone.

No living creatures, that have shells very hard, as oysters, crabs, lobsters, and especially the tortoise, have bones within them, but only little Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Lest the asperity or hardness of cartilages should hurt the œsophagus or gullet, which is tender and of a skinny substance, or hinder the swallowing of our meat, therefore the annulary gristles of the windpipe are not made round, or intire circles; but where the gullet touches the windpipe, there, to fill up the circle, is only a soft membrane, which may easily give way to the dilatation of the gullet. Ray on the Creation.

GRI'STLY. adj. [from gristle.] Cartilaginous; made of gristle.

At last they spit out pieces of their lungs; it may be small gristly bits, that are eaten off from the lung-pipes. Harvey

She has made the back-bone of several vertebræ, as being more fit to bend, more tough, and less in danger of breaking, than if they were all one intire bone without these gristly junctures.

More against Atheism. Fins are made of gristly spokes, or rays connected by membranes; so that they may be contracted or extended like women's fans.

Ray on the Creation. They have a louder and stronger note than other birds of the same bigness, which have only a gristly

Each pipe, distinguish'd by its gristly rings, To cherish life aerial pasture brings. Blackmore.

Back stepp'd those two fair angels, half amaz'd | 1. The coarse part of meal. [3put, zpicca, Sax.; gritze, Teut.; grut, German; from zpurc.]

2. Oats husked, or coarsely ground.

3. Sand; rough hard particles. Welsh; zpeot, Sax.; griot, gryt, Goth.] Silesian bole, crackling a little betwirt the teeth, yet without the least particle of grit, feels as smooth as soap.

The sturdy pear-tree here Will rise luxuriant, and with toughest root Pierce the obstructing grit and restive marble.

 Grits are fossils found in minute masses, forming together a kind of powder; the several particles of which are of no determinate shape, but seem the rudely broken fragments of larger masses; not to be dissolved or disunited by water, but retaining their figure, and not cohering into a mass. One sort is a fine, dull looking, grey grit, which, if wetted with saltwater, into mortar or paste, dries almost immediately, and coalesces into a hard stony mass, such as is not easily afterwards disunited by water. This is the pulvis puteolanus of the ancients, mixed among their cements used in buildings sunk into the sea; and in France and Italy an ingredient in their harder plasters, under the name of pozzolane. It is common on the sides of hills in Italy. Another species, which is a coarse, beautifully green, dull grit, is the chrysocolla of the ancients, which they used in soldering gold, long supposed a lost fossil. It serves the purpose of soldering metals better than borax. The ferrugineous black glittering grit, is the black shining sand employed to throw over writing, found on the shores Hill on Fossils.

GRITH.* n. s. [Sax. zpio, peace; Goth. grid; hence a grithstole was a sanctuary.] Agreement; union. Obsolete.

He bade his priestis pece and grith.

The Plowman's Tale. GRI'TTINESS. n. s. [from gritty.] Sandiness; the quality of abounding in grit. In fuller's earth he could find no sand by the microscope, nor any grittiness.

Mortimer, Husbandry. GRI'TTY. adj. [from grit.] Full of hard

particles; consisting of grit. I could not discern the unevenness of the surface of the powder, nor the little shadows let fall from

the gritty particles thereof. Newton, Opticks. GRI'ZELIN. adj. [more properly gridelin.

See GRIDELIN. The Burgundy, which is a grizelin or pale red,

of all others, is surest to ripen in our climate. Temple. GRI'ZZLE. n. s. [from gris, gray; grisaille,

French. A mixture of white and black:

O thou dissembling cub! what wilt thou be, When time hath sow'd a grizzle on thy case? Shakspeare.

GRI'ZZLED. † adj. [from grizzle.] Interspersed with gray.

In the fourth chariot, grisled and bay horses.

To the boy Cæsar, send this grizzled head.

His beard was grizzled? - No, It was as I have seen it in his life.

Shaksveare, Hamlet.

His hair just grizzled, As in a green old age. Dryden and Lee, Oedipus.
Those grizzled locks, which nature did provide In plenteous growth, their asses' ears to hide.

Dryden, Juv.

GRI'ZZLY. adj. [from gris, gray, French.] Somewhat gray.

Living creatures generally do change their hair with age, turning to be gray and white; as is seen in men, though some earlier, some later; in horses that are dappled, and turn white; and in old squirrels, that turn grizzly.

To GROAN. + v. n. [zpanian, Saxon; gronen, Dutch. Dr. Johnson. - Our word was at first used in the sense of grunt. To groin was the same. So the Iceland. grenian has the same meaning. "He groaneth as our boar." Chaucer, Somp. Tale. This will refer us to the Latin grunnio. The northern pronunciation of groan is according to the Sax. The preaction of the state of t pain or agony.

Many an heir Of these fair edifices, for my wars,

Have I heard groan and drop. Shakspeare, Coriol. Men groan from out of the city, and the soul of Job, xxiv. 12. the wounded crieth out. Repenting and groaning for anguish of spirit.

So shall the world go on,

To good malignant, to bad men benign, Milton, P. L. Under her own weight groaning. Milton, P. L. Nothing can so peculiarly gratify the noble dispositions of humanity, as for one man to see another so much himself as to sigh his griefs and groan his pains.

On the blazing pile his parent lay, Or a lov'd brother groan'd his life away. Pope, Odyssey.

GROAN. n. s. [from the verb.] 1. Breath expired with noise and difficulty, from pain, faintness, or weariness.

Alas poor country, Where sighs and groans, and shrieks that rend the

air. Are made, not mark'd! Shakspeare, Macbeth. I led to slaughter, and to slaughter leave; And ev'n from hence their dying groans receive.

Dryden. Hence aching bosoms wear a visage gay And stifled groans frequent the ball and play.

2. Any hoarse dead sound.

Such sheets of fire, such bursts of horrid thunder, Such groans of roaring wind and rain, I never Remember to have heard. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

GRO'ANFUL. adj. [groan and full.] Sad; agonizing. Not used.

Adown he kest it with so puissant wrest, That back again it did aloft rebound,

And gave against his mother earth a groanful Spenser, F. Q.

GRO'ANING.* n. s. [Sax. zpanung.]

1. Lamentation; complaint on account of agony or pain.

To hear the groaning of the prisoner.

Psalm cii. 20. He shall groan before him with the groanings of a deadly wounded man. Ezek. xxx. 24. 2. [In hunting.] The cry or noise of a Chambers.

GROAT.† n. s. [groot, Dutch; grosso, Italian.]

1. A piece valued at four pence. It was first coined by Edward III. A silver penny was the largest coin of silver before. Chaucer writes it grot.

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To give five pence, grotes, or shillings, to five poor men. Fulke against Allen, (1580,) p. 409. Our piece of four-pence being formerly great, (even as great as a shilling now is, because then twenty pence, or five grotes weighed an ounce,) is Butler, Eng. Gramm. (1633.) called a grot.

It often costs them two pence or a groat, before they can convey them [letters] to my hands. Tatler, No. 164.

2. A proverbial name for a small sum.

My mother was wont To call them woollen vassals, things created To buy and sell with groats. Shakspeare, Coriol. I dare lay a groat,

A tertian ague is at least your lot. Dryden, Fab. Imagine a person of quality to marry a woman much his inferior, and without a groat to her

3. GROATS. [Sax. zpicta, zput. See the second sense of GRIT.] Oatmeal, Yorkshire; oats hulled, but unground, Lancashire; more generally speaking, culled oats, half-ground. Oats that have the hulls taken off.

GRO'ATSWORTH.* n. s. [groat and worth.] Sherwood. The value of a groat.

GRO'CER. † n. s. [This should be written grosser, from gross, a large quantity; a grocer originally being one who dealt by wholesale; or from grossus, a fig, which their present state seems to favour. Dr. Johnson. - Though grossus means a green and not a dried fig; grossers or grocers were certainly dealers in foreign fruits and other foreign commodities. See the Paston Letters, ii. 210. The merchants, called grossers, were accused of engrossing merchandise of all kinds, Stat. 37 Edw. III. ch. 5. See Nares, Elem. of Orthoepy, p. 291. Our lexicography of more than two centuries since describes the grocers as those "who sell by the great." Huloet.]

A grocer is a man who buys and sells tea, sugar, Watts, Logick. and plums and spices for gain. But still the offspring of your brain shall prove The grocer's care, and brave the rage of Jove.

GRO'CERY. n. s. [from grocer.] Grocers' ware, such as tea; sugar; raisins; spice. His troops, being now in a country where they were not expected, met with many cart-loads of wine, grocery, and tobacco. Clarendon.

GROG.* n. s. [in the language of our seamen.] Gin and water, or any spirit and water; usually without sugar.

We stopped serving grog, except on Saturday ghts. Cook and King's Voyage.

GRO'GGY.* adj. [from grog.] In the merry language of the seamen, to whom we are indebted for the word punch as well as grog, rather overflown with grog.

GRO'GERAM.†) n. s. [gros, grain, French; grossogranus, low Latin. GRO'GRAM. GRO'GRAN. Ainsworth.] Stuff woven with large woof and a rough pile.

Certes they're neatly cloth'd: I of this mind am, Your only wearing is your grogeram. He shall ha' the grograns at the rate I told him. B. Jonson, Every Man in his Humour. 2. A young man.

I'll give you a new gown,

A new silk grogoran gown. B. Jonson, Magn. Lady. Natolia affords great store of chamelots and grogerums. Sandus.

Some men will say this habit of John's was neither of camel's skin nor any coarse texture of its hair, but rather some finer weave of camelot, grogram, or the like.

Whether alum doth intenerate the hairs of wool, and hairstuff, as grograins.

Sir W. Petty, Sprat's Hist. R. S. p. 289. The natural sweetness and innocence of her behaviour shot me through and through, and did more execution upon me in grogram than the greatest beauty in town had ever done in brocade. Addison, Spect.

Plain goody would no longer down; 'Twas madam in her grogram gown.

GROIN. † n. s. [probably from the Goth. and Icel. grein, distinctio.] The part next above the thigh.

Antipleus, a sonne of Priam, threw His lance at Ajax through the preasse, which went by him, and flew

On Leucus, wise Ulysses' friend: his groine it Chapman.

The fatal dart arrives, And through the border of his buckler drives; Pass'd through and pierc'd his groin; the deadly wound

Cast from his chariot, roll'd him on the ground. Dryden.

GROIN.* n. s. [French, groin de porceau, the snout of a hog. Cotgrave.] The nose or snout of a swine. This is still a northern word.

Salomon likeneth a faire woman, that is a fool of hire body, to a ring of gold that is worne in the groine of a sowe. Chaucer, Parson's Tale.

To GROIN.* v. n. [Sax. zpanian; Icel. grenian; old French, groigner; Lat. grunnio. See To GROAN.] To grumble; to growl; to grunt. Whether so that he loure or groine.

Chaucer, Rom. R. 7099. Bears that groyn'd continually. Spenser, F. Q. vi. xii. 27.

GRO'MWELL. n. s. [lithospermum, Latin.] Gromill or graymill. A plant. Miller. GROOM. † n. s. [The original word, in all its senses, is gome or gom, a man; дита, Sax.; guma, Goth. See Goм, BRIDEGROOM, and MAN. Dr. Jamieson considers the r as existing only in the Scottish and English groom or grome; but Kilian gives us the Teut. grom, a

1. A boy; a waiter; a servant.

youth.]

Then called she a groom, that forth him led Into a goodly lodge. Spenser, F. Q. From Egypt's king ambassadours they come; Them many a squire attends, and many a groom.

Think then, my soul! that death is but a groom

Which brings a taper to the outward room. In the time of Edward VI. lived Sternhold,

whom king Henry his father had made groom of his chamber, for turning of certain of David's psalms into verse. Peacham. Would'st thou be touch'd

By the presuming hands of saucy grooms? Dryden, Don. Sebast.

Amid the fold he rages, nor the sheep Their shepherds, nor the grooms their bulls can keep. Dryden.

I presume for to intreat this groom, And silly maid, from danger to redeem. Fairfax. Thou that art

The prime of our young grooms, even the top Of all our lusty shepherds.

Fletcher, Faithful Shepherdess. 3. A man newly married.

By this the brides are wak'd, their grooms are dress'd;

All Rhodes is summon'd to the nuptial feast.

Dryden. To GROOVE.† v. a. [grafa, Iceland. sparan, Saxon, to dig.] To cut hollow. Of the box every joint was well groov'd. Swift. GROOVE. † n. s. [groof, Iceland. from grafa,

to dig; zparan, Saxon.]

1. A deep cavern, or hollow in mines. He might, to avoid idleness, work in a groove or mine-pit thereabouts, which at that time was little esteemed. Boyle.

2. A channel or hollow cut with a tool. The screw-plate is a kind of steel well tempered, with several holes in it, each less than other; and in those holes are threads grooved inwards, which grooves fit the respective taps that belong to them. Moxon, Mech. Exer.

GROO'VER.* n. s. [from groove.] A miner. Derbyshire.

To GROPE. + v. n. [Saxon, zpapian, znopian; and grape is our northern dialect for grope: the word has the same origin as gripe, to lay hold of. See To GRIPE. Our northern word is grape.] To feel where one cannot see.

My sea-gown scarf about me, in the dark Grop'd I, to find out them. Shakspeare, Hamlet. We grope for the wall like the blind, and we grope as if we had no eyes. Is. lix. 10.

They meet with darkness in the clearest light; And grope at noon, as if involv'd with night.

A boy was groping for eels, and laid his hand L'Estrange. upon a snake.

This, no doubt, is better for men than that they should in the dark grope after knowledge; as St. Paul tells us all nations did after God. He heard us in our course,

And with his out-stretch'd arms around him grop'd. Addison.

O truth divine! enlighten'd by thy ray, I grope and guess no more, but see my way.

To GROPE. v. a. To search by feeling in the dark; to feel without being able to see. This appears to be the most ancient usage of the word.

Thyn enterdite, and thy sentence Again thyn own conscience,

Hereafter thou shalt fele and grope,

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 2. These curates ben so negligent and slow To gropen tenderly a conscience.

Chaucer, Sompn. Tale. How vigilant to grope men's thoughts, and to pick out somewhat whereof they might complain.

They have left our endeavours to grope them out by twilight, and by darkness almost to discover that, whose existence is evidenced by light. Brown, Vulg. Err.

But Strephon, cautious, never meant The bottom of the pan to grope.

GRO'PER.* n. s. [from grope.] One that Sherwood. searches in the dark. GRO'SER.* n. s. Our northern word for a

gooseberry. See Gooseberry. GROSS.† adj. [gros, Fr. grosso, Ital.]

crassus, Lat.]

1. Thick; bulky. VOL. II.

The crows and choughs, that wing the midway air, Shew scarce so gross as beetles. Shaksp. K. Lear. There are two gross volumes concerning the power of popes. Baker on Learning.

2. Shameful; unseemly; enormous.

He ripely considered how gross a thing it were for men of his quality, wise and grave men, to live with such a multitude, and to be tenants at will under them. Hooker,

They can say that in doctrine, in discipline, in prayers, and in sacraments, the church of Rome

hath very foul and gross corruptions, So far hath the natural understanding, even of sundry whole nations, been darkened, that they have not discerned, no, not gross iniquity to be sin.

There is a vain and imprudent use of their estates, which, though it does not destroy like gross sins, yet disorders the heart, and supports it in sensuality and dulness.

3. Intellectually coarse; palpable; impure; unrefined.

To all sense 'tis gross You love my son: invention is asham'd, Against the proclamation of thy passion, To say thou do'st not. Shakspeare, All's well. Examples gross as earth exhort me.

Shakspeare, Hamlet. Belial came last, than whom a spirit more lewd Fell not from heaven, or more gross to love Vice for itself.

Milton, P. L. Is not religion so perfectly good in itself, above all, in its Author, that, without the grossest sensuality, we cannot but admire it?

It is a gross mistake of some men, to think that our want only and imperfections do naturally induce us to be beneficent. But she dares never boast the present hour,

So gross the cheat, it is beyond her pow'r. Young. 4. Inelegant; disproportionate in bulk.

The sun's oppressive ray the roseat bloom Of beauty blasting, gives the gloomy hue, And feature gross. Thomson, Summer.

5. Dense; not refined; not attenuated; not pure.

It is manifest that when the eye standeth in the finer medium, and the object is in the grosser things shew greater; but contrariwise, when the eye is placed in the grosser medium, and the object in the finer. Bacon, Nat. Hist. Of elements,

The grosser feeds the purer; earth the sea, Earth and the sea feed air. Milton, P. L.

Light fumes are merry, grosser fumes are sad; Both are the reasonable soul run mad.

Dryden, Fab. Or suck the mists in grosser air below, Or dip their pinions in the painted bow.

6. Stupid; dull. If she doth then the subtile sense excel, How gross are they that drown her in the blood?

And, in clear dream and solemn vision,

Tell her of things that no gross ear can hear.

Milton, Comus. Some men give more light and knowledge by the bare stating of the question with perspicuity and justness, than others by talking of it in gross confusion for whole hours together.

7. Coarse; rough; not delicate. Fine and delicate sculptures are helped with

nearness, and gross with distance. Wotton, Architecture.

8. Thick; fat; bulky.

His stature was of just height and all proportionate dimensions, avoiding the extremes of gross and meager.

9. Whole; having no deduction or abatement: as, the gross sum; the gross price. 10. Large; aggregate.

Another part in squadrons, and gross bands, bend

Four ways their flying march. Milton, P. L.

11. Heavy; oppressive.

Curs'd be the wit which cruelty refines, Or to his father's rod the scorpion joins; Your finger is more gross than the great monarch's loins. Dryden, Hind and Panth. P. iii.

GROSS. n. s. [from the adjective.] 1. The main body; the main force.

The Belgians hop'd, that with disorder'd haste The deep cut keels upon the sands might run; Or, if with caution leisurely were past,

Their numerous gross might charge us one by one.

Several casuists are of opinion, that, in a battle, you should discharge upon the gross of the enemy, without levelling your piece at any particular per-Addison, Freeholder. The gross of the people can have no other pros-

pect in changes and revolutions than of publick blessings. Addison.

2. The bulk; the whole not divided into its several parts.

Certain general inducements are used to make saleable your cause in gross.

There was an opinion in gross, that the soul was mmortal. Abbot, Descript. of the World.
There is confession, that is, the acknowledging

our sins to God; and this may be either general or particular: the general is, when we only confess in gross that we are sinful; the particular, when we mention the several sorts and acts of our Duty of Man. Remember, son,

You are a general: other wars require you; For see the Saxon gross begins to move.

Dryden, K. Arthur. Notwithstanding the decay and loss of sundry trades and manufactures, yet, in the gross, we ship off now one third part more of the manufactures, as also lead and tin, than we did twenty years Child on Trade.

3. Not individual, but a body together.

He hath ribbons of all the colours i' th' rainbow; they come to him by the gross. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

I cannot instantly raise up the gross

Of full three thousand ducats. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven.

You see the united design of many persons to make up one figure: after they have separated themselves in many petty divisions, they rejoin one by one into a gross.

4. The chief part; the main mass.

Comets, out of question, have likewise power and effect over the gross and mass of things. Bacon, Essays.

The articulate sounds are more confused, though the gross of the sound be greater.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

5. The number of twelve dozen. | grosse, French.]

It is made up only of that simple idea of an unite repeated; and repetitions of this kind, joined together, make those distinct simple modes of a dozen, a gross, and a million.

GROSS-HEADED.* adj. [gross and head.]

Stupid; dull; thick-sculled. This was it, to pluck out of the heads of his admirers the conceit that all, who are not prelatical,

are gross-headed, thick-witted, illiterate, shallow. Milton, Apol. for Smectym.

GRO'SSLY. † adv. [from gross.]

1. Bulkily; in bulky parts; coarsely: as, this matter is grossly pulverised.

The cane did again appear with a linen hanging thereat, so grossly impregnated, as it promised to be delivered of a most happy burthen: both cane and linen bent themselves on me, and in them I found another paper and a hundred ducats Shelton, Don Quix. iv. 13.

2. Without subtilty; without art; without delicacy; without refinement; coarsely;

Such kind of ceremonies as have been so grossly and shamefully abused in the church of Rome, where they remain, are scandalous. Hooker.

Treason and murder ever kept together, As two voke devils sworn to others purpose; Working so grossly in a natural cause,

That admiration did not whoop at them. Shakspeare, Hen. V.

And thine eyes

See it so grossly shown in thy behaviour, That in their kind they speak it. Shakspeare. What! are we cuckolds ere we have deserv'd it? - Speak not so grossly. Shaksp. Merch. of Ven.

What I have said has been forced from me, by seeing a noble sort of poetry so happily restored by one man, and so grossly copied by almost all the rest.

If I speak of light and rays as endued with colours, I would be understood to speak not philosophically and properly, but grossly, and according to such conceptions as vulgar people would be apt to frame. Newton, Opticks.

While it is so difficult to learn the springs and motives of some facts, it is no wonder they should be so grossly misrepresented to the publick by curious inquisitive heads.

GRO'SSNESS. n. s. [from gross.]

1. Coarseness; not subtilty; thickness; spissitude; density; greatness of parts. The purpose is perspicuous even as substance,

Whose grossness little characters sum up. Shaksp. And I will purge that mortal grossness so, That thou shalt like an airy spirit go. Shakspeare.

The cause of the epilepsy from the stomach is the grossness of the vapours which rise and enter into the cells of the brain. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Then, all this earthy grossness quit, Attir'd with stars, we shall for ever sit,

Triumphing over death. Milton, Ode on Time. This being the first colour which vapours begin to reflect, it ought to be the colour of the finest and most transparent skies, in which vapours are not arrived to that grossness requisite to reflect other colours.

For envy'd wit, like Sol eclips'd, was known Th' opposing body's grossness, not its own. Pope.

2. Inelegant fatness; unwieldy corpulence. Wise men, that be over-fat and fleshy, go to sojourn abroad at the temperate diet of some sober man; and so, by little and little, eat away the grossness that is in them.

3. Want of refinement; want of delicacy;

I was three or four times in the thought they were not fairies; and yet the guiltiness of my mind drove the grossness of the foppery into a received belief that they were fairies. Shakspeare.
Whatever beauties it may want, 'tis free at least

from the grossness of those faults I mentioned,

What a grossness is there in the mind of that man, who thinks to reach a lady's heart by wound-Richardson, Clarissa. ing her ears.

GROT.† n. s. [grotte, French; grotta, Italian. Dr. Johnson. - Sax. zpæp, a ditch; grop, Su. from groepa, to excavate; whence grot, q.d. groept, hollowed. Serenius .- In like manner, Mr. H. Tooke considers grot as formed from zparan, to dig. Menage derives it from the Gr. жобыти, a place of concealment, as grot, in our language, seems originally to have meant, from κούπλω, to hide; whence

The low Lat. grotta was also crypt. used in this sense. In French the word was also formerly crot or crotte, and crotesque. See Cotgrave.] A cave; a place of concealment; a cavern for coolness and pleasure.

There is another grott, or cavern, lying low un-derneath; it is contrived into the fashion of a cross, and here some of the Holy Innocents lie buried.

Gregory, Posthum. (1650,) p. 108. God hath appointed a day wherein He will judge the secrets of men, that sin may not be the more secure for being close, but that it may be feared and shunned in grots as well as in most publick Glanville, Serm. p. 313.

My lord had many grotts about his house, cut in the sandy sides of hills, wherein he delighted to Aubrey's Anecd. ii. 475. sit and discourse.

In the remotest wood and lonely grot, Certain to meet that worst of evils, thought. Prior. Awful see the Egerian grot.

GROTE'SQUE. † adj. [grotesque, French; grottesco, Italian. From the strange and extravagant figures which were painted in the grottos or crypts of the antient Romans. 7 Distorted of figure; unnatural: wildly formed.

By rare artificers carved into story and grotesco Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 138. The champain head

Of a steep wilderness, whose hairy sides With thicket overgrown, grottesque and wild, Milton, P. L. Access denv'd.

There is yet a lower sort of poetry and painting, which is out of nature; for a farce is that in poetry which grotesque is in a picture; the persons and actions of a farce are all unnatural, and the manners false, that is, inconsisting with the characters of mankind: grotesque painting is the just resemblance of this. Dryden, Dufresnoy. An hideous figure of their foes they drew,

Nor lines, nor looks, nor shades, nor colours

And this grotesque design expos'd to publick Dryden.

Palladian walls, Venetian doors, Grotesco roof, and stucco floors. Pope.

GROTE'SQUE.* n. s. A wild design of a painter or engraver.

Painters - sometimes do serve themselves of instances that have no existence in nature. - What indeed was more common and familiar among the Romans themselves than the picture and statue of Terminus, even one of their deities; which yet, if we well consider, is but a piece of grotesca?

Wotton, Elem. of Architecture. Farce is that in poetry, which grotesque is in a Dryden, Dufresnoy. picture. All the designs I have chanced to meet of the temptations of St. Antony, were rather a sort of wild grotesques, than any thing capable of pro-

ducing a serious passion.

Burke on the Sublime and Beautiful. GROTE'SQUELY.* adv. [from grotesque.] In a wild, fantastical manner.

Death has despoiled the jester of his habiliments, and grotesquely decorated himself therewith.

Expl. of Holbein's Dance of Death, p. 49. GRO'TTA.* n. s. [Italian.] A cavern for

coolness or pleasure. Let it be turned to a grotta, or place of shade.

Bet it be time to a grown, or place of shader Bacon, Ess. (1632.) p. 263. She turned into another walk, which led to a rotta. Moral State of Eng. (1670.) p. 153.

GRO'TTO. n. s. [grotte, French; grotta, Italian.] A cavern or cave made for coolness. It is not used properly of a dark horrid cavern.

Their careless chiefs to the cool grottos run, The bow'rs of kings, to shade them from the sun-

This was found at the entry of the grotto in the Peak. Woodward on Fossils. GROVE. † n. s. [Sax. zpoue; Germ. grove; Goth. grof.] A small wood, or

place set with trees.

I look'd toward Birnam, and anon methought The wood began to move:

Within this three mile may you see it coming; I say a moving grove. Shakspeare, Macbeth. Fortunate fields and groves, and flow'ry vales; Thrice happy isles! Milton, P. L.

She left the flow'ry field, and waving grove.

Banish'd from courts and love, Abandon'd truth seeks shelter in the grove.

Can fierce passions vex his breast, While every gale is peace and every grove

Is melody? Thomson, Spring. To GRO'VEL. + v. n. [grufde, Icelandick, flat on the face. It may, perhaps, come by gradual corruption from ground fell. Dr. Johnson. - Rather from the Icel. verb gruva, to lie prostrate on the ground. Lye.]

1. To lie prone; to creep low on the

ground.

The steel-head passage wrought, And through his shoulder pierc'd; wherewith to ground

He grovelling fell, all gored in his gushing wound. Spenser, F. Q. What see'st thou there? king Henry's diadem,

Inchas'd with all the honours of the world! If so, gaze on, and grovel on thy face, Until thy head be circled with the same.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. Oke-mast and beech, and cornell fruit they eate, Grovelling like swine on earth, in fowlest sort.

Now they lie

Grovelling and prostrate on you lake of fire. Milton, P. L.

Upon thy belly grovelling thou shalt go. Milton, P. L. Let us then conclude that all painters ought

to require this part of excellence: not to do it, is to want courage, and not dare to shew themselves: 'tis to creep and grovel on the ground. Dryden, Dufresnoy.

2. To be mean; to be without dignity or elevation.

I must disclaim whate'er he can express; His grovelling sense will show my passion less.

Dryden. Several thoughts may be natural which are low Addison, Spect.

GRO'VELLER.* n. s. [from grovel.] A person of a low, mean, grovelling dispo-

The man of a towering ambition, or a well regulated taste, has fewer objects to envy or to covet than the grovellers.

GROVES.* n. s. pl. The northern word for what is elsewhere called graves. See the second sense of GRAVE. And Brockett's N. C. words.

GROUND. † n. s. [zpunb, Saxon; grondt, Danish; grundus, M. Goth. "consentientibus omnibus dialect. Scytho-Scandicis." Serenius.

1. The earth considered as superficially extended, and therefore related to tillage, travel, habitation, or almost any action. The main mass of terrene matter is never called the ground. We never distinguish the terraqueous globe (into ground and water, but into earth, or land, and water; again, we never say under earth, but under ground.

Israel shall go on dry ground through the sea.

Ex. xiv. 16.

Man to till the ground None was, and from the earth a dewy mist Went up, and water'd all the ground

Milton, P. L.

From the other hill To their fix'd station, all in bright array, The cherubim descended, on the ground Gliding meteorous. Milton, P. L.

A black bituminous gurge Boils up from under ground. Milton, P. L. And yet so nimbly he would bound, As if he scorn'd to touch the ground. Hudibras.

2. The earth as distinguished from air or water.

I have made man and beast upon the ground. There was dew upon all the ground.

Judges, vi. 40. They summ'd their wings, and, soaring th' air sublime,

With clang despis'd the ground. Milton, P. L. Too late young Turnus the delusion found; Far on the sea, still making from the ground. Dryden, Æn.

3. Land; country.

The water breaks its bounds, And overflows the level grounds. Hudibras.

4. Region; territory. On heavenly ground they stood, and from the

They view'd the vast immeasurable abyss.

Milton, P. L. With these came they, who from the bord'ring

Of old Euphrates to the brook that parts Egypt from Syrian ground, had general names Of Baalim and Ashtaroth. Milton, P. L.

5. Estate; possession.

Uneasy still within these narrow bounds, Thy next design is on thy neighbour's grounds: His crop invites, to full perfection grown; Thy own seems thin, because it is thy own. Dryden, Juv.

6. Land occupied.

The rains o'erflow'd my ground, And my best Flanders mare was drown'd. Prior. 7. The floor or level of the place.

Wherefore should I smite thee to the ground? 2 Sam. ii. 22.

Dagon was fallen on his face to the ground. 1 Sam. v. 4.

A multitude sit on the ground

St. Matt. xv. 35. Some part of the month of June, the water of this lake descends under ground, through many great holes at the bottom. Brown, Travels.

8. Depth; bottom. [af-grundith, the deep, Goth. St. Luke, viii. 31.]

In the grounds of the sea. Lib. Fest. fol. 9. b. 9. Dregs; lees; fæces; that which settles at the bottom of liquors. In the

plural only. Set by them cyder, verjuice, sour drink, or grounds. Some insist upon having had particular success

in stopping gangrenes, from the use of the grounds of strong beer, mixed up with bread or oatmeal. Sharp, Surgery 10. The first stratum of paint upon which

the figures are afterwards painted. We see the limner to begin with a rude draught, and the painter to lay his grounds with darksome

Hakervill. When solid bodies, sensible to the feeling and dark, are placed on light and transparent grounds, as, for example, the heavens, the clouds and waters and every other thing which is in motion, and void of different objects; they ought to be more rough, and more distinguishable than that with which they are encompassed. Dryden, Dufresnoy.

11. The fundamental substance; that by which the additional or accidental parts are supported.

O'er his head A well wrought heav'n of silk and gold was suread.

Azure the ground, the sun in gold shone bright.

Indeed it was but just that the finest lines in nature should be drawn upon the most durable ground.

Then, wrought into the soul, let virtues shine, The ground eternal, as the work divine. Young. 12. The plain song; the tune on which descants are raised.

Get a prayer-book in your hand,

And stand between two churchmen, good my lord; For on that ground I'll build a holy descant. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

13. First hint; first traces of an invention; that which gives occasion to the rest. Though jealousy of state th' invention found,

Yet love refin'd upon the former ground; That way the tyrant had reserv'd to fly, Pursuing hate, now serv'd to bring two lovers

nigh. 14. The first principles of knowledge.

The concords will easily be known, if the fore grounds be thoroughly beaten in. Preface to Accidence.

Here statesmen, or of them they which can read,

May of their occupation find the grounds. Donne.

The grounds are already laid whereby that is unquestionably resolved; for having granted that God gives sufficient grace, yet when he co-operates most effectually, he doth it not irresistibly.

Hammond. After evening repasts, till bed-time, their thoughts will be best taken up in the easy grounds of religion, and the story of scripture. Milton, on Education.

15. The fundamental cause; the true reason; original principle.

He desired the steward to tell him particularly the ground and event of this accident. Making happiness the ground of his unhappiness and good news the argument of his sorrow.

The use and benefit of good laws all that live under them may enjoy with delight and comfort, albeit the grounds and first original causes from whence they have sprung be unknown. Hooker.

In the solution of the Sabbatizer's objection, my method shall be, to examine in the first place, the main grounds and principles upon which he White.

Thou could'st not have discern'd Fraud in the serpent, speaking as he spake, No ground of enmity between us known.

Milton, P. L. Nor did either of them ever think fit to make any particular relation of the grounds of their proceedings, or the causes of their misadventures.

Sound judgment is the ground of writing well. Roscommon.

Love once given from her, and plac'd in you, Would leave no ground I ever would be true.

Dryden. It is not easy to imagine how any such tradition could arise so early, and spread so universally, if there were not a real ground for it.

Wilkins. If it be natural, ought we not to conclude that there is some ground and reason for these fears, and that nature hath not planted them in us to Tillotson.

Thus it appears, that suits at law are not sinful in themselves, but may lawfully be used, if there is no unlawfulness in the ground and way of Kettlewell. management.

Upon that prince's death, although the grounds of our quarrel with France had received no manner of addition, yet this lord thought fit to alter his sentiments.

The miraculous increase of the professors of Christianity was without any visible grounds and causes, and contrary to all human probability and appearance. Atterbury. 16. The field or place of action.

Here was thy end decreed when these men rose; And ev'n with theirs this act thy death did bring, Or hasten'd at the least upon this ground. Daniel:

17. The space occupied by an army as they fight, advance, or retire. At length the left wing of the Arcadians began

to lose ground. Heartless they fought, and quitted soon their ground,

While ours with easy victory were crown'd.

He has lost ground at the latter end of the day, by pursuing his point too far, like the prince of Condé a the battle of Seneffe.

Dryden, Fab. Pref.

18. The intervening space between the flyer and pursuer.

Ev'ning mist, Ris'n from the river, o'er the marish glides, And gathers ground fast at the labourer's heels, Homeward returning. Milton. P. L.

Superiors think it a detraction from their merit to see another get ground upon them, and overtake them in the pursuits of glory. Addison, Spect.

Even whilst we speak our conqueror comes on, And gathers ground upon us every moment.

19. The state in which one is with respect to opponents or competitors. Had'st thou sway'd as kings should do,

Giving no ground unto the house of York They never then had sprung. Shaksp. Hen. VI. If they get ground and 'vantage of the king,

Then join you with them like a rib of steel, Shaksp. Hen. IV. To make them stronger.

He will stand his ground against all the attacks that can be made upon his probity. Atterbury. Whatever ground we may have gotten upon our enemies, we have gotten none upon our vices, the

worst enemies of the two; but are even subdued and led captive by the one, while we triumph so gloriously over the others.

20. State of progress or recession.

I have known so many great examples of this cure, and heard of its being so familiar in Austria, that I wonder it has gained no more ground in other places.

The squirrel is perpetually turning the wheel in her cage: she runs apace, and wearies herself with her continual motion, and gets no ground.

Dryden, Dufresnoy.

21. The foil to set a thing off. Like bright metal on a sullen ground, My reformation glittering o'er my fault,

Shall shew more goodly, and attract more eyes, Than that which hath no foil to set it off. Shaksp.

22. Formerly the pit of a play-house; and hence groundling, in a contemptuous sense. See GROUNDLING. Stage-keeper. The understanding gentlemen o'

the ground here asked my judgement. B. Jonson, Bartholomew Face.

To GROUND. † v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To place or set in the ground. And friendship which a faint affection breeds Without regard of good, dies like ill grounded Spenser, F. Q. iv. iv. 1.

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2. To fix on the ground. A kind of mili- GROUND-PLATE. n. s. [In architecture.] tary phrase; as, to ground arms.

When the fans are thus discharged, the word of command in course is to ground their fans.

Addison, Spect. No. 102. 3. To found, as, upon cause, reason, or principle.

Wisdom groundeth her laws upon an infallible

rule of comparison. The church of England, walking in the good

and old way of the orthodoxal primitive fathers, groundeth the religious observation of the Lord'sday, and of other Christian holydays upon the natural equity, and not upon the letter of the fourth commandment. White.

It may serve us to ground conjectures more approaching to the truth than we have hitherto met with.

If your own actions on your will you ground, Mine shall hereafter know no other bound.

Dryden, Aurengzebe. Some eminent spirit, having signalized his valour, becomes to have influence on the people, to 2. grow their leader in warlike expeditions; and this is grounded upon the principles of nature and common reason, which, where prudence and courage are required, rather incite us to fly to a single person than a multitude. Swift.

ments of knowledge.

Being rooted and grounded in love. Eph. iii. 17. GROUND. The preterite and part. pass. of grind.

How dull and rugged, ere 'tis ground

And polish'd, looks a diamond? Hudibras. Ground is much used in composition for that which is next the ground, or near the ground.

GROUND-ASH. n. s. A saplin of ash taken from the ground; not a branch cut from a tree.

A lance of tough ground-ash the Trojan threw, Rough in the rind, and knotted as it grew.

Dryden, Æn Some cut the young ashes off about an inch above the ground, which causes them to make very large straight shoots, which they call ground-Mortimer, Husbandry.

GROUND-BAIT. n. s. [ground and bait.] A bait made of barley or malt boiled; which, being thrown into the place where you design to angle, sinks to the bottom, and draws the fish to it.

Take the depth of the place where you mean after to cast your ground-bait, and to fish.

Walton, Angler. GROUND-FLOOR. n.s. [ground and floor.]

The lower part of a house. GROUND-IVY. n. s. [hedera terrestris, Lat.]

Alehoof, or tunhoof.

Alehoof or ground-ivy is, in my opinion, of the most excellent use and virtue of any plants among

GROUND-OAK. n. s. [ground and oak.]
If the planting of oaks were more in use for

underwoods, it would spoil the cooper's trade for the making of hoops either of hasel or ash; because one hoop made of the young shoots of a groundoak, would outlast six of the best ash.

Mortimer.

GROUND-PINE. n. s. [chamæpitys, Lat.] A

The whole plant has a very singular smell, resembling that of resin; whence its name ground-pine. It grows on dry and barren hills, and in some places on the ditch banks by road-sides.

Hill, Mat. Med.

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The outermost pieces of timber lying on or near the ground, and framed into one another with mortises and tennons. In these also are mortises made to receive the tennons of the joists, the summer, and girders; and sometimes the trimmers for the stair-case and chimney way, and the binding joist.

In the orthographical schemes there should be a true delineation, if it be a timber-building, of the several sizes of the groundplates, breast-summers, and beams.

GROUND-PLOT. † n. s.

1. The ground on which any building is placed.

Wretched Gynecia, where can'st thou find any small ground-plot for hope to dwell upon? Sidney. A ground-plot square five hives of bees contains: Emblems of industry and virtuous gains. Harte.

The ichnography of a building. Men skilled in architecture might do what we did not attempt; they might probably form an exact ground-plot of this venerable edifice.

Johnson, Journ. West. Islands.

4. To settle in first principles or rudi- GROUND-RENT. n. s. Rent paid for the privilege of building on another man's ground.

A foot in front, and thirty-three five sevenths deep, would bring in a ground-rent of five pounds. Arbuthnot on Coins.

The site was neither granted him, nor giv'n; 'Twas nature's, and the ground-rent due to Heav'n.

GROUND-ROOM. n. s. A room on the level with the ground.

I beseeched him hereafter to meditate in a ground-room; for that otherwise it would be impossible for an artist of any other kind to live near

Ground-tackle.* n.s. In naval language, the anchor, cables, and whatsoever else is necessary, to make the ship ride safe at anchor in a proper ground.

GRO'UNDAGE.* n. s. [from ground.] custom, or tribute, paid for the standing Blount. of a ship in port.

It is ordinary to take custom for anchorage, Spelman. groundage, &c.

GRO'UNDEDLY. † adv. [from grounded.] Upon firm principles; upon good grounds.

Whether he performed hys former promyse that can I not groundedly tell.

Bale, in Leland's N. Year's Gift, sign. H. 2.

He hath given the first hint of speaking groundedly, and to the purpose, upon this subject.

GRO'UNDLESS.† adj. [Sax. zpunblear.] Void of reason; wanting ground.

But when vain doubt and groundless fear Do that dear foolish bosom tear.

We have great reason to look upon the high pretensions which the Roman church makes to miracles as groundless, and to reject her vain and fabulous accounts of them.

The party who distinguish themselves by their zeal for the present establishment, should be careful to discover such a reverence for religion, as may shew how groundless that reproach is which is cast upon them of being averse to our national worship. Freeholder.

GRO'UNDLESSLY. † adv. [from groundless.] Without reason; without cause; without just reason

This principle of feignedly or groundlessly con-More, Antid. against Idolatry, ch. 2.

Divers persons have produced the like by spirit of vitriol, or juice of lemons; but have groundlessly ascribed the effect to some peculiar quality of those two liquors. Boyle on Colours.

To doubt and deny thus groundlessly, and licentiously, or peevishly, is not so much properly to doubt, as plainly to show an unwillingness we have that the thing we dispute about should be true; which is cowardly and disingenuous.

Goodman, Wint. Ev. Conf. P. iii.

GRO'UNDLESSNESS. + n. s. [from groundless.] Want of just reason.

I shall close up this chapter with remarking the groundlessness of that tradition, which makes Mahumed to be put into an iron chest, that, by the force of loadstones, hangs in the air.

L. Addison, Life of Mahomet, p. 81. He durst not cite the words either of my book or sermons, lest the reader should have discovered the notorious falsehood and groundlessness of his calumny.

GRO'UNDLING. † n. s. [from ground: German, grundel; Teut. gruendling.] A fish which keeps at the bottom of the water: hence one of the vulgar. See the last sense of the substantive GROUND.

It offends me to the soul, to hear a robustious perriwig-pated fellow tear a passion to tatters, to very rags, to split the ears of the groundlings.

Shakspeare, Hamlet. We tilers may deserve to be senators;

And there we must step before you thick-skin'd tanners,

For we are born three stories high: no base ones, None of your groundlings, master.

Beaum. and Fl. The Prophetess. GRO'UNDLY. adv. [from ground.] Upon

principles; solidly; not superficially. Not in use. A man, groundly learned already, may take much profit himself, in using by epitome to draw

other men's works, for his own memory sake, into shorter room. GRO'UNDSEL. n. s. Tapuns and rile, the

basis, Sax. perhaps from sella, Latin.] The timber or raised pavement next the ground.

The window-frame hath every one of its lights rabbetted on its outside about half an inch into the frame; and all these rabbets, but that on the groundsel, are grooved square; but the rabbet on the groundsel is levelled downwards, that rain or snow may the freelier fall off. Moxon, Mech. Ex-

GRO'UNDSEL. † n. s. [senecio, Lat.; zpunberpelze, zpunse-rpulie, Saxon; and our old lexicography writes this word groundswell, as well as groundsell. See Sherwood's Dict.] A plant.

Groundsell leaves, laid to with fine powder of frankincense, heale wounded sinewes.

Barret, Alv. (1580.)

GRO'UNDWORK. n. s. [ground and work.] 1. The ground; the first stratum; the first part of the whole; that to which the rest is additional.

A way there is in heav'n's expanded plain, Which, when the skies are clear, is seen below, And mortals by the name of milky know;
The groundwork is of stars.

Dryden, Fab.

2. The first part of an undertaking; the fundamentals.

The main skill and groundwork will be to temper them such lectures and explanations, upon every opportunity, as may lead and draw them in willing obedience. Milton on Education.

3. First principle; original reason.

The groundwork thereof is nevertheless true and certain, however they through ignorance disguise the same, or through vanity. Spenser on Ireland.

The morals is the first business of the poet, as

being the groundwork of his instruction. Dryden.

GROUP. † n. s. [grouppe, French; groppo, Italian, a knot, or cluster.] An assemblage of two or more figures of men, beasts, fruit, or the like, which have some apparent relation to each other in painting or sculpture; hence, generally, a cluster; a collection; a number thronged together.

In a picture, besides the principal figures which compose it, and are placed in the midst of it, there are less groups or knots of figures disposed at proper distances, which are parts of the piece, and seem to carry on the same design in a more inferior Dryden, Dufresnoy.

I cannot doubt but the poet had here in view the picture of Zetus, in the famous group of figures which represents the two brothers binding Dirce to the horns of a mad bull. Addison.

You should try your graving tools

On this odious group of fools. This groupe of isles is, to use Mr. Waller's expression, walled round with rocks, which render them inaccessible to pirates or enemies.

Bp. Berkeley, Prop. for Coll. in Berm. (1725.) But here, thou say'st, the miseries of life

Are huddled in a group. Young, Night Th. 8. To GROUP. † v. a. [groupper, Fr.] To put into a distinct or separate collection.

The difficulty lies in drawing and disposing, or, as the painters term it, in grouping such a multitude of different objects, preserving still the justice and conformity of style and colouring. Prior.

GROUSE. † n. s. [perhaps from gorse. See Gorcock.] A kind of fowl; a heathcock. The 'squires in scorn will fly the house

For better game, and look for grouse. GROUT. † n. s. [3put, Sax. See GRIT, and GROAT.

1. Coarse meal; pollard.

King Hardicnute, 'midst Danes and Saxons stout,

Carous'd in nut-brown ale, and din'd on grout : Which dish its pristine honour still retains, And when each prince is crown'd in splendour

2. That which purges off; wort; sweet | 8. To improve; to make progress. liquor. In Cheshire, poor small beer. Wilbraham.

Sweet growte, or whig, his bottle had, as much as it might holde. it might holde. Warner, Albion's England. Sweet honey some condense, some purge the Dryden.

3. A kind of wild apple. [agriomelum, Lat.]

4. In building, a very thin coarse mortar; when mixed with hair, called hair-grout. GRO'UTNOL.* See GROWTHEAD.

GRO'VY.* adj. [from grove.] Belonging to groves, thickets, woods; also, frequenting groves. Cotgrave in V. BOCAGER. Sherwood also gives this word; and it is an useful one.

To GROW. † v. n. preter. grew, part. pass. grown. [zpopan, Sax.; groeyen, Dutch; gro, Su. Goth. Some refer both grow and green to the Greek χρόα, colour.]

1. To vegetate; to have vegetable motion; to encrease by vegetation.

He causeth the grass to grow for the cattle, and herb for the service of man. Psalm civ. 14. 2. To be produced by vegetation.

In this country groweth abundance of that wood, which since is brought into Europe to die red

A bag, that groweth in the fields, at the first is hard like a tennis-ball, and white; and after groweth of a mushroom-colour, and full of light dust.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. But say, where grows the tree? from hence how Milton, P. L.

In colder regions men compose

Poison with art; but here it grows. Those tow'rs of oak, o'er fertile plains might go, And visit mountains where they once did grow.

3. To shoot in any particular form.
Children, like tender osiers, take the bow; And as they first are fashion'd, always grow. Dryden, Juv.

4. To encrease in stature.

I long with all my heart to see the prince; I hope he is much grown since I last saw him. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

The poor man had nothing, save one little ewelamb; which he had bought and reared up; and it grew up together with him and with his children. 2 Sam. xii. 3.

5. To come to manhood from infancy; commonly followed by up.

Now the prince groweth up fast to be a man, and is of a sweet and excellent disposition.

Bacon, Advice to Villiers. The main thing to be considered, in every action of a child, is how it will become him when he is bigger, and whither it will lead him when he is

We are brought into the world children, ignorant and impotent; and we grow up in vanity and

6. To issue, as plants from a soil, or as branches from the main trunk.

They will seem not stuck into him, but growing out of him. Dryden, Æn. Dedic.

To encrease in bulk; to become greater or more numerous.

Bones, after full growth, continue at a stay: as for nails, they grow continually.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Then their numbers swell,

And grow upon us. Divisions grow upon us, by neglect of practick duties: as every age degenerated from primitive piety, they advanced in nice enquiries. Decay of Piety.

Growin grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. 2 Pet. iii. 18. He then dispensed his best of legacies, his bless-

ings; most passionately exhorting the young growing hopes of the family. Fell, Life of Hammond. As he grew forward in years, he was trained up

to learning, under one Pronepides, who taught the Pelasgick letter invented by Linus. Pope, Essay on Homer.

9. To advance to any state. Nature, as it grows again towards earth,

Is fashion'd for the journey dull and heavy. Shak. They doubted whereunto this would grow.

Acts, v. 24. The king, by this time, was grown to such an height of reputation for cunning and policy, that every accident and event that went well was laid and imputed to his foresight.

But when to ripen'd manhood he shall grow, The greedy sailor shall the seas forego.

Dryden, Virg. 10. To come by degrees; to reach any state gradually.

After they grew to rest upon number, rather competent than vast, they grew to advantages of place, cunning diversions, and the like; and they grew more skilful in the ordering of their battles. Bacon, Essays.

Verse, or the other harmony of prose, I have so long studied and practised, that they are grown into a habit, and become familiar to me,

Dryden, Fab. Pref. The trespasses of people are grown up to heaven, and their sins are got beyond all restraints of law and authority. Rogers, Serm.

11. To come forward; to gather ground. Some seeing the end of their government nigh, and troublous practice growing up, which may work trouble to the next governour, will not attempt redress. Spenser on Ireland.

It was now the beginning of October, and winter began to grow fast on: great rain, with terrible thunder and lightning, and mighty tempests, then fell abundantly. Knolles.

12. To be changed from one state to another; to become either better or worse; to turn.

A good man's fortune may grow out at heels. Shakspeare.

Scipio Nasica feared lest, if the dread of that enemy were taken away, the Romans would grow either to idleness or civil dissention. Abbot.

Hence, hence, and to some barbarous climate fly, Which only brutes in human form does yield, And man grows wild in nature's common field.

Dryden. The nymph grew pale, and in a mortal fright, Spent with the labour of so long a flight. Dryden. Patient of command

In time he grew; and growing us'd to hand, He waited at his master's board for food.

Dryden, Æn.

We may trade and be busy, and grow poor by it, unless we regulate our expences. You will grow a thing contemptible, unless you

can supply the loss of beauty with more durable Delos, by being reckoned a sacred place, grew to

be a free port, where nations warring traded, as in a neutral country. Arbuthnot on Coins. By degrees the vain, deluded elf,

Grew out of humour with his former self. Harte.

13. To proceed as from a cause or reason. What will grow out of such errours, as masked under the cloak of divine authority, impossible it is that ever the wit of man should imagine, till time have brought forth the fruits of them. Hooker.

Shall we set light by that custom of reading, from whence so precious a benefit has grown? Hooker. Take heed now that ye fail not to do this: why

should damage grow to the hurt of the king. Ez. iv. 22.

Hence grows that necessary distinction of the saints on earth and the saints in heaven; the first belonging to the militant, the second to the triumphant church. The want of trade in Ireland proceeds from the

want of people; and this is not grown from any ill qualities of the climate or air, but chiefly from so many wars.

14. To accrue; to be forthcoming. Ev'n just the sum that I do owe to you, Is growing to me by Antipholis.

Shakspeare, Com. of Err. 15. To adhere; to stick together.

Honour and policy, like unsever'd friends, I' th' war do grow together. Shakspeare, Coriol.

The frog's mouth grows up, and he continues so for at least six months without eating. Walton, Angler.

In burnings and scaldings the fingers would many times grow together, the chin would grow to the breast, and the arms to the sides, were they not bindered. Wiseman, Surgery.

16. To swell; a sea term.

Mariners are used to the tumbling and rolling of ships from side to side, when the sea is never so little grown.

17. The general idea given by this word is procession or passage from one state to another. It is always change, but not always encrease; for a thing may grow less, as well as grow greater.

To GROW.* v. a. To cause to grow; to

raise by culture. This will cause him to put out of his heart all envy, hatred, and malice, and grow in the same all amity, friendship, and concord.

Abp. Cranmer on the Sacr. (1550,) B. i. ch. 15. They grow some very good tobacco. Campbell. The best wheat in England is grown in this Entick. neighbourhood.

GRO'WER. † n. s. [from grow.]

1. An encreaser.

It will grow to a great bigness, being the quickest grower of any kind of elm.

Mortimer, Husbandry. 2. A considerable farmer; now common in

many parts of England. GRO'WING.* n. s. [from grow.]

1. Vegetation.

It is not the growing of fruit that nourisheth man: but it is Thy Word that preserveth them. Wisdom, xvi. 26.

2. Progression of time.

Your patience this allowing, I turn my glass; and give my scene such growing As you had slept between. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

To GROWL. † v. n. [grollen, Flemish; grollen, German, to murmur; groll, ran-

1. To snarl or murmur like an angry cur. Dogs in this country are of the size of common mastiffs, and by nature never bark, but growl when Ellis's Voyage. they are provoked.

2. To murmur; to grumble. Othello, neighbours - how he would roar about a foolish handkerchief! and then he would growl so manfully.

To GROWL.* v. a. To signify or express by growling.

They roam amid the fury of their heart,

And growl their horrid loves. Thomson, Spring. Aloof he bays, with bristling hair, And thus in secret growls his fear.

Gay, Squire and his Cur.

GROWL.* n. s. [from the verb.] The murmur of an angry cur; figuratively, of an enraged or discontented person.

GROWN. The participle passive of grow.

1. Advanced in growth.

2. Covered or filled by the growth of any

I went by the field of the slothful, and by the vineyard of the man void of understanding; and lo, it was all grown over with thorns, and nettles had covered the face thereof. Prov. xxiv. 31.

3. Arrived at full growth or stature. I saw lately a pair of China shoes, which I was told were for a grown woman, that would scarce have been big enough for one of our little girls.

4. Become prevalent.

This is now so grown a vice, and has so great supports, that I know not whether it do not put in for the name of a virtue. Locke.

GROWTH. n. s. [from To grow.]

1. Vegetation; vegetable life; encrease of vegetation.

Deep in the palace, of long growth their stood A laurel's trunk, a venerable wood. Dryden, En. Those trees that have the slowest growth, are, for that reason of the longest continuance.

2. Product; production; thing produced; act of producing.

Forbidding every bleak unkindly fog To touch the prosperous growth of this tall wood. Milton, Comus.

Our little world, the image of the great, Of her own growth hath all that nature craves, And all that's rare, as tribute from the waves. Waller.

The trade of a country arises from the native growths of the soil or seas. Temple. I had thought, for the honour of our nation,

that the knight's tale was of English growth, and Chaucer's own.

3. Encrease in number, bulk, or frequency. What I have tried, or thought, or heard upon this subject, may go a great way in preventing the growth of this disease, where it is but new. Temple.

4. Encrease of stature; advance to maturity.

They say my son of York Has almost overta'en him in his growth.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. The stag, now conscious of his fatal growth, To some dark covert his retreat had made.

Though an animal arrives at its full growth at a certain age, perhaps it never comes to its full bulk

till the last period of life. Arbuthnot on Aliments. If parents should be daily calling upon God in a solemn, deliberate manner, altering and extending their intercessions, as the state and growth of their children required, such devotion would have a mighty influence upon the rest of their lives. Law.

Improvement; advancement.

It grieved David's religious mind to consider the growth of his own estate and dignity, the affairs of religion continuing still in the former

GRO'WTHEAD. 1 n. s. [from gross or great GRO'WINOL. head; capito, Latin. A corruption of great, and Sax. hnol, the head; "a grouthead, or groutnoll, qui a grosse teste." Sherwood. 7

1. A kind of fish. Ainsworth. 2. An idle lazy fellow; a blockhead. Obsolete.

Though sleeping one hour refresheth his song, Yet trust not Hob growthead for sleeping too long.

That same dwarf's a pretty boy, but the squire's a groutnold. Beaum. & Fl. Kn. of the Burn. Pestle.

To Growse.* v. n. [Sax. azpıran; old Eng. agrise, to shiver. See To Agrise.] To shiver; to shudder; to be chill before an ague-fit. North. Ray, and Grose.

To GRUB. v. a. [graban, preter. grob, to dig, Gothick.] To dig up; to destroy by digging; to root out of the ground; to eradicate by throwing up out of the

A foolish heir caused all the bushes and hedges about his vineyard to be grubbed up. L'Estrange. Forest land

From whence the surly ploughman grubs the The grubbing up of woods and trees may be very needful, upon the account of their unthrifti-

ness. Mortimer. As for the thick woods, which not only Virgil

but Homer mentions, they are most of them grubbed up, since the promontory has been cultivated

GRUB. n. s. [from grubbing, or mining.] 1. A small worm that eats holes in bodies. There is a difference between a grub and a butterfly, and yet your butterfly was a grub.

Shakspeare, Coriol. New creatures rise, A moving mass at first, and short of thighs;

Till shooting out with legs, and imp'd with wings, The grubs proceed to bees with pointed stings.

The grub, Oft unobserv'd, invades the vital core: Pernicious tenant! and her secret cave Enlarges hourly, preying on the pulp

Philins.

2. A short thick man; a dwarf. In contempt.

John Romane, a short clownish grub, would bear the whole carcase of an ox, yet never tugged with him.

GRUB-AXE.* n. s. A tool used in grubbing up weeds, the roots of trees, and the like; sometimes called grubbage. GRU'BBER.* n. s. [from grub.] One who

grubs up underwood, or the like.

To GRU'BBLE. v. a. [grubelen, German, from grub.] To feel in the dark. Thou hast a colour:

Now let me roll and grubble thee:

Blind men say white feels smooth, and black feels

Thou hast a rugged skin; I do not like thee. Dryden.

To GRU'BBLE.* v. n. See To GRABBLE. He looked at the fish, then at the fiddle, still grubbling in his pockets. Spectator, No. 444.

GRU'BSTREET. n. s. Originally the name of a street near Moor-fields in London, much inhabited by writers of small histories, dictionaries, and temporary poems; whence any mean production is called grubstreet.

Χαῖς Ἰθακὴ, μεῖ ἄεθλα, μεῖ ἄλγεα πικρὰ, ᾿Ασπασίως τέον οἶδας ἱκάνομαι.

The first part though calculated only for the meridian of grubstreet, was yet taken notice of by the better sort. I'd sooner ballads write, and grubstreet lays.

To GRUDGE. † v. a. [from gruger, according to Skinner, which in French is to grind or eat. In this sense we say of one who resents any thing secretly, he chews it. Grwgnach, in Welsh, is to murmur; to grumble. Grunigh, in Scotland, denotes a grumbling morose countenance. Dr. Johnson. — Our word is from the old Fr. grouchier, to murmur, to grumble, to complain. See also To GRUTCH.]

1. To envy; to see any advantage of another with discontent.

What means this banishing me from your counsels? Do you love your sorrow so well, as to Sidney. grudge me part of it.
'Tis not in thee

To grudge my pleasures, to cut of my train. Shakspeare, K. Lear,

He struggles into birth, and cries for aid; Then helpless in his mothers's lap is laid: He creeps, he walks; and, issuing into man, Grudges their life from whence his own began.

Dryden. These clamours with disdain he heard, Much grudg'd the praise, but more the rob'd re-

ward. Do not, as some men, run upon the tilt, and

taste of the sediments of a grudging uncommunicative disposition.

Let us consider the inexhausted treasures of the ocean; and though some have grudged the great share that it takes of the surface or the earth, yet we shall propose this too, as a conspicuous mark and character of the wisdom of God.

I have often heard the Presbyterians say they did not grudge us our employments.

2. To give or take unwillingly.

Let me at least a funeral marriage crave, Nor grudge my cold embraces in the grave. Dryden, Aurengzebe.

They have grudged those contributions, which have set our country at the head of all the governments of Europe.

To GRUDGE. + v. n.

1. To murmur; to repine.

They knew the force of that dreadful curse, whereunto idolatry maketh subject; nor is there cause why the guilty sustaining the same should grudge or complain of injustice. Hooker

We do not grudge or repine at our portion, but are contented with those circumstances which the providence of God hath made to be our lot.

2. To be unwilling; to be reluctant. You steer betwixt the country and the court, Nor gratify whate'er the great desire, Nor grudging give what publick needs require. Dryden, Fab.

3. To be envious.

Grudge not one against another, brethren, lest ye be condemned. James, v. 9. 4. To feel compunction; to grieve. Ob-

We - grudge in our concyence, when we re-

membre our synnes.

5. To wish in secret.

Bp. Fisher, Ps. p. 32.
A low expression. See the third sense of GRUDGING.

6. To give or have any uneasy remains. I know not whether the word in this sense be not rather grugeons, or remains; grugeons being the part of corn that remains after the fine meal has passed the sieve, Dr. Johnson says, citing the lines from Dryden which exhibit grudging as a substantive. See GRUDGING. Grudging in this sense, means the symptom or forerunner of a disease; not the remains. GRUDGE. n. s. [from the verb.]

1. Old quarrel; inveterate malevolence;

sullen malice.

Many countries about her were full of wars, which, for old grudges to Corinth, where thought still would conclude there. Sidney.

Two households, both alike in dignity, From ancient grudge break to new mutiny, Where civil blood makes civil hands unclean.

Let me go in to see the generals: There is some grudge between 'em; 'tis not meet Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs. They be alone. Deep-fester'd hate ;

A grudge in both, time out of mind, begun, And mutually bequeath'd from sire to son.

2. Anger; ill-will.

The god of wit, to shew his grudge, Swift. Clapt ass's ears upon the judge.

3. Unwillingness to benefit.

Those to whom you have With grudge preferr'd me. B. Jonson, Catiline.

4. Envy: odium; invidious censure.

5. Remorse of conscience. Ainsworth.

6. Some little commotion, or forerunner of a disease. Ainsworth.

GRU'DGEONS.* n.s. pl. [Cotgrave and Sherwood write it grudgions; Dr. Johnson, grugeons, in the fifth definition of the neuter verb grudge. The word is probably from the Fr. gruger, esgruger, to crumble, to break into small pieces.] Coarse meal; the part of corn which remains after the fine meal has passed the sieve.

You that can deal with grudgings and coarse Beaum. and Fl. Maid in the Mill.

GRU'DGER.* n. s. [from grudge.] murmurer; an envious or discontented

These ben gruccheris, ful of playntis.

Wicliffe, St. Jude, ver. 16. Slanderers, railers, grudgers, persecutors, find-Tr. of Boccalini, (1626,) p. 42.

GRU'DGING.* n. s. [from grudge.]

1. Discontent; envy at the prosperity of others.

The murmurs, and the grudgings, that lie festering in many men's hearts. South, Serm. viii. 77.

2. Reluctance; unwillingness.

Use hospitality to one another without grudging. 1 Pet. iv. 9.

Many times they go with as great grudging to serve in his majesty's ships, as if it were to be slaves in the gallies.

3. A secret wish or desire.

Ev'n in the most sincere advice he gave, He had a grudging still to be a knave.

Dryden, Medal.

4. A forerunner or symptom of disease. The smart or feeling of the sting of conscience is as sensible and lively a prognostick of the worm

which never dieth, as heaviness of spirit, or grudgings, are of fevers or other diseases. Dr. Jackson, Works, iii. 528.

My Dolabella,

Hast thou not still some grudgings of thy fever? Dryden.

GRU'DGINGLY. † adv. [from grudge.] Unwillingly; malignantly: reluctantly.

Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity; for God loveth a cheerful giver.

2 Cor. ix. 7. Like harpies they could scent a plenteous board; Then to be sure they never fail'd their lord

The rest was form, and bare attendance paid; Then drank and eat, and grudgingly obey'd.

GRU'EL. n. s. [gruau, gruelle, French, from grus, corn-broth; zput, Saxon; gruan, Norw. pottage of oats and barley. Food made by boiling oatmeal in water; any kind of mixture made by boiling ingredients in water.

Finger of birth-strangl'd babe, Ditch-deliver'd by a drab;

Make the gruel thick and slab. Shakspeare, Mac. Was ever Tartar fierce or cruel

Upon the strength of water gruel? Gruel made of grain, broths, malt-drink not much hopped, posset-drinks, and in general what-Arbuthnot. ever relaxeth.

GRUFF. † adj. [groff, Dutch; grof, Su. Goth.] Sour of aspect; harsh of manners.

Around the fiend, in hideous order, sat Foul bawling infamy and bold debate, Gruff discontent, through ignorance misled.

They had no titles of honour among them but such as denoted some bodily strength or perfection; as, such an one the tall, such an one the stocky, such an one the gruff. Addison, Spect. No. 493.

Zeno himself, the father of Stoicism, as gruff as

he looked, might have enlarged our writer's catalogue for some very free thoughts.

Bentley, Phil. Lips. § 49.

Garth.

GRU'FFLY. adv. [from gruff.] Harshly; ruggedly; roughly.

The form of Mars high on a chariot stood, All sheath'd in arms, and gruffly look'd the god. Dryden, Fab.

GRU'FFNESS. † n. s. [from gruff.] Ruggedness of mien; harshness of look or voice.

No gruffness, I beseech you; use them civilly, and stick to your point.

Lett. to Atter. (sup. from Smald.) Ep. Cor. i. 17.

GRUM. † adj. [contracted from grumble, and a low word, Dr. Johnson says, citing the example from Arbuthnot. It is no other, however, than grim; Sax. zpam. See GRIM.] Sour; surly; severe. I found Sir Thomas Lee, who was very grum; and we had very little discourse,

Ld. Clarendon's Diary, p. 282. Nick looked sour and grum, and would not open

To GRU'MBLE. † v. n. [grommelen, grommen, Dutch. Dr. Johnson. - Rather from the old French, gromelen. Both may be referred to the Cimbr. grem, murmur.]

1. To murmur with discontent.

A bridegroom,

A grumbling groom, and that the girl shall find. Shakspeare.

Thou grumblest and railest every hour on Achilles, and thou art as full of envy at his greatness as Cerberus is at Proserpina's beauty.

Shakspeare, Troil. and Cress. Th' accurst Philistian stands on th' other side, Grumbling aloud, and smiles 'twixt rage and pride.

Suitors, all but one, will depart grumbling, because they miss of what they think their due.

Providence has allotted man a competency: all beyond it is superfluous; and there will be grumbling without end, if we reckon that we want this, because we have it not. L'Estrange. L'Avare, not using half his store,

Still grumbles that he has no more. Prior.

2. To growl; to gnarl. The lion, though he sees the toils are set, Yet, pinch'd with raging hunger, scours away; Hunts in the face of danger all the day;

At night, with sullen pleasure, grumbles o'er his prey. Dryden.

3. To make a hoarse rattle.

Didst thou never see a drum? Canst thou make this grumble ? Beaum. & Fl. The Pilgrim. Thou grumbling thunder join thy voice.

Like a storm

That gathers black upon the frowning sky, And grumbles in the wind. Rowe, Royal Convert. Vapours foul

Dash on the mountain's brow, and shake the woods That grumbling wave below. Thomson, Winter.

GRU'MBLER. n. s. [from grumble.] One that grumbles; a murmurer; a discontented man.

The half-pence are good half-pence, and I will stand by it: if I made them of silver, it would be the same thing to the grumbler.

GRU'MBLING. n. s. [from grumble.] A murmuring through discontent; a grudge. I have serv'd

Without or grudge or grumblings. Shaks. Temp.

GI:U'MBLINGLY.* adv. [from grumbling.] 1. Discontentedly; sourly.

2 In a hoarse manner.

They speak good German at the court, and in the city; but the common and country people seemed to speak grumblingly. Brown, Trav. p.156. GRUME. n. s. [grumeau, French; grumus, 12. A groan. Latin. A thick viscid consistence of a fluid: as the white of an egg, or clotted Quincy. like cold blood.

GRU'MLY. adv. [from grum.] Sullenly, morosely.

GRU'MOUS. adj. [from grume.] Thick;

The blood, when let, was black, grumous, the red part without a due consistence, the serum saline, and of a yellowish green.

Arbuthnot on Diet.

GRU'MOUSNESS. n. s. [from grumous.] Thickness of a coagulated liquor.

The cause may be referred either to the coagulation of the serum, or grumousness of the Wiseman, Surgery.

GRU'NDEL.* n. s. Another name for the

fish called a groundling. GRU'NSEL. n. s. [More usually grounsil, unless Milton intended to preserve the

Saxon zpun6.] The groundsil; the lower part of the building.

Next came one Who mourn'd in earnest, when the captive ark Maim'd his brute image, head and hands lopp'd off In his own temple, on the grunsel edge, Where he fell flat, and sham'd his worshippers. Milton, P. L.

To GRUNT.† \ v. n. [grunnio, Latin; To GRU'NTLE. zpunan, Saxon; grenia, Icel. gronder, grongner, Fr. See To Groan. Gront in Chaucer is the pret. of groan, which Mr. Malone, in a note on the use of grunt by Shakspeare in Hamlet, has mistaken for the word before us. The sense of grunt for groan, however, which Dr. Johnson has here overpassed, is very ancient in our language.]

1. To murmur like a hog.

And neigh, and bark, and grunt, and roar, and

Like horse, hound, hog, bear, fire, at every turn. Shakspeare.

Pensive in mud they wallow all alone, And snore and gruntle, to each other's moan.

D. of Buckingham, Rehearsal, i. 1. The brinded boars may slumber undismay'd, Or grunt secure beneath the chesnut shade.

The scolding quean to louder notes doth rise, To her full pipes the grunting hog replies: The grunting hogs alarm the neighbours round.

2. To groan.

Those persones, I waraunt, as well pleased shall

As wood Rome shall grunte at the rubbynge on the gall.

Defence of Peace, (1533,) To the Boke. Who would fardels bear,

To grunt and sweat under a weary life? Shakspeare, Hamlet.

GRUNT. † n. s. [from the verb.]

1. The noise of a hog.

Swine's snowts, swine's bodies, took they, bristles, grunts. Ran cow and calf, and family of hogs,

In panick horrour of pursuing dogs;
With many a deadly grunt and doleful squeak, Poor swine, as if their pretty hearts would break.

From hence were heard The grunts of bristled boars, and groans of bears, And herds of howling wolves. Dryden, Æn.

Round about I heard Of dying men the grunts.

Turbervile, Ov. Hyperm. to Lynceus. GRU'NTER. n. s. [from grunt.]

1. One that grunts.

2. A kind of fish. [xgomis.] Ainsworth. GRU'NTING.* n. s. [from grunt.] The noise of swine.

Lament, ye swine! in gruntings spend your grief; For you, like me, have lost your sole relief. Gay, Pastorals.

GRU'NTINGLY.* adv. [from grunting.] Murmuringly; mutteringly. Sherwood. GRU'NTLING. n. s. [from grunt.] A young

To GRUTCH. v.n. [corrupted for the

sake of rhyme from grudge, Dr. Johnson says; which is a great mistake. For grutch is the oldest form of our word grudge, and is used by Wicliffe in his translation of the New Testament, as also by Gower and Chaucer; and is regularly adopted from the old French grouchier. Grutch is yet used in colloquial language. To envy; to repine; to be discontented.

Jesus witing at himself, that his disciples grucchiden of this thing, seide to them, this thing sclaundrith you. Wicliffe, St. John, vi. 61. What aileth you to grutchen thus and grone?

Chaucer, Wife of Bath's Prologue. He knewe the names well of tho.

The whiche ageine him grutched so. Gower, Conf. Am. B. 5.

The poor at the enclosure doth grutch, Because of abuses that fall, Lest some men should have but too much,

And some again nothing at all. Tusser, Husb. But what we're born for we must bear, Our frail condition it is such,

That what to all may happen here, If't chance to me, I must not grutch. B. Jonson. GRUTCH. n. s. [from the verb.] Malice;

ill-will. In it he melted leaden bullets,

To shoot at foes, and sometimes pullets; To whom he bore so fell a grutch Hudibras. He ne'er gave quarter t' any such.

GRY. + n. s. [ygv. Gr.] Any small thing ; a thing of little or no value; a small measure.

A gry is one tenth of a line, a line one tenth of an inch. Locke.

GRY'PHON.* See GRIFFIN. Milton writes it gryphon, P. L. ii. 943.

GRYTH.* See GRITH.

Gua'iacum. † n. s. A medicinal wood.

Guaiacum is attenuant and aperient. It is excellent in many chronick cases, and was once famous for curing the venereal disease, which it still does singly in warmer climates, but with us we find it insufficient. We have a resin of it, improperly called gum guaiacum.

The acid spirit in tar-water possesseth the virtues, in an eminent degree, of that of guaiacum, and other medicinal woods. Bp. Berkeley, Siris, § 47.

GUARANTE E. n. s. [garant, French. The substantive and the verb are indifferently written guarantee, and gua-

1. A power who undertakes to see stipulations performed.

God, the great guarantee for the peace of mankind, where laws cannot secure it, may think it the concern of his providence.

A prince distinguished by being a patron of Protestants, and guarantee of the Westphalian Addison on the War. An oath is a promise made to God, and God is

our superior, superior to kings; and he is also the guarantee and avenger of all breach of faith and injustice.

2. Engagement to secure the performance of articles.

It was made in contradiction to the engagements that the crown of England had taken, when King William gave his guaranty to the treaty of Tra-Ld. Bolingbroke.

To GUA'RANTY. † v. a. [garantir, French.] To undertake to secure the performance of any articles.

France hath always profited skilfully of its having guarantied the treaty of Munster.

Ld. Chesterfield. Publick treaties made under the sanction; and some of them guaranteed by the sovereign powers Burke on French Affairs. of other nations.

To GUARD.† v. a. [garder, French; from our word ward, the w being changed by the French into g; as Galles for Wales. Dr. Johnson.—The French probably adopted it from the low Lat. warda, or garda. Goth. varda, and wardian. See To WARD.]

1. To watch by way of defence and security.

Who by stealth Had from his wakeful custody purloin'd The guarded gold. Milton, P. L.

2. To protect; to defend. Naked the graces guarded you from all Dangers abroad, and now your thunder shall.

Your pow'r you never use, but for defence, To guard your own or others innocence. Dryden. Fix'd on defence, the Trojans are not slow

To guard their shore from an expected foe. Dryd. The port of Genoa is very ill guarded against Addison on Italy. the storms.

3. To preserve by caution.

One would take care to guard one's self against this particular imperfection, because it is that which our nature very strongly inclines us to. Addison, Spect.

4. To provide against objections. Homer has guarded every circumstance with

as much caution as if he had been aware of the objection. Broome on the Odyssey. 5. To adorn with lists, laces, or ornamental borders.

Give him a livery

More guarded than his fellows.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. See a fellow

In a long motley, guarded with yellow. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

6. Minsheu says, that "the gard of a garment" is so called, "because it gards and keeps the garment from tearing." It is not, however, improbable that gard (for so our old authors write it) is, in this sense, another form of gird, to fasten by binding. See To GIRD. Yet Dr. Johnson makes no distinction.

How brave is he? in a garded coat?

B. Jonson, Barthol. Fair. Some of you have not your rich suits garded.

Bp. Hall, Contempl. B. 4. Within this year or two, I hope we shall be called to be examiners, wear politick gowns garded with copper lace, making great faces full of fear and office. Beaum. and Fl. Woman-Hater. T_{θ} GUARD. v. n. To be in a state of caution or defence.

There are cases, in which a man must guard, if he intends to keep fair with the world, and turn the penny.

Collier.

To guard against such mistakes, it is necessary to acquaint ourselves a little with words.

Watts, Logick.
GUARD. † n. s. [garde, French; ward, Teutonick.]

 A man, or body of men, whose business is to watch by way of defence or prevention.

The guard bare them, and brought them back into the guard-chamber. 1 Kings, xiv. 28.

Up into heaven, from paradise, in haste

The angelick guards ascended, mute and sad,
For man.

Milton, P. L.
They miss'd courts, guards, a gay and num'rous

train,
Our judges like our laws were rude and plain.

With lifted bands, and gazing eyes, .

His guards behold him soaring through the skies,

Dryden.

He must be trusted to his own conduct, since there cannot always be a guard upon him, except what you put into his own mind by good principles. Looke.

They, usurping arbitrary power, had their guards and spies after the practice of tyrants.

Swift.

2. A state of caution; a state of vigilance.

The great alteration which he made in the state ecclesiastical, caused him to stand upon his guard at home.

Temerity puts a man off his guard. L'Estrange.

It is wisdom to keep ourselves upon a guard.

L'Estrange.

Now he stood collected and prepar'd;

For malice and revenge had put him on his guard.

Dryden.

Others are cooped in close by the strict guards of those whose interest it is to keep them ignorant.

Locke.

Men are always upon their guard against an appearance of design.

Smalridge.

Limitation; anticipation of objection;

caution of expression.

They have expressed themselves with as few

guards and restrictions as I. Atterbury.
4. An ornamental hem, lace, or border.
Obsolete.

He put the ephod on him, which he girded with the broydred garde of the ephod.

Levit. viii. 7. (Transl. of 1578.)
Priests' cloaks without guards.

Const. and Canons Eccl. Can. 74.

The guards are but slightly basted on.

Shakspeare, Much Ado.

5. Part of the hilt of a sword.

6. In fencing, a posture to defend the body from the sword of the opponent.

7. Any thing that protects or guards something else; as, a guard that keeps dress from dirt, a safe-guard, as it in some places is called.

GUARD-BOAT.* n. s. [guard and boat.] A boat appointed to row the rounds, in order to observe ships laid up in the harbour.

GUARD-CHAMBER.* n. s. [guard and chamber.] A guard-room.

The guard bare them, and brought them back into the guard-chambers 1 Kings, xiv. 28.

GUARD-ROOM.* n. s. [guard and room.]

A room or station in which those; who

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are appointed to watch and guard, assemble. See Court of Guard.

The court of guard was the common phrase of the time [Shakspeare's] for the guard-room. Malone, Note on Shaksp. Othello.

GUARD-SHIP. See GUARDSHIP.

GUA'RDABLE * adj. [from guard.] Capable of being protected.

This house was guardable without battery.

Sir R. Williams, Act. of the Low-Countr. (1618,) p. 58.

Pacheco and his men quitted Ziricksea, some seven days before, as a place not guardable.

Ibid. p. 76.

Gua'rdage. n. s. [from guard.] State of wardship. Obsolete.

A maid so tender, fair and happy, Run from her guardage to the sooty bosom Of such a thing as thou. Shakspeare, Othello.

GUA'RDANT.* old particip. of guard.

 Exercising the authority of a guardian. You shall perceive that a Jack guardant cannot office me from my son Coriolanus.

Shakspeare, Coriol.

2. In heraldry, having the face turned towards the spectator; as, a leopard guardant.

GUA'RDANT.* n. s. A guardian; a protector. Obsolete.

My angry guardant stood alone,

Tendering my ruin, and assail'd of none.

Shakspeare, K. Hen. VI. P. I.

GUA'RDEDLY.* adv. [from the part. guarded.] Cautiously.

It obliquely pointed out the true object of their resentment; but this so guardedly, that it was impossible to make any serious charge against the author.

Shevidan, Life of Swift, p. 210.

GUA'RDEDNESS.* n. s. [from guarded.]
Caution; wariness.

Gua'rder. † n. s. One who guards.

The unarmed guarders softly meet.

Sandys, Eccles. p. 16.

Pages, chambermaids, and guarders.

Beaum. and Fl. Nob. Gentlemen.

Gua'rd and full. Wary; cautious.

I meanwhile

Watch with a guardful eye these murderous motions.

A. Hill.

Gua'rdian. n. s. [gardien, French, from guard.]

 One that has the care of an orphan; one who is to supply the want of parents.

I am sorry for her, as I have just cause, being her uncle and her guardian. Shakspeare, Much Ado. When perjur'd guardians, proud with impious gains,

Choak up the streets, too narrow for their trains!

Druden

Hocus, with two other of the guardians, thought it their duty to take care of the interest of the three girls.

Arbuthnot.

2. One to whom the care and preservation of any thing is committed.

I gave you all,
Made you my guardians, my depositaries;
But kept a reservation to be follow'd
With such a number. Shakspeare, K

With such a number. Shakspeare, K. Lear, It then becomes the common concern of all that have truth at heart, and more especially of those who are the appointed guardians of the Christian faith, to be upon the watch against seducers. Waterland.

A repository or storehouse. Not used.

Where is Duncan's body?

- Carried to Colmeskill.

The sacred storehouse of his predecessors,
And guardian of their bones. Shaksp. Macbeth.

GUARDIAN of the Spiritualties. He to whom the spiritual jurisdiction of any diocese is committed, during the vacancy of the see. He may be either guardian in law, or jure magistratus, as the archbishop is of any diocese within his province; or guardian by delegation, as he whom the archbishop or vicargeneral doth for the time depute.

GUA'RDIAN. adj. Performing the office of a kind protector or superintendant.

My charming patroness protects me unseen, like my guardian angel; and shuns my gratitude like a fairy, who is bountiful by stealth, and conceals the giver, when she bestows the gift.

Dryden, Ded. to Cleomenes.

Thus shall mankind bis guardian care engage, The promis'd father of the future age.

Pope, Messiah.

Meanwhile Minerva, in her guardian care,
Shoots from the starry vaults through fields of

GUA'RDIANESS.* n. s. [from guardian.]

A female guardian; a duenna.

I have plac'd a trusty watchful guardianess,

For fear some poor earl steal her.

Beaum. and Fl. Wit at Sev. Weapons.

Gua'rdianship. n. s. [from guardian.]

The office of a guardian.

The curate stretched his patent for the cure of souls, to a kind of tutelary guardianship over goods

and chattels.

This holds true, not only in losses and indignities offered to ourselves, but also in the case of trust, when they are offered to others who are

committed to our care and guardianship.

Kettlewell.

Theseus is the first who established the popular state in Athens, assigning to himself the guardianship of the laws, and chief commands in war.

Swift. GUA'RDLESS. adj. [from guard.] Without

defence.
So on the guardless herd, their keeper slain,

Rushes a tyger, in the Libyan plain. Waller.

A rich land, guardless and undefended, must needs have been a double incitement. South, Serm.

GUA'RDSHIP. n. s.

1. Care; protection. [from guard.]

How bless'd am I, by such a man led! Under whose wise and careful guardship

I now despise fatigue and hardship. Swift.

2. [Guard and ship.] A king's ship to guard the coast.

To Gua'rish.* v. a. [Fr. guerir.] To heal. Obsolete.

Daily she dressed him, and did the best

His grievous hurt to guarish. Spenser, F. Q.

Gua'ry-Miracle.*[Cornish, guare-mirkl.]
A miracle-play.

The guary-miracle (in English a miracle-play) is a kind of interlude, compiled in Cornish out of some Scripture-history, with that grossness which accompanied the Romans' vetus comedia.

Carew, Surv. of Cornwall

GUAIA'VA. \ n. s. An American fruit.
GUA'VA. \ The fruit, says Sir Hans
Sloane, is extremely delicious and
wholesome. They have only this inconvenience, that, being very astringent, they stop up the belly, if taken
in great quantities. Miller.

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To GUBE'RNATE. * v. a. [Lat. guberno.] Cockeram. To govern.

GUBERNA'TION. n. s. [gubernatio, Lat.] Government; superintendency; supe-

riour direction.

Perhaps there is little or nothing in the government of the kingdoms of nature and grace, but what is transacted by the man Jesus, inhabited by the divine power and wisdom, and employed as a medium or conscious instrument of this extensive Watts, Improv. of the Mind. gubernation. GUBE'RNATIVE.* adj. [from gubernate.]

Governing; ruling.

He talked to him of real and gubernative wisdom. Hacket's Life of Abp. Williams, (1693,) p. 39. Gu'dgeon. † n. s. [goujon, French. Our own word was formerly gogeon, or goo-

geon. Huloet's Dict.]

1. A small fish found in brooks and rivers, easily caught, and therefore made a proverbial name for a man easily cheated.

'Tis true, no turbots dignify my boards; But gudgeons, flounders, what my Thames affords. Pope.

2. A man easily cheated.

This he did to draw you in, like so many gudgeons, to swallow his false arguments.

3. Something to be caught to a man's own disadvantage; a bait; an allurement: gudgeons being commonly used as baits for pike, Dr. Johnson says, citing the example from Shakspeare. The old phrase, it may be added, was " to swallow a gudgeon," i. e. to be deceived, estre befflé. Sherwood's Dict.

But fish not with this melancholy bait, For this fool's gudgeon, this opinion.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. Such as Gregory or Bede were, who being honest, and withal credulous, and trusting others, swallowed many a gudgeon.

Favour, Antiq. over Noveltie, (1619,) p. 96. Buchanan would not swallow that gudgeon of a

Bp. Lloyd, Hist. of Ch. Gov. in Gr. Brit. (1684,) Pref. 4. An iron pin on which a wheel turns.

Many times the iron gudgeons grow hot for want of greasing.

Hist. of making Gunpowder, Sprat's Hist. R. S. p.281.

GUE'LDER-ROSE.* See GELDER-ROSE.
GUELFS.** n. s. pl. The name of a faction in Italy, formerly opposed to that of the Gibellines. See GIBELLINES.

Italy was long torn in pieces by the Guelfs and Addison, Spect. No. 125.

GUE'RDON.† n. s. [guerdon, French; from the Teut. werd, or wurth, price, value.] A reward; a recompence, in a good and bad sense. A word now rarely if at all used.

But to the virgin comes, who all this while Amazed stands herself so mock'd to see, By him who has the guerdon of his guile, For so misfeigning her true knight to be.

Spenser, F. Q. He shall, by thy revenging hand, at once receive the just guerdon of all his former villanies. Knolles. Fame is the spur that the clear spirit doth raise To scorn delights, and live laborious days; But the fair guerdon when we hope to find, And think to burst out into sudden blaze, Comes the blind fury with the abhorred sheers, And slits the thin-spun life. Milton, Lycidas.

To Gue'RDON.* v. a. [old Fr. guerdonner; and one of our own oldest verbs. Chaucer uses it.] To reward. Obsolete.

We vow to guerdon it with such due grace, As shall become our bounty, and thy place.

B. Jonson, Cynthia's Revels. See you well guerdon'd for these good deserts. Shakspeare, K. Hen. VI. P. II.

Gue'RDONABLE.* adj. [from guerdon.] Worthy of reward. Obsolete.

Finding it as well guerdonable, as grateful, to publish their libels.

Sir G. Buck, Hist. Rich. III. p. 75.

Gue'RDONLESS.* adj. [guerdon and less.] Unrewarded. Obsolete. Bullokar.

Guerdonless he past. Chaucer, Compl. of the Bl. Knight, ver. 400.

To GUESS. † v. n. [ghissen, Dutch; ghissen, German. Junius refers to the Danish giette, to make conjecture; Serenius, to the Saxon zæcan, to divine, from the Goth. gaeta, whence the Icel. giska, q. d. gaetska. Lye, however, prefers the Irish geasam, to conjecture, to divine.

1. To conjecture; to judge without any certain principles of judgement.

Incapable and shallow innocents! You cannot guess who caus'd your father's death. Shaksveare.

Let not your ears despise my tongue for ever, Which shall possess them with the heaviest sound That ever yet they heard.

Shakspeare, Macbeth. - Hum! I guess at it. He that, by reason of his swift motions, can inform himself of all places and preparations, should he not very often guess rightly of things to come, where God pleaseth not to give impediment?

Their issue swarming bands Of ambush'd men, whom, by their arms and dress,

To be Taxcallan enemies I guess. Dryden, Ind. Emp. The same author ventures to guess at the par-ticular fate which would attend the Roman govern-

Nor can imagination guess, How that ungrateful charming maid My purest passion has betray'd. Swift. 2. To conjecture rightly, or upon some

just reason.

One may guess by Flato's writings, that his meaning, as to the inferior deities, was, that they who would have them might, and they who would not, might let them alone; but that himself had a right opinion concerning the true God.

Stilling fleet.

To Guess. v. a. To hit upon by accident; to determine rightly of any thing without certain direction of the judgement.

If Xerxes was able to call every common soldier by his name in his army, it may be guessed he got not this wonderful ability by learning his lessons Locke.

Guess. n. s. [from the verb.] Conjecture; judgement without any positive or certain grounds.

The enemy's in view; draw up your powers: Hard is the guess of their true strength and forces.

Shaksneare. His guess was usually as near to prophecy as Fell, Life of Hammond. any man's.

A poet must confess

His art's like physick, but a happy guess. Dryden. It is a wrong way of proceeding to venture a greater good for a less, upon uncertain guesses, before a due examination.

We may make some guess at the distinction of things, into those that are according to, above, and contrary to reason.

This problem yet, this offspring of a guess, Let us for once a child of truth confess. Prior.

No man is blest by accident, or guess; True wisdom is the price of happiness. Young.

Gue'sser. n. s. [from guess.] Conjecturer; one who judges without certain knowledge.

It is the opinion of divers good guessers, that the last fit will not be more violent than advan-If fortune should please but to take such a

crotchet. To thee I apply, great Smedley's successor, To give thee lawn sleeves, a mitre and rochet,

Whom would'st thou resemble? I leave thee a

GUE'SSINGLY. adv. [from guessing.] Conjecturally; uncertainly. Not in use. I have a letter guessingly set down. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

GUEST. † n. s. [zart, zert, zirt, Saxon; gast, Goth. giestr, Icel. gwest, Welsh.]

1. One entertained in the house or at the table of another.

They all murmured, saying, that he was gone to be guest with a man that is a sinner. St. Luke, xix. 7.

Methinks a father

Is, at the nuptial of his son, a guest That best becomes the table.

Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

Tell my royal guest I add to his commands my own request.

Dryden, Æn. 2. A stranger; one who comes newly to

reside. O desarts, desarts! how fit a guest am I for you,

since my heart can people you with wild ravenous beasts, which in you are wanting? Those happiest smiles That play'd on her ripe lip, seem'd not to know

What guests were in her eyes; which parted thence As pearls from diamonds dropt. To Guest.* v. n. To be entertained in

the house or at the table of another. A young man at that time guested in her father's

house. Heywood, Hierarch. of Angels, 1635, p. 479. GUE'STCHAMBER. n. s. [guest and chamber.]

Chamber of entertainment. Where is the guestchamber, where I shall eat the passover with my disciples? St. Mark, xiv. 14.

GUE'STRITE. n. s. [from guest and rite.] Offices due to a guest. Ulysses so dear

A gift esteem'd it, that he would not beare In his black fleete that guest-rite to the war.

Chapman. Gu'estwise.* adv. [guest and wise.] In

the manner of a guest. My heart with her, but as guest-wise, sojourn'd.

Shakspeare, Mid. Night Dream.

To Gu'ggle. v. n. [gorgogliare, Italian.] To sound as water running with intermissions out of a narrow mouthed

Gui'dable.* adj. [from guide.] That may be governed by counsel.

A submissive and guidable spirit, a disposition

Sprat, Serm. before the King, (1676,) p. 11.

Gui'dage. n. s. [from guide.] The reward Ainsworth. given to a guide. Gui'dance. n. s. [from guide,] Direction; government.

They charge me with neglecting the guidance of

As to those who lived under the guidance of reason alone, without the assistance of supernatural

light, it is highly probable that miracles, or a message from the dead, would persuade them.

Particular application must be left to Christian prudence, under the guidance of God's holy spirit, who knows our necessity before we ask, and our ignorance in asking.

Rogers.

This to the young — but thy experienc'd age
Wants not the guidance of a former sage. Sewell.

A prince ought not to be under the midness of

A prince ought not to be under the guidance or influence of either faction, because he declines from his office of presiding over the whole to be the head of a party.

Swift.

To GUIDE.† v. a. [guider, French; guier, guyer, old French; whence our ancient word gie for guide. See To Gie. Serenius traces guide to the Icel. gaeta, the diminutive of gae, to take heed.]

1. To direct in a way.

When the Spirit of truth is come, he will guide you into all truth.

St. John, xvi. 13.

The new light served to guide them to their neighbours' coffers.

Decay of Piety.

Whosoever has a faithful friend to guide him in the dark passages of life, may carry his eyes in another man's head, and yet see never the worse.

2. To influence.

Upon these, or such like secular maxims, when nothing but the interest of this world guides men, they many times conclude that the slightest wrongs are not to be put up.

Ettlewell

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3. To govern by counsel; to instruct.

For thy name's sake lead me and guide me.

Psalm xxxi. 3.

4. To regulate; to superintend.

Women neglect that which St. Paul assigns them as their proper business, the guiding of the house.

Decay of Piety.

Guide. n. s. [guide, French, from the verb.]

One who directs another in his way.
 Thou gavest them a burning pillar of fire to be

a guide of the unknown journey. Wisd. xviii. 3.

Can knowledge have no bound, but must advance

So far to make us wish for ignorance? And rather in the dark to grope our way, Than led by a false guide to err by day? Denham.

2. One who directs another in his conduct.
While yet but young, his father dy'd,

And left him to an happy guide. Waller.
They have all the same pastoral guides appointed, authorised, sanctified, and set apart by the appointment of God, by the direction of the spirit, to direct and lead the people of God in the same way of eternal salvation.

Pearson.

3. Director; regulator.

Who the guide of nature, but only the God of nature? In him we live, move, and are. Those things which nature is said to do, are by divine art performed, using nature as an instrument: nor is there any such knowledge divine in nature herself working, but in the guide of nature's work.

Some truths are not by reason to be tried, But we have sure experience for our guide.

Dryden, Fab.

Gui'deless.† adj. [from guide.] Having no guide; wanting a governour or superintendant.

Thus leave this *guideless* realm an open prey To endless storms, and waste of civil war.

Sackville, Gorboduc, v. 2. (1561.)
Th' ambitious Swede, like restless billows tost,
Though in his life he blood and ruin breath'd,
To his now guideless kingdom peace bequeath'd.
Druden.

There fierce winds o'er dusky valleys blow, Whose every puff bears empty shades away, Which guideless in those dark dominions stray. Dryden.

GUT'DEPOST.* n. s. [guide and post.] A post, where two or more roads meet, directing the traveller which to follow.

Great men are the guideposts and marks in the

Great men are the guideposts and marks in the state.

Burke, Sp. on Americ. Taxation.

GUI'DER. † n. s. [from guide.] Director; regulator; guide. Obsolete, Dr. Johnson says, meaning as to the preceding sense. But guiders are still applied to the word tendons in the north of England. Craven Dialect.

Our guider come! to the Roman camp conduct us.

That person, that being provoked by excessive pain, thrust his dagger into his body, and thereby, instead of reaching his vitals, opened an impost-hume, the unknown cause of all his pain, and so stabbed himself into perfect health and ease, surely lad great reason to acknowledge chance for his chirurgeon, and providence for the guider of his chand.

South.

Gui'deress.* n. s. [from guider.] She who guides or directs. Obsolete.

In earthe alone to be they guydresse.

Caxton, Pilgrimage of the Soul, (1482.)
Ah! fickle and blind guidress of the world,
What pleasure hast thou in my misery?

Trag. of Soliman and Perseda, (1599.)

GUI'DON.† n. s. [French; from guider, to direct, to shew.] A standardbearer; a standard. Obsolete.

On the east wall hangs his target, coat of arms and crest, and near unto them a guidon of the Order of the Bath.

Ashmole, Berk. ii. 377.

GUILD.† n. s. [Saxon, 31b, tribute, from 31ban, to pay; fraternities originally contributing sums towards a common stock; 31b7cupe, a fellowship, a corporation. The word is found in various tongues; old French gilde, societé, Lacombe; Teut. gilde, societé, Lacombe; Teut. gilde, societé, contributionum, Killan; Icel. gilde, convivium, symposium, Serenius. The last as perhaps a disorderly meeting, deviating from the original plan of sober combination into the extravagancies of unrestrained festivity.]

1. A society; a corporation; a fraternity or company, combined together by orders and laws made among themselves by their prince's licence. Hence the common word guild or guildhall proceeds, being a fraternity or commonalty of men gathered into one combination, supporting their common charge by mutual contribution. Cowel.

In woollen cloth it appears, by those ancient guilds that were settled in England for this manufacture, that this kingdom greatly flourished in that art.

Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

As when the long-ear'd milky mothers wait At some sick miser's triple-bolted gate, For their defrauded absent foals they make A moan so loud, that all the guild awake.

2. A townhall.

The room was longe and wyde,
As it some gyeld or solemn temple were.

Spenser, F. Q. ii. vii. 43.

Pope, Dunciad.

Gui'ldable.* adj. [from guild.] Liable to tax.

By the discretion of the sheriffs, and bailiff, and other ministers, in places guildable.

Spelman, Adm. Jur.

Guildha'll.* n. s. [from guild.] The hall in which a corporation usually assembles; a townhall.

The mayor towards guildhall hies him in all post.

Shakspeare, Rich. III.

Towards three or four o'clock, Look for the news that the guildhall affords.

e guildhall affords. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

GUILE. † n. s. [guile, gille, old French, the same with wile. Dr. Johnson. -Mr. H. Tooke deduces it from the Sax. pizhan, ze-pizhan, to conjure, to divine; consequently, he says, to practise cheat and imposture. Div. of Purley, ii. 324. - The Dutch gylen, the low German, begigeln, to beguile, and the Su. Goth. gilia, to deceive, to entrap in snares, must be also remembered; Icel. viel, deception. Barbazan says, that the old French word is derived from the Arabick, and that it was anciently written ghilé. Diss. sur la Langue Fran. Our word is rarely used in the plural, but it occurs in Shelton's Transl. of Don Quixote, P. iv. ch. vi. "If his guiles be not at the beginning detected."] Deceitful cunning; insidious artifice; mischievous subtilty.

With fawning words he courted her awhile, And looking lovely, and oft sighing sore, Her constant heart did court with divers guile; But words and looks, and sighs she did abhor. Spenser, F. Q.

Behold an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile.

St. John, i. 47.

When I have most need to employ a faired

When I have most need to employ a friend, Deep, hollow, treacherous, and full of guile, Be he to me! This do I beg of heav'n, When I am cold in zeal to you or yours.

When I am cold in zeal to you or yours.

Shakspeare, Rich. III.

We may, with more successful hope, resolve

To wage by force or guile eternal war. Milt. P. L.

Nor thou his malice and false guile contemn;

Subtile he needs must be who could seduce

Angels. Milton, P. L.

To Guile.* v. a. [Fr. guiller, guiler; which Barbazan deduces from the Lat. velare.] To disguise cunningly; to conceal.

For who wotes not that woman's subtiltyes Can guylen Argus? Spenser, F. Q. iii. ix. 7. Is it repentance,

Or only a fair shew to guile his mischiefs?

Beaum. and Fl. The Pilgrim.

Gui'LED.* adj. [from guile.] Treacherous; deceiving. Not proper.

Thus ornament is but the guiled shore To a most dangerous sea. Shaks. Merch. of Ven.

Gui'LEFUL. adj. [guile and full.]
1. Wily; insidious; mischievously artful.

The way not to be inveigled by them that are so guileful through skill, is thoroughly to be instructed in that which maketh skilful against guile.

Without expence at all,

By guileful fair words, peace may be obtain'd.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

He saw his guileful act
By Eve, though all unweeting, seconded
Upon her husband.

Milton, P. L.

The guileful phantom now forsook the shrowd, And flew sublime, and vanish'd in a cloud. Dryden, Æn.

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2. Treacherous; secretly mischievous. I train'd thy brethren to that guileful hole, Where the dead corps of Bassianus lay.

Titus Andronicus.

Gui'LEFULLY. † adv. [from guileful.] Insidiously; treacherously.

He cannot be excused, in that he caused not his friends to restore the money which they had guilefully borrowed. Hakew. on Providence, p. 311. To whom the tempter guilefully reply'd.

Milton, P. L.

Gui'LEFULNESS. † n. s. [from guileful.] Secret treachery; tricking cunning.

Sherwood.

Gui'leless.† adj. [from guile.] Free from deceit; void of insidiousness; simply honest.

And the plain ox, That harmless, honest, guileless animal, In what has he offended? Thomse Thomson, Spring. I chas'd the guileless daughters of the plain, Nor dropp'd the chase, till Jesse was my prey. Shenstone, Eleg. 26.

Gui'lelessness.* n. s. [from guileless.] Freedom from deceit; pure honesty and

Gui'LER.† n. s. [from guile. Norm. Fr. A deceiver; one that hetrays gylour.] into danger by insidious practices.

In the laste times there schulen come gilours, wandering after their own desires.

Wicliffe, St. Jude, ver. 18. Where those two guilers with Malbecco were. Spenser, F. Q.

But he was wary wise in all his way, And well perceived his deceitful sleight; Ne suffered lust his safety to betray So goodly did beguile the guiler of the prey. Spenser, F. Q.

GUI'LLOTINE.* n. s. [Freuch. Said to be the invention of one Dr. Guillotine, at the early part of the French democratical revolution, viz. in 1792, who himself suffered under the machine. It was, however, nothing more than a slight improvement on an ancient instrument, formerly used both in Scotland and England, for beheading criminals. A machine for separating, at one stroke, the head of a person from the body.

A bloody ruffian, who, whilst he is receiving their homage, is measuring them with his eye, and fitting to their size the slider of his guillotine.

Burke on a Regicide Peace. Yes; to my country's justice I appeal, Nor dread the press, the guillotine, nor wheel.

Pursuits of Literature, P. ii.

To Gui'llofine.* v. a. [from the noun.] To decapitate by the guillotine. Had you been guillotined by Robespierre. Bp. Watson, Apol. for the Bib. in Lett. to T. Paine, L. 7.

GUILT. † n. s. [3ylt, Saxon, originally signified the fine or mulct paid for an offence, and afterward the offence itself. Dr. Johnson. - Guilt is ze-pizleb, guiled, guil'd, guilt; the past participle of zepizhan. And to find guilt in any one, is to find that he has been guiled, or, as we now say, beguiled; as wicked means witched, or bewitched. To pronounce guilty is indeed to pronounce wicked. Mr. H. Tooke, Div. of Purley, ii. 324. 1. The state of a man justly charged with a crime: the contrary to innocence.

that could quench the envy that was upon the king Bacon, Hen. VII. for this execution.

When these two are taken away, the possibility of guilt, and the possibility of innocence, what restraint can the belief of the creed lay upon any man? Hammond on Fundamentals.

2. A crime; an offence.

Close pent up guilts Rive your concealing continents, and ask These dreadful summoners grace. Shaks. K. Lear. Guilt-sick.* adj. [guilt and sick.] Diseased by guilt.

Then we live indeed,

When we can go to rest without alarm Given every minute to a guilt-sick conscience To keep us waking, and rise in the morning Secure in being innocent

Beaum. and Fl. Cust. of the Country. Gui'LTILY. † adv. [from guilty.] Without innocence; without clearness of conscience.

Bloody and guilty; guiltily awake, And in a bloody battle end thy days: Think on lord Hastings, and despair, and die. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

The satire should be like the porcupine, That shoots sharp quills out in each angry line, And wounds the blushing cheek, and fiery eye, Of him that hears, and readeth guiltily. Bp. Hall, Sat. v. 3.

This leprous soul, that attends guiltily, but yet comfortably, your determination upon it. Donne, Devot. p. 215.

Gui'ltiness. n. s. [from guilty.] The state of being guilty; wickedness; consciousness of crime.

He thought his flight rather to proceed of a fearful guiltiness than of an humble faithfulness.

The last was I that felt thy tyranny; O, in the battle think on Buckingham, And die in terrour of thy guiltiness. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

I should be guiltier than my guiltiness. Shaks.

Gui'ltless. † adj. [from guilt.] 1. Innocent; free from crime.

I am in this commanded to deliver The noble duke of Clarence to your hands: I will not reason what is meant hereby, Because I will be guiltless of the meaning. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

Many worthy and chaste dames thus, All guiltless, meet reproach. Shakspeare, Othello. Then shall the man be guiltless from iniquity,

and this woman shall bear her iniquity. Numb. v. 31.

Thou, who dost all thou wishest at thy will. And never willest aught but what is right, Preserve this guiltless blood they seek to spill; Thine be my kingdom. Guiltless of greatness, thus he always pray'd, Nor knew nor wish'd he, that those vows he made

On his own head should be at last repaid. Dryden. The teeming earth yet guiltless of the plough, And unprovok'd did fruitful stores allow. Dryd.

Thou know'st how guiltless first I met thy flame, When love approach'd me under friendship's name.

2. Unpolluted.

Such gardening tools as Art yet rude, Guiltless of fire, had form'd. . Milton, P. L. This bush of yellow beard, this length of hair, Which from my birth inviolate I bear, Guiltless of steel, and from the razor free, Shall fall a plenteous crop, reserv'd for thee. Dryden, Fab.

3. Having no experience. Heifers guiltless of the yoke. Pope, Iliad.

Gui'ltlessly. adv. [from guiltless.] Without guilt; innocently.

It was neither guilt of crime, nor reason of state, | Gui'LTLESSNESS. n. s. [from guiltless.] Innocence: freedom from crime.

A good number, trusting to their number more than to their value, and valuing money higher than equity, felt that guiltlessness is not always with ease oppressed.

I would not have had any hand in his death, of whose guiltlessness I was better assured than any man living could be. King Charles.

GUI'LTY. † adj. [zýltiz, Saxon, condemned to pay a fine for an offence. But see the etymology of GUILT.] 1. Justly chargeable with a crime; not

innocent.

We are verily guilty concerning our brother, in that we saw the anguish of his soul when he besought us, and we would not hear. Gen. xlii. 21. Mark'd you not

How that the guilty kindred of the queen Look'd pale, when they did hear of Clarence' death? Shakspeare.

With mortal hatred I pursu'd his life, Nor he, nor you, were guilty of the strife; Nor I, but as I lov'd; yet all combin'd, Your beauty and my impotence of mind.

Farewell the stones

And threshold, guilty of my midnight moans.

Dryden. There is no man, that is knowingly wicked, but is guilty to himself; and there is no man, that carries guilt about him, but he receives a sting into his soul.

2. Wicked; corrupt.

All the tumult of a guilty world, Tost by ungenerous passion, sinks away. Thoms. 3. Conscious.

I'll give out all he does is dictated from other men, and swear it too, if thou'lt ha'me; and that I know the time and place where he stole it, though my soul be guilty of no such thing.

B. Jonson, Cynthia's Revels. When we are not guilty to ourselves. Tillotson.

Gui'LTY-LIKE.* adv. [guilty and like.]

Cassio, my lord! No sure I cannot think it, That he would steal away so guilty-like Seeing you coming. Shakspeare, Othello.

Gui'mple.* See Wimple.

GUI'NEA.† n. s. [from Guinea, a country in Africa abounding with gold. "They [the ships belonging to the African company | brought home such store of gold that administered the first occasion for the coinage of those pieces, which from thence had the denomination of guineas; and what was afterwards made of the same species, was coined of the gold that was brought from that coast by the royal company." Lord Clarendon's Life, vol. ii. p. 376.] A gold coin valued at one and twenty shillings.

By the word gold I must be understood to design a particular piece of matter; that is, the last guinea that was coined. Ladies, whose love is constant as the wind:

Cits, who prefer a guinea to mankind.

Gui'NEADROPPER. n. s. [guinea and drop.] One who cheats by dropping guineas.

Who now the guineadropper's bait regards, Trick'd by the sharper's dice, or juggler's cards.

Gui'neahen. n. s. A fowl, supposed to be of Guinea.

Gui'neapepper. n. s. [capsicum, Latin.] Miller. A plant.

GUI'NEAPIG. n. s. A small animal with a pig's snout, brought, I believe, from Africa.

Gui'niad.* n. s. [Welsh, gwyn, white.] A name for the fish called whiting.

GUISE. n. s. [The same with wise; guise, French; pira, Saxon, the p or w being changed, as is common, into g.]

1. Manner; mien; habit; cast of behaviour.

His own sire, and master of his guise,

Did often tremble at his horrid view. Spenser. Thus women know, and thus they use the guise, T' enchant the valiant, and beguile the wise.

Lo you! here she comes: this is her very guise. and, upon my life, fast asleep: observe her, stand Shakspeare, Macbeth. They stand a horrid front

Of dreadful length, and dazzling arms, in guise Of warriors old, with order'd spear and shield, Awaiting what command their mighty chief Had to impose. Milton, P. L.

By their guise Just men they seem, and all their study bent To worship God aright. Milton, P. L.

Back, shepherds, back; Here be without duck or nod, Other trippings to be trod,

Of lighter toes and such court guise,

Milton, Comus. As Mercury did first devise. Their external shapes are notoriously accommodated to that law or guise of life that nature has designed them.

2. Practice; custom; property. I have drunke wine past my usual guise; Strong wine commands the foole, and moves the

wise. Chayman. This would not be slept; Old guise must be kept. The swain reply'd, it never was our guise

To slight the poor, or aught humane despise. Pope.

3. External appearance; dress. When I was very young, nothing was so much talked of as rickets among children, and consumptions among young people: after these the spleen came in play, and then the scurvy, which was the general complaint, and both were thought to appear in many various guises. Temple.

The Hugonots were engaged in a civil war, by the specious pretences of some, who, under the guise of religion, sacrificed so many thousands to their own ambition.

Gui'ser.* n. s. [from guise, dress; or from the Teut. guyse, a scoff.] Mummers, who go about at Christmas; persons in disguise. Used in Derbyshire,

according to Pegge. See MUMMER. GUITA'R. † n. s. [ghitara, Italian; guitare, French; guitarra, Spanish; kitar, Arab.; cithara, Lat.; xi8ága, Gr. whence gittern, and cithern, old English. "The shesta has six strings, and is of the same species with the kitar; whence our guitar, from the Spanish guitarra, seems to have been borrowed; as it was a favourite instrument with the Arabian conquerors of Spain." Richardson on the Languages, &c. of Eastern Nations, ch. 3. sect. 6. The ancient nidaea is said to have had four strings; and the Persian ciar, four, and tar, a string, has been mentioned as the etymon of this instrument in that language. See Bp. Chandler's Vindication of the Defence of Christianity, vol. i. p. 51.] A stringed 4. Any thing insatiable, as the mouth or instrument of musick.

Salads and eggs, and lighter fare, Tune the Italian spark's guitar. To GULCH.* v. n. [Icel. gule, gula, bucca; gulpa, buccis vorare diductis; Su. Vulg. goelka, avidè deglutiendo devorare. Serenius. Teut. gulsigh, voracious.] To swallow voraciously.

Convayes his burden and the waves To gultching seas doth cast.

Turbervile, Mant. Ecl. 2. Gulch.† n. s. [from the verb.]

1. A glutton. A word of contempt.

Then you'll know us, you'll see us then, you will, gulch, you will. B. Jonson, Poetaster. Appet. You muddy gulche, dar'st look me in the face? -

Crap. Good Appetitus -Appet. Peace, you fat bawson.

Brewer, Com. of Lingua. 2. The act of devouring.

Then he has me most cruelly upon the hip, and brings me over with a most deadly gulsh.

Echard, Gr. Cont. of the Clergy, Obs. p. 41. Gules.† adj. [Fr. gueule; generally supposed to be from the Lat. gula, the throat, the colour of which is usually red. The word has been little noticed beyond the jargon of heraldry; though one of our old dramatists introduced guled for made red. Milton also uses "guly dragons" for red dragons, in his first book of Reformation in England. But this again is heraldick language. Red: a barbarous term of heraldry.

Follow thy drum; With man's blood paint the ground: gules, gules; Religious canons, civil laws are cruel; Then what should war be? Shakspeare, Timon.

He whose sable arms, Black as his purpose, did the night resemble, When he lay couched in the ominous horse, Hath now this dread and black complexion smear'd With heraldry more dismal; head to foot, Now is he total gules. Shakspeare, Hamlet. Come, sons of honour,

True virtue's heirs; thus hatch'd with Britain blood.

Let's march to rest, and set in gules like suns. Beaum. and Fl. Bonduca.

GULF. n. s. [golfe, Fr.; gwlf, bas Bret.; golfo, Ital.; κόλπος, Greek.] 1. A bay; an opening into land.

The Venetian admiral withdrew himself farther off from the island Corfu, into the gulf of the Adriatick.

2. An abyss; an unmeasurable depth. Thence turning back, in silence soft they stole, And brought the heavy corse with easy pace To yawning gulf of deep Avernus' hole.

Spenser, F.Q. I know thou'd'st rather Follow thine enemy in a fiery gulf,

Than flatter him in a bower. Shakspeare, Coriol. This is the gulf through which Virgil's Alecto shoots herself into hell: the fall of waters, the

woods that encompass it, are all in the description. Addison on Italy.

The sea could not be much narrower than it is, without a great loss to the world; and must we now have an ocean of mere flats and shallows, to the utter ruin of navigation, for fear our heads should turn giddy at the imagination of gaping abysses and unfathomable gulfs?

A whirlpool; a sucking eddy. England his approaches makes as fierce As waters to the sucking of a gulf. Shaks. Hen. V.

stomach.

Scull of dragon, tooth of wolf, Witches mummy; maw and gulf Of the ravening salt sea shark Root of hemlock, digg'd i' th' dark. Shaks. Macb.

Gu'lfy. † adj. [from gulf.] Full of gulfs or whirlpools; vorticosus Whose had seene them on the gulphie flood,

He would have thought some Delos now againe, Some towne, some citie, or some desert wood, Or some new unknowne world from shores of Spaine.

Launcht off to seas. Mir. to Mag. p. 816. Rivers arise; whether thou be the son Of utmost Tweed, or Oose, or gulfy Dun. Milton, Vac. Ex.

At their native realms the Greeks arriv'd, All who the war of ten long years surviv'd, And 'scap'd the perils of the gulfy main.

Pope, Odyssey. High o'er a gulfy sea the Pharian isle Fronts the deep roar of disemboguing Nile. Pope, Odyssey.

Gu'List.* n. s. [from gulo, Latin.] A glutton. An unusual word, as gulosity also is, which Dr. Johnson has admitted into the dictionary.

The gluttonous satiety of our swelling gulist, argues the necessity of their offending by forgetfulness. Featly's Hon. of Chastity, (1632,) p. 12.

To GULL. v. a. [guiller, to cheat, old French.] To trick; to cheat; to defraud; to deceive.

If I do not gull him into a nay word, and make him a common recreation, do not think I have wit enough to lie straight in my bed.

Shakspeare, Tw. Night. Yet love these sorc'ries did remove, and move Thee to gull thine own mother for my love. Donne. He would have gull'd him with a trick,

But Mart was too too politick. They are not to be gulled twice with the same

L'Estrange. The Roman people were grossly gulled twice or thrice over, and as often enslaved in one century,

and under the same pretence of reformation. By their designing leaders taught,

The vulgar, gull'd into rebellion, arm'd. Dryden. For this advantage age from youth has won, As not to be out-ridden, though out-run; By fortune he was now to Venus trin'd, And with stern Mars in Capricorn was join'd: Of him disposing in his own abode, He sooth'd the goddess, while he gull'd the god.

Gull. n. s. [from the verb.]

1. A cheat; a fraud; a trick. I should think this a gull, but that the whitebearded fellow speaks it. Shaksp. Much Ado. Either they have these excellencies they are praised for, or they have not; if they have not, 'tis an apparent cheat and gull. Gov. of the Tongue.

2. A stupid animal; one easily cheated. Being fed by us you us'd us so, As that ungentle gull, the cuckoo bird,

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. Useth the sparrow. Why have you suffer'd me to be imprison'd, Kept in a dark house, visited by the priest, And made the most notorious geck and gull That e'er invention play'd on? Shaks. Tw. Night.

His very touching ought that is learned, soils it, and lays him still more and more open, a conspicuous gull. Milton, Doct. and Disc. of Divorce.

That paltry story is untrue, And forg'd to cheat such gulls as you. Hudibras.

3. A sea-bird. [mergus. Probably from gulo, as the bird is a voracious feeder.] I do fear,

When every feather sticks in his own wing, Lord Timon will be left a naked gull, Which flashes now a phoenix. Shakspeare, Timon. GU'LLCATCHER. n. s. [gull and catch.] A cheat; a man of trick; one who catches silly people.

Here comes my noble gullcatcher.

Shakspeare, Tw. Night. Gu'ller.† n. s. [from gull.] A cheat; Sherwood. an impostor. GU'LLERY. + n. s. [from gull.] A cheat;

imposture.

Leo Decimus, that scoffing pope, took an extraordinary delight in humouring of silly fellows,

and to put gulleries upon them. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p.149. There hath been not long since, within the compass of these twenty years, a merry gullery put upon the world, concerning a guild of men, who style

themselves The Brethren of the Rosie Cross. Hales, Rem. p. 282. There never was so gross a gullery in the world Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 402.

Ha, ha! good gullery; he does it well i' faith. Beaum, and Fl. Wit at several Weapons. Gulleries, wherewith poor mortals are befooled and cheated. Bp. Rust, Discourse of Truth, § 9.

Gu'llet. † n. s. [goulet, Fr.; gula, Lat.] 1. The throat; a passage through which the food passes; the meat-pipe; the cesophagus.

It might be his doom,

One day to sing

With gullet in string. Denham. Many have the gullet or feeding channel which have no lungs or windpipe; as fishes which have gills, whereby the heart is refrigerated; for such thereof as have lungs and respiration are not with-out wizzon, as whales and cetaceous animals.

Brown, Vulg. Err. Nature has various tender muscles plac'd,

By which the artful gullet is embrac'd. Blackmore. The liquor in the stomach is a compound of that which is separated from its inward coat, the spittle which is swallowed, and the liquor which distils from the gullet.

2. A small stream or lake. Not now in

The Euxine sea and the Mediterranean, small gullets, if compared with the ocean. A deep, unpassable gullet of water, without bridge, ford, or ferry. Fuller, Holy War, p. 253.

GULLIBI'LITY.* n. s. [from gull.] Credulity: a low expression, sometimes used for cullibility.

Gu'lligur.* n. s. [gulo, Lat. "gulones, gulliguts, belly-gods," Ainsworth; gouil-

lart, Fr.] A glutton. A low word. Barret, and Sherwood. Gu'llish.* adj.

[from gull.] Foolish; stupid; absurd.

They have most part some gullish humour or other, by which they are led: one is an epicure, an atheist; a second, a gamester; a third, a whoremaster; fit subjects all for a satirist to work Burton, Anat. of Mel. To the Reader.

GU'LLISHNESS.* n. s. [from gullish.] Fool-

ishness; stupidity.

To the end his prince might never awaken or rouse himself from out his drowsy and shameful lethe-sleep, and, by opening his eyes, come to the knowledge of his own stolidity, idiotism, and gullishness, and so discover others' treacherous ambition, he had filled his court with flatterers.

Tr. of Boccalini, (1626,) p. 97. To GULLY. v. n. [corrupted from gurgle.] To run with noise.

GU'LLY* n. s. [goulet, Fr. "a deep gutter of water," Cotgrave; gulle, old Germ.; standing water, a kind of pool.] 1. A sort of ditch.

had suddenly brought down such torrents of water through the hollow or gully where they had taken up their station, that they were in the utmost danger of being swept away before it.

Hawkesworth's Voyages. 2. A house-knife, to cut bread. Yorkshire Gloss, 1697. Still used in the north. Grose and Brockett. Of uncertain etymology.

3. The pluck of a calf. Berkshire. Grose. GU'LLYHOLE. n. s. [from gully and hole.] The hole where the gutters empty themselves in the subterraneous sewer.

Gulo'sity. n. s. [gulosus, Lat.] Greediness; gluttony; voracity.

They are very temperate, seldom offending in ebriety, nor erring in gulosity, or superfluity of

meats.
To GULP. v. a. [gulpen, Dutch.] To swallow eagerly; to suck down without intermission.

He loosens the fish, gulps it down, and so soon as ever the morsel was gone wipes his mouth. L'Estrange.

I see the double flaggon charge their hand; See them puff off the froth, and gulp amain,

While with dry tongue I lick my lips in vain. Gay. GULP. n. s. [from the verb.] As much as can be swallowed at once.

In deep suspirations we take more large gulps of air to cool our heart, overcharged with love and

As oft as he can catch a gulp of air, And peep above the seas, he names the fair. Dryden, Fab.

GULPH.* See GULF.

GUM.† n.s. [Sax. zoma; Fr. gomme; Ital. gomma; Lat. gummi.]

1. A vegetable substance differing from a resin, in being more viscid and less friable, and generally dissolving in aqueous menstruums; whereas resins, being more sulphurous, require a spirituous dissol-

One whose eyes, Albeit unused to the melting mood,

Drop tears as fast as the Arabian trees Their medicinal gum. Shakspeare, Othello. He ripens spices, fruit, and precious gum,

Which from remotest regions hither come. Waller. Her maiden train.

Who bore the vests that holy rites require, Incense, and od'rous gums, and cover'd fire.

Dryden, Fab. 2. The fleshy covering that invests and contains the teeth. [Sax. zoma, palatum, zom-reð; German, gaum; Dutch, gom. They appear to be an abbreviation of the Gr. γομφίος, the cheektooth.]

The bape that milks me

I'd pluck my nipple from his boneless gums. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

Sh' untwists a wire, and from her gums A set of teeth completely comes. Swift.

To Gum. v. a. I from the noun. French,

gommer.] To close with gum; to smear with gum. The eyelids are apt to be gummed together with

a viscous humour. Wiseman, Surgery. 2. To adorn with gums or essences.

Bleaching their hands at midnight, gumming and bridling their beards. B. Jonson, Discoveries Wearing of well set, curled, gummed, braided, and powdered hair, according as the fashions vary.

Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p.79.

So scandalised at ladies powdering, curling, and gumming their hair. Bp. Tayl. Art. Hands. p. 176.

The violent rain which had fallen in the night | GU'MMINESS. n. s. [from gummy.] The state of being gummy; accumulation of

> The tendons are involved with a great gumminess and collection of matter. Wiseman, Surgery.

GUMMO'SITY. n. s. [from gummous.] The nature of gum; gumminess.

Sugar and honey make windy liquors, and the elastick fermenting particles are detained by their innate gummosity. Floyer.

Gu'mmous. adj. [from gum.] Of the nature of gum.

Observations concerning English amber, and relations about the amber of Prussia, prove that amber is not a gummous or resinous substance drawn out of trees by the sun's heat, but a natural Woodward, Nat. Hist.

Gu'mmy. adj. [from gum.] 1. Consisting of gum; of the nature of

From the utmost end of the head branches there issueth out a gummy juice, which hangeth downward like a cord.

Nor all the gummy stores Arabia yields. Dryden, Virg.

How each arising alder now appears, And o'er the Po distils her gummy tears.

Dryden, Silenus.

2. Productive of gum. The clouds

Tine the slant lightning; whose thwart flame, driv'n down,

Kindles the gummy bark of fir and pine. Milton, P. L.

3. Overgrown with gum.

The yawning youth, scarce half awake, essays His lazy limbs and dozy head to raise;

Then rubs his gummy eyes, and scrubs his pate.

GU'MPTION.* n. s. [Sax. zuman, to take care; Icel. gaum; Su. Goth. gom, attention. See To GAUM. Hence gaumtion, or gumption.] Understanding; skill. Grose confines this word to the northern dialect; Pegge, to that of Kent. It is common in most counties among the vulgar.

He has no gumption; i. e. he sets about the work awkwardly

GUN. † n. s. [Of this word there is no satisfactory etymology. Mr. Lye observes that gun in Iceland signifies battle: but when guns came into use we had no commerce with Iceland. May not gun come by gradual corruption from canne, ganne, gunne? Canna is the original of cannon. Dr. Johnson. -Gun, formerly written gon, is the past participle of the Sax. zýman, to gape. Mr. H. Tooke, Div. of Purley, ii. 307. -Somner derives it from mangon, Fr. a warlike instrument, used before the invention of guns; an engine, out of which stones, iron, and arrows were violently darted; omitting the first syllable. But why not from gyn, an engine, which Robert of Gloucester uses? This indeed is the most probable etymon. "Sometimes," says Selden, "we put a new signification to an old word; as when we call a piece, a gun; [for] the word gun was in use in England for an engine to cast a thing from a man, long before there was any gun-powder found out." Table-Talk, Lang.

§ 4. Walsingham repeatedly uses gunna for cannon. See also GUNSTONE.] The general name for fire-arms; the instrument from which shot is discharged by fire.

These dread curses, like the sun 'gainst glass,

Or like an overcharged gun, recoil And turn upon thyself. Shakspo

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. The emperour, smiling, said that never emperour was yet slain with a gun. Knolles, Hist. The bullet flying, makes the gun recoil.

Cleaveland.

In vain the dart or glitt'ring sword we shun, Condemn'd to perish by the slaught'ring gun.

To Gun.* v. n. [from the noun.] To perform the act of shooting with a gun. There is less danger in't than gunning, Sanchio. Beaum. and Fl. Rule a Wife, &c.

Gu'narchy. † See Gynarchy.

Gu'nnel. † n.s. [corrupted from gunwale.] See GUNWALE. One would think that the ballast of the ship

was shifted with us, and that our constitution had

the gunnel under water. Burke, Sp. on the Reform of Representation.

Gu'nner.† n. s. [from gun.]

to manage the artillery in a ship. The nimble gunner

With lynstock now the devilish cannon touches, And down goes all before him. Shaksp. Hen. V. They slew the principal gunners, and carried

away their artillery. Hayward. 2. One who shoots; one who uses a gun to kill game.

I had rather

Have anger'd all the gods, than that blind gunner. Beaum. and Fl. Cupid's Revenge.

Gu'nnery. n. s. [from gunner.] science of artillery; the art of managing cannon.

Guno'cracy.* See Gynæocracy.

Gu'npowder. n.s. [gun and powder.] The powder put into guns to be fired. It consists of about fifteen parts of nitre, three parts of sulphur, and two of charcoal. The proportions are not exactly kept.

Gunpowder consisteth of three ingredients, saltpetre, small-coal, and brimstone. Brown, Vul. Err. Burning by gunpowder frequently happens at Wiseman.

Gu'nroom.* n. s. [gun and room.] The place, on board a ship, where arms are deposited.

Gu'nshor. n. s. [gun and shot.] The reach or range of a gun; the space to which a shot can be thrown.

Those who are come over to the royal party are supposed to be out of gunshot.

Gu'nshor. adj. Made by the shot of a

The symptoms I have translated to gunshot wounds. Wiseman.

GU'NSMITH. n. s. [gun and smith.] A man whose trade is to make guns.

It is of particular esteem with the gunsmiths for Mortimer, Husbandry. Gu'nstick. n. s. [gun and stick.] The rammer; or stick with which the charge

is driven into a gun.

Even a gunstick flying into fame. Gu'nstock. n. s. [gun and stock.] The wood to which the barrel of a gun is fixed.

The timber is used for bows, pullies, screws, mills, and gunstocks. Mortimer, Husbandry.

Gu'nstone.† n. s. [gun and stone.] The shot of cannon. They used formerly to shoot stones from artillery.

Tell the pleasant prince, this mock of his Hath turn'd his ball to gunstones; and his soul Shall stand sore charged for the wasteful venge-

That shall fly with them. Shakspeare, Hen. V. That I could shoot mine eyes at him, like gunstones! B. Jonson, Fox.

Gu'nwale, or Gu'nnel of a Ship. n. s. That piece of timber which reaches on either side of the ship from the halfdeck to the forecastle, being the uppermost bend which finisheth the upper works of the hull in that part, and wherein they put the stanchions which support the waste-trees; and this is called the gunwale, whether there be guns in the ship or no; and the lower part of any port, where any ordnance are, is also termed the gunwhale.

Harris. 1. Cannoneer; he whose employment is GURGE. n. s. [gurges, Lat.] Whirlpool; gulf.

> Marching from Eden he shall find The plain, wherein a black bituminous gurge Boils out from under ground. Milton, P. L.

To Gurge.* v. a. [gurges, Lat.] swallow up. Not in use.

In gurging gulfe of these such surging seas. Mir. for Mag. p. 227.

Gu'rgeons. † n. s. pl. The coarser part of the meal, sifted from the bran. See also Grudgeons.

Out of this is the coarsest of the bran, usually called gurgeons or pollard, taken.

Harrison, Descr. of Engl. prefixed to Holinshed.

To Gu'rgle. v.n. [gorgogliare, Italian.] To fall or gush with noise, as water from a bottle.

Then when a fountain's gurgling waters play, They rush to land, and end in feasts the days

Pure gurgling rills the lonely desert trace, And waste their musick on the savage race.

GU'RKIN.* n. s. [This seems to be the right word; Lat. cucurbita; Dan. agurke. Dr. Johnson gives it gherkin.] A small cucumber for pickling. See GHERKIN. Gu'rnard.] n.s. [gournauld, Fr.] A kind

GU'RNET. | of sea-fish. If I be not ashamed of my soldiers I am a sowc'd gurnet: I have misus'd the king's press damnably. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

To GUSH. † v. n. [German, giessen; Icel.

1. To flow or rush out with violence; not to spring in a small stream, but in a large body.

A sea of blood gush'd from the gaping wound, That her gay garments stain'd with filthy gore. Spenser, F. Q.

The covering of this abyss was broken asunder, and the water gushed out that made the deluge.

Incessant streams of thin magnetick rays Gush from their fountains with impetuous force, In either pole, then take an adverse course. Blackmore.

On either hand the gushing waters play, And down the rough cascade white dashing fall.

2. To emit in a copious effluxion. The gaping wound gush'd out a crimson flood. Line after line my gushing eyes o'erflow,

Pone. Led through a sad variety of woe. Gush. n. s. [from the verb.] An emission of liquor in a large quantity at once;

the liquor so emitted. If a lung-vein be bursted, generally at the first cough a great gush of blood is coughed up.

Gu'sset. n. s. [gousset, Fr.] Any piece sewed on cloth in order to strengthen it. Dr. Johnson. - Cotgrave, two centuries since, defined the word more nearly to its present meaning, " the piece of a shirt, whereby the armhole is covered." It is an angular piece of cloth sown at the upper end of the sleeve of a shirt or shift.

GUST. + n. s. [goust, French; gustus, Latin.]

1. Sense of tasting.

Would he eat to satisfy and not to invite his hunger, and drink to refresh and not to force and oppress himself; his relish would be quick and vigorous, his gust sincere, and his digestion easy. Scott, Christian Life, iii. 3.

Destroy all creatures for thy sport or gust, Yet cry, if man's unhappy, God's unjust. Pope.

2. Height of perception; height of sensual enjoyment.

They fondly thinking to allay Their appetite with gust, instead of fruit Chew'd bitter ashes, which th' offended taste Milton, P. L. With spattering noise rejected. Where love is duty on the female side,

On theirs meer sensual gust, and sought with surly pride. Dryden, Fab. My sight, and smell, and hearing were employ'd,

And all three senses in full gust enjoy'd.

Dryden, Fab. 3. Love; liking.

Old age shall do the work of taking away both the gust and comfort of them. L'Estrange. We have lost, in a great measure, the gust and Tillotson. relish of true happiness.

The purer the soil is, the purer will all its faculties and operations be, the less it will retain of corporeal gusts and relishes, the more recollected and undivided will be its powers.

Norris on the Beatitudes, p. 170.

4. Turn of fancy; intellectual taste.

The principal part of painting is to find what nature has made most proper to this art, and a choice of it may be made according to the gust and manner of the ancients.

5. [From gustr, Goth. and Icelandick.] A sudden violent blast of wind.

She led calm Henry, though he were a king, As doth a sail, fill'd with a fretting gust, Command an argosie to stem the waves.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. You may as well forbid the mountain pines

To wag their high tops, and to make a noise When they are fretted with the gusts of heav'n.

Shaksneare. Presently come forth swarms and volleys of libels, which are the gusts of liberty of speech restrained.

Bacon, Henry VII. As when fierce northern blasts from th' Alps descend,

From his firm roots with struggling gusts to rend An aged sturdy oak. Denham. Part stay for passage, till a gust of wind Ships o'er their forces in a shining sheet. Dryden. Pardon a weak distemper'd soul, that swells With sudden gusts, and sinks as soon in calms, The sport of passions. Addison, Cato.

6. It is written in Spenser vitiously for justs, sports, Dr. Johnson says; which is an unjust accusation; for, in the pasage which Dr. Johnson has cited, the reading is giusts. See Just.

To Gust.* v. a. [Lat. gusto.] To taste; to have a relish of. Cockeram.

'Tis far gone,

When I shall gust it last. Shaksp. Wint. Tale.
The palate of this age gusts nothing high.
L'Estrange on Beaum. and Fl. Plays.

Gu'stable. adj. [gusto, Lat.]

1. To be tasted.

This position informs us of a vulgar errour, terming the gall bitter; whereas there is nothing gustable sweeter.

Harvey.

2. Pleasant to the taste.

A gustable thing, seen or smelt, excites the appetite, and affects the glands and parts of the mouth.

Derham.

GU'STABLE.* n. s. Any thing that may be tasted; an eatable.

The touch acknowledgeth no gustables, The taste no fragrant smell.

More, Song of the Soul, ii. ii. 4.

Gusta'tron † n. s. [old Fr. gustation, from gusto, Lat.] The act of tasting. The gullet and conveying parts partake of the nerves of gustation, or appertaining unto sapor.

Gu'stful. † adj. [gust and full.] Tasteful; well tasted.

A famous composition made of divers cordials—which they throw into water to make it more gusful. Howell, Lett., (Oct. 1634,) ii. 54.
What he defaulks from some dry, insipid sin, is but to make up a Benjamin's mess for some other

Decay of Piety, p. 119.

Gu'stfulness.* n.s. [from gustful.] The

relish of any thing.

more gustful.

As no man can well enjoy himself, or find sound content in any thing, while business or duty lie unfinished on his bands, so when he has done his best toward the dispatch of his work, he will then comfortably take his ease and enjoy his pleasure; then his food doth taste sayourly; then his divertisements and recreations have a lively gustfulness; then his sleep is very sound and pleasaur.

**Barrow*, vol. iii. S. 19.

Gu'stless.* adj. [gust and less.] Taste-

less; insipid.

No gustless or unsatisfying offal.

Sir T. Brown, Miscell. p. 13.

GU'STO. n. s. [Italian.]

1. The relish of any thing; the power by which any thing excites sensations in the palate.

Pleasant gustos gratify the appetite of the luxurious.

Derham.

2. Intellectual taste; liking.

In reading what I have written, let them bring no particular gusto along with them. Dryden.

Gu'sty.† adj. [from gust.] Stormy; tempestuous.

Once upon a raw and gusty day,
The troubled Tyber chafing with his shores.

Shakspeare, Jul. Cas

They are as a gusty wind and sail to a ship; if she steer right, they prosper and further her course; but if wrong, they serve only to strike her against the rocks with more speed and force.

Norris, on the Beatitudes, p. 123.

It is still a gusty kind of weather; there is a kind of sickness in the air.

Dryden, Ded. Hist. of the League.
Or whirl'd tempestuous by the gusty wind.
Thomson, Summer.

GUT. † n. s. [kutteln, German.]

The long pipe reaching with many convolutions from the stomach to the vent.
 This lord wears his wit in his belly, and his guts in his head.
 Shakspeare, Troil. and Cress.

A viol should have a lay of wire-strings below, close to the belly, and then the strings of guts mounted upon a bridge, that by this means the upper strings stricken should make the lower resound.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

The intestines or guts may be inflamed by any acrid or poisonous substance taken inwardly.

Arbuthnot on Diet.

2. The stomach; the receptacle of food; proverbially.

And cramm'd them till their guts did ake, With cawdle, custard, and plum-cake. Hudibras. With false weights their servants' guts they cheat. And pinch their own to cover the deceit.

Dryden, Juv.

Gluttony; love of gormandizing.
 Apicius, thou didst on thy guts bestow
 Full ninety millions; yet, when this was spent,
 Ten millions still remain'd to thee; which thou,
 Fearing to suffer thirst and famishment,
 In poison'd potion drank'st.

Hakewill on Providence.

4. A passage.

Here we entered into a narrow gut between two steep rocky mountains. Maundrell, Trav. p. 134.

To Gur. v.a. [from the noun.]

To eviscerate; to draw; to exenterate.
 The fishermen save the most part of their fish; some are gutted, splitted, powdered and dried.

Carew, Surv. of Cornwall.
2. To plunder of contents.

In Nero's arbitrary time,
When virtue was a guilt, and wealth a crime,
A troop of cut-throat guards were sent to seize
The rich men's goods, and gut their palaces.

Dryden.

Tom Brown of facetious memory, having gutted a proper name of its vowels, used it as freely as he pleased.

Addison.

GU'TTA SERE'NA.* n. s. [Latin.] A disease of the eye. See Drop Serene. He hath his eyes open, but sees no otherwise than if a gutta serena, or heated steel, had deprived the optick. Str T. Herbert, Trav. p. 337.

We know a total obstruction of the optick nerve, which is called gutta serena, makes as perfect a blindness, as an obstruction of the humour aqueus, which is called a cataract. Smith on Old Age, p. 98. GU'TTATED. adj. [from gutta, Lat. a drop.]

Besprinkled with drops; bedropped.

GUTTER.† n. s. [from guttur, a throat, Lat. Dr. Johnson.—Rather from the Fr. gouttiere; Norm. Fr. guiter; but the word may be traced to the Su. Goth. giuta, to pour forth, to flow. Junius refers gutter to the Cimbr. gautur, a flow of water.]

1. A passage for water; a passage made by water.

These gutter tiles are in length ten inches and a half.

Mozon.

Rocks rise one above another, and have deep gutters worn in the sides of them by torrents of

rain.

Addison on Italy.

2. A small longitudinal hollow.

To GU'TTER. v. a. [from the noun.] To

cut in small hollows.

Tempests themselves, high seas, and howling winds,

The gutter'd rocks, and congregated sands, Traitors ensteep'd to clog the guiltless keel, As having sense of beauty, do omit

Their mortal natures, letting safe go by
The divine Desdemona. Shakspeure, Othello.
My cheeks are gutter'd with my fretting tears.

First in a place, by nature close, they build A narrow flooring, gutter'd, wall'd, and til'd,

Dryden.

To GU'TTER.* v. n. To fall in drops; to run as a candle. Scott.

To GU'TTLE. v. n. [from gut.] To feed luxuriously; to gormandize. A low word.

His jolly brother, opposite in sense,
Laughs at his thrift; and, lavish of expence,
Quaffs, crams, and guttles in his own defence.

Dryden.

To Gu'TTLE. v. a. [from gut.] To swal-

low. A low word.

The fool spit in his porridge, to try if they'd

The fool spit in his porridge, to try if they'd hiss: they did not hiss, and so he guttled them up, and scalded his chops.

L'Estrange.

GU'TTLER. n. s. [from guttle.] A greedy eater.

GU'TTULOUS. adj. [from guttula, Latin.]
In the form of a small drop.

Ice is plain upon the surface of the water, but round in hail, which is also a glaciation, and figured in its guttulous descent from the air.

Brown, Yulg. Err.

GUTTURAL.† adj. [guttural, French; gutturalis, Latin.] Pronounced in the throat; belonging to the throat.

The Hebrews have assigned which letters are labial, which dental, and which guttural. Bacom. In attempting to pronounce the nasals, and some of the vowels spiritally, the throat is brought to labour, and makes that which we call a guttural pronunciation. Holder. Children are occasionally born with guttural

swellings. Guthric, Geog. Switzerland.

GU'TTURALNESS. n. s. [from guttural.]
The quality of being guttural. Dict.
GU'TWORT. n. s. [gut and wort.] An herb.
Gry n. from guide]. A rope used to

Guy. n. s. [from guide.] A rope used to lift any thing into the ship. Skinner. To GU'ZZLE.† v. n. [from gut or gust,

to guttle or gustle. Dr. Johnson.—Rather from the Italian, gozzavigliare, "to make good cheer, to take delight in gluttony and riot." Florio, World of Words, 1598.] To gormandize; to feed immoderately; to swallow any liquor greedily.

Well season'd bowls the gossip's spirits raise, Who while she guzzles chats the doctor's praise.

Roscommon. They fell to lapping and guzzling, till they burst themselves. L'Estrange. No more her care shall fill the hollow tray,

To fat the guzzling hogs with floods of whey. Gay.

To Gu'zzle. v. a. To swallow with immoderate gust.

The Pylian king

The Pylian king
Was longest liv'd of any two-legg'd thing,
Still guzzling must of wine.

Dryden.

Gu'zzle.* n. s. An insatiable thing or person.

That senseless, sensual epicure,
That sink of filth, that guzzle most impure.

Marston, Scourge of Vill. ii. 7.

Gu'zzler. n. s. [from guzzle.] A gormandizer; an immoderate eater or drinker.

Gybe. n. s. [See Gibe.] A sneer; a taunt: a sarcasm.

Ready in gybes, quick answer'd, saucy, and as quarrellous as the weazle. Shakspeare, Cymbeline. To Gybe. v. n. To sneer; to taunt.

The vulgar yield an open ear, And common courtiers love to gybe and fleer.

Spenser.

To GIE. GYMNA'SIUM.* n. s. [Latin; Greek, γυμνάσιον, from γυμνός, naked.] Formerly such as practised them were nearly

naked; any place of exercise; a school. In our universities, Cambridge and Oxford; where the worst college is more sight-worthy than

the best Dutch gymnasium.

Fuller, Holy State, (1648.) p. 149. Italy is the sole gymnasion and library of their

knowledge and learning.

Ricaut, State of the Gr. Church, p. 333. The word gymnasium does properly signify the place where people exercise themselves when stripped. Grew, Cosmol. Sacra

GYMNA'STICALLY. adv. [from gymnastick.] Athletically; fitly for strong exercise. Such as with agility and vigour are not gymnastically composed, nor actively use those parts. Brown.

GYMNA'STICK.† adj. [γυμναςικός; gymnastique, French.] Pertaining to athletick exercises; consisting of leaping, wrestling, running, throwing the dart or quoit. Jamblichus, speaking of the powers which flow from the gods among those which co-operate with nature, mentions only the medicinal and gymnastick as the two principal. Grew, Cosmol. Sacra.

GYMNA'STICK.* n. s. 1. Athletick exercise.

The Cretans wisely forbid their servants gymnasticks as well as arms; and yet your modern ment; female power.

enervated lords are softly lolling in their chariots.

GYPSE. n. s. [Fr. gypse. See GYPSUM.] A Arbuthnot and Pope,

2. A teacher of the wrestling science. Cockeram.

GY'MNICAL. adj. [γυμνικός, Gr.] Pertaining to athletick exercises. Gymnical exercises at Pitana,

Potter, Antiq- of Greece, ii. ch. 20. Gy'mnic. adj. [γυμνικός; gymnique, Fr.]
Applied to such as practise the athletick or gymnastick exercises.

Have they not sword-players, and every sort Of gymnick artists, wrestlers, riders, runners. Milton, S. A.

GY'MNICK.* n. s. Athletick exercise. Theatres and spacious fields allotted for all gymnicks, sports, and honest recreations.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. To the Reader.

GYMNO'SOPHIST.* n. s. [Fr. gymnosophiste; Latin, gymnosophistæ; Greek, γυμνοσοφις αλ, from γυμνός, naked, and σοφός, wise; so called, because these philosophers went nearly naked,] One of a sect of Indian philosophers; a name, said to be given by the Greeks to the bramins. But there were African as well as Asiatick gymnosophists. The word is also used for any philosopher.

How know you what may be shewed for the gymnosophistes' prayers in India?

Beware of M. Jewel, (1566,) fol. 38. b. VOL. II.

Those seven wise men of Greece, those Britain ! druids, Indian, brachmanni, Æthiopian gymnosophists, magi of the Persians.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. To the Reader. Thus have most civilities and sciences come, as some think, from the Indian gymnosophists, into Egypt; from thence into Greece; so into Italy; and then over the Alps, into these faint north-west parts of the world.

Blount, Voyage into the Levant, (1650,) p. 154. Let us straight advance in quest

Of this profound gymnosophist. Hudibras, ii. iii. To Gye.* v. a. To guide. Chaucer. See Gymnospe' Rmous. adj. [γύμνος and σωέρμα.] Having the seeds naked.

To Gyn.* v. n. To begin. Wicliffe. See To GIN.

a place for athletic exercises, in which GY'NARCHY.* n. s. [Gr. γυνή, a woman, and ἀρχή, government. Female government: written, not so properly, gunarchy; as some other compounds of this kind are with u instead of y. See Gy-NÆOCRACY.

I have always some hopes of change under a Ld. Chesterfield. GYNÆ'CIAN.* adj. [yovaixòs, genitive of Relating to the Gr. γυνή, a woman.]

Modern physicians prescribe fasting and abstinence to all melancholy lovers; as likewise do all gynæcian writers to women.

Ferrand, Love Melanch. (1640,) p. 331.

GYNÆO'CRACY.* n. s. [old Fr. gynocratie; Gr. γυνή, a woman, and πράτος, power.] Government over which a woman may preside. Properly written by our old authors gynæocracy; less so by modern, gunocracy.

Becanus undertakes a conjecture of the first cause which excluded gynæocracy among them [the French]. Selden on Drayton's Polyolb. S. 18. The French exclude gunocracy, or the government in chief by women. Biographiana, p. 76.

GYNECO'CRACY. n. s. [γυναικοκεατία; gy-necocratie, French.] Petticoat govern-

kind of stone.

The soil of Cyprus is for the most part rocky: there are in it many entire hills of talc or gypse, Pococke, Descript. of the East, ii. 229.

GY'PSEOUS.* adj. Relating to gypsum; belonging to lime or plas-Gloss. Ang. 1707. We meet with a rhomboidal gypseous stone,

called also selenites. Chambers, in V. Gypsum. Gypsine stone [is] a name given by some writers to the gypsum, or fossil substance, of which the powder, called plaster of Paris, is made by calcin-

GYPSUM.* n. s. [Latin; Greek, γύψος, from $\gamma\tilde{\eta}$, earth, and $\tilde{\epsilon}\psi\omega$, to concoct.] A compound of calcareous earth and vitriolick acid: it forms a distinct species of the calcareous genus of fossils; of which species there are six families. Kirwan. When heated red hot, it falls into powder, which, when mixed with water, is called Plaster of Paris. See also Gypseous,

Gypsum is found in very large quantities in many parts of the globe, forming extensive chains of mountains and hills, as in the neighbourhood of

Gypsum - this manure was discovered by Mr. Mayer, a German clergyman of uncommon merit, in the yer 1 768: it has since been applied with

signal success in Germany, Switzerland, France, and America. Kirwan on Manures, p. 93, GY PSY.* See GIPSY.

GYRA'TION. n. s. [gyro, Latin.] The act of turning any thing about.

This effluvium attenuateth and impelleth the neighbour air, which returning home, in a gyration, carrieth with it the obvious bodies into the electrick,

If a burning coal be nimbly moved round in a circle with gyrations, continually repeated, the whole circle will appear like fire; the reason of which is, that the sensation of the coal in the several places of that circle remains impressed on the sensorium, until the coal return again to the same Newton.

GYRE. n. s. [gyrus, Latin.] A circle described by any thing moving in an

Ne thenceforth his approved skill to ward, Or strike, or hurlen round in warlike gyre, Remember'd he; ne car'd for his safe guard, But rudely rag'd. Spenser, F. Q. Does the wild haggard tow'r into the sky,

And to the South by thy direction fly? Or eagle in her gyres the clouds embrace? Sandys.

He fashion'd those harmonious orbs, that roll In restless gyres about the Artick pole. Sandys, Quick and more quick he spins in giddy gyres, Then falls, and in much foam his soul expires.

Druden. To Gyre. v. a. [Latin, gyro.] To turn round.

With the spightful Philistim, he [the devil] puts out both the eyes of our apprehension and judgement, that he may gyre us about in the mill of unprofitable wickedness. Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 25.

GY'RED. † adj. Falling in rings, Dr. Johnson says; citing a passage from Shakspeare's Hamlet, in which the word is gyved. See Downgyved.

GYRFA'LCON.* See GERFALCON.

GY'ROMANCY.* n. s. [old Fr. gyromantie; from the Gr. yugos, a circle, and partela, divination.] An ancient sort of divination, performed by walking in or round a circle.

GYVE. n. s. [gevyn, Welsh. Dr. John. son confines this word to the plural number; yet it certainly exists, in our language, in the singular.] A fetter; a chain for the legs. It is commonly used in the plural.

The villains march wide betwixt the legs, as if they had gyves on. Shakspeare.

And knowing this, should I yet stay, Like such as blow away their lives, And never will redeem a day,

Enamour'd of their golden gyves? B. Jonson. A golden give, a pleasing wrong.

Beaum. and Fl. Wife for a Month. The poor prisoners, boldly starting up, break off their chains and gyves,

Dost thou already single me? I thought Gyves and the mill had tam'd thee. Milton, S. A. But Telamon rush'd in, and hap'd to meet

A rising root, that held his fasten'd feet; So down he fell, whom sprawling on the ground, His brother from the wooden gyves unbound. Dryd.

To Gyve. t v. a. [from the noun.] To fetter; to shackle; to enchain; to en-

All in irons was my songe,

Even now I satte gyved in a payre of stockes. Old Morality of Hycke Scorner. With as little a web as this, will I ensnare as great a fly as Cassio. Ay, smile upon her, do.

I will gyve thee in thine own courtship. Shakspeare, Othello, H A B

† Is in English, as in other languages, a note of aspiration, sounded only by a strong emission of the breath, without any conformation of the organs of speech, and is therefore by many grammarians accounted no letter. The h in English is scarcely ever mute at the beginning of a word, or where it immediately precedes a vowel; as house, behaviour: where it is followed by a consonant it has no sound, according to the present pronunciation: but anciently, as now in Scotland, it made the syllable guttural; as right, bought. Dr. Johnson. - The strong emission of the breath, however, is usually withheld from heir, herb, hostler, honest, honour, humour; and perhaps from hospital and hour; and by some from humble. HA. interject. [ha, Latin.]

1. An expression of wonder, surprise, sudden question, or sudden exertion.

You shall look fairer ere I give or hazard : What says the golden chest? ha! let me see,

Shakspeare. Ha! what art thou! thou horrid headless trunk! It is my Hastings! Rowe, Jane Shore.

2. An expression of laughter. Used with reduplication.

He saith among the trumpets, ha, ha, and he smelleth the battle afar off. Job, xxxix. 25. Ha, ha, 'tis what so long I wish'd and vow'd;

Our plots and delusions Have wrought such confusions,

That the monarch's a slave to the crowd. Dryden. HA.* n. s. [from the interjection.] An expression of wonder, surprise, doubt, or hesitation. See the fourth sense of

Praise her but for this her without-door form,

straight

The shrug, the hum, or ha; these petty brands, That calumny doth use: - O, I am out, That mercy does; for calumny will fear

Virtue itself: - these shrugs, these hums, and ha's,

When you have said she's goodly, come between, Ere you can say she's honest.

Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. You may be any thing, and leave off to make Long-winded exercises; or suck up

Your ha, and hum, in a tune. B. Jonson, Alchemist. My solemn hums and ha's the servants quake Beaum. and Fl. Lov. Progress.

To HA.* v. n. To express surprise; to hesitate. See To HAW.

HAAK.† n. s. A fish. Another name for the hake. Written haak by Barret and others. See HAKE.

HA'BEAS CORPUS.† [Latin.] A writ, the which, a man indicted of some trespass, being laid in prison for the same, may have out of the King's Bench, thereby to remove himself thither at his own costs, and to answer the cause there.

There is no habeas corpus from death.

Sir M. Sandys, Ess. (1634,) p. 250. The very intention of our habeas corpus act, namely, the preservation of the liberties of the subject, absolutely requires that act now to be suspended. Addison, Freehold. No. 16.

HA'BERDASHER. † n. s. | This word is ingeniously deduced by Minsheu from habt ihr dass, German, have you this, the expression of a shopkeeper offering his wares to sale. Dr. Johnson. -Skinner, who is followed by Junius, offers the Dutch koopen, to buy, and daes, foolish, q. d. kooper daeser, a seller of trifles. Pegge suggests fevre d'acier, a needle-maker. But the word belongs to none of these. Berdash is said to have been a name formerly used in England for a certain kind of neckdress; whence the maker or seller of such clothes was called a berdasher; and thence came haberdashers. See Chambers in V. BERDASH.] One who sells small wares; a pedlar.

Because these cunning men are like haberdashers of small wares, it is not amiss to set forth their

A haberdasher, who was the oracle of the coffee-house, declared his opinion.

Ha'BERDASHERY.* n. s. [from haberdasher.] Articles made or sold by haberdashers.

You will hardly expect me to go through the tape and thread, and all the other small wares of haberdashery and millinery to be gleaned up among Burke on a Regicide Peace. our imports.

(Which, on my faith, deserves high speech,) and HA'BERDINE † n. s. [French, habordean.] A dried salt cod. Ainsworth.

HA'BERGEON. † n. s. [Fr. haubergeon, from hauberg; low Lat. haubergettum, halbergium, halsberga. Du Cange and Skinner derive the word from the Teut. haltz, or hals, the neck, and bergen, to cover; others, from al, all, and bergen, to cover. Spelman considers it as the old Fr. hault, high, and berg, covering. Some French etymologists pretend that it comes from haut-ber, a high or distinguished person, one who serves his prince in complete armour. V. Roquefort in V. HAUBER. But it is, no doubt, from hals and bergen, as already stated. Goth. halsbiorge, a steel collar; Icel. halsbiorg, the same.] Armour to cover the neck and breast; breast-plate; neckpiece; gorget; originally, a coat of mail without sleeves.

It shall have a binding of woven work round about the hole of it, as it were the hole of an habergeon, that it be not rent. Exod. xxviii. 32. And halbert some, and some a habergion;

So every one in arms was quickly dight. Fairfax. The shot let fly, and grazing Upon his shoulder, in the passing,

Lodg'd in Magnano's brass habergeon. Hudibras. HA'BILE.* adj. [habilis, Lat. habile, Fr.] Qualified; fit for. Not now in use. See

ABLE and HABLE. God imprinted on her the fairest impress of his most amiable image, and rendered her habile and

ready to every good work. Dr. Walker's Life of Lady Warwick, (1678,) p. 119.

HABI'LIMENT. n. s. [habilement, French.] Dress; clothes; garment. He the fairest Una found.

Strange lady, in so strange habiliment, Teaching the Satyrs. My riches are these poor habiliments,

Of which if you should here disfurnish me, You take the sum and substance that I have.

The clergy should content themselves with wearing gowns and other habiliments of Irish drapery.

To HABI'LITATE. v. a. [habiliter, Fr.]
To qualify; to entitle. Not in use. HABI'LITATE. adj. [habiliter, Fr.]. Qua-

lified: entitled.

Divers persons in the house of commons were attainted, and thereby not legal, nor habilitate to serve in parliament; being disabled in the highest

HABILITA'TION. n. s. [from habilitate.] Qualification.

The things are but habilitations towards arms: and what is habilitation without intention and act?

HABI'LITY. † n. s. [habilité, French.] Faculty; power; means: now ability. Aladine, though meaner born,

And of less livelood and hability. Spenser, F. Q. Of promptness, and of industry,

B. Jonson, Masques at Court. Hability, reality. HA'BIT.+ n. s. [habit, old French; habitus, Latin.]

1. State of any thing: as, habit of body. 2. Dress; accoutrement; garment. I shifted

Into a madman's rags, t' assume a semblance The very dogs disdain'd; and in this habit

Met I my father. Shakspeare, K. Lear. If you have any justice, any pity; If ye be any thing, but churchmen's habits. Shaks.

Both the poets being dressed in the same English habit, story compared with story, judgement may be made betwixt them. Dryden. The scenes are old, the habits are the same

We wore last year. Dryden. Changes there are in veins of wit, like those of habits or other modes. Temple.

There are among the statues several of Venus, in different habits. Addison on Italy.

The clergy are the only set of men who wear a distinct habit from others.

3. Habit is a power or ability in man of doing any thing, when it has been acquired by frequently doing the same thing. Locke.

He hath a better bad habit of frowning than the count Palatine. Shakspeare.

4. Custom; inveterate use.

The last fatal step is, by frequent repetition of the sinful act, to continue and persist in it, till at length it settles into a fixed confirmed habit of sin; which being that which the apostle calls the finishing of sin, ends certainly in death; death not only as to merit, but also as to actual infliction. South.

No civil broils have since his death arose, But faction now by habit does obey;

And wars have that respect for his repose, As winds for halcyons when they breed at sea.

Dryden. The force of education is so great, that we may mould the minds and manners of the young into what shape we please, and give the impressions of such habits, as shall ever afterwards remain.

To HA'BIT. v. a. [from the noun.] To

dress; to accoutre; to array.

Present yourself and your fair princess Before Leontes :

She shall be habited as it becomes

The partner of your bed. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. Having called to his memory Sir George Villiers, and the cloaths he used to wear, in which at that time he seemed to be habited, he thought him to be that person.

They habited themselves like those rural deities, and imitated them in their rustick dances. Dryden.

To Ha'BIT.* v. a. [habito, Latin.] inhabit; to dwell in. Not now in use. Nightingales -

That in their swete songs deliten, In thilke places as they habiten.

Chaucer, Rom. R. 660.

HA'BITABLE. adj. [habitable, Fr. habitabilis, Lat.] Capable of being dwelt in; capable of sustaining human crea-

By means of our solitary situation, we know well most part of the habitable world, and are ourselves unknown.

That was her torrid and inflaming time;

Donne. This is her habitable tropique clime. The torrid zone is now found habitable. Cowley. Look round the habitable world, how few

Know their own good, or, knowing it, pursue. Dryden.

HA'BITABLENESS. n. s. [from habitable.] Capacity of being dwelt in.

The cutting of the Equinoctial line decides that controversy of the habitableness of the torrid zone.

Those ancient problems of the spherical roundness of the earth, the being of antipodes, and of the habitableness of the torrid zone, are abundantly demonstrated.

HA'BITACLE.* n. s. [old Fr. habitacle; Lat. habitaculum. One of our oldest words, being used by Wicliffe and Chaucer; and repeatedly in our old lexicography. The Scotch also use habitakle. A dwelling.

He shall fynally suppe with me and with him in the eternal habitacle of God. Bale on the Revel. (1550,) P. I.

HA'BITANCE. n. s. [habitatio, Latin.] Dwelling; abode.

What art thou, man, if man at all thou art, That here in desert hast thine habitance ? And these rich heaps of wealth do'st hide apart From the world's eye, and from her right usance.

HA'BITANT. n. s. [habitant, Fr. habitans, Latin.] Dweller; one that lives in any place; inhabitant.

Not to earth are those bright luminaries Officious; but to thee, earth's habitant.

Powers celestial to each other's view Stand still confest, though distant far they lie, Or habitants of earth, or sea, or sky.

HABITA'TION. n. s. [habitation, French; habitatio, Latin. 7

1. The state of a place receiving dwellers. Amplitude almost immense, with stars Numerous, and ev'ry star perhaps a world Of destin'd habitation. Milton, P. L.

2. Act of inhabiting; state of dwelling. Palaces,

For want of habitation and repair,

Dissolve to heaps of ruins. Denham. Rocks and mountains, which in the first ages were high and craggy, and consequently then inconvenient for habitation, were by continual deterration brought to a lower pitch. Woodward. 3. Place of abode; dwelling.

Wisdom, to the end she might save many, built her house of that nature which is common unto all; she made not this or that man her habitation, but dwelt in us.

God oft descends to visit men Unseen, and through their habitations walks To mark their doings. Milton, P. L.

HA'BITATOR. n. s. [Latin.] Dweller; inhabitant.

The sun's presence is more continued unto the northern inhabitants; and the longest day in Cancer, is longer unto us than that in Capricorn unto the southern habitators.

HA'BITED.* adj. [from habit.] Accustomed; usual.

This ancient and habited vice is amongst the Dutch, of late years, much decreased.

Fuller, Holy State, p. 437. HABI'TUAL. adj. [habituel, from habit, Fr.] Customary; accustomed; inveterate; established by frequent repetition. It is used for both good and ill.

Sin, there in power before Once actual; now in body, and to dwell Habitual habitant. Milton, P. L.

Art is properly an habitual knowledge of certain rules and maxims. By length of time

The scurf is worn away of each committed crime: No speck is left of their habitual stains: But the pure ether of the soul remains. Dryden.

'Tis impossible to become an able artist, without making your art habitual to you: Dryden.

HABI'TUALLY. adv. [from habitual.] Customarily; by habit.

Internal graces and qualities of mind sanctify our natures, and render us habitually holy.

To Habi'Tuate. v. a. [habiteur, French.] To accustom: to use one's self by frequent repetition; with to.

Men are first corrupted by bad counsel and company, and next they habituate themselves to their vicious practices. Tillotson.

Such as live in a rarer air are habituated to the exercise of a greater muscular strength. Arbuthnot.

HABI'TUATE.* adj. [from the verb.] Inveterate; obstinate.

All earthly vanities, which any habituate sinner Hammond, Works, iv. 679. HA'BITUDE. n. s. [habitudo, Lat. habitude, French.

1. Relation; respect; state with regard to something else.

We cannot conclude this complexion of nations from the vicinity or habitude they hold unto the

The will of God is like a streight unalterable rule; but the various comportments of the creature, either thwarting this rule, or holding conformity to it, occasions several habitudes of this rule unto it.

Hale, Orig. of Mankind. It results from the very nature of things, as they stand in such a certain habitude, or relation to South, Serm.

As by the objective part of perfect happiness we understand that which is best and last, and to which all other things are to be referred; so by the formal part must be understood the best and last habitude of man toward that best object.

In all the habitudes of life The friend, the mistress, and the wife; Variety we still pursue. Swift.

2. Familiarity; converse; frequent intercourse.

His knowledge in the noblest useful arts,

Was such dead authors could not give; But habitudes with those who live, To write well, one must have frequent habitudes with the best company.

3. Long custom; habit; inveterate use. This is more properly habit.

Mankind is willing to continue in a pleasing error, strengthened by a long habitude. Dryden.

Thy ear, inur'd to charitable sounds, And pitying love, must feel the hateful wounds Of jest obscene, and vulgar ribaldry,

The ill-bred question, and the loud reply, Brought by long habitude from bad to worse;

Must hear the frequent oath, the direful curse. The power of doing any thing acquired

by frequent repetition. It is impossible to gain an exact habitude, without an infinite number of acts and perpetual practice.

Druden. HA'BLE.* adj. [hable, old Fr. habil, bas

Bret, as our own word was formerly written; habilis, Lat.] Fit; proper. See As hagard hauke, presuming to contend

With hardy fowle above his hable might. Spenser, F. Q. i. xi. 19.

HA'BNAB. † adv. [hap ne hap, or nap; as would nould, or ne would; will nill, or ne will, that is, let it happen or not.] At random; at the mercy of chance; without any rule or certainty of effect.

Philautus determined, habnab, to send his letters. Lilly, Euphues, &c. p. 109.
As they came in by habnab, so will I bring them

in a reckoning at six and at sevens.

Haywood, Fair Maid of the West, (1631.) He circles draws and squares,

With cyphers, astral characters; Then looks 'em o'er to understand 'em,

Although set down habnab at random. Hudibras.

To HACK. v. a. [haccan, Saxon; hacken, Dutch; hacher, Fr. from acare, an axe, Saxon. 7

1. To cut into small pieces; to chop; to cut slightly with frequent blows; to mangle with unskilful blows. It bears commonly some notion of contempt or malignity.

He put on that armour, whereof there was no one piece wanting, though hacked in some places, bewraying some fight not long since passed. Sidney.

What a slave art thou, to hack thy sword as thou hast done, and say it was in fight.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. Richard the second here was hack'd to death.
Shakspeare.
I'll fight till from my bones my flesh be hack'd.

One flourishing branch of his most royal root Is hack'd down, and his summer leaves all faded, By envy's hand, and murder's bloody axe. Shaks. Burn me, hack me, hew me into pieces. Dryden. Not the hack'd helmet, nor the dusty field,

But purple vests and flow'ry garlands please.

Addison.

But fate with butchers plac'd their priestly stall, Meek modern faith to murder, hack, and mawl.

2. To speak unreadily, or with hesitation.

Disarm them, and let them question; let them keep their limbs whole, and hack our English.

Shakspeare.

HACK.* n. s. [from the verb.]

1. A notch; a hollow cut.

Look you, what hacks are on his helmet.

Shakspeare, Tr. and Cress.

2. Hesitating or faltering speech. [from the verb.]

He speaks to this very question with so many hacks and hesitations.

More, Myst. of Godl. (1660,) p. 270.

3. A pick-axe; a mattock only with one end, and that a broad one. [haaka, Icel. cædo.] Grose, and Craven Dialect.

HACK.* n. s. [old French, haque, a gelding; haquet, a little horse; perhaps from the Lat. equus.] A horse let out for hire. The usage of the present word is apparently modern in our language.

I am almost suffocated with dust every summer, occasioned by those crowds of prentice boys, who are whipping their hired hacks to death. Moore.

HACK.* adj. Hired. A low expression.

Hack preachers employed in the service of defaulters and absentees.

Wakefield, Mem.

To HACK.† v. n. [from the noun.] To

hackney; to turn hackney or prostitute.

Hanmer.

Harmer.

Harmer.

To HA'CKLE.† v. a. [Teut. hekelen, from haeck, a hook; hake, Su. Goth. the same.]

1. To dress flax.

2. To separate; to tear asunder.

Other divisions of the kingdom being hackled and torn to pieces, and separated from all their habitual means. Burke on the Fr. Revolution. HA'CKLE.* n. s. [from the verb.] A comb

for dressing flax.

Some layd to pledge

Theyr hatchet and their wedge,

Their hekell, and their rele, Their rock, their spinning whele.

Skelton, Poems, p. 132.

HA'CKLE.† n. s. Raw silk; any filmy substance unspun, Dr. Johnson says. It is, in fact, merely a fly for angling, dressed sometimes with the feathers of a cock, and sometimes with silk. So called, Dr. Jamieson thinks, from its resemblance to a comb for dressing flax, Hackles are a very important article in fly-

Hackles are a very important article in flymaking; they are the long slender feathers that hang from the head of a cock down his neck.

Walton, Angler, ch. 5.

We have also a hackle with a purple body, whipt
about with a red capon's feather; as also a goldtwist hackle.

Cotton, Angler, ch. 8.

HA'CKNEY.† n. s. [hacknai, Welsh; hackeneye, Teuton.; haquenée, French; horses to hire.

perhaps from haque, old Fr. a gelding; Lat. equus. See HACK. Serenius, however, notices the Cim. hacknay, equus rotularius. In several instances Dr. Johnson has given examples of this word, where it is not a substantive but an adjective; though, as an adjective, he has not noticed it.]

A pacing horse; a pad; a nag.
 His hakeney — was al pomelee gris,

Chaucer, Chan. Yeon. Prol. He asked, whither with that horse I wolde gon; And then I told hym, it was myne own; He sayd, I had stolen hym; and I sayd, naye:

This is, sayd he, my brother's hacknaye.

Old Morality of Hycke Scorner.

The fatness of the earth doth put in good liking the serviceable steede and the miller's hackney.

Knight, Trial of Truth, (1580,) fol. 12. Image now to yourself this illustrious cavalier mounted on his hackney.

Warburton to Hurd, Lett. 47.
2. A hired horse; hired horses being usu-

ally taught to pace, or recommended as good pacers.

Light and lewd persons were as easily suborned to make an affidavit for money, as post horses and hackneys are taken to hire.

Bacon.

Who, mounted on a broom, the nag And hackney of a Lapland hag,

In quest of you came hither post. Hudibras. 3. A hireling; a prostitute.

I labour,
I moil and toil for ye; I am your hackney.

Beaum. and Fl. Wom. Pleased.

She was so notoriously lewd, that she was called

She was so notoriously lewd, that she was called an hackney. Burnet, Hist. Ref. vol. i. Append. Shall each spurgall'd hackney of the day, Or each new pension'd sycophant, pretend

To break my windows. Pope.

4. Any thing let out for hire. See the third sense of the adjective.

HA'CKNEY.* adj.

1. Worn out, like a hired horse.

Law, like a horse-courser;

Her rules and precepts hung with gawds and ribbands,

And pamper'd up to cozen him that bought her, When she herself was hackney, lame, and founder'd. Beaum. and Fl. Wom. Pleased.

2. Prostitute; vicious for hire.
Three kingdoms rung

With his accumulative and hackney tongue.

Roscommon.

That is no more than every lover
Does from his hackney lady suffer. Hudibras.
3. Much used; common; let out for hire.

The sweat of learned Jonson's brain, Or gentle Shakspear's easier strain, A hackney coach conveys you to, In spite of all that rain can do; And for your eighteen pence you sit The lord and judge of all fresh wit.

Sir J. Suckling.
Slightly trained up in a kind of hypocritical and hackney course of literature.

Milton, Reas. of Ch. Gov. B. 2.
These notions young students in physick derive from their hackney authors.

Harvey.

A wit can study in the streets —
Not quite so well, however, as one ought;
A hackney coach may chance to spoil a thought.

Pope, Imit. of Hor.

HA'CKNEY-COACHMAN.* n. s. The driver
of a hired or hackney coach.

The hackney-coachmen, chairmen, and porters, are the lovers of the hawker women, fruitresses, and milkmaids.

Guardian, No. 87.

HA'CKNEY-MAN.* n. s. One who lets horses to hire. Barret, and Sherwood.

By this reckoning, a hackneyman Should have ten shillings for horsing a gentle-

Where he hath but ten pence of a beggar.

Trag. of Soliman and Perseda, (1599.)

To HA'CKNEY.† v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To practise in one thing; to accustom, as to the road.

He is long hackney'd in the ways of men.

Shakspeare.

2. To carry in a hackney coach.

To her, who, frugal only that her thrift
May feel excesses she can ill efford,

Is hackney'd home unlacquey'd. Cowp. Took, B.2. HA'CQUETON.† n. s. [haquet, old French, a little horse. Dr. Johnson.—Dr. Johnson is mistaken both in his etymology, and in his definition, of this word; which he calls, "some piece of armour." It has nothing to do with the horse, and it is not a piece of armour. It is the French haqueton, or hoqueton; Germ. hockete; from the Teut. huyk, a kind of cloak.] A stuffed jacket, formerly worn under armour; sometimes made of leather. The Black Prince's haqueton, composed of quilted cotton, is suspended over his tomb in Canterbury cathedral.

You may see the very fashion of the Irish horseman in his long hose, riding shoes of costly cordwain, his hacqueton, and his haburgeon.

Spenser, on Ireland. But th' other did upon his truncheon smyte;

Which hewing quite asunder, further way
It made, and on his hacqueton did lyte,

The which dividing with importune sway

It seized in his right side, and there the dint did
stay.

Spenser, F. Q. ii. viii. 38.

HA'CKSTER.* n.s. [from hack.] A bully; a ruffian; an assassin.

If some such desperate hackster shall devise To rouse thine hare's-heart from her cowardice. Bp. Hall, Sat. iv. 4.

Ælfrith, second wife to king Edgar, having contrived the death of Edward her son-in-law, murdered him by a company of hacksters and villains, at her appointment at Corfe Castle.

Fuller, Ch. Hist. p. 265.
Happy times, when braves and hacksters, the only contented members of his government, were thought the fittest and the faithfullest to defend his person! .

Millow, Eiconocl. iii.

HAD. The preterite and part. pass. of have. I had better, you had better, &c. means the same as, it would be better for me or you; or, it would be more eligible: it is always used potentially, not indicatively; nor is have ever used to that import. We say likewise, it had been better or worse.

I had rather be a country servant maid, Than a great queen with this condition. Shaksp. Had we not better leave this Utica,

To arm Numidia in our cause? Addison, Cato.

HAD-I-wist.* A proverbial expression, implying vain afterthoughts: Oh! that I had known.

And is aware of had I wist.

Gauer, Conf. Ann. B. 2.
This blindness is not of the eyes alone,
But of the mind a dimness and a mist:
For when they shift to sit in hautic throne
With hope to rule the scepter as they list,

For when they shift to sit in hautic throne
With hope to rule the scepter as they list,
There's no regard nor fear of had. I-wist.

Mir. for Mag. p.160.

Beware of had I wist. Camden, Rem. HA'DDER.* n. s. [German, heide. See HEATH.] Heath; ling.

They lay upon the ground covered with skins, as the redshanks do on hadder.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 550. HA'DDOCK. n. s. [hadot, Fr.] A sea-fish of the cod kind, but small.

The coast is plentifully stored with pilchards, herrings, and haddocks.

HADE.* n. s. Among miners, the steep descent of a shaft. In our old language, the descent of a hill.

On the lower leas, as on the higher hades,

The daintie clover grows. Drayton, Poliolb. S. 13. To HAFFLE.* v. n. [Teut. hackelen.] To speak unintelligibly; to waver. Craven Dial. and Brockett. To prevaricate. Grose. A northern word.

HAFT. + n. s. [hært, Saxon; heft, Dutch; haft, Gothick; from To have or hold. A handle; that part of any instrument that is taken into the hand.

But yet ne fond I nought the haft,

Which might unto the blade accorde. Gower, Conf. Am. B. 4. This brandish'd dagger

I'll bury to the haft in her fair breast.

Dryden and Lee, Œdipus. These extremities of the joints are the hafts and handles of the members. Dryden, Dufresnoy A needle is a simple body, being only made of

steel; but a sword is a compound, because its haft or handle is made of materials different from the

Watts, Logick. To HAFT. v a. [from the noun.] To set in a haft. Ainsworth.

HA'FTER.* n. s. A wrangler; a caviller. Barret's Alv. 1580. Serenius renders this old word, in his Swedish dictionary, a crafty or cunning fellow, 1757. It is not now in use.

HAG.† n. s. [hæzerte, Sax. a goblin; heckle, Dutch, a witch; hexe, German; formerly haegse, meaning a wise woman, from the Runic hyggia, wisdom, knowledge. V. Keysler, Antiq. Sept. p. 149. Our word at first was heg. V. Huloet and Barret.]

1. A witch; an enchantress.

The very dregs of miracles, in milkpans and greasy dishes, by Robingoodfellow, and hags, and fayries, all wrought somewhat for their idle super-

Dering on the Ep. to the Hebrews, (1576,) ch. 2. Out of my door, you witch ! you hag, you baggage, you polecat, you runnion. Shakspeare.

2. A fury; a she monster.

Thus spoke th'impatient prince, and made a pause; His foul hags raised their heads, and clapt their hands :

And all the powers of hell, in full applause, Flourish'd their snakes, and tost their flaming brands.

3. An old ugly woman.

There follow'd fast at hand two wicked hags, With hoary locks all loose, and visage grim. Spenser, F. Q.

Such affectations may become the young But thou, old hag, of threescore years and three, Is shewing of thy parts in Greek for thee! Dryd.

4. Appearances of light and fire upon the manes of horses, or men's hair, were formerly called hags. They are now known to be electrical phenomena.

Hags are said to be made of sweat or some other vapour issuing out of the head; a not unusual sight among us when we ride by night in summer Blount, Glossog.

HAG-BORN.* adj. [hag and born.] Born of a witch or hag.

The son which she did litter here,

A freckled whelp, hag-born. Shakspeare, Tempest. To HAG. v. a. [from the noun.] To torment; to harass with vain terrour.

That makes them in the dark see visions. And hag themselves with apparitions. Hudibras. How are superstitious men hagged out of their

wits with the fancy of omens, tales, and visions! L'Estrange. To HAG.* v. a. To cut down. Craven

Dialect. A corruption of hack.

HA'GABAG.* See HUCKABACK.

HA'GGARD.† adj. [hagard, Fr. wild; and accordingly some derive it from the Lat. agrestis: others, from the Germ. hag, an inclosure, a fortified place; whence, according to M. Huet, a haggard was applied to a person proud and confident, on account of the strength of the place in which he was.]

1. Wild; untamed; difficult to be re-

claimed.

As hagard hawk, presuming to contend With hardy fowl, above his hable might, His weary pounces all in vain doth spend, To truss the prey too heavy for his flight.

Spencer, F.Q.

She's too disdainful; I know her spirits are as coy and wild, As haggard as the rock.

Shakspeare. Virtue sitteth over the names of her servants, hovereth over them with her wings, and guards them from the kites and buzzards of this haggard Stafford's Niobe, P. ii. p. 78. In time, all haggard hawks will stop to lure. Kyd, Span. Tragedy.

2. Deformed with passion; wildly disordered.

Fearful besides of what in fight had pass'd, His hands and haggard eyes to heav'n he cast.

Dryden. Where are the conscious looks, the face now pale, Now flushing red, the down-cast haggard eyes, Or fixt on earth, or slowly rais'd!

Ha'ggard. n.s.

1. Any thing wild or irreclaimable. I will be married to a wealthy widow, Ere three days pass, which has as long lov'd me

As I have lov'd this proud disdainful haggard. Shakspeare.

A species of hawk. Does the wild haggard tow'r into the sky, And to the South by thy direction fly? Sandys. I enlarge my discourse to the observation of the

aeries, the brancher, the ramish hawk, and the haggard. 3. A hag. So Garth has used it for want

of understanding it.

Beneath the gloomy covert of an yew, In a dark grot, the baleful haggard lay, Breathing black vengeance, and infecting day.

HA'GGARD.* n. s. [Sax. haza and zeaps; Su. Goth. hage, a small piece of ground adjoining to a house. See the third sense of Haw. Dr. Jamieson notices haggart, which he understood to be used in some parts of Scotland, but of which he gives no example; and he considers it as imported from Ireland, where it is in common use. It was in the English language, I may add, nearly two centuries since.] A stack-yard.

When the barn was full, any one might thrash in the haggard. Howell, Lett. ii. 24. (dat. 1632.) The remainder of the powder was committed to a vault in the haggard under the corn-stand.

Bp. of Killala's Narrative, p. 49.

HA'GGARDLY. adv. [from haggard.] Deformedly; uglily.

For him the rich Arabia sweats her gum;) And precious oils from distant Indies come; } How haggardly soe'er she looks at home. Dryden, Juv.

HA'GGED.* adj. [from hag; or from the German hager.] Lean; ugly; like a hag. Dr. Johnson has placed the following example under haggard, and says that hagged should have been written haggard. But a passage in Gray's poetry, with a note by Mason, distinguishes the words, as one of those gentlemen who have made additions to Johnson has observed; and therefore I have now introduced into the dictionary this adjective.

A hagged carrion of a wolf, and a jolly sort of dog with good flesh upon his back, fell into company together. L'Estrange.

The ghostly prudes with hagged face Already had condemn'd the sinner.

Gray's Long Story.

HA'GGESS. n. s. [from hog or hack. Dr. Johnson. - No doubt from hack, that is, to chop; which in Scotland is hag; Su. Goth. hugga.] A mass of meat, generally pork chopped, and enclosed in a membrane. In Scotland it is commonly made in a sheep's maw of the entrails of the same animal, cut small, with suct and spices.

HA'GGISH. adj. [from hag.] Of the nature of a hag; deformed; horrid. But on us both did haggish age steal on,

And wore us out of act. Shakspeare.

To HA'GGLE. v. a. [corrupted from hackle or hack. To cut; to chop; to mangle: always in a bad sense.

Suffolk first died, and York all haggled o'er Comes to him where in gore he lay insteep'd.

Shaksneare.

To HA'GGLE. v. n [harceler, French, barguigner. Cotgrave. "To haggle, hucke, dodge, or palter long in the buying of a commodity."] To be tedious in a bargain; to be long in coming to the price.

Phoo! how she stands, biting her nails, As if she play'd for half her vails Sorting her cards, haggling, and picking !

I never could drive a hard bargain in my life, concerning any matter whatever; and least of all do I know how to haggle and huckster with merit.

HA'GGLER. † n. s. [from haggle.] 1. One that cuts.

2. One that is tardy in bargaining; a paltering haggler." [gagueraffe.]

HAGHES, or HAGUES.* n. s. pl. [Teut. haegh.] Haws. Grose, and Craven Dial. A northern word.

HAGIO'GRAPHA.* n. s. pl. [Latin; from ἄγιος, holy, and γράφω, to write, Gr.] Holy writings; a name given to part of the books of Scripture. See HAGIO-GRAPHAL.

Eight [of the translators of the Bible,] assembled at Cambridge, were to finish the rest of the historical books, and the hagiographa.

Abp. Newcome, On the Transl. of the Bib. p. 49.

HAGIO'GRAPHAL.* adj. ffrom hagiographa.] Denoting the writings called

hagiographa.

Strabus - writing upon St. Jerome's prologues, there placed before the Old Testament, wherein, according to the copies then in use, the book of Tobit is said to be separated from the Divine Scriptures and numbered among the hagiographa; he findeth fault with the transcribers, and saith, that Tobit is to be set among the apocryphal books, and not among the hagiographal, properly so called; whereof there be but nine, the whole number of the canonical books being no more than XXII in all.

Bp. Cosin, Canon of Scripture, p. 152.

HAGIO GRAPHER. † n.s. [άγιος and γεάφω.] A holy writer. The Jews divide the Holy Scriptures of the Old Testament into the law, the prophets, and the hagiographers.

They were hagiographers, who are supposed to be left to the use of their own words.

Whitby, Gen. Pref. N. Test.

HA'GSHIP.* n. s. [from hag.] The title of a witch or hag; the state of a hag. What's this? oh, 'tis the charm her hagship gave Middleton's Witch.

HAGUE, or HA'GUEBUT.* n. s. [old Fr. hacqubute.] A kind of fire-arms formerly used; a hand-gun of about three quarters of a yard in length, according to Bullokar; a culverin, or hand-cannon, fixed on a little carriage, since called the arquebuse with a hook, according to Grose.

HAH. interject. An expression of sudden

Her coats tuck'd up, and all her motions just, She stamps, and then cries hah ! at ev'ry thrust. Druden.

HAIL.+ n. s. [Sax. hæzl, hazol. This word is rarely found in the plural.] Drops of rain frozen in their falling. Locke.

With strange rains, hails, and showers, were Wisd. xvi. 16. they persecuted.

Thunder mix'd with hail, Hail mix'd with fire, must rend the Egyptian sky. Milton, P. L.

To Hail. v. n. [hæzelan, Sax.] To pour

down hail. My people shall dwell in a peaceable habitation

when it shall hail, coming down on the forest. Is. xxxii. 19.

To HAIL.* v. a. [Su. Goth. haella; Iceland. thelle.] To pour.

For, ere Demetrius look'd on Hermia's eyne, He hail'd down oaths, that he was only mine. Shakspeare, Mids. N. Dr.

HAIL. interj. [hæl, health, Saxon: hail. therefore, is the same as salve of the Latins, or bysalve of the Greeks, health be to you.] A term of salutation now used only in poetry; health be to you. It is used likewise to things inanimate.

Hail, hail, brave friend ! Say to the king the knowledge of the broil.

Shaksneare. Her sick head is bound about with clouds: It does not look as it would have a hail Or health wish'd in it, as on other morns.

B. Jonson.

The angel hail Bestow'd, the holy salutation us'd Long after to blest Mary, second Eve. Mil. P.L. Farewell, happy fields, Where joy for ever dwells! hail, horrours! hail,

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Infernal world! and thou, profoundest hell, Receive thy new possessor! Milton, P. L. All hail, he cry'd, thy country's grace and love, Once first of men below, now first of birds above.

Had to the sun! from whose returning light The cheerful soldier's arms new lustre take. Rowe.

HAIL.* adj. Healthy; sound. See HALE. HAIL-FELLOW.* n. s. [hail and fellow.] A companion.

No man, that erst haile-fellow was with beast, Woxe on to weene himselfe a god at least.

Bp. Hall, Sat, iii. 1. All these agree with him in blindness and darkness; yea, they are all hail fellow well met !

Junius, Sin Stigmat. p. 411. I thought all people here had been hail fellow L'Estrange, Tr. of Quevedo, p. 46. The master and servant are at hail fellow, the gentleman and the clown are upon the square

Goodman, Wint. Ev. Conf. P.1. To HAIL. v. a. [from the noun.] To

salute: to call to.

with one another.

A galley drawing near unto the shore, was hailed by a Turk, accompanied with a troop of Knolles.

Thrice call upon my name, thrice beat your breast.

And hail me thrice to everlasting rest. Dryden. HA'ILSHOT. n. s. [hail and shot.] Small

shot scattered like hail. The master of the artillery did visit them sharply with murdering hailshot, from the pieces mounted towards the top of the hill.

HA'ILSTONE.† n. s. [hail and stone; hazol-rean, Sax.] A particle or single ball of hail.

They were more which died with hailstones, than they whom the children of Israel slew with the sword. Joshua, x. 11.

You are no surer, no, Than is the coal of fire upon the ice, Or hailstone in the sun.

Hard hailstones lye not thicker on the plain, Nor shaken oaks such show'rs of acorns rain. Dryden.

Shaksneare.

HA'ILY. † adj. [from hail.] Consisting of hail; full of hail. Sherwood. From whose dark womb a rattling tempest

Which the cold North congeals to haily showers.

Ha'inous.* See Heinous. HAIR. n. s. [hæp, Sax.]

1. One of the common teguments of the body. It is to be found upon all the parts of the body, except the soles of the feet and palms of the hands. When we examine the hairs with a microscope, we find that they have each a round bulbous root, which lies pretty deep in the skin, and which draws their nourishment from the surrounding humours: that each hair consists of five or six others, wrapt up in a common tegument or tube. They grow as the nails do, each part near the root thrusting forward that which is immediately above it, and not by any liquor running along the hair in tubes, as plants grow. Quincy.

My fleece of woolly hair uncurls. Shakspeare. Shall the difference of hair only, on the skin, be a mark of a different internal constitution between a changeling and a drill? Locke.

2. A single hair.

Naughty lady, These hairs which thou do'st ravish from my chin, Will quicken and accuse thee. Shaks. K. Lear. Much is breeding;

Which, like the courser's hair, hath yet but life, And not a serpent's poison.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. 3. Any thing proverbially small.

If thou tak'st more Or less than just a pound; if the scale turn But in the estimation of a hair,

Thou diest. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. He judges to a hair of little indecencies, and knows better than any man what is not to be Dryden.

4. Course; order; grain; the hair falling in a certain direction.

He is a curer of souls, and you a curer of bodies; if you should fight, you go against the hair of your profession.

Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor.

Judg. xx. 16.

HA'IRBRAINED. adj. [This should rather be written harebrained, unconstant, unsettled, wild as a hare. Wild; irregular;

Let's leave this town; for they are hairbrain'd

And hunger will enforce them be more eager. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

HA'IRBREADTH. n. s. [hair and breadth.] A very small distance; the diameter of a hair.

Seven hundred chosen men left-handed could sling stones at an hairbreadth, and not miss.

I spoke of most disastrous chances Of moving accidents by flood and field; Of hairbreadth 'scapes in th' imminent deadly breach. Shaksveare:

HA'IRBEL. n. s. The name of a flower; the hyacinth. See HAREBELL.

HA'IRCLOTH. n. s. [hair and cloth.] Stuff made of hair, very rough and prickly, worn sometimes in mortification.

It is composed of reeds and parts of plants woven together, like a piece of haircloth. Grew, Museum.

HA'IRED.* adj. Having hair. Thus we say, a red-haired man.

A beast, haired like a bear.

Purchas's Pilgrimage, (1617,) p. 708.

HAIRHU'NG.* adj. [hair and hung.] Hanging by a hair. Man, whose fate,

Fate irreversible, entire, extreme, Endless, hair-hung, breeze-shaken, o'er the gulf A moment trembles. Young, Night Th. 2.

HA'IRINESS. n. s. [from hairy.] The state of being covered with hair, or abounding with hair. Sherwood. To discover the inequalities, rubs, and hairiness Brown, Chr. Mor. ii. 9.

HA'IRLACE. n. s. [hair and lace.] The fillet with which women tie up their

Some worms are commonly resembled to a woman's hairlace or fillet, thence called tenia.

Harvey.

If Molly happens to be careless, And but neglects to warm her hairlace, She gets a cold as sure as death. ..

HA'IRLESS. † adj. [from hair.] Wanting

White beards have arm'd their thin and hairless scalps

Swift.

Against thy majesty. Shakspeare.

To see an old shorne lozel perched high. Crossing beneath a golden canopy; The whiles a thousand hairless crowns crouch low To kiss the precious case of his proud toe.

Bp. Hall, Sat. iv. 7.

HA'IRNEEDLE, or HA'IRPIN.* n. s. Formerly an instrument for torturing the hair; the latter, within our own memory; the former, very ancient. Sax. hæp-næble, calamistrum, i. e. an iron to curl the hair. See To CALAMISTRATE. The modern hairpin kept the hair in certain fanciful shapes, by being stuck through the plaster of powder and pomatum most plentifully bestowed upon

HA'IRY. adj. [from hair.]

1. Overgrown with hair; covered with

She his hairy temples then had rounded With coronet of flowers. Shakspeare.

Children are not hairy, for that their skins are more perspirable.

2. Consisting of hair. Storms have shed

From vines the hairy honours of their head. Dryden.

HAKE. n. s. A kind of fish.

The coast is stored with mackrel and hake.

To HAKE.* v. n. To sneak or loiter; to go about idly. A northern word. Grose, and Craven Dialect.

HA'KOT. n. s. [from hake.] A kind of fish. Ainsworth.

HAL, in local names, is derived like al from the Saxon healle, i. e. a hall, a palace. In Gothick alh signifies a temple, or any other famous building.

Gibson's Camden, HA'LBERD. n. s. [halebarde, French; hallebarde, Dutch, from barde, an axe, and halle, a court, halberds being the common weapons of guards.] A battleaxe fixed to a long pole.

Advance thy halberd higher than my breast.

Our halberds did shut up his passage.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. Four knaves in garbs succinct, a trusty band, Caps on their heads, and halberds in their hand, Draw forth to combat on the velvet plain. Pope.

HALBERDI'ER. n. s. [halebardier, Fr. from halberd. One who is armed with a

The duchess appointed him a guard of thirty halberdeers, in a livery of murrey and blue, to attend his person.

Captain, for so I ghess thee by thy arms . And the loose flanks of halberdiers about thee. Beaum. and Fl. Nob. Gentleman.

The king had only his halberdeers, and fewer of them than used to go with him.

HA'LCYON.† n. s. [halcyo, Lat. from the Gr. άλκυών, from άλς, the sea, and κύω, to bring forth.] A bird, of which it is said that she breeds in the sea, and that there is always a calm during her incubation.

Such smiling rogues, as these - sooth ev'ry passion;-

Bring oil to fire, snow to their colder moods; Renege, affirm, and turn their halcyon beaks With ev'ry gale and vary of their masters.

Shakspeare, K. Lear.

Amidst our arms as quiet you shall be, As halcyons brooding on a winter sea. Dryden.

HA'LCYON. adj. [from the noun.] Placid; quiet; still; peaceful.

When great Augustus made war's tempests

His halcyon days brought forth the arts of peace.

No man can expect eternal serenity and halcyon days from so incompetent and partial a cause, as the constant course of the sun in the equinoctial

HALCYO'NIAN.* adj. [from halcyon. Fr. alcyonien.] Peaceful; quiet; still.

These our halcyonian times of peace and pros-

Sheldon, Miracl. of Antichrist, (1616,) p. 179. Those peaceful and halcyonian days, which the

Church enjoyed for many years.

Mede on Churches, p. 52. Days of clouds and thick darkness, very distant from those white, halcyonian, serene, and peaceable days. Worthington on the Millennium, p. 57.

HALE.* n. s. [Sax. hæl, health, safety.] Welfare. Chaucer writes it hele.

Eftsoones, all heedless of his dearest hale, Full greedily into the herd he thrust.

Spenser, Astrophel. HALE. † adj. [This should rather be written hail, from hæl, health. Dr. Johnson. -Hammond wrote it hail or haile, in the sense of whole, which Dr. Johnson has overpassed. The Gothick adjective for sound, is hails; Sax. hal.]

1. Healthy; sound; hearty; well com-

plexioned.

My seely sheep like well below, They need not melampode, For they been hale enough I trow,

And liken their abode. Some of these wise partizans concluded the government had hired two or three hundred hale

men, to be pinioned, if not executed, as the pretended captives. Addison. His stomach too begins to fail;

Last year we thought him strong and hale, But now he's quite another thing: I wish he may hold out till spring. Swift.

2. Whole; uninjured. [Dutch, heel; Su. Goth. hel; Sax. hal.

When, on the other side, sin, after the combat of God's rod, comes off unwounded and haile, &c. Hammond, Works, iv. 536.

To HALE. v. a. [halen, Dutch; haler, French.] To drag by force; to pull violently and rudely.

Fly to your house; The plebeians have got your fellow tribune, And hale him up and down. Shakspeare, Coriol. My third comfort,

Starr'd most unluckily, is from my breast Hal'd out to murder. Shakspeare. Give diligence that thou mayest be delivered

from him, lest he hale thee to the judge. He by the neck hath hal'd, in pieces cut,

And set me as a mark on every butt. Sandys. Thither by harpy-footed furies hal'd, At certain revolutions, all the damn'd

Are brought. This sinistrous gravity is drawn that way by the great artery, which then subsideth, and haleth the heart unto it.

Who would not be disgusted with any recreation, in itself indifferent, if he should with blows be haled to it when he had no mind? Locke.

In all the tumults at Rome, though the people proceeded sometimes to pull and hale one another about, yet no blood was drawn till the time of the HALE.* n. s. Pull; violence in dragging Usually written, and pronounced, haul. See HAUL.

HA'LER. n. s. [from hale.] One who pulls and hales.

HALF. † n. s. plural halves. [healf, half, Sax. and all the Teutonick dialects; from hal. The l is often not sounded.]

1. A moiety; one part of two; an equal part.

An half acre of land. I Sam. xiv. 14. Many might go to heaven with half the labour they go to hell, if they would venture their industry the right way. Well chosen friendship, the most noble

Of virtues, all our joys makes double, And into halves divides our trouble. Denham.

Or what but riches is there known Which man can solely call his own; In which no creature goes his half,

Unless it be to squint and laugh? Hudibras. No mortal tongue can half the beauty tell; For none but hands divine could work so well.

Of our manufacture foreign markets took off one half, and the other half were consumed amongst

ourselves. Locke. The council is made up half out of the noble families, and half out of the plebeian.

Addison on Italy.

Half the misery of life might be extinguished, would men alleviate the general curse by mutual compassion. Addison.

Her beauty, in thy softer half Bury'd and lost, she ought to grieve. Prior. Natural was it for a prince, who had proposed to himself the empire of the world, not to neglect the sea, the half of his dominions. Arbuthnot.

2. It sometimes has a plural signification when a number is divided.

Had the land selected of the best,

Half had come hence, and let the world provide

3. In the plural, a popular exclamation, a kind of interjection, on seeing another pick up any thing which he has found, and which entitles the person who makes it to half of the value of it. See Brand. HALVES.

And he, who sees you stoop to th' ground, Cries, halves! to every thing you've found.

Dr. Savage, Horace to Scæva, (1730,) p. 32. HALF. † adv.

1. In part; equally.

I go with love and fortune, two blind guides, To lead my way; half loth, and half consenting.

2. It is much used in composition to signify a thing imperfect, as most of the following examples will show; and sometimes, nearly; within a little.

HALF-BLOOD, n. s. One not born of the same father and mother.

Which shall be heir of the two male twins, who, by the dissection of the mother, were laid open to the world? Whether a sister by the half-blood shall inherit before a brother's daughter by the wholeblood?

HALF-BLOODED, adj. [half and blood.] Mean; degenerate.

The let alone lies not in your good will - Nor in thine, lord.

- Half-blooded fellow, yes. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

HALF-CAP. n. s. Cap imperfectly put off, or faintly moved.

With certain half-caps and cold moving nods, They froze me into silence. Shaks. Tim. of Athens. most dead.

To live a life half-dead; a living death.

Millon, S. A. HALF-FACED. adj. [half and faced. Showing only part of the face; small faced: in contempt.

Proud increaching tyranny

Burns with revenging fire, whose hopeful colours Advance, a half-fac'd sun striving to shine. Shaksneare.

This same half-faced fellow, Shadow; give me this man: he presents no mark to the enemy; the foeman may with as great aim level at the edge Shakspeare. of a penkuife.

HALF-HATCHED. adj. [half and hatch.] Imperfectly hatched.

Here, thick as hailstones pour,

Turnips, and half-hatch'd eggs, a mingled show'r, Among the rabble rain.

HALF-HEARD. adj. Imperfectly heard; not heard to an end.

Not added years on years my task could close; Back to thy native islands might'st thou sail, And leave half-heard the melancholy tale. Pope.

HALF-LEARNED.* adj. [half and learned.] Imperfectly learned.

To remove the difficulties that discourage the honest endeavours of the unlearned, and provoke the malicious cavils of the half-learned.

Lowth, Visit. Sermon, 1758.

HALF-LOST.* adj. [half and lost.] Nearly

Alone, and without guide, half-lost, I seek What readiest path leads where your gloomy bounds Milton, P. L.

Confine with heaven.

HALF-MOON. n. s.

1. The moon in its appearance when at

half increase or decrease. 2. Any thing in the figure of a half-moon. See how in warlike muster they appear,

In rhombs and wedges, and half-moons and wings. Milton, P. R.

HALF-PART.* n. s. [half and part.] Equal share; an old exclamation, similar to that of halves. See HALF, n. s. 2. Pirate. A prize! a prize!

3. Pirate. Half-part, mates, half-part! Shakspeare, Pericles.

HALF-PENNY. † n. s. plural half-pence. [half and penny. Sax. halpenize. Our word is usually written halfpenny, though Dr. Johnson here writes it peny; yet, at the word penny, the present spelling. Our vulgar pronunciation resembles the Saxon word, viz. halpeny or hapeny.]

1. A copper coin, of which two make a

penny Bardolph stole a lute-case, bore it twelve leagues, and sold it for three half-nence. Shaksp.
I thank you; and sure, dear friend, my thanks are too dear of a half penny. Shakspeare.

He cheats for half-pence, and he doffs his coat Shakspeare.

To save a farthing in a ferryboat. Dryden. Never admit this pernicious coin, no not so

much as one single half-penny. Swift. You will wonder how Wood could get his majesty's broad seal for so great a sum of bad money, and that the nobility here could not obtain the same favour, and make our own half-pence as we used to do.

2. It has the force of an adjective conjoined with any thing of which it denotes the price.

There shall be in England seven half-penny loaves sold for a penny.

HAL HALF-DEAD.* adj. [Sax. healf-beab.] Al- [HALF-PENNYWORTH.* n. s. [from halfpenny.] The worth of a half-penny.

O monstrous! but one half-pennyworth of bread to this intolerable deal of sack!

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. P. I. HALF-PIKE. n. s. [half and pike.] The small pike carried by officers.

The various ways of paying the salute with the Tatler.

HALF-PINT. n. s. [half and pint.] The fourth part of a quart.

One half-pint bottle serves them both to dine; And is at once their vinegar and wine.

HALF-READ.* adj. [half and read.] Superficially skilled by reading.

The clown unread, and half-read gentleman. Dryden, Hind and Panther.

HALF-SCHOLAR. n. s. One imperfectly learned.

We have many half-scholars now-a-days, and there is much confusion and inconsistency in the notions and opinions of some persons.

HALF-SEAS over. A proverbial expression for any one far advanced. It is commonly used of one half drunk. I am half-seas o'er to death:

And since I must die once, I would be loth To make a double work of what's half-finish'd. Dryden.

HALF-SIGHTED. adj. [half and sight.] Seeing imperfectly; having weak discernment.

The officers of the king's household had need be provident, both for his honour and thrift: they must look both ways, else they are but half-sighted.

HALF-SPHERE. n. s. [half and sphere.] Hemisphere.

Let night grow blacker with thy plots; and day, At shewing but thy head forth, start away From this half-sphere. B.

HALF-STARVED.* adj. [half and starved.] Almost starved.

Unnam'd, undreaded, and thyself half-starv'd. Milton, P. L.

HALF-STRAINED. adj. [half and strain.] Half-bred: imperfect.

I find I'm but a half-strain'd villain yet, But mungril-mischievous; for my blood boil'd To view this brutal act. Dryden.

HALF-SWORD. n. s. Close fight; within half the length of a sword.

I am a rogue, if I were not at half-sword with a dozen of them two hours together. Shukspeare.

HALF-WAY. adv. [half and way.] In the middle.

Fearless he sees, who is with virtue crown'd, The tempest rage, and hears the thunder sound; Ever the same, let fortune smile or frown: Serenely as he liv'd resigns his breath; Meets destiny half-way, nor shrinks at death.

Granville. HALF-WIT. n. s. [half and wit.] A blockhead; a foolish fellow.

Half-wits are fleas, so little and so light, We scarce could know they live, but that they

HALF-WITTED. adj. [from half-wit.] Imperfectly furnished with understanding. I would rather have trusted the refinement of our language, as to sound, to the judgement of

the women than of half-witted poets.

Jack had passed for a poor, well-meaning, halfwitted, crack-brained fellow: people were strangely surprised to find him in such a roguery. Arbuthnot, Hist. of John Bull.

When half is added to any word noting personal qualities, it commonly notes contempt.

To divide into two To HALF.* v. a. parts. See To HALVE.

Our Nicholas, for I account him at least halfed between us, tells me that you have good means to know when ---- will be in town.

Wotton, Lett. (1638,) Rem. p. 374.

HA'LFEN.* adj. [from half.] Wanting half its due qualities.

So perfect in that art was Paridel, That he Malbecco's halfen eye did wile, His halfen eye he wiled wondrous well. Spenser, F. Q. iii. x. 5.

HA'LFENDEAL. † adv. [not a substantive, as Dr. Johnson asserts: Chaucer, halvendele: Teut. half-deel.] Nearly half. Now the humid night was farforth spent, And heavenly lamps were halfendeale ybrent.

Spenser, F. Q.

HA'LFER.* n. s. [from half.]

1. One who possesses only half of any

It would be more pleasing unto God, and commendable with men, if yourselves and such halfers in opinion, "omnium horarum homines" for your private ends, would openly avow what covertly you conceal. Montague, App. to Cas. p. 142.

This word does not occur in the dictionaries; but it means a male fallow-deer gelded, which is so called upon the same footing as a stone-horse in French is called cheval-entier .- Many, through ignorance of the etymon, [half,] will call it havior, which is very absurd, and puts me in mind of a worthy gentleman, who told me he once wanted to send half of one of these cut bucks as a present, but when he came to write about it, could not spell the proper term, and could get no information about it; and as he did not care to give it wrong, he at last omitted sending it.

Pegge, Anonym. iv. 42. HA'LIARDS.* See HALLIARDS.

HA'LIBUT. + n. s. A sort of fish. In the afternoon, having three hours calm, our people caught upwards of a hundred halibuts, some of which weighed a hundred pounds, and

none less than twenty pounds. Cook and King's Voyage.

HA'LIDOM. † n. s. [haliz 60m, holy judgement, or haliz, and dame, for lady. Dr. Johnson. - Dr. Johnson accordingly gives the example from Spenser, with the definition of the word as meaning " our blessed lady," and with a remark that it should be halidam. But halidom appears to have been an ancient oath or solemn affirmation, " par le sacrement," as Sherwood observes; "forme de jurement ancienne." The Sax. haliz-Some denoted holiness, devoutness, integrity, as well as a sacrament or any thing holy. Holidame, or halidam, as Dr. Johnson would have it for the holy virgin, is a corruption of the original word: but Spenser is not guilty of it.] An adjuration by what is holy.

By my hallidome, quoth he, Ye a great master are in your degree.

Spenser, Hubb. Tale.

By my halidom, I was fast asleep. Shakspeare, Two Gent. Ver.

HA'LIMASS. † n. s. [halig and mass.] The feast of All-souls. See HALLOWMAS. HA'LING.* n. s. [from To hale.] An act

of dragging by force; compulsion. The beggarly help of halings and amercements.

Milton, Reas. of Ch. Gov. B. 2.

HA'LITUOUS. adj. [halitus, Lat.] Vaporous; fumous.

We speak of the atmosphere as of a peculiar thin, and halituous liquor, much lighter than spirit of wine.

HALL. + n. s. [Goth. hall; Sax. hal; Dutch, halle; old Fr. halle; low Lat. hala; Lat. aula; Gr. αίλη. From the Sax. verb helan, to cover; hall a covered building, according to Mr. H. Tooke.]

1. A court of justice; as, Westminster

Hall.

O lost too soon in yonder house or hall. Pope. 2. A manor-house so called, because in it were held courts for the tenants.

Captain Sentry, my master's nephew, has taken possession of the hall house, and the whole estate.

3. The public room of a corporation. With expedition on the beadle call,

To summon all the company to the hall. 4. The first large room of a house.

That light we see is burning in my hall. Shakspeare.

Courtesy is sooner found in lowly sheds With smoky rafters, than in tapestry halls
And courts of princes. Milton, Comus. And courts of princes.

5. A collegiate body in the universities of Oxford and Cambridge; in the former, not having the same constitution and endowment as a college; in the latter, 2. To chase with shouts. exactly the same.

No master or head of any college or hall, in either of the said universities, shall, on any occasion whatsoever, be absent from his college, or

hall, above two months together.

Dean Prideaux, Life, &c. p. 223.

HALLELU'JAH. † n.s. רללויה: Praise ye the Lord. " To demonstrate that God is the proper object of praise, these words, Praise ye the Lord, are so compounded together, as they make but one word in Hebrew, hallelujah." See Leigh's Critica Sacra, p. 57. In our church, as Wheatly observes, we repeat the sense of it every day in English; and in the first Liturgy of king Edward VI. the word itself was retained.] A song of thanksgiving.
Then shall thy saints ———

Unfeigned hallelujahs to Thee sing,

Hymns of high praise. Milton, P. L. Singing those devout hymns and heavenly anthems, in which the church militant seems ambitious to emulate the triumphant, and echo back the solemn praises and hallelujahs of the celestial

HALLELUJA'TICK.* adj. [from hallelujah.] Denoting a song of thanksgiving.

They mean one of those psalms which were called halleluatick psalms, because they had the word hallelujah prefixed to them.

Christian Antiq. ii. 119.

Ha'lliards or Ha'lyards.* n. s. pl. In naval language, ropes or tackle employed to hoist or lower a sail.

The haliards of the fore-sail. Sherwood.

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HALLO'O. interj. [The original of this] word is controverted: some imagine it corrupted from à lui, to him! others from allons, let us go! and Skinner 2. To reverence as holy; hallowed be thy from haller, to draw. Dr. Johnson. -It is much more probably from the Sax. ahlopan, to bellow, to make a great noise; whence loud, and to low; Germ. hallen. Yet I remember somewhere to have seen à loup, to the wolf! proposed as the origin; and Cotgrave gives us harlou, which he explains by "hareloup, a word wherewith dogs, that hunt or assail a wolf, are cheered and encouraged." See, however, ALEW. The interjection has the accent always on the last syllable; the verb indifferently on either.] A word of encouragement when dogs are let loose on their game.

Some popular chief, More noisy than the rest, but cries halloo, And, in a trice, the bellowing herd come out. Dryden.

To HA'LLOO. v. n. [haler, Fr.] 1. To cry as after the dogs.

A cry more tunable Was never halloo'd to, nor cheer'd with horn.

2. To treat as in contempt.

Country folks hallooed and houted after me, as the arrantest coward that ever shewed his shoulders to his enemy.

To HA'LLOO. v. a.

1. To encourage with shouts.

If, whilst a boy, Jack ran from school, Fond of his hunting-horn and pole, Though gout and age his speed detain, Old John halloos his hounds again.

If I fly, Martius,

Halloo me like a hare. Shakspeare, Coriol.

Prior.

3. To call or shout to.

When we have found the king, he that first lights on him, Halloo the other. Shaks. K. Lear.

HA'LLOOING.* n. s. [from halloo.] A loud and vehement cry.

There are noises, huntings, shoutings, hallooings, Amidst the brakes and furzes. B. Jonson, Magn. Lady.

To HA'LLOW. v. a. [halgian, haliz, Sax.

1. To consecrate; to make holy.

When we sanctify or hallow churches, it is only to testify that we make them places of publick resort; that we invest God himself with them, and that we sever them from common uses.

It cannot be endured to hear a man profess that he putteth fire to his neighbour's house, but yet so halloweth the same with prayer, that he hopeth it shall not burn.

Is't Cade that I have slain, that monstrous

Sword, I will hallow thee for this thy deed, And hang thee o'er my tomb, when I am dead. Shakspeare.

My prayers Are not words duly hallow'd, nor my wishes More worth than vanities; yet pray'rs and wishes

Are all I can return. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. God from work

Now resting, bless'd and hallow'd the seventh day, As resting on that day from all his works, But not in silence holy kept. Milton, P. L. Then banish'd faith shall once again return, And vestal fires in hallow'd temples burn. Dryd.

No satyr lurks within this hallow'd ground; But nymphs and heroines, kings and gods abound-

HA'LLOWMAS.† n.s. [Sax. haliz and mass.]
The feast of All-souls: one of the cross quarters of the year, computing from the first of November to Candlemas.

She came adorned hither like sweet May, Sent back like Hallowmas, or short'st of day. Shakspeare, K. Rich. II.

To speak puling like a beggar at hallowmas. Shakspeare, Two Gent. Ver.

To HALLU'CINATE.* v. n. [Lat. hallucinatus.] To stumble; to blunder.

Cockeram. HALLUCINA'TION. n. s. [hallucinatio, Lat.] Errour; blunder; mistake; folly.

A wasting of flesh, without cause, is frequently termed a bewitched disease; but questionless a mere hallucination of the vulgar. Harvey.

This must have been the hallucination of the transcriber, who probably mistook the dash of the I for a T.

HALM. n. s. [healm, Saxon.] Straw: pronounced haum: which see.

HA'LO. n. s. [Fr. halo, from the Greek άλως, a circle. A red circle round the sun or moon.

If the hail be a little flatted, the light transmitted may grow so strong, at a little less distance than that of twenty-six degrees, as to form a halo about the sun or moon; which halo, as often as the hailstones are duly figured, may be coloured.

I saw by reflection, in a vessel of stagnating water, three halos, crowns or rings of colours about the sun, like three little rainbows, concentrick to his body.

Ha'Low, or He'Low.* adj. [Sax. hpyl, bashful.] Shy; awkward, bashful. A northern word. Grose, and Wilbraham's Cheshire Gloss.

HALSE.* n.s. [Sax. halr.] The neck; the throat; one of our oldest words, and yet retained in the north of England, where it is pronounced hause. Halse is likewise in our old lexicography.

Thy litel children hanging by the hals, For thy Jason, that was of love so fals.

Chaucer, Man of Law's Prol.

To Halse.* v. a. [German, halsen; Su. Goth. halsas; to embrace: from halr, the neck.

1. To embrace about the neck, as children do their parents.

Each other kissed glad, And lovely haulst, from feare of treason free. And plighted hands, for ever friends to be.

Spenser, F. Q. iv. iii. 49.

2. To adjure. [Sax. halpan. Mr. Tyrwhitt has mistaken the sense in the following passage, where he rejects the obvious Saxon meaning, and indeed condescends not to notice it, conceiving the word as denoting to salute with reverence. But that is another sense. This yonge child to conjure he began,

And said; O dere child, I halse thee In vertue of the holy Trinitee, Tell me what is thy cause for to sing, Sith that thy throte is cut to my seming. Chaucer, Prioress's Tale.

3. To greet; to salute with respect or | 2. One who hesitates. reverence. [Germ. heilizan, from heil; Sax. hal; Goth. hails. See the interjection HAIL.]

The eleven sterres halsed him all.

Vis. of P. Ploughman, (1550,) fol. xxxix. I halse hym hendlick, as I hys frende were. Vis. of P. Ploughman, fol. xxii.

HA'LSENING. † adj. [Sax. half, the throat.] Sounding harshly; inharmonious in the throat or tongue. Not in use.

This ill halsening horny name hath, as Cornuto in Italy, opened a gap to the scoffs of many.

HAL'SER. n. s. [from halr, neck, and reel, a rope. It is now in marine pronunciation corrupted to hawser.] A rope less than a cable.

A beechen mast then in the hollow base They hoisted, and with well-wreathed halsers hoise Chapman. Their white sails.

No halsers need to bind these vessels here, Nor bearded anchors; for no storms they fear.

To HALT. + v. n. [healt, Sax. lame; healtan, to limp; halts, Goth. haltr, Icel. lame, from hallda, to keep back, to detain. Serenius. In like manner, Mr. H. Tooke says that halt is the imperative of the Sax. verb healban, to hold. Div. Purl. ii. 477. The Germ. halten, and Dan. halter, are also to stop.]

1. To limp; to be lame.

And will she yet debase her eyes On me, that halt and am mis-shapen thus?

Thus inborn broils the factions would engage, Or wars of exil'd heirs, or foreign rage,

Till halting vengeance overtook our age. D
Spenser himself affects the obsolete, And Sidney's verse halts ill on Roman feet.

2. To stop in a march. I was forced to halt in this perpendicular march. Addison.

3. To hesitate; to stand dubious. How long halt ye between two opinions? 1 Kings, xviii. 21.

4. To fail; to faulter.

Here's a paper written in his hand; A halting sonnet of his own pure brain,

Shakspeare. Fashion'd to Beatrice. All my familiars watched for my halting, saying, Peradventure he will be enticed, and we shall Jerem. XX. 10. prevail against him.

HALT. + adj. [Goth. halts; Sax. healt. See the verb.] Lame; crippled. Bring in hither the poor, the maimed, the halt,

St. Luke, xiv. 21. and the blind.

HALT. n. s. [from the verb.]

1. The act of limping; the manner of limping.

2. A stop in a march.

The heavenly bands Down from a sky of jasper lighted now In Paradise, and on a hill made halt.

Milton, P. L.

Scouts each coast light armed scour, Each quarter, to descry the distant foe, Where lodg'd, or whither fled, or if for tight Milton, P. L. In motion, or in halt. Without any halt they marched between the

two armies. He might have made a halt till his foot and artillery came up to him.

HA'LTER. † n. s. [from halt.]

Sherwood. 1. One who limps.

Those halters between two religions think they can do their homage to the true God and to the Stokes on the Prophets, (1659,) p. 412.

HAM

HA'LTER. † n. s. [Dr. Johnson has given healrope as the origin of halter, which, from half, the neck. The true Sax. word is hælgten, or halfter. Serenius and Ihre derive it from the Su. Goth. haelda, or haella, to hold.

1. A rope to hang malefactors.

He's fled, my lord, and all his pow'rs do yield; And humbly thus, with halters on their necks, Expect your highness' doom of life or death.

They were to die by the sword if they stood upon defence, and by the halter if they yielded; wherefore they made choice to die rather as soldiers than as dogs.

Were I a drowsy judge, whose dismal note Disgorgeth halters, as a juggler's throat

Cleaveland. Doth ribands. He gets renown, who, to the halter near,

But narrowly escapes, and buys it dear. Dryden, Juv.

2. A cord; a strong string. Whom neither halter binds nor burthens charge. Sandus.

To HA'LTER. v.a. [from the noun.] To bind with a cord; to catch in a noose. Some that are tall, and some that are dwarfs,

Some that are halter'd, and some that wear scarfs. B. Jonson, Masques.

He might have employed his time in the frivolous delights of catching moles and haltering Atterbury. frogs.

HA'LTINGLY.* adv. [from halt.] In a slow manner.

We must wait for the truth which comes halt-Dict. of Quotations. ingly behind.

To HALVE. † v. a. [from half, halves.] To divide into two parts. See To HALF. Then, says he, the moon has strength enough; and is not yet halved.

Stukely, Palæogr. Sacra, p. 66.

HALVES. interj. [from half, halves being the plural.] An expression by which any one lays claim to an equal share. Have you not seen how the divided dam

Runs to the summons of her hungry lamb? But when the twin cries halves, she quits the first.

HAM, whether initial or final, is no other than the Saxon pam, a house, farm, or Gibson's Camden. HAM. n. s. [ham, Sax. hamme, Dutch.]

1. The hip; the hinder part of the articulation of the thigh with the knee.

The ham was much relaxed; but there was some contraction remaining. Wiseman.

2. The thigh of a hog salted. Who has not learn'd, fresh sturgeon and ham pye Are no rewards for want and infamy?

На'маск.* See Наммоск.

HA'MADRYAD.* n. s. [Greek, αμα, together, and δρῦς, an oak; Fr. hamadryade.] One of those wood-nymphs of antiquity, who were feigned to live and die with the trees to which they were attached.

The common opinion concerning the nymphs, whom the ancients called hamadryads, is more to the honour of trees than any thing yet mentioned : It was thought that the fate of these nymphs had

so near a dependance on some trees, more especially oaks, that they lived and died together.

Spectator, No. 589. The hamadryad or nymph, who must necessarily have perished with the tree, appeared to him the next day. Ibid.

HA'MATE.* adj. [hamatus, Lat.] Entangled; twisted together. To explain cohesion by hamate atoms is ac-

counted " ignotum per ignotius." Bp. Berkeley, Siris, § 227.

HA'MATED. adj. [hamatus, Lat.] Hooked: set with hooks.

To HA'MBLE. † v.a. [Sax. hamelan; Chaucer writes the word hamel; Dan. hamble. To cut the sinews of the thigh; to hamstring.

HAME. n. s. [hama, Sax.] The collar by which a horse draws in a waggon.

HAME.* n. s. [Sax. ham.] Home. Our old word; and yet used in the north of England. Therefore is I come, and eke Alein,

To grind our corn, and cary it hame agein. Chaucer, Reve's Tale.

To HA'MEL.* See To HAMBLE. Hamelin, or hamlin, is used for walking lame, in the Craven dialect.

HA'MLET. n. s. [ham, Sax. and let, the diminutive termination. A small village. Within the self-same lordship, parish, or hamlet, lands have divers degrees of value. Bacon. He pitch'd upon the plain

His mighty camp, and, when the day return'd, The country wasted and the hamlets burn'd.

HA'MLETTED.* adj. [from hamlet.] Countrified: accustomed only to a hamlet.

He is properly and pitiedly to be counted alone that is illiterate, and unactively lives hamletted in some untravelled village of the duller country. Feltham, Res. ii. 49.

HA'MMER. n. s. [hamen, Sax. hammer, Danish.

The instrument, consisting of a long handle and heavy head, with which any thing is forged or driven. The armourers,

With busy hammers closing rivets up, Give dreadful note of preparation. Shakspeare. The stuff will not work well with a hammer.

It is broken not without many blows, and will break the best anvils and hammers of iron.

Brown, Vulg. Err. Every morning he rises fresh to his hammer and

The smith prepares his hammer for the stroke. Dryden, Juv.

2. Any thing destructive. That renowned pillar of truth, and hammer of

heresies, St. Augustine. Hakewill on Providence. To HA'MMER. † v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To beat with a hammer. His bones the hammer'd steel in strength surpass.

This christal here, That shines so clear.

And carries in its womb a little day, Once hammer'd will appear Impure as dust, as dark as clay.

J. Hall, Poems, (1646,) p. 57. 2. To forge or form with a hammer.

Useless the forgery Of brazen shield and spear, the hammer'd cuirass.

Milton, S. A. Some hammer helmets for the fighting field.

Drudg'd like a smith, and on the anvil beat, Till he had hammer'd out a vast estate. Dryden. I must pay with hammered money instead of

3. To work in the mind; to contrive by intellectual labour: used commonly in

Wilt thou still be hammering treachery To humble down thy husband and thyself?

Shakspeare. He was nobody that could not hammer out of

his name an invention by this witcraft, and picture it accordingly. Some spirits, by whom they were stirred and

guided in the name of the people, hammer'd up the articles. Hayward. By this time Mr. Pryn's malice had hammered out something.

Apb. Laud, Hist. of his Trial, ch. 20.

To HA'MMER. v. n.

1. To work; to be busy: in contempt. Nor need'st thou much importune me to that, Whereon this month I have been hammering.

I have been studying how to compare This prison where I live unto the world; And, for because the world is populous, And here is not a creature but myself,

I cannot do it; yet I'll hammer on't. Shakspeare. 2. To be in agitation.

Vengeance is in my heart, death in my hand; Blood and revenge are hammering in my head. Shakspeare.

HA'MMERABLE.* adj. [from hammer.] Capable of being formed by a hammer.

HA'MMERCLOTH.* n.s. [hammer and cloth.] The cloth that covers a coach-box. The coachman formerly used to carry a hammer, pincers, a few nails, &c. in a leather pouch belonging to his box; and this cloth was used for the hiding or concealing of them from the publick view.

HA'MMERER. † n. s. [from hammer.] One who works with a hammer. Sherwood. HA'MMERHARD. n. s. [hammer and hard.] Hammerhard is when you harden iron

or steel with much hammering on it.

HA'MMERMAN.* n. s. [hammer and man.] One who beats with a hammer at the

Hard-handed and stiff ignorance, worthy a trowel or a hammerman.

B. Jonson, Magn. Lady.

HA'MMERWORT.* n. s. [Sax. hambp-pypc.] An herb. [parietaria.] See WORT.

HA'MMOCK.† n. s. [hamaca, Sax. Dr. Johnson.— The word is Indian, amacha; and our old writers follow it. Temple, from whom alone Dr. Johnson cites an example, gives it hammock.] A swinging bed.

Cotton for the making of hamaccas, which are

Indian beds.

Ralegh, Discov. of Guiana, (1596,) p. 32.
The Brasilians call their beds hamacas; they are as a sheet laced at both ends; and so they sit rocking themselves in them.

Sir R. Hawkins, Observ. Voy. to the S. Sea, § 27. The storm being over, they [sailors] commonly get into their beds or hamacks.

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 6. Prince Maurice of Nassau, who had been accustomed to hammocks, used them all his life.

to be contracted from hand panier; but hanaperium appears to have been a word long in use, whence hanaper, hamper. Dr. Johnson, - The word may be traced to the Sax. hnæp, a cup; old Fr. hanap; Armor. anap; whence hanaperium, either a large cup, or a place in which to deposit cups, a cupboard. V. Du Cange in HANAPERIUM. Hence its application to a trunk, or box, in which any thing might be kept; and so hanaper, perhaps, for a treasury. Or it may be referred to the old word ambry, a cupboard; from almonry, or the place where alms were kept in order to be distributed. See AMBRY. Certain it is, that our word was formerly amper; though Dr. Johnson cites only the modern usage of it by Swift. Formerly, a cupboard; a chest; a box: now, a large basket for

Either as a spiritual food and victual in their tabernacles, amperes, hutches; or as a mysterie in their locked closets.

Sheldon, Mirac. of Antichrist, (1616,) p. 255. The Greek word, used by the translatour, doth properly signify a hutch, or ampire to put victuals in, or a chest to lock treasure in.

Sheldon, ut suprà, p. 265. What powder'd wigs! what flames and darts! What hampers full of bleeding hearts!

this word, in its present meaning, is uncertain: Junius observes, that hamplyns in Teutonick is a quarrel: others imagine that hamper or hanaper, being the treasury to which fines are paid, to hamper, which is commonly applied to the law, means originally to fine. Dr. Johnson. - Serenius gives a much more probable original, viz. "hampr, Icel. funiculus grossus lineus; Sueth. Vulg. hampas med negot, re difficili intricatus laborare."

1. To shackle; to entangle, as in chains

O loose this frame, this knot of man untie! That my free soul may use her wing, Which now is pinion'd with mortality,

As an entangl'd, hamper'd thing. Herbert. We shall find such engines to assail, And hamper thee, as thou shalt come of force.

Milton, S. A. What was it but a lion hampered in a net! L'Estrange.

Wear under vizard-masks their talents, And mother wits before their gallants; Until they're hamper'd in the noose,

Too fast to dream of breaking loose. Hudibras. They hamper and entangle our souls, and hinder their flight upwards. Tillotson.

2. To ensnare; to inveigle; to catch with allurements.

She'll hamper thee, and dandle thee like a baby.

3. To complicate; to tangle.

Engend'ring heats, these one by one unbind, Stretch their small tubes, and hamper'd nerves unwind. Blackmore.

4. To perplex; to embarrass by many lets and troubles.

And when th' are hamper'd by the laws, Release the lab'rers for the cause. Hudibras.

HA'MPER. * n. s. [supposed by Minsheu | HA'MPER. * n. s. [from the verb.] A kind of chain or fetter.

The swarthy smith spits in his buckshorne fist, And bids the men bring out the five-fold twist, His shackles, shacklockes, hampers, gives, and Browne, Brit. Past. B. i.

HA'MSTRING. n. s. [ham and string.] The tendon of the ham.

A player, whose conceit Lies in his hamstring, doth think it rich To hear the wooden dialogue, and sound 'Twixt his stretched footing and the scaffoldage.

Shakspeare. On the hinder side it is guarded with the two

To HA'MSTRING. v. a. preter. and part. pass. hamstrung. [from the noun. The Saxons used hamelan in this sense. See To Hamble.] To lame by cutting the tendon of the ham; to cripple.

His doctrine, referring all to an absolute decree, hamstrings all industry, and cuts off the sinews of men's endeavours towards salvation.

Fuller's Holy State, (1648,) p. 82 Hamstring'd behind, unhappy Gyges dy'd; Then Phalaris is added to his side. Dryden.

HAN for have, in the plural. Obsolete, Dr. Johnson says. This old contraction of haven, however, is yet retained in the north of England. "They han," i. e. they have. Yorkshire, Lancashire, &c. What concord han light and dark?

Spenser, Shep. Cal. May.

To HA'MPER. † v. a. [The original of HA'NAPER. † n.s. [hanaperium, low Lat. See HAMPER. A treasury; an exchequer. The clerk of the hanaper receives the fees due to the king for the seal of charters and patents.

The fines for all original writs were wont to be immediately paid into the hanaper of the Chancery. Bacon.

To HANCE, or HAUNCE.* v. a. [Fr. hausser. The parent of enhance.

1. To lift up.

They change their almicanteras for the haunsyng of the pole. Chaucer, Of the Astrolabe.

2. To raise; to enhance.

They hauncen their cause with false surquedrie. Chaucer, Compl. of Bl. Knight.

Ha'nces. n. s. pl.

1. [In a ship.] Falls of the fife-rails placed on bannisters on the poop and quarterdeck down to the gangway. Harris.

2. [In architecture.] The ends of elliptical arches; and these are the arches of smaller circles than the scheme, or middle part of the arch.

The sweep of the arch will not contain above fourteen inches, and perhaps you must cement pieces to many of the courses in the hance, to make them long enough to contain fourteen

HAND. † n. s. [hanb, honb, Sax. and in all the Teutonick dialects; and if not primitive, as Serenius observes, from the Goth. henda, to lay hold of.]

1. The palm with the fingers; the member with which we hold or use any instrument.

They laid hands upon him, and bound him and and foot.

Knolles, Hist of the Turks. hand and foot. They hand in hand, with wandering steps and

Through Eden took their solitary way. Milton, P. L.

That wonderful instrument the hand, was it Bp. Berkeley. made to be idle?

2. Measure of four inches; a measure used in the matches of horses; a palm.

3. Side, right or left.

For the other side of the court-gate, on this hand, and that hand, were hangings of fifteen Exod. xxxviii. 15. cubits.

4. Part; quarter; side.

It is allowed on all hands, that the people of England are more corrupt in their morals than any other nation this day under the sun.

5. Ready payment with respect to the receiver

Of which offer the bassa accepted, receiving in hand one year's tribute. Knolles, Hist.

These two must make our duty very easy; a considerable reward in hand, and the assurance of a far greater recompence hereafter. Tillotson.

6. Ready payment with regard to the payer. The example, however, seems to contain no more than the common expression out of hand, i.e. immediately. See Our.

Let not the wages of any man tarry with thee, Tob. iv. 14. but give it him out of hand.

7. Rate; price.

Time is the measure of business; money of wares: business is bought at a dear hand where there is small dispatch. Bacon.

8. Terms; conditions; rate.

Would you have any man without exception to take upon him the office of a schoolmaster? -· No, on no hand.

Stubbs, Anat. of Abuses, (1583,) P. ii. sign. D. 4. With simplicity admire and accept the mystery; but at no hand by pride, ignorance, interest, or vanity, wrest it to ignoble senses.

Bp. Taylor, Worthy Communicant.
It is either an ill sign or an ill effect, and therefore at no hand consistent with humility.

Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy. Employment and high place should become our greatest fear and terror, but at no hand our choice. Fell, Life of Hammond.

9. Act; deed; external action. Thou sawest the contradiction between my King Charles.

heart and hand. 10. Labour; act of the hand.

Arborets and flowers

Imborder'd on each bank, the hand of Eve. Milton, P. L.

Alnaschar was a very idle fellow, that never would set his hand to any business during his father's life. Addison.

I rather suspect my own judgement, than I can believe a fault to be in that poem, which lay so long under Virgil's correction, and had his last hand put to it. Addison.

11. Performance.

Where are these porters, These lazy knaves? Y'ave made a fine hand! fellows,

There's a trim rabble let in. Shakspeare.

12. Power of performance.

He had a great mind to try his hand at a Spectator, and would fain have one of his writing in my works. A friend of mine has a very fine hand on the Addison.

13. Attempt; undertaking.

Out of them you dare take in hand to lay open the original of such a nation. Spenser on Ireland.

14. Manner of gathering or taking.

As her majesty hath received great profit, so may she, by a moderate hand, from time to time reap the like.

15. Workmanship; power or act of manufacturing or making.

An intelligent being, coming out of the hands | 26. Cards held at a game. of infinite perfection, with an aversion or even indifferency to be reunited with its author, the source of his utmost felicity, is such a shock and deformity in the beautiful analogy of things, as is not consistent with finite wisdom and perfection.

16. Manner of acting or performing. The master saw the madness rise;

His glowing cheeks, his ardent eye And while he heav'n and earth defy'd,

Chang'd his hand, and check'd his pride. Dryden.

17. Agency; part in action. God must have set a more than ordinary esteem upon that which David was not thought fit

to have an hand in. 18. The act of giving or presenting. Let Tamar dress the meat in my sight, that I

may eat it at her hand. 2 Sam. xiii. 5. To-night the poet's advocate I stand.

And he deserves the favour at my hand. Addison. 19. Act of receiving any thing ready to one's hand, when it only waits to be

His power reaches no farther than to compound and divide the materials that are made to his hand; but can do nothing towards the making or destroying one atom of what is already in being.

Many, whose greatness and fortune were not made to their hands. had sufficient qualifications and opportunities of rising to these high posts.

20. Care; necessity of managing. Jupiter had a farm a long time upon his hands, for want of a tenant to come up to his price. L'Estrange.

When a statesman wants a day's defence, Or envy holds a whole week's war with sense, Or simple pride for flatt'ry makes demands, May dunce by dunce be whistled off my hands.

21. Discharge of duty.

Let it therefore be required on both parts, at the hands of the clergy, to be in meanness of estate like the apostles; at the hands of the laity, to be as they who lived under the apostles. 22. Reach; nearness: as, at hand, within

reach, near, approaching.

Your husband is at hand, I hear his trumpet. Shakspeare.

Cousins, I hope the days are near at hand Shakspeare. That chambers will be safe. He is at hand, and Pindarus is come

To do you salutation. Shakspeare. The sight of his mind was like some sights of eyes: rather strong at hand than to carry afar off.

Racon. Any light thing that moveth, when we find no wind, sheweth a wind at hand. Bacon. A very great sound near hand hath strucken

Bacon. many deaf. It is not probable that any body should effect that at a distance, which nearer hand it cannot

perform. When mineral or metal is to be generated, nature needs not to have at hand salt, sulphur, and Boyle. mercury.

23. Manual management. Nor swords at hand, nor hissing darts afar,

Are doom'd t'avenge the tedious bloody war. 24. State of being in preparation. Where is our usual manager of mirth?
What revels are in hand? Is there no play,

To ease the anguish of a torturing hour? 25. State of being in present agitation. I look'd upon her with a soldier's eye; That lik'd, but had a rougher task in hand

Shaks. Than to drive liking to the name of war. It is indifferent to the matter in hand which way the learned shall determine of it.

There was never an hand drawn, that did double the rest of the habitable world, before this. Bacon. 27. That which is used in opposition to another.

He would dispute, Confute, change hands, and still confute. Hudibras.

28. Scheme of action. Consult of your own ways, and think which

hund B. Jonson. Is best to take. They who thought they could never be secure except the king were first at their mercy, were willing to change the hand in carrying on the war.

29. Advantage; gain; superiority.

The French king, supposing to make his hand by those rude ravages in England, broke off his treaty of peace, and proclaimed hostility. Hayward.

30. Competition; contest. She in beauty, education, blood,

Holds hand with any princess in the world. Shaks.

31. Transmission; conveyance; agency of conveyance.

All Israel mourned for him, according to the word of the Lord, which he spake by the hand of his servant Ahijah the prophet. 1 Kings, xiv. 18. The salutation by the hand of me Paul.

Col. iv. 18.

32. Possession; power.

Sacraments serve as the moral instruments of God to that purpose; the use whereof is in our hands, the effect in his. Hooker.

And though you war like petty wrangling states, You're in my hand; and when I bid you cease,
You shall be crush'd together into peace, Dryden.
Between the landlord and tenant there must be

a quarter of the revenue of the land constantly in their hands.

It is fruitless pains to learn a language, which one may guess by his temper he will wholly neglect, as soon as an approach to manhood setting him free from a governour, shall put him into the hands of his own inclination. Locke.

Vectigales Agri were lands taken from the enemy, and distributed amongst the soldiers, or left in the hands of the proprietors under the condition of certain duties. Arbuthnot.

33. Pressure of the bridle.

Hollow men, like horses hot at hand, Make gallant show and promise of their mettle. Shakspeare.

34. Method of government; discipline; restraint.

Menelaus bare an heavy hand over the citizens, having a malicious mind against his countrymen, 2 Mac. v. 23.

He kept a strict hand on his nobility, and chose rather to advance clergymen and lawyers.

Bacon, Hen. VII. However strict a hand is to be kept upon all

desires of fancy, yet in recreation fancy must be permitted to speak.

35. Influence; management. Flattery, the dang'rous nurse of vice,

Got hand upon his youth, to pleasures bent.

36. That which performs the office of a hand in pointing.

The body, though it moves, yet not changing perceivable distance with other bodies, as fast as the ideas of our own minds do naturally follow one another, the thing seems to stand still; as is evident in the hands of clocks and shadows of

37. Agent; person employed; a manager. The wisest prince, if he can save himself and his people from ruin, under the worst administration, what may not his subjects hope for when he changeth hands, and maketh use of the best?

38. Giver, and receiver.

This tradition is more like to be a notion bred in the mind of man, than transmitted from hand to hand through all generations. Tillotson.

39. An actor; a workman; a soldier; a sailor.

The nurse of time and everlasting fame,

That warlike hands ennoblest with immortal name. Spenser, F. Q. i. xi. 5.

Your wrongs are known: impose but your commands,

This hour shall bring you twenty thousand hands. Demetrius appointed the painter guards, pleased

that he could preserve that hand from the barbarity and insolence of soldiers. Dryden.

A dictionary containing a natural history requires too many hands, as well as too much time, ever to be hoped for. Tocke.

All hands aloft, aloft, let English valour shine; Let fly a culverin, the signal of the line;

Let every hand supply his gun! Follow me,

And you'll see, That the battle will be soon begun.

Song on the Sea-Fight in 1692.

40. Catch or reach without choice.

The men of Isreal smote as well the men of every city as the beast, and all that came to hand. Judges.

A sweaty reaper from his tillage brought First fruits, the green ear, and the yellow sheaf, Uncull'd as came to hand. Milton, P. L.

41. Form or cast of writing.

Here is th' indictment of the good lord Hastings,

Which in a set hand fairly is engross'd;

Eleven hours I've spent to write it over. Solyman shewed him his own letters intercepted, asking him if he knew not that hand, if he knew not that seal?

Being discovered by their knowledge of Mr. Cowley's hand, I happily escaped.

If my debtors do not keep their day, Denham.

Whether men write court or Roman hand, or any other, there is something peculiar in every one's writing. Cockburn

The way to teach to write, is to get a plate graved with the characters of such hand you like.

Constantia saw that the hand writing agreed with the contents of the letter.

I present these thoughts in an ill hand; but scholars are bad penmen: we seldom regard the mechanick part of writing. Felton on the Classicks. They were wrote on both sides, and in a small

42. HAND over head. Negligently; rashly; without seeing what one does.

So many strokes of the alarum bell of fear and awaking to other nations, and the facility of the titles, which, band over head, have served their turn, doth ring the peal so much the louder.

A country fellow got an unlucky tumble from a tree: Thus 'tis, says a passenger, when people will be doing things hand over head, without either fear L'Estrange.

43. HAND to HAND. Close fight.

In single opposition, hand to hand, He did confound the best part of an hour. Shaks. He issues, ere the fight, his dread command, That slings afar, and poniards hand to hand, He banish'd from the field.

44. HAND in HAND. In union; conjointly.

war had been bestowed there, to the advantage of the country, which would then have gone hand in hand with his own.

45. HAND in HAND. Fit; pat.

As fair and as good, a kind of hand in hand comparison, had been something too fair and too good for any lady in Britany. Shakspeare, Cymb. 46. HAND to mouth. As want requires.

In matter of learning, many of us are fain to be day-labourers, and to live from hand to mouth, being not able to lay up any thing.

Bp. Reynolds on the Passions, ch. 37. They, good people,

Have but from hand to mouth.

Beaum, and Fl. Mad Lover. I can get bread from hand to mouth, and make even at the year's end. L'Estrange.

47. To bear in HAND. To keep in expectation; to elude.

A rascally yea forsooth knave, to bear in hand, and then stand upon security. Shakspeare.

48. To be HAND and Glove. To be intimate and familiar; to suit one another. To HAND. v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To give or transmit with the hand.

Judas was not far off, not only because he dipped in the same dish, but because he was so near that our Saviour could hand the sop unto him.

Brown, Vulg. Err. I have been shewn a written prophecy that is handed among them with great secrecy. Addison.

2. To guide or lead by the hand. Angels did hand her up, who next God dwell.

By safe and insensible degrees he will pass from a boy to a man, which is the most hazardous step in life: this therefore should be carefully watched, and a young man with great diligence handed over

To seize; to lay hands on. Let him, that makes but trifles of his eyes First hand me: on mine own accord, I'll off.

Shakspeare. 4. To manage; to move with the hand. 'Tis then that with delight I rove

Upon the boundless depth of love: I bless my chains, I hand my oar, Nor think on all I left on shore.

Prior. 5. To transmit in succession, with down; to deliver from one to another.

They had not only a tradition of it in general, but even of several the most remarkable particular accidents of it likewise, which they handed downwards to the succeeding ages. Woodward.

I know no other way of securing these monuments, and making them numerous enough to be handed down to future ages. Addison.

Arts and sciences consist of scattered theorems and practices, which are handed about amongst the masters, and only revealed to the filii artis, till some great genius appears, who collects these disjointed propositions, and reduces them into a regular system. Arbuthnot.

One would think a story so fit for age to talk of, and infancy to hear, were incapable of being handed down to us. Pope, Ess. on Homer.

To HAND.* v. n. To go hand in hand; to co-operate with.

I hitherto have liv'd an ill example, And, as your captain, led you on to mischief; But now will truly labour, that good men May say hereafter of me, to my glory (Let but my power and means hand with my will,) His good endeavours did weigh down his ill.

Massinger, Renegado. HAND is much used in composition for that which is manageable by the hand, as a handsaw; or borne in the hand, as a handbarrow.

Had the sea been Marlborough's element, the | HA'NDBALL.* n. s. [hand and ball.] One of our ancient games with the ball.

A custom by no means unlike the playing at handball for a tanzy-cake, the winning of which depends chiefly upon swiftness of foot.

Brand, Pop. Antiq. HA'NDBARROW. n. s. A frame on which any thing is carried by the hands of two men, without wheeling on the ground.

A handbarrow, wheelbarrow, shovel and spade. Tusser.

Set the board whereon the hive standeth on a handbarrow, and carry them to the place you in-

Ha'ndbasket. n. s. A portable basket. You must have woollen yarn to tie grafts with, and a small handbasket to carry them in. Mortimer.

HA'NDBELL. † n. s. [Sax. hanbbell.] A bell rung by the hand. The strength of the percussion is a principal

cause of the loudness or softness of sounds; as in ringing of a handbell harder or softer. HA'NDBOW.* n. s. A bow managed by the hand.

Thus endeth the lives of these good yemen; God send them eternal blysse: And all, that with a handbowe shoteth,

That of heven they never mysse. Old Ballad of Adam Bell, &c. HA'NDBREADTH. † n. s. [Sax. hanbbneb.] A space equal to the breadth of the

hand; a palm. A border of an handbreadth round about.

Exod, xxv. 25. The eastern people determined their handbreadth

by the breadth of barley corns, six making a digit, and twenty-four a hand's breadth. Arbuthnot. HA'NDCLOTH.* n. s. [Sax. hanbclab.] A

handkerchief. See HANDKERCHIEF. HA'NDCUFF.* n. s. [This word is probably a corruption. Dr. Jamieson, noticing its use in Scotland, derives it from cuff, i. e. a sleeve of iron: "or," says he, "shall we rather deduce it from the Su. Goth. handklofvor, manacles, from hand and klofwa, any thing cloven; speciatim, say's Ihre, tendicula aucupum." - Dr. Jamieson had here overlooked the Saxon word, which is hanocopre, from hano and copy, or copp, a fetter: on handcoprum, Psalm cxlix. 8. Of this word handcuff seems to be the corruption. Formerly we had handfetter.] A manacle; a fetter for the wrist.

To HA'NDCUFF.* v. a. [from the noun.] To manacle; to fasten by a chain.

If he cannot carry an ox, like Milo; he will not, like Milo, be handcuffed in the oak, by attempting to rend it.

Hay, Ess. on Deformity, (1754,) p. 26. HA'NDCRAFT.* n. s. [Sax. hanocpært.]
Work performed by the hand. This is the true word; handicraft being a cor-

ruption of it. Handcraft is in the old dictionary of Huloet. HA'NDCRAFTSMAN.* n. s. [from handcraft.] A workman. Huloet.

HA'NDED. adj. [from hand.] 1. Having the use of the hand, left or

Many are right handed, whose livers are weakly constituted; and many use the left, in whom that Brown, Vulg. Err. part is strongest. With hands joined.

Into their inmost bower Milton, P. L. Handed they went.

HA'NDER. n. s. [from hand.] Transmitter;] conveyor in succession.

They would assume, with wond'rous art, Themselves to be the whole, who are but part, Of that vast frame the church; yet grant they were The handers down, can they from thence infer A right t' interpret? Or would they alone, Who brought the present, claim it for their own?

HA'NDFAST. + n. s. [hand and fast.]

1. Hold; custody.

If that shepherd be not in handfast, let him fly.

2. Hold; power of keeping.

Can it be, that this most perfect creature, This image of his Maker, well-squar'd man, Should leave the handfast that he had of grace, To fall into a woman's easy arms? Beaum. and Fl. Woman-Hater.

HA'NDFAST.* adj. Fast, as by contract; firm in adherence. See To HANDFAST.

A vyrgine made handfast to Christ. Bale, Eng. Vot. P. i. fol. 63. b.

To Ha'ndfast.* v. a. [Sax. hanbrærtan, to promise.]

1. To betroth.

If a damsel that is a virgin be handfasted to any

man, [betrothed present version.]

Deut. xxii. 23. Coverdale's Transl. Every man must esteeme the person, to whom he is handfasted, none otherwyse than for his owne

Christen State of Matrimony, (1543,) fol. 43. b. 2. To join together solemnly by the hand; to complete the ceremony of marriage. Auspices were those that handfasted the married couple; that wished them good luck; that took

care for the dowry. B. Jonson's own Notes on his Masques at Court.

3. To oblige by duty; to bind.

We list not to handfast ourselves to God Almighty, to make ourselves over to him by present deed of gift; but would fain, forsooth, bequeath ourselves to him a legacy in our last will and testament.

Abp. Sancroft, Serm. on the Fire of London, 1666.

HA'NDFASTING.* n. s. [Su. Goth. handfaestning, a promise made by those who bind themselves to their sovereign, and by those who are about to be married; from fuesta hand, which means to join one right hand to another. See Ihre's Lexic. Su. Goth.] A kind of marriagecontract.

After the handfastynge and makyng of the contracte, the churchgoyng and weddyng shuld not be differred to longe.

Christen State of Matrim. fol. 43. b.

2 Macc. iv. 41.

HA'NDFETTER.* u. s. [hand and fetter.] A manacle for the hands. Sherwood. HA'NDFUL. † n. s. [Sax. hanbrull.]

1. As much as the hand can gripe or

Others, taking handfuls of dust that was next at hand, cast them all together upon Lysimachus.

I saw a country gentleman at the side of Rosamond's pond, pulling a handful of oats out of his pocket, and gathering the ducks about him.

Addison, Freeholder.

2. A palm; a hand's breadth; four inches. Take one vessel of silver and another of wood, each full of water, and knap the tongs together about an handful from the bottom, and the sound will be more resounding from the vessel of silver than that of wood.

The peaceful scabbard where it dwelt,

The rancour of its edge had felt;

For of the lower end two handful

Hudibras. It had devour'd, it was so manful. - Poor Sydenban's horse stumbled, and fell upon him, and broke his thigh-bone about a hand-ful above the knee. Clarendon, State Lett. ii. 345.

3. A small number or quantity. He could not, with such a handful of men, and without cannon, propose reasonably to fight a Clarendon, battle.

4. As much as can be done.

Being in possession of the town, they had their handful to defend themselves from firing. Ralegh.

HA'NDGALLOP. n. s. A slow easy gallop, in which the hand presses the bridle to hinder increase of speed.

Ovid, with all his sweetness, has as little variety of numbers and sound as he: he is always upon a handgallop, and his verse runs upon carpet ground. Dryden.

HANDGRENA'DE.* n. s. See GRANADO, and GRENADE.

They entertained them with so many handgranadoes, fire-balls, powder-pots, and scalding lead, that the assailants were forced to fall back. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 109.

HA'NDGUN. n. s. A gun wielded by the hand.

Guns have names given them, some from serpents or ravenous birds, as culverines or colubrines, others in other respects, as cannons, demicannons, handguns and muskets.

Ha'ndicraft.† n. s. [Sax. hanbepæft. See HANDCRAFT.

1. Manual occupation; work performed by the hand.

Particular members of convents have excellent mechanical geniuses, and divert themselves with painting, sculpture, architecture, gardening, and several kinds of handicrafts.

2. A man who lives by manual labour. The cov'nants thou shalt teach by candle-light, When puffing smiths, and ev'ry painful trade

Of handicrafis, in peaceful beds are laid. Dryden. The nurseries for children of ordinary gentlemen and handicrafts are managed after the same manner. Swift, Gulliver's Trav.

HA'NDICRAFTSMAN. † n. s. [handicraft and man. This word is properly handcraft-man. See HANDCRAFTMAN.] A manufacturer; one employed in manual occupation.

O miserable age! virtue is not regarded in handicraftsmen. He has simply the best wit of any handicraftsman in Athens.

The principal bulk of the vulgar natives are tillers of the ground, free servants, and handicraftsmen; as smiths, masons, and carpenters.

The profaneness and ignorance of handicraftsmen, small traders, servants, and the like, are to a degree very hard to be imagined greater. Swift. It is the landed man that maintains the merchant, and shop-keeper, and handicraftsman.

HA'NDILY. adv. [from handy.] With skill;

with dexterity. HA'NDINESS. † n.s. [from handy.] Readi-

ness; dexterity. Ungraceful attitudes and actions, and a certain

left-handiness (if I may use that word) loudly proclaim low education, and low company. Ld. Chesterfield.

HA'NDIWORK.† n. s. [handy and work. Dr. Johnson. — This is a corruption of handwork, the work of the hand; handpeopce, Saxon.] Work of the hand; product of labour; manufacture.

In general they are not repugnant unto the natural will of God, which wisheth to the works of his own hands, in that they are his own handiwork, all happiness; although perhaps, for some special cause in our own particular, a contrary determination have seemed more convenient. Hooker.

As proper men as ever trod upon neats-leather have gone upon my handiwork. Shakspeare. The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament sheweth his handiwork.

He parted with the greatest blessing of human nature for the handiwork of a taylor. L'Estrange.

HA'NDKERCHIEF. † n. s. [hand and kerchief. Dr. Johnson. — The Saxons used handclay, as I have already observed, for this useful and necessary article: they had also hanblin, (handlinen,) and hanbreat, (handsheet,) in the same sense. Our present word is half Saxon, and half French. It is sometimes corrupted, both in writing and speaking; as, "Come in with a handkercher." Beaum. and Fl. Woman-Hater. Again, "His white gloves, as his handkercher." Butler, Rem.] A piece of silk or linen used to wipe the face, or cover the neck.

She found her sitting in a chair, in one hand holding a letter, in the other her handkerchief, which had lately drunk up the tears of her eyes. Sidney

He was torn to pieces with a bear: this avouches the shepherd's son, who has not only his innocence, but a handkerchief and rings of his, that Paulina The Romans did not make use of handkerchiefs,

but of the lacinia or border of the garment, to wipe their face. Arhuthnot.

HANDLA'NGUAGE.* n. s. [hand and language.] The science of conversing by means of the hand.

Because the conveniency of writing cannot always be in readiness; neither yet though it could, is it so proper a medium of interpretation, between persons present face to face, as a hand-language; it will therefore be necessary to teach the dumb scholar a finger-alphabet.

Dalgarno, Deaf and Dumb Man's Tutor, p. 73. To HA'NDLE. † v. a. [handelen, Dutch; handlian, Saxon; from hand.]

1. To touch; to feel with the hand.

The bodies which we daily handle make us perceive, that whilst they remain between them, they hinder the approach of the parts of our hands that press them. Locke.

To manage; to wield.

That fellow handles his bow like a crowkeeper. Shakspeare.

3. To make familiar to the hand by frequent touching.

An incurable shyness is the general vice of the Irish horses, and is hardly ever seen in Flanders, because the hardness of the winters forces the breeders there to house and handle their colts six months every year.

4. To treat, to mention in writing or talk. He left nothing fitting for the purpose

Untouch'd, or slightly handled in discourse.

Her eyes, her hair, her cheek, her gait, her voice, Thou handlest in thy discourse. Shaksneare. Leaving to the author the exact handling of every particular, and labouring to follow the rules of

abridgement. 2 Mac. ii. 31. Of a number of other like instances we shall speak more, when we handle the communication

of sounds. By Guidus Ubaldus, in his treatise, for the explication of this instrument, the subtleties of it are largely and excellently handled. Wilkins, Dædalus.

In an argument, handled thus briefly, every thing cannot be said. Atterbury. 5. To deal with: to practise. They that handle the law know me not. Jer. ii. 8.

6. To treat well or ill.

Talbot, my life, my joy, again return'd! How wert thou handled, being prisoner? Shaksp.

They were well enough pleased to be rid of an enemy that had handled them so ill. Clarendon. 7. To practise upon; to transact with.

Pray you, my lord, give me leave to question; you shall see how I'll handle her. Shakspeare. HA'NDLE. n. s. [hanble, Saxon.]

1. That part of any thing by which it is held in the hand; a haft.

No hand of blood and bone Can gripe the sacred handle of our sceptre,

Unless he do profane, steal, or usurp. Shaksp. Fortune turneth the handle of the bottle, which is easy to be taken hold of; and after the belly, which is hard to grasp.

There is nothing but hath a double handle, or at least we have two hands to apprehend it.

Bp. Taylor. A carpenter, that had got the iron work of an axe, begged only so much wood as would make a handle to it. L'Estrange Of bone the handles of my knives are made,

Yet no ill taste from thence affects the blade, Or what I carve; nor is there ever left

Any unsav'ry haut-goust from the haft. Dryden. A beam there was, on which a beechen pail Hung by the handle on a driven nail.

2. That of which use is made. They overturned him in all his interests by the

sure but fatal handle of his own good nature. HA'NDLEABLE.* adj. [from handle.] That Sherwood.

may be handled. HA'NDLESS. † adj. [hand and less.] Without a hand.

Speak, my Lavinia, what accursed hand Hath made thee handless? Shakspeare. His mangled myrmidons,

Noseless, handless, hackt and clipt, come to him, Shakspeare. Crying on Hector. The handless, feetless corpses of their fellow-Fuller, Holy War, p. 196. countrymen.

HA'NDLING.* n. s. [from handle.] 1. Touch.

I'll have no touches therefore,

Nor takings by the arms, nor tender circles Cast 'bout the waist, but all be done at distance : Love is brought up with those soft miguiard handlings;

His pulse lies in the palm. B. Jonson, Dev. an Ass. 2. Cunning; trick.

Through his fine handling, and his cleanly play, He all those royal signs had stolen away.

Spenser, Hubb. Tale.

HA'NDMAID. n. s. A maid that waits at hand.

Brave Burgundy, undoubted hope of France! Stay, let thy humble handmaid speak to thee. Shakspeare,

She gave the knight great thanks in little speech, And said she would his handmaid poor remain.

I will never set politicks against ethicks, especially for that true ethicks are but as a handmaid to divinity and religion. Bacon.

Heaven's youngest-teemed star Hath fix'd her polish'd car,

Her sleeping Lord with handmaid lamp attending.

Milton, Ode Nativ. Love led them on; and faith, who knew them best.

Thy handmaids, clad them o'er with purple beams And azure wings, that up they flew so drest, And spake the truth of thee on glorious themes Before the judge. Milton, Sonnet.

Those of my family their master slight, Grown despicable in my handmaid's sight. Sandys.

By viewing nature, nature's handmaid, Art, Makes mighty things from small beginnings great; Thus fishes first to shipping did impart,

Their tail the rudder, and their head the prow. Dryden.

Since he had placed his heart upon wisdom, health, wealth, victory and honour should always wait on her as her handmaids.

Then criticism the muse's handmaid prov'd, To dress her charms, and make her more belov'd. Pope.

HANDMA'IDEN.* n. s. A maid-servant; a handmaid.

He bath regarded the low estate of his handmaiden.St. Luke, i. 48.

HA'NDMILL. n. s. [hand and mill.] A mill moved by the hand.

Oft the drudging ass is driv'n with toil; Returning late, and loaden home with gain Of barter'd pitch, and handmills for the grain.

HANDS off. A vulgar phrase for keep off; forbear.

They cut a stag into parts; but as they were entering upon the dividend, hands off, says the lion. L'Estrange.

HA'NDSAILS. n. s. Sails managed by the The seamen will neither stand to their handsails,

nor suffer the pilot to steer. HA'NDSAW. n. s. Saw manageable by the

My-buckler cut through and through, and my sword hack'd like a handsaw. Shaksveare. To perform this work, it is necessary to be provided with a strong knife and a small handsaw.

HA'NDSCREW.* n. s. [hand and screw.] A sort of engine for raising heavy timber, or great weights of any kind; a jack.

HA'NDSEL.† n. s. [hansel, a first gift, Dutch. Dr. Johnson.—In our old lexicography, hansell is defined "a new year's gift." Huloet. The same by Cotgrave, in V. ESTREINE. And formerly also, if not at present, it signified a free gift, given by the owner of a new thing, upon the first use of it. Primarily, however, it is a contract concluded by joining the right hands; Goth. handsal; and afterwards handsoel, an earnest of future payment.] The first act of using any thing; the first act of sale; a gift; an earnest. It is now not used in writing, but is frequent in the dialect of trade, and is also a northern term.

The custom was to give the cup empty, but Alexander giveth it to thee full of wine with good Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 116. b.

The apostles term it the pledge of our inheritance, and the hansel or earnest of that which is to come.

Thou art joy's hansel; heav'n lies flat in thee, Subject to every mounter's bended knee. Herbert. To HA'NDSEL. v. a. To use or do any thing the first time.

In timorous deer he hansels his young paws, And leaves the rugged bear for firmer claws.

Cowley. I'd show you

How easy 'tis to die, by my example, And handsel fate before you. Dryden. HA'NDSMOOTH. adv. [hand and smooth.]

With dexterity: with readiness. If we can but come off well here, we shall carry

on the rest handsmooth. More, Myst. of Godliness, (1660,) p. 20. HA'NDSOME. adj. [handsaem, Dutch, ready, dexterous.]

1. Ready; gainly; convenient. For a thief it is so handsome, as it may seem it

was first invented for him. 2. Beautiful with dignity; graceful.

A great man entered by force into a peasant's house, and, finding his wife very handsome, turned the good man out of his dwelling.

3. Elegant; graceful. That easiness and handsome address in writing is hardest to be attained by persons bred in a meaner way.

4. Ample; liberal: as, a handsome fortune. 5. Generous; noble: as, a handsome action.

To HA'NDSOME. v. a. [from the adjective.] To render elegant or neat.

Him - all repute For his device in handsoming a suit; To judge of lace - [he hath] the best conceit.

HA'NDSOMELY. † adv. [from handsome.]

1. Conveniently; dexterously.

Under it he may cleanly convey any fit pillage that cometh handsomely in his way.

Spenser on Ireland. When the kind nymph, changing her faultless

Becomes unhandsome, handsomely to 'scape.

2. Beautifully; gracefully.

His eyes were clear, and white, and full set, like a diamond or precious stone in a ring; neither too much depressed, nor too prominent; but handsomely filling the sockets. Patrick on Eccles. v. 12. 3. Elegantly; neatly.

A carpenter, after he hath sawn down a tree. hath wrought it handsomely, and made a vessel Wisdom, xiii. 11.

This buskin is well and handsomely made, of good leather. Brisket, Disc. of Civ. Life, p.13.

4. Liberally; generously.

I am finding out a convenient place for an alms-house, which I intend to endow very handsomely for a dozen superannuated husbandmen.

HA'NDSOMENESS. n. s. [from handsome.] Beauty; grace; elegance.

Accompanying her mourning garments with a doleful countenance, yet neither forgetting handsomeness in her mourning garments, nor sweetness in her doleful countenance. Sidney.

For handsomeness' sake, it were good you hang the upper glass upon a nail. In clothes, cheap handsomeness doth bear the Herbert.

Persons of the fairer sex like that handsomeness for which they find themselves to be the most liked.

HA'NDSPIKE.* n. s. [hand and spike.] A kind of wooden lever to move great weights.

HA'NDSTAFF.* n.s. [hand and staff.] A javelin.

The bows, and the arrows, and the handstaves, [in the margin, javelins,] and the spears.

HA'NDVICE. n. s. [hand and vice.] A vice Moxon. to hold small work in.

HA'NDWEAPON.* n. s. [hand and weapon.] Any weapon which may be wielded by the hand.

If he smite him with an hand-weapon of wood wherewith he may die, and he die, he is a murderer. Num. xxxv. 18.

Ha'ndwork.* n. s. [Sax. hanbpeopee.]
Work of the hand. See Handiwork.

HA'NDWORKED.* adj. [Sax. hanspophre; our handpophre rempel, this temple that is made with hands. St. Mark, xiv. 58.] Made with hands; formed by workmanship.

HANDWRI'TING. t n. s. [hand and writing.

Sax. hanogeppic.]

1. A cast or form of writing peculiar to each hand. That you beat me at the mart, I have your hand

to show: If the skin were parchment, and the blows you

gave me ink, Your own handwriting would tell you what I think.

To no other cause than the wise providence of God can be referred the diversity of handwritings.

2. Any writing.

A handwriting, unknown to the magicians, troubleth the king. Contents of Chap. iv. of Dan.

HA'NDY. † adj. [from hand.]

1. Executed or performed by the hand; as handy work; handy blow: but such words are now formed into one, and have long been considered as compounded substantives. See HANDYBLOW, HANDY-STROKE, and HANDIWORK.

2. Ready; dexterous; skilful.

They may be encountered with handy stroke of syllogism, or enthymematical conclusion

Tooker's Fab. of the Church, (1604,) p. 63. She stript the stalks of all their leaves; the best She cull'd, and them with handy care she drest.

The servants wash the platter, scour the plate; And each is handy in his way. Dryden.

3. Convenient: ready to the hand. The strike-block is a plane shorter than the

jointer, and is more handy than the long jointer.

HA'NDYBLOW.* n.s. [hand and blow.] A stroke inflicted by the hand; an act of hostility.

By whose means the matter came to handie-blows. Harmar, Tr. of Beza's Serm. (1587,) p. 162. They were but few, yet they would easily overthrow the great numbers of them, if ever they came to handy-blows. Knolles, Hist. of the Turks. Both battles join, and fall to handy-blows.

Kyd, Span. Tragedy. Both parties now were drawn so close, Almost to come to handy-blows. Hudibras, i. iii.

HA'NDYDANDY. 7 n. s. A play in which children change hands and places. Dr. Johnson. - It is, I believe, a play among children, in which something is shaken between two hands, and then a guess is made in which hand it is retained. See Florio's Italian Dictionary, 1598: "Bazzichiare, to shake between two hands;

to play handy-dandy." Mr. Malone. See how youd justice rails upon youd simple thief! Hark in thine ear: change places, and, handydandy, which is the justice, which is the thief?

Neither cross and pile, nor ducks and drakes, are quite so ancient as handydandy. Arbuthnot and Pope.

HA'NDYGRIPE.* n. s. . [hand and gripe.] Seizure by the hand or paw. The mastiffs, charging home,

To blows and handy-gripes were come.

Hudibras, i. iii.

HA'NDYSTROKE.* n. s. [hand and stroke.] A blow inflicted by the hand.

When we came to handystrokes, as often As I lent blows, so often I gave wounds.

Beaum. and Fl. Laws of Candy. HA'NDYWORK.* See HANDIWORK. The former is the spelling now most followed.

To HANG. + v. a. preter. and part. pass. hanged or hung, anciently hong. [hangan, Saxon; hengan, Su. Goth.; hahan, M. Goth, to suspend, from ha, high. Sere- 2. To depend; to fall loosely on the lower

1. To suspend; to fasten in such a manner as to be sustained not below, but above.

Strangely visited people he cures; Hanging a golden stamp about their necks, Shaksneare. Put on with holy prayers.

His great army is utterly ruined, he himself slain in it, and his head and right hand cut off, and hung up before Jerusalem. 2. To place without any solid support.

Thou all things hast of nothing made That hung'st the solid earth in fleeting air, Vein'd with clear springs, which ambient seas re-Sandus

3. To choak and kill by suspending by the neck, so as that the ligature intercepts the breath and circulation.

Achitophel - hanged himself, and died. 2 Sam. xvii. 23.

He hath commission from thy wife and me To hang Cordelia in the prison. Shakspeare. Hanging supposes human soul and reason; This animal's below committing treason: Shall he be hang'd, who never could rebel?

That's a preferment for Achitophel. 4. To display; to show aloft. Hang out our banners on the outward walls.

Shakspeare, Macbeth. 5. To let fall below the proper situation;

to decline. There is a wicked man that hangeth down his head sadly; but inwardly he is full of deceit.

Ecclus. xix. 26. The beauties of this place should mourn; The immortal fruits and flowers at my return

Should hang their wither'd head; for sure my breath Is now more poisonous. The rose is fragrant, but it fades in time; The violet sweet, but quickly past the prime;

White lilies hang their heads, and soon decay; And whiter snow in minutes melts away. Dryd. The cheerful birds no longer sing ;

Each drops his head, and hangs his wing. Prior. 6. To fix in such a manner as in some directions to be movable.

The gates and the chambers they renewed, and hanged doors upon them. 1 Mac. iv. 57. 7. To cover or charge by any thing suspended.

Hung be the heav'ns with black, yield day to night.

The pavement ever foul with human gore; Heads and their mangled members hung the door.

8. To furnish with ornaments or draperies fastened to the wall. Musick is better in chambers wainscotted than

If e'er my pious father for my sake

Did grateful off rings on thy altars make, Or I increas'd them with my sylvan toils, And hung thy holy roofs with savage spoils, Give me to scatter these,

Dryden. Sir Roger has hung several parts of his house with the trophies of his labours. Addison.

9. To HANG upon. To regard with passionate affection.

What though I be not so in grace as you, So hung upon with love, so fortunate. Shakspeare, Mids. N. Dr.

To HANG. + v. n.

1. To be suspended; to be supported above, not below. Over it a fair portcullis hong Which to the gate directly did incline,

With comely compass and compacture strong. Spenser, F. Q.

part ; to dangle. Upon her shoulders wings she wears,

Like hanging sleeves, lin'd through with ears. Hudibras.

If gaming does an aged sire entice, Then my young master swiftly learns the vice. And shakes in hanging sleeves the little box and dice.

To bend forward.

By hanging is only meant a posture of bending forward to strike the enemy. Addison.

4. To float; to play.

And fall these sayings from that gentle tongue, Where civil speech and soft persuasion hung?

5. To be supported by something raised above the ground.

Whatever is placed on the head may be said to hang; as we call hanging gardens such as are planted on the top of the house.

6. To rest upon by embracing. She hung about my neck, and kiss on kiss Shakspeare.

To-day might I, hanging on Hotspur's neck, Have talk'd of Monmouth's grave. Shakspeare. Faustina is described in the form of a lady sitting upon a bed, and two little infants hanging about her neck. Peacham.

7. To hover; to impend.

He hath a heavenly gift of prophecy; And sundry blessings hang about his throne, That speak him full of grace.

Odious names of distinction, which had slept while the dread of popery hung over us, were revived. Atterbury.

8. To be loosely joined. Whither go you?

- To see your wife : is she at home? - Ay, and as idle as she may hang together.

Shakspeare. 9. To drag; to be incommodiously joined.

In my Lucia's absence Life hangs upon me, and becomes a burden.

Addison. 10. To be compact or united; with together.

In the common cause we are all of a piece; we Dryden.

Your device hangs very well together; but is it not liable to exceptions? Addison.

11. To adhere; unwelcomely or incommodiously.

A cheerful temper shines out in all her conversation, and dissipates those apprehensions which

hang on the timorous or the modest, when admitted to her presence. Addison. Shining landskips, gilded triumphs, and beau-tiful faces, disperse that gloominess which is apt

to hang upon the mind in those dark disconsolate Addison.

12. To rest; to reside. Sleep shall neither night nor day Hang upon his penthouse lid. Shakspeare.

13. To be in suspense; to be in a state of uncertainty. Thy life shall hang in doubt before thee, and

thou shalt fear day and night, and shalt have none assurance of thy life. Deut.

14. To be delayed; to linger.

A noble stroke he lifted high, Which hung not, but so swift with tempest fell On the proud crest of Satan. Milton, P. L. She thrice essay'd to speak: her accents hung, And fault'ring dy'd unfnish'd on her tongue.

Dryden.

15. To be dependent on.
Oh, how wretched

Is that poor man that hangs on princes' favours!
Shakspeare.

Great queen! whose name strikes haughty monarchs pale,

On whose just sceptre hangs Europa's scale.

16. To be fixed or suspended with atten-

Though wond'ring senates hung on all he spoke, The club must hail him master of the joke. Pope.

17. To have a steep declivity.

Sussex marl shews itself on the middle of the

sides of hanging grounds.

Mortimer.

18. To be executed by the halter.

If theu speak'st false,
Upon the next tree shalt thou hang alive.

Shakspeare, Macbeth.
The court forsakes him, and sir Balaam hangs.
Pone.

19. To decline; to tend down.

His neck obliquely o'er his shoulders hung,
Press'd with the weight of sleep that tames the
strong.

Pope.

20. To be displayed; to be shown.

Let not him, that plays the lion, pare his nails, for they shall hang out as the lion's claws.

Shakspeare, Mids. N. Dr. 21. To continue; as, the wind has hung

easterly a great while.

22. To Hang Fire. A term applied to guns, when the flame communicates not

immediately from the pan to the charge.

HA'NGBY.* n. ŝ. [hang and by.] A dependant: an expression of contempt.

The wasps and drones are unprofitable and harmful hangbyes, which live upon the spoil of others' labours. Bp. Hall, Occas. Medis. § 62.

Sirrah, I pray thee be acquainted with my two

hang-byes here; thou wilt take exceeding pleasure in 'em, if thou hear'st 'em once go: my wind-instruments! B. Jonson, Every Man in his Humour. Hang them, a pair of railing hangbies!

Beaum. and Fi. Hon. Man's Fortune.

HA'NGER.† n. s. [from hang.] That by
which any thing hangs: as, the pothangers. Dr. Johnson.—Formerly that
part of the girdle or belt, by which the
sword was suspended, was called the
hangers. See Minsheu's Dict. "The
hangers of a sword."

Six French rapiers and poniards with their assigns, as girdle, hangers, and so.

Shakspeare, Hamlet.

HA'NGER.† n. s. [from hang. Dr. Johnson. — Rather perhaps from the Persian hangier, a dagger. See Sir Thomas Herbert's Travels, p. 317.] A short curved sword; a short broad sword.

I clothed myself in my best apparel, girded on my hanger, stuck my pistols loaded in my belt. Smollet, Roderick Random.

HA'NGER.* n. s. [from hang.] One who causes others to be hanged.

He [Sir Miles Fleetwood] was a very severe hanger of highwaymen. Aubrey, Anecd. ii. 351. HA'NGER-ON. n. s. [from hang.] A dependant; one who eats and drinks without payment.

If the wife or children were absent, their rooms were supplied by the umbræ, or hangers-on.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

They all excused themselves save two, which two he reckoned his friends, and all the rest hangers-on.

L'Estrange.

He is a perpetual hanger-on, yet nobody knows how to be without him.

Swift.

Ha'nging. † n. s. [from hang.]

1. Drapery hung or fastened against the walls of rooms by way of ornament.

Like rich hangings in an homely house, So was his will in his old feeble body. Shakspeare. Being informed that his breakfast was ready,

he drew towards the door, where the hangings were held up.

Now yourse hangings alothe the release all.

Now purple hangings clothe the palace walls, And sumptuous feasts are made in splendid halls.

Lucas Van Leyden has infected all Europe with his designs for tapestry, which, by the ignorant, are called ancient hangings.

Dryden.

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Rome oft has heard a cross haranguing, With prompting priest behind the hanging. Prior.

2. Any thing that hangs to another. Not in use.

A storm, or robbery, call it what you will, Shook down my mellow hangings, nay, my leaves, And left me bare to weather. Shakspeare.

3. Death by a halter.

Slander or poison dread from Delia's rage, Hard words or hanging, if your judge be Page.

4. Display; exhibition.

This unlucky mole misled several coxcombs; and, like the hanging out of false colours, made some of them converse with Rosalinda in what they thought the spirit of her party. Addison.

HA'NGING. participial adj. [from hang.]
1. Foreboding death by the halter.

Surely, sir, a good favour you have; but that you have a hanging look.

What Æthion's lins he has!

What Æthiop's lips he has!
How foul a snout, and what a hanging face!

2. Requiring to be punished by the halter;

a hanging matter.

HA'NGING-SLECUES.** n. s. pl. Strips of the same stuff with the gown, hanging down the back from the shoulders, formerly worn by children of both sexes. See the second sense of the neuter verb

These mistakes are to be left off with your hanging-sleeves.

Ld. Halifax.

HA'NGMAN. n. s. [hang and man.]
1. The publick executioner.

This monster sat like a hangman upon a pair of gallows; in his right hand he was painted holding a crown of laurel, and in his left land a purse of money.

Sidney.

Who makes that noise there? who are you?

— Your friend, sir, the hangman: you must be so good, sir, to rise, and be put to death.

Shakspeare.

Men do not stand
In so ill case, that God hath with his hand
Sign'd kings blank charters to kill whom they
hate:

Nor are they vicars, but hangmen to fate. Donne. I never knew a critick, who made it his business to lash the faults of other writers, that was not guilty of greater himself; as the hangman is generally a worse malefactor than the criminal that suffers by his hand.

Addison.

2. A term of reproach, either serious or ludicrous.

One cried, God bless us! and Amen! the other; As they had seen me with these hangman's hands: Listening their fear, I could not say Amen, When they did say God bless us. Shakspeare. He hath twice or thrice cut Cupid's bowstring, and the little hangman dare not shoot at him.

Shakspeare.

HANK.† n. s. [hank, Icelandick, a chain or coil of rope.]

1. A skein of thread.

A hank of gold or silver thread. Sherwood.

2. A tye; a check; an influence. A low word, as Dr. Johnson says; yet, it may be added, very common; as, to have a hank upon a person, i. e. to have a hold upon him. Mr. H. Tooke hence considers hank as the past participle of hang, i. e. to have something hung upon him. But the Icelandick hank, which denotes a chain, a collar, is here also a satisfactory etymon; and the Latin uncus may accompany it.

Do we think we have the hank that some gallants have on their trusting merchants, that, upon peril of losing all former scores, he must still go on to supply?

Decay of Piety.
In Horace, Necessity is furnished, if I may so

In Horace, Necessity is furnished, if I may so express myself, with her hank and her fastenings, which she carries in her brazen hand.

Whiter, Etymol. Magn. p. 267.

3. In naval language, hanks are wooden

rings fixed on the stays.
4. In the north of England, a withy or rope for fastening a gate. [Swed. hank, the same.]

To HANK.* v. n. [from the noun.] To form into hanks. Used in the north of England.

To HA'NKER.† v. n. [hunkeren, Dutch. Serenius would refer it to hank; or, secondly, to the Su. henga efter, to desire greatly.]

1. To long importunately; to have an incessant wish: it has commonly (but not always) after before the thing desired. It is scarcely used but in familiar language, Dr. Johnson says; yet it has been employed on the most serious subjects. See HANKERING.

The shepherd would be a merchant, and the merchant hankers after something else.

L'Estrange.

Dost thou not hanker after a greater liberty in some things? If not, there's no better sign of a good resolution.

Calamy.

The wife is an old coquette, that is always hankering after the diversions of the town.

Addison.

2. To linger with expectation.

It cannot but be very dangerous for you to hanker hereabouts.

Stokes on the Prophets, (1659,) p. 220.

HA'NKERING.* n. s. [from hanker.] Strong desire; longing.

And now the saints began their reign, For which th' had yearn'd so long in vain,

And felt such bowel hankerings,

To see an empire all of kings.

Hudibras.

Among women and children, care is to be taken that they get not a hankering after these juggling astrologers and fortune-tellers. L'Estrange.

The republick that fell under the subjection of the duke of Florence, still retains many hankerings after its ancient liberty.

Addison.

We shall be able to part both with it and them, [the body and its delights,] without any great regret or reluctancy; and to live from them for ever, without any disquieting longings or hankerings after them.

Scott, Chr. Life, P. i. ch. 3.

To HA'NKLE.* v. n. [from hank.] To twist; to entangle. Still used in the north of England.

HA'NSEL.* See HANDSEL.

HAN'T, for has not, or have not.

That roguish leer of yours makes a pretty woman's heart ake: you han't that simper about Addison. the mouth for nothing.

HA'NTLE, or HA'NDTLE.* n. s. A handful; much. A northern word. Grose, and Wilbraham's Chesh. Gloss.

HAP.† n. s. [anhap, in Welsh, is misfortune. Dr. Johnson. - Mr. Tyrwhitt refers happe in Chaucer to the Saxon; but Mr. Chalmers observes, that there is no such word, of this meaning, in that language: Hap is, in the Welsh, chance, luck, good fortune; and anhap, mischance, as already observed. Serenius, however, notices under happy, the Goth. hap, insperata felicitas.]

1. Chance; fortune.

Whether art it were, or heedless hap, As through the flowering forest rash she fled, In her rude hairs sweet flowers themselves did

And flourishing fresh leaves and blossoms did Spenser, F. Q. enwrap.

Her hap was to light on a part of the field Ruth, ii. 3. belonging unto Boaz.

2. That which happens by chance or fortune.

Curst be good haps, and curst be they that build Their hopes on haps, and do not make despair For all these certain blows the surest shield.

To have ejected whatsoever that church doth make account of, without any other crime than that it hath been the hap thereof to be used by the church of Rome, and not to be commanded in the word of God, might haply have pleased some few men, who, having begun such a course themselves, must be glad to see the example followed.

Things casual do vary, and that which a man doth but chance to think well of cannot still have the like hav.

Solyman commended them for their valour in their evil haps, more than the victory of others got by good fortune. A fox had the hap to fall into the walk of a L'Estrange.

3. Accident; casual event; misfortune. Nor feared she among the bands to stray Of armed men; for often had she seen The tragick end of many a bloody fray;

Her life had full of haps and hazards been.

HAP-HA'RLOT.* n.s. A coarse coverlet. Wachter's strange commentary on this word is, " Hap-harlot, a close covering; Lat. cento, lecti stragulum crassius, q. d. a harlot by hap, &c. si desit meretrix, detur aliquid fortè fortuna ad fovendos artus, &c. Vox ludicra!" — The word is an old expression for a coverlet; and is in the former part of it derived from hap, to cover; not from hap, chance, as Wachter pretends. The latter part might be thought to be from lit, a bed, like coverlet, if the word were not written hap-harlot, and hop-harlot, by our old writers; though Ainsworth writes it happarlet. The allusion is to harlot (not in Wachter's coarse sense of it, but) in the sense of a servant; implying that it was a rug fit only for a low person or servant; as dagswain, a kindred term, seems to have been a similar article proper only for one of low rank, a swain. Barret, in his Alveary of 1580, thus explains it, " a coarse covering made of divers shreds;" and Huloet, before him, "a coverlet so called." The ridiculous remark of Wachter required animadversion; especially as it has been admitted into the Rev. Mr. Lemon's Etymological Dictionary without refutation. Hap, or happin, is still our northern word for a rug or coarse coverlet.

HAP

Our fathers, yea and we ourselves also, have lien full oft upon straw pallets, on rough mats covered only with a sheet under coverlets made of dagswain, or hop-harlots: I use their own termes. Harrison, Desc. of Eng. ch. 12. Pref. to Holinshed.

HAP-HA'ZARD. n. s. Chance; accident: perhaps originally hap hazardè.

The former of these is the most sure and infallible way; but so hard that all shun it, and had rather walk as men do in the dark by hap-hazard, than tread so long and intricate mazes for knowledge' sake.

We live at hap-hazard, and without any insight L'Estrange. into causes and effects.

We take our principles at hap-hazard upon trust, and then believe a whole system, upon a Locke. presumption that they are true.

To HAP. v. n. [from the noun.]

1. To happen; to have the casual consequence.

It will be too late to gather ships or soldiers, which may need to be presently employed, and whose want may hap to hazard a kingdom.

2. To come by chance; to befall casually. Run you to the citadel,

And tell my lord and lady what hath happ'd.

In destructions by deluge, the remnant which hap to be reserved are ignorant people.

To HAP.* v. a.

To cover, [perhaps from the Sax. heapian, to heap upon.] In the north Ray. In some places, to cover from danger.

There, one garment will serve a man most commonly two years: for why should he desire more? seeing if he had them, he should not be the better hapt or covered from cold.

Robinson, Transl. of More's Utopia, (1551,) ii. 4. 2. To catch; to seize; to take, [old Fr. happer; either perhaps from the Lat. Sherwood. rapio, or capio.]

HAP. * n. s. A rug, or coarse coverlet. See HAP-HARLOT.

HA'PLESS. adj. [from hap.] Unhappy: unfortunate; luckless; unlucky.

Hapless Ægeon, whom the fates have mark'd To bear the extremity of dire mishap! Here hapless Icarus had found his part, Had not the father's grief restrain'd his art.

Dryden. Did his hapless passion equal mine,

I would refuse the bliss.

HA'PLY. adv. [from hap.]

1. Perhaps; peradventure; it may be. This love of theirs myself have often seen, Haply when they have judg'd me fast asleep. Shakspeare. To warn

Us, haply too secure, of our discharge From penalty, because from death releas'd Some days. Milton, P. L. Then haply yet your breast remains untouch'd,

Though that seems strange. Rome. Let us now see what conclusions may be found

for instruction of any other state, that may haply labour under the like circumstances. 2. By chance; by accident.

Leviathan, which God of all his works Created hugest, that swim the ocean stream. Him haply slumbering on the Norway foam, The pilot of some small night-founder'd skiff Deeming some island oft, as seamen tell, With fixed anchor in his scaly rind, Milton, P. L. Moors by his side.

To HA'PPEN. v. n. [from hap.]

1. To fall out; to chance; to come to pass.

Bring forth your strong reasons, and shew us what shall happen. Isaiah, xli. 22.
Say not I have sinned, and what harm hath

happened unto me. Ecclus. V. 4. If it so fall out that thou art miserable for ever, thou hast no reason to be surprized, as if some unexpected thing had happened to thee. Tillotson.

To light; to fall by chance. I have happened on some other accounts relating to mortalities. Graunt.

HA'PPEN, or HA'PPENS.* adv. Used in the north adverbially for possibly, perhaps. Wilbraham's Chesh. Gloss. and Craven Dialect.

To HA'PPER.* v. n. To hop; to skip about. See To Hop. The Scotch

thus use hap.

Those shameless companions, which attribute unto themselves the name of the company of Jesus; which are, within these forty years, crawled out of the bottomless pit, to happer and swarm throughout the world.

Harmer, Tr. of Beza's Serm. (1587,) p. 242.

HA'PPILY. adv. [from happy.] 1. Fortunately; luckily; successfully.

I come to wive it wealthily in Padua: If wealthily, then happily in Padua. Shakspeare.

Preferr'd by conquest, happily o'erthrown, Falling they rise to be with us made one. Waller. Neither is it so trivial an undertaking to make a tragedy end happily; for 'tis more difficult to

save than kill. Dryden. of England, to heap clothes on one. 2. Addressfully; gracefully; without la-

> Form'd by thy converse, happily to steer From grave to gay, from lively to severe.

3. In a state of felicity; as, he lives happily. 4. By chance; peradventure. In this

sense happily is written erroneously

One thing more I shall wish you to desire of them, who happily may peruse these two treatises.

HA'PPIN.* n. s. 'A rug, or coarse covering. See HAP-HARLOT.

HA'PPINESS. n. s. [from happy.]

1. Felicity; state in which the desires are

Happiness is that estate whereby we attain, so far as possibly may be attained, the full possession of that which simply for itself is to be desired, and containeth in it after an eminent sort the contentation of our desires, the highest degree of all our perfection.

Oh! happiness of sweet retir'd content, To be at once secure and innocent. Philosophers differ about the chief good or happiness of man.

The various and contrary choices that men make in the world, argue that the same thing is not good to every man alike: this variety of pursuits shews, that every one does not place his happiness in the same thing.

2. Good luck; good fortune.

3. Fortuitous elegance; unstudied grace. Certain graces and happinesses, peculiar to every language, give life and energy to the words.

Some beauties yet no precepts can declare; For there's a happiness as well as care. Form'd by some rule that guides but not

And finish'd more through happiness than pains.

HA'PPY. † adj. [from hap; as lucky for luck. See HAP.

1. In a state of felicity; in a state where the desire is satisfied.

At other end Uran did Strephon lend Her happy making hand.

Sidney. Am I happy in thy news?

—If to have done the thing you gave in charge Beget you happiness, be happy then;

For it is done. Shakspeare. Truth and peace, and love, shall ever shine About the supreme throne

Of him, to whose happy making sight alone, - Our heavenly guided soul shall climb.

Milton, Ode on Time. Though the presence of imaginary good cannot make us happy, the absence of it may make us

miserable. 2. Lucky; successful; fortunate.

Chymists have been more happy in finding experiments than the causes of them. Yet in his agony his fancy wrought, And fear supply'd him with this happy thought.

3. Addressful; ready.

Desire his service, Tell him wherein you are happy. Shaks. Cymb.
One gentleman is happy at a reply, and another excels in a rejoinder.

4. Propitious; favourable. A Latinism. Not in use.

Therefore, for goodness sake, and as you're known

The first and happiest hearers of the town, Be sad, as we would make you.

Prol. Shakspeare's K. Hen. VIII.

Dryden.

5. Happy Man be his Dole. A proverbial expression, implying may his fortune, his dole or share in life, be that of a happy man.

Happy man be his dole! He that runs fastest, gets the ring. Shakspeare, Tam. Shrew.

Let every man beg his own way, and happy man be his dole.

Beaum. and Fl. Wit at Sev. Weapons.

HA'QUETON. n. s. A coat of mail. See HACQUETON. HA'RAM, or HA'REM.* n. s. [Per-

sian.] A seraglio; the women's apartment in the East. Recollecting the extreme vigilance, with which

the harems of the East are guarded.

Scripture Illustr. Expos. Ind.

HARA'NGUE. † n. s. [harangue, French. The original of the French word is much questioned: Menage thinks it a corruption of hearing, English; Junius imagines it to be discours au rang, to a circle, which the Italian arringo seems to favour. Perhaps it may be from orare, or orationare, orationer, oraner, aranger, haranguer. Dr. Johnson. -

The word is merely the pure and regular past participle, hpanz, of the Anglo-Saxon verb hungan, to sound, or to make a great sound; (as hpino is also used.) And M. Casseneuve alone is right in his description of the word, when he says, " Harangue est un discours prononcé avec contention de voix." Mr. H. Tooke, Div. Purl. ii. 274. The French word is from the English. A speech; a popular oration.

Gray-headed men, and grave, with warriours mix'd.

Assemble, and harangues are heard; but soon In factious opposition. Milton, P. L.

Nothing can better improve political schoolboys than the art of making plausible or implausible harangues, against the very opinion for which they resolve to determine. Swift.

Many preachers neglect method in their ha-

To HARA'NGUE. v. n. [haranguer, Fr.] To make a speech; to pronounce an oration.

The House impeach him; Coningsby harangues.

To HARA'NGUE. v. a. To address by an oration; as, he harangued the troops.

HARA'NGUER. n. s. [from harangue.] An orator; a publick speaker: generally with some mixture of contempt.

Turnus the occasion takes, and cries aloud, Talk on, you quaint haranguers of the croud-

Dryden, En. We are not to think every clamorous haranguer, or every splenetic repiner against a court, is therefore a patriot. Bp. Berkeley, Maxims, § 23.

To HA'RASS.† v. a. [harasser, Fr. from harasse, a heavy buckler, according to Du Cange. Dr. Johnson. - Rather from the Sax. hepgian, to spoil, to lay waste; a military word, from which also to harrow is derived; Icel. herian; Su. Goth. haeria, the same, from haer, an armed force; Sax. hepe. Serenius partly inclines to this etymon. The primitive sense of the word, therefore, which has hitherto been overlooked, is that of spoliation by an enemy.

1. To desolate; to waste; to destroy. A multitude of tyrants, which have for a long while harassed and wasted the soul.

Hammond, Works, iv. 562.

2. To weary; to fatigue; to tire with labour and uneasiness.

These troops came to the army but the day before, harassed with a long and wearisome march.

Our walls are thinly mann'd, our best men slain; The rest, an heartless number, spent with watching, And harass'd out with duty. Dryden. Nature oppress'd, and harass'd out with care, Sinks down to rest.

Out increases the force of the verb. Ha'rass. n. s. [from the verb.] Waste;

disturbance. The men of Judah, to prevent

The harass of their land, beset me round.

HA'RASSER.* n. s. [from harass. Sax. henze. A spoiler.

Milton, S. A.

Unnumbered harassers of the fleet. Ellis, Tr. of Sax. Ode, Spec. E. P. i. 23.

HA'RBINGER. n. s. [herberger, Dutch, one] To HA'RBOUR. v. a. who goes to provide lodgings or an har- 1. To entertain; to permit to reside.

bour for those that follow.] A forerunner; a precursor.

Make all our trumpets speak, give them all breath,

Those clam'rous harbingers of blood and death.

I'll be myself the harbinger, and make joyful The hearing of my wife with your approach.

Sin, and her shadow death, and misery, Death's harbinger. Millon, P. L. And now of love they treat, till the evening star,

Love's harbinger, appear'd. Milton, P. L. Before him, a great prophet, to proclaim His coming, is sent harbinger, who all

Milton, P. R. As Ormond's harbinger to you they run;
For Venus is the promise of the Sun. Dryden.

Ha'rborough.* n. s. [Sax. hepebenza. See Harbour.] A lodging.

Leave me those hills, where harb'rough nis to see, Nor holy-bush, nor brere. Spenser, Shep. Cal. June.

To Ha'rborough.* v. a. [Sax. hepebeopgan. See To Harbour.] To receive into lodging; to stable deer. Huloet. HA'RBOROUS.* adj. [from harbour.] Hos-

pitable. A bishop must be - harberous, [in the present

version, given to hospitality,] apt to teach.

1 Tim. iii. 2. (Various Old Transl.)

HA'RBOUR.† n. s. [herberge, French; herberg, Dutch; albergo, Italian. Dr. Johnson. - The original seems to be the Sax. hepebenza, a military station, a lodging for soldiers, from hepe, an army, and beopgan, to protect, to shelter; whence our old word harborough, or harbrough. See HARBOROUGH. From this usage of the word, which obtained among the Germans also, the sense of it as an inn, or a lodging for any persons, was adopted into several languages.

1. A lodging; a place of entertainment. For harbour at a thousand doors they knock'd; Not one of all the thousand but was lock'd.

Doubly curs'd Be all those easy fools who give it harbour. Rowe.

2. A port or haven for shipping. Three of your argosies Are richly come to harbour suddenly. Shakspeare.
They leave the mouths of Po,

That all the borders of the town o'erflow And spreading round in one continu'd lake, A spacious hospitable harbour make. Addison.

3. An asylum; a shelter; a place of shelter and security.

To Ha'rbour. † v. n. [Sax. hepebeopgan.] To receive entertainment; to sojourn; to take shelter.

This night let's harbour here in York. Shaksp. They are sent by me, That they should harbour where their lord would

Shakspeare. Southwards they bent their flight, And harbour'd in a hollow rock at night:

Next morn they rose, and set up every sail; The wind was fair, but blew a mackrel gale,

Let me be grateful; but let far from me Be fawning cringe, and false dissembling look, And servile flattery, that harbours oft In courts and gilded roofs.

My lady bids me tell you, that though she harbours you as her uncle, she's nothing allied to your Shaksneare. disorders.

Knaves I know, which in this plainness Harbour more craft, and more corrupter ends, Than twenty silky ducking observants. Shaksp. Let not your gentle breast harbour one thought

Of outrage from the king. We owe this old house the same kind of grati-

Rowe.

tude that we do to an old friend who harbours us in his declining condition, nay even in his last extremities.

How people, so greatly warmed with a sense of liberty, should be capable of harbouring such weak superstition; and that so much bravery and so much folly can inhabit the same breasts.

2. To shelter; to secure.

Harbour yourself this night in this castle: this country is very dangerous for murthering thieves to trust a sleeping life among them.

HA'RBOURAGE. n. s. [herbergage, Fr. from harbour.] Shelter; entertainment. Let in us, your king, whose labour'd spirits, Forewearied in this action of swift speed,

Crave harbourage within your city walls. Shakspeare. HA'RBOURER. † n. s. [from harbour.] One

that entertains another. The basest beggar's bawd, a harbourer of thieves.

Drayton, Polyolb. S. 3. HA'RBOURLESS.† adj. [from harbour.]

Wanting harbour; being without lodging; without shelter.

I hungride, and ye gaven me to ete; I thirstide, and ye gaven me to drynke; I was herberweles, and ye herboriden me. Wicliffe, St. Matt. xxv. To feed Christ in the hungry, to clothe Christ in the naked, to lodge Christ in the harbourless.

Bp. of Chichester, Serm. (1576,) sign. E. iii. Dost thou receive him into thy own [house,] now he is harborless?

Abp. Sancroft, Serm. on the Fire of Lond. (1666.)

HA'RBOUROUS.* See HARBOROUS.

HA'RBROUGH. See HARBOROUGH. Theaps, Saxon; hard, HARD. + adj. Dutch; hardu, Gothick.]

1. Firm; resisting penetration or separation; not soft; not easy to be pierced or broken.

Repose you there, while I to the hard house, More hard than is the stone whereof 'tis rais'd; Which even but now demanding after you, Denied me to come in.

2. Difficult; not easy to the intellect. Some diseases, when they are easy to be cured, are hard to be known.

The hard causes they brought unto Moses; but every small matter they judged themselves.

Exodus, xviii. 26. When hard words, jealousies, and fears, Set folks together by the ears.

Hudibras. 'Tis hard to say if Clymene were mov'd More by his pray'r, whom she so dearly lov'd, Or more with fury fir'd.

As for the hard words which I was obliged to use, they are either terms of art, or such as I substituted in place of others that were too low. Arbuthnot.

3. Difficult of accomplishment; full of difficulties.

Is any thing too hard for the Lord?

Genesis, xviii. 14.

Possess As lords a spacious world, to our native heaven Little inferior, by my adventure hard With peril great achiev'd. Milton, P. L. Long is the way

And hard, that out of hell leads up to light: Our prison strong.

He now discerned he was wholly to be on the defensive, and that was like to be a very hard part Clarendon.

HAR

Nervous and tendinous parts have worse symptoms, and are harder of cure than fleshy ones.

The love and pious duty which you pay, Have pass'd the perils of so hard a way. Dryden.

4. Painful; distressful; laborious action or suffering.

Rachel travailed, and she had hard labour. Genesis, xxxv. 16.

Worcester's horse came but to-day; And now their pride and mettle is asleep Their courage with hard labour tame and dull,

That not a horse is half of himself. Shakspeare. Continual hard duty, with little fighting, lessened and diminished his army. Clarendon.

When Sebastian weeps, his tears Come harder than his blood. A man obliged to hard labour is not reduced to the necessity of having twice as much victuals as

one under no necessity to work. 5. Cruel; oppressive; rigorous: as, a hard heart.

The bargain of Julius III. may be accounted a Brown, Vulg. Err. very hard one. Whom scarce my sheep and scarce my painful

plough, The needful aids of human life allow;

So wretched is thy son, so hard a mother thou. Druden

If you thought that hard upon you, we would not refuse you half your time. Dryden. A loss of one third of their estates will be a very hard case upon a great number of people. Locke.

No people live with more ease and prosperity than the subjects of little commonwealths; as, on the contrary, there are none who suffer more under the grievances of a hard government than the subjects of little principalities. Addison. To find a bill that may bring punishment upon

Swift. the innocent, will appear very hard.

6. Sour; rough; severe.

What have you given him any hard words of Shakspeare. late? Rough ungovernable passions hurry men on to say or do very hard or offensive things. Atterbury,

7. Unfavourable; unkind.

As thou lov'st me, do him not that wrong, To bear a hard opinion of his truth. Shakspeare.

Absalom and Achitophel he thinks is a little hard on his fanatick patrons. Some hard rumours have been transmitted from

t' other side the water, and rumours of the severest Swift. kind.

8. Insensible; inflexible.

If I by chance succeed In what I write, and that's a chance indeed, Know I am not so stupid, or so hard, Not to feel praise, or fame's deserv'd reward. Dryden.

9. Obdurate; impenitent.

He [Lord Ranelagh] died hard, as their term of art is here, to express the woeful state of men who discover no religion at their death. Swift, Lett. to Dr. King.

Happy he, who tops the wheeling chase, Has every maze evolv'd, and every maze Disclos'd; who knows the merits of the pack; Who saw the villain seiz'd, and dying hard, Without complaint, though by a hundred mouths
Relentless torn.

Thomson, Autumn. Relentless torn.

10. Unhappy; vexatious.

It is a very hard quality upon our soil or climate that so excellent a fruit, which prospers among all our neighbours, will not grow here. Temple.

11. Vehement; keen; severe: as, a hard winter; hard weather.

Milton, P. L. 12. Unreasonable; unjust.

It is a little hard that in an affair of the last consequence to the very being of the clergy, this whole reverend body should be the sole persons not consulted.

It is the hardest case in the world, that Steele should take up the reports of his faction, and put them off as additional fears.

13. Forced: not easily granted.

If we allow the first couple, at the end of one hundred years, to have left ten pair of breeders, which is no hard supposition, there would arise from these, in fifteen hundred years, a greater number than the earth was capable of. Burnet. 14. Powerful; forcible.

The stag was too hard for the horse, and the horse flies for succour to the man that's too hard for him, and rides the one to death, and outright L'Estrange. kills the other.

Let them consider the vexation they are treasuring up for themselves, by struggling with a power which will be always too hard for them. Addison.

A disputant, when he finds that his adversary is too hard for him, with slyness turns the discourse. Watts.

15. Austere: rough, as liquids.

In making of vinegar, set vessels of wine over against the noon sun, which calleth out the more oily spirits, and leaveth the spirit more sour and

16. Harsh; stiff; constrained. Others, scrupulously tied to the practice of the

ancients, make their figures harder than even the marble itself. His diction is hard, his figures too bold, and his

tropes, particularly his metaphors, insufferably Dryden. strained.

Not plentiful; not prosperous. There are bonfires decreed; and if the times had

not been hard, my billet should have burnt too. Dryden. 18. Avaricious; faultily sparing.

I knew thee that thou art an hard man, reaping

where thou hast not sown, and gathering where thou hast not strawed. St. Matt. xxv. 24.

HARD. adv. [hardo, very old German.] 1. Close; near: often with by.

Hard by was a house of pleasure, built for a summer retiring place.

They doubted a while what it should be, till it was cast up even hard before them; at which time they fully saw it was a man. Sidney.

A little lowly hermitage it was, Down in a dale hard by a forest's side, Far from resort of people that did pass In travel to and fro. Spenser, F. Q.

Scarce had he said, when hard at hand they spie That quicksand nigh, with water covered. Spenser, F.Q.

When these marshal the way, hard at hand comes the master and main exercise. Shakspeare. Abimelech went hard unto the door of the tower, to burn it with fire. Judges, ix. 52.

The Philistines followed hard upon Saul. 2 Samuel. Hard by, a cottage chimney smokes,

From betwixt two aged oaks. Milton, L'All. 2. Diligently; laboriously; incessantly;

vehemently; earnestly; importunately. Geneura rose in his defence,

And pray'd so hard for mercy from the prince, That to his queen the king th' offender gave.

An ant works as hard as a man who should carry a very heavy load every day four leagues. Addison.

Whoever my unknown correspondent be, he presses hard for an answer, and is earnest in that point. Atterbury.

3. Uneasily; vexatiously.

When a man's servant shall play the cur with him, look you it goes hard. Shakspeare. 4. Distressfully; so as to raise difficulties. | HA'RDENER. n. s. [from harden.] One | HA'RDIHEAD. \(\rangle n. s. [from hardy.] \) Stout-The question is hard set, and we have reason to

A stag, that was hard set by the huntsmen, betook himself to a stall for sanctuary. L'Estrange.

5. Fast; nimbly; vehemently. The wolves scampered away as hard as they

could drive. L'Estrange. 6. With difficulty; in a manner requiring

labour. Solid bodies foreshow rain, as boxes and pegs

of wood when they draw and wind hard. Bacon. 7. Tempestuously; boisterously.

When the north wind blows hard, and it rains sadly, none but fools sit down in it and cry; wise people defend themselves against it. Bp. Taylor.

HARDBESE'TTING.* part. adj. [hard and beset.] Closely surrounding.

She - will be swift To aid a virgin, such as was herself,

In hard-besetting need. Milton. Comus.

HA'RDBOUND. adj. [hard and bound.] Costive.

Just writes to make his barrenness appear, And strains from hardbound brains eight lines a

HA'RDEARNED.* part. adj. [hard and earn.] Earned with difficulty.

The whole party was put under a proscription, so general and severe as to take their hard-earned bread from the lowest offices. Burke on the Present Discontents, (1770.)

To HA'RDEN. v. n. [from hard. Saxon, heapbian.

1. To grow hard.

The powder of loadstone and flint, by the addition of whites of eggs and gum-dragon, made into paste, will in a few days harden to the hard-

2. To become dear. A northern expression: as, the market hardens, corn hardens. Grose, and Craven Dialect.

To HA'RDEN. v. a. [from hard.]

1. To make hard; to indurate. Sure he, who first the passage try'd, In harden'd oak his heart did hide,

And ribs of iron arm'd his side. Dryden. A piece of the hardened marl. 2. To confirm in effrontery; to make im-

pudent. To confirm in wickedness; to make obdurate.

But exhort one another daily, lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin.

Hebrews, iii. 13.

He stiffened his neck and hardened his heart from turning unto the Lord. 2 Chron. It is a melancholy consideration, that there should be several among us so hardened and

deluded as to think an oath a proper subject for a

4. To make insensible; to stupify.

Religion sets before us not the example of a stupid Stoick, who had by obstinate principles hardened himself against all sense of pain; but an example of a man like ourselves, that had a tender sense of the least suffering, and yet patiently en-Tillotson. dured the greatest.

Years have not yet hardened me, and I have an addition of weight on my spirits since we lost him.

Swift to Pope. 5. To make firm; to endue with constancy.

Then should I yet have comfort? yea, I would harden myself in sorrow.

One raises the soul, and hardens it to virtue; the other softens it again, and unbends it into vice. Dryden. that makes any thing hard.

HARDFA'VOURED. adj. [hard and favour.]
Coarse of feature; harsh of counte-

When the blast of war blows in your ears, Stiffen the sinews, summon up the blood Disguise fair Nature with hardfavour'd looks,

Then lend the eye a terrible aspect. Shakspeare. The brother a very lovely youth, and the sister hardfavoured. L'Estrange.

When Vulcan came into the world, he was so hardfavoured that both his parents frowned on him.

HARDFA'VOUREDNESS.* n. s. [from hardfavoured.] Ugliness; coarseness of fea-

If beauty were a string of silk, I would wear it about my neck for a certain testimony that I belove it much, and a great deal better than hardfavouredness. Wodroephe, Fr. Gr. (1623,) p. 322.

HARDFI'STED.* adj. [hard and fist.] Covetous; close-handed.

None are so gripple and hard-fisted as the child-ss. Bp. Hall, Balm of Gilead.

Hardfo'ught.* adj. [hard and fought.] Vehemently contested.

[The] hard-fought field.

Fanshaw on Ld. Strafford's Trial. HARDGO'T.* adj. [hard and get.] Obtained by great la-HARDGO'TTEN. bour and pains.

As Bastard William first by conquest hither

And brought the Norman rule upon the English name:

So with a tedious war, and almost endless toils, Throughout his troubled reign here held his hardgot spoils. Drayton, Polyolb. S. 17.

HARDHA'NDED. † adj. [hard and hand.] 1. Coarse; mechanick; having hard hands with labour.

- Hardhanded men that work in Athens here, Which never labour'd in their minds till now.

2. Exercising severity, or a hard hand. The easy or hardhanded monarchies, the do-

mestick or foreign tyrannies. Milton, of Ref. in Eng. B.1.

HA'RDHEAD. n. s. [hard and head.] Clash of heads; manner of fighting in which the combatants dash their heads together.

I have been at hardhead with your butting citizens; I have routed your herd, I have dispers'd them.

HARDHE'ARTED. adj. [hard and heart.] Cruel; inexorable; merciless; pitiless; barbarous; inhuman; savage; uncom-

Hardhearted Clifford, take me from the world; My soul to heav'n. Can you be so hardhearted to destroy

My ripening hopes, that are so near to joy? Dryd. John Bull, otherwise a good-natured man, was Arbuthnot. very hardhearted to his sister Peg.

HARDHE'ARTEDNESS. n. s. [from hardhearted.] Cruelty; want of tenderness; want of compassion.

Hardheartedness and cruelty is not only an inhuman vice, but worse than brutal. L'Estrange. How black and base a vice ingratitude is, may be seen in those vices which it is always in combination with, pride and hardheartedness, or want of compassion.

Hardheartedness is an essential in the character of a libertine. Richardson, Clarissa. HA'RDIHOOD. ness; bravery. Obso-

Enflam'd with fury and fierce hardyhead, He seem'd in heart to harbour thoughts unkind. And nourish bloody vengeance in his bitter mind. Spenser, F. Q. Boldly assault the necromancer's hall,

Where, if he be, with dauntless hardihood, And brandish'd blade, rush on him. Milt. Comus.

HA'RDIMENT. n. s. [from hardy, hardiment, adv. French.] Courage; stoutness; bravery. Not now in use.

But full of fire and greedy hardiment The youthful knight could not for aught be staid, Spenser, F. Q.

On the gentle Severn's sedgy bank, In single opposition, hand to hand, He did confound the best part of an hour In changing hardiment with great Glendower.

Zeal was the spring whence flowed her hardiment. Fairfax, Tass.

HA'RDINESS. n. s. [hardiesse, French; from hardy.

1. Hardship; fatigue.

They are valiant and hardy; great endurers of cold, hunger, and all hardiness. Spenser on Ireland.

2. Stoutness; courage; bravery. If we, with thrice such powers left at home,

Cannot defend our own doors from the dog, Let us be worried; and our nation lose

The name of hardiness and policy. Shakspeare. Perkin had gathered together a power of all nations, neither in number nor in the hardiness and courage of their persons contemptible. Bacon.

He has the courage of a rational creature, and such an hardiness we should endeavour by custom and use to bring children to.

Criminal as you are, you avenge yourself against the hardiness of one that should tell you of it. Spectator.

3. Effrontery; confidence.

HARDLA'BOURED. adj. [hard and labour.] Elaborate; studied; diligently wrought. How chearfully the hawkers cry

A satire, and the gentry buy! While my hardlabour'd poem pines, Unsold upon the printer's lines.

HA'RDLY. † adv. [Sax. heapblice.] 1. With difficulty; not easily.

Touching things which generally are received, although in themselves they be most certain, yet, because men presume them granted of all, we are hardliest able to bring such proof of their certainty as may satisfy gainsayers, when suddenly and besides expectation they require the same at our

Swift.

There are but a few, and they endued with great ripeness of wit and judgement, free from all such affairs as might trouble their meditations, instructed in the sharpest and subtlest points of learning; who have, and that very hardly, been able to find out but only the immortality of the soul.

God hath delivered a law, as sharp as the twoedged sword, piercing the very closest and most unsearchable corners of the heart, which the law of nature can hardly, human laws, by no means, possibly reach unto.

There are in living creatures parts that nourish and repair easily, and parts that nourish and repair

The barks of those trees are more close and soft than those of oaks and ashes, whereby the moss can the hardlier issue out.

The father, mother, daughter, they invite, Hardly the dame was drawn to this repast. Dryd. Recov'ring hardly what he lost before,

His right endears it much, his purchase more. Dryden.

False confidence is easily taken up, and hardly 2. Scarcely; scant; not lightly; with no

likelihood. The fish, that once was caught, new bate will

hardly bite. Spenser, F.Q.

They are worn, lord consul, so

That we shall hardly in our ages see Their banners wave again.

Shakspeare. Hardly shall you find any one so bad, but he desires the credit of being thought good.

3. Almost not; barely.

The wand'ring breath was on the wing to part, Weak was the pulse, and hardly heav'd the heart.

There is hardly a gentleman in the nation who hath not a near alliance with some of that body.

4. Grudgingly; as an injury. If I unwittingly

Have aught committed that is hardly borne By any in this presence, I desire Shakspeare.

To reconcile me. 5. Severely; unfavourably.

If there are some reasons inducing you to think hardly of our laws, are those reasons demonstrative, are they necessary, or mere possibilities only?

6. Rigorously; oppressively.

Many men believed that he was hardly dealt Clarendon. They are now in prison, and treated hardly enough; for there are fifteen dead within two Addison. They have begun to say, and to fetch instances, where he has in many things been hardly used.

7. Unwelcomely; harshly.

Such information comes very hardly and harshly to a grown man; and, however softened, goes but

8. Not softly; not tenderly; not delicately.

Heav'n was her canopy; bare earth her bed; So hardly lodg'd.

HA'RDMOUTHED. adj. [hard and mouth.] Disobedient to the rein; not sensible of the bit.

'Tis time my hardmouth'd coursers to controul, Apt to run riot, and transgress the goal. Dryden. But who can youth, let loose to vice, restrain? When once the hardmouth'd horse has got the rein, He's past thy pow'r to stop. Dryden.

Ha'rdness. † n. s. [Sax. heapbnerre.]

1. Durity; power of resistance in bodies. Hardness is a firm cohesion of the parts of matter that make up masses of a sensible bulk, so that the whole does not easily change its figure.

From the various combinations of these corpuscles happen all the varieties of the bodies formed out of them, in colour, taste, smell, hardness, and specifick gravity. Woodward.

2. Difficulty to be understood. This label on my bosom

Is so from sense in hardness, that I can Shakspeare. Make no collection of it.

3. Difficulty to be accomplished.

It was time now or never to sharpen my intention to pierce through the hardness of this enter-Sidney.

Concerning the duty itself, the hardness thereof is not such as needeth much art.

4. Scarcity; penury.

The tenants poor, the hardness of the times, Are ill excuses for a servant's crimes.

5. Obduracy; profligateness.

The six hundred thousand footmen, who were gathered together in the hardness of their hearts.

From hardness of heart, and contempt of Thy word and commandment, good Lord, deliver us.

Every commission of sin introduces unto the soul a certain degree of hardness, and an aptness to continue in that sin. South.

6. Coarseness; harshness of look,

By their virtuous behaviour they compensate the hardness of their favour, and by the pulchritude of their souls make up what is wanting in the beauty of their bodies.

7. Keenness; vehemence of weather or

If the hardness of the winter should spoil them, neither the loss of seed nor labour will be much. Mortimer.

8. Strictness of manners: austereness. A person austere and wise, full of holiness, and

Bp. Taylor, Mor. Dem. of the Tr. of the Chr. Rel.

9. Cruelty of temper; savageness; harshness; barbarity.

We will ask, That if we fail in our request, the blame

May hang upon your hardness. Shaksveare. They quicken sloth, perplexities unty, Make roughness smooth, and hardness mollify.

Stiffness; harshness.

Sculptors are obliged to follow the manners of the painters, and to make many ample folds, which are insufferable hardnesses, and more like a rock than a natural garment. Dryden.

11. Faulty parsimony; stinginess.

HARDNI'BBED.* adj. [Sax. heaps-nebbe.] Having a hard nib; by us applied to a pen; by the Saxons, to birds which have a hard beak.

HA'RDOCK. † n. s. I suppose the same with burdock. Dr. Johnson. - The modern Editors, in the passage cited from Shakspeare, read harlock. reading, as Mr. Steevens observes, is probably the hoardock, i. e. the dock with whitish woolly leaves.

Why he was met ev'n now, Crown'd with rank fumiter and furrow-weeds, With hardocks, hemlock, nettles, cuckoo-flowers.

HARDS. † n. s. [Sax. heopbar; Teut. herde. In some places our word is pronounced herds.] The refuse or coarser part of

HA'RDSHIP. n. s. [from hard.]

1. Injury; oppression.

They are ripe for a peace, to enjoy what we have conquered for them; and so are we, to recover the effects of their hardships upon us.

2. Inconvenience; fatigue.

They were exposed to hardship and penury. You could not undergo the toils of war,

Nor bear the hardships that your leaders bore. Addison.

In journeys or at home, in war or peace, By hardships many, many fall by ease. Prior.

HA'RDWARE. n. s. [hard and ware.] Manufactures of metal.

HA'RDWAREMAN. n. s. [hardware and man.] A maker or seller of metalline manu-

One William Wood, an hardwareman, obtains by fraud a patent in England to coin copper to pass in Ireland.

HA'RDY. adj. [hardy, Fr.]

Ecclus. xvi. 10. 1. Bold; brave; stout; daring; resolute.

Try the imagination of some in cock-fights, to make one cock more hardy, and the other more cowardly.

Recite The feats of Amazons, the fatal fight

Betwixt the hardy queen and hero knight. Dryden. Who is there hardy enough to contend with the reproach which is prepared for those, who dare venture to dissent from the received opinions of

Could thirst of vengeance, and desire of fame, Excite the female breast with martial flame? And shall not love's diviner pow'r inspire

More hardy virtue, and more gen'rous fire? Prior. 2. Strong; hard; firm.

Is a man confident of his present strength? An unwholesome blast may shake in pieces his hardy

3. Confident; impudent; viciously stub-

HARE and HERE, differing in pronunciation only, signify both an army and a lord. So Harold is a general of an army; Hareman, a chief man in the army; Herwin, a victorious army; which are much like Stratocles, Polemarchus, and Hegesistratus among the Greeks.

Gibson's Camden.

HARE. n. s. [hapa, Sax. karh, Erse.] 1. A small quadruped, with long ears and short tail, that moves by leaps, remarkable for timidity, vigilance, and fecundity; the common game of hunters.

Dismay'd not this Our captains Macbeth and Banquo?

As sparrows, eagles; or the hare, the lion. Shaks. We view in the open champaign a brace of swift greyhounds coursing a good, stout, and well breathed hare. Your dressings must be with hare's fur.

Wiseman.

Poor is the triumph o'er the timid hare. Thomson.

2. A constellation.

The hare appears, whose active rays supply A nimble force, and hardly wings deny. Creech. To HARE. † v. a. [old Fr. harer.]

fright; to hurry with terrour.

The poor creature [Richard Cromwell] was so hared by the council of officers, that he presently caused a proclamation to be issued out, by which he did declare the parliament to be dissolved.

Clarendon, Hist. Reb. b. 16. To hare and rate them, is not to teach but vex them.

HA'REBELL. n. s. [hare and bell.] A blue flower campaniform.

Thou shalt not lack

The flow'r that's like thy face, pale primrose; nor The azur'd harebell, like thy veins. Shaks. Cymb.

HA'REBRAINED. + adj. [from hare, the verb, and brain. Dr. Johnson. - Yet, at hairbrained, Dr. Johnson tells us, we should read hare-brained, i. e. wild and unsettled as a hare! - Whether from the animal, or the verb meaning to hurry, certain it is, that harebrained is the old spelling, as in Barret's Alv. 1580, and elsewhere. Burton has "a bold, harebrain, mad fellow." Anat. of Mel. To the Read. p. 40.] Volatile; unsettled; wild; fluttering; hurried.

The overmuch folly of many clients hath, and doth maintayne the lawyers to be both warm within and abroad; whyle many harebrainde clyents must tarry and attend without.

Knight, Trial of Truth, (1580,) fol. 29. b.

That harebrained wild fellow begins to play the fool, when others are weary of it. HA'REFOOT. † n. s. [Sax. haperoc.]

Ainsworth. 1. A bird. 2. An herb. Ainsworth.

HAREHE'ARTED.* adj. [hare and heart.] Timorous; fearful. Ainsworth. HA'REHOUND.* n. s. [Sax. hapa-hune.] A

hound for hunting hares.

HA'REHUNTER.* n. s. [hare and hunter.] One who is fond of hunting hares.

I write an hour or two every morning, then ride out a hunting upon the downs. - How can a poor translator and hare-hunter hope for a minute's me-Pope to M. and T. Blount.

HA'REHUNTING.* n. s. The diversion of hunting the hare.

Description of the harehunting in all its parts. Argument to Somerville's Chase.

HA'RELIP. n. s. A fissure in the upper lip with want of substance, a natural defect. Quincy.

The blots of nature's hand Shall not in their issue stand;

Never mole, harelip, nor scar, Shall upon their children be. Shaksneare. The third stitch is performed with pins or needles, as in harelips. Wiseman.

HARELI'PPED.* adj. [from harelip.] Having a harelip. Ainsworth. HA'REMINT.* n. s. [Sax. hapemint.] An

herb. [arum.] HA'RE-PIPE.* n. s. [hare and pipe.] A

snare to catch hares.

Any person who shall take or destroy any hare with harepipes, shall forfeit for every hare twenty Stat. James I.

HA'RESEAR. n. s. [bupleurum, Lat.] A Miller.

HA'RESLETTUCE.* n. s. [hare and lettuce.] In botany, the sow-thistle. Ainsworth. HA'REWORT.* n. s. [Sax. hapan-pypc.] A

plant. [malva hortensis.]

HA'RICOT.* n. s. [French, a bean; Cotgrave describes the dish, adopted from this name, as far more savoury than the modern one, and in no less than three different ways. Let the gourmands immediately purchase Cotgrave!] A kind of ragout, generally made of meat steaks and cut roots.

I have ordered a haricot, to which you will be very welcome about four o'clock. Ld. Chesterfield.

HA'RIER. † n. s. | from hare. This is the true spelling of the word; but it is now usually written, as well as pronounced, harrier.] A dog for hunting hares.

Keeping a kennel of little hounds called harriers, at the king's charge. Blount, Anc. Ten. p. 39.

HARIOLA'TION.* n. s. [Latin, hariolatio.] Cockeram. Soothsaving. HA'RIOT.* See HERIOT.

HA'RISH.* adj. [from hare.] Like a hare.

To HARK.+ v. n. [contracted from hearken, Dr. Johnson says. It is from the Fris. harken, to listen. Dr. Johnson has introduced, as one of his examples, a passage from Shakspeare's Tempest, in which the word is not hark, but hearken, and the signification not neuter, but active. See To HEARKEN.] To listen.

Pricking up his ears, to hark If he could hear too in the dark. Hudibras.

HARK. interj. [It is originally the imperative of the verb hark.] List! hear!

What harmony is this? My good friends, hark!

The butcher saw him upon the gallop with a piece of flesh, and called out, Hark ye, friend, you may make the best of your purchase. L'Estrange. Hark ! methinks the roar that late pursu'd me, Sinks like the murmurs of a falling wind. Rowe. Hark, how loud the woods

Invite you forth!

HARL: n. s.

1. The filaments of flax.

2. Any filamentous substance.

The general sort are wicker hives, made of privet, willow, or harl, daubed with cow-dung. Mortimer.

HA'RLEQUIN. † n. s. [This name is said to have been given by Francis of France to a busy buffoon, in ridicule of his enemy Charles le Quint. Menage derives it more probably from a famous comedian that frequented M. Harlay's house, whom his friends called Harlequino, little Harlay. Trevoux. Dr. Johnson. -M. de Harlay, Mr. Malone observes, lived in the time of Henry the Third of France, viz. 1574-1589; and M. Guet says, that he had the same account, which Menage relates, from Harlequin himself. Notwithstanding this, the name of harlequinus is found in a letter of M. Raulin in 1521. "Vis antiquam illam Harlequini familiam revocare, ut videatur mortuus inter mundanæ curiæ nebulas et caligines equitare?" p. 28. Further, it might almost as well be considered a diminutive of the old Fr. arlot, a cheat, as of M. Harlay's name. Nash, in the Epistle Dedicatory to his Almond for a Parrot, (about 1589,) thus speaks of this personage. "Coming from Venice the last summer, and taking Bergamo in my waye homeward to England, it was my happe, sojourning there some four or five days, to light in fellowship with that famous Franca Hip' Harleken, who, perceiving me to be an Englishman by my habit and speech, asked me many particulars of the order and maner of our playes, which he termed by the name of representations."] A buffoon who plays tricks to divert the populace; a Jackpudding; a zany.

The joy of a king for a victory must not be like that of a harlequin upon a letter from his mistress. Dryden.

The man in graver tragick known, Though his best part long since was done, Still on the stage desires to tarry; And he who play'd the harlequin, After the jest still loads the scene, Unwilling to retire, though weary.

To HA'RLEQUIN.* v. a. [from the noun.] To conjure away, like a harlequin.

Monkeys have been Extreme good doctors for the spleen; And kitten, if the humour hit, Has harlequin'd away the fit. Green, Poem of the Spleen, ver. 96.

HA'RLOCK.* n. s. A plant: It may be a corruption of charlock. But see also HARDOCK.

The honey-suckle, the harlocke, The lilly, &c. Drayton, Ecl. (1593.)

HA'RLOT. † n. s. [herlodes, Welsh, a girl. Others from horelet, a little whore. Others from the name of the mother of William the Conqueror. Harlot is used in Chaucer for a low male drudge. Dr. Johnson. -Hickes first suggested that horelet (i. e. harlot) is the diminutive of hore, in which manner whore was formerly written; from the Sax. hop. Mr. H. Tooke agrees with Hickes, pronouncing the word as the past participle of hynan, to hire, i. e. denoting any person hired. Thus Mr. Bagshaw deduces it from hire and let; and cites, in proof, an old indictment against certain women, "common harlots of their bodies." This, I may add, agrees with the ancient notion of this character; a harlot being, as Plautus observes, quæ ipsa sese venditat. Mil. Glorios. A. 2. S. 3. - Bullet, however, refers the word to the Welsh herlodes, and Mr. Chalmers agrees with him; herlodes meaning, in that language, a hoiden or romping girl; and herlod and herlotyn, a stripling, a youth. And thus, in our old language, harlot was applied to both sexes. In the Rom. of the Rose, "king of harlots," as Mr. Tyrwhitt has observed, is Chaucer's translation of "roy des ribaulx; and, as a writer, nearly two centuries before Mr. Tyrwhitt, remarks, "the kinge of ribaldes or harlots, or evill and wicked persons, was an officer of great accompte in tymes paste - sic autem appellantur, quia jam tum homines perditi RIBALDI, et RIBALDÆ mulieres puellæque perditæ vocantur. Regis nomen superiori aut judici tribuitur, &c." Fr. Thynne's Animadv. on Speght's Chaucer, 1598. Thus harlots (ribaldi et ribaldæ) were clearly of both sexes, the Fr. ribauld, a rogue, and ribaulde, a trull. Our old language applies the word, in this sense, to men. In the Cornish, harlot means a rogue. So in old Fr. arlot, "fripon, coquin, voleur." Roq. Indeed, so far back as about the close of our Henry the Third's reign, a royal mandate was issued against "certain vagrant persons calling themselves harlots, maintaining idleness in divers parts of our realme; most shamelesslie making their meetings, &c. against the honestie of the church and good manners." Fox's Acts and Mon. p. 305. Fox considers them as "people of a lewd disposition and uncivill," and at the same time as a pretended religious order. "It is most probable," he adds, "that the reproachful name of harlot had its beginning from hence."] 1. A whore; a strumpet.

Away, my disposition, and possess me with Some harlot's spirit. They help thee by such aids as geese and harlots.

The barbarous harlots crowd the publick place; Go, fools, and purchase an unclean embrace.

2. A base person; a rogue; a cheat. Apparently the earliest usage of the word. See the etymology.

Whether we [be] the false harlottes, and you

the trewe men.

Dia. bet. Euseb. and Theoph. (1556,) sign. b. 6. b. No man but he and thou, and such other false harlots, praiseth any such preaching.

Fox, Acts and Mon. Exam. of W. Thorpe.

3. A servant.

A sturdy harlot went hem ay behind, That was hir hostes man, and bare a sakke, And what men yave him, laid it on his bakke. Chaucer, Sompm. Tale.

HA'RLOT.* adj.

1. Like a base person. The harlot king

Is quite beyond mine arm. Shaksp. Wint. Tale.

2. Wanton; like a harlot. The harlot lap

Of Philistean Dalilah. For now she rules me with her look,

And round me winds her harlot chain.

Way, Fabl. Lay of the Ivy.
To HA'RLOT.* v. n. To play the harlot; to keep the company of harlots. They that spend their youth in loitering, bez-

zling, and harloting. Milton, Animadv. Rem. Def. HA'RLOTRY. † n. s. [from harlot.]

1. Ribaldry

Eithir filthie or foli speche, or harlotrie, that perteyneth not to profit, [in the present version, Wicliffe, Ephes. v. 4.

I had lever hear an harlotry.

Vis. P. Ploughman, fol. 27. 2. The trade of a harlot; fornication.

Harlotry, when committed with a common strumpet.

Bp. Nicholson, Expos. of the Cat. (1662,) p. 123.

Nor shall, From Rome's tribunal, thy harangues prevail 'Gainst harlotry, while thou art clad so thin.

3. A name of contempt for a woman. A peevish self-will'd harlotry,

That no persuasion can do good upon. Shakspeare. A kind of common and harlotry Venus, which deriving only from the body and a branch of the animal life, draws down the soul to what is merely corporeal, and, mingling with it, defiles and pollutes it.

Hallywell, Excell. of Mor. Virtue, (1692,) p. 111.

4. Any thing meretricious. The harlotry of the ornaments.

Pursuits of Literature.

HARM. † n. s. [heapm, Sax. harm, Su. Goth. Harm was in Anglo-Saxon ypmö, or 1epmő, i. e. whatsoever harmeth or hurteth; the third person singular of the indicative of ypman, or repman, to hurt. Mr. H. Tooke, Div. Purl. ii. 425. Mr. Tooke might have added, on the authority of Somner, the verb heapman.]

1. Injury; crime; wickedness.

2. Mischief; detriment; hurt.

We, ignorant of ourselves, Beg often our own harms, which the wise Powers Deny us for our good. Shakspeare. How are we happy still in fear of harm? But harm precedes not sin.

Milton, P. L. They should be suffered to write on: it would keep them out of harm's way, and prevent them

hurt; to injure.

HAR What sense had I of her stol'n hours or lust? I saw't not, thought it not, it harm'd not me.

Shakspeare, Othello. Passions ne'er could grow

To harm another, or impeach your rest. Waller. After their young are batched, they brood them I under their wings, lest the cold, and sometimes the heat, should harm them.

HA'RMFUL. adj. [harm and full.] Hurtful; mischievous; noxious; injurious; detrimental.

His dearly loved squire His spear of heben-wood hehind him bare, Whose harmful head, thrice heated in the fire,

Had riven many a breast with pike-head square. Spenser. Let no man fear that harmful creature less,

because he sees the apostle safe from that poison. The earth brought forth fruit and food for man, without any mixture of harmful quality. Ralegh.

For flax and oats will burn the tender field, And sleepy poppies harmful harvests yield. Dryd.

Milton, P. L. | HA'RMFULLY. adv. [from harmful.] Hurtfully; noxiously; detrimentally. A scholar is better occupied in playing or sleep-

ing, than spending his time not only vainly, but harmfully in such kind of exercise.

HA'RMFULNESS, n.s. [from harmful.] Hurtfulness; mischievousness; noxiousness. HA'RMLESS. † adj. [from harm.]

1. Innocent; innoxious; not hurtful; not doing harm.

Touching ceremonies, harmless in themselves, and hurtful only in respect of number, was it amiss to decree that those things that were least needful, and newliest come, should be the first Hooker. that were taken away?

She, like harmless lightning, throws her eye On him, her brothers, me, her master; hitting Each object with a joy. Shakspeare.

Unhurt; undamaged; not receiving

The shipwright will be careful to gain by his labour, or at least to save himself harmless, and therefore suit his work slightly, according to a slight price. Ralegh.

HA'RMLESSLY. adv. [from harmless.] Innocently: without hurt: without crime. He spent that day free from worldly trouble, harmlessly, and in a recreation that became a

Bullets batter the walls which stand inflexible, but fall harmlessly into wood or feathers. Decay of Piety.

HA'RMLESSNESS. n. s. [from harmless.] Innocence; freedom from tendency to injury or hurt.

When, through tasteless flat humility, In dough-bak'd men some harmlessness we see,

'Tis but his phlegm that's virtuous, and not he. Compare the harmlessness, the credulity, the

tenderness, the modesty, and the ingenuous pliableness to virtuous counsels, which is in youth untainted, with the mischievousness, the slyness, the craft, the impudence, the falsehood, and the confirmed obstinacy in an aged, long-practised

HARMO'NICAL. adj. [άρμονικός; harmo-HARMO'NICK. nique, Fr.] 1. Relating to musick; susceptible of

musical proportion to each other.

After every three whole notes, nature requireth, for all harmonical use, one half note to be inter-

To HARM. † v. a. [Sax. heapman.] To 2. Concordant; musical; proportioned to each other; less properly.

Harmonical sounds and discordant sounds, are both active and positive; but blackness and darkness are, indeed, but privatives.

So swells each wind-pipe; ass intones to ass, Harmonick twang of leather, horn, and brass. Pope JARMO'NICALLY.* adv. [from harmonical.]

Musically.

The mind, as some suppose, harmonically composed, is roused up at the tunes of musick. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 295.

Anthems - which proceed in one full yet distinct strain, harmonically, and, at the same time, intelligibly. Mason on Church Musick, p. 130. HARMO'NIOUS. adj. [harmonieux, Fr. from

1. Adapted to each other; having the parts proportioned to each other; sym-

metrical.

harmony.]

All the wide-extended sky, And all th' harmonious worlds on high,

Cowley. And Virgil's sacred work shall die. God has made the intellectual world harmonious and beautiful without us; but it will never come into our heads all at once; we must bring it home Locke:

2. Having sounds concordant to each other; musical; symphonious.

Thoughts that voluntary move Milton, P. L. Harmonious numbers.

The verse of Chaucer is not harmonious to us: they who lived with him thought it musical. Dryden.

HARMO'NIOUSLY. adv. [from harmonious.] 1. With just adaptation and proportion of

parts to each other. Not chaos-like together crush'd and bruis'd;

But as the world harmoniously confus'd: Where order in variety we see,

And where, though all things differ, they agree.

That all these distances, motions, and quantities of matter, should be so accurately and harmoniously adjusted in this great variety of our system, is above the fortuitous hits of blind material causes, and must certainly flow from that eternal fountain of wisdom. Bentley. 2. Musically; with concord of sounds.

If we look upon the world as a musical instrument, well-tuned, and harmoniously struck, we ought not to worship the instrument, but him that makes the musick. Stilling fleet.

HARMO'NIOUSNESS. n. s. [from harmonious.] Proportion; musicalness. HA'RMONIST.* n.s. [Fr. harmoniste.]

1. One who understands the concord of sounds; one who delights in musick. Sweet harmonist, and beautiful as sweet.

Young, Night Th. 3.

I am well aware, that many profound har-monists may be disgusted at what I have already advanced, and think their craft in danger, when I seem to attack the very citadel of musick.

Mason on Church Musick, p. 103. A musician may be a very skilful harmonist, and yet be defective in the talents of melody, air,

and expression. A. Smith on the Imit. Arts, P. ii. 2. One who brings together corresponding passages on a subject; an harmonizer.

He endeavoureth to shew how, among the fathers, Augustin and Hierom are flatly against the harmonist. Nelson, Life of Bp. Bull, p. 226.

To HA'RMONIZE. v.a. [from harmony.] To adjust in fit proportions; to make

Love first invented verse, and form'd the rhime, The motion measur'd, harmoniz'd the chime.

To Ha'rmonize.* v. n. To agree; to

correspond.

R. Tancuman shews how the making of the tabernacle harmonizeth with the making of the Lightfoot, Miscell. (1629,) p. 153.

HA'RMONIZER.* n. s. [from harmonize.] One who brings together corresponding passages on any subject.

They do not forget to shew a prudent disdain for commentators and harmonizers, by whose care all they have to say is often superseded.

Cleaver, Inq. into the Charact. of David, (1762,) p. 5. HA'RMONY. n. s. Γάομονία, Gr. harmonie,

1. The just adaptation of one part to an-

The pleasures of the eye and ear are but the effects of equality, good proportion, or correspondence; so that equality and correspondence are the causes of harmony.

The harmony of things, As well as that of sounds, from discord springs.

Denham Sure infinite wisdom must accomplish all its works with consummate harmony, proportion, and regularity.

2. Just proportion of sound; musical con-

The sound

Symphonious, of ten thousand harps that tun'd Angelick harmonies. Milton, P. L. Harmony is a compound idea made up of different sounds united. Watts.

3. Concord; corresponding sentiment. In us both one soul,

Harmony to behold in wedded pair! More grateful than harmonious sounds to the ear.

Milton, P. L. I no sooner in my heart divin'd, My heart, which by a secret harmony Still moves with thine, join'd in connexion sweet !

Milton, P. L. HA'RNESS. n. s. [harnois, Fr. supposed

from iern, or hiern, Runick; hiairn, Welsh and Erse, iron.] 1. Armour; defensive furniture of war.

Somewhat antiquated.

A goodly knight, all dress'd in harness meet, That from his head no place appeared to his feet. Spenser, F. Q.

Of no right, nor colour like to right, He doth fill fields with harness. Shakspeare. Were I a great man, I should fear to drink, Great men should drink with harness on their

Shakspeare, 2. The traces of draught horses, particularly of carriages of pleasure or state: of other carriages we say geer.

Or wilt thou ride? Thy horses shall be trapp'd, Their harness studded all with gold and pearl. Shakspeare.

Their steeds around. Free from their harness, graze the flow'ry ground.

To Ha'RNESS. + v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To dress in armour. He was harnest light,

And to the field goes he. Shakspeare Full fifty years, harness'd in rugged steel, I have endur'd the biting Winter's blast. Rowe.

2. To defend; to protect.

They saw the camp of the heathen, that it was strong, and well harnessed, and compassed round about with horsemen. 1 Macc. iv. 7

The remnant of the horsemen - being harnessed all over amidst the ranks, [in the margin, being compassed with the ranks, or defended with the vallies. 1 Macc. vi. 38.

3. To fix horses in their traces. Before the door her iron chariot stood, All ready harnessed for journey new. Spenser, F. Q. VOL. II.

and stand forth with your helmets. Jer. xlvi. 4. When I plow my ground, my horse is harnessed, and chained to my plough. Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

To the harness'd yoke They lend their shoulder, and begin their toil.

HA'RNESSER.* n.s. [from harness.] One who fixes horses in their traces; the "harnesser of a horse."

HARNS.* n. s. pl. [Teut. herne, hirne, Germ. Sax. &c. Kilian.] Brains. A northern expression. Grose, and Craven

HARP. n.s. [heapp, Saxon; harpe, Fr. It is used through both the Teutonick and Roman dialects, and has been long

Romanusq; lyrâ plaudat tibi, Barbarus harpâ. Ven. Fort.

1. A lyre; an instrument strung with wire and commonly struck with the finger. Arion, when through tempests' cruel wreck

He forth was thrown into the greedy seas, Through the sweet musick which his harp did make.

Allur'd a dolphin him from death to ease. Spenser. They touch'd their golden harps, and hymning prais'd

God and his works. Milton, P. L. Nor wanted tuneful harp, nor vocal quire; The muses sung, Apollo touch'd the lyre. Dryden.

2. A constellation. Next shines the harp, and through the liquid

The shell, as lightest first begins to rise; This when sweet Orpheus struck, to listening rocks He senses gave, and ears to wither'd oaks. Creech.

To HARP. v. n. [heappian, Saxon; harper, Fr. from the noun.

1. To play on the harp.

I heard the voice of harpers harping with their Rev. xiv. 2.

The helmed cherubim, And sworded seraphim, Are seen in glittering ranks with wings display'd,

Harping in loud and solemn quire, With unexpressive notes to Heaven's new-born Milton, Ode Nativ. You harp a little too much upon one string.

2. To touch any passion, as the harper touches a string; to dwell on a subject. Gracious duke,

Harp not on that, nor do not banish reason For inequality; but let your reason serve To make the truth appear. Shaksp. Meas. for Meas. He seems

Proud and disdainful, harping on what I am, Not what he knew I was. Shaksp. Ant. and Cleop.

To HARP.* v. a.

1. To play upon the harp.

Things without life giving sound, whether pipe or harp, except they give a distinction in the sounds, how shall it be known what is piped or harped? 1 Cor. xiv. 7.

2. To touch; to affect; to move. For thy good caution thanks, Thou hast harp'd my fear aright. Shaksp. Macbeth.

HA'RPER. n. s. [heappene, Saxon.] A

player on the harp. Never will I trust to speeches penn'd, Nor to the motion of a schoolboy's tongue; Nor woo in rhime, like a blind harper's song.

Shakspeare. I'm the god of the harp: stop, my fairest: in vain;

Nor the harp, nor the harper could fetch her again.

Harness the horses, and get up the horsemen, | HA'RPING Iron. n.s. [from harpago, Lat.] A bearded dart, with a line fastened to the handle, with which whales are struck and caught.

The boat which cn the first assault did go, Struck with a harping-iron the younger foe; Who when he felt his side so rudely gor'd, Loud as the sea that nourish'd him he roar'd.

HA'RPINGS.* n. s. pl. In naval language, the breadth of a ship at the bow: the fore part of the wales which go round the bow, and are fastened into the stem. HA'RPIST.* n. s. [from harp.] A player

on the harp.

She --- can no less Tame the fierce walkers of the wilderness, Than that Oeagrian harpist, for whose lay Tigers with hunger pin'd, and left their prey.

Brown, Brit. Past. B. 1. S. 5.

HARPONE'ER. n. s. [harponeur, Fr. from harpoon.] He that throws the harpoon in whalefishing.

HARPO'ON. † n. s. [harpon, Span. an arrow; harpon, Fr. from the Gr. άρπάγη.] A harping iron.

Some fish with harpons, some with darts are struck,

Some drawn with nets, some hang upon the hook. Dryden.

HARPO'ONER.* See HARPONEER.

HA'RPSICHORD. † n. s. [old Fr. harpechorde. Our word was formerly written harpsicon.] A musical instrument, strung with wires, and played by striking keys.

Let them run divisions on the harpsicon or vir-nals. Partheneia Sacr. (1633,) p. 144. He would exactly perform his part of many

things to a harpsicon or theorbo.

Fell, Life of Hammond. I shall allow them to be harpsichords, a kind of musick, which every one knows is a consort by itself. Tatler, No. 153.

HA'RPY. n. s. [harpyia, Lat. harpie, harpye, Fr.7

1. The harpies were a kind of birds which had the faces of women, and foul long claws, very filthy creatures; which, when the table was furnished for Phineus, came flying in, and devouring or carrying away the greater part of the victuals, did so defile the rest that they could not be endured. Ralegh.

That an harpy is not a centaur is by this way as much a truth, as that a square is not a circle.

2. A ravenous wretch; an extortioner.

I will do you any ambassage to the pigmies, rather than hold three words conference with this Shakspeare.

HA'RQUEBUSS. † n. s. [See ARQUEBUSE. Ital. arca bouza, the bow with a hole: whence archibuso, arcubugio. Our old spelling was also harcabuse, or harcabuze.] A hand gun.

There entered into it as good as a dozen Frenchmen, well appointed with their harcabuzes and matches lighted.

Shelton, Transl. of Don Quix. iv. 14.

HA'RQUEBUSSIER. n. s. [from harquebuss.] One armed with a harquebuss.

Twenty thousand nimble harquebussiers were ranged in length, and but five in a rank. Knolles. HARR.* n. s. A storm proceeding from the sea. See EAGRE.

HAR HARRATE'EN.* n. s. A kind of stuff, or |

Mean time, thus silver'd with meanders gay, In mimic pride the snail-wrought tissue shines, Perchance of tabby or of harrateen Not ill expressive; such the power of snails!

Shenstone, Econ. P. iii.

HA'RRIDAN. n. s. [corrupted from haridelle, a worn-out worthless horse.] decayed strumpet.

She just endur'd the winter she began, And in four months a batter'd harridan; Now nothing's left, but wither'd, pale, and shrunk, To bawd for others, and go shares with punk

HA'RRIER.* n. s. A hare-hound. See HARIER.

HA'RRICO.* See HARICOT.

HA'RROW. n. s. [charroue, French; harcke, Germ. a rake.] A frame of timbers crossing each other, and set with teeth, drawn over sowed ground to break the clods and throw the earth over the seed.

The land with daily care Is exercis'd, and with an iron war

Of rakes and harrows. Druden. Two small harrows, that clap on each side of the ridge, harrow it right up and down. Mortimer.

To HA'RROW. † v. α. [from the noun.]

1. To cover with earth by the harrow. Friend, harrow in time, by some manner of

Not only thy peason, but also thy beans. Tusser.

2. To break with the harrow.

Can'st thou bind the unicorn with his band in the furrow? or will he harrow the valleys after Job, xxxix, 10. thee? Let the Volscians

Plow Rome, and harrow Italy. Shaksneare.

3. To tear up; to rip up.
I could a tale unfold, whose lightest word Would harrow up thy soul, freeze thy young blood, Make thy two eyes, like stars, start from their spheres. Imagine you behold me bound and scourg'd,

My aged muscles harrow'd up with whips; Or hear me groaning on the rending rack. Rowe. 4. To pillage; to strip; to lay waste. [Sax.

hepgian; Fr. harier. See To HARASS.]
As the king did excel in good commonwealth laws, so he had in secret a design to make use of them, as well for collecting of treasure as for correcting of manners; and so meaning thereby to harrow his people, did accumulate them the rather.

5. To invade; to harass with incursions; to subdue. [Sax. hepgian.] Obsolete. And he, that harrow'd hell with heavy stowre, The faulty souls from thence brought to his heavenly bowre. Spenser, F. Q. Most glorious Lord of Life, that on this day

Did'st make thy triumph over death and sin; And having harrow'd hell, did'st bring away Captivity thence captive, us to win.

6. To disturb; to put into commotion; to overpower. [This should rather be written harry. See To HARRY.]

Most like: it harrows me with fear and wonder. Shaksneare.

Amaz'd I stood, harrow'd with grief and fear. Milton, Comus.

HA'RROW. + interj. [old Fr. harau, haro; answering to the modern hue and cry; Su. Goth. haerop, from haer, her, an army, and op, a cry.] An exclamation of sudden distress; a cry for help. Obsolete.

Harrow new out and weal away, he cried; What dismal day hath sent this cursed light, To see my lord so deadly damnify'd?

HA'RROWER. † n. s. [from harrow.]

He who harrows.

The natives were likewise bound to give three plowdays each; and every plow was to be allowed four boon-loaves, and to harrow three days; and every harrower was allowed a brown loaf, and two Blount, Anc. Ten. p. 143. herrings a day.

Ainsworth. 2. A kind of hawk. To HA'RRY. + v. a. [Fr. harier; Sax. hep-

gian. See To HARASS.] 1. To tease; to hare; to ruffle; to vex.

Minsheu.

Thou must not take my former sharpness ill. ---

I repent me much

Shaksp. Ant. and Cleop. That I so harry'd him. 2. In Scotland and in some parts of the north of England it signifies to rob, plunder, or oppress: as, one harried a nest; that is, he took the young away: as also, he harried me out of house and home; that is, he robbed me of my goods, and turned me out of doors. See the fifth sense of To HARROW. Milton also has thus used harry, as Mr. Brockett has observed.

The Saxons, with perpetual landings and invasions harried the South coast of Britain.

Milton, Hist. of Eng. B. ii. To HA'RRY. * v. n. To make harassing incursion.

What made your rogueships Harrying for victuals here?

Beaum. and Fl. Bonduca.

HARSH. † adj. [Dutch, harsch; Su. Goth. harsk. Formerly written harish, and also harsk.]

1. Austere; roughly; sour.

Our nature here is not unlike our wine; Some sorts, when old, continue brisk and fine: So age's gravity may seem severe, But nothing harsh or bitter ought t' appear.

Denham. Sweet, bitter, sour, harsh and salt, are all the epithets we have to denominate that numberless variety of relishes.

The same defect of heat which gives a fierceness to our natures, may contribute to that roughness of our language, which bears some analogy to the harsh fruit of colder countries.

2. Rough to the ear.

A name unmusical to Volscian ears,

Shakspeare. And harsh in sound to thine. Age might, what nature never gives the young, Have taught the smoothness of thy native tongue; But satire needs not that, and wit will shine Through the harsh cadence of a rugged line.

The unnecessary consonants made their spelling tedious, and their pronunciation harsh. Dryden. Thy lord commands thee now

With a harsh voice, and supercilious brow, Dryden. To servile duties.

3. Crabbed; morose; peevish.

He was a wise man and an eloquent; but in his nature harsh and haughty. Bear patiently the harsh words of thy enemies, as knowing that the anger of an enemy admonishes us of our duty. Bp. Taylor.

No harsh reflection let remembrance raise; Forbear to mention what thou can'st not praise.

A certain quickness of apprehension inclined him to kindle into the first motions of anger; but, for a long time before he died, no one heard an intemperate or harsh word proceed from him.

4. Rugged to the touch; rough. Black feels as if you were feeling needles' points, or some harsh sand; and red feels very smooth.

5. Unpleasing; rigorous. With eloquence innate his tongue was arm'd; Though harsh the precept, yet the preacher

HA'RSHLY. adv. [from harsh.]

charm'd.

1. Sourly; austerely to the palate, as unripe fruit.

2. With violence; in opposition to gentleness, unless in the following passage it rather signifies unripely.

Till, like ripe fruit, thou drop Into thy mother's lap; or be with ease Gather'd, not harshly pluck'd. 3. Severely; morosely; crabbedly.

I would rather he was a man of a rough temper, that would treat me harshly, than of an effeminate

4. Unpleasantly to the ear.

My wife is in a wayward mood to-day; I tell you, 'twould sound harshly in her ears.

Shakspeare. Get from him why he puts on this confusion, Grating so harshly all his days of quiet

With turbulent and dang'rous lunacy. Shaksn. The rings of iron that on the doors were hung, Sent out a jarring sound, and harshly rung.

Dryden. HA'RSHNESS. † n. s. [from harsh. It is rarely used in the plural: but Jeremy

Taylor has somewhere so employed it. 1. Sourness; austere taste.

Take an apple and roll it upon a table hard: the rolling doth soften and sweeten the fruit, which is nothing but the smooth distribution of the spirits into the parts; for the unequal distribution of the spirits maketh the harshness. Roughness to the ear.

Neither can the natural harshness of the French, or the perpetual ill accent, be ever refined into perfect harmony like the Italian. Cannot I admire the height of Milton's inven-

tion, and the strength of his expression, without defending his antiquated words, and the perpetual harshness of their sound? 'Tis not enough no harshness gives offence;

The sound must seem an echo to the sense. Pope. 3. Ruggedness to the touch.

Harshness and ruggedness of bodies is unpleasant to the touch. Racon.

4. Crabbedness; moroseness; peevishness. Thy tender hefted nature shall not give Thee o'er to harshness: her eyes are fierce, but

thine Do comfort and not burn. Shakspeare. Thy beauty cannot move

Rage from the seas, nor thy love teach them love, Nor tame wild Boreas' harshness.

Donne, Poems, p. 257.

HART. † n. s. [heopt, Saxon.] A he-deer; the male of the hind; the stag. That instant was I turn'd into a hart,

And my desires, like fell and cruel hounds, E'er since pursue me.

The deer

And fearful harts do wander every where Amidst the dogs. May, Virgil.

HA'RT-ROYAL. n. s. A plant. A species of buckthorn plantain.

HA'RTSHORN. n. s. A drug.

Hartshorn is a drug that comes into use many ways, and under many forms. What is used here are the whole horns of the common male deer, which fall off every year. This species is the

fallow deer; but some tell us, that the medicinal hartshorn should be that of the true hart or stag. The salt of hartshorn is a great sudorifick, and the spirit has all the virtues of volatile alkalies: it is used to bring people out of faintings by its pungency, holding it under the nose, and pouring down some drops of it in water.

Ramose concretions of the volatile salts are observable upon the glass of the receiver, whilst the spirits of vipers and hartshorn are drawn.

HA'RTSHORN. n. s. An herb. Ainsworth. HA'RTSTONGUE. † n. s. [lingua cervina, Latin.] A plant.

It commonly grows out from the joints of old walls and buildings, where they are moist and shady. There are very few of them in Europe. Miller. Hartstongue is propagated by parting the roots, and also by seed.

So saxifrage is good, and hartstongue, for the stone. Drayton, Polyolb. S. 13. HA'RTWORT. n. s. [tordylium, Latin.]

An umbelliferous plant. Miller. HA'RVEST. † n.s. [hæppert, Saxon; herfst, Dutch; herbst, German. Some derive it from the Lat. herba and festum, q. d. festivitas herbarum; others, from Hertha, the Vesta of the ancient Germans, and Dutch, feest, q.d. the feast of the Earth. Serenius, from the Su. Goth. ar, the year, and vist, provision, q. d.

provision for the whole year.] 1. The season of reaping and gathering

the corn.

As it ebbs, the seedsman Upon the slime and ooze scatters his grain, And shortly comes to harvest. Shakspeare. With harvest work he is worse than in spring. L'Estrange.

2. The corn ripened, gathered and inned.
From Ireland come I with my strength, And reap the harvest which that rascal sow'd.

Shakspeare, When the father is too fondly kind, Such seed he sows, such harvest shall he find.

Dryden.

3. The product of labour. Let us the harvest of our labour eat, 'Tis labour makes the coarsest diet sweet.

HA'RVEST-HOME. n. s.

1. The song which the reapers sing at the feast made for having inned the harvest.
Your hay it is mow'd, and your corn it is reap'd;

Your barns will be full, and your hovels heap'd; Come, my boys, come,

Come, my boys, come,

| - And merrily roar out harvest-home. 2. The time of gathering harvest.

At harvest-home, and on the shearing-day, When he should thanks to Pan and Pales pay.

3. The opportunity of gathering treasure. His wife I will use as the key of the cuckoldy rogue's coffer; and there's my harvest-home. Shakspeare.

HA'RVEST-LORD. n. s. The head reaper at the harvest.

Grant harvest-lord more by a peny or two, To call on his fellows the better to do. Tusser. HA'RVEST-QUEEN.* n. s. [harvest and . queen.] An image apparelled in great

in her hand, carried out of the village in the morning of the conclusive reaping-day, with musick and much clamour of the reapers into the field, where it stands fixed on a pole all day; and, when the reaping is done, is brought home in like manner. This they call the harvest-queen, and it represents the Roman Ceres.

Hutchinson, Hist. of Northumberland. Adam the while,

Waiting desirous her return, had wove Of choicest flowers a garland, to adorn Her tresses, and her rural labours crown; As reapers oft are wont their harvest-queen.

Milton, P. L.

To HA'RVEST.* v. a. [from the noun.] To gather in. [mestiver.] Sherwood I have seen a stock of reeds harvested and stacked, worth two or three hundred pounds. Pennant, Tour in Scotland

HA'RVESTER. † n. s. [from harvest.] One who works at the harvest.

I have appointed you, as harvesters, to go abroad in all the world, and bring in converts to heaven. Hammond on the New Testament, 1 Pet. ii. 8.

HA'RVESTMAN. n. s. [harvest and man.] A labourer in harvest.

In this large field of the Scriptures, a man may gather some ears untouched after the harvestmen, how diligent soever they were.

Abp. Parker, Pref. to the Old Test. Like to a harvestman, that's task'd to mow Or all, or lose his hire.

HA'RUMSCARUM.* adj. A low but frequent expression applied to flighty persons, persons always in a hurry; as if they were hared or frightened themselves, or haring others by their pre-cipitancy; as, he is a harumscarum fellow. Grose, who notices this colloquial term, connects it with the verb hare, to affright, to make wild: others. both with that verb and with scare, though in our northern parts the word is harumstarum; and some, with the German herum, here and there. Mr. Brockett adds the German expression, herum-schar, a wandering troop; plural, scharen, vagabonds.

To HASH. v. a. [hacher, Fr.] To mince; to chop into small pieces, and mingle.

He rais'd his arm, Above his head, and rain'd a storm, Of blows so terrible and thick,

As if he meant to hash her quick. What have they to complain of but too great variety, though some of the dishes be not served in the exactest order, and politeness: but hashed up in haste.

HASH.* n. s. [from the verb. Fr. hachis.] Minced meat; "a hachee, a sliced gal-limawfry, or minced meat." Cotgrave.

HASK. † n. s. [Swedish, hwass, a rush.] This seems to signify a case or habitation made of rushes or flags. Obsolete. Phoebus, weary of his yearly task,

Established hath his steeds in lowly lay, And taken up his inn in fishes hask. Spenser.

Hask.* adj. [hisco, Lat.] Parched; coarse; rough; dry. A northern word. Grose, Craven Dialect, and Brockett.

finery, crowned with flowers, a sheaf of HA'SLET. n. s. [hasla, Icelandick, a corn placed under her arm, and a sickle HA'RSLET. bundle; hasterel, hastereau, hastier, Fr.] The heart, liver, and lights of a hog, with the windpipe and part of the throat to it.

HASP.† n. s. [hæpr, Saxon; whence in some provinces it is yet called hapse.] 1. A clasp folded over a staple, and fas-

tened on with a padlock.

Have doors to open and shut at pleasure, with hasps to them.

2. A spindle to wind silk, thread, or yarn upon. [old Fr. haspe; Teut. haspe, Skinner.

To HASP. † v. a. [Sax. hæppian.] To shut with a hasp.

Haspt in a tombril, awkwardly you've shin'd With one fat slave before, and none behind. Garth, Dispens. C. 5.

HA'ssock. n. s. [haseck, German. Skinner. -hwass, Swed. a rush, and saeck, a sack. Serenius.]

1. A thick mat on which men kneel at church.

He found his parishioners very irregular; and in order to make them kneel, and join in the responses, he gave every one of them a hassock and common prayer-book.

2. In Scotland it is applied to any thing made of rushes or privet, on which a person may sit: it is therefore probable that hassock and hask are the same.

HAST. The second person singular of

HASTE. n. s. [haste, Fr.; haeste, Dutch. 1. Hurry; speed; nimbleness; precipit-Spare him, death!

But O, thou wilt not, canst not spare! Haste hath never time to hear. Crashaw. Our lines reform'd, and not compos'd in haste, Polish'd like marble, would like marble last; But as the present, so the last age writ;

In both we find like negligence and wit. In as much haste as I am, I cannot forbear giving an example. The wretched father running to their aid

With pious haste, but vain, they next invade. Dryden.

2. Passion; vehemence. I said in my haste, all men are liars. Psalms.

To HASTE. To HA'STEN. v.n. [haster, Fr. haesten, Dutch.

1. To make haste; to be in a hurry; to be busy; to be speedy.

I have not hastened from being a pastor to

2. To move with swiftness; eagerness; or hurry.

'Tis Cinna, I do know him by his gait; He is a friend. Cinna, where haste you so?

Shakspeare. They were troubled and hasted away. Psalms. All those things are passed away like a shadow, and as a post that hasted by.

Hasting to pay his tribute to the sea, Like mortal life to meet eternity. These rites perform'd, the prince without delay, Hastes to the nether world, his destin'd way.

To distant Sparta, and the spacious waste Of sandy Pyle, the royal youth shall haste. Pope. Soon as the sun awakes, the sprightly court Leave their repose, and hasten to the sport. Prior.

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To HASTE. \ v.a. To push forward;
To HA'STEN. \ to urge on; to precipitate; to drive to a swifter pace.

Let it be so hasted, that supper be ready at the farthest by five of the clock. Balkspears. All hopes of succour from your arms are past; To save us now, you must our ruin haste. Dryd. Each sees his lamp with different lustre crown'd;

Each knows his course with diff'rent periods

And in his passage through the liquid space, Nor hastens, nor retards his neighbour's race.

HA'STENER. n. s. [from hasten.]

1. One that hastens or hurries. Sherwood.

2. One that precipitates, or urges on.

[They] took upon them to be the saviours and preservers of the city; but, as it proved, the hasteners and precipitators of the destruction of that kingdom.

Hammond, Works, iv. 590.

Pride and indigence, the two great hasteners of modern poems.

Johnson, Rambler, No. 169.

modern poems. Johnson, Rami HA'STILY, adv. [from hasty.]

1. In a hurry; speedily; nimbly; quickly.

A voice, that called loud and clear,
Come hither, hither, O come hastily!

Spenser.

If your grace incline that we should live.
You must not, sir, too hastily forgive. Waller.
The next to danger, hot pursu'd by fate,
Half cloth'd half naked, hastily retire. Dryden.

2. Rashly; precipitately.

Without considering consequences, we hastily engaged in a war which hath cost us sixty millions.

3. Passionately; with vehemence.

HA'STINESS. n. s. [from hasty.]

1. Haste; speed.

2. Hurry; precipitation.

A fellow being out of breath, or seeming to be for haste, with humble hastiness told Basilius.

3. Rash eagerness.

The turns of his verse, his breakings, his propriety, his numbers and his gravity, I have as far imitated as the poverty of our language, and the hastiness of my performance, would allow. Dryd.

There is most just cause to fear, lest our hasti-

ness to embrace a thing of so perilous consequence, should cause posterity to feel those evils. Hooker.

4. Angry testiness; passionate vehe-

mence. HA'STINGS. † n. s. pl. [from hasty.]

1. Peas that come early.

As loud as one that sings his part To a wheel-barrow, or turnip-cart, Or your new nick-named old invention To cry green hastings with an engine.

Hudibras, Ep. to Sidrophel.

The large white and green hastings are not to be set till the cold is over.

Mortimer.

2. Any early fruit; as, hastings for pears and apples soon ripe. Cotgrave and Sherwood. So likewise roses d'hastiveau, very forward roses. Cotgrave.

HA'STY. adj. [hastif, Fr. from haste; haestig, Dutch.]

1. Quick; speedy.

Is this the counsel that we two have shar'd,
The sisters vows, the hours that we have spent,
When we have chid the hasty footed time
For parting us!
Shakspeare.

for parting us!

2. Passionate; vehement.

He that is slow to wrath is of great understanding; but he that is hasty of spirit exalteth folly.

Prov. xiv. 29.

Rash; precipitate.
 Seest thou a man that is hasty in his words?
 There is more hope of a fool than of him.
 Prov. xxix, 20.

Be not rash with thy mouth, and let not thine heart be hasty to utter any thing before God.

4. Early ripe.

Beauty shall be a fading flower, and as the hasty fruit before the summer. Isaiah, xxviii. 4.

HA'STY-PUDDING. n. s. A pudding made of milk and flower, boiled quick together; as also of oatmeal and water boiled together.

Sure hasty pudding is thy chiefest dish, With bullock's liver, or some stinking fish.

Dorset.

HAT. n.s. [hæt, Saxon; hatt, German.]
A cover for the head.

She's as big as he is; and there's her thrum hat, and her muffler too.

Shakspeare.

Out of mere ambition you have made

Your holy hat be stampt on the king's coin.

Shakspeare.

His hat was like a helmet, or Spanish montero.

Bacon.

Hermes o'er his head in air appear'd,

And with soft words his drooping spirits cheer'd;
His hat adorn'd with wings disclos'd the god,
And in his hand he bore the sleep compelling
rod. Dryden.

HA'TBAND. n. s. [hat and band.] A string tied round the hat.

They had hats of blue velvet, with fine plumes

of divers colours, set round like hatbands. Bacon.
Room for the noble gladiator! see

His coat and hatband shew his quality. Dryden. HA'TBOX.* n. s. [hat and box.] The modern word for hatcase. See HATCASE.

HAT'CASE. n. s. [hat and case.] A slight box for a hat.

I might mention a hatcase, which I would not exchange for all the beavers in Great Britain.

To HATCH.† v. a. [hecken, German, as Skinner thinks, from heghen, eghen, egg, Saxon.

egg, Saxon.

1. To produce young from eggs by the warmth of incubation.

He kindly spreads his spacious wing, And hatches plenty for th' ensuing spring. Denh. The tepid caves, and fens, and shores,

Their brood as numerous hatch from the eggs, that soon
Bursting with kindly rupture, forth disclos'd

Their callow young. Milton, P.

2. To quicken the egg by incubation.

When they have laid such a number of eggs as they can conveniently eover and hatch, they give over, and begin to sit.

Others hatch their eggs and tend the birth, till it is able to shift for itself.

Addison.

3. To produce by precedent action.

Which thing they very well know, and, I doubt not, will easily confess, who live to their great both toil and grief, where the blasphemies of Arians are renewed by them, who to hatch their heresy have chosen those churches as fittest nests, where Athansius's creed is not heard.

Hooker.

4. To form by meditation; to contrive. He was a man harmless and faithful, and one who never hatched any hopes prejudicial to the king, but always intended his safety and honour.

Thy wicked head never at rest, but hammering And hatching hellish things.

Beaum. and Fl. Night Walker.

5. [From hacher, Fr. to cut, particularly to engrave upon the hilt of a sword. V. Cotgrave in HACHÉ. See also HATCHING.] To shade by lines in drawing or graving.

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Who first shall wound, through others arms, his blood appearing fresh,

Shall win this sword, silver'd and hatcht.

Chapman
Such as Agamemnon and the hand of Greece

Should hold up high in brass; and such again
As venerable Nestor hatch'd in silver,
Should with a bond of air strong as the axle tree
On which heaven rides, knit all the Grecian ears
To his experienc'd tongue.

These trades airs wat those heathing taken of

Those tender airs, and those hatching strokes of the pencil, which make a kind of minced meat in painting, are never able to deceive the sight.

Dryden.

Why should not I

Doat on my horse well trapp'd, my sword well

hatch'd?

Beaum. and Fl. Bonduca.

Some grave instructors on my life; they look
For all the world, like old hatch'd hilts.

Resum and El Valentinian

Beaum. and Fl. Valentinian.

A sword bravely gilt and hatched with gold.

Heath, Chron. of the Civ. Wars, p. 411.

To steep. [from the preceding sense.]

His weapon hatch'd in blood.

Beaum. and Fl. Hum. Lieutenant.

His face
Is hatch'd with impudency threefold thick.

Heywood, Iron Age.

To HATCH.† v. n.

To be in the state of growing quick.
 He observed circumstances in eggs, whilst they
 were hatching, which varied.
 Boyle.

 To be in a state of advance towards effect.
 The soldiers find not recompence,

As yet there's none a hatching.

Beaum. and Fl. Mad Lover.

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HATCH.† n. s. [from the verb.]

I. A brood excluded from the egg.

In the age of Aristotle, it was generally said that no one had ever seen the hatch of the cuckoo.

Tr. Buffon's Hist. of Birds.

2. The act of exclusion from the egg.

3. Disclosure; discovery.

Something's in his soul,

O'er which his melancholy sits on brood; And, I do doubt, the hatch and the disclose Will be some danger. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

4. [hæca, Saxon; hecke, Dutch, a bolt.]
A half door; a door with an opening
over it: perhaps from hacher, to cut, as
a hatch is part of a door cut in two.
Something about, a little from the right,

In at the window, or else o'er the hatch. Shaksp.
5. [In the plural.] The doors or open-

ings by which they descend from one deck or floor of a ship to another.

To the king's ship, invisible as thou art,
There shalt thou find the mariners asleep
Under the hatches. Shakspeare, Tempest.
There she's hid;

The mariners all under hatches stow'd.

Shakspeare, Tempest.
So seas, impelled by winds with added power,
Assault the sides, and o'er the hatches tow'r.
Dryden-

A ship was fastened to the shore;
The plank was ready laid for safe ascent,
For shelter there the trembling shadow bent,
And skip'd and skulk'd, and under hatches went.

Dryden.

6. To be under HATCHES. To be in a state of ignominy, poverty, or depression.

Some, who have been phlegmatick, and therefore meek, or kept under hatches, and therefore lowly. Dean Pierce, Serm. 29 May 1661, p. 24.

He assures us how this fatherhood continued its course, till the captivity in Egypt, and then the poor fatherhood was under hatches.

Locke.

7. Hatches. Floodgates. To HA'TCHEL. + v. a. [hachelen, Germ.] To beat flax, so as to separate the fibrous from the brittle part.

His teeth are very industrious in their calling; and his chops like a Bridewell perpetually hatch-Butler, Rem. ii. 462.

The asbestos, mentioned by Kircher in his description of China, put into water, moulders like clay, and is a fibrous small excrescence, like hairs growing upon the stones; and for the hatchelling, spinning, and weaving it, he refers to his Mundus Subterraneus.

HA'TCHEL. † n. s. [from the verb; hachell, German.] The instrument with which flax is beaten.

HA'TCHELLER. † n. s. [from hatchel.] A beater of flax. [serancier, Fr.]

Cotgrave and Sherwood. HA'TCHER.* [from hatch.] A contriver. Let the begetters and hatchers of new opinions

be amazed. Loe, Bliss of Brightest Beauty, (1614,) p. 32. A man ever in haste, a great hatcher and breeder Swift, Tale of a Tub, § 9.

HA'TCHET.† n. s. [hache, hachette, Fr.; ascia, Latin. See To HACK. Our word was formerly written without the t, agreeably to the etymology. See Butler's Eng. Gramm. 1633, p. 35.] A small

The hatchet is to hew the irregularities of stuff.

His harmful hatchet he hent in his hand, And to the field he speedeth. Ye shall have a hempen caudle then, and the

help of a hachet. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

Nails, hammers, hatcheds sharp, and halters strong. Crashaw. Tyrrheus, the foster-father of the beast,

Then clench'd a hatchet in his horny fist. Dryd. Our countryman presented him with a curious hatchet; and asking him whether it had a good edge, tried it upon the donor. Addison.

HA'TCHET-FACE. n.s. An ugly face; such, I suppose, as might be hewn out of a block by a hatchet.

An ape his own dear image will embrace; An ugly beau adores a hatchet-face. Dryden.

HA'TCHING.* n. s. [from the fifth sense of To hatch. A kind of drawing. See То Етсн.

[The] figure is afterwards with needles drawn deeper quite through the ground, and all the shadows and hatchings put in.

HA'TCHMENT. † n. s. [corrupted from achievement, sometimes written, and also pronounced, atchievement.] An armorial escutcheon, exhibited on the hearse at funerals; and sometimes hung up in HA'TEFULNESS. n. s. [from hateful.] Odichurches.

His means of death, his obscure funeral, No trophy, sword, nor hatchment o'er his bones, No noble rights nor formal ostentation,

Cry to be heard. I would have master Pyed-mantle, her grace's herald, to pluck down his hatchments, reverse his coat armour, and nullify him for no gentleman. B. Jonson, Staple of News.

Receive these pledges, These hatchments of our grief, and grace us so much.

To place 'em on this hearse.

Beaum. and Fl. Bonduca.

HA'TCHWAY. † n. s. [hatches and way.] The way over or through the hatches.

Ainsworth. To HATE. v. a. [hatian, Saxon.] To HA'TRED. n. s. [from hate.] Hate; illdetest; to abhor; to abominate; to regard with the passion contrary to love.

HAT

You are, I think, assur'd I love you not. - Your majesty hath no just cause to hate me. Shakspeare.

Do all men kill the thing they do not love? - Hates any man the thing he would not kill? - Ev'ry offence is not a hate at first. Shakspeare. Those old inhabitants of thy holy land, whom thou hatest for doing most odious works.

But whatsoever our jarring fortunes prove, Though our lords hate, methinks we two may love. Dryden.

HATE. n. s. [hate, Saxon.] Malignity; detestation; the contrary to love.

Speak then to me, who neither beg nor fear Your favours nor your hate. Shaksveare. Hate to Mezentius, arm'd five hundred more. Dryden.

Nausicaa teaches that the afflicted are not always the objects of divine hate.

Broome, Notes on the Odyssey.

HA'TEABLE.* adj. [from hate.] Detestable. It should be written hatable. Sherwood.

HA'TEFUL. adj. [hate and full.]

1. Causing abhorrence; odious; abominable; detestable.

My name's Macheth - The devil himself could not pronounce a title More hateful to mine ear. Shakspeare.

There is no vice more hateful to God and man than ingratitude.

What owe I to his commands Who hates me, and hath hither thrust me down, To sit in hateful office here confin'd, Inhabitant of heaven, and heav'nly born?

Milton, P. L. I hear the tread

Of hateful steps: I must be viewless now. But Umbriel, hateful gnome! forbears not so; He breaks the vial whence the sorrows flow. Pope.

2. Feeling abhorrence; abhorrent; detesting; malignant; malevolent.

Palamon compell'd No more to try the fortune of the field; And, worse than death, to view with hateful eyes His rival's conquest.

HA'TEFULLY. † adv. [from hateful.] 1. Odiously; abominably.

The ceremony was hatefully tedious. Drummond, Trav. p. 75.

2. Malignantly; maliciously.

All their hearts stood hatefully appaid Long since.

Chapman. They shall deal with thee hatefully, take away all thy labour, and leave thee naked and bare. Ezek. xxiii. 29.

ousness.

HA'TER. n. s. [from hate.] One that hates; an abhorrer; a detester.

I of her understood of that most noble constancy, which whosoever loves not shews himself to be a hater of virtue, and unworthy to live in the Sidney. society of mankind.

Whilst he stood up and spoke, He was my master, and I wore my life To spend upon his haters.

An enemy to God, and a hater of all good.

They never wanted so much knowledge as to inform and convince them of the unlawfulness of a man's being a murderer, an hater of God, and a covenant-breaker.

will; malignity; malevolence; dislike; abhorrence; detestation; abomination; the passion contrary to love.

Hatred is the thought of the pain which any thing present or absent is apt to produce in us.

I wish I had a cause to seek him there,

To oppose his hatred fully. Shakspeare. Hatred is the passion of defiance, and there is a kind of aversation and hostility included in its very essence; but then if there could have been hatred in the world when there was scarce any thing odious, it would have acted within the compass of its proper object.

Hatreds are often begotten from slight and almost innocent occasions, and quarrels propagated in the world.

Retain no malice nor hatred against any: be ready to do them all the kindness you are able.

She is a Presbyterian of the most rank and virulent kind, and consequently has an inveterate hatred to the church. Hatred has in it the guilt of murder, and lust the guilt of adultery. Sherlock.

HA'TTED.* adj. [from hat.] Wearing a hat of any kind.

Ceremony has made many fools: It is as easy way unto a duchess,

As to a hatted dame. Tourneur, Revenger's Trag.

To HA'TTER. v. a. [Perhaps corrupted from batter.] To harass; to weary; to wear out with fatigue.

He's hatter'd out with penance. Dryden. HA'TTER. n. s. [from hat.] A maker of

A hatter sells a dozen of hats for five shillings a-piece. Swift.

HA'TTLE.* adj. Wild; skittish. "Tie the hattle kye by the horn." Grose, and Wilbraham's Chesh. Gloss.

HA'TTOCK. † n. s. [attock, Erse.] A shock of corn; containing twelve sheaves according to some; and only three sheaves laid together according to others.

HAU'BERK. † n. s. [hauberg, old French. See HABERGEON.] A coat of mail without sleeves, made of plate or of chain-mail.

And on the haubergh struck the prince so sore, That quite disparted all the linked frame,

And pierced to the skin. Spenser, F. Q. Hauberks and helms are hewed with many a

The mighty maces with such haste descend, They break the bones, and make the solid armour Dryden. bend.

To HAVE. v.a. in the present I have, thou hast, he hath; we, ye, they have; pret. and part. pass. had. [haban, Gothick; habban, Saxon; hebben, Dutch; haber, old French; habeo, Latin. The Saxons also had haran; Icel. hafa; Su. Goth. hafwa; modern French, avair; Ital. avere.

1. Not to be without.

I have brought him before you, that after examination had I might have something to write. Acts, xxv. 26.

2. To carry; to wear.

Upon the mast they saw a young man, who sat as on horseback, having nothing upon him. Sidney.

3. To make use of.

I have no Levite to my priest. Judges, xvii. 13. South. 4. To possess.

He that gathered much had nothing over, and [he that gathered little had no lack. Exod. xvi. 18. 5. To obtain: to enjoy: to possess.

Now, O Father, glorify me with thine own self, with the glory which I had with thee before the St. John, xvii. 5. world was.

6. To take: to receive.

A secret happiness, in Petronius, is called curiosa felicitas, and which I suppose he had from the feliciter audere of Horace.

7. To be in any state; to be attended with or united to as accident or concomitant. Have I need of madmen, that ye have brought this fellow? 1 Sam. xxi. 15.

8. To put; to take.

That done, go and cart it, and have it away. Tusser.

9. To procure; to find.

Whence should I have flesh to give unto all this people? Numbers, xi. 13.

10. Not to neglect; not to omit.

I cannot speak; if my heart be not ready to burst! Well, sweet Jack, have a care of thyself. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

Your plea is good; but still I say beware: Laws are explained by men; so have a care. Pope.

11. To hold; to regard. 2 Sam. Of them shall I be had in honour. The proud have had me greatly in derision.

12. To maintain; to hold opinion.

Sometimes they will have them to be natural heat, whereas some of them are crude and cold; and sometimes they will have them to be the qualities of the tangible parts, whereas they are things by themselves.

13. To contain.

You have of these pedlars that have more in 'em than you'd think, sister. I will never trust a man again for keeping his sword clean; nor believe he can have every thing in him, by wearing his apparel neatly. Shakspeare.

14. To require; to claim. What would these madmen have? First they would bribe us without pence, Deceive us without common sense,

And without pow'r enslave. Dryden.

To be a husband or wife to another. If I had been married to him, for all he was in woman's apparel, I would not have had him. Shakspeare.

16. To be engaged as in a task or employment.

If we maintain things that are established, we have to strive with a number of heavy prejudices, deeply rooted in the hearts of men.

The Spaniard's captain never hath to meddle with his soldier's pay. Spenser on Ireland.

Of the evils which hindred the peace and good ordering of that land, the inconvenience of the laws was the first which you had in hand.

Spenser on Ireland. Kings have to deal with their neighbours, their wives, their children, their prelates or clergy, their nobles, their merchants, and their commons. Bacon.

17. To wish; to desire; in a lax sense. [from the Lat. aveo.]

I had rather be a door-keeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.

I would have no man discouraged with that kind of life or series of actions, in which the choice of others, or his own necessities, may have engaged Addison. him.

18. To buy.

If these trifles were rated only by art and artfulness, we should have them much cheaper. Collier.

19. It is most used in English, as in other European languages, as an auxiliary verb to make the tenses: have, hast, and hath or has, the preterperfect; and had and hadst the preterpluperfect.

If there had been words enow between them to have expressed provocation, they had gone together by the ears.

I have heard one of the greatest geniuses this age has produced, who had been trained up in all the polite studies of antiquity, assure me, upon his being obliged to search into records, that he at last took an incredible pleasure in it. Addison.

I have not here considered custom as it makes things easy, but as it renders them delightful; and though others have made the same reflections, it is possible they may not have drawn those uses from Addison.

That admirable precept which Pythagoras is said to have given to his disciples, and which that philosopher must have drawn from the observation I have enlarged upon. Addison.

The gods have placed labour before virtue.

This observation we have made on man. Addison. Evil spirits have contracted in the body, habits of lust and sensuality, malice and revenge.

Addison. There torments have already taken root in them.

That excellent author has shown how every particular custom and habit of virtue will, in its own nature, produce the heaven, or state of happiness, in him who shall hereafter practise it.

20. HAVE at, or with, is an expression denoting resolution to make some attempt. They seem to be imperative expressions; have this at you; let this reach you, or take this; have with you; take this with you: but this will not explain have at it, or have at him, which must be considered as more elliptical: as, we will have a trial at it, or at him. Dr. Johnson. - Have with you is a common expression denoting readiness to attend another; meaning, I will go along with you.

He that will caper with me for a thousand marks, let him lend me the money, and have at him.

I can bear my part; 'tis my occupation: have at it with you. Shakspeare.

Mrs. Ford. Will you go, Mrs Page? Mrs. Page. Have with you.

Shakspeare, Merry W. of Windsor. Iago. Captain, will you go?

Othel. Have with you. Shakspeare, Othello. I never was out at a mad frolick, though this is the maddest I ever undertook: have with you, lady mine; I take you at your word. Dryden.

21. HAVE after, an expression of the same import as have with you, i. e. I will follow

Mar. Let's follow; 'tis not fit thus to obey him. Hor. Have after. Shakspeare, Hamlet. HA'VELESS.* adj. [have and less.] Having

little or nothing. An old word. As poore as Job, and loveles,

Out taken one for kaveles. Gower, Conf. Am. B. 5.

HA'VEN. n. s. [Sax. hæren; Iceland. hafn; Dutch, haven; from the Goth. havan, to contain.]

 A port; a harbour; a station for ships. Love was threatened and promised to him, and his cousin, as both the tempest and haven of their

Order for sea is given: They have put forth the haven.

Shakspeare. After an hour and a half sailing, we entered into a good haven, being the port of a fair city.

HAU The queen beheld, as soon as day appear'd, The navy under sail, the haven clear'd. Denham

We may be shipwreck'd by her breath: Love, favour'd once with that sweet gale, Doubles his haste, and fills his sail, Till he arrive, where she must prove, The haven, or the rock of love, Waller

2. A shelter; an asylum. All places, that the eye of Heaven visits. Are to a wise man ports and happy havens.

Shakspeare. HA'VENER. n. s. [from haven.] An overseer of a port.

These earls and dukes appointed their special officers as receiver, havener, and customer. Carew. HA'VER. n. s. [from have.] Possessor:

Valour is the chiefest virtue, and

Most dignifies the haver. Shaksneare. HA'VER. This is a common word in the northern counties for oats; as haver bread for oaten bread: perhaps properly aven, from avena, Latin, Dr. Johnson says. Haver is, however, the Dutch word.

When you would anneal, take a blue stone. such as they make haver or oat cakes upon, and lay it upon the cross bars of iron. Peacham.

HA'VERSACK.* n. s. A kind of coarse bag, in which soldiers carry provisions.

HAUGH.* n. s. See HAW.

HAUGHT. + adj. [old French halt, hault, and then haut; from the Latin altus. Our own word was also written haut, as well as haught.7

1. Haughty; insolent; proud, contemptuous; arrogant. Obsolete.

Proud Lucifer, which from the heavens on high Down to the pit of hell below was cast,

More haut of heart was not before his fall, Than was this proud and pompous cardinall. Mir. for Mag. p. 322.

The proud insulting queen,
With Clifford and the haught Northumberland, Have wrought the easy melting king like wax.

No lord of thine, thou haught insulting man; Nor no man's lord. Shakspeare.

[Thou] drov'st out nations proud and haut: Milton, Ps. 80.

2. High; proudly magnanimous. His courage haught

Desir'd of foreign foemen to be known, And far abroad for strange adventures sought.

Spenser, F. Q. This haught resolve becomes your majesty. Marlowe, K. Edw. II.

HA'UGHTILY. adv. [from haughty.] Proudly; arrogantly; contemptuously. Neither shall they go haughtily. Micah, ii. S.

Her heavenly form too haughtily she priz'd; His person hated, and his gifts despis'd. Dryden. Ha'ughtiness. n. s. [from haughty.]

Pride; arrogance; the quality of being haughty. Weening in his pride to make the land navig-

able, and the sea passable by foot. Such was the the haughtiness of his mind. 2 Macc. v. 21. By the head we make known our supplications,

our threatenings, our mildness, our haughtiness, our love, and our hatred.

Dryden. Dryden. HA'UGHTY.† adj. [from haught.

HAUGHT.] 1. Proud; insolent; arrogant; contemp-

His wife, being a woman of a haughty and imperious nature, and of a wit superior to his, quickly resented the disrespect she received from him. Clarendon.

I shall sing of battles, blood and rage, And haughty souls, that mov'd with mutual hate, In fighting fields pursu'd and found their fate.

2. Proudly great.

Our vanquish'd wills that pleasing force obey: Her goodness takes our liberty away; And haughty Britain yields to arbitrary sway.

3. Bold; adventurous; of high hazard. Obsolete.

Who now shall give me words and sound Equal unto this haughty enterprize?

Or who shall lend me wings, with which from ground

My lowly verse may loftily arise? Spenser, F. Q.

4. High; proudly magnanimous. Valiant and virtuous, full of haughty courage, Shakspeare, Hen. VI. P. I.

5. High; lofty. Not now in use.

The wholesome bearbes, the hautie pleasant trees. Sonnet, K. James's Lepanto, (1591.) Yea, God who rules the haughty heaven ahigh, Inrich'd my realme, with foyson of each thing ; Abundant store did make my people sing.

Mir. for Mag. p. 206.

HA'VING. † n. s. [from have.]

1. Possession; estate; fortune. [Span. hazienda.

My having is not much; I'll make division of my present with you;

Hold, there is half my coffer. Shakspeare, Tw. Night.

Our content is our best having. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. 1.

2. The act or state of possessing.

Of the one side, was alleged the having a picture, which the other wanted; of the other side, the first striking the shield.

Thou art not for the fashion of these times, Where none will sweat but for promotion; And having that, do choak their service up, Ev'n with the having. Shakspeare, As you like it.

3. Behaviour; regularity. This is still retained in the Scottish dialect. [haef, Su. Goth. from haefva, to become.] It may possibly be the meaning, Dr. Johnson says, in the following example from HAUNCH. n.s. [hancke, Dutch; hanche, Shakspeare's Merry Wives of Windsor; and yet in a note upon the word, in the edition of the poet, he positively states it to be, in this very passage, the same, as estate or fortune; which indeed it is. In Devonshire, according to Grose, havance denotes manners, good behaviour.

The gentleman is of no having: he kept company with the wild prince and Poins: he is of too high a region; he knows too much. Shakspeare.

HA'VIOUR. † n. s. [for behaviour, Dr. Johnson says. But it is not an abbreviation of behaviour; for it was formerly a very common word, and is yet retained in low language; as, do you think I have forgot my haviours, i. e. my manners? from the Su. Goth. haefva, to become.] Conduct; manners.

Her heavenly haveour, her princely grace, Spenser, Shep. Cal. April.

Their ill haviour garres men missay Both of their doctrine and their fay.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. Sept.

Put thyself

Into a haviour of less fear. Shakspeare, Cymb. To HAUL. v. a. [haler, French to draw.] To pull; to draw; to drag by violence. · A word which, applied to things, implies violence; and to persons, awkwardness or rudeness. This word is liberally exemplified in hale; etymology is regarded in hale, and pronunciation in haul.

Thy Dol, and Helen of thy noble thoughts, Is in base durance and contagious prison, Haul'd thither by mechanick dirty hands. Shaks.

The youth with songs and rhimes, Some dance; some haul the rope. Denham. Some the wheels prepare,

And fasten to the horses' feet; the rest With cables haul along th' unwieldy beast.

Dryden. In his grandeur he naturally chuses to haul up others after him whose accomplishments most resemble his own. Swift.

Thither they bent, and haul'd their ships to land; The crooked keel divides the yellow sand. Pope.

Romp-loving miss Is haul'd about in gallantry robust.

To Haul the Wind.* To direct the course of a ship nearer to that point of the compass, from which the wind arises. HAUL. n. s. [from the verb] Pull; vio-

Thomson.

lence in dragging.

The leap, the slap, the haul. HAULM.* n. s. See HAUM. To HAULSE.* See To HALSE.

Ha'ulser. n. s. See Halser.

HAUM. * n. s. [written also hame, halm, haulm, hawm, and halm; Sax. healm, halm; Dutch and Danish, halm; Latin, calamus; Gr. κάλαμος.]

The stem or stalk of corn; also, the stubble gathered after the corn is housed. In champion countrie a pleasure they take

To mow up their haume for to brew and to bake, The haume is the straw of the wheat or the rie, Which once being reaped, they mow by and by.

Tusser. Having stripped off the haum or binds from the poles, as you pick the hops, stack them up. Mortimer

2. A horse-collar. Sherwood's Dict. 1632. Still used in the north of Eng-

French; anca, Italian.

1. The thigh; the hip. Hail, groom! didst thou not see a bleeding

hind, Whose right haunch earst my stedfast arrow strake?

To make a man able to teach his horse to stop and turn quick, and to rest on his haunches is of use to a gentleman both in peace and war. Locke.

2. The rear; the hind part.

Thou art a Summer bird, Which ever in the haunch of Winter sings The lifting up of day.

Shakspeare. HA'UNCHED* adj. [from haunch.] Having haunches; as "big-haunched," i. e. having large hips or haunches. Sherwood. To HAUNT. v. a. [hanter, French.]

1. Originally to accustom. See also HAUNT.

Haunte thyself, [in the present version exercise thyself] to pitee. Wicliffe, 1 Tim. iv. 7.

2. To frequent; to be much about any place or person.

A man who for his hospitality is so much haunted, that no news stir but come to his ears.

Now we being brought known unto her, after once we were acquainted, and acquainted we were sooner than ourselves expected, she continually almost haunted us.

I do haunt thee in the battle thus, Because some tell me that thou art a king.

Shakspeare. She this dang'rous forest haunts, And in sad accents utters her complaints. Waller.

Earth now Secur'd like to heav'n, a seat where gods might

dwell, Or wander with delight, and love to haunt

Her sacred shades. Celestial Venus haunts Idalia's groves; Diana Cynthus, Ceres Hybla loves.

3. It is used frequently in an ill sense of one that comes unwelcome. You wrong me, sir, thus still to haunt my

house: I told you, sir, my daughter is dispos'd of.

Shakspeare. Oh, could I see my country seat!

There, leaning near a gentle brook, Sleep, or peruse some ancient book; And there in sweet oblivion drown Those cares that haunt the court and town. Swift.

4. It is eminently used of apparitions or

spectres that appear in a particular place. Foul spirits haunt my resting place,

And ghastly visions break my sleep by night. All these the woes of Oedipus have known

Your fates, your furies, and your haunted town.

To HAUNT. v. n. To be much about; to appear frequently.

I've charg'd thee not to haunt about my doors : In honest plainness thou hast heard me say, My daughter's not for thee. Shakspeare, Othello.

Where they most breed and haunt, I have observ'd

The air is delicate. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

HAUNT. n. s. [from the verb.]

1. Custom; practice. The primary sense. See To HAUNT.

Of cloth-making she had swiche an haunt, She passed them of Ipres and of Gaunt.

Chaucer, Prol. C. T.

2. Place in which one is frequently found. Know and see his place where his haunt is, and who hath seen him there. 1 Sam. xxiii. 22. We set toils, nots, gins, snares, and traps, for

beasts and birds in their own haunts and walks. L'Estrange. To me pertains not, she replies, To know or care where Cupid flies;

Where he would dwell, or whither stray. A scene where, if a god should cast his sight, A god might gaze and wonder with delight!

Joy touch'd the messenger of Heaven, he stay'd Entranc'd, and all the blissful haunt survey'd.

What are his haunts, or which his way,

3. Habit of being in a certain place. The haunt you have got about the courts will one day or another bring your family to beggary.

HA'UNTER. n. s. [from haunt.] Frequenter;

one that is often found in any place. The ancient Grecians were an ingenious people,

of whom the vulgar sort, such as were haunters of theatres, took pleasure in the conceits of Aris-Wotton on Education. O goddess, haunter of the woodland green,

Queen of the nether skies. Dryden.

HA'VOCK. † n. s. [hafog, Welsh, devastation. Dr. Johnson. - But that is supposed to be from the Sax. haroc, the hawk; whence our havock for rapine or devastation. Waste; wide and general devastation; merciless destruction.

their own, they make no spare of any thing, but havock and confusion of all they meet with.

Spenser on Ireland. Saul made havock of the church. Acts, viii, 3. Ye gods! what havock does ambition make

Among your works! Addison, Cato. The Rabbins, to express the great havock which has been made of the Jews, tell us, that there were such torrents of holy blood shed, as carried rocks of a hundred yards in circumference above Addison. three miles into the sea.

If it had either air or fuel, it must make a greater havock than any history mentions. Cheyne.

HA'VOCK. + interj. [from the noun.] A word of encouragement to slaughter; a term formerly meaning that no quarter would be given.

That noo man be so hardy to crye havoke, upon payne of hym that is so founde begynner, to dye therefore; and the remenaunt to be emprysoned, and theyr bodyes punyshed at the kynges will.

Statutes of Warre, &c. by K. Hen. VIII. (1513.)
Why stand these royal fronts amazed thus? Cry havock, kings. Shakspeare. Até by his side,

Cries havock ! and lets loose the dogs of war. Shakspeare

To HA'vock. v. a. [from the noun.] To waste; to destroy; to lay waste.

Whatsoever they leave, the soldier spoileth and havocketh; so that, between both, nothing is left. Spenser on Ireland.

See, with what heat these dogs of hell advance, To waste and havock yonder world, which I So fair and good created! Milton, P. L.

HAUST.* n. s.

1. A draught; as much as a man can swallow. [Lat. haustus.]

2. A dry cough. [Sax. hporta, a cough; Icel. hooste, the same.] Ray and Grose place it among our north-country words.

HA'UTBOY. † n. s. [Fr. haut bois, q. d. high wood; a term said to be given to this instrument, because its tone is louder than that of the violin. It is often written, and almost always pronounced, hoboy. A wind instrument.

I told John of Gaunt he beat his own name; for you might have truss'd him and all his apparel into an eel-skin; the case of a treble hautboy was a mansion for him. Shakspeare.

The hau'boy, not as now with latten bound, And rival with the trumpet for his sound. But soft, and simple, at few holes breath'd time And tune too. B. Jonson, Horace's Art of Poetry Now give the hautboys breath; he comes, he

HA'UTBOY Strawberry. See STRAWBERRY. HAUTE'UR.* n. s. [French.] Pride; insolence; haughtiness.

The ill-judging zeal and hauteur of this king, in pushing things to extremity, brought on the

Bp. Ellys, Tr. on Temp. Liberty, (1765,) p. 185. HAUT-GOUT.* n.s. [French: corrupted into hogo. More writes it haugon, in one of his Letters, 1675; Butler, hautgoust.] Any thing with a strong relish, or with a strong scent.

He depraves his appetite with haut-gousts. Butler, Rem. ii. 462.

They made use of both the leaves, stalk, and extract especially [of Silphium] as we now do garlick, and other haut-gouts, as nauseous altogether. Evelyn.

HAW. n. s.

Having been never used to have any thing of 1. The berry and seed of the hawthorn. To HAWK. v. n. [Sax. hæz, haz; hæz-dopn, the hawthorn, hazan, the berries.

The seed of the bramble with kernel and haw. Store of haws and hips portend cold winters.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

His quarrel to the hedge was, that his thorns and his brambles did not bring forth raisins, rather than haws and blackberries. Huloet. 2. An excrescence in the eye.

3. A small piece of ground adjoining to an house. In Scotland they call it haugh. [Sax. haza; Germ. and Icel. hage, a field; Dan. haw, a garden. An inclosed place is our oldest sense of the word. Haw, a hedge, or any in-

Ther was a polkat in his hawe, That, as he sayd, his capons had yslawe.

closure. Ray.7

Chaucer, Pardon. Tale. Upon the haw at Plymouth is cut out in the ground the portraiture of two men, with clubs in their hands, whom they term Gog and Magog.

4. Formerly, a dale; written hawgh, in Coke upon Lyttelton. [Norm. Fr. haugh, a valley.

5. A hillock, [Dan. haughur, tumulus.] Written also haugh. Craven Dialect.

HAW.* n. s. [See HA.] An intermission or hesitation of speech.

To Haw. v. n. [Perhaps corrupted from hawk or hack. To speak slowly with frequent intermission and hesitation.

'Tis a great way; but yet, after a little hum-ming and hawing upon't, he agreed to undertake L'Estrange. the job.

Hawha'w. n. s. [apparently a duplication of haw, in the sense of any inclosure. See the third sense of HAW. It is sometimes written haha, and is absurdly pretended by Dr. Ash to be derived from the expression of surprise at the sight of it! A fence or bank that interrupts an alley or walk, sunk between two slopes, and not perceived till approached; sometimes, a kind of canal; intended generally, to open prospects by removing walls or other impediments, and yet to preserve a fence.

Wise men did not, to be thought gay, Then compliment their power away; But lest, by frail desires misled, The girls forbidden paths should tread, Of ignorance rais'd the safe high wall, But we hawhaws that shew them all: Thus we at once solicit sense

And charge them not to break the fence. Green's Poem of the Spleen, (1754,) ver. 277.

HAWK. n. s. [hebog, Welsh; haroc, Sax. accipiter, Lat.]

1. A bird of prey, used much anciently in sport to catch other birds.

Do'st thou love hawking? Thou hast hawks will soar

Above the morning lark. Shakspeare. It can be no more disgrace to a great lord to draw a fair picture, than to cut his hawk's meat.

Whence borne on liquid wing The sounding culver shoots; or where the hawk, High in the beetling cliff, his airy builds. Thomson.

2. [hoch, Welsh.] An effort to force phlegm up the throat.

1. To fly hawks at fowls; to catch birds by means of a hawk. [from the noun.] Ride unto St. Alban's,

Whereas the king and queen do mean to hawk. Shaksneare.

He that hawks at larks and sparrows has no less sport, though a much less considerable quarry. than he that flies at nobler game. Locke. A falconer Henry is, when Emma hawks: With her of tarsels and of lures he talks.

2. To fly at; to attack on the wing.

A falcon towering in her pride of place Was by a mousing owl hawk'd at and kill'd. Shakspeare.

Whether upward to the moon they go, Or dream the winter out in caves below. Or hawk at flies elsewhere, concerns us not to know.

3. [hochio, Welsh.] To force up phlegm with a noise.

Come sit, sit, and a song. - Shall we clap into't roundly, without hawking or spitting, or saying we are hoarse, which are the only prologues to a bad voice? Shakspeare.

They are bound to a Pythagorean silence and attention, and are prohibited haulking, spitting,

Lord's Hist. of the Banians, (1630,) p. 73.

To HAWK.* v. a. To expectorate with

She complained of a stinking tough phlegm which she hawked up in the mornings. Wiseman.

To HAWK.* v. a. [from hocker, German, a higgler, a huckster.] To sell by proclaiming it in the streets.

His works were hawk'd in every street; But seldom rose above a sheet. Swift.

HAWK-EYED.* adj. [hawk and eye.] Having a keen eye, like that of the hawk.

HAWK-NOSED.* adj. [hawk and nose.] Having an aquiline nose. This word is sometimes corrupted into hook-nosed. He was tall of stature, and slender, being hawke-

osed. Life of Bernard Güpin, (1629,) p. 59. If flat-nosed, she is gentle and courteous; if hawke-nosed, she seems then to be of a kingly race. Ferrand, Love Mel. p. 35.

HA'WKED. adj. [from hawk.] Formed like a hawk's bill.

Flat noses seem comely unto the Moor, an aquiline or hawked one unto the Persian, a large and prominent nose unto the Roman.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

HA'WKER. † n. s.

1. A falconer. [Sax. harecepe.] Huloet. Haukers and hunters, dronkards, fornicatours, adulterers, having no other god but their belly.

Harmar, Tr. of Beza's Serm. p. 394.

2. One who sells his wares by proclaiming them in the street. [Germ. hocker.]

I saw my labours, which had cost me so much thought bawled about by common hawkers, which I once intended for the consideration of the greatest person.

To grace this honour'd day the queen proclaims, By herald hawkers, high heroick games: She summons all her sons; an endless band

Pours forth, and leaves unpeopled half the land.

HA'WKING.* n. s. [from To hawk.]

1. The diversion of flying hawks at fowls. One followed study and knowledge, and another hawking and hunting. Locke.

2. The act of forcing up with noise. Blood, cast out of the throat or windpipe, is spit out with a hawking or small cough. Harvey. HA'WKWEED. n. s. A plant.
Oxtongue is a species of this plant.
Miller.

Ha'wser.* See Halser.

Ha'wses. n. s. [of a ship.] Two round holes under the ship's head or beak, through which the cables pass when she is at anchor.

Harris.

HA'WTHORN. n. s. [hæz-ŏopn, Saxon.] A species of medlar; the thorn that bears

haws; the white thorn.

The use to which it is applied in England is to make hedges: there are two or three varieties of it about London; but that sort which produces the smallest leaves is preferable, because its branches always grow close together.

Miller.

There is a man haunts the forest, that abuses our young plants with carving Rosalind on their barks; hangs odes under hawthorns, and elegies on brambles.

Shakspeare, As you like it.

Some in their hands, beside the lance and shield,

The boughs of woodbine, or of hawthorn held.

Dryden.

Now hawthorns blossom, now the daisies spring.

Pope.
The hawthorn whitens.
Thomson.

HA'WTHORN FLY. n. s. An insect.
The hawthorn fly is all black, and not big.

HAY.† n. s. [Goth. hawi; Celt. het, food of animals; Sax. heg, hız, heg; Dutch and Icel. hey. Our own word at first was hey. "He comaundide to them that they schulden make alle men sitte to mete by cumpanies on grene hey." Wicliffe, St. Matt. vi.] Grass dried to fodder cattle in winter.

Make hay while the sun shines. Camden, Rem. Make poor men's cattle break their necks; Set fire on barns and hay stacks in the night,

And bid the owners quench them with their tears.

Tit. Andronicus.

We have beets of days and of have and barbs

We have heats of dungs, and of hays and herbs laid up moist. Bacon.

Or if the earlier season lead

To the tann'd hay cock in the mead. Millon, L'All.

Bring them for food sweet boughs and osiers cut,
Nor all the winter long thy hay rick shut.

May, Virgil.

Some turners turn long and slender sprigs of ivory, as small as an hay stalk.

Mozon.

By some hay cock, or some shady thorn, He bids his beads both even song and morn.

The best manure for meadows is the bottom of hay mows and hay stacks. Mortimer. Hay and oats, in the management of a groom, will make ale.

To dance the HAY. To dance in a ring: probably from dancing round a hay cock, Dr. Johnson says. It is, no doubt, from dancing in a kind of circle; and is probably from the Fr. huit, eight; for the dance is borrowed by us from the French. It was formerly written hey, as if an abbreviation of heydeguyes, a country-dance or round. See HEYDEGUYES.

He taught them rounds and winding heys to tread.

And about trees to cast themselves in rings.

Sir J. Davies, Orchest. (1599.)

I will play on the tabor to the worthies,
And let them dance the hay.
This maids think on the hearth they see,
When fires well nigh consumed be,

There dancing hays by two and three,

Just as your fancy casts them.

Drayton.

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The gum and glist'ning, which with art And study'd method, in each part

Hangs down,

Looks just as if that day
Snails there had crawl'd the hay.

Suckling.

HAY. † n. s. [Sax. hæz; old Fr. haye. See HAW.]

 A hedge. In Norfolk, a clipt hedge. For there is neither bush nor hay In May that it n'ill shrouded bene.

Chaucer, Rom. Rose.

Hay-bote, or hedge-bote, is wood for repairing hays, hedges, or fences.

Blackstone.

England is to make hedges: there are 2. A net which encloses the haunt of an two or three varieties of it about London:

Setting the toils and pitching the haies.

Harmar, Tr. of Beza's Serm. p. 293.
Coneys are destroyed by hays, curs, spaniels, or tumblers bred up for that purpose.

Mortimer.

To HAY.* v. n. [from the noun.] To lay snares for rabbits.

Ha'ycock.* n. s. A heap of fresh hay.

See HAY.

HA'YLOFT.* n. s. A loft to put hay in.

The dairy, barn, the hayloft, and the grove.

Gay, Birth of the Squire.

HA'YMAKER. n. s. [hay and make.] One

employed in drying grass for hay.

As to the return of his health and vigour, were you here, you might enquire of his haymakers.

Pope to Swift.

HA'YMARKET.* n. s. A place appropriated to the sale of hay.

HAYMOW.* n. s. A mow of hay, See HAY.

HA'YRICK.* n. s. A rick of hay. See HAY. HA'YSTACK.* n. s. A stack of hay. See HAY.

HAYSTALK.* n. s. A stalk of hay. See HAY.

HA'YTHORN.* n. s. Hawthorn.

To be delivered from witches, they hang in their entries (among other things) haythorn, otherwise white-thorn, gathered on May-day.

Scott, Discov. of Witchcraft, p. 152.

HA'YWARD.* n. s. [from hay.] A keeper of the common herd of cattle of a town or village; who is bound to take care, that they neither crop nor break the hedges of enclosed grounds.

Sherwood, and Chambers. HA'ZARD.† n. s. [hasard, French; azar, Spanish; haski, Runick, danger.]

1. Chance; accident; fortuitous hap.
I have set my life upon a cast.

And I will stand the hazard of the die. Shakspeare.

I will upon all hazards well believe
Thou art my friend, that know'st my tongue so
well.

Where the mind does not perceive connection,

Where the mind does not perceive connection, there men's opinions are not the product of judgement, but the effects of chance and hazard, of a mind floating at all adventures without choice and without direction.

Locke.

2. Danger; chance of danger.

We are bound to yield unto our Creator, the Father of all mercy, eternal thanks, for that he hath delivered his law unto the world; a law wherein so many things are laid open, as a light which otherwise would have been buried in darkness, not without the hazard, or rather not with the hazard, but with the certain loss of thousands of souls, most undoubtedly now saved.

Hooker.

The hazard I have run to see you here, should inform you that I love not at a common rate.

Men are led on from one stage of life to another in a condition of the utmost hazard, and yet without the least apprehension of their danger. Rogers.

3. A game at dice. [perhaps from the Fr. as, an ace. Alan Chartier employs azart, in conformity to this etymon. V. Morin. in HASARD.]

Hasard is veray moder of lesinges,

And of deceit. Chaucer, Pard. Tale.
The duke playing at hazard, held in a great
many hands together, and drew a huge heap of
gold.

To HA'ZARD. v. a. [hasarder, Fr.] To expose to chance; to put into danger.

They might, by persisting in the extremity of that calling the statement of the sta

They might, by persisting in the extremity of that opinion, hazard greatly their own estates, and so weaken that part which their places now give.

Hooker.

It was not in his power to adventure upon his own fortune, or bearing a publick charge, to hazard himself against a man of private condition.

Hayward.

By dealing indifferently mercies to all, you may hazard your own share.

Sherlock.

To HA'ZARD. v. n.

1. To try the chance.

I pray you tarry; pause a day or two,
Before you hazard; for in choosing wrong,
I lose your company.

Shakspeare

2. To adventure; to run the danger.

She from her fellow-provinces would go,
Rather than hazard to have you her foe, Wai

Rather than hazard to have you her foe, Waller. HA'ZARDABLE, adj. [from hazard.] Venturous; liable to chance.

An hazarduble determination it is, unto fluctuating and indifferent effects, to affix a positive type or period.

Brown.

HA'ZARDER.† n. s. [from hazard, French, hasarteur.]

1. He who hazards.

2. A gamester. I find the word in our old writers, only in this sense. The preceding definition is Dr. Johnson's. In Huloet's old dictionary also, it has no other meaning than that of a gamester. It is repreve, and contrary of bonour,

For to ben holden a commun hasardour.

Chauser, Pardon, Tale.
The outragious disers and hasarders.
Confut. of N. Shaxton, (1546,) sign. B. vi.

HA'ZARDRY.† n. s. [from hazard.]

Temerity; precipitation; rash adventurousness. Obsolete.
 Hasty wrath, and heedless hazardry,

Do breed repentance late, and lasting infamy.

Spenser, F. Q

Gaming in general: playing at the game

2. Gaming in general; playing at the game of hazard.

Now that I have spoke of glotonie, Now wol I you defenden hasardrie: Hasard is veray moder of lesinges,

And of deceit. Chaucer, Pardon. Tale.

Some fell to daunce; some fell to hazardry;

Some to make love. Spenser, F. Q.

HA'ZARDOUS. adj. [hazardeux, Fr. from hazard.] Dangerous; exposed to chance. Grant that our hazardous attempt prove vain, We feel the worst, secur'd from greater pain.

HA'ZARDOUSLY.† adv. [from hazardous.]
With danger or chance. Sherwood.

HAZE.† n. s. [The etymology unknown. Dr. Johnson. — One of the conjectures, made by Serenius, affords a probable etymon, viz. haes, Icel. a very small particle, of which a great number forms a cloud or mist.] Fog; mist.

In the fog and haze of confusion all is enlarged, | 4. Male: as, a he bear, a he goat. It is | and appears without any limit. Burke.

To HAZE. + v. n. To be foggy or misty. It hazes; it misles, or rains small rain.

Ray, North Country Words,

To HAZE. v. a. To fright one. Ainsworth. 5. In the two last senses he is rather a HA'ZEL. n. s. [hærel, Saxon; corylus, Lat.] Nut tree.

The nuts grow in clusters, and are closely joined together at the bottom, each being covered with an outward husk or cup, which opens at the top, and when the fruit is ripe it falls out. The species are hazelnut, cobnut, and filbert. The red and white filberts are mostly Miller. esteemed for their fruit.

Kate, like the hazel twig, Is straight and slender; and as brown in hue As hazel nuts, and sweeter than the kernels. Shaks. Her chariot is an empty hazel nut. Shakspeare. Why sit we not beneath the grateful shade,

Which hazels, intermix'd with elms, have made? Druden.

There are some from the size of a hazel nut to that of a man's fist. Woodward. HA'ZEL. adj. [from the noun.] Light 1.

brown: of the colour of hazel. Chuse a warm dry soil, that has a good depth of

light hazel mould. Mortimer. HA'ZELLY. adj. Of the colour of hazel; a

light brown. Uplands consist either of sand, gravel, chalk,

rock or stone, hazelly loam, clay, or black mould. Mortimer.

HA'zy. adj. [from haze.] Dark; foggy;

Our clearest day here is misty and hazy; we see not far, and what we do see is in a bad light. Burnet, Theory of the Earth.

Oft engender'd by the hazy North, Myriads on myriads, insects armies waft. Thomson.

HE. + pronoun. gen. him; plur. they; gen. them. [hy, Dutch; hie, German; he, It seems to have borrowed the Saxon. plural from or, of which the plural is čar, dative čirum.]

1. The man that was named before. All the conspirators, save only he, Did that they did in envy of great Cæsar.

Shakspeure.

If much you note him, You shall offend him, and increase his passion; Feed, and regard him not. Shakspeare. change. Shakspeare.

Adam spoke; So cheer'd he his fair spouse, and she was cheer'd. Milton, P. L.

When Adam wak'd, he on his side Leaning half rais'd hung over her. Milton, P. L. Thus talking, hand in hand along they pass'd

Milton, P. L. On to their blissful bow'rs. Extol Milton, P. L. Him first, him last, him midst.

2. The man; the person. It sometimes stands without reference to any foregoing He is never poor

That little hath, but he that much desires. Daniel.

3. Man or male being.

Such mortal drugs I have; but Mantua's law Is death to any he that utters them.

Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul. I stand to answer thee, or any he the proudest of Shakspeare. thy sort.

Tros and his race the sculptor shall employ, And he the god who built the walls of Troy.

used where the male and female have not different denominations.

The he's in birds have the fairest feathers.

noun than pronoun.

6. According to the Saxon usage, he, in our old language, is prefixed to proper names emphatically; as, he Mozies, him Holofernes. Chaucer.

7. Formerly also he was frequently used

for it, in all cases.

HEAD. † n. s. [hearob, hearb, Saxon; hoofd, Dutch; heved, old English, whence by contraction head. Dr. Johnson. -Serenius considers it as derived from the Icel. haed, height. But Mr. Tooke's etymon is hearob, the past participle of hearan, to heave; meaning that part (of the body, or any thing else,) which is heaved, raised, or lifted up, above the rest. Div. Purl. ii. 39.]

The part of the animal that contains the brain or the organ of sensation or thought.

Vein healing verven, and head purging dill.

Spenser, F. Q. Over head up-grew

Insuperable height of loftiest shade. Milton, P. L. The dewy paths of meadows we will tread, For crowns and chaplets to adorn thy head. Dryd.

I could still have offers, that some, who hold their heads higher, would be glad to accept. Swift.

2. Person as exposed to any danger or penalty.

What he gets more of her than sharp words, let Shakspeare. it lie on my head.

Who of all ages to succeed, but feeling The evil on him brought by me, will curse My head? ill fare our ancestor impure.

Milton, P. L.

3. HEAD and Ears. The whole person. In colloquial language, over head and ears in debt is applied to a person greatly in debt.

You're over head and ears, ere you be aware. Beaum. and Fl. Wit. at Sev. Weapons.

In jingling rhimes well fortify'd and strong, He fights intrench'd o'er head and ears in song.

I am weary of this moon; would he would 4. Denomination of any animals. [Here, perhaps, from the Sax. ebe, grex, a herd; hence to make head, to raise a body of forces. 7

When Innocent desired the marquis of Carpio to furnish thirty thousand head of swine, he could not spare them; but thirty thousand lawyers he had at his service.

The tax upon pasturage was raised according to a certain rate per head upon cattle. Arbuthnot.

5. Chief; principal person; one to whom the rest are subordinate; leader; commander.

For their commons, there is little danger from them, except it be where they have great and Bacon. potent heads.

Your head I him appoint; And by myself have sworn, to him shall bow All knees in heaven, and shall confess him Lord.

The heads of the chief sects of philosophy, as Thales, Anaxagoras, and Pythagoras, did consent Tillotson. to this tradition.

Dryden. 6. Place of honour; the first place.

Notwithstanding all the justices had taken their places upon the bench, they made room for the old knight at the head of them.

7. Place of command.

An army of fourscore thousand troops, with the duke of Marlborough at the head of them, could do nothing. Addison on the War.

8. Countenance; presence.

Richard not far from hence hath hid his head. Shakspeare, Rich. II.

With Cain go wander through the shade of And never show thy head by day or light. Shaks.

Ere to-morrow's sun shall shew his head. 9. Understanding; faculties of the mind: commonly in a ludicrous sense.

The wenches laid their heads together. L'Est. A fox and a goat went down a well to drink : the goat fell to hunting which way to get back; Oh, says Reynard, never trouble your head, but

leave that to me. L'Estrange. Work with all the ease and speed you can without breaking your head, and being so very in-

dustrious in starting scruples. Dryden. The lazy and inconsiderate took up their notions by chance, without much beating their heads about them.

If a man shews that he has no religion, why should we think that he beats his head and troubles himself to examine the grounds of this or that doctrine? Locke.

When in ordinary discourse we say a man has a fine head, we express ourselves metaphorically, and speak in relation to his understanding; and when we say of a woman she has a fine head, we speak only in relation to her commode. Addison.

We laid our heads together, to consider what grievances the nation had suffered under king Addison. George.

Face; front; fore part.

The gathering crowd pursues; The ravishers turn head, the fight renews. Dryd.

11. Resistance; hostile opposition. [Sax. ebe. See the fourth sense.]

Then made he head against his enemics,

Spenser, F. Q. And Hymner slew. Sometimes hath Henry Bolingbroke made head against my power. Shakspeare. Two valiant gentlemen making head against

them, seconded by half a dozen more, made forty Ralegh. Sin having depraved his judgement, and got

possession of his will, there is no other principle left him naturally, by which he can make head South. against it.

12. Spontaneous resolution.

The bordering wars in this kingdom were made altogether by voluntaries, upon their own head, without any pay or commission from the state. Davies.

13. State of a deer's horns, by which his age is known.

It was a buck of the first head-Shakspeare. The buck is called the fifth year a buck of the first head.

14. Individual. It is used in numbers or computation.

If there be six millions of people, then there is about four acres for every head.

15. The top of any thing bigger than the

His spear's head weighed six hundred shekels of iron. As high

As his proud head is rais'd towards the sky,

So low tow'rds hell his roots descend. Denham. Trees, which have large and spreading heads, would lie with their branches up in the water.

Woodward.

If the buds are made our food, they are called ; heads or tops; so heads of asparagus and arti-

Head is an equivocal term; for it signifies the head of a nail, or of a pin, as well as of an animal.

16. The fore part of any thing, as of a

By gallies with brazen heads she might transport over Indus at once three hundred thousand soldiers.

His gallies moor; Their heads are turn'd to sea, their sterns to shore. Dryden.

17. That which rises on the top. Let it stand in a tub four or five days before it be put into the cask, stirring it twice a day, and beating down the head or yest into it. Mortimer.

18. The blade of an axe. A man fetcheth a stroke with the axe to cut down the tree, and the head slippeth from the Deut. xix. 5.

Gen. xlvii, 31.

19. Upper part of a bed. Israel bowed upon the bed's head..

20. The brain. As eastern priests in giddy circles run, And turn their heads to imitate the sun.

21. Dress of the head. Ladies think they gain a point when they have teazed their husbands to buy them a laced head, or a fine petticoat.

22. Principal topick of discourse. These heads are of a mixed order, and we propose only such as belong to the natural world.

Burnet, Theory of the Earth. 'Tis our great interest, and duty, to satisfy ourselves on this head, upon which our whole conduct depends.

23. Source of a stream.

It is the glory of God to give; his very nature delighteth in it: his mercies in the current, through which they would pass, may be dried up, but at the head they never fail.

The current by Gaza is but a small stream, rising between it and the Red sea, whose head from Gaza is little more than twenty English miles. Ralegh, Hist. Some did the song, and some the choir maintain, Beneath a laurel shade, where mighty Po

Mounts up to woods above, and hides his head below.

24. Crisis; pitch.
The indisposition which has long hung upon me, is at last grown to such a head, that it must quickly make an end of me, or of itself. Addison.

25. Power; influence; force; strength; dominion. [See the eleventh sense.] Within her breast though calm, her breast

though pure, Motherly cares and fears got head, and rais'd Some troubled thoughts. Milton, P. R.

26. Body; conflux. [Sax. ebe.]

People under command chuse to consult, and after to march in order; and rebels, contrariwise, run upon an head together in confusion. A mighty and a fearful head they are,

As ever offer'd foul play in a state. Shakspeare. Far in the marches here we heard you were, Making another head to fight again.

Shakspeare. Let all this wicked crew gather . Their forces to one head.

27. Power; armed force. [Sax. ebe.] My lord, my lord, the French have gather'd

Shakspeare. At sixteen years,

When Tarquin made a head for Rome, he sought Beyond the mark of others. Shakspeare.

.28. Liberty in running a horse.

He gave his able horse the head, And bounding forward, struck his agile heels Against the panting sides of his poor jade Up to the rowel-head.

29. Licence; freedom from restraint; a metaphor from horsemanship. God will not admit of the passionate man's

apology, that he has so long given his unruly passions their head, that he cannot now govern nor controul them.

30. It is very improperly applied to roots. How turneps hide their swelling heads below, And how the closing coleworts upwards grow.

31. HEAD and Shoulders. By force; vio-

People that hit upon a thought that tickles them, will be still bringing it in by head and shoulders, over and over, in several companies.

L'Estrange. They bring in every figure of speech, head and shoulders by main force, in spite of nature and their subject. Felton.

HEAD. adj. Chief; principal: as, the head workman: the head inn.

The horse made their escape to Winchester, the head quarters. Clarendon.

To HEAD. v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To lead; to influence; to direct; to govern.

Abas, who seem'd our friend, is either fled, Or, what we fear, our enemies does head. Dryden.

Nor is what has been said of princes less true of all other governours, from him that heads an army to him that is master of a family, or of one single servant.

This lord had headed his appointed bands, In firm allegiance to his king's commands. Prior.

2. To behead; to kill by taking away the head.

If you head and hang all that offend that way but for ten years together, you'll be glad to give out a commission for more heads. 3. To fit any thing with a head, or prin-

cipal part. Headed with flints and feathers bloody dy'd, Arrows the Indians in their quivers hide.

Of cornel-wood a spear upright, Headed with piercing steel, and polish'd bright.

Dryden.

4. To lop trees.

You must disbranch them, leaving only the summit entire: it may be necessary to head them

He'ADACH. n. s. [head and ach.] Pain in the head.

From the cruel headach,

Riches do not preserve. Sidney. Nothing more exposes to headachs, colds, catarrhs, and coughs, than keeping the head warm.

Locke. In the headach he orders the opening of the vein of the forehead. Arbuthnot. At some dear idle time,

Not plagu'd with headachs, or the want of rhyme.

He'ADBAND. n. s. [head and band.] 1. A fillet for the head; a topknot.

The Lord will take away the bonnets and the headbands.

2. The band at each end of a book.

HE'ADBOROUGH. n. s. [head and borough.] A constable; a subordinate constable. Here lies John Dod, a servant of God, to whom he is gone,

Father or mother, sister or brother, he never knew

A headborough and a constable, a man of fame, The first of his house, and last of his name.

This none are able to break thorough, Until they're freed by head of borough. Hudibras. HE'ADDRESS. n. s. [head and dress.]

1. The covering of a woman's head.

There is not so variable a thing in nature as a lady's headdress: I have known it rise and fall above thirty degrees. Addison, Spect. No. 98. If e'er with airy horns I planted heads,

Or discompos'd the headdress of a prude. 2. Any thing resembling a headdress, and prominent on the head.

Among birds the males very often appear in a most beautiful headdress, whether it be a crest, a comb, a tuft of feathers, or a natural little plume, erected like a kind of pinnacle on the very top of the head.

He'ADED.* adj. [from head.]

 Having a head or top. Embossed sores, and headed evils.

Shakspeare, As you like it.

2. Much used in composition; as, clearheaded, having a clear head, long-headed, and the like.

The mother cow must wear a louring look, Sour-headed, strongly neck'd to bear the yoke.

Dryden, Georg.

HE'ADER. † n. s. [from head.] 1. One that heads nails or pins, or the

like. 2. One who heads a mob or party.

3. The first brick in the angle.

If the header of one side of the wall is toothed as much as the stretcher on the outside, it would be a stronger toothing, and the joints of the headers of one side would be in the middle of the headers of the course they lie upon of the other

HE'ADGARGLE. n. s. [head and gargle.] A disease, I suppose, in cattle.

For the headgargle give powder of fenugreek.

HE'ADGEAR.* n. s. [head and gear.] The dress of a woman's head.

Those glittering attires, counterfeit colours, headgears, curled hairs, &c. wherewith our countrywomen counterfeit a beauty.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 475.

HE'ADILY.* adv. [from heady.] Hastily; rashly; so as not to be governed.

What strange fury possesseth the minds of ignorant, unstable men, that they should thus headily desire and sue to shake off so sacred and well-grounded an institution?

Remonstrance to Parliament, (1640,) p. 22, Deliberately to move to any business, is proper to man: headily to be carried by desire, is common

Bp. Henshaw's Daily Thoughts, (1651,) p. 65.

HE'ADINESS. n. s. [from heady.] Hurry; rashness; stubbornness; precipitation obstinacy.

If any will rashly blame such his choice of old and unwonted words, him may I more justly blame and condemn, either of witless headings in judging, or of headless hardiness in condemning. E. K. on Spenser's Shep. Cal.

HE'ADLAND. n. s. [head and land.]

1. Promontory; cape.

An heroick play ought to be an imitation of an heroick poem, and consequently love and valour ought to be the subject of it; both these sir William Davenant began to shadow; but it was so as discoverers draw their maps, with headlands and promontories. Dryden.

2. Ground under hedges.

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Now down with the grass upon headlands about, That groweth in shadow so rank and so stout.

HE'ADLESS. † adj. [Sax. hearoblear.] 1. Without an head; beheaded.

His shining helmet he 'gan soon unlace, And left his headless body bleeding at the place. Spenser, F. Q.

Were I a man, a duke, and next of blood, I would remove these tedious stumbling blocks, And smooth my way upon their headless necks.

Of mermaids that the southern seas do haunt, Of headless men, of savage cannibals.

Bp. Hall, Sat. iv. 6. On the cold earth lies th' unregarded king, A headless carcass, and a nameless thing. Prickly stubs, instead of trees, are found; Headless the most, and hideous to behold. Dryden.

2. Without a chief.

They rested not until they had made the empire stand headless about seventeen years.

3. Without foundation.

[He] calleth it a rumour, which is an headless Bacon, Charge in the Star-Chamber. It may more justly be numbered among those headless old-wives' tales, which Plutarch so justly derideth. Fotherby, Atheom. p. 62.

Obstinate; inconsiderate; ignorant; wanting intellects; perhaps for heedless. Him may I more justly blame and condemn, either of witless headiness in judging, or of headless hardiness in condemning.

E. K. on Spenser's Shep. Cal.

HE'ADLONG. + adj.

1. Steep; precipitous. Rise, rise, and heave thy rosy head From thy coral-paven bed; And bridle in thy headlong wave, Till thou our summons answer'd have.

Milton, Comus.

2. Rash; thoughtless.

3. Sudden; precipitate.

It suddenly fell from an excess of favour, which, many examples having taught them, never stopt his race till it came to a headlong overthrow.

HE'ADLONG. adv. [head and long.]

1. With the head foremost. It is often doubtful whether this word be adjective or adverb.

I'll look no more, Lest my brain turn, and the deficient sight Shakspeare. Topple down headlong. Who, while he steering view'd the stars, and

bore His course from Africk to the Latian shore,

Fell headlong down. Dryden. Headlong from thence the glowing fury springs, And o'er the Theban palace spreads her wings.

2. Rashly; without thought; precipitately. To give Ahab such warning, as might infallibly have prevented his destruction, was esteemed by him evil; and to push him on headlong into it, because he was fond of it, was accounted good.

Some ask for envy'd pow'r, which publick hate Pursues and hurries headlong to their fate; Down go the titles.

3. Hastily; without delay or respite. Unhappy offspring of my teeming womb! Dragg'd headlong from thy cradle to thy tomb.

Dryden. 4. It is very negligently used by Shakspeare.

Hence will I drag thee headlong by the heels, Unto a dunghill, which shall be thy grave. Shaks. HE'ADMAN.* n. s. [Sax. hearobman, a principal person, a governour.] A chief; as, "the headman of a city, town, or country; the headman of a jury.

HE'ADMONEY.* n. s. [head and money.] A capitation tax.

To be taxed by the pole, to be sconced our headmoney. - Milton, Of Ref. in Engl. B. 2.
HE'ADMOULD-SHOT. n. s. [head, mould, and shot. This is when the sutures of

the skull, generally the coronal, ride; another; which is frequent in infants, and occasions convulsions and death. Quincy.

HE'ADPAN. * n.s. [Sax. hearospann.] The brainpan.

He'Adpence. n.s. [Sax. hearbpeninc.] A kind of poll-tax formerly collected in the county of Northumberland.

HE'ADPIECE. n. s. [head and piece.] 1. Armour for the head; helmet; morion.

I pulled off my headpiece, and humbly intreated her pardon, or knowledge why she was cruel.

The word is given; with eager speed they lace The shining headpiece, and the shield embrace.

A reason for this fiction of the one-eyed Cyclops, was their wearing a head-piece, or martial vizor, that had but one sight.

This champion will not come into the field, before his great blunderbuss can be got ready, his old rusty breastplate scoured, and his cracked headpiece mended.

2. Understanding; force of mind.

'Tis done by some severals Of headpiece extraordinary, lower messes

Perchance are to this business purblind. Shaksp. Eumenes had the best headpiece of all Alexander's captains. Prideaux.

HEADQUA'RTERS. n. s. [head and quarters.] The place of general rendezvous, or lodgement for soldiers. This is properly two words.

Those spirits, posted upon the out-guards, immediately scour off to the brain, which is the headquarters, or office of intelligence, and there they make their report.

HEADSHA'KE.* n. s. [head and shake.] A significant shake of the head.

You, at such times seeing me, never shall, With arms encumber'd thus, or this head-shake, Or by pronouncing of some doubtful phrase,

That you know aught of me, Shaksp. Hamlet. HE'ADSHIP. n. s. [from head.] Dignity; authority; chief place.

Not the plotting for an headship, (for that is now become a court-business,) but the contriving of a bursarship of twenty nobles a year, is many

times done with as great a portion of suing, siding, Hales, Rem. p. 276. That the followers should be bound to each

other as well as to the chief; that this headship was not at first hereditary.

Burke, Abridg. Eng. Hist. ii. 7. HE'ADSMAN. n. s. [head and man.] Ex-

ecutioner; one that cuts off heads. Rods broke on our associates' bleeding backs, And headsmen labouring till they blunt their ax.

HE'ADSPRING.* n.s. [head and spring.] Fountain: origin.

That see is the headspring of our belief. Stapleton, Fortr. of the Faith, (1565,) fol. 149. b.

HE'ADSTALL. n. s. [head and stall.] Part of the bridle that covers the head.

His horse, with a half-check'd bit, and a headstall of sheep's leather, which being restrained to keep him from stumbling, hath been often burst, and now repaired with knots. Shaksneare.

HE'ADSTONE. † n. s. [head and stone.]

1. The first or capital stone.

The stone, which the builders refused, is become the headstone. Psalm cxviii. 24.

2. A grave-stone; so called in many places.

that is, have their edges shot over one HE'ADSTRONG. adj. [head and strong.] Unrestrained; violent; ungovernable; resolute to run his own way: as a horse whose head cannot be held in.

An example, for headstrong and inconsiderate zeal, no less fearful than Achitophel for proud and irreligious wisdom.

How now, my headstrong! where have you been gadding?

Where I have learnt me to repent the sin Of disobedient opposition. Shaksp. Rom. and Jul. But such a headstrong potent fault it is,

That it but mocks reproof. Shaksp. Tw. Night. He ill aspires to rule

Cities of men or headstrong multitudes, Subject himself to anarchy within. There's no opposing the torrent of a headstrong

multitude. L'Estrange. Now let the headstrong boy my will controul: Virtue's no slave of man; no sex confines the soul:

I, for myself, the imperial seat will gain, And he shall wait my leisure for his reign. Dryden.

Your father's folly took a headstrong course; But I'll rule yours, and teach you love by force.

Can we forget how the mad headstrong rout Defy'd their prince to arms, nor made account Of faith or duty, or allegiance sworn? I'll try if yet I can reduce to reason

This headstrong youth, and make him spurn at Addison.

You will be both judge and party: I am sorry thou discoverest so much of thy headstrong humour.

He'Adstrongness.* n. s. [from headstrong.] Obstinacy; like that of a horse, whose head cannot be held in, or which will not be guided.

Rosinante's headstrongness is here remarkable, and shews that a beast knows when he is weary, or hungry, better than his rider.

Gayton on Don Quix. p.6.

HE'ADTIRE.* n. s. [head and tire.] Attire for the head.

An headtire of fine linen, and a chain about his neck-1 Esdr. iii. 6. He nameth divers strange forms of apparel, as

their headtire, slops, headbands, and such like. A. Willet, Treat. of Sol. Marr. &c. (1612,) p. 46.

HE'ADWAY.* n.s. [head and way.] In naval language, the motion of advancing at sea.

HEADWO'RKMAN. n. s. [head, work, and man.] The foreman, or chief servant over the rest. Properly two words.

Can Wood be otherwise regarded than as the mechanick, the headworkman, to prepare furnace and stamps?

HE'ADY. † adj. [from head.]

1. Rash; precipitate; hasty; violent; ungovernable; hurried on with passion.

Take pity of your town and of your people, While yet the cool and temperate wind of grace O'erblows the filthy and contagious clouds Of heady murther, spoil, and villany. Shakspeare. I am advised what I say:

Neither disturb'd with the effect of wine,

Nor heady-rash, provok'd with raging ire;

Albeit my wrongs might make one wiser mad.

Shakspeare.

I'll forbear,

And am fall'n out with my more heady will,
To take the indispos'd and sickly fit
For the sound man.

Shakspeare.

Wives, the readiest helps
To betray heady husbands, rob the easy. B. Jonson.

Those only are regarded who are true to their party; and all the talent required is to be hot, to be heady, to be violent on one side or other.

Men, naturally warm and heady, are transported with the greatest flush of good-nature. Addison.

2. Apt to affect the head.

I was entertained with a sort of wine which was

very heady, but otherwise seemed to be sack.

Boyle

Since hearty beef and mutton will not do,
Here's julep-dance, ptisan of song and show:
Give you strong sense, the liquor is too heady;
You're come to farce, that's asses' milk, already.

Pryden.
Flow, Welsted! flow, like thine inspirer, beer;
Heady, not strong; and foaming, though not full.

3. Violent; impetuous.

Never came reformation in a flood With such a heady current scouring faults; Nor ever hydra-headed wilfulness

So soon did lose his seat. Shakspeare.

Thou clav'st the rock, from whose green wound
The thirst-expelling fountain brake:

Thou mad'st the heady streams forsake Their channels, and become dry ground.

Sandys, Ps. 74.

O HEAL + n.a. [halaan, Gothick: hælan.

To HEAL.† v.a. [halgan, Gothick; hælan, Saxon; heelen, Dutch; from the Su. Goth. hel, whole.]

 To cure a person; to restore from hurt or sickness.

I will restore health, and heal thee of thy wounds.

Who would not believe that our Saviour healed the sick, and raised the dead, when it was published by those who themselves often did the same miracles?

Addison.

Physicians, by just observations, grow up to an

Physicians, by just observations, grow up to an honourable degree of skill in the art of healing.

Watts.

2. To restore any thing from an unsound to a sound state.

He went forth unto the spring of the waters, and cast the salt in there, and said, Thus saith the Lord, I have healed these waters; there shall not be from thence any more death. 2 Kings, ii. 21.

3. To cure a wound or distemper.

Thou hast no healing medicines. Jer. xxx. 13.

A fontanel had been made in the same leg, which he was forced to heal up, by reason of the

4. To perform the act of making a sore to cicatrize, after it is cleansed.

After separation of the eschar, I deterged and healed. Wiseman.

5. To reconcile: as, he healed all dissensions.

To HEAL. v. n. To grow well. Used of

wounds or sores.

Those wounds heal that men do give themselves.

Shaksneare.

Abscesses will have a greater or less tendency to heal, as they are higher or lower in the body.

Sharp.

To HEAL.* v. a. To cover. See To HELE.

HE'ALABLE.* adj. [from heal.] Capable of being healed. Sherwood.

HE'ALER. n. s. [from heal.] One who cures or heals.

I will not be an healer.

He'ALING.† participial adj. [from heal.]

Mild; mollifying; gentle; assuasive:
as, he is of a healing pacifick temper.

To whom with healing words Adam replied.

Milton, P.L.

Milton, S. A.

Be calm,

And healing words from these thy friends admit.

HE'ALING.* n. s. [from heal.]

The act or power of curing.
 Unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of Righteousness arise with healing in his wings.

Malachi, iv. 2.

Of the Most High cometh healing.

2. The act of covering; a covering. See Heling.

HEALTH.† n. s. [Sax. hael, hel; Su. Goth. hel; old Eng. hele, helthe, Pr. Parv. helefull, Ort. Vocab. "The hele of Eson." Gower, Conf. Am. B. 5. See To Heal.]

Freedom from bodily pain or sickness.
 Health is the faculty of performing all actions proper to a human body, in the most perfect manner.
 Quincy.

Our father is in good health, he is yet alive. Gen.
May be he is not well;

Infirmity doth still neglect all office,
Whereto our health is bound.

Shakspeare

2. Welfare of mind; purity; goodness; principle of salvation.

There is no health in us. Common Prayer.
The best preservative to keep the mind in health, is the faithful admonition of a friend. Bacon.

Salvation spiritual and temporal.
 My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me, and art so far from my health, and from the words of my complaint?

4. Wish of happiness used in drinking.

Come, love and health to all;
I drink to the general joy of the whole table.

Shakspeare.

He asked leave to begin two healths: the first was to the king's mistress, and the second to his wife.

Honell.

For peace at home, and for the publick wealth, I mean to crown a bowl to Cæsar's health. Dryd. HE'ALTHFUL. adj. [health and full.]

1. Free from sickness.

Adam knew no disease, so long as temperance from the forbidden fruit secured him: Nature was his physician, and innocence and abstinence would have kept him healthful to immortality.

oll disposed

2. Well disposed.

Such an exploit have I in hand, Had you an healthful ear to hear it. Shakspeare.

3. Wholesome; salubrious.

Many good and healthful airs do appear by habitation and proofs, that differ not in smell from other airs,

Bacon.

They pervert pure nature's healthful rules To loathsome sickness; worthily, since they God's image did not reverence in themselves.

Milton, P. L. Our healthful food the stomach labours thus, At first embracing what it straight doth crush.

4. Salutary; productive of salvation.

Pour upon them the healthful spirit of thy grace.

Common Prayer.

HE'ALTHFULLY.† adv. [from healthful.]

1. In health.

If it be so, that neither for fear nor love thou wilt part with thy goods, yet part with thy prayers

for thy king; that he may healthfully, happily, and victoriously reign.

Sir M. Sandys, Ess. (1634,) p. 123.

2. Wholesomely.

If merit be disease; if virtue, death;
To be good, not to be; who'd then bequeath
Himself to discipline? who'd not esteem
Labour a crime? study self-murder deem?
Our noble youth now have pretence to be
Dunces securely, ignorant healthfully.

Dryden on the Death of Ld. Hastings.

HE'ALTHFULNESS.† n. s. [from healthful.]

1. State of being well.

This verse sets forth the healthfulness and vigour of the inhabitants of that fertile country.

Patrick on Gen. xlix.12.

2. Wholesomeness; salubrious qualities.

You have tasted of that cup whereof I have liberally drank, which I look upon as God's physick, having that in healthfulness which it wants in pleasure.

Employee The Charles

We ventured to make a standard of the health-

We ventured to make a standard of the healthfulness of the air from the proportion of acute and epidemical diseases. Graunt.

To the winds the inhabitants of Geneva ascribe the healthfulness of their air; for as the Alps surround them on all sides, there would be a constant stagnation of vapours, did not the north wind put them in motion.

Addison on Italy.

HE'ALTHILY.† adv. [from healthy.] Without sickness or pain. Sherwood. HE'ALTHINESS. n. s. [from healthy.] The

state of health.

He'Althless.† adj. [from health.]

1. Weak; sickly; infirm.

The leaves, that whilom were so fresh and greene.

In healthlesse autumn to the ground do fall.

Mir. for Mag. p. 563.

2. Not conducive to health.

He that spends his time in sports, is like him whose garment is all made of fringes, and his meat nothing but sauces; they are healthless, chargeable, and useless.

Bp. Taylor.

HE'ALTHSOME. adj. [from health.] Wholesome; salutary. Not now used.
Shall I not then be stifled in the vault,

Shall I not then be stifled in the vault, To whose foul mouth no healthsome air breathes in, And there be strangled ere my Romeo comes? Shakspeare.

HE'ALTHY. adj. [from health.]

1. Enjoying health; free from sickness; hale; sound.

The husbandman returns from the field, and from manuring his ground, strong and healthy, because innocent and laborious.

South.

Temperance, industry, and a publick spirit, running through the whole body of the people in Holland, hath preserved an infant commonwealth, of a sickly constitution, through so many dangers, as a much more healthy one-could never have struggled against without those advantages. Swift.

Air and exercise contribute to make the animal

healthy.

2. Conducive to health; wholesome.

Gardening or husbandry, and working in wood, are fit and healthy recreations for a man of study or business.

Locke.

HEAM. n. s. In beasts the same as the after-birth in women.

HEAP. † n. s. [heap, Saxon; hoop, Dutch; hop, hopr, Su. Goth. and Iceland.]

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1. Many single things thrown together; a

pile; an accumulation.

The way to lay the city flat,

The way to lay the city flat,
And bury all which yet distinctly ranges,
In heaps and piles of ruins.

The dead were fallen down by heaps, one upon another.

Wisdom, xviii. 23.

HEA Huge heaps of slain around the body rise.

Dryden. Venice in its first beginnings had only a few heaps of earth for its dominions. Addison on Italy. Tis one thing, only as a heap is one. Blackmore.

Racon.

2. A crowd; a throng; a rabble. A cruel tyranny; a heap of vassals and slaves, no freemen, no inheritance, no stirp or ancient

families.

3. Cluster: number driven together. An universal cry resounds aloud;

The sailors run in heaps, a helpless crowd. Dryd. 4. A pottle; a quartern; a quarter of a

peck. A northern term. Grose. A wicker basket: a northern term also. Brockett.

To HEAP. + v. a. [from the noun. Sax. heapian.]

1. To throw on heaps; to pile; to throw together.

Heap on wood, kindle the fire. Ezelt. xxiv. 10.

2. To accumulate; to lay up.

Though he heap up silver as the dust, and prepare raiment as the clay; he may prepare it, but the just shall put it on, and the innocent shall divide the silver. Job, xxvii. 16.

How great the credit was, wherein that oracle was preserved, may be gathered from the vast riches which were there heaped up from the offerings of all the Grecian nations. Temple.

They who will make profession of painting, must heap up treasures out of their reading, and there will find many wonderful means of raising themselves above others. Dryden.

3. To add to something else. For those of old.

And the late dignities heap'd up to them,

We rest your hermits. Shakspeare.

HE'APER. † n. s. [from heap.] One that makes piles or heaps. Sherwood. HE'APLY.* adv. [from heap.] In heaps; without order. Obsolete. Huloet.

HE'APY. † adj. [from heap.] Lying in

Old Ocean lifts his heapy waves on high.

Rowe, Lucan.

Where a dim gleam the paly lanthorn throws . O'er the mid pavement, heapy rubbish grows.

Scarce his head Rais'd o'er the heapy wreath, the branching elk

Lies slumbering sullen in the white abyss. Thoms. Nor can Freewill find a place for the sole of her foot among the heapy ruins, wherewith he bestrews the ground.

Search, Freewill, Foreknowledge, & Fate, p.188. To HEAR. † v. n. | Sax. hepan, heopan, hýpan; Icel. heyren; Dutch, hooren.

See EAR. 1. To enjoy the sense by which sounds

are distinguished.

Sound is nothing but a certain modulation of the external air, which, being gathered by the external ear, beats, as is supposed, upon the membrana tympani, which moves the four little bones in the tympanum: in like manner as it is beat by the external air, these little bones move the internal air which is in the tympanum and vestibulum; which internal air makes an impression upon the auditory nerve in the labyrinth and cochlea, according as it is moved by the little bones in the tympanum: so that, according to the various reflections of the external air, the internal air makes various impressions upon the auditory nerve, the immediate organ of hearing; and these different impressions repre-Quincy.

sent different sounds. The object of hearing is sound, whose variety is so great, that it brings in admirable store of in-Holder.

Princes cannot see far with their own eyes, nor Temple. hear with their own ears.

2. To listen; to hearken to: as, he heard with great attention.

So spake our mother Eve, and Adam heard, Well-pleas'd, but answer'd not. Millon, P. L.

3. To be told; to have an account: with

I have heard by many of this man. Acts, ix.13.

Hear of such a crime As tragick poets, since the birth of time, Ne'er feign'd.

This, of eldest parents, leaves us more in the dark, who, by divine institution, has a right to civil power, than those who never heard any thing at all of heir or descent.

To HEAR. † v. a.

1. To perceive by the ear.

The trumpeters and singers were as one sound to be heard in praising the Lord. 2 Chron. v. 13. And sure he heard me, but he would not hear. Dryden.

2. To give an audience, or allowance to speak.

He sent for Paul, and heard him concerning the faith in Christ. Acts, xxiv. 24.

I must beg the forbearance of censure, till I have been heard out in the sequel of this discourse.

3. To attend; to listen to; to obey. A scorner heareth not rebuke. Proverbs.

Hear the word at my mouth, and give them warning from me. Ezek. iii. 17. To-day, if ye will hear his voice, harden not

your hearts. Neptune for human good the beast ordains, Whom soon he tam'd to use, and taught to hear

the reins. Congreve, Ode to Ld. Godolphin. The trembling steed, With his hot impulse seiz'd in ev'ry nerve,

Nor hears the rein, nor heeds the sounding thong. Thomson, Spring.

4. To attend favourably.

They think they shall be heard for their much St. Matthew. Since 'tis your command, what you so well Are pleas'd to hear, I cannot grieve to tell.

Denham. Pope. The goddess heard.

5. To try; to attend judicially.

Hear the causes, and judge righteously. Deut. i.16. 6. To attend, as to one speaking.

On earth Who against faith or conscience can be heard

Infallible? 7. To acknowledge a title; to be spoken

of. A Latin phrase. O! what of gods then boots it to be born,

If old Avengle's sons so evil hear? Spenser, F. Q. i. v. 23.

Or hear'st thou rather pure ethereal stream, Whose fountain who shall tell? Milton, P. L. Hear'st thou submissive, but a lowly birth?

8. To Hear Say. An elliptical expression for to hear a thing said.

A people great and tall, the children of the Anakims, whom thou knowest, and of whom thou hast heard say, who can stand before the children If thou shalt hear say in one of thy cities, say-ing, Certain men, the children of Belial, are gone out from among you - then shalt thou enquire.

9. To HEAR a bird sing. A kind of proverbial expression; implying the receipt of a very particular or private communication.

I heare a bird sing in mine eare, That I must either fight or flee.

Old Ballad of the Rising in the North. I will lay odds, that, ere this year expire,

We bear our civil swords, and native fire, As far as France; I heard a bird so sing,

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. P. II. 1 King. Did you observe their whispers, brother king?

2 King. I did; and heard, besides, a grave bird

That they intend, sweetheart, to play us pranks! D. of Buckingham, Reheursal.

HEARD signifies a keeper, and is sometimes initial; as heardbearht, a glorious keeper: sometimes final, as cyneheard, a royal keeper. Gibson's Camden. It is now written herd: as, cowherd, a cowkeeper; hyno, Sax.

HEARD.* n.s. A keeper of herds. HE'ARDGROOM. See HERD and HERD-GROOM.

HE'ARER. n. s. [from hear.]

1. One who hears.

And so was she dulled withal, that we could come so near as to hear her speeches, and yet she not perceive the hearers of her lamentation. Sidney

St. John and St. Matthew, which have recorded these sermons, heard them; and being hearers, did think themselves as well respected as the pha-Hooker.

Words, be they never so few, are too many, when they benefit not the hearer. Huoker. The hearers will shed tears,

And say, Alas! it was a piteous deed! Shakey. Tell thou the lamentable fall of me.

And send the hearers weeping to their beds. Shakspeare.

2. One who attends to doctrine or dis course orally delivered by another; as, the hearers of the gospel.

3. One of a collected audience.

Plays in themselves have neither hopes nor fears; Their fate is only in their hearers' ears, B. Jonson. Her hearers had no share

In all she spoke, except to stare. Swift. HE'ARING. † n. s. [from hear.]

1. The sense by which sounds are perceived.

Bees are called with sound upon brass, and therefore they have hearing. Bacon, Nat. Hist. Aged ears play truant at his tales,

And younger hearings are quite ravished; So sweet and voluble is his discourse.

Shakspeare, Love's L. Lost.

2. Audience. The French ambassador upon that instant

Crav'd audience; and the hour, I think, is come To give him hearing. Shakspears: 3. Judicial trial.

Agrippa and Bernice-entered into the place of hearing. Acts, xxv. 23.

The readers are the jury to decide according to the merits of the cause, or to bring it to another hearing before some other court. Those of different principles may be betrayed to give you a fair hearing, and to know what you

have to say for yourself. Addisun.

Deut. ix. 2. 4. Note by the ear; reach of the ear.

If we profess, as Peter did, that we love the Lord, and profess it in the hearing of men; charity is prone to hear all things, and therefore charitable men are likely to think we do so.

Hooker. In our hearing the king charged thee, beware that none touch Absalom. 2 Sam. xviii. 12. You have been talked of since your travels much,

And that in Hamlet's hearing, for a quality Wherein they say you shine. Shakspeare. The fox had the good luck to be within hearing. L'Estrange.

To HE'ARKEN. † v. n. [heopenian, Sax.; harken, Fris.]

1. To listen; to listen eagerly or curiously. The youngest daughter, whom you hearken for, Her father keeps from all access of suitors.

Shaksneare. He hearkens after prophecies and dreams. Shakspeare.

They do me too much injury, That ever said I hearken'd for your death: If it were so, I might have let alone

The insulting hand of Douglas over you. Shaksp. The gaping three-mouth'd dog forgets to snarl; The furies hearken, and their snakes uncurl.

He who makes much necessary, will want much; and, wearied with the difficulty of the attainment, will hearken after any expedient that offers to shorten his way to it.

2. To attend; to pay regard. Hearken unto me, thou son of Zippor.

Numbers, xxiii. 18. Those who put passion in the place of reason,

neither use their own, nor hearken to other people's reason, any farther than it suits their humour.

There's not a blessing individuals find, But some way leans and hearkens to the kind.

To HE'ARKEN.* v. a. 1. To hear by listening.

She past into his dreadfull den, Where nought but darkesome drerinesse she found, Ne creature saw, but hearkned now and then Some little whispering, and soft-groning sound. Spenser, F. Q.

But here she comes; I fairly step aside, And hearken, if I may, her business here. Milton, Comus.

2. To hear with attention; to regard. When Thelamon harkened had his tale. Lydgate. The king of Naples, being an enemy To me inveterate, hearkens my brother's suit.

Shakspeare, Tempest. He'ARKENER. † n. s. [from hearken.] Listener; one that hearkens.

Harkeners of rumors and tales. Barret, Alv. (1580.) HE'ARSAL.* n. s. [probably from hear.]

Rehearsal; relation. With this sad hearsall of his heavy stresse The warlike damsell was empassioned sore.

Spenser, F. Q. HE'ARSAY. n. s. [hear and say.] Report; rumour; what is not known otherwise than by account from others.

For prey these shepherds two he took, Whose metal stiff he knew he could not bend With hearsay pictures, or a window look. Sidney. He affirms by hearsay, that some giants saved themselves upon the mountain Baris in Armenia.

Ralegh, Hist. All the little scramblers after fame fall upon him, publish every blot in his life, and depend upon hearsay to defame him.

HEARSE. † n. s. [of unknown etymology, Dr. Johnson says; yet, under the other form of writing the word, viz. herse, he cites the low Lat. hersia, " supposed to

come from the Sax. hepian, to praise." -Mr. H. Tooke pronounces it the past participle of the Sax. hypran, to adorn, to decorate. Div. Purl. ii. 323. - Serenius derives it from the Goth. hersa, a sepulchral mount or hill. - The low Lat. hersia, or hercia, is said to have been a kind of candlestick, in the form of a harrow, (old Fr. herce,) having branches filled with lights, and being placed at the head of graves or cenotaphs; and hence hearse came to be used for the grave, and for the coffin, or chest containing the dead.]

1. A temporary monument set over a grave; according to Huloet, as well as Dr. Johnson. The solemn obsequy at funerals; according to E. K. the contemporary commentator on Spenser.

A cenotaph is an empty funeral monument or tombe, erected for the honour of the dead; in imitation of which our hearses here in England are set up in churches, during the continuance of a yeare, or the space of certaine monthes.

So many torches, so many tapers, so many black gownes, so many mery mourners laughying under black hodes, and a gay hers.

Sir T. More, De Quat. Nov. The gaudy girlonds deck her grave,

The faded flowres her corse embrave. Spenser, Shep. Cal. Nov. O heavie herse! 2. The place, or the case, in which a dead corse is deposited.

Beside the hearse a fruitful palmtree grows, Ennobled since by this great funeral,

Where Dudon's corpse they softly laid in ground. Fairfax, Tass. To add to your laments,

Wherewith ye now bedew king Henry's hearse, I must inform you of a dismal fight. Shakspeare, Hen. VI. P. I.

These poor and fruitless drops, Which willingly would fall upon his hearse, To embalm him twice.

Beaum. and Fl. Coronation. 3. A carriage in which the dead are conveyed to the grave.

When mourning nymphs attend their Daphnis' Who does not weep that reads the moving verse?

Roscommon. To HEARSE.* v.a. [from the noun.] To

enclose in a hearse, or coffin. Tell,

Why thy canoniz'd bones, hearsed in death, Have burst their cerements? Shakspeare, Hamlet. I would my daughter were dead at my feet, and the jewels in her ear. O! would she were

hears'd at my feet, and the ducats in her coffin. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven.

HE'ARSECLOTH.* n. s. [hearse and cloth.] A covering thrown over the hearse, or coffin; a pall.

Without any blacks to be hung any where in or about the church, other than a pulpit-cloth, a hearse-cloth, and a mourning gown for the preacher. Bp. Sanderson's Will, in Walton's Lives.

HE'ARSELIKE. adj. [hearse and like.] Mournful; suitable to a funeral.

If you listen to David's barp, you shall hear as many hearse-like airs as carols. Bacon, Essay of Adversity.

HEART. † n. s. [Sax. heopt; Germ. hertz; Goth. hiarto; Icel. hiarta; "ab | 6. Courage; spirit.

ant. hyra, hurra, horfa, movere, agitare." Serenius.—" The heart, in the Teutonick languages, - should probably be referred to the Gr. napola, in which the rough breathing of the h is hardened into a consonant. Junius has been aware of this connexion." Whiter.]

1. The muscle which by its contraction and dilatation propels the blood through the course of circulation, and is therefore considered as the source of vital motion.

The heart gives heat, and motion, and life, unto that which is to be our nourishment. Smith on Old Age, p. 230.

2. It is supposed in popular language to be the seat sometimes of courage, sometimes of affection, sometimes of honesty, or baseness.

He with providence and courage so passed over all, that the mother took such spiteful grief at it, that her heart brake withal, and she died.

Sidney. Thou wouldst have left thy dearest heart-blood there,

Rather than made that savage duke thine heir, And disinherited thine only son. Shakspeare. Snakes in my heart-blood warm'd, that sting

my heart. Shakspeare. Our battle is more full of names than yours, Our men more perfect in the use of arms, Our armour all as strong, our cause the best;

Then reason wills our hearts should be as good. Shakspeure. I thank you for my venison, master Shallow.

Master Page, much good do it your good

Shakspeare. But since the brain doth lodge the powers of sense.

How makes it in the heart those passions spring? The mutual love, the kind intelligence 'Twixt heart and brain, this sympathy doth bring.

We all set our hearts at rest, since whatever comes from above is for the best. L'Estrange. The only true zeal is that which is guided by a good light in the head, and that which consists of

good and innocent affections in the heart. Sprat. Prest with heart corroding grief and years, To the gay court a rural shed prefers. Pope.

3. The chief part; the vital part; the vigorous or efficacious part.

Barley being steeped in water, and turned upon a dry floor, will sprout half an inch; and if it be let alone, much more until the heart be out. Bacon.

4. The inner part of any thing. Some Englishmen did with great danger pass by water into the heart of the country.

Abbot, Descript. of the World. The king's forces are employed in appeasing disorders more near the heart of the kingdom.

Hayward. Generally the inside or heart of trees is harder

than the outward parts. Boyle. Here in the heart of all the town I'll stay,

And timely succour, where it wants, convey. Dryden. If the foundation be bad, provide good piles

made of heart of oak, such as will reach ground.

5. Person; character. Used with respect to courage or kindness.

The king's a bawcock, and a heart of gold, A lad of life, an imp of fame. Shaksneure. Hey, my hearts; cheerly, my hearts. Shuken. What says my heart of elder? Ha! is he

If it please you to make his fortune known, I will after take heart again to go on with his falsehood.

There did other like unhappy accidents happen out of England, which gave heart and good opportunity to them to regain their old possessions.

Spenser on Ireland. Wide was the wound; and a large lukewarm

Red as the rose, thence gushed grievously,

That when the paynim spy'd the streaming blood, Gave him great heart and hope of victory. Eve, recovering heart, reply'd. Milton, P. L.

Having left that city well provided, and in good heart, his majesty removed with his little Clarendon. army to Bewdley. Finding that it did them no hurt, they took heart upon't, went up to't, and viewed it.

L'Estrange.

The expelled nations take heart, and when they fly from one country invade another. Temple.

7. Seat of love.

Ah! what avails it me the flocks to keep, Who lost my heart while I preserv'd my sheep?

8. Affection; inclination.

Joab perceived that the king's heart was towards Absalom. 2 Sam. xiv. 1. Meanshow to feel, and learn each other's heart, By the abbot's skill of Westminster is found.

Nor set thy heart,

Thus over-fond, on that which is not thine.

Milton, P. L. 'Tis well to be tender; but to set the heart too much upon any thing, is what we cannot justify.

L'Estrange. A friend makes me a feast, and sets all before me; but I set my heart upon one dish alone, and if that happen to be thrown down, I scorn all the

Then mixing powerful herbs with magick art,

She chang'd his form who could not change his heart.

What did I not, her stubborn heart to gain? But all my vows were answer'd with disdain.

Dryden.

9. Memory: though South seems to distinguish.

Whatsoever was attained to concerning God, and his working in nature, the same was delivered over by heart and tradition from wise men to a posterity equally zealous.

We call the committing of a thing to memory the getting it by heart: for it is the memory that must transmit it to the heart : and it is in vain to expect that the heart should keep its hold of any truth, when the memory has let it go.

Shall I in London act this idle part, Composing songs for fools to get by heart? Pope.

10. Good-will; ardour of zeal. To take to heart any thing, is to be zealous, or solicitous, or ardent about it.

If he take not their causes to heart, how should there be but in them frozen coldness, when his affections seem benumbed, from whom theirs should take fire? Hooker.

If he would take the business to heart, and deal in it effectually, it would succeed well. The lady marchioness of Hertford engaged her

husband to take this business to heart. Clarendon. Amongst those who took it most to heart, Sir John Stawel was the chief. Clarendon.

Every prudent and honest man would join himself to that side, which had the good of their coun-

try most at heart. Learned men have been now a long time searching after the happy country from which our first parents were exiled: if they can find it, with all my heart.

I would not be sorry to find the Presbyterians mistaken in this point, which they have most at

What I have most at heart is, that some method should be thought on for ascertaining and fixing our language.

11. Passions; anxiety; concern. Set your heart at rest;

The fairy land buys not the child of me. Shaksp. 12. Secret thoughts; recesses of the

Michal saw king David leaping and dancing before the Lord, and she despised him in her 2 Sam. vi. 16.

The next generation will in tongue and heart, and every way else, become English; so as there will be no difference or distinction but the Irish sea betwixt us.

Davies on Ireland. Thou sawest the contradiction between my heart and hand. King Charles.

Would you have him open his heart to you, and ask your advice, you must begin to do so with him first. Locke.

Men, some to pleasure, some to business take; But every woman is, at heart, a rake.

13. Disposition of mind.

Doing all things with so pretty a grace, that it seemed ignorance could not make him do amiss, because he had a heart to do well. Sidney.

14. The heart is considered as the seat of tenderness: a hard heart therefore is cruelty.

I've seen thee stern, and thou hast oft beheld Heart hardening spectacles. Shakspeare. Such iron hearts we are, and such The base barbarity of human kind. Rowe.

15. To find in the HEART. To be not

wholly averse. For my breaking the laws of friendship with you, I could find in my heart to ask you pardon for it, but that your now handling of me gives me

reason to confirm my former dealing. Sidney. 16. Secret meaning; hidden intention. I will on with my speech in your praise, And then shew you the heart of my message.

17. Conscience; sense of good or ill. Every man's heart and conscience doth in good or evil, even secretly committed, and known to

none but itself, either like or disallow itself. Hooker. 18. Strength; power; vigour; efficacy. Try whether leaves of trees, swept together,

with some chalk and dung mixed, to give them more heart, would not make a good compost. That the spent earth may gather heart again,

And better'd by cessation bear the grain. Dryden. Care must be taken not to plough ground out of heart, because if 'tis in heart, it may be improved by marl again. Mortimer.

19. Utmost degree.

This gay charm, Like a right gipsy, hath, at fast and loose,

Beguil'd me to the very heart of loss. Shakspeare.

20. Life. For my heart seems sometimes to signify, if life was at stake; and sometimes for tenderness.

I bid the rascal knock upon your gate, And could not get him for my heart to do it.

Shakspeare. I gave it to a youth, A prating boy, that begg'd it as a fee: I could not for my heart deny it him. Shakspeare. Profoundly skill'd in the black art, As English Merlin for his heart.

21. It is much used in composition for mind, or affection.

HEART-ACHE. n. s. [heart and ache.] Sorrow; pang; anguish of mind.

To die - to sleep -

No more; and, by a sleep, to say we end The heart-ache, and the thousand natural shocks That flesh is heir to. Shakspeare, Hamlet. HEART-APPALLING.* adj. [heart and ap-

pal.] Dismaying the heart. Direful to see! an heart-appalling sight.

Thomson, Castle of Indolence.

HEART-BLOOD.* n. s. 1. The blood of the heart; life.

Thy heart-blood will I have for this day's work. Shakspeare, Hen. VI. P. I. Our nobler swords will drink the blood of none, But thy heart-blood, Porsenna, thine alone. Dancer's Poems, (1660.)

2. Essence.

The mortal Venus, the heart-blood of beauty. Shakspeare, Tr. and Cress.

HEART-BREAK. n. s. [heart and break.] Overpowering sorrow. Better a little chiding than a great deal of heart-

break. Shakspeare.

HEART-BREAKER. † n. s. A cant name for a woman's curls, supposed to break the heart of all her lovers. Dr. Johnson. -Rather, as it should seem by the example, for the love-locks of the other sex.

Like Samson's heart-breakers, it grew In time to make a nation rue.

HEART-BREAKING. adj. Overpowering with sorrow.

Those piteous plaints and sorrowful sad tine, Which late you poured forth, as ye did sit Beside the silver springs of Helicone, Making your musick of heartbreaking mone.

HEART-BREAKING. n. s. Overpowering grief.

What greater heart-breaking and confusion can there be to one, than to have all his secret faults laid open, and the sentence of condemnation passed upon him? Hakemill.

HEART-BRED.* adj. [heart and bred.] Bred in the heart.

His virtue that within had root, Could not choose but shine without: And the heart-bred lustre of his worth, At each corner peeping forth, Pointed him out in all his ways, Circled round in his own rays. Crash. Poems, p. 94.

HEART-BROKEN.* adj. [heart and broken.] Having the heart overpowered with grief. HEART-BURIED.* adj. [heart and buried.]

Deeply immersed. Dismounted every great and glorious aim,

Imbruted every faculty divine, Heart-buried in the rubbish of the world.

Young, Night Th. 2.

HEART-BURN.* n.'s. [heart and burn.] Pain proceeding from an acrid humour in the stomach.

HEART-BURNED. adj. [heart and burn.] Having the heart inflamed.

How tartly that gentleman looks! I never can see him but I am heart-burn'd an hour after.

HEART-BURNING. n. s. [heart and burn.] 1. Pain at the stomach, commonly from an acrid humour.

Fine clean chalk is one of the most noble absorbents, and powerfully corrects and subdues the acrid humours in the stomach: this property renders it very serviceable in the cardialgia, or heartburning. Woodward.

2. Discontent; secret enmity.

In great changes, when right of inheritance is broke, there will remain much heart-burning and discontent among the meaner people. Swift to Pope.

HEART-BURNING.* adj. Causing discon-

Well may we raise jars, Jealousies, strifes, and heart-burning disagreements.

Middleton's Witch HEART-CHILLED.* adj. [heart and chill.] Having the heart chilled.

O'er the pale corse we saw him gently bend, Heart-chill'd with grief. Shenstone, Eleg. 15. HEART-CONSUMING.* adj. Destroying the

peace of the heart. Yet let not grief and heart-consuming care

Prey on your soul; but let your constant mind Bear up with strength and manly hardiness. Edwards, Sonn. 38.

HEART-CORRODING.* adj. Preying on the heart. See Pope in the second sense of HEART.

HEART-DEAR. adj. Sincerely beloved. The time was, father, that you broke your word, When you were more endear'd to it than now; When your own Percy, when my heart-dear Harry, Threw many a northward look to see his father Bring up his powers; but he did long in vain. Shakspeare.

HEART-DEEP.* adj. Rooted in the heart. Dipping and seasoning all our words and sentences in our hearts, before they come into our mouths, truly affecting and cordially expressing all that we say; so that the auditors may plainly perceive that every word is heart-deep.

Herbert, Country Parson, ch. 7. HEART-DISCOURAGING.* adj. Depressing the heart.

To have a large tale of brick required, and a small allowance of straw to prepare it with, cannot but be a great and heart-discouraging disadvantage. South, Serm. vii. 322.

HEART-EASE. n. s. Quiet; tranquillity. What infinite heart-ease must kings neglect, That private men enjoy. Shakspeare.

HEART-EASING. adj. Giving quiet. But come, thou goddess fair and free,

In heaven yclep'd Euphrosyne, And by men heart-easing Mirth. Milton, L'All. HEART-EATING.* adj. Preying on the

heart. They live solitary, alone, sequestered from all

company but heart-eating melancholy. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p.153.

HEART-EXPANDING.* adj. Opening the feelings of the heart.

A gaily checker'd heart-expanding view. Thomson, Autumn.

HEART-FELT. adj. Felt in the conscience. What nothing earthly gives, or can destroy, The soul's calm sunshine, and the heart-felt joy, Is virtue's prize.

HEART-GRIEF.* n. s. Affliction of the heart; deep sorrow.

There's not, I think, a subject,

That sits in heart-grief and uneasiness Under the sweet shade of your government.

Shakspeare, Hen. V. And in my midst of sorrow and heart-grief To shew them feats. Milton, S. A.

HEART-HARDENED.* adj. Having the heart hardened; obdurate; impenitent. Mockers and heart-hardened miscreants who say, Let us sin, that mercy may abound.

Harmar, Transl. of Beza's Serm. (1587,) p. 187.

HEART-HARDENING.* adj. Rendering stern or obdurate. See Shakspeare in the fourteenth sense of HEART.

HEART-HEAVINESS.* n. s. Heaviness of heart.

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the height of heart-heaviness.

Shakspeare, As you like it.

HEART-OFFENDING.* adj. Wounding the heart; giving pain to the heart.

Might liquid tears, or heart-offending groans, Or blood-consuming sighs recall his life, I would be blind with weeping, sick with groans.

Shakspeare, K. Hen. VI. P. II.

HEART-PEAS. n. s. A plant with round seeds in form of peas, of a black colour, having the figure of an heart of a white colour upon each. Miller.

HEART-QUELLING. adj. Conquering the affection.

And let fair Venus, that is queen of love. With her heart-quelling son upon you smile.

HEART-RENDING. adj. Killing with anguish. Heart-rending news, and dreadful to those few Who her resemble, and her steps pursue;

That death should licence have to rage among The fair, the wise, the virtuous, and the young !

HEART-ROBBING. † adj.

1. Ecstatick; depriving of thought. Obsolete.

Sweet is thy virtue, as thyself sweet art; For when on me thou shinedst, late in sadness, A melting pleasance ran through every part, And me revived with heart-robbing gladness.

Snenser. 2. Stealing the heart or affections. Drawn with the power of an heart-robbing eye, And wrapt in fetters of a golden tress.

Spenser, F. Q. The cunning thief that lurks for prize, At some dark corner watching lies; So that heart-robbing god doth stand

In your black lobbies, shaft in hand. Howell, Sonn. on Black Eyes, Lett. i. v. 22.

HEART-SICK. † adj. [heopt-reoc, Sax.] 1. Pained in mind.

If we be heart-sick, or afflicted with an uncertain soul, then we are true desirers of relief and mercy. Bp. Taylor.

2. Mortally ill; hurt in the heart.

Good Romeo, hide thyself. Not I, unless the breath of heart-sick groans, Mist-like, infold me from the search of eyes. Shakspeare.

All maladies Of ghastly spasm, or racking torture; qualms Of heart-sick agony. Milton, P. L.

HEARTS-EASE. † n. s.

1. A plant.

Hearts-ease is a sort of violet that blows all summer, and often in winter: it sows itself.

2. A toy or ornament, formerly so called. He gave me a hearts-ease of silk for a new year's

Q. Kath. Howard, Burnet's Ref. iii. Rec. iii. 72.

HEART-SORE. n. s. That which pains the mind.

Wherever he that godly knight may find, His only heart-sore and his only foe. Spenser, F.Q.

HEART-SORE.* adj. Violent with pain of heart. Penitential groans,

With nightly tears and daily heart-sore sighs. Shakspeare, Two Gent. of Ver.

HEART-SORROWING.* adj. Sorrowing at

You cloudy princes, and heart-sorrowing peers, Now cheer each other, in each other's love Shakspeare, Rich. III.

By so much the more shall I to-morrow be at | HEART-STRINGS. p. s. [heart and string.] The tendons or nerves supposed to brace and sustain the heart.

He was by Jove deprived Of life himself, and heart-strings of an eagle rived.

How, out of tune on the strings? - Not so; but yet so false, that he grieves my very heart-strings. Shaksneare That grates my heart-strings: what should dis-

content him Except he thinks I live too long. If thou thinkest thou shalt perish, I cannot

blame thee to be sad till thy heart-strings crack. Bp. Taylor. There's the fatal wound,

That tears my heart-strings; but he shall be found, My arms shall hold him.

HEART-STRUCK. adj.

1. Driven to the heart; infixed for ever in the mind. Who is with him?

- None but the fool who labours to out-jest His heart-struck injuries. Shakspeare.

2: Shocked with fear or dismay. He added not, for Adam, at the news

Heart-struck, with chilling gripe of sorrow stood, That all his senses bound! Milton, P. L.

HEART-SWELLING. adj. Rankling in the mind.

Drawn into arms, and proof of mortal fight, Through proud ambition and heart-swelling hate. Spenser, F. Q.

HEART-SWELLING.* n. s. Rancour; swell-

ing passion. Is thy honour wronged? Forgive, and it is vindicated. Ay, but this kind of heart-swelling can

brook no poultice but revenge! Take heed, my soul; the remedy is worse than the disease Quarles, Jud. and Mer. Revengeful Man.

HEART-WHOLE. adj.

1. With the affections yet unfixed.

Cupid hath clapt him o' the shoulder; but I'll warrant him heart-whole. Shakspeare. You have not seen me yet, and therefore I am

confident you are heart-whole. Dryden. 2. With the vitals yet unimpaired.

HEART-WOUNDED. adj. Filled with passion of love or grief. Mean time the queen, without reflection due,

Heart-wounded, to the bed of state withdrew. Pope.

HEART-WOUNDING. adj. Filling with grief. With a shriek heart-wounding loud she cry'd, While down her cheeks the gushing torrents ran, Fast falling on her hands. Rowe,

To HEART.* v. a. [Sax. hyptan. See To HEARTEN.] To encourage; to hearten.

For putting life into and hearting this free-will worship, which is only acceptable to God when it proceeds according to his own directory, three things in the Scripture and our church-book are especially to be taken notice of.

Bp. Prideaux, Euch. (1656,) p.198.

To HEART-STRIKE.* v. a. [heart and strike.] To affect at heart. See HEART-STRUCK.

They seek to heart-strike us,

That are spectators, with their misery.

B. Jonson, Tr. Horace.

HE'ARTED. † adj. It is only used in composition; as, hard-hearted, Dr. Johnson says, which is a mistake; for Shakspeare twice uses it uncompounded. 1. Seated or fixed in the heart.

Yield up, O love, thy crown, and hearted throne, To tyrannous hate. Shakspeare, Othello.

2. Laid up in the heart.

I have told thee often, and I re-tell thee again and again, I hate the Moor: My cause is hearted; Shakspeare, Othello. thine hath no less reason.

HE'ARTEDNESS.* n. s. [from hearted.] Sincerity; warmth; zeal. Used in composition.

They who pretended most publick-heartedness, and did really wish the king all the greatness he Clarendon, Hist. Rebell. B. ix. desired. To HE'ARTEN.† v. a. [Sax. hieptan,

hyptan; Teut. herten.

1. To encourage; to animate; to stir up. Palladius blaming those that were slow, heartening them that were forward, but especially with his own example leading them, made an impression into the squadron. Sidney. My royal father, cheer these noble lords,

And hearten those that fight in your defence: Unsheath your sword, good father; cry, St. George.

This rare man, Tydides, would prepare; That he might conquer, hearten'd him. Chapman. Thus hearten'd well, and flesh'd upon his prey, The youth may prove a man another day. Dryden. 2. To meliorate or renovate with manure.

The ground one year at rest; forget not then With richest dung to hearten it again.

May, Virgil. HE'ARTENER.* n. s. [from hearten.] That which animates or stirs up.

A coward's heartener in war, The stirring drum, keeps lesser noise from far.

Brown, Brit. Past. B. i. S. 1. HEARTH. † n. s. [Sax. heopo; Goth. haurja; Icel. ar or hyr, fire.] The pave-

ment of a room on which a fire is made; the ground under the chimney. Hoop'd out of Rome; now this extremity

Hath brought me to this hearth. Shakspeare Cricket, to Windsor chimneys shalt thou leap, Where thou find'st fires unrak'd, and hearths unswept,

There pinch the maids as blue as bilberry. Shaks. Good luck befriend thee, son; for at thy birth The fairy ladies danc'd upon the hearth.

Milton, Vac. Ex. The vanquish'd fires withdraw from every place; Or, full with feeding, sink into a sleep :

Each household genius shews again its face, And from the hearths the little lares creep. Dryden.

HEARTH-MONEY.* \(n. s. A sort of HEARTH-PENNY. tax upon hearths; heopo-pening, Sax. It was also called chimney-money. V. Cowel in Harth-

Upon the revolution, hearth-money was declared to be not only a great oppression to the poorer sort, but a badge of slavery upon the whole people. Blackstone,

HE'ARTILY. adv. [from hearty.] 1. From the heart; fully.

I bear no malice for my death; But those that sought it, I could wish more Christians;

Be what they will, I heartily forgive them. Shaks. If to be sad is to be wise,

I do most heartily despise Whatever Socrates has said,

Or Tully writ, or Wanley read. 2. Sincerely; actively; diligently; vigor-

Where his judgement led him to oppose men on a publick account, he would do it vigorously and heartily; yet the opposition ended there.

Atterbury.

3. Eagerly; with desire.

As for my eating heartily of the food, know that anxiety has hindered my eating till this moment.

HE'ARTINESS. n. s. [from hearty.]

1. Sincerity; freedom from hypocrisy. This entertainment may a free face put on; derive a liberty from heartiness, and well become the agent. Shakspeare.

2. Vigour; eagerness.

The anger of an enemy represents our faults, or admonishes us of our duty, with more heartiness than the kindness of a friend. By. Taylor.

HE'ARTLESS. adj. [from heart.] Without courage; spiritless.

I joyed oft to chase the trembling pricket, Or hunt the heartless hare till she were tame.

Then hopeless, heartless gan the cunning thief, Persuade us die, to stint all further strife.

Spenser, F. Q. What, art thou drawn among these heartless hinds?

Turn thee, Benvolio; look upon thy death. Shaks. Thousands besides stood mute and heartless there, Men valiant all; nor was I used to fear. Cowley. The peasants were accustomed to payments,

and grew heartless as they grew poor. Heartless they fought, and quitted soon their ground,

While ours with easy victory were crown'd.

HE'ARTLESSLY. adv. [from heartless.] Without courage; faintly; timidly.

HE'ARTLESSNESS. n. s. [from heartless.] Want of courage or spirit; dejection of

Who have yielded themselves over to a disconsolate heartlessness, and a sad dejection of spirit. Bp. Hall, Christ. Myst. § 10.

HE'ARTSOME.* adj. [from heart.] Merry; cheerful; lively. Brockett's N. Country Words.

HE'ARTY.† adj. [from heart.]

1. Sincere; undissembled; warm; zealous. Teut. hertelick.]

Ointment and perfume rejoice the heart: so doth the sweetness of a man's friend by hearty counsel, [in the margin, the counsel of the soul.] Prov. xxvii. 9.

They did not bring that hearty inclination to peace, which they hoped they would have done.

But the kind hosts their entertainment grace With hearty welcome and an open face; In all they did you might discern with ease

A willing mind, and a desire to please. Dryden. Every man may pretend to any employment, provided he has been loud and frequent in declaring himself hearty for the government.

2. In full health.

3. Vigorous; strong.

Whose laughs are hearty, though his jests are

And loves you best of all things but his horse.

4. Strong; hard; durable.

Oak, and the like true hearty timber, being strong in all positions, may be better trusted in cross and transverse work. Wotton, Architecture.

HEARTY-HALE. adj. [heart and hale.] Good for the heart.

Vein-healing verven, and head-purging dill, Sound savory, and basil hearty-hale. Spenser, F. Q. HEAST.* See HEST.

HEAT.† n. s. [heat, hæt, Saxon; heete, Danish. Dr. Johnson. — The past participle of the Saxon hæran, to make warm. Mr. H. Tooke. 7

1. The sensation caused by the approach or touch of fire.

Heat is a very brisk agitation of the insensible

parts of the object, which produces in us that sensation from whence we denominate the object hot; so what in our sensation is heat, in the object is nothing but motion.

The word heat is used to signify the sensation we have when we are near the fire, as well as the cause of that sensation, which is in the fire itself; and thence we conclude, that there is a sort of heat in the fire resembling our own sensation : whereas in the fire there is nothing but little particles of matter, of such particular shapes as are fitted to impress such motions on our flesh as excite the sense of heat.

2. The cause of the sensation of burning.

The sword which is made fiery doth not only cut by reason of the sharpness which simply it hath, but also burns by means of that heat which it hath from fire.

3. Hot weather.

After they came down into the valley, and found the intolerable heats there, and knew no means of lighter apparel, they were forced to go naked.

Mark well the flow'ring almonds in the wood; The glebe will answer to the sylvan reign; Great heats will follow, and large crops of grain.

The pope would not comply with the proposal, as fearing the heats might advance too far before they had finished their work, and produce a pestilence among the people. Addison.

4. State of any body under the action of

The heats smiths take of their iron are a bloodred heat, a white flame heat, and a sparkling or welding heat.

5. Fermentation; effervescence.

6. One violent action unintermitted.

The continual agitations of the spirits must needs be a weakening of any constitution, especially in age; and many causes are required for refreshment betwixt the heats. Druden.

7. The state of being once hot; a single effort.

I'll strike my fortune with him at a heat. And give him not the leisure to forget. Dryden. They the turn'd lines on golden anvils beat, Which look as if they struck them at a heut. Tate.

8. A course at a race, between each of which courses there is an intermission.

Feign'd zeal, you saw, set out the speedier pace; But the last heat, plain dealing won the race.

9. Pimples in the face; flush. It has raised animosities in their hearts, and heats in their faces, and broke out in their ribbons. Addison.

10. Agitation of sudden or violent passion; vehemence of action.

They seeing what forces were in the city with them, issued against the tyrant while they were in this heat, before practices might be used to dissever them.

The friend hath lost his friend; And the best quarrels, in the heat, are curst

By those that feel their sharpness. Shakspeare. It might have pleased in the heat and hurry of his rage, but must have displeased in cool sedate reflection.

We have spilt no blood but in the heat of the battle, or the chase. Atterbury.

One playing at hazard, drew a huge heap of gold; but, in the heat of play, never observed a sharper, who swept it into his hat.

11. Faction; contest; party rage.

They are in a most warlike preparation, and hope to come upon them in the heat of their di-Shaksneare.

I was sorry to hear with what partiality and popular heat elections were carried. King Charles.

What can more gratify the Phrygian foe Than those distemper'd heats? 12. Ardour of thought or elocution.

Plead it to her With all the strength and heat of eloquence,

Fraternal love and friendship can inspire. Addison, Cato.

To HEAT. + v. a. [Sax. hætan.]

1. To make hot; to endue with the power of burning.

He commanded that they should heat the furnace one seven times more than it was wont to be heat. Dan. iii. 19.

2. To cause to ferment.

Hops lying undried heats them, and changes their colour. Mortimer, Husbandry.

3. To make the constitution feverish. Thou art going to Lord Timon's feast.

- Ay, to see meat fill knaves, and wine heat fools. Shaksneare.

Whatever increaseth the density of the blood, even without increasing its celerity, heats, because a denser body is hotter than a rarer.

Arbuthnot on Aliments.

4. To warm with vehemence of passion or

A noble emulation heats your breast, And your own fame now robs you of your rest.

5. To agitate the blood and spirits with

When he was well heated, the younger champion could not stand before him; and we find the elder contended not for the gift, but for the honour.

HEAT.* part. adj. [hot, says Mr. H. Tooke, as a participle, is sufficiently common; heat is rarely so used; and he accordingly cites a solitary instance from Ben Jonson. Heat, however, was formerly sufficiently common also as a participle, and stands in the present version of our Bible, though Dr. Johnson, in his first citation to illustrate the verb heat, has unwarrantably printed the word heated. Chaucer uses het as the pret. of the verb: "One me het, the other did me cold." Ass. of Fowls, ver. 145.] Heated.

Nebuchadnezzar -- commanded, that they should heat the furnace one seven times more than it was wont to be heat. Dan. iii. 19.

As a herdess in a summer's day, Heat with the glorious sun's all-purging ray, In the calm evening leaving her fair flock.

Browne, Brit. Past. And fury ever boils more high and strong, Heat with ambition, than revenge of wrong.

B. Jonson, Sejanus.

HE'ATER. n. s. [from heat.] An iron made hot, and put into a box-iron, to smooth and plait linen,

HE'ATFUL.* adj. [heat and full.] Full of

warmth.

The wild fen-goose keeps warm her eggs, With her broad feet, under her heatful legs. Sylvester, Du Bart. (1621,) p. 450.

HEATH. † n. s. [Goth. haithjo, a field; Icel. heide, a wood; Germ. heide, a solitary place, and also the shrub, viz. the

1. A shrub of low stature: the leaves are small, and abide green all the year.

Miller. In Kent they cut up the heath in May, burn it, and spread the ashes. Mortimer, Husbandry. Oft with bolder wing they soaring dare The purple heath. Thomson.

2. A place overgrown with heath. Say, from whence

You owe this strange intelligence? or why Upon this blasted heath you stop our way With such prophetick greeting

Shakspeare, Macbeth. Health and long life have been found rather on the peak of Derbyshire, and the heaths of Staffordshire, than fertile soils.

3. A place covered with shrubs of whatever kind.

Some woods of oranges, and heaths of rosemary, will smell a great way into the sea.

HEATH-COCK. n. s. [heath and cock.] A large fowl that frequents heaths.

Cornwall hath quail, rail, partridge, pheasant, heathcock, and powte. HEATH-POUT. n. s. [heath and pout.]

Not heath-pout, or the rarer bird Which Phasis or Ionia yields, More pleasing morsels would afford

Than the fat olives of my fields. Dryden. HEATH-PEAS. n. s. A species of bitter

Vetch, which see. HEATH-ROSE. n. s. [heath and rose.] A plant. Ainsworth.

HÊ'ATHEN.† n. s. [Goth. haithn; Sax. hæðen. "Πάντα τὰ έθνη, not all nations, but all the heathen, (the word heathen comes from é 871,) all the Gentiles distinguished from the Jews, as the same words are translated Rom. xv. 11." Bentley, Confut. of Atheism, Serm. vi. -Stillingfleet notices a derivation of the word from the Germ. heyden, "heathy ground, where men worshipped the trees." Ecc. Cases, P. ii. p. 474.] The Gentiles; the Pagans; the nations unacquainted with the covenant of grace. Deliver us from the heathen, that we may give

thanks to thy holy name. 1 Chron. xvi. 35. If the opinions of others, whom we think well of, be a ground of assent, men have reason to be heathens in Japan, mahometans in Turkey, papists in Spain, and protestants in England.

In a paper of morality, I consider how I may recommend the particular virtues I treat of, by the precepts or examples of the ancient heathers.

HE'ATHEN. adj. Gentile; Pagan. It was impossible for a heathen author to relate these things, because, if he had believed them, he would no longer have been a heathen.

HE'ATHENISH. adj. [from heathen.] 1. Belonging to the Gentiles.

When the apostles of our Lord and Saviour were ordained to alter the laws of heathenish religion, chosen they were, St. Paul excepted; the rest unschooled altogether, and unlettered men.

2. Wild; savage; rapacious; cruel.

The Moors did tread under their heathenish feet whatever little they found yet there standing.

That execrable Cromwell made a heathenish or rather inhuman edict against the episcopal clergy, that they should neither preach, pray in publick, baptize, marry, bury, nor teach school.

HE'ATHENISHLY. † adv. [from heathenish.] After the manner of heathens.

We shall find that they have dealt -heathenishly, that is to say, profanely World of Wonders, (1608,) p. 111.

HE'ATHENISHNESS.* n. s. [from heathenish. A profane state, or character, like that of the heathens. Sherwood. The obscenity, ribaldry, amorousness, heathen-ishness, and profaneness of most play-books.

Prynne, Histriomastix, p. 913. HE'ATHENISM. n. s. [from heathen.] Gentilism; paganism.

It signifies the acknowledgement of the true God, in opposition to heathenism. Hammond.

To HE'ATHENIZE.* v. a. [from heathen.] To render heathenish.

The continuance of these unscriptural terms, without an exact application of them in sermons and catechisms, heathenizes all the common people, nay and great numbers of not unlearned persons. Account of Mr. Firmin's Religion, (1698,) p. 63.

HE'ATHER.* n. s. [See HADDER, and HEATH.] Another word for heath.

HE'ATHY.† adj. [from heath.] Full of

This sort of land they order the same way with the heathy land. Mortimer, Husbandry. Far seen, the heights of heathy Cheviot blaze. Thomson, Summer.

HE'ATLESS.* adj. [heat and less.] Cold; without warmth.

Embraces Like the cold stubborn bark, hoary and heatless. Beaum. and Fl. Mad Lover.

Where Mars is seen his ruddy rays to throw Thro' heatless skies, that round him seem to glow. Hughes, Ecstacy, st. 8.

To HEAVE. + v. a. pret. heaved, anciently hove; part. heaved, or hoven. [Sax. hearan, heran, pret. hor; Goth. hafjan; Icel. hefia; "ab antiquiss. Scyth. ha, high." Serenius.]

1. To lift; to raise from the ground. So stretch'd out huge in length the arch-fiend

Chain'd on the burning lake; nor ever thence Had risen, or heav'd his head, but that the will And high permission of all-ruling Heaven Left him at large. Milton, P. L.

2. To carry.

Now we bear the king Toward Calais: grant him there; and there being seen.

Heave him away upon your winged thoughts Athwart the sea.

To raise; to lift.

So daunted, when the giant saw the knight, His heavy hand he heaved up on high, And him to dust thought to have batter'd quite. Spenser, F. Q.

I cannot heave My heart into my mouth. Shakspeare. He dy'd in fight;

Fought next my person, as in consort fought, Save when he heav'd his shield in my defence, And on his naked side receiv'd my wound.

4. To cause to swell.

The groans of ghosts, that cleave the earth with

And heave it up: they pant and stick half way. The glittering finny swarms,

That heave our friths and croud upon our shores.

Thomson.

To force up from the breast. Made she no verbal quest?

- Yes, once or twice she heav'd the name of father Pantingly forth, as if it prest her heart. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

The wretched animal heav'd forth such groans, That their discharge did stretch his leathern coat Almost to bursting. Shakspeare, As you like it. 6. To exalt; to elevate.

Poor shadow, painted queen;

One heav'd on high, to be hurl'd down below. Shakspeare.

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7. To puff; to elate.

The Scots, heav'd up into high hope of victory, took the English for foolish birds fallen into their net, forsook their hill, and marched into the plain.

To HEAVE. v. n.

1. To pant; to breathe with pain.

He heaves for breath, which, from his lungs supply'd,

And fetch'd from far, distends his lab'ring side. Dryden.

2. To labour.

The church of England had struggled and heaved at a reformation ever since Wickliff's days.

3. To rise with pain; to swell and fall. Thou hast made my curdled blood run back,

My heart heave up, my hair to rise in bristles. The wand'ring breath was on the wing to part;

Weak was the pulse, and hardly heav'd the heart. Dryden. Frequent for breath his panting bosom heaves.

The heaving tide

In widen'd circles beats on either side.

Gay, Trivia.

4. To keck; to feel a tendency to vomit. HEAVE. n. s. [from the verb.]

1. Lift; exertion or effort upwards.

None could guess whether the next heave of the earthquake would settle them on the first foundation, or swallow them.

2. Rising of the breast.

There's matter in these sighs; these profound

You must translate; 'tis fit we understand them. Shakspeare.

3. Effort to vomit.

4. Struggle to rise.

But after many strains and heaves, He got up to his saddle eaves.

Hudibras. HEAVE Offering. n.s. An offering among the Jews.

Ye shall offer a cake of the first of your dough for an heave offering, as ye do the heave offering of the threshing floor.

HE'AVEN. n. s. [heoron, which seems to be derived from heors, the places over head, Saxon. Dr. Johnson. - Heaven signifies that which is raised high, or heaved up. Thus Serenius refers it to the verbs hafjan, and hefia, to heave or lift up. See To HEAVE. And thus Mr. H. Tooke and Mr. Whiter refer it to the Sax. hearan. An ingenious writer deduces the Saxon from the Hebrew she-aphon, or leaving out the s or hiss, he-aphon, that is to say, the round orb of air which is above our heads: from which idea the Latins took their word cœlum. See A Commentary on the 53rd chapter of Isaiah, by S. Harris, D.D. 1739, p. 204.]

1. The regions above; the expanse of the

sky.
A station like the herald Mercury,

New lighted on a heaven-kissing hill. Shakspeare. Thy race in time to com

Shall spread the conquests of imperial Rome; Rome, whose ascending tow'rs shall heav'n invade, Involving earth and ocean in her shade. Dryden. The words are taken more properly for the air and ether than for the heavens. Ralegh, Hist. This act, with shouts heaven high, the friendly band

Applaud. Some fires may fall from heaven. Temple.

Dryden.

Who taught that heaven-directed spire to rise?

2. The habitation of God, good angels, 2. Taught by the powers of heaven. and pure souls departed. It is a knell

That summons thee to heaven or to hell. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

These, the late Heaven-banish'd host, left desert utmost hell. Milton, P. L.

All yet left of that revolted rout, Heaven-fallen, in station stood, or just array,

Sublime with expectation. Milton, P. L. 3. The supreme power; the sovereign of

heaven. Now Heaven help him! Shaksneare.

The will And high permission of all-ruling Heaven

Milton, P. L. Left him at large. The prophets were taught to know the will of

God, and thereby instruct the people, and enabled to prophesy, as a testimony of their being sent by Heaven. Temple.

4. The pagan gods; the celestials.

Take physick, pomp; Expose thyself to feel what wretches feel, That thou may'st shake the superflux to them, And show the heavens more just. Shaks. K. Lear.
They can judge as fitly of his worth,

As I can of those mysteries which heaven Will not have earth to know. Shakspeare, Coriol.

Heavens! what a spring was in his arm, to throw !

How high he held his shield, and rose at every blow. Dryden.

5. Elevation; sublimity.

O, for a muse of fire, that would ascend The brightest heaven of invention. Shakspeare. 6. It is often used in composition.

HEAVEN-ASPIRING.* adj. Desiring to enter heaven.

The high-born soul Disdains to rest her heaven-aspiring wing Beneath its native quarry.

Akenside, Pleas. of Imag. B. 1. HEAVEN-BANISHED.* adj. Banished from

heaven. See Milton in the second definition of HEAVEN. HEAVEN-BEGOT. adj. Begot by a celes-

tial power. If I am heaven-begot, assert your son

By some sure sign. Heaven-Born. † adj. Descended from the celestial regions; native of heaven.

It was the winter wild, While the heaven-born child

All meanly wrapt in the rude manger lies.

Milton, Ode Native Depressing the high and heaven-born spirit of man far beneath the condition wherein either God created him, or sin bath sunk him.

Milton, Doct. and Disc. of Div. Introd. If once a fever fires his sulphurous blood,

In ev'ry fit he feels the hand of God, And heaven-born flame. Dryden, Juv.

Oh heaven-born sisters! source of art! Who charm the sense, or mend the heart;

Who lead fair virtue's train along, Moral truth, and mystick song!

HEAVEN-BRED. adj. Produced or cultivated in heaven.

Much is the force of heaven-bred poesy. Shakspeare.

HEAVEN-BUILT. Built by the agency of gods.

His arms had wrought the destin'd fall Of sacred 'Troy, and raz'd her heav'n-built wall.

HEAVEN-DIRECTED. † adj. Raised towards the sky.

O sacred weapon; left for truth's defence; To all but heaven-directed hands deny'd; The muse may give it, but the gods must guide.

These passages are to be found only in St. John's Gospel; and whoever reads them with at-

tention will discover in them plain indications not only of a heaven-directed hand, but of a feeling and grateful heart. Bp. Porteus, Serm. i. xviii. HEAVEN-FALLEN.* adj. Fallen from hea-

ven. See Milton in the second definition of HEAVEN. HEAVEN-GIFTED.* adj. Bestowed by

Heaven. To grind in brazen fetters under task

With this Heaven-gifted strength. Milton, S. A. HEAVEN-INSPIRED.* adj. Receiving inspiration from heaven.

Thy heaven-inspired soul on wisdom's wings shall fly up to the parliament of Jove. Decker, Com. of Fortunatus.

Aptly both assume one name, Both heaven-inspir'd compos'd of zeal and flame.

Wiatt on Sandys's Psalms. HEAVEN-INSTRUCTED.* adj. Taught by Heaven.

The Heaven-instructed house of faith

Here a holy dictate hath. Crashaw, Poems, p.186. HEAVEN-KISSING.* adj. Touching, as it were, the sky. See Shakspeare in the first definition of HEAVEN.

To HE'AVENIZE.* v. a. [from heaven.] To render like heaven.

O my soul, if thou be once soundly heavenized in thy thoughts and affections, it shall be otherwise with thee: then thou shalt be ever, like this firmament, most happily restless.

Bp. Hall, Solilog. § 80. HE'AVENLINESS.* n. s. [from heavenly.]

Supreme excellence. Goddess of women, sith your heavenliness Hath now vouchsaf'd itself to represent

Sir J. Davies, Orchestra. To our dim eyes, &c. HEAVEN-LOVED.* adj. Beloved of Heaven.

But oh! why didst thou not stay here below To bless us with thy heaven-lov'd innocence. Milton on the Death of a Fair Infant.

Such was this heaven-lov'd isle, Than Lesbos fairer, and the Cretan shore. Sir W. Jones, Ode.

HE'AVENLY. adj. [from heaven.] 1. Resembling heaven; supremely excel-

As the love of heaven makes one heavenly, the love of virtue virtuous, so doth the love of the world make one become worldly. Not Maro's muse, who sung the mighty man;

Not Pindar's heavenly lyre, nor Horace when a swan. Drydens

2. Celestial; inhabiting heaven. Adoring first the genius of the place,

Then earth, the mother of the heavenly race. Dryden.

HE'AVENLY. adv. 1. In a manner resembling that of heaven.

In these deep solitudes and awful cells, Where heavenly pensive contemplation dwells, And ever-musing melancholy reigns, What means this tumult in a vestal's veins? Pope.

2. By the agency or influence of heaven. Truth and peace and love shall ever shine

About the supreme throne Of him, to whose happy-making sight alone,

Our heavenly guided soul shall climb. Milton, Ode on Time.

HEAVENLY-MINDEDNESS.* n. s. A state of mind abstracted from the world, and directed to heaven.

The danger of being all soul, all holiness, all | 3. Inaptitude to motion or thought; slugheavenly-mindedness so early, is a sad frightful thing for a young courtier!

Hammond, Works, iv. 515. With how much more difficulty may we imagine a man to get humility, or heavenly-mindedness, while all the appetites, and the very nerves of his soul strive against it, and endeavour to pull down as fast as he can build up. South, Serm. vii. 54.

HEAVEN-SALUTING.* adj. Touching the sky; heaven-kissing.

What shall they do,

When stubborn rocks shall bow,

And hills hang down their heaven-saluting heads. Crashaw, Poems, p. 153.

HE'AVENWARD. † adv. [heaven and yeaps, Saxon.] Towards heaven.

Out of the west coast, a wenche as me thought Came walking in the way; to hevnward she loked; Mercy hight that mayde. Vis. of P. Ploughman. I prostrate lay,

By various doubts impell'd, or to obey Or to object; at length, my mournful look Heavenward erect, determin'd, thus I spoke.

HEAVEN-WARRING.* adj. Warring against heaven.

None among the choice and prime

Of those heaven-warring champions could be found So hardy, as to proffer or accept Alone the dreadful voyage. Milton, P. L.

HE'AVER.* n. s. [from heave.]

1. One who lifts any thing; as, a coalheaver.

2. A name given by seamen to a wooden staff, which they often employ as a lever. HE'AVILY. † adv. [Sax. herelice.]

1. With great ponderousness.

And took off their chariot-wheels, that they Exod. xiv. 25. drave them heavily.

2. Grievously; afflictively.

Upon the ancient hast thou very heavily laid Isaiah, xlvii. 6. thy yoke. Ease must be impracticable to the envious: they lie under a double misfortune; common calamities, and common blessings fall heavily upon

3. Sorrowfully; with grief.

I bowed down heavily, as one that mourneth for his mother. Psalm xxxv. 14.

I came hither to transport the tidings, Which I have heavily borne. Shakspeare.

This O'Neil took very heavily, because his condition in the army was less pleasant to him.

, 4. With an air of dejection. Why looks your grace so heavily to-day?

- O, I have past a miserable night. Shakspeare,

He'AVINESS. † n. s. [Sax. heriznerre.] 1. Ponderousness; the quality of being

heavy; weight.

The subject is concerning the heaviness of several bodies, or the proportion that is required betwixt any weight and the power which may Wilkins. move it.

2. Dejection of mind; depression of spirit. We are, at the hearing of some, more inclined unto sorrow and heaviness; of some more mollified, and softened in mind. Hooker. Against ill chances men are ever merry;

But heaviness foreruns the good event. Shakspeare. Let us not burthen our remembrance with

An heaviness that's gone. Heaviness in the heart of man maketh it stoop; but a good word maketh it glad. Prov. xii. 25.

Ye greatly rejoice; though now for a season ye arein heaviness, through manifold temptations.

gishness; torpidness; dulness of spirit; languidness; languor.

Our strength is all gone into heaviness, That makes the weight,

Shaksneare. What means this heaviness that hangs upon me? This lethargy that creeps through all my senses?

He would not violate that sweet recess, And found besides a welcome heaviness,

Which seiz'd his eyes. Dryden. A sensation of drousiness, oppression, heaviness, and lassitude, are signs of a too plentiful meal. Arbuthnot.

4. Oppression; crush; affliction: as, the heaviness of taxes.

5. Deepness or richness of soil.

As Alexandria exported many commodities, so it received some, which, by reason of the fatness and heaviness of the ground, Egypt did not produce; such as metals, wood, and pitch.

Arbuthnot on Coins. HE'AVING.* n. s. [from heave.]

1. A pant; a motion of the heart.

'Tis such as you, That creep like shadows by him, and do sigh At each his needless heavings; such as you Nourish the cause of his awaking. Shaks. W. Tale.

2. A swell.

Of all objects that I have ever seen, there is none which affects my imagination so much as the sea or ocean. I cannot see the heavings of this prodigious bulk of waters, even in a calm, without a very pleasing astonishment. Addison, Spect. No. 489.

HE'AVISOME.* adj. [from heavy.] Dark; dull; drowsy. Craven Dialect.

HE'AVY. † adj. [heariz, Saxon, from hearan, to heave; whence the usage, in some counties, of heft for weight.]

1. Weighty; ponderous; tending strongly to the centre; contrary to light.

Mersennus tells us, that a little child, with an engine of an hundred double pulleys, might move this earth, though it were much heavier than it is. Wilkins.

2. Sorrowful; dejected; depressed.

He taketh with him Peter and James and John, and began to be sore amazed, and to be very heavy; and saith unto them, My soul is exceeding sorrowful unto death. St. Mark, xiv. 33. Let me not be light;

For a light wife doth make a heavy husband.

3. Grievous; oppressive; afflictive. Menelaus bore an heavy hand over the citizens,

having a malicious mind. 2 Mac. v. 23 Let not your ears despise my tongue for ever, Which shall possess them with the heaviest sound That ever yet they heard. Shakspeare, Macbeth. If the cause be not good, the king himself hath

a heavy reckoning to make. Shakspeare, Hen. V. Pray for this good man, and for his issue, Whose heavy hand hath bow'd you to the grave,

And beggar'd yours for ever. Shaks. Macbeth. Chartres, at the levee,

Tells with a sneer the tidings heavy. 4. Wanting alacrity; wanting briskness of appearance.

My heavy eyes, you say, confess A heart to love and grief inclin'd.

5. Wanting spirit or rapidity of sentiment; unanimated.

A work was to be done, a heavy writer to be encouraged, and accordingly many thousand copies were bespoke.

6. Wanting activity; indolent; lazy. Fair, tall, his limbs with due proportion join'd; But of a heavy, dull, degenerate mind. Dryden. 1 Pet. i. 6. 7. Drowsy; dull; torpid.

Peter and they that were with him were heavy

with sleep. St. Luke, ix, 33. 8. Slow; sluggish. But let thy spiders, that suck up thy venom,

And heavy gaited toads lie in their way. Shaks.

9. Stupid; foolish. This heavy headed revel, East and West

Makes us traduc'd, and tax'd of other nations.

Shakspeare. I would not be accounted so base minded, or heavy headed, that I will confess that any of them is for valour, power, or fortune better than myself. Knolles.

10. Burthensome; troublesome; tedious. I put into thy hands what has been the diversion

of some of my idle and heavy hours. Locke, Ep. to the Reader.

When alone, your time will not lie heavy upon your hands for want of some trifling amusement. Swift.

11. Loaded; encumbered; burthened. Hearing that there were forces coming against him, and not willing that they should find his men heavy and laden with booty, he returned unto Bacon, Hen. VII.

12. Not easily digested; not light to the stomach.

Such preparations as retain the oil or fat, are most heavy to the stomach, which makes baked meat hard of digestion. Arbuthnot.

13. Rich in soil; fertile; as, heavy lands. 14. Deep; cumbersome; as, heavy roads.

15. Thick; cloudy; dark.

It is a heavy night. Shakspeare, Othelko. 16. Thick; with little intermission; as, a

heavy storm. 17. Requiring much labour; as, a heavy undertaking.

HE'AVY. † adv. As an adverb it is only used in composition; heavily.

Your carriages were heavy laden; they are a burden to the weary beast. Isa. xlvi. 1. Come unto me all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. St. Matt. xi. 28. Another whose more heavy hearted saint

Delights in nought but notes of rueful plaint. Bp. Hall, Sat. i. 5.

We are dull soldiers, Gross heavy headed fellows.

Beaum. and Fl. Mad Lover. To HE'AVY.* v.a. [from the adjective.] To make heavy. Formerly in use.

Their eyes were hevyed, and they knewen not what they schulden answere to him.

Wicliffe, St. Mark, xiv.

HE'AZY.* adj. [Icel. hoese.] Hoarse; taking breath with difficulty. Wilbraham's Chesh. Gloss. and Craven Dialect. Grose notices with Mr. Wilbraham also the verb heaz, as a northern word, in the sense of to hawk or cough.

HE'BDOMAD.† n. s. [hebdomas, Latin.] A week; a space of seven days.

Computing by the medical month, the first hebdomad or septenary consists of six days, seventeen hours and a half. Brown.

Those of creation being concluded within the first hebdomade. Glanville, Pre-ex. of Souls, ch. 2.

Hebdo'madal.† adj. [from hebdomada, Hebdo'madary. Latin.] Weekly;

consisting of seven days. As for hebdomadal periods, or weeks, in regard of their sabbaths, they were observed by the

Hebrews. They had their original of later time than this hebdomadal account.

Selden on Drayton's Polyolb. S. 11.

HEBDO'MADARY.* n. s. [hebdomadarius, HEBRI'DIAN.* adj. [from the Hebrides, low Lat. A member of a chapter or convent, whose week it was to officiate in the cathedral. Obsolete.

HEBDOMA'TICAL.* adj. Γέβδόματος, Gr.7 Weekly.

Far from the conceit of a deambulatory, hebdomatisal, or peradventure, ephemeral, office.

Bp. Morton, Episcop. Asserted, p. 142. He'Ben.* n. s. [Fr. hebene; "heben, or ebonie." Cotgrave.] Ebony.

A gentle youth, his dearely loved squire, His speare of heben wood behind him bare.

Spenser, F. Q. i. vii. 37. To HE BETATE. v. a. [hebeto, Latin; hebeter, French.] To dull; to blunt; to stupify.

The eye, especially if hebetated, might cause the same perception. Harvey on Consumptions. Beef may confer a robustness on the limbs of my son, but will hebetate and clog his intellectuals.

Arbuthnot and Pope. HEBETA'TION. n. s. [from hebetate.]

1. The act of dulling.

2. The state of being dulled.

HE'BETE.* adj. [Latin, hebes.] Dull; stupid.

Examine and try the commonalty in almost every place, and you must observe how hebete and dull they are, how strangely unacquainted with what they profess to believe.

Ellis, Knowl. of Div. Things, p. 325. HE'BETUDE. n.s. [hebetudo, Latin.] Dulness; obtuseness; bluntness.

The pestilent seminaries, according to their grossness or subtilty, activity or hebetude, cause more or less truculent plagues.

Harvey on the Plague. HE'BRAISM, n. s. [hebraisme, French; hebraismus, Latin.] A Hebrew idiom. Milton has infused a great many Latinisms, as well as Græcisms, and sometimes Hebraisms,

skilled in Hebrew.

HE'BREW.* n.s. [Hebræus, Lat. Ebrieux, old Fr. Έβραῖος, Gr. The name is, according to the most received opinion, from Eber, one of the ancestors of Abraham.

1. An Israelite; one of the children of Israel. See Jew.

He spied an Egyptian smiting an Hebrew, one of his brethren. Exod. ii. 11. 2. A Jew converted to Christianity.

It [the Epistle to the Hebrews] was written towards the end of, or soon after, St. Paul's imprisonment at Rome, A. D. 63, to the converted Jews of Palestine, here called Hebrews, as distinguished from the Hellenists, or foreign Bp. Percy, Key to the N. Test. 3. The Hebrew tongue.

And Pilate wrote a title, and put it on the cross. - And it was written in Hebrew, and

Greek, and Latin. St. John, xix. 20. HE'BREW.* adj. Relating to the people or language of the Jews.

Persuade this Hebrew woman, which is with thee, that she come unto us.

Judith, xii. 11. He spake unto them in the Hebrew tongue. Acts, xxi. 40.

He'Brewess.* n. s. [from Hebrew.] An Israelitish or Jewish woman.

Every man should let his man-servant, and every man his maid-servant, being an Hebrew or Hebrewess, go free ; that none should serve himself of them, to wit, of a Jew his brother.

the western isles. 7 Respecting the western islands of Scotland. Cockeram calls the Irish sea, "the Hebridian wave."

I was told by a gentleman, who is generally acknowledged the greatest master of Hebridian antiquities, that there had indeed once been both bards and senachies; and that senachi signified the man of talk, or of conversation; but that neither bard nor senachi had existed for some Johnson, Journ. West. Islands. centuries.

HEBRI'CIAN. n.s. [from Hebrew.] One skilful in Hebrew.

The words are more properly taken for the air or ether than the heavens, as the best Hebricians understand them.

The nature of the Hebrew verse, as the meanest Hebrician knoweth, consists of uneven feet.

ΗΕ'CATOMB. n.s. [hecatombe, Fr.; ἔκατόμβη.] A sacrifice of an hundred cattle.

In rich men's homes I bid kill some beasts, but no hecatombs; None starve, none surfeit so. Donne. One of these three is a whole hecatomb,

And therefore only one of them shall die. Dryden. Her triumphant sons in war succeed, And slaughter'd hecatombs around 'em bleed.

HECK.* n. s.

1. A rack at which cattle are fed with hay. [Su. Goth. haeck, the same.] North. Ray, and Grose.

2. The winding of a stream. [German, ecke.] Obsolete.

3. A kind of net formerly used in rivers; as, a salmon heck. Chambers. 4. A hatch or latch of a door. North.

HE'CKLE.* See HACKLE. into the language of his poem. Addison, Spect. HE'CTICAL.† | adj. [hectique, French, HE'BRAIST. n.s. [hebræus, Latin.] A man HE'CTICK. | from exist.]

1. Habitual; constitutional.

This word is joined only to that kind of fever which is slow and continual; and, ending in a consumption, is the contrary to those fevers which arise from a plethora, or too great fulness from obstruction. It is attended with too lax a state of the excretory passages, and generally those of the skin; whereby so much runs off as leaves not resistance enough in the contractile vessels to keep them sufficiently distended, so that they vibrate oftener, agitate the fluids the more, and keep Quincy. them thin and hot.

That silence which I will not call a symptom of my sickness, but a sickness itself. Howsoever, I will keep it from being hectical.

Wotton to Sir E. Bacon, Rem. p. 433. A hectick fever hath got hold

Of the whole substance, not to be control'd. Donne.

2. Troubled with a morbid heat.

A corrosive to one already in a hectick condition. Howell, Lett. ii. 63. The busy brain of a lean and hectick chymist. Sterne, Serm. i.

HE'CTICALLY.* adv. [from hectical.] Constitutionally.

He was for some years hectically feverish. Johnson, Life of Ascham.

Jerem. xxxiv. 9. HE'CTICK. 7 n. s. An hectick fever. 14

Like the hectick in my blood he rages, And thou must cure me. Shakspeare, Hamlet. By wasting hecticks of his flesh bereft.

Sandys, Job, p. 48. HE'CTOR. n.s. [from the name of Hector. the great Homerick warriour.] A bully : a blustering, turbulent, pervicacious,

Those usurping hectors, who pretend to honour without religion, think the charge of a lye a blot not to be washed out but by blood.

We'll take one cooling cup of nectar, And drink to this celestial hector. To HE'CTOR. v. a. [from the noun.] To threaten; to treat with insolent authoritative terms.

They reckon they must part with honour together with their opinion, if they suffer themselves to be hectored out of it. Gov. of the Tongue. The weak low spirit fortune makes her slave;

But she's a drudge, when hector'd by the brave. An honest man, when he came home at night, found another fellow domineering in his family,

hectoring his servants, and calling for supper.

Arbuthnot, Hist. of J. Bull.

To HE'CTOR. v. n. To play the bully; to bluster. They have attacked me, some with piteous

moans and outcries, others grinning and only shewing their teeth, others ranting and hectoring, others scolding and reviling. Stilling fleet.

One would think the hectoring, the storming,

the sullen, and all the different species of the angry, should be cured. Spectator. Don Carlos made her chief director,

That she might o'er the servants hecter. Swift.

HE'CTORLY.* adj. [from hector.] Blustering; insolent; outrageous.

Those, who seek glory from evil things, (who glory in their shame,) from presumptuous transgression of God's law, hectorly profaneness, and debauchery, from outrageous violence, from overreaching craft, are not only vainglorious, but im-Barrow, vol. iii. S. 31.

HEDERA'CEOUS. adj. [hederaceus, Latin.] Producing ivy.

HEDGE. † n. s. [hezze, Saxon; and so our own word is written hegge by Wicliffe and Chaucer, from hegian, to enclose.] A fence made round grounds with prickly bushes, or woven twigs.

It is a good wood for fire, if kept dry; and is very useful for stakes in hedges. Mortimer.

The gardens unfold variety of colours to the eye every morning, and the hedges' breath is beyond all perfume

Through the verdant maze Of sweet-briar hedges I pursue my walk.

Hedge, prefixed to any word, notes something mean, vile, of the lowest class: perhaps from a hedge, or hedge-born man, a man without any known place of birth.

There are five in the first shew: the pedant, the braggart, the hedge-priest, the fool, and the The clergy do much better than a little hedge,

contemptible, illiterate vicar can be presumed to A person, who, by his style and literature, seems

to have been the corrector of a hedge-press in Little Britain, proceeded gradually to an author.

To Hedge. v. a. [Saxon, hegian.] 1. To enclose with a hedge, or fence of wood dry or growing.

Hedge thy possession about with thorns.

Ecclus. xxviii, 24.

Those alleys must be hedged at both ends, to HEDGE-HYSSOP. n. s. [hedge and hyssop.] keep out the wind.

2. To obstruct.

I will hedge up thy way with thorns. Hos. ii. 6.

3. To encircle for defence. England, hedg'd in with the main, That water-walled bulwark, still secure And confident from foreign purposes.

Shakspeare, K. John. There's such divinity doth hedge a king, That treason can but peep to what it would

Shakspeare, Hamlet. 4. To shut up within an enclosure.

It must not be paid and exported in ready money: so says our law; but that is a law to hedge in the cuckow, and serves for no purpose: for if we export not goods, for which our merchants have money due to them, how can it be paid by bills of exchange?

5. To force into a place already full. This seems to be mistaken for edge. To edge in, is to put in by the way that requires least room; but hedge may signify to thrust in with difficulty, as into a hedge. You forget yourself

To hedge me in. Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs. When I was hasty, thou delay'dst me longer: I pr'ythee, let me hedge one moment more

Into thy promise: for thy life preserv'd. Dryden. When you are sent on an errand, be sure to hedge in some business of your own.

Swift, Direct. to the Footman.

To HEDGE. v. n. To shift; to hide the head.

I myself sometimes, hiding mine honour in my necessity, and fain to shuffle, to hedge, and to

Shakspeare. HEDGE-BORN. adj. [hedge and born.] Of

no known birth: meanly born. He then, that is not furnish'd in this sort, Doth but usurp the sacred name of knight, And should, if I were worthy to be judge, Be quite degraded, like a hedge-born swain, That doth presume to boast of gentle blood.

Shakspeare.

HEDGE-CREEPER. [hedge and creep.] One that skulks under hedges for bad purposes.

HEDGE-FUMITORY. n. s. A plant; fumaria sepium. HEDGE-нос. n. s. [hedge and hog; erina-

1. An animal set with prickles, like thorns

in a hedge.

Like hedge-hogs, which

Lie tumbling in my barefoot way, and mount Their pricks at my foot-fall. Shakspeare, Tempest.

Few have belief to swallow, or hope enough to experience, the collyrium of Albertus; that is, to make one see in the dark: yet thus much, according unto his receipt, will the right eye of an hedge-hog, boiled in oil, and preserved in a brazen vessel, effect. essel, effect. Brown, Vulg. Err.
The hedge-hog hath his backside and flanks

thick set with strong and sharp prickles; and besides, by the help of a muscle, can contract himself into a globular figure, and so withdraw his whole under-part, head, belly, and legs, within his thicket of prickles. Ray on the Creation.

2. A term of reproach. Did'st thou not kill this king?

I grant ye.

— Dost grant me, hedge-hog?

Shakspeare, Rich. III.

3. A plant; trefoil; medica echinata. Ainsworth.

4. The globe-fish; orbis echinatus.

Ainsworth.

A species of willow-wort; gratiola.

Hedge-hyssop is a purging medicine, and a very rough one: externally it is said to be a vulnerary. Hill, Mat. Medica.

HEDGE-MUSTARD. n. s. A plant. HEDGE-NETTLE. n. s. A plant; galeopsia.

HEDGE-NOTE. n. s. [hedge and note.] word of contempt for low writing.

When they began to be somewhat better bred, they left these hedge-notes for another sort of poem, which was also full of pleasant raillery. Dryden.

HEDGE-PIG. n. s. [hedge and pig.] A young hedge-hog. Thrice the brinded cat hath mew'd,

Thrice and once the hedge-pig whin'd.

Shakspeare, Macbeth.

HEDGE-ROW. n. s. [hedge and row.] The series of trees or bushes planted for inclosures.

Sometime walking not unseen

By hedge-row elms, on hillocks green. Milton. The fields in the northern side are divided by hedge-rows of myrtle. Berkeley to Pope.

HEDGE-SPARROW. n. s. [hedge and sparrow; curruca.] A sparrow that lives in bushes, distinguished from a sparrow that builds in thatch.

The hedge-sparrow fed the cuckoo so long, That it had its head bit off by its young. Shaksp. HE'DGING-BILL. n. s. [hedge and bill.] cutting hook used in making hedges.

Comes master Dametas with a hedging-bill in his hand, chaffing and swearing. Sidney. HE'DGER. n. s. [from hedge.] One who

makes hedges. The labour'd ox In his loose traces from the furrow came, And the swink'd hedger at his supper sat.

Milton, Comus. He would be laughed at, that should go about to make a fine dancer out of a country hedger at past fifty.

To HEED. v. a. [heban, Sax.] To mind; to regard; to take notice of; to attend. With pleasure Argus the musician heeds;

But wonders much at those new vocal reeds.

He will no more have clear ideas of all the operations of his mind, than he will have all the particular ideas of any landscape or clock, who will not turn his eyes to it, and with attention heed all the parts of it.

To HEED.* v. n. To mind; to consider. Thoughtless she leaves amid the dusty way

Her eggs, to ripen in the genial ray; Nor heeds, that some fell beast, who thirsts for blood.

Or the rude foot, may crush the future brood. Warton, Paraphr. of Job, ch. 39.

HEED. n. s. [from the verb.]

1. Care; attention.

With wanton heed and giddy cunning, The melting voice through mazes running.

Milton, L'All. Take heed that, in their tender years, ideas, that have no natural cohesion, come not to be united in their heads.

Thou must take heed, my Portius; The world has all its eyes on Cato's son. Addison

2. Caution; fearful attention; suspicious watch.

Either wise bearing or ignorant carriage is caught as men catch diseases, one of another; therefore, let men take heed of their company. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. Take heed; have open eye; for thieves do foot by night:

Take heed ere summer comes, or cuckoo birds affright. Shakspeare, Mer. W. of Windsor. 3. Care to avoid.

We should take heed of the neglect or contempt of his worship.

4. Notice; observation.

Speech must come by hearing and learning; and birds give more heed, and mark words more than beasts.

5. Seriousness; staidness. He did unseal them; and the first he view'd,

He did it with a serious mind; a heed Was in his countenance. Shakspeare.

6. Regard; respectful notice.

It is a way of calling a man a fool, when no heed is given to what he says. L'Estrange. HE'EDFUL. adj. [from heed.]

1. Watchful; cautious; suspicious. Give him heedful note;

For I mine eyes will rivet to his face; And, after, we will both our judgements join, In censure of his seeming. Shaksp. Hamlet.

2. Attentive; careful; observing; with of. I am commanded

To tell the passion of my sovereign's heart; Where fame, late ent'ring at his heedful ears, Hath plac'd thy beauty's image and thy virtue.

Shakspeare. To him one of the other twins was bound. Whilst I had been like heedful of the other.

Thou heedful of advice, secure proceed; My praise the precept is, be thine the deed. Pope.

HE'EDFULLY. † adv. [from heedful.] Attentively; carefully; cautiously.

That worthy divine did not heedfully observe

the great difference betwixt these instanced de-Bp. Hall, Cases of Consc. D. 4. C. 5. I would wish parents to mark heedfully the witty excuses of their children.

Wotton on Education. Let the learner maintain an honourable opinion of his instructor, and heedfully listen to his instructions, as one willing to be led. Watts.

HE'EDFULNESS. n. s. [from heedful.] Caution; vigilance; attention. HE'EDILY. adv. Cautiously; vigilantly.

Dict. He'ediness. † n. s. Caution; vigilance.

And evermore that craven cowherd knight Was at his backe with heartlesse heedinesse,

Wayting if he unwares him murther might. Spenser, F. Q. vi. vi. 26. HE'EDLESS. adj. [from heed.] Negligent;

inattentive; careless; thoughtless; regardless; unobserving: with of. The heedless lover does not know

Whose eyes they are that wound him so. Waller. Heedless of verse, and hopeless of the crown,

Scarce half a wit, and more than half a clown. Some ideas, which have more than once offered themselves to the senses, have yet been little taken

notice of; the mind being either heedless, as in children, or otherwise employed, as in men. Locke.

Surprizes are often fatal to heedless unguarded innocence. Sherlock.

HE'EDLESSLY. † adv. [from heedless.] Carelessly; negligently; inattentively.

Post not heedlessly on unto the non ultra of folly, or precipice of perdition.

Brown, Chr. Mor. i. 90. Our women run on so heedlessly in the fashion, that though it is the interest of some to hide as much of their faces as possible, yet because a leading toast appeared with a backward head-dress,

They are helispherical lines, as they call them, | that is, partly circular, and partly helical or spiral. Gregory, Posthum. (1650,) p. 285. HE'LIX. n. s. [helice, Fr.; ελίξ.] Part of

a spiral line; a circumvolution.

Find the true inclination of the screw, together with the quantity of water which every helix does contain.

HELL. † n. s. [Goth. halje, from huljan, to cover: Germ. hella; Sax. helle. " Some derive it from the Hebrew word sheol; either substracting the first letter, or including it in the aspiration. - But the derivation given by Verstegan is the most probable; from being helled over, that is to say, hidden or covered. For in the German tongue (from whence our English was extracted) hil signifieth to hide: and hiluh, in Otfridus Wissenbergensis, is hidden: And in this country, [Ireland,] with them that retain the ancient language, which their forefathers brought with them out of England, to hell the head, is as much as to cover the head; and he that covereth the house with tile or slate, is from thence commonly called a hellier. So that, in the original propriety of the word, our hell doth exactly answer to the Greek adons, which denoteth τὸν ἀϊδῆ τόπον, the place which is unseen, or removed from the sight of man." Abp. Usher's Answ. to the Jesuit Malone in Ireland, 4th edit. p. 219.

1. The place of the devil and wicked

souls.

For it is a knell That summons thee to heaven, or to hell.

Shakspeare, Macbeth. If a man were a porter of hell gates, he should Shakspeare, Mach. have old turning the key. Let none admire

That riches grow in hell; that soil may best Deserve the precious bane. Milton, P. L. Hell's black tyrant trembled to behold Cowley.

The glorious light he forfeited of old. 2. The place of separate souls, whether good or bad.

I will go down into hell.

Gen. xxxvii. 35. (Dou. and Ains. Tr. 1609, &c.) He descended into hell. Apostles' Creed.

3. Temporal death.

The pains of hell came about me; the snares of death overtook me. Psalm xviii. 4.

The place at a running play to which those who are caught are carried.

Then couples three be straight allotted there; They of both ends the middle two do fly; The two that in mid-place, hell called were, Must strive with waiting foot, and watching eye, To catch of them, and them to hell to bear, That they, as well as they, hell may supply. Sidney.

5. The place into which the taylor throws his shreds.

This trusty squire, he had, as well As the bold Trojan knight, seen hell; Not with a counterfeited pass Of golden bough, but true gold lace. Hudibras. In Covent-garden did a taylor dwell, Who might deserve a place in his own hell, King, Cookery.

6. Formerly, a dungeon in a prison. In Wood-street's hole, or Poultry's hell.

The Counter-Rat, 1658. 7. The infernal powers.

Much danger first, much toil did he sustain. While Saul and hell crost his strong fate in vain.

8. It is used in composition by the old 2. Agent of hell. writers more than by the modern.

HELL-BLACK. adj. Black as hell.

The sea, with such a storm as his bare head, In hell-black night endur'd, would have hoil'd up, And quench'd the stelled fires. Shaksp. K. Lear. Hell-Born.* adj. [hell and born.] Born

in hell. Like the hell-born hydra.

Spenser, F. Q. vi. xii. 32. Damn'd hell-born pride. Marston, Sat. (1598.) Learn by proof,

Hell-born, not to contend with spirits of heaven. Milton, P. L.

HELL-BRED. adj. [hell and bred.] Produced in hell.

Heart cannot think what courage and what cries, With foul enfouldred smoke and flashing fire, The hell-bred beast threw forth unto the skies.

Spenser, F. Q. HELL-BREWED.* adj. [hell and brew.]

Prepared or brewed in hell. Hence with thy hell-brew'd opiate.

Milton, Comus, ver. 696. (MS. reading.) HELL-BROTH. n. s. [hell and broth.] A composition boiled up for infernal pur-

Adder's fork and blind-worm's sting,

Lizard's leg and owlet's wing ; For a charm of pow'rful trouble, Like a hell-broth boil and bubble. Shaksp. Macb.

HELL-CAT.* n.s. [hell and cat.] Formerly, a witch; a hag.

The whorson old hel-cat would have given me the brayne of a cat once - I bad her make sawce Middleton's Witch.

Hell-confounding.* adj. Thell and confound.] Vanquishing the power of hell. With that he from his holy bosom drew

A golden banner, in whose silken lap His Lord's almighty name wide open flew, Of hell-confounding majestie made up: The fiend no sooner Jesus there did read, But shame pull'd down his eyes, and fear his head.

Beaumont, Psyche, p. 20. HELL-DOOMED. adj. [hell and doom.] Consigned to hell.

And reckon'st thou thyself with spirits of heav'n, Hell-doom'd! and breath'st defiance here and scorn.

Where I reign king. Milton, P. L. Hell-governed. adj. Directed by hell. Earth gape open wide, and ate him quick,

As thou dost swallow up this good king's blood, Which his hell-govern'd arm hath butcher'd. Shakspeare.

HELL-HAG.* n. s. [hell and hag.] A hag of hell.

A corroding disease it [envy] is; an hel-hag that feeds upon its own marrow, bones, and strongest parts. Bp. Richardson on the O. Test. p. 281.

HELL-HATED. adj. Abhorred like hell. Back do I toss these treasons to thy head,

With the hell-hated lie o'erwhelm thy heart. Shak. HELL-HAUNTED. adj. [hell and haunt.] Haunted by the devil.

Fierce Osmond clos'd me in the bleeding bark, And bid me stand exposed to the bleak winds, Bound to the fate of this hell-haunted grove.

Dryden. Hell-Hound. † n. s. [hell-hund, Saxon.] 1. Dog of hell.

From forth the kennel of thy womb hath crept A hell-hound that doth hunt us all to death. Shaks. Now the hell-hounds with superior speed Had reach'd the dame, and, fast'ning on her side,

The ground with issuing streams of purple dy'd.

I call'd My hell-hounds to lick up the draff, and filth, Which man's polluting sin with taint had shed On what was pure. Milton, P. L.

3. A profligate person. Gods keep me from these hell-hounds.

Beaum. and Fl. Philast. HELL-KITE. n. s. [hell and kite.] Kite of infernal breed. The term hell prefixed to any word notes detestation.

Did you say all? What all? Oh hell-kite! all? What all my pretty chickens, and their dam, At one fell swoop? Shakspeare, Macbeth.

HE'LLEBORE. n. s. [helleborus, Lat.] Christmas flower.

HE'LLEBORE White. † n. s. [veratrum, Lat.]

There are great doubts whether any of its species be the true hellebore of the ancients. Miller.

And melancholy cures by sovereign hellebore. Drayton, Polyolb. S. 13.

HE'LLEBORISM.* n. s. [from hellebore.] A medicinal preparation of hellebore. In vain should the physician attempt, with all

his medicines and helleborisms, the cure of those that are sick of love, or any the like passions.

Ferrand, Love Melanch. (1640,) p.169.

He'llenick. adj. [έλληνικός, Gr.] Grecian; heathen.

So great an injury they [the Christians] then held it to be deprived of hellenick learning; and thought it a persecution more undermining and secretly decaying the cliurch, than the open cruelty of Decius or Dioclesian. Millon, Areopagitica. Milton, Areopagitica.

HE'LLENISM.† n. s. [έλληνισμός.] Α Greek idiom.

Virgil is full of the Greek forms of speech, which the criticks call hellenisms.

Addison, Spect. No. 285.

He'llenist.* n. s. [έλληνις ης.] 1. A Grecianizing Jew.

That the thing was done by the Jews, I deny not; but by those, I mean the Hellenists.

Gregory, Posthum. p. 88. Uncanonical pieces that had been annexed to it by the Hellenists. Cosin, Can. of Script. p. 50.

2. Any one skilled in the Greek language, Another thing observable of s with its affinis l: when they come alone, without the implication of other consonants, they are of an easy and graceful pronunciation. Homer seems to have loved them. But if all this do not satisfy the critical Hellenist, then I must add, &c.

Dalgarno, Deaf and Dumb Man's Tutor, p. 126.

HELLENI'STICAL.* adj. [from hellenist.] Relating to the language used among the Grecianizing Jews.

The importance of the hellenistical dialect, into which he had made the exactest search.

Fell, Life of Hammond, § 1. Heinsius and some other scrupulous criticks reckon this an hellenistical form of speech,

Blackwall, Sacr. Class. ii. 157. HELLENI'STICALLY.* adv. [from hellenist-

ical. According to the hellenistical dialect.

It may bear the same signification hellenistically in this place. Gregory, Notes on Scrip. p. 60.

To He'llenize.* v. n. [έλληνίζω, Gr.] Το use the Greek language.

To hellenize is to speak Greek, and to have skill in the Greek learning. 'Hammond on Acts, vi. 1.

HE'LLIER.* n. s. [from hele or hell. See To HELE. A slater; a tiler.

He that covereth the house with tile or slate, is! commonly called a hellier.

Abp. Usher, Ans. to the Jes. Malone, p. 219. In the West, he that covers a house with slates is called a heler or hellier.

He'llish. adj. [from hell.]

1. Sent from hell; belonging to hell.

O thou celestial or infernal spirit of love, or what other heavenly or hellish title thou list to have, for effects of both I find in myself, have compassion of me.

Victory and triumph to the Son of God, Now entering his great duel, not of arms, But to vanquish by wisdom hellish wiles.

2. Having the qualities of hell; infernal; wicked; detestable.

No benefits shall ever allay that diabolical rancour that ferments in some hellish breasts, but that it will foam out at its foul mouth in slander.

He'llishly. † adv. [from hellish.] Infernally; wickedly; detestably.

That wicked plot [the gunpowder treason] was contrived and managed with the greatest sworn secresy, made hellishly sacred and firm by solemn Bp. Barlow, Rem. p. 390.

He'LLISHNESS. n. s. [from hellish.] Wickedness; abhorred qualities.

HE'LLWARD. adv. [from hell.] Toward

Be next thy care the sable sheep to place Full o'er the pit, and hellward turn their face.

HE'LLY.* adj. [from hell.] Having the

qualities of hell. Such blasphemies they bray out of their helly

Anderson, Expos. on Bened. (1573,) fol. 48. b. Free Helicon and franke Parnassus' hilles,

Are hellie haunts, and ranke pernicious illes. Mir. for Mag. p. 455.

Helm denotes defence: as Eadhelm, happy defence; Sighelm, victorious defence; Berthelm, eminent defence: like Amyntas and Boetius among the Greeks.

Gibson's Camden. HELM. + n. s. [helm, Sax. from helan, to cover, to protect. Dr. Johnson. -Heaulme, helme, old Fr. " de helmus, qui se trouve dans les lois ripuaires pour galea; en anc. Prov. ëlm." Roquefort. -It is most probably from the Icel.

hialmr, a helmet; which, Serenius observes, has passed from the northern people to others; from the Goth. hilma, to cover.

1. A covering for the head in war; a helmet: a morrion; an head-piece.

France spreads his banners in our noiseless land; With plumed helm the slay'r begins his threats.

Mnestheus lays hard load upon his helm. Dryd. 2. The part of a coat of arms that bears

the crest. More might be added of helms, crests, mantles, and supporters. Camden, Rem.

3. The upper part of the retort.

The vulgar chymists themselves pretend to be able, by repeated cohobations, and other fit operations, to make the distilled parts of a concrete bring its own caput mortuum over the helm. Boyle.

4. [helma, Saxon.] The steerage; the upper part of the rudder.

They did not leave the helm in storms; And such they are make happy states. B. Jonson. More in prosperity is reason tost

Than ships in storms, their helms and anchors lost. Denham. Fair occasion shews the springing gale,

And int'rest guides the helm, and honour swells the sail.

5. The station of government.

I may be wrong in the means, but that is no objection against the design: let those at the helm contrive it better.

6. In the following line it is difficult to determine whether steersman or defender is intended: I think steersman.

You slander

The helms o' th' state, who care for you like fathers, When you curse them as enemies. Shakspeare. 7. A shade for cattle; a hovel. [Saxon, hælme.] Grose, and Craven Dialect.

8. A small parcel of drawn straw for thatching. West of England. Grose,

and Jennings.

9. Applied to the wind. See Helmwind. To HELM. v. a. [from the noun.] To guide; to conduct. Hanmer.

The very stream of his life, and the business he hath helmed, must, upon a warranted need, give him a better proclamation.

Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas. HE'LMED. † adj. [from helm.] Furnished

with a headpiece. Mars the god, that helmed is of stele.

Chaucer, Tr. and Cr. ii. 593. The helmed cherubim

Are seen in glittering ranks with wings display'd. Milton, Ode Nat.

HE'LMET. n. s. [probably a diminutive of helm.] A helm; a headpiece; armour for the head.

I saw him down; thrice up again, and fighting; From helmet to the spur all bleeding o'er. Shaks. Seven darts are thrown at once, and some re-

From his bright shield, some on his helmet sound.

He'lmeted.* adj. [from helmet.] Wearing a helmet.

Oh! no knees, none, widow; Unto the helmeted Bellona use them, And pray for me your soldier.

Beaum. and Fl. Two Neb. Kins. HELMI'NTHICK. adj. [from έλμινθος.] Relating to worms.

HE'LMSMAN.* n. s. [helm and man.] He who manages the rudder of a vessel.

HE'LMWIND.* n. s. [helm and wind.] particular kind of wind in some of the mountainous parts of England.

In these mountains [of Westmorland,] towards the north-east part of the county, is a very remarkable phenomenon, such as we have not found any account of elsewhere in the kingdom, except only about Ingleton, and other places bordering upon the mountains of Ingleborrow, Pendle, and Penigent, in the confines of the counties of York and Lancaster. It is called a helmwind. A rolling cloud, sometimes for three or four days together, hovers over the mountain tops, the sky being clear in other parts. When this cloud appears, the country people say, the helm is up; which is an Anglo-Saxon word signifying properly a covering for the head. - This helm is not dispersed or blown away by the wind, but continues in its station, although a violent roaring hurricane comes tumbling down the mountain, ready to tear up all before Then on a sudden ensues a profound calm. And then again alternately the tempest; which seldom extends into the country above a mile or two from the bottom of the mountain.

Burn & Nicholson, Hist. of Westm. & Cumb. i. 7.

HE'LOT.* n. s. [Lat. Helotes, from Helos, a Laconian town, conquered by the Spartans, who made all the inhabitants prisoners of war, and reduced them into the condition of slaves. Potter. Archæol. Gr. b. i. ch. 10.] A slave.

Nor was it lawful for any Spartan to improve this lot to the best, by living upon it; for they were strictly prohibited all occupations, even that of agriculture; and their hinds or helots paid them only an annual quantity of corn, wine, and other Bp. Wren, Monarchy Asserted, p. 140.

To HELP. v. a. preter. helped, or holp; part. helped, or holpen. [hilpan, Gothick; helpan, Saxon.

1. To assist; to support; to aid. Let us work as valiant men behoves; For boldest hearts good fortune helpeth out.

Fairfax. O Lord, make haste to help me. God helped him against the Philistines.

2 Chron. xxvi. 7. They helped them in all things with silver and A man reads his prayers out of a book, as a

means to help his understanding and direct his expressions.

2. It has, in familiar language, the particle out, which seems to have meant, originally, out of a difficulty.

This he conceives not hard to bring about, If all of you should join to help him out. Dryden.

What I offer is so far from doing any diskindness to the cause these gentlemen are engaged in, that it does them a real service, and helps them out with the main thing whereat they stuck

Woodward, Nat. Hist. The god of learning and of light,

Would want a god himself to help him out. Swift. To raise by help: with up.

Woe to him that is alone when he falleth: fo he hath not another to help him up. Eccl. iv. 10.

4. To enable to surmount: with over. Wherever they are at a stand, help them pre-

sently over the difficulty without any rebuke.

5. To remove by help: with off.

Having never learned any laudable manual art, they have recourse to those foolish or ill ways in use, to help off their time.

6. To free from pain or vexation.

Help and ease them, but by no means bemoan them. Locke. 7. To cure; to heal: with of. Obsolete.

Love doth to her eyes repair, To help him of his blindness. Shakspeare.

8. It is used commonly before the disease. The true calamus helps coughs.

To remedy; to change for the better. Cease to lament for that thou canst not help;

And study help for that which thou lament'st. Shakspeare.

10. To prevent; to hinder.

Those few who reside among us, only because they cannot help it.

Swift.

If they take offence when we give none, it is

a thing we cannot help, and therefore the whole blame must lie upon them. It is a high point of ill nature to make sport

with any man's imperfections, that he cannot help. L'Estrange.

Those closing skies may still continue bright; But who can help it, if you'll make it night.

Dryden. She, betwixt her modesty and pride, Her wishes, which she could not help, would hide.

It is reckoned ill manners for men to quarrel upon difference in opinion, because that is a thing which no man can help in himself. Swift.

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11. To forbear; to avoid.

He cannot help believing, that such things he saw and heard. Atterbury.

I cannot help remarking the resemblance betwixt him and our author in qualities, fame, and fortune.

12. To promote; to forward.

And they helped forward the afflictive. Zech. If you make the earth narrower at the bottom than at the top, in fashion of a sugar-loaf reversed, it will help the experiment.

13. To HELP to. To supply with; to furnish with.

Whom they would help to a kingdom, those reign; and whom again they would, they displace. 1 Mac. viii. 13.

The man that is now with Tiresias can help him to his oxen again. L'Estrange.

14. To present at table.

In plenty starving, tantaliz'd in state, And complaisantly help'd to all I hate; Treated, caress'd, and tir'd, I take my leave.

To HELP. v. n.

1. To contribute assistance.

Sir, how come it you

Have holp to make this rescue? Shakspeare. Discreet followers and servants help much to reputation. Bacon.

Bennet's grave look was a pretence, And Danby's matchless impudence

Help'd to support the knave. Dryden. A generous present helps to persuade as well as an agreeable person. Garth.

2. To bring a supply.

Some, wanting the talent to write, made it their care that the actors should help out where the muses failed.

Help. † n. s. [helpe, assistance, Sax. from the verb; hulpe, Dutch.]

1. Assistance; aid: support; succour.

Muleasses, despairing to recover the city, hardly escaped his enemies' hands by the good help of his Knolles.

He may be beholden to experience and acquired notions, where he thinks he has not the least help from them. Locke.

So great is the stupidity of some of those, that they may have no sense of the help administered to Smalridge.

2. That which gives help.

Though these contrivances increase the power, yet they proportionably protract the time: that which by such helps one man may do in a hundred days, may be done by the immediate strength of a hundred men in one day.

Virtue is a friend and an help to nature; but it is vice and luxury that destroys it, and the diseases of intemperance are the natural product of the sins of intemperance

Another help St. Paul himself affords us towards the attaining the true meaning contained in his

3. That which forwards or promotes.

Coral is in use as an help to the teeth of children.

4. Remedv.

There is no help for it, but he must be taught accordingly to comply with the faulty way of writ-Holder on Speech.

HE'LPER. n. s. [from help.]

 An assistant; an auxiliary; an aider; one that helps or assists.

There was not any left, nor any helper for Israel. 2 Kings. We ought to receive such, that we might be fellow helpers to the truth. 3 John, 8:

It is impossible for that man to despair who remembers that his helper is omnipotent.

Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy.

2. One that administers remedy.

Compassion, the mother of tears, is not always a mere idle spectator, but an helper oftentimes of

3. One that supplies with any thing wanted: with to.

Heaven Hath brought me up to be your daughter's dower, As it hath fated her to be my motive

And helper to a husband. 4. A supernumerary servant.

I live in the corner of a vast unfurnished house: my family consists of a steward, a groom, a helper in the stable, a footman, and an old maid.

Swift to Pope. HE'LPFUL. adj. [help and full.]

1. Useful; that which gives assistance. Let's fight with gentle words,

Till time lend friends, and friends their helpful swords.

He orders all the succours which they bring; The helpful and the good about him run, And form an army. Dryden.

2. Wholesome: salutary.

A skilful chymist can as well, by separation of visible elements, draw helpful medicines out of poison, as poison out of the most healthful herbs. Ralegh, Hist.

He'lpfulness.* n. s. [from helpful.] Assistance; usefulness.

God ordained it [marriage] in love and helpfulness to be indissoluble. Milton, Tetrachordon.

HE'LPLESS. adj. [from help.]

1. Wanting power to succour one's self. One dire shot

Close by the board the prince's main-mast bore; All three now helpless by each other lie. Dryden. Let our enemies rage and persecute the poor and the helpless; but let it be our glory to be pure and peaceable.

2. Wanting support or assistance. How shall I then your helpless fame defend?

'Twill then be infamy to seem your friend. Pope. 3. Irremediable; admitting no help. Such helpless harms it's better hidden keep,

Than rip up grief, where it may not avail. Spenser.
4. Unsupplied; void: with of. This is unusual, perhaps improper.

Naked he lies, and ready to expire, Helpless of all that human wants require. Dryden.

HE'LPLESSLY. † adv. [from helpless.] Without ability; without succour.

If he thus be helplessly distract, 'Tis requisite his office be resign'd.

Kyd, Span. Tragedy.

HE'LPLESSNESS. + n. s. [from helpless.] Want of ability; want of succour.

It was an objection constantly urged by the ancient Epicureans, that man could not be the creature of a benevolent being, as he was formed in a state so helpless and infirm: Montaigne took it and urged it also. They never considered or perceived that this very infirmity and helplessness were the cause and cement of society.

Dr. Warton, Ess. on Pope.

HE'LPMATE.* n. s. [help and mate.] companion; an assistant; a partner.

HE'LTER.* n. s. The northern pronunciation of halter. Praise of Yorkshire Ale, Cumberland and Westmoreland 3. To enclose; to environ; to confine; Dialects. See also Helter-skelter.

Helter-skelter. † adv. [as Skinner fancies, from heolycep rceaso, the darkness of hell; hell, says he, being a place of confusion. Dr. Johnson. - Others, not less fancifully, from the Latin hilariter and celeriter, i. e. merrily and hastily. But Grose has given the following derivation. " Kelter or kilter, is frame, order, condition, a northern word; hence helters-kelter, a corruption of halter, to hang, and kelter, order, i. e. hang order, or in defiance of order." Another Latin origin, hic et aliter, has been proposed : and a Dutch etymology has also been thought of: but they are perhaps all "fancies, built on nothing firm." Craven Dialect, and Brockett's North Country Words.] In a hurry; without order; tumultuously.

Sir John, I am thy Pistol, and thy friend; And helter-skelter have I rode to England, And tidings do I bring.

Shakspeare. He had no sooner turned his back, but they were at it helter-skelter, throwing books at one another's

All dominion ended with the day, and males and females met helter-skelter. Spect. No. 276.

HELVE. † n. s. [helge, Sax.; helve, Germ. perhaps from healban, to hold. The handle of an axe.

His hand fetcheth a stroke with the axe to cut down the tree, and the head slippeth from the Deut. xix. 5.

To Helve. + v. a. [from the noun.] To fit with a helve or handle.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood. HEM.* pron. [Sax. heom.] Them. We may be said to retain this old word, in our writing and speaking 'em for them; as, I have seen 'em this morning.

Such end perdy does all hem remain, That of such falsers' friendship bene fain.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. May.

HEM. n. s. [hem, Saxon.]

1. The edge of a garment doubled and sewed to keep the threads from spread-Rollers must be made of even cloth, white and

gentle, without hem, seam, or thread hanging by. Wiseman. 2. [Hemmen, Dutch.] The noise uttered

by a sudden and violent expiration of the breath. He loves to clear his pipes in good air, and is

not a little pleased with any one who takes notice of the strength which he still exerts in his morn-Addison. 3. Interject. Hem! [Lat.]

I would try if I could cry hem, and have him.

To HEM. + v. a.

1. To close the edge of cloth by a hem or double border sewed together.

The contexture of this speech will perhaps be the less subject to ravel out, if I hem it with the speech of our learned and pious annotator.

Spenser on Prodigies, p. 202.

2. To border; to edge. All the skirt about

Was hemm'd with golden fringe. Spenser, F. Q. Along the shore of silver streaming Thames,

Whose rushy bank, the which his river hems.

to shut: perhaps always with a particle; as, in, about, round.

So of either side, stretching itself in a narrow length, was it hemmed in by woody hills, as if indeed nature had meant therein to make a place for beholders. Sidney.

What lets us then the great Jerusalem With valiant squadrons round about to hem?

Fairfax.

Why, Neptune, hast thou made us stand alone, Divided from the world for this, say they;

Hemm'd in to be a spoil to tyranny Leaving affliction hence no way to fly? Daniel.

I hurry me in haste away, And find his honour in a pound, Hemm'd by a triple circle round,

Chequer'd with ribbons, blue and green. Pope.

To HEM. v. n. [hemmen, Dutch.] To utter a noise by violent expulsion of the breath.

She speaks much of her father; says, she hears There's tricks in the world; and hems, and beats her heart. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

He's dry, he hems!

Beaum. and Fl. Wit at Sev. Weapons.

HE'MI.* A word often used in composition, signifying, like demi and semi, half; and is an abbreviation of the Greek nuiov.

HE'MICRANY. n. s. [ήμισυ, half, and κράνιον, the skull, or head.] A pain that affects only one part of the head at a time.

Quincy. ΗΕ'ΜΙCYCLE. † n. s. [ημίκυκλος.] A half round.

Upon the right hand of her, but with some little descent, in a hemicycle was seated Esychia, or Quiet, the first handmaid of Peace.

B. Jonson, Part of the King's Entert.

HE'MINA. n. s. An ancient measure: now used in medicine to signify about ten ounces in measure.

HE'MIPLEGY. n. s. [ημισυ, half, and πλήσσω, to strike or seize.] A palsy, or any nervous affection relating thereunto, that seizes one side at a time; some partial disorder of the nervous system.

HE'MISPHERE. n. s. [ήμισφαίριον; hemisphere, French.] The half of a globe when it is supposed to be cut through its centre in the plane of one of its HE'MORRHOIDS. n. s. [αίμοβροιδες; hegreatest circles.

That place is earth, the seat of man; that light His day, which else, as the other hemisphere, Night would invade. Milton, P. L.

A hill Of Paradise the highest, from whose top The hemisphere of earth, in clearest ken

Stretch'd out to th' amplest reach of prospect lay. Milton, P. L. The sun is more powerful in the northern hemi-

sphere, and in the apogeum; for therein his motion In open prospect nothing bounds our eye,

Until the earth seems join'd unto the sky; So in this hemisphere our utmost view

Is only bounded by our king and you.

HEMISPHE'RICAL. adj. [from hemisphere. Hemisphe'RICK. Half round; containing half a globe.

The thin film of water swells above the surface of the water it swims on, and commonly constitutes hemispherical bodies with it.

A pyrites, placed in the cavity of another of an hemispherick figure, in much the same manner as an acorn in its cup. Woodward on Fossils.

HE'MISTICH, or HE'MISTICK.† n. s. [ήμις ίχιον; hemistiche, Fr. It is most correctly written hemistich, as distich.] Half a verse.

He broke off in the hemistick, or midst of the verse; but, seized as it were with a divine fury, he made up the latter part of the hemistick.

Dryden, Dufresnoy.

The method of writing parallel hemistichs in opposite columns - may sometimes have caused a transposition of whole lines.

Abp. Newcome, Ess. Tr. of the Bib. p. 248. HE'MISTICHAL.* adj. [from hemistich.]
Denoting a division of the verse.

The reader will observe the constant return of the hemistichal point, which I have been careful to preserve; - as I suspect, that it shews how these poems were sung to the harp by the minstrels.

Warton, Hist. E. P. Add. to Vol. i. The hemistichal division is not exhibited to the eye in the printed page.

Bp. Horsley, Tr. of Hosea, p. 43. HE'MLOCK. n. s. [hemleac, Saxon.] An herb.

The leaves are cut into many minute segments: the petals of the flower are bifid, heart-shaped, and unequal: the flower is succeeded by two short channelled seeds. One sort is sometimes used in medicine, though it is noxious; but the hemlock of the ancients, which was such deadly poison, is generally

supposed different. He was met even now,

Crown'd with rank fumiter and furrow-weeds, With hardochs, hemlock. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

We cannot with certainty affirm, that no man can be nourished by wood or stones, or that all men will be poisoned by hemlock. HE'MMEL.* n. s. [heim, German.]

hovel; a shed or covering for cattle; a fold. A northern word. Grose and Brockett write it hemmel; in the Praisc of Yorkshire Ale it is hemble.

HE'MORRHAGE. \ n. s. [αίνοβραγία; hemor-HE'MORRHAGY. \ ragie, French.] A violent flux of blood.

Great hemorrhagy succeeds the separation. Ray. Twenty days' fasting will not diminish its quantity so much as one great hemorrhage. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

morrhoids, French.] The piles; the emrods.

I got the hemorrhoids. HE'MORRHOIDAL. adj. [hemorrhoidal, Fr. from hemorrhoides.] Belonging to the veins in the fundament.

Besides, there are hemorrhages from the nose and hemorrhoidal veins, and fluxes of rheum.

Ray on the Creation. Embost upon the field, a battle stood Of leeches, spouting hemorrhoidal blood.

HEMP.† n. s. [hænep, Saxon; hampa, Su. Goth.; hamp, Danish; hampe, Dutch; cannabis.] A fibrous plant of which coarse linen and ropes are made.

It hath digitated leaves opposite to one another: the flowers have no visible petals; it is male and female in different plants. Its bark is useful for cordage and cloth. Miller.

Hemp-seeds are used in medicine on many occasions. Chambers. Let gallows go for dog; let man go free,

And let not hemp his windpipe suffocate. Shaksp. Hemp and flax are commodities that deserve encouragement, both for their usefulness and profit.

HEMP Agrimony. n. s. A plant.

The common hemp agrimony is found wild by ditches and sides of rivers. HE'MPEN. adj. [from hemp.] Made of

In foul reproach of knighthood's fair degree, About his neck a hempen rope he wears.

Spenser, F. Q. Behold

Upon the hempen tackle ship-boys climbing. Shakspeare. Ye shall have a hempen caudle then, and the help of a hatchet.

Shakspeare. Î twitch'd his dangling garter from his knee; He wist not when the hempen string I drew. Gay.

HE'MPY.* adj. [from hemp.] Resembling 'Twixt the rind and the tree there is a cotton,

or hempy kind of moss. Howell, Lett. ii. 53. HEN. † n. s. [henne, Saxon and Dutch; han, German, a cock. Dr. Johnson. — Icel. haena, gallina. Vox antiquissima. Serenius. 7

1. The female of a house-cock.

Dame Partlet was the sovereign of his heart — Nor chick, nor hen, was known to disobey. Dryden, Cock and Fox.

2. The female of any land-fowl.

The peacock, pheasant, and goldfinch cocks have glorious colours; the hens have not. Bacon. Whilst the hen bird is covering her eggs, the

male generally takes his stand upon a neighbouring bough within her hearing, and by that means diverts her with his songs during the whole time of her sitting.

O'er the trackless waste The heath hen flutters Thomson. HEN-COOP.* n. s. [hen and coop.] A cage

in which poultry are kept. HEN-DRIVER. n. s. [hen and driver.] A

kind of hawk. The hen-driver I forbear to name.

HE'N-HARM. (n. s. A kind of kite. HE'N-HARRIER. Ainsworth. So called probably from destroying chickens. Pygurgus.

HEN-HEARTED. † adj. [hen and heart.] Dastardly; cowardly; like a hen. A low word.

One puling hen-hearted rogue is sometimes the ruin of a set. Gayton on D. Quiv. p. 119. HEN-HOUSE.* n. s. [hen and house.] A place for sheltering poultry.

HEN-PECKED. adj. [hen and pecked.] Governed by the wife.

A stepdame too I have, a cursed she, Who rules my hen-peck'd sire, and orders me.

Dryden. The neighbours reported that he was hen-pecked,

which was impossible, by such a mild-spirited woman as his wife. Arbuthnot. HEN-ROOST. n. s. [hen and roost.] The place

where the poultry roost. Many a poor devil stands to a whipping-post for the pilfering of a silver spoon, or the robbing

of a hen-roost. L'Estrange. Her house is frequented by a company of rogues, whom she encourageth to rob his hen-

Swift. If a man prosecutes gipsies with severity, his hen-roost is sure to pay for it.

They oft have sally'd out to pillage The hen-roosts of some peaceful village. Tickell. HE'NBANE. n. s. [hyoscyamus, Lat.] A

plant. It is very often found growing upon

the sides of banks and old dunghills. This is a very poisonous plant. Miller. That to which old Socrates was curs'd,

Or henbane juice, to swell 'em till they burst.

HE'NBIT. n. s. [Alsine foliis hederaceis.] A plant.

In a scarcity in Silicia a rumour was spread of its raining millet-seed; but it was found to be only the seeds of the ivy-leaved speedwell, or Derham, Phys. Theology. small henbit.

HENCE. † adv. or interj. [heonan, Saxon; hennes, old English; hin, German; hinc,

1. From this place to another.

Discharge my follow'rs ; let them hence away, From Richard's night to Bolingbroke's fair day. Shakspeare.

The Almighty hath not built Here for his envy; will not drive us hence. Milton, P. L.

A sullen prudence drew thee hence From noise, fraud, and impertinence. Roscom. 2. Away; to a distance. A word of com-

mand. Be not found here; hence with your little ones.

Hence with denial vain, and coy excuse.

Milton, Lycidas. 3. At a distance; in other places. Not in use.

Why should I then be false, since it is true That I must die here, and live hence by truth? Shaksneare.

All members of our cause, both here and hence, That are insinewed to this action. Shakspeare.

4. From this time; in the future.

Make less thy body, hence, and more thy grace.

Shukspeare, K. Hen. IV. P. II. He who can reason well to-day about one sort

of matters, cannot at all reason to-day about others, though perhaps a year hence he may.

Let not posterity a thousand years hence look for truth in the voluminous annals of pedants. Arbuthnot.

5. For this reason; in consequence of this.

Hence perhaps it is, that Solomon calls the fear of the Lord the beginning of wisdom. Tillotson. 6. From this cause; from this ground.

By too strong a projectile motion the aliment tends to putrefaction; hence may be deduced the force of exercise in helping digestion.

Arbuthnot on Aliments. 7. From this source; from this original;

from this store.

My Flora was my sun; for as One sun, so but one Flora was : All other faces borrow'd hence Their light and grace, as stars do thence.

Suckling. 8. From hence is a vicious expression, which crept into use even among good authors, as the original force of the word hence was gradually forgotten. Hence signifies from this.

An ancient author prophesy'd from hence, Behold on Latian shores a foreign prince !

To HENCE. v. a. [from the adverb.] To send off; to dispatch to a distance. Obsolete.

Go, bawling cur! thy hungry maw go fill On you foul flock, belonging not to me; With that his dog he henc'd, his flock he curst.

Hencefo'rth. adv. [henonropo, Saxon.]

From this time forward.

Thanes and kinsmen, Henceforth be earls. Shakspeare, Macbeth. Never henceforth shall I joy again; Never, oh never, shall I see more joy.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. Happier thou may'st be, worthier canst not be ; Taste this, and be henceforth among the gods, Milton, P. L. Thyself a goddess.

I never from thy side henceforth will stray, Milton, P. L. If we treat gallant soldiers in this sort,

Who then henceforth to our defence will come?

HENCEFO'RWARD. adv. [hence and forward. From this time to futurity.

Henceforward will I bear Upon my target three fair shining suns. Pardon, I beseech you;

Henceforward I am ever rul'd by you. Shakspeare. The royal academy will admit henceforward only such who are endued with good qualities.

He'nchman.† n. s. [hýne, or hine, Sax. a servant, and man, Skinner: hengst, Teut. a horse, and man, Spelman. Sax. hengert, a horse. And the primary usage of henchman is in the sense of a horseman. Our old poets often use henchboy also for an attendant, and we have now horseboy. Mr. Archdeacon Nares and another literary friend, however, prefer the simple etymology of Judge Blackstone, in a note on Dr. Percy's Northumberland Household Book, viz. haunchman, from following the haunch of his master. A page; an attendant. Obsolete.

Every knight had after him riding Three henchmen [each] on him awaiting.

Chaucer, Fl. and Leaf. Why should Titania cross her Oberon? I do but beg a little changeling boy,

To be my henchman. Shakspeare. Three henchmen were for every knight assign'd, All in rich livery clad, and of a kind.

HEND.*) adj. [probably from the Sax. HE'NDY. hean, humble. Both words are used by Chaucer; but they have long been obsolete. Gentle. Bullokar. Sire, ye shuld ben hende

And curteis, as a man of your estat; In compagnie we wiln have no debat.

Chaucer, Frere's Prol. This clerk was cleped hendy Nicholas. Chaucer, Mill. Tale.

To HEND. v. a. [henban, Saxon, from hendo, low Latin, which seems borrowed from hand or hond, Teutonick.]

To seize; to lay hold on. With that the sergeants hent the young man

stout. And bound him likewise in a worthless chain.

2. To crowd; to surround. Perhaps the following passage is corrupt, and should be read hemmed; or it may mean to take possession.

The generous and gravest citizens Have hent the gates, and very near upon Shakspeare. The duke is entering.

HENDE'CAGON. n. s. [ενδεκα and γωνία.]

A figure of eleven sides or angles.

HENDECASY'LLABLE.* n. s. [ἔνδεκα and σύλλαβος, Gr.] A metrical line consisting of eleven syllables.

A living author, that must be nameless, has written the following hendecasyllables: O dulcis puer, O venuste Marce, &c.

Dr. Warton, Ess. on Pope. HENDI'ADIS.* n. s. [érdiadis, Gr.] rhetorical figure, when two noun substantives are used instead of a substantive and adjective.

HENS-FEET. n. s. [fumaria sepium.] Hedge fumitory

To HENT.* v. a. [Sax. hencan; Su. Goth. haenta; from hand. To catch; to lay hold of. See To HEND. Bullokar.

Jog on, jog on, the foot-path way, And merrily hent the stile-a. Shaksp. Wint. Tale.

HEP. † n. s. [Sax. heap.] The fruit of the wild-briar, or dog-rose; commonly written hip. See HIP.

In hard winters there is observed great plenty of heps and haws, which preserve the small birds from starving.

HEPA'TICAL. } adj. [hepaticus, Latin; hepatique, French, from ήπας.] Belonging to the liver.

If the evacuated blood be florid, it is stomach

blood; if red and copious, it's hepatick. Harvey on Consumptions.

The cystick gall is thick, and intensely bitter; the hepatick gall is more fluid, and not so bitter. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

HE'PPEN.* adj. [Sax. hæplic.] Neat; decent; comfortable. A northern word. Grose, and Craven Dialect.

HEPTACA'PSULAR. adj. [εωλα and capsula.] Having seven cavities or cells.

HE'PTACHORD.* n. s. [heptacorde, Fr. ἐωλά, Gr. seven, and χορδη, a chord.] Anciently, a musical instrument of seven strings; as, the lyre; and also a poetical composition played or sung on seven different notes or sounds.

HE'PTAGON. n. s. [heptagone, French; รัชาa and ywriz.] A figure with seven

sides or angles.

HEPTA'GONAL. † adj. [from heptagon.] Having seven angles or sides. In a circle describe an heptagonal and equi-

lateral figure. Selden on Drayton's Polyolb. S. 11.

HEPTA'MEREDE.* n. s. [heptameride, Fr. έωλά, Gr. seven, and μερίς, a portion. That which divides into seven parts.

The heptamerede of M. Sauveur could express an interval so small as the seventh part of what is called a comma, the smallest interval that is admitted in modern musick.

A. Smith on the Imitative Arts.

HEPTA'RCHICK.* adj. [heptarchique, Fr. from heptarchy.] Denoting a sevenfold government.

The Saxons practised this mode of division for fixing the several extents of their heptarchic em-Warton, Hist. of Kiddington, p. 69.

HE'PTARCHIST. n.s. [from heptarchy.] He who rules one of the divisions of a sevenfold government.

In 752, the Saxon heptarchists, Cuthred and Ethelbald, fought a desperate battle at Beorgford, Warton, Hist. of Kiddington, p. 48. or Burford.

HE'PTARCHY. n. s. [heptarchie, French; ะัชโฉ and ฉักหทา.] A sevenfold govern-

In the Saxon heptarchy I find little noted of arms, albeit the Germans, of whom they descended, used shields.

England began not to be a people, when Alfred reduced it into a monarchy; for the materials thereof were extant before, namely, under the heptarchy. Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

The next returning planetary hour Of Mars, who shar'd the heptarchy of power, His steps bold Arcite to the temple bent.

Dryden.

HE'PTATEUCH.* n. s. [heptateuque, Fr. επία, | To HE'RALD. v. a. [from the noun.] Το Gr. seven, and τεῦχος, a work, a book.] A term applied to the first seven books of the Old Testament.

HER. pron. [hepa, hep, in Saxon, stood for their, or of them, which at length became the female possessive.]

1. Belonging to a female; of a she; of a

About his neck A green and gilded snake had wreath'd itself, Who with her head, nimble in threats, approach'd The opening of his mouth. Shaks. As you like it.

Still new favourites she chose, Till up in arms my passion rose, And cast away her yoke. Cowley. One month, three days, and half an hour,

Judith held the sovereign power; Wonderous beautiful her face; But so weak and small her wit, That she to govern were unfit, And so Susanna took her place.

2. The oblique case of she. England is so idly king'd. Her sceptre so fantastically borne,

That fear attends her not. She cannot seem deform'd to me, And I would have her seem to others so. Cowley. The moon arose clad o'er in light,

With thousand stars attending on her train; With her they rise, with her they set again. Cowley. Should I be left, and thou be lost, the sea That bury'd her I lov'd, should bury me. Dryden.

HER's. pronoun. This is used when it refers to a substantive going before: as, such are her charms, such charms are her's.

This pride of her's, Upon advice, hath drawn my love from her.

Shakspeare. Thine own unworthiness, Will still that thou art mine not her's confess.

Cowley. Some secret charm did all her acts attend, And what his fortune wanted, her's could mend.

I bred you up to arms, rais'd you to power, Indeed to save a crown, not her's, but yours.

HE'RALD. n. s. [herault, Fr.; herald, German.]

1. An officer whose business it is to register genealogies, adjust ensigns armorial, regulate funerals, and anciently to carry messages between princes, and proclaim war and peace.

May none, whose scatter'd names honour my book,

For strict degrees of rank or title look; 'Tis 'gainst the manners of an epigram,

And I a poet here, no herald am. B. Jonson. When time shall serve, let but the herald cry, And I'll appear again. Shakspeare, K. Lear. Embassador of peace, if peace you chuse;

Or herald of a war, if you refuse. Druden. Please thy pride, and search the herald's roll, Where thou shalt find thy famous pedigree

Dryden. 2. A precursor; a forerunner; a har-

It is the part of men to fear and tremble, When the most mighty gods, by tokens, send Such dreadful heralds to astonish us.

Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs. It was the lark, the herald of the morn. Shuks.

3. A proclaimer; a publisher. After my death I wish no other herald, No other speaker of my living actions But such an honest chronicler as Griffith. Shaks. introduce as by an herald. A word not used.

We are sent from our royal master, Only to herald thee into his sight, Not pay thee.

Shakspeare. HERA'LDICK.* adj. [from herald.] Denoting genealogy; relating to heraldry.

The figures of herself and sir Thomas Pope, both kneeling in their heraldic surcoats of arms Warton, Life of Sir T. Pope, p. 199.

Nature directs the thistle to honour the rose above all other flowers, exclusive of the heraldic Warton, Hist. E. P. ii. 263.

HE'RALDRY. n. s. [heraulderie, French, HE'RBAL.* adj. Pertaining to herbs. from herald.]

1. The art or office of a herald.

I am writing of heraldry. Peacham. Grant her, besides, of noble blood that ran In ancient veins, ere heraldry began. Dryden.

2. Registry of genealogies. 'Twas no false heraldry, when madness drew Her pedigree from those who too much knew.

Shakspeare, Hen. V. 3. Blazonry.

Metals may blazon common beauties; she Makes pearls and planets humble heraldry.

HE'RALDSHIP.* n. s. [from herald. The office of an herald, as a proclaimer.

Being by name president of ways, and by his office of heraldship peacemaker, as an old stamp titles him, [Mercury.] Selden on Drayton's Polyolb. S. 3.

HERB. n. s. [herbe, French; herba, Latin.] Herbs are those plants whose stalks are soft, and have nothing woody in them; as grass and hemlock.

In such a night Medea gather'd the enchanted herbs That did renew old Æson. Shakspeare.

With sweet-smelling herbs Espoused Eve deck'd first her nuptial bed.

Milton, P. L. Unhappy, from whom still conceal'd does lie Of herbs and roots the harmless luxury. Cowley. If the leaves are of chief use to us, then we call them herbs; as sage and mint. Watts, Logick. Herb eating animals, which don't ruminate,

have strong grinders, and chew much. Arbuthnot on Aliments. HERB Christopher, or Bane-berries, n. s.

A plant. HERBA'CEOUS. adj. [from herba, Latin.]

1. Belonging to herbs.

Ginger is the root of neither tree nor trunk; but an herbaceous plant, resembling the waterflower-de-luce.

2. Feeding on vegetables; perhaps not

Their teeth are fitted to their food; the rapacious to catching, holding, and tearing their prey; the herbaceous to gathering and comminution of vege-

HE'RBAGE. n. s. [herbage, French.]

 Herbs collectively; grass; pasture. Rocks lie cover'd with eternal snow; Thin herbage in the plains, and fruitless fields.

At the time the deluge came, the earth was loaded with herbaye, and thronged with animals. Woodward.

2. The tythe and the right of pasture. Ainsworth.

HE'RBAGED.* adj. [from herbage.] Covered with grass.

Delicious is your shelter to the soul, As to the hunted hart the sallying spring, Or stream full flowing, that his swelling sides Laves, as he floats along the herbag'd brink. Thomson, Summer

HE'RBAL. n. s. [from herb.] A book containing the names and description of plants.

We leave the description of plants to herbals, and other like books of natural history. Bacon. Such a plant will not be found in the herbal of

As for the medicinal uses of plants, the large herbals are ample testimonies thereof.

More, Antid. against Atheism. Our herbals are sufficiently stored with plants.

The herbal savour gave his sense delight. Quarles, Hist. of Jonah, (1620,) I. 3. b.

The least of herbal plants, [mustard-seed.] Sir T. Brown, Miscell. p. 23.

HE'RBALIST. † n. s. [from herbal.] A man skilled in herbs.

What every herbalist almost, and physician, hath written. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 551. Other plants, and trees, and herbs, and flowers, should constantly partake of the like decay; which our best physicians and herbalists have not yet found to be so. Hakewill on Providence, p. 145. Herbalists have distinguished them, naming that the male whose leaves are lighter, and fruit rounder.

HE'RBAR. n. s. [A word I believe only to be found in Spenser.] Herb; plant. The roof hereof was arched overhead

And deck'd with flowers and herbars daintily. Spenser, F. Q.

He'rbarist. n. s. [herbarius, from herba, Latin.] One skilled in herbs.

Herbarists have exercised a commendable curiosity in subdividing plants of the same denomi-

He was too much swayed by the opinions then current amongst herbarists, that different colours or multiplicity of leaves in the flower were sufficient to constitute a specifick difference.

Ray on the Creation. As to the fuci, their seed bath been discovered and shewed me first by an ingenious herbarist.

To HE'RBARIZE.* v. n. [Fr. herboriser; from herb.] To go about gathering medicinal herbs.

The apothecaries' company very seldom miss coming to Hampstead every spring, and here have their herbarizing feast; and I have heard them often say, that they have found a greater variety of curious and useful plants near and about Hampstead than in any other place.

Soame, Analysis of Hampstead Water, (1734,) p. 27.

He'rbary.* n. s. [Lat. herbarium. Our old word is herbere, or erbere.] A garden

An herbary for furnishing domestick medicines, always made a part of our ancient gardens. Warton, Hist. E. P. ii. 231.

HE'RBELET. n. s. [Diminutive of herb, or

of herbula, Latin. A small herb. These herbelets, which we upon you strow.

He'rber.* n. s. See Herbary. It was also formerly an arbour. A plesaunt herber well ywrought.

Chaucer, Fl. and Leaf. HERBE'SCENT. adj. [herbescens, Latin.] Growing into herbs.

HE'RBID. adj. [herbidus, Latin.] Covered with herbs.

He'RBIST.* n. s. [from herb.] One skilled in herbs; an herbalist. Sherwood. HE'RBLESS.* adj. [herb and less.] Having

no herbs : bare.

His slumbers short, his bed the herbless ground. Abs. and Achitophel, P. ii. Near some rugged herbless rock,

Where no shepherd keeps his flock.

Jos. Warton, Ode to Solitude.

HE'RBORIST. n. s. [from herb.] One curious in herbs. This seems a mistake for herbarist.

A curious herborist has a plant, whose flower perishes in about an hour.

HERBORIZA'TION.* n. s. [French; from herboriser.] The appearance of plants

Mr. Daubenton gives an account of three different kinds of herborizations. The first, amongst which are those found on agats, are owing to parts of real plants. - The second sort are owing to the stone containing particles of iron, which are so disposed as to present ramifications, &c. Maty, Acc. of Hist. of R. Acad. of Sciences at Paris.

HE'RBOUR.* See HARBOUR.

HE'RBOURLESS.* See HARBOURLESS.

He'rborough. n. s. [herberg, German.] Place of temporary residence. Now written harbour.

The German lord, when he went out of Newgate into the cart, took order to have his arms set up in his last herborough. B. Jonson, Discoveries.

HE'RBOUS. † adj. [herbosus, Latin, And in our old lexicography, herbosous is the English word; "full of grass." Cockeram.] Abounding with herbs.

HE'RBULENT. adj. [from herbula.] Containing herbs.

He'rbwoman. n. s. [herb and woman.] A woman that sells herbs.

I was like to be pulled to pieces by brewer, butcher, and baker; even my herbwoman dunned me as I went along. Arbuthnot.

HE'RBY. † adj. [from herb.]

1. Having the nature of herbs.

No substance but earth, and the procedures of earth, as tile and stone, yieldeth any moss or herby substance.

2. Full of herbs. Huloet, and Sherwood.

HERCU'LEAN.* adj. [from Hercules.]

1. One of extraordinary strength like Her-

But what's the end of thy Herculean labours? B. Jonson, Masques at Court. So rose the Danite strong,

Herculean Samson, from the harlot lap Of Philistean Dalilah. Milton, P. L.

2. Befitting Hercules; large; massy.

He is about to repeat the blow with an huge, herculean club. Drummond, Trav. p. 51.

HERD. † n. s. [heops, heps, Sax.; hiord, Goth. from hyrda, to keep. Serenius. So Mr. H. Tooke deduces the Saxon word from the verb hypban, to keep. Some French etymologists, noticing their old word herde, conceive it to be from the Lat. hærere, to be close together.]

1. A number of beasts together. It is peculiarly applied to black cattle. Flocks and herds are sheep and oxen or kine.

Note a wild and wanton herd, Or race of youthful and unhandled colts, Fetching mad bounds. Shakspeare.

To make a sweet savour unto the Lord, of the herd, or of the flock. Num. xv. 3.

There find a herd of heifers wandering o'er The neighbouring hill, and drive them to the shore.

2. A company of men in contempt or detestation.

Survey the world, and where one Cato shines, Count a degenerate herd of Catilines. Druden. I do not remember where ever God delivered his oracles by the multitude, or nature truths by

3. Not always in contempt and detestation, as the preceding definition of Dr. Johnson insinuates.

The impartial gods, who from the mounted heavens

View us their mortal herd, behold who err,

And in their time chastise. Beaum. and Fl. Two Nob. Kinsmen.

4. It anciently signified a keeper of cattle, and in the north of England it is still used. [hýp5, Saxon.] A sense still retained also in composition: as, goatherd.

From thence into the open fields he fled, Whereas the herds were keeping of their neat.

Spenser, F. Q. vi. ix. 4. Ne was there herd, ne was there shepherd's swayne,

But her did honour. Thid. st. 10.

To HERD. v. n. [from the noun.] 1. To run in herds or companies.

Weak women should, in danger, herd like deer. Druden.

It is the nature of indigency, like common danger, to endear men to one another, and make them herd together, like fellow-sailors in a storm.

Norris. 2. To associate; to become one of any number or party.

I'll herd among his friends, and seem One of the number. Addison, Cato. Run to towns, to herd with knaves and fools, And undistinguish'd pass among the crowd. Walsh.

To HERD. v. a. To throw or put into an herd.

The rest, However great we are, honest and valiant,

Are herded with the vulgar. B. Jonson, Catiline.
The most in fields like herded beasts lie down. Dryden, Ann. Mirab.

He'rdess.* n. s. [from herd, a keeper of cattle. A shepherdess. Obsolete. An hierdesse,

Which that yclepid was Œnone. Chaucer, Tr. i. 654. As a herdesse in a summer's day,

Heat with the glorious sun's all purging ray. Browne, Brit. Past.

He'rdgroom. n. s. [herd and groom.] A keeper of herds. Not in use.

But who shall judge the wager won or lost? That shall yonder herdgroom, and none other. Spenser.

HE'RDMAN. 1) n. s. [herd and man. Sax. heapsman.] One em-HE'RDSMAN. ployed in tending herds: formerly an owner of herds.

A herdsman rich, of much account was he, In whom no evil did reign, or good appear. Sidney. The words of Amos, who was among the herdmen of Tekoa. Amos, i. 1. And you, enchantment,

Worthy enough a herdsman, if e'er thou These rural latches to his entrance open, I will devise a cruel death for thee.

Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

Scarce themselves know how to hold A sheephook, or have learn'd ought else the least That to the faithful herdsman's art belongs.

Milton, Lycidas. There oft the Indian herdsman, shunning heat, Shelters in cool, and tends his pasturing herds At loop-holes cut through thickest shade.

Milton, P. L. So stands a Thracian herdsman with his spear Full in the gap, and hopes the hunted bear.

Dryden. The herdsmen, round

The cheerful fire, provoke his health in goblets Dryden, Virg. Georg. crown'd. When their herdsmen could not agree, they Locke. parted by consent. HERE. † adv. [hep, Saxon; hier, Dutch;

her, Icel. and Goth.]

1. In this place. Before thy here approach, Old Siward, with ten thousand warlike men.

All ready at appoint, was setting forth. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

I, upon my frontiers here, Keep residence. Milton, P. L.

Here Nature first begins Her farthest verge.

How wretched does Prometheus' state appear, Milton, P. L.

While he his second misery suffers here! Cowley. To-day is ours, we have it here.

2. In the present state.

Thus shall you be happy here, and more happy hereafter. Bacon, Advice to Villiers. 3. It is used in making an offer or attempt.

Then here's for earnest: 'Tis finish'd. Dryden.

4. In drinking a health. Here's to thee, Dick. Cowley. However, friend, here's to the king, one cries;

To him who was the king, the friend replies. Prior.

5. It is often opposed to there; in one

place, distinguished from another. Good-night: mine eyes do itch; Doth that bode weeping

'Tis neither here nor there. Shakspeare, Othello. We are come to see thee fight, to see thee foigne, to see thee traverse, to see thee here, to see thee Shakspeare.

Then this, then that man's aid, they crave, implore;

Post here for help, seek there their followers.

I would have in the heath some thickets made only of sweet-briar and honey-suckle, and some wild vine amongst; and the ground set with violets; for these are sweet, and prosper in the shade; and these to be in the heath here and there, not in Bacon

The devil might perhaps, by inward suggestions, have drawn in here and there a single proselyte.

Gov. of the Tongue. Your city, after the dreadful fire, was rebuilt, not presently, by raising continued streets; but at first here a house, and there a house, to which others by degrees were joined. Sprat. Serm.

He that rides post through a country may be able to give some loose description of here a mountain and there a plain, here a morass and there a

river, woodland in one part, and savanas in another. 6. Here seems, in the following passage, to mean this place.

Bid them farewel, Cordelia, though unkind;

Thou losest here, a better where to find. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

HE'REABOUT.* adv. [here and about.] About this place.

For all this same, I'll hide me hereabout; His looks I fear, and his intent I doubt. Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul.

HE'REABOUTS. adv. [here and about.] About this place.

I saw hereabouts nothing remarkable, except Augustus's bridge. Addison on Italy. HEREA'FTER. adv. [here and after.]

1. In time to come; in futurity.

How worthy he is, I will leave to appear hereafter, rather than story him in his own hearing. Shakspeare.

The grand-child, with twelve sons increas'd, de-

From Canaan, to a land hereafter call'd Egypt. Milton, P. L.

Hereafter he from war shall come, And bring his Trojans peace. Dryden. 2. In a future state.

You shall be happy here, and more happy hereafter.

HEREA'FTER. † n. s. A future state. This is a figurative noun, not to be used but in poetry, Dr. Johnson says; citing only the examples from Addison's Cato, and from Prior. Yet it is finely employed

in prose.
'Tis the divinity that stirs within us; 'Tis Heaven itself that points out an hereafter, And intimates eternity to man. Addison, Cato.

He supersedes every little prospect of gain and advantage which offers itself here, if he does not find it consistent with his views of an hereafter. Addison, Spect. No. 225.

The mind that is habituated to the lively sense of an hereafter, can hope for what is the most terrifying to the generality of mankind, and rejoice in what is the most afflicting. Tatler, No. 156. I still shall wait

Some new hereafter, and a future state. HEREA'T. adv. [here and at.] At this.

One man coming to the tribune, to receive his donative, with a garland in his hand, the tribune, offended hereat, demanded what this singularity could mean?

HEREBY'. adv. [here and by.] By this. In what estate the fathers rested, which were dead before, it is not hereby either one way or

other determined. Hooker. Hereby the Moors are not excluded by beauty,

there being in this description no consideration of Brown. The acquisition of truth is of infinite concern-

ment: hereby we become acquainted with the nature of things. Watts. HERE'DITABLE. adj. [hæres, Lat.] That

may be occupied as inheritance. Adam being neither a monarch, nor his imaginary monarchy hereditable, the power which is now in the world is not that which was Adam's. Locke.

HE'REDITAMENT. † n. s. [hæredium, Lat.] A law term denoting inheritance, or he-

reditary estate. Hereditament, says Sir Edward Coke, includes not only lands and tenements, but whatsoever may be inherited, be it corporeal or incorporeal, real,

personal, or mixed. Blackstone. HERE'DITARILY, † adv. [from hereditary.]

By inheritance.

In this kingdom such were hereditarily honoured Selden on Drayton's Polyolb. S. 11. Titular respects, which those who are really and

hereditarily possessed of, can wield without any such taint or suspicion of transportedness. Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 420.

Here is another, who thinks one of the greatest glories of his father was to have distinguished and loved you, and who loves you hereditarily.

HERE'DITARY. adj. [hereditaire, Fr.; hæreditarius, Lat. Possessed or claimed by right of inheritance; descending by inheritance.

To thee and thine, hereditary ever, Remain this ample third of our fair kingdom.

These old fellows Have their ingratitude in them hereditary. Shaks. He shall ascend

The throne hereditary, and bound his reign With earth's wide bounds, his glory with the heavens. Milton, P. L.

Thus while the mute creation downward bend Their sight, and to their earthly mother tend, Man looks aloft, and with erected eyes

Beholds his own hereditary skies. Dryden, Ovid. When heroick verse his youth shall raise,

And form it to hereditary praise. Dryden, Virg. HEREI'N. adv. [here and in.] In this.

How highly soever it may please them with words of truth to extol sermons, they shall not herein offend us.

My best endeavours shall be done herein.

Shakspeare. Since truths, absolutely necessary to salvation, are so clearly revealed that we cannot err in them, unless we be notoriously wanting to ourselves, herein the fault of the judgement is resolved into a precedent default in the will. South.

HEREI'NTO. adv. [here and into.] Into this.

Because the point about which we strive is the quality of our laws, our first entrance hereinto cannot better be made than with consideration of the nature of law in general.

HEREO'F. adv. [here and of.] From this;

Hereof comes it that prince Harry is valiant. Shaksneare.

HEREO'N. adv. [here and on.] Upon this. If we should strictly insist hereon, the possibility Brown, Vulg. Err. might fall into question.

HEREO'UT. adv. [here and out.] 1. Out of this place.

A bird all white, well feather'd on each wing, Hereout up to the throne of God did fly. Spenser

2. All the words compounded of here and a preposition, except hereafter, are obsolete, or obsolescent; never used in poetry, and seldom in prose, by elegant writers, though perhaps not unworthy to be retained.

HE'REMITE.* n. s. See EREMITE. A hermit.

Heremites, and other votaries, professing only votion.

Bp. Hall, Select Thoughts, § 85. HEREMI'TICAL. adj. [It should be written eremitical, from eremite, of έρημος, a desert; heremitique, French.] Solitary; suitable to a hermit.

You describe so well your heremitical state of life, that none of the ancient anchorites could go beyond you for a cave in a rock.

HE'RESIARCH. n. s. [heresiarque, French; αίρεσις and ἀρχη.] A leader in heresy; the head of a herd of hereticks.

The pope declared him not only an heretick, but an heresiarch. Stillingfleet. He'resiarchy.* n. s. [from heresiarch.]

Principal heresy.

The book itself [the Alcoran] consists of heresiarchies against our Blessed Saviour.

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 323. HE'RESY. n. s. [heresie, French; hæresis, Latin; aspers. An opinion of private men different from that of the catholick and orthodox church.

Heresy prevaileth only by a counterfeit shew of reason, whereby notwithstanding it becometh invincible, unless it be convicted of fraud by manifest remonstrance clearly true, and unable to be with-

As for speculative heresies, they work mightily upon men's wits; yet do not produce great alterations in states.

Let the truth of that religion I profess be represented to her judgement, not in the odious disguises of levity, schism, heresy, novelty, cruelty, and disloyalty. King Charles.

HE'RETICK. n. s. [heretique, French;

1. One who propagates his private opinions in opposition to the catholick church.

These things would be prevented, if no known heretick or schismatick be suffered to go into those

No hereticks desire to spread Their wild opinions like these Epicures. Davies. Bellarmin owns, that he has quoted a heretick stead of a father.

Baker on Learning. instead of a father.

When a Papist uses the word hereticks, he generally means Protestants; when a Protestant uses the word, he means any persons wilfully and contentiously obstinate in fundamental errours.

Watts, Logick.

2. It is or has been used ludicrously for any one whose opinion is erroneous. I rather will suspect the sun with cold

Than thee with wantonness; thy honour stands, In him that was of late an heretick, As firm as faith.

Shakspeare. HERE'TICAL. adj. [from heretick.] Containing heresy.

How exclude they us from being any part of the church of Christ under the colour of heresy, when they cannot but grant it possible, even for him to be, as touching his own personal persuasion, heretical, who in their opinion not only is of the church, but holdeth the chiefest place of authority over the same?

Constantinople was in an uproar, upon an ignorant jealousy that those words had some heretical Decay of Piety.

HERE'TICALLY. adv. [from heretical.] With

He'reтосн.* n. s. [Sax. hepetoza, from hepe, an army, and teon, to lead.] A general; a leader of an army. Obsolete.

In the time of our Saxon ancestors, as appears from Edward the Confessor's laws, the military force of this kingdom was in the hands of the dukes or heretochs.

HERETO'. adv. [here and to.] To this; add to this.

HERETOFO'RE. adv. [hereto and fore.] Formerly; anciently.

I have long desired to know you heretofore, with honouring your virtue, though I love not your Sidney.

So near is the connection between the civil state and religious, that heretofore you will find the government and the priesthood united in the same We now can form no more

Long schemes of life, as heretofore. Swift.

HEREUNTO'. adv. [here and unto.] To

They which rightly consider after what sort the heart of man hereunto is framed, must of necessity acknowledge, that whose assenteth to the words of eternal life, doth it in regard of his authority whose words they are.

Agreeable hereunto might not be amiss to make children often to tell a story of any thing they

HEREUPO'N.* adv. [here and upon.] Upon

The melancholy silence that follows hereupon raises in the spectators a grief that is inexpressible. Tatler, No.133.

HEREWI'TH. adv. [here and with.] With

You, fair sir, be not herewith dismaid, But constant keep the way in which ye stand.

Herewith the castle of Hame was suddenly surprised by the Scots. Hayward.

HE'RIOT.† n. s. [hepezilo, Sax. Dr. Johnson. The Saxon hepezilo was military tribute; and hepezeat, which some derive from hepe, an army, and zeocan, to render, to pay, was the military assistance formerly supplied by the vassal to his lord. A fine paid to the lord at the death of a landholder, sometimes the HERME TICK. best thing in the landholder's possession; usually, a beast.

This he detains from the ivy; for he should be the true possessory lord thereof, but the olive dispenseth with his conscience to pass it over with a compliment and an heriot every year.

Howell, Voc. Forest.

Though thou consume but to renew, Yet love, as lord, doth claim a heriot due.

I took him up, as your heriot, with intention to have made the best of him, and then have brought the whole produce of him in a purse to you. Dryden, Don Sebastian.

HE'RIOTABLE: * adj. [from heriot.] Subject to the demand of an heriot.

The tenants are chiefly customary and heriotable.

Burn, Hist. Cumb. and Westm. i. 174.

HE'RITABLE.† adj. [old French, heritable; from hæres, Lat.] Capable to inherit whatever may be inherited.

By the canon law this son shall be legitimate and heritable, according to the laws of England. Hale's Common Law.

HE'RITAGE. † n. s. [heritage, French. Not often found in the plural.]

1. Inheritance; estate devolved by succession; estate in general.

Let us our father's heritage divide. Spenser, Hubb. Tale.

To cause to inherit the desolate heritages. Isaiah, xlix. 8.

He considers that his proper home and heritage is in another world, and therefore regards the events of this with the indifference of a guest that Rogers. tarries but a day.

2. [In divinity.] The people of God. O Lord, save thy people, and bless thine heritage.

Common Prayer. HERMAPHRODE'ITY.* n. s. [from hermaphrodite.] The being in the state of

Some do believe harmaphrodeity, That both do act and suffer. B. Jonson, Alchem.

HERMA'PHRODITE. n. s. [hermaphrodite, Fr. from έρμης and ἀφροδίτη.] An animal uniting two sexes.

Man and wife make but one right

an hermaphrodite.

Cleaveland. Canonical hermaphrodite. Monstrosity could not incapacitate from marriage, witness hermaphrodites. Arbuthnot and Pope.

HERMAPHRODITICAL. † adj. [from hermaphrodite.] Partaking of both sexes.

[These ladies] cry down, or up, what they like or dislike in a brain of fashion, with most masculine, or rather hermaphroditical, authority.

B. Jonson, Epicæne. There may be equivocal seeds and hermaphroditical principles, that contain the radicality of

There is another kind of occasional dress in use among the ladies; I mean the riding habit, which some have not injudiciously styled the hermaphroditical, by reason of its masculine and feminine composition. Guardian, No. 149.

HERMAPHRODYTICALLY.* adv. [from her- HE'RMITARY.* n. s. [from hermit.] A maphroditical. After the manner of both sexes.

Unite not the vices of both sexes in one; be not monstrous in iniquity, nor hermaphroditically Brown, Chr. Mor. i. 31.

HERMAPHRODI'TICK.* adj. [from hermaphrodite.] Partaking of both sexes. Look on me, and with all thine eyes,

Male, female, yea hermaphroditick eyes

B. Jonson, Staple of News. HERME'TICAL.† adj. [from Hermes, HERME'TICK.] or Mercury, the imagined inventor of chymistry; her-

metique, French.] Chymical. Their seals, their characters, hermetick rings, Their gem of riches, and bright stone that brings

B. Jonson, Underwoods. Invisibility. An hermetical seal, or to seal any thing hermetically, is to heat the neck of a glass till it is just ready to melt, and then with a pair of hot pincers Quincy. to twist it close together.

The tube was closed at one end with diachylon, instead of an hermetical seal.

HERME'TICALLY. adv. [from hermetical.] According to the hermetical or chymick

He suffered those things to putrefy in hermetically sealed glasses, and vessels close covered with paper; and not only so, but in vessels covered with fine lawn, so as to admit the air and keep out the insects; no living thing was ever produced

HE'RMIT. n. s. [hermite, French; contracted from eremite, eenuitns.]

1. A solitary; an anchoret; one who retires from society to contemplation and devotion.

A wither'd hermit, fivescore winters worn,

Might shake off fifty looking in her eye. Shaksp. You lay this command upon me, to give you my poor advice for your carriage in so eminent a place: I humbly return you mine opinion, such as an hermit rather than a courtier can render.

Bacon, Advice to Villiers. He had been duke of Savoy, and after a very glorious reign, took on him the habit of a hermit, and retired into this solitary spot. Add. on Italy. 2. A beadsman; one bound to pray for

another. Improper.

For those of old, And the late dignities heap'd up to them, Shakspeare. We rest your hermits.

HE'RMITAGE. n. s. [hermitage, French.] The cell or habitation of a hermit.

By that painful way they pass Forth to an hill, that was both steep and high; On top whereof a sacred chapel was, And eke a little hermitage thereby. Spenser, F.Q. Go with speed

To some forlorn and naked hermitage, Remote from all the pleasures of the world. Shakspeare.

And may at last my weary age Find out the peaceful hermitage, The hairy gown and mossy cell, Where I may sit and rightly spell

Of every star that heaven doth shew, And every herb that sips the dew. Milt. Il Pens. About two leagues from Fribourg we went to see a hermitage: it lies in the prettiest solitude

imaginable, among woods and rocks.

HE'RMITAGE.* n. s. A French wine.

By the infusion of three drops out of one of his phials, he converted it into a most beautiful pale Burgundy. Two more of the same kind heightened it into a perfect Languedoc; from thence it passed into a florid Hermitage.

Addison, Tatler, No. 131.

religious cell, annexed to some abbey. This is sometimes written hermitage.

Chapels, monasteries, hermitaries, nunneries, and other religious houses. Howell, Lett. ii. 77.

HE'RMITESS. † n. s. [from hermit. Written hermitresse, by Drummond; from the Fr. hermitresse, Cotgrave and Sherwood.] A woman retired to devotion.

Here she stay'd; among these pines, Sweet hermitress, she did alone repair.

Drummond, Sonnets. The violet is truly the hermitess of flowers,

affecting woods and forests. Partheneia Sacra, (1633,) p. 38. HERMI'TICAL. † adj. [from hermit.] Suit-

able to a hermit.

You would have me resolve the hermitical and austere character into a timid, gloomy, and phleg-Coventry, Phil. to Hyd. Conv. 1.

HE'RMODACTYL. n. s. [έρμῆς and δάκλυλος.] Hermodactyl is a root of a determinate and regular figure, and represents the common figure of a heart cut in two, from half an inch to an inch in length. This drug was first brought into medicinal use by the Arabians, and comes from Egypt and Syria, where the people use them, while fresh, as a vomit or purge; and have a way of roasting them for food, which they eat in order to make themselves fat. The dried roots are a gentle purge, now little used.

Hill, Mat. Med. HERN. n. s. [Contracted from Heron,

which see.] Birds that are most easy to be drawn are the

mallard, swan, hern, and bittern.

Peacham on Drawing. HE'RNHILL. n. s. [hern and hill.] An herb. Ainsworth.

HE'RNIA. n. s. [Lat.] Any kind of rupture, diversified by the name of the part affected.

A hernia would certainly succeed. Wiseman, Surgery.

HE'RNSHAW.* n. s. [from heron; and written also hernsew, and heronshaw, whence the vulgar corruption handsaw, noticed by Warburton in one of the following examples. It is likewise written heronsew: from heron and sue, for pursue; from the propensity of the bird to pursue fish. Skinner. Craven Dialect. A heron.

As when a cast of faulcons make their flight At an hern shaw, that lies aloft on wing, The whyles they strike at him with heedlesse

might The warie foule his bill doth backward wring.

Spenser, F. Q. vi. vii. 9. Like a tame hernsew. B. Jonson, Staple of News. "I know a hawk from a handsaw." Shakspeare's

Hamlet. This was a common proverbial speech. The Oxford editor alters it to "I know a hawk from an hernshaw;" as if the other had been a corruption of the players; whereas the poet found the proverb thus corrupted in the mouth of the people: so that the critick's alteration only serves to shew us the original of the expression. Warburton.

HE'RO. n. s. [heros, Latin; ἡρως.] 1. A man eminent for bravery.

I sing of heroes and of kings, In mighty numbers mighty things.

Cowley.

Heroes in animated marble frown. In this view he ceases to be an hero, and his return is no longer a virtue. Pope on the Odyss. These are thy honours, not that here thy bust Is mix'd with heroes, or with kings thy dust.

2. A man of the highest class in any respect; as, a hero in learning.

HE'ROESS. n. s. [from hero; herois, Lat.] A heroine; a female hero. Not in use. In which were held, by sad decease,

Heroes and heroesses. HERO'ICAL. adj. [from hero.] an hero; noble; illustrious; heroick.

Musidorus was famous over all Asia for his heroical enterprizes. Sidney. Though you have courage in an heroical degree, I ascribe it to you as your second attribute.

HERO'ICALLY. adv. [from heroical.] After the way of a hero; suitably to an hero. Not heroically in killing his tyrannical cousin.

Free from all meaning, whether good or bad; And, in one word, heroically mad. Dryden. HERO'ICK. + adj. [from hero; heroique, Fr.] 1. Productive of heroes.

Bolingbroke From John of Gaunt doth bring his pedigree,

Being but the fourth of that heroick line. Shaksp. 2. Noble; suitable to an hero; brave; magnanimous; intrepid; enterprising; illustrious.

Not that which justly gives heroick name To person or to poem.

Verse makes heroick virtue live, But you can life to verses give. Waller.

3. Reciting the acts of heroes. Used of HE'RONSHAW. poetry

Methinks heroick poesy, till now,

Like some fantastick fairy land did show. Cowley. I have chosen the most heroick subject which any poet could desire: I have taken upon me to describe the motives, the beginning, progress and successes of a most just and necessary war.

Dryden. An heroick poem is the greatest work which the soul of man is capable to perform: the design of it is to form the mind to heroick virtue by

4. Denoting that kind of verse, in which heroick or epick poems are usually composed.

The measure is English heroick verse without rime, as that of Homer in Greek, and of Virgil Milton, Introduct. to P. L.

HERO'ICK.* n.s. An heroick verse; which consists, in our poetry, of ten feet.

The Latin hexameter has more feet than the English heroick. Dryden.

HERO'ICKLY. adv. [from heroick.] Suitably to an hero. Heroically is more frequent, and more analogical. Samson hath quit himself

Like Samson, and heroickly hath finish'd A life heroick. Milton.

HEROICO'MICAL.* \ adj. [from hero and HEROICO'MICK. comical.] Consisting of a mixture of dignity and levity.

He offended Pope, by adopting the machinery of his sylphs, in an hervicomical poem.

Dr. Warton, Essay on Pope. The Rape of the Lock, now before us, is the fourth, and most excellent of the heroicomic poems. Dr. Warton, Essay on Pope.

HE'ROINE. n. s. [from hero; heroine, Fr.] A female hero. Anciently, according to English analogy, heroess.

But inborn worth, that fortune can controul, New-strung, and stiffer bent her softer soul; The heroine assum'd the woman's place, Confirm'd her mind, and fortify'd her face. Dryd.

Then shall the British stage More noble characters expose to view, And draw her finish'd heroines from you.

HE'ROISM. n. s. [heroisme, Fr.] The qualities or character of an hero.

If the Odyssey be less noble than the Iliad, it is more instructive: the Iliad abounds with more heroism, this with more morality.

Broome, Notes to the Odyssey.

HE'RON. n. s. [heron, Fr.] 1. A bird that feeds upon fish.

So lords, with sport of stag and heron full, Sometimes we see small birds from nests do pull.

The heron, when she soareth high, sheweth Bacon.

2. It is now commonly pronounced hern. The tow'ring hawk let future poets sing, Who terror bears upon his soaring wing;

Let them on high the frighted hern survey, And lofty numbers paint their airy fray.

HE'RONRY. † n. s. [from heron; commonly pronounced hernry. Dr. Johnson joins heronshaw with this word as denoting place, without any authority; and it is believed to be used only of the bird. See Hernshaw.] A place where herons breed.

They carry their load to a large heronry above three miles. Derham, Physico-Theology.

HE'RONSEW.* n. s. See Hernshaw.

HE'ROSHIP.* n. s. [from hero.] The character of a hero, jocularly speaking. [He,] his three years of heroship expir'd,

Returns indignant to the slighted plow. Cowper, Task, B. 4.

HE'RPES. n. s. [ἔρπης.] A cutaneous inflammation of two kinds: miliaris, or the skin; and exedens, which is more corrosive and penetrating, so as to form little ulcers. Quincu.

A farther progress towards acrimony maketh a herpes; and, if the access of acrimony be very great, it maketh an herpes exedens.

Wiseman, Surgery. HE'RPETICK.* adj. [Gr. έρπείδς.] Creeping: a modern word applied to the eruptions occasioned by the disease herpes.

To HE'RPLE.* v. n. [perhaps from the Teut. erpel, a duck. See Craven Dialect.] To limp in walking; to go lame. A northern word. Grose writes it hir-

HERRICA'NO.* See HURRICANE.

HE'RRING. † n. s. [old Fr. hairang, harenc; Sax. heping, hepinc; probably from hepe, a troop, an army, as Serenius and others suppose; these fish usually appearing together in large numbers.] sea-fish.

The coast is plentifully stored with round fish, pilchard, herring, mackrel, and cod.

Carew, Surv. of Cornwall. Buy my herring fresh.

HERS. pron. The female possessive, used when it refers to a substantive going before: as, this her house, this house is hers. .. See HER.

How came her eyes so bright? not with salt

If so, my eyes are oft'ner wash'd than hers. Shakspeare.

Whom ill fate would ruin it prefers; For all the miserable are made hers. Waller. I see her rolling eyes;

And panting, lo! the god, the god, she cries; With words not hers, and more than human sound, She makes th' obedient ghosts peep trembling through the ground. Roscommon.

HE'RSAL.* See HEARSAL.

HERSE. † n. s. [hersia, low Lat. supposed to come from hepian, to praise. Dr. Johnson. — See, however, HEARSE.]

1. A temporary monument raised over a grave. See HEARSE.

A grave; a coffin. See HEARSE.

The carriage in which corpses are

drawn to the grave.

On all the line a sudden vengeance waits, And frequent herses shall besiege your gates

4. [French, herce.] A kind of portcullis, in fortification, stuck full of iron spikes. This is not written hearse.

To Herse. v. a. [from the noun.] To put into an herse; to enclose. See To HEARSE.

The Grecians spritefully drew from the darts the corse

And hers'd it, bearing it to fleet. The house is hers'd about with a black wood, Which nods with many a heavy-headed tree.

Crashaw.

HERSELF. pronoun. 1. A female individual, as distinguished

from others. The jealous o'erworn widow and herself, Since that our brother dubb'd them gentlewomen,

Are mighty gossips in this monarchy. Shakspeare. Being in her own power; mistress of her own thoughts.

The more she looks, the more her fears increase, At nearer sight; and she's herself the less. Dryd. pustularis, which is like millet-seed upon 3. The oblique case of the reciprocal pro-

noun; as, she hurt herself. The daughter of Pharaoh came down to wash herself. Exodus She returned answer to herself. Judges.

He'rselike.† adj. [herse and like.] Fu. nereal; suitable to funerals. HEARSELIKE.

To HE'RY. v.a. [hepian, Sax. to praise, to celebrate.] To hallow; to regard as holy. Now no longer in use.

Thenot, now nis the time of merrymake, Nor Pan to hery, nor with Love to play; Sike mirth in May is meetest for to make,

Or summer shade, under the cocked hay. Spenser, Shep. Cat.

But were thy years green, as now bene mine, -Then wouldst thou learn to carol of love, And hery with hymns thy lass's glove.

Spenser, Shep. Cal.

HE'SITANCY. n. s. [from hesitate.] Dubiousness; uncertainty; suspense.

The reason of my hesitancy about the air is, that I forgot to try whether that liquor, which shot into crystals, exposed to the air, would not have done the like in a vessel accurately stopped.

Some of them reasoned without doubt or hesitancy, and lived and died in such a manner as to shew that they believed their own reasonings. Atterbury.

HE'SITANT. * adj. [from hesitate.] Pausing; wanting volubility of speech.

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He was a man of no quick utterance, but often f hesitant; but spake with great reason.

Baxter's Life and Times, P. III. p. 47.
To HE'SITATE. v. a. [hæsito, Latin; hesiter, Fr. 7 To be doubtful; to delay; to pause; to make difficulty.

A spirit of revenge makes him curse the Grecians in the seventh book, when they hesitate to accept Hector's challenge.

Willing to wound, and yet afraid to strike, Just hint a fault, and hesitate dislike; Alike reserv'd to blame or to commend, A tim'rous foe, and a suspicious friend. Pone.

HESITA'TION. n. s. [from hesitate.]

1. Doubt : uncertainty : difficulty made. I cannot foresee the difficulties and hesitations of every one: they will be more or fewer, according to the capacity of each peruser.

Woodward, Nat. Hist. 2. Intermission of speech; want of volu-

Many clergymen write in so diminutive a manner, with such frequent blots and interlineations, that they are hardly able to go on without perpetual hesitations.

HE'SKY.* See HUSKY.

HEST. † n. s. [hært, Saxon, one of our oldest words, from the Goth. haitan, to command; written also heast. Wicliffe uses it.7 Command; precept; injunction. Obsolete, or written behest.

The sacred things and holy heastes foretaught. Spenser, F. Q.

Thou dost afflict the not deserver, As him that doth thy lovely hests despise. Spenser.

Thou wast a spirit too delicate To act her earthy and abhorr'd commands, Refusing her grand hests. Shaksneare.

He'stern.* See Yester.

HE'TERARCHY.* n. s. [έτερος, another, and άρχη, command, Gr.] The government of an alien.

It is a joy to think we have a king of our own; our own blood; our own religion; - otherwise, next to anarchy, is heterarchy; neither do we find much difference betwixt having no head at all, and having another man's head on our shoulders. Bp. Hall, Serm. Christ and Cæsar.

HE'TEROCLITE. † n. s. [heteroclite, Fr. heteroclitum, Latin; έτερος and κλίνω.]

1. Such nouns as vary from the common forms of declension, by any redundancy, defect, or otherwise, are called hetero-Clarke.

2. Any thing or person deviating from the common rule.

Heteroclites, which no new hospital can hold, no physick help.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. To the Reader. There are strange heteroclites in religion now-adays. Howell, Lett. iv. 35.

Here only riddles be, And heteroclites in physiognomy.

Cleaveland, Poems, &c. p. 32. The example will, I believe, be found an heteroclite, and to stand alone in the history of nature. Spencer on Prod. p. 160.

HE'TEROCLITE.* adj.

1. Denoting nouns varying from the common forms of declension.

The heteroclite nouns of the Latin should not be touched in the first learning of the rudiments of the tongue.

2. Deviating from common rules; singular. Upon a general view of his poetry, we shall find him, as in his other performances, an uncommon, surprising, heteroclite genius.

Orrery on Swift, p. 120.

against the mortification that may be given him by fools, or héteroclite characters, because he cannot foresee them. Shenstone

HETEROCLI'TICAL. adj. [from heteroclite.] Deviating from the common rule.

In the mention of sins heteroclitical, and such as want either name or precedent, there is oft times a sin, even in their histories. Brown, Vulg. Err.

HETERO'CLITOUS.* adj. [from heteroclite.] Varying from grammatical declension. Parrot-like, repeating heteroclitous nouns and

Sir W. Petty, Advice to Hartlib, (1648,) p. 23.

HE'TERODOX. adj. [heterodoxe, French; ετεξος and δόξα.] Deviating from the established opinion; not orthodox.

Partiality may be observed in some to vulgar, in others to heterodox tenets.

He'TERODOX. n. s. An opinion peculiar. Not only a simple heterodox, but a very hard paradox it will seem, and of great absurdity, if we say attraction is unjustly appropriated unto the Brown, Vulg. Err.

HE'TERODOXY.* n. s. [from heterodox.] The quality of being heterodox.

Pelagianism and Socinianism, with several other heterodoxies cognate to, and dependant upon them. South, Dedic. of his Serm. to the Univ. of Oxford. Heterodoxies, false doctrines, yea and heresies may be propagated by prayer as well as preaching. Bp. Bull, Works, ii. 562.

HE'TEROGENE.* adj. [heterogene, Fr. erepos and yévos, Gr.] Not of the same kind; dissimilar.

An old French hood, And other pieces, heterogene enough.

B. Jonson, New Inn. All the guests are so meer heterogene,

And strangers, no man knows another. B. Jonson, Magn. Lady.

HETEROGE'NEAL. † adj. [heterogene, Fr.] Not of the same nature; not kindred.

Let the body adjacent and ambient be not commaterial, but merely heterogeneal towards the body that is to be preserved: such are quicksilver and white amber to herbs and flies. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Whatsoever next presents itself, his heavy conceit seizeth upon, and goeth along with, however

heterogeneal to his matter in hand.

Donne, Charact. of a Dunce. The light, whose rays are all alike refrangible, I call simple, homogeneal, and similar; and that whose rays are some more refrangible than others, I call compound, heterogeneal, and dissimilar.

HETEROGENE'ITY. n. s. [heterogeneité, Fr. from heterogeneous.]

1. Opposition of nature; contrariety of dissimilitude of qualities.

2. Opposite or dissimilar part.

Guaiacum, burnt with an open fire in a chimney, is sequestered into ashes and soot; whereas the same wood, distilled in a retort, does yield far other heterogeneities, and is resolved into oil, spirit, vinegar, water, and charcoal.

HETEROGE'NEOUS. † adj. [ετερος and γένος.] Not kindred; opposite or dissimilar in nature; which cannot be arranged one under another.

That which may be added to, or substracted from, a right-lined angle, is homogeneous to it: because heterogeneous quantities are not capable of addition or subduction

Wallis, Correct. of Hobbes, § 4. I have observed such heterogeneous bodies, which I found included in the mass of this sandstone.

Woodward.

It is impossible for a man of sense to guard | HETEROGE'NEOUSNESS.* n. s. [from heterogeneous.] Dissimilitude in nature; contrariety of parts.

HETERO'SCIAN.* adj. [έτερος and σκία, Gr.] Having the shadow only one way. See HETEROSCIANS.

The noon-shadows are heteroscian.

Gregory, Posthum. (1650,) p. 300.

HETERO'SCIANS. n. s. [έτερος and σκία.] Those whose shadows fall only one way, as the shadows of us who live north of the Tropick fall at noon always to the

HE'TTER.* adj. Eager; earnest; keen. A northern word. Grose, and Brockett. Perhaps from hot, the latter observes.

To HEW. v.a. part. hewn or hewed. [heavan, Sax. hauwen, Dutch. 7

1. To cut by blows with an edged instrument; to hack.

Upon the joint the lucky steal did light, And made such way that hew'd it quite in twain. Snenser.

I had purpose Once more to hew thy target from thy brawn,

Or lose my arm for't. Shakspeare. He was hewn in pieces by Hamilton's friends. Hayward.

One Vane was so grievously hewn, that many thousands have died of less than half his hurts, whereof he was cured. Hayward.

2. To chop; to cut.

He from deep wells with engines water drew, And us'd his noble hands the wood to hew.

3. To cut, as with an axe: with the par-

ticles down, when it signifies to fell; up, to excavate from below; off, to separate. He that depends

Upon your favours, swims with fins of lead, And hews down oaks with rushes. Shaksp. Coriol.

Brave followers, yonder stands the thorny wood, Which, by the heav'n's assistance and your strength, Must by the roots be hewn up yet ere night. Shekspeare, Hen. VI.

Scarce can I speak, my choler is so great: Oh! I could hew up rocks, and fight with flint.

Yet shall the axe of justice hew him down, And level with the root his lofty crown. Sandus. He, from the mountain hewing timber tall, Began to build a vessel of huge bulk.

Milton, P. L. We'll force the gate where Marcus keeps his And hew down all that would oppose our passage.

4. To form or shape with an axe: with

Thou hast hewed thee out a sepulchre here, as

he that hewed him out a sepulchre on high. Isa. xxii. 16.

Nor is it so proper to hew out religious reformations by the sword, as to polish them by fair and equal disputations. ual disputations.

K. Charles.

This river rises in the very heart of the Alps,

and has a long valley that seems hewn out on purpose to give its waters a passage amidst so many rocks. Addison on Italy.

5. To form laboriously.

The gate was adamant; eternal frame; Which, hew'd by Mars himself, from Indian quar-

ries came, The labour of a god.

" Dryden, Fab. Next unto bricks are preferred the square hewn Mortimer. I now pass my days, not studious nor idle, ra-

ther polishing old works than hewing out new.

Pope to Swift.

HEW.* n. s. [from the verb.]

1. Destruction by cutting down. Then to the rest his wrathfull hand he bends; Of whom he makes such havock and such hew, That swarms of damned soules to hell he sends. Spenser, F. Q. vi. viii. 49.

2. Colour. So hue was formerly written. See Hue.

He'wer. † n. s. [from hew.] One whose employment is to cut wood or stone.

From the hewer of thy wood unto the drawer of Deut. xxix. 11. And Solomon had forescore thousand hewers in the mountains. 1 Kings, v. 15.

That is, hewers of stone; for timber was hewed by Hiram's servants in Lebanon. He'xachorp.* n. s. [έξ and χορδή, Gr.]

In musick, a concord, commonly called

HEXAE'DRON.* n. s. [έξ and έδρα, Gr.] In

geometry, a cube. HE/XAGON. n.s. [hexagone, French; % sive sides or and youla.] A figure of six sides or angles: the most capacious of all the figures that can be added to each other without any interstice; and therefore the cells in honeycombs are of that form. HEXA'GONAL. adj. [from hexagon.] Having six sides or corners.

As for the figures of crystal, it is for the most part hexagonal, or six-cornered. Many of them shoot into regular figures; as crystal and bastard diamonds into hexagonal. Ray.

HEXA'GONY. n. s. [from hexagon.] A figure of six angles.

When I read in St. Ambrose of hexagonies, or sexangular cellars of bees, did I therefore conclude that they were mathematicians?

Bp. Bramhall against Hobbes.

HEXA'METER. n. s. [εξ and μέτρον.] A verse of six feet.

The Latin hexameter has more feet than the English heroick.

HEXA'METER.* adj. Having six metrical feet.

Like Ovid's Fasti, in hexameter and pentameter Dr. Warton, Ess. on Pope HEXAME'TRICAL.* adj. Consisting of HEXA'METRICK, hexameters.

That Ovid among the Latin poets was Milton's favourite, appears not only from his elegiac but

Warton, Pref. to Milton's Sm. Poems. I have already cited his version of Naogeorgus's hexametrical poem. Warton, Hist. E. P. iii. 458.

HE'XAPEDE.* n.s. [εξ, Gr. and pedes, Lat.] | HIA'TUS. n.s. [hiatus, Lat.] A fathom. Cockeram. HEXA'NGULAR. adj. [# and angulus, Lat.]

Having six corners.

Hexangular sprigs or shoots of crystal,

HE'XAPOD. n. s. [έξ and πόδες.] An animal with six feet.

I take those to have been the hexapods, from which the greater sort of beetles come; for that sort of hexapods are eaten in America,

HEXAS'TICK.† n. s. Γέξ and ςίχος, Gr. Usually written hexastick; but hexastich would be more correct. It was formerly hexastichon.] A poem of six lines.

His request to Diana in an hexastich. Selden on Drayton's Polyolb. S. 1.

That famous hexastick which Sannazarius made. Howell, Lett. i. i. 36. ... The following hexastic on a similar subject, is of the same rude period. Warton, Hist. E. P. i. 30, HE'XASTYLE.* n. s. [¿ and sulos, Gr.] In [architecture, a building with six columns in front.

HEY. interj. [from high.] An expression of joy, or mutual exhortation: the contrary to the Latin hei.

Shadwell from the town retires, To bless the wood with peaceful lyrick:

Then hey for praise and panegyrick. Prior. HEY.* See, under HAY, To dance the

HAY, and also HEYDEGUY. HE'YDAY. † interj. [for high day.] An expression of frolick and exultation, and

sometimes of wonder; pronounced high-'Twas a strange riddle of a lady,

Not love, if any lov'd her, heyday ! Hudibras. HE'YDAY. n. s. A frolick; wildness. At your age

The heyday in the blood is tame, it's humble, And waits upon the judgement. Shaksneare.

He'ydeguy. † n. s. [perhaps from heyday, and guise, meaning in a frolick manner; or from hay, in the sense of dancing the hay, i. e. in a figure or company of eight, huit, Fr. Dr. Johnson merely notices this word as if it were heydegive, and corrupts the example in Spenser accordingly. There is no such word as heydegives.] A kind of dance; a country-dance, or round, as the contemporary commentator on Spenser explains it.

Friendly Faeries, met with many Graces, And lightfoot Nymphs, can chase the lingring night With heydeguyes and trimly trodden traces.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. June.
Our banquet done, we had our musick by,
And then, you know, the youth must needs go dance.

First, galliards; then, larousse; and heidegy Breton's Works of a Young Wit, (1577.) The nimble Cambrian rills

Dance hy-day-gies amongst the hills. Drayton, Polyolb. S. 5. Arg. By wells and rills, in meadowes greene,

We nightly dance our hey-day guise.

Old Song of Robin Goodfellow.

HE'YWARD.* See HAYWARD.

HIA'TION. n. s. [from hio, Lat.] The act of gaping.

Men observing the continual hiation, or holding open the camelion's mouth, conceive the intention thereof to receive the aliment of air; but this is also occasioned by the greatness of the lungs. Brown, Vulg. Err.

1. An aperture; a gaping breach.

Those hiatuses are at the bottom of the sea, whereby the abyss below opens into and communicates with it.

2. The opening of the mouth by the succession of an initial to a final vowel.

The hiatus should be avoided with more care in poetry than in oratory; and I would try to prevent it, unless where the cutting off is more prejudicial to the sound than the hiatus itself.

HIBE'RNAL: adj. [hibernus, Lat.] Belonging to the winter.

This star should rather manifest its warming power in the winter, when it remains conjoined with the sun in its hibernal conversion.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

HIBE'RNIAN.* n. s. [Hibernus, from Hibernia, the Latin name of Ireland; Hibernie, old French; Dibepnia, Sax.;

adopted, according to some, from Iberia, and the Iberi, in Spain; according to others from the Celt. ibh, ivar, denoting western.] An Irishman.

There is one Hibernian, whose mind is superior to the general delusion, as his talents and erudition are superior to the antiquarian scribblers of the

present day.

Campbell, Eccl. and Lit. Hist. of Irel. p. 260. HIBE'RNIAN.* adj. Relating to Ireland. HIBE'RNICISM.* n. s. [Lat. Hibernicus.] A mode of speech peculiar to natives of Ireland.

HICCIUS DOCTIUS. n. s. [corrupted, I fancy, from hic est doctus, this or here is the learned man. Used by jugglers of themselves. Dr. Johnson.— The term is supposed to have arisen from the veneration in which the Roman Catholick priests were, in old times, held; the presence of whom, in the assemblies of the people, was announced with the words, hic est doctus! hic est doctus! See Brand's Popular Antiq. vol. ii. p. 417.] A cant word for a juggler; one that plays fast and loose.

An old dull sot, who told the clock For many years at Bridewell dock, At Westminster and Hicks's-hall, And hiccius doctius play'd in all; Where, in all governments and times, H' had been both friend and foe to crimes.

Hudibras. HICCO'UGH. † n. s. [hicken, Danish. Dr. Johnson .- The orthography of this word is very unsettled; some writing hiccup; others, hiccough, hick, hichoc, and hicket. The last is French, hoquet; and base Latin, hoqueta. - Hick is both Danish and Belgick, and may be the British ig also; or may be an abbreviation of any of the rest. Hiccup, or hickup, is the Belgick huckup, as hichoc is their hickhock. Hiccough is so given, because it seems to have something of the nature of a cough. Pegge.-From the Su. Goth. hicka, whence our old word yexing in the same sense.] convulsion of the stomach producing

So by an abbey's skeleton of late I heard an echo supererogate

Through imperfection, and the voice restore, As if she had the hiccough o'er and o'er. Cleaveland.

Sneezing cureth the hiccough, and is profitable unto women in hard labour. Brown, Vulg. Err. If the stomach be hurt, singultus or hiccough Wiseman, Surgery.

To HI'ccough. v. n. [from the noun.] To sob with convulsion of the stomach, To HICKUP. v. n. [corrupted from hic-To sob with a convulsed cough.]

stomach. Quoth he, to bid me not to love.

Is to forbid my pulse to move,

My beard to grow, my ears to prick up, Or, when I'm in a fit, to hickup. Hudibras.

HI'CKWALL.† n. s. A bird; a kind of small woodpecker.

Chambers. HID.† part. pass. of hide. [Sax. hibb, hibbe.]

Thus fame shall be achiev'd, renown on earth; And what most merits fame, in silence hid.

Milton, P. L.

Other hidden cause Left them superiour. Milton, P. L. Nature and nature's laws lay hid in night; God said, Let Newton be, and all was light. Pope.

HI'DDENLY. * adv. [from hidden.] Privily; Cotgrave, and Sherwood. secretly. HI'DAGE.* n. s. [from hide.] A tax formerly laid on every hide of land.

HIDA'LGO.* n. s. [Spanish.] One of

noble birth.

Of all the miseries which he had endured, this was the greatest; that he, an hidalgo, a gentleman of Spain, should live to become a servant.

Terry, Voyage to East Ind. (1655,) p. 169. To HIDE. v. a. preter. hid; part. pass. hid or hidden. [hiban, Sax.] To conceal: to withhold or withdraw from sight or knowledge.

Avaunt, and quit my sight; let the earth hide thee! Shakspeare.

His reasons are as two grains of wheat hid in two bushels of chaff. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. Nile hears him knocking at his sev'nfold gates, And seeks his hidden spring, and fears his nephews' Dryden. fates.

Thus the sire of gods and men below: What I have hidden, hope not thou to know.

The several parts lay hidden in the piece;

The occasion but exerted that, or this. Dryden. Then for my corpse a homely grave provide, Which love and me from publick scorn may hide.

Seas hid with navies, chariots passing o'er The channel, on a bridge from shore to shore.

Dryden. With what astonishment and veneration may we look into our own souls, where there are such hidden stores of virtue and knowledge, such inexhausted sources of perfection! Addison.

The crafty being makes a much longer voyage than Ulysses, puts in practice many more wiles, and hides himself under a greater variety of shapes.

Hell trembles at the sight, and hides its head In utmost darkness, while on earth each heart

Is fill'd with peace. Rowe, Royal Convert. To Hide. v. n. To lie hid; to be concealed.

A fox, hard run, begged of a countryman to help him to some hiding place. L'Estr Our bolder talents in full view display'd; L'Estrange. Your virtues open fairest in the shade:

Bred to disguise, in publick 'tis you hide, Where none distinguish 'twixt your shame and pride,

Weakness or delicacy.

HIDE and SEEK. n. s. A play in which some hide themselves, and another seeks

The boys and girls would venture to come and play at hide and seek in my bair.

Swift, Gulliver's Travels. HIDE. † n. s. [hyse, Sax.; haude, Dutch.]
1. The skin of any animal, either raw or dressed.

The trembling weapon past Through nine bull hides, each under other plac'd On his broad shield. Dryden.

Pisistratus was first to grasp their hands, And spread soft hides upon the yellow sands. Pone.

2. The human skin: in contempt. Oh, tyger's heart, wrapt in a woman's hide ! How could'st thou drain the life-blood of the child? Shakspeare. His mantle, now his hide, with rugged hairs

Cleaves to his back; a famish'd face he bears.

3. A certain quantity of land. [hide, hyde, Fr.; hida, barbarous Latin, as much as "When the realm was first divided into hides, a hide contained 100 acres, that is, 120 according to English measure. -The just value of a hide, that might fit the whole kingdom, never appears from Domesday; and was ever of an uncertain quantity." Kelham on Domesday Book, p. 231.]

One of the first things was a more particular inquisition than had been before of every hide of land within the precincts of his conquest, and how they were holden.

HIDEBOU'ND. + adj. [hide and bound.]

1. A horse is said to be hidebound when his skin sticks so hard to his ribs and back, that you cannot with your hand pull up or loosen the one from the other. It sometimes comes by poverty and bad keeping; at other times from over-riding, or a surfeit. Farrier's Dict.

[In trees.] Being in the state in which the bark will not give way to the

A root of a tree may be hidebound, but it will not keep open without somewhat put into it. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Like stinted hidebound trees, that just have got Sufficient sap at once to bear and rot.

3. Harsh; untractable.

To blot or alter what precisely accords not with the hidebound humour, which he calls his judge-Milton, Areopagitica. And still the harsher and hidebounder

The damsels prove, become the fonder. Hudibras. In detestation of the former, whom they observe to be often absurd and unreasonable, but always hidebound and fantastical.

Goodman, Wint. Ev. Conf. P. i.

4. Niggardly; penurious; parsimonious. He hath wealth; yet he will scarce use it, though to purchase his own health; but sterves his poor hidebound carcass, and impoverisheth his body to enrich his purse.

Stafford's Niobe, (1611,) P. i. p. 91. Hath my purse been hidebound to my hungry Quarles, Judg. & Mer. The Swearer. brother? Cares and sleepless nights tormented with con-

tinual lashings a hidebound miser. Situation of Paradise, &c. (1683,) p. 73.

HI'DEOUS. † adj. [hideux, Fr. Dr. Johnson .- Perhaps from the Icel. heide, a desert, a wild frightful place. Our word at first was hidous: " So hidous is the shoure," i. e. dreadful. Chaucer, Mill. Tale.]

1. Horrible; dreadful; shocking.

If he could have turned himself to as many forms as Proteus, every form should have been made hideous.

Some monster in thy thoughts, Shakspeare, Othello. Too hideous to be shewn. I fled, and cry'd out death ! Hell trembled at the hideous name, and sigh'd From all her caves, and back resounded death. Milton, P. L.

Her eyes grew stiffen'd, and with sulphur burn; Her hideous looks and hellish form return; Her curling snakes with hissings fill the place, And open all the furies of her face.

2. It is commonly used of risible objects: the following use is less authorised.

'Tis forced through the hiatuses at the bottom of the sea with such vehemence, that it puts the sca into the most horrible disorder, making it rage and roar with a most hideous and amazing noise.

one plough can till; hisa, hyse, Saxon. | 3. It is used by Spenser in a sense not now retained; detestable.

O hideous hanger of dominion. HI'DEOUSLY. adv. [from hideous.] Horribly; dreadfully; in a manner that shocks.

I arm myself To welcome the condition of the time; Which cannot look more hideously on me, Than I have drawn it in my fantasy. Shakspeare.

This, in the present application, is hideously profane; but the sense is intelligible. Collier's Defence.

HI'DEOUSNESS. † n. s. [from hideous.] Horribleness; dreadfulness; terrour.

Go antickly, and shew outward hideousness. Shakspeare, Much Ado. She presented in her trusty glass

The faithful copy of my hideousness. Beaumont, Psych. (1651,) p.79.

HI'DER. n. s. [from the verb.] One that hides. Sherwood.

HI'DING.* n. s. [from To hide.] Concealment: the act of withholding from Sherwood. There was the hiding of his power. Hab. iii. 4.

HIDING-PLACE.* n. s. A place of concealment.

Had they now known the world, and the hidingplaces that are therein, they would have gone into the dens and rocks of the mountains.

Shuckford on the Creation, p. 204. To HIE. t v. n. [higan, higian, Saxon;

heya, Icel.; "Highe thou to come to me soone." Wicliffe, 2 Tim. iv. 9. In the present version, Do thy diligence. Spenser, in his early poetry, writes it high: "The night higheth fast, it's time to be gone." Shep. Cal.]

1. To hasten; to go in haste. When they had mark'd the changed skies,

They wist their hour was spent; then each to rest him hies. Spenser, F. Q. My will is even this, That presently you hie you home to bed. Shaksp. Well, I will hie,

And so bestow these papers as you bade me.

Shakspeare.

Some to the shores do fly, Some to the woods, or whither fear advis'd; But running from, all to destruction hie. Daniel. The snake no sooner hiss'd,

But virtue heard it, and away she hy'd. Crashaw. Thither, full fraught with mischievous revenge, Accurs'd, and in a cursed hour, he hies. Milt. P. L.

Thus he advis'd me, on you aged tree Hang up thy lute, and hie thee to the sea. Waller. The youth, returning to his mistress, hies. Dryd.

2. It was anciently used with or without the reciprocal pronoun. It is now almost obsolete in all its uses.

Auster spy'd him; Cruel Auster thither hy'd him. Crasham. HIE.* n. s. ffrom the verb. Yet retained in Yorkshire, according to Pegge: " Make as much hie as you can,"

Haste; diligence. He - charged hem in hie

To shapen for his life some remedie. Chaucer, Man of Law's Tale.

HI'ERARCH. † n. s. [Tepos and apxis; hierarque, French.]

1. The chief of a sacred order.

Angels, by imperial summons call'd, Forthwith from all the ends of heaven appear'd, Under their hierarchs in orders bright. Milt. P. L.

Woodward, Nat. Hist. | 2. The chief of any establishment.

The politick learning of accommodating hierarchs, or statesmen.

Coventry, Phil. to Hyd. Conv. 3.

HIERA'RCHAL.* adj. [from hierarch.] Belonging to sacred government.

The great hierarchal standard was to move.

Milton, P. L.

HIERA'RCHICAL+ adj. [hierarchique, Fr.]
Belonging to sacred or ecclesiastical government.

This epistle [of St. Paul to Titus] is one of the three, not unfitly styled the hierarchical epistles, "de statu ecclesiastico composite," as Tertullian speaks; being so many rescripts apostolical to Timothy, and Titus; (the one, desired by St. Paul to stay at Exphesus, primate of Asia; the other, left in Crete, metropolitan of that and the neighbour islands;) directing them, how they ought to behave themselves in the house of God, &c.

Abp. Sancroft, Serm. p.1.

Bishop Hall was the defender of our hierarchical establishment. Warton, Hist. E. P. iv. 2.

HI'ERARCHY. n. s. [hierarchie, French.]1. A sacred government; trank or subordination of holy beings.

Out of the hierarchies of angels sheen, The gentle Gabriel call'd he from the rest.

Fairfax.

He rounds the air, and breaks the hymnick notes

In birds, heaven's choristers, organick throats; Which, if they did not die, might seem to be

A tenth rank in the heavenly hierarchy. Dona Jehovah, from the summit of the sky, Environ'd with his winged hierarchy,

The world survey'd. Sandys.

These the supreme king
Exalted to such power, and gave to rule,
Each in his hierarchy, the orders bright.

Millon, P. L.

The blessedest of mortal wights, now questionless the highest saint in the celestial hierarchy, began to be so importuned, that a great part of the
divine liturgy was addressed solely to her.

Howell, Voc. Forest.

2. Ecclesiastical establishment.

The presbytery had more sympathy with the discipline of Scotland than the hierarchy of England.

Bacon.

While the whole Levitical hierarchy continued, it was part of the ministerial office to flay the sacrifices.

South.

Consider what I have written, from regard for the church established under the hierarchy of bishops. Swift.

HIEROGLYPH.†] n.s. [hieroglyphe, HIEROGLYPHICK.] French; ἷερὸς, sacred, and γλύφω, to carve.]

2. An emblem; a figure by which a word was implied. Hieroglyphicks were used before the alphabet was invented. Hieroglyph seems to be the proper substantive, and hieroglyphick the adjective. He gave her a kind expression, by a quaint

He gave her a kind expression, by a quaint device sent unto her in a rich jewel, fashioned much after the manner of the trivial hieroglyphs used in France, called "Rebus de Picardy."

Sir G. Buck, Hist of Rich. III. (1646,) p. 115.

This hieroglyphick of the Egyptians was erected for parental affection, manifested in the protection of her young ones, when her nest was set on fire.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

A lamp amongst the Egyptians is the hieroglyphick of life.

Wilkins, Dædalus.

Herodotus, holding the very same hieroglyph, speaks much plainer. Swift, Tale of a Tub, § 3.

The first writing men used was only the single pictures and gravings of the things they would represent, which way of expression was afterwards

Woodward.

called hieroglyphick.

Between the statues obelisks were plac'd, And the learn'd walls with hieroglyphicks grac'd.

2. The art of writing in picture.

No brute can endure the taste of strong liquor, and consequently it is against all the rules of hieroglyph to assign any animals as patrons of punch.

HIEROGLY'PHICAL. adj. [hieroglyphique, HIEROGLY'PHICK. French, from the noun.] Emblematical; expressive of some meaning beyond what immediately appears.

In this place stands a stately hieroglyphical obelisk of Theban marble.

Sandys, Travels.

The Egyptian serpent figures time, And, stripp'd, returns into his prime; If my affection thou would'st win,

First cast thy hieroglyphick skin. Cleaveland.

The original of the conceit was probably hieroglyphical, which after became mythological, and, by a process of tradition, stole into a total verity, which was but partly true in its morality.

Brown, Vulg. Err. HIEROGLY'PHICALLY. adv. [from hiero-glyphical.] Emblematically.

Others have spoken emblematically and hieroglyphically as the Egyptians, and the phomix was he hieroglyphick of the sun.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

HYEROGRAM.* n. s. [hierogramme,

Fr. ἱερὸς, sacred, and γράμμα, letter.] A kind of sacred writing.

HIEROGRA'MMATICK.* adj. [hierogrammatique, Fr. from hierogram.] Expressive of holy writing.

Clement adds to epistolick [writing] the hierogrammatic, which was alphabetick; but, being confined to the use of the priests, was not so well known. Astle, Orig. and Progr. of Writing, ch. 3. HIEROGRA'MMATIST* n. s. [Gr. ἱερογραμματεὺς.] A writer of hieroglyphicks.

There were two sorts of languages and characters among the Egyptians; one common, and used by all, constituted for their trade and commerce with mankind, and which was that tongue or idiom called the Coptic or Pharonic; and the other used only by priests, prophets, hierogrammatists, or holy writers, and the like persons in sacerdotal orders.

Greenhill, Art of Embalming, p. 291.

HIEROGRA'PHICK. * adj. [from hieroHIEROGRA'PHICK.] graphy.] Denoting sacred writing.

Apuleius describes the sacred book or ritual of the Egyptians as partly written in symbolic, and partly in these hierographic characters of arbitrary institution. Astle, Orig. and Prog. of Writing, ch. 3.

These [characters] were properly what the

ancients call hierographical. Ibid. HIERO'GRAPHY. n. s. [ίερὸς and γράφω.] Holy writing.

Hiero'Logy.* n.s. [hierologie, Fr. 1ερδς, and λόγος, Gr.] Discourse on sacred things

HI'EROMANCY.* n. s. [hieromancie, Fr. iερομανίεία, Gr.] Divination by sacrifices. HI'EROPHANT.† n. s. [iεροφάνίης.] One who teaches rules of religion; a priest.

Herein the wantoness of poets, and the crafts of their heathenish priests and hierophants, abundantly gratified the fancies of the people.

Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

To come at the truth of his character, he was severely interrogated by the priest or hierophant.

Warburton, Div. Leg. of Moses, ii. § 4.

To HI'GGLE. v. n. [of uncertain etymology; probably corrupted from haggle.] 1. To chaffer; to be penurious in a bargain.

In good offices and due retributions we may not be pinching and niggardly: it argues an ignoble mind, where we have wronged, to higgle and dodge in the amends.

Base thou art!

To higgle thus for a few blows,

To gain thy knight an op'lent spouse. Hudibras. Why all this higgling with thy friend about such a paltry sum? Does this become the generosity of the noble and rich John Bull?

Arbuthnot, Hist. of John Bull.
2. To go selling provisions from door to

door. This seems the original meaning, such provisions being cut into small quantities.

Hr'ggledy-piggledy. adv. A cant word, corrupted from higgle, which denotes any confused mass, as higglers carry a huddle of provisions together.

HI'GGLER.† n. s. [from higgle. Dr. Johnson. — Some have considered it an alteration of eggler, a hawker who collects eggs, &c. for sale.] One who sells provisions by retail.

The Temple itself was profaned into a den of thieves, a rendezvous of highers and drovers.

South, Serm. iii. 311.

HIGH.† adj. [Goth. hauh; Sax. heah, hrg, hih, superl. hier; Dutch, hoog; whence the old Fr. hogue, height.]

1. Long upwards; rising above from the surface, or from the centre: opposed to

deep or long downward.

Their Andes, or mountains, were far higher than those with us; whereby the remnants of the generation of men were, in such a particular deluge, saved.

Bacon.

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The higher parts of the earth being continually spending, and the lower continually gaining, they must of necessity at length come to an equality.

Burnet, Theory.

Elevated in place; raised aloft: opposed to low.

They that stand high have many blasts to shake them,

And, if they fall, they dash themselves to pieces.

Shakspeare, Rich. III.

High o'er their heads a mould'ring rock is

plac'd, That promises a fall, and shakes at ev'ry blast.

Reason elevates our thoughts as high as the stars, and leads us through the vast spaces of this mighty fabrick; yet it comes far short of the real extent of even corporeal being.

Locke.

3. Exalted in nature.

The highest faculty of the soul. Baxter

 Elevated in rank or condition: as, high priest; high sheriff; high steward; high bailiff; high constable.

Herod on his birth-day made a supper to his lords, high captains, and chief estates of Galilee.

St. Mark, vi. 21. He wooes both high and low, both rich and poor.

Shakspeare.
O mortals! blind in fate, who never know
To bear high fortune, or endure the low. Dryden.

5. Exalted in sentiment.

Solomon — aim'd not beyond

Higher design than to enjoy his state.

Milton, P. R.

Difficult; abstruse.
 They meet to hear, and answer such high things.

7. Boastful; ostentatious.

His forces, after all the high discourses, amounted really but to eighteen hundred foot. Clarendon.

8. Arrogant; proud; lofty.

Him that hath an high look, and a proud heart, I will not suffer. Psalm ci. 5. The governour made himself merry with his high and threatening language, and sent him word he would neither give nor receive quarter. Clarendon.

9. Severe; oppressive.

When there appeareth on either side an high hand, violent prosecution, cunning advantages taken, and combination, then is the virtue of a judge seen.

10. Noble; illustrious.

Trust me I am exceeding weary. I had thought, weariness durst not have attacked so high blood. - It doth me, though it discolours the complexion of my greatness to acknowledge it. Shakspeare.

11. Strong; powerful.

The children of Israel went out with an high Exod. xiv. 8. hand. Thou hast a mighty arm; strong is Thy hand, Psalm lxxxix. 13. and high is Thy right hand. With an high arm brought He them out.

Acts, xiii. 17.

12. Violent; tempestuous; loud. Applied to the wind.

More ships in calms on a deceitful coast, Or unseen rocks, than in high storms are lost.

Spiders cannot weave their nets in a high wind. Duppa.

At length the winds are rais'd, the storm blows high :

Be it your care, my friends, to keep it up Addison, Cato. In its full fury.

13. Tumultuous; turbulent; ungovernable.

Nor only tears Rain'd at their eyes, but high winds worse within Began to rise; high passions, anger, hate,

Mistrust, suspicion, discord; and shook sore Their inward state of mind. Milton, P. L. Can heavenly minds such high resentment show, Or exercise their spight in human woe? Dryden.

She had from her infancy discovered so imperious a temper, usually called a high spirit. Tatler, No. 231.

14. Full; complete: applied to time; now used only in cursory speech.

High time now gan it wax for Una fair, To think of those her captive parents dear.

Spenser, F. Q. Sweet warriour, when shall I have peace with

High time it is this war now ended were.

Spenser. It was high time to do so; for it was now certain, that forces were already upon their march towards the West. Clarendon. It was high time for the lords to look about

15. Raised to any great degree; as, high pleasure; high luxury; a high performance; a high colour.

For Solomon, he liv'd at ease, and full Of honour, wealth, high fare. Milton, P. R. High sauces and spices are fetched from the Indies.

16. Advancing in latitude from the line. They are forced to take their course either high to the North, or low to the South. Abbot, Descript. of the World.

17. At the most perfect state; in the meridian: as, by the sun it is high noon: whence probably the foregoing expression, high time.

It is yet high day, neither is it time that the cattle should be gathered. Gen. xxix. 7.

18. Far advanced into antiquity.

The nominal observation of the several days of the week, is very high, and as old as the ancient Egyptians, who named the same according to the seven planets.

19. Dear; exorbitant in price.

If they must be good at so high a rate, they may be safe at a cheaper.

20. Capital; great; opposed to little: as, high treason, in opposition to petty.

21. Solemn; eminently observable. That sabbath day was an high day.

St. John, xix. 31. What hath this day deserved? what hath it done, That it in golden letters should be set,

Among the high tides, in the kalendar? Shakspeare, K. John.

22. Loud; full; a musical term: " an high or shrill sound," Barret. See also the adverb, and On High. There let the pealing organ blow,

To the full-voic'd quire below, In service high, and anthems clear.

Milton, Il Pens.

23. Zealous in the cause of others: as, he was high in the praise of him; he was a

high man for the king.

24. A term applied, some time after the revolution, to the church; which was raised by the dissenters, in order to break the church party, by dividing the members into high and low; and the opinion raised, that the high joined with the papists, inclined the low to fall in with the dissenters. Swift, Exam. No. 43.

The terms high church, and low church, as commonly used, do not so much denote a principle, as they distinguish a party. They are like words of battle, that have nothing to do with their original signification, but are only given out to keep a body of men together, and to let them know friends from enemies. Addison, Tatler, No. 220.

He is said, by the author of the Biographia, to have declared himself of the party who had the honourable distinction of high churchmen.

Johnson, Life of Yalden.

High.* adv.

 Aloft. Now shaves with level wing the deep, then soars

Up to the fiery concave, towering high. Milton, P. L.

2. Aloud.

Praise him upon the high sounding cymbals. Psalm cl. 5.

3. Powerfully.

Had not the Eternal King Omnipotent, From his strong hold of heaven, high over-rul'd And limited their might. Milton, P. L.

4. In a great or high degree. My revenges were high bent upon him.

Shakspeare, All's Well. 5. Profoundly; with great degrees of

knowledge. Others apart sat on a hill retir'd In thoughts more elevate, and reason'd high

Of providence, foreknowledge, will, and fate. Milton, P. L.

On High. + adv.

1. Above; aloft. Dr. Johnson gives high as a substantive, with the following example from Dryden; observing that the substantive, which he defines high | HI'GH-BUILT. adj. place, elevation, is used only with from 1. Of lofty structure.

or on. It is evidently, however, only an abverb; and Dryden's from high merely an elliptical expression of from on high.

The windows from on high are open.

Isaiah, xxiv. 18. The day-spring from on high hath visited us. St. Luke, i. 78.

When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive. Ephes. iv. 8. The loud

Ethereal trumpet from on high gan blow.

Milton, P. L. Which when the king of gods beheld from high, He sigh'd. Dryden.

2. Aloud. See the adjective and adverb HIGH. "Loud, on high, out aloud."

Fiercely that straunger forward came, and nigh Approaching, with bold words and bitter threat Bad that same boaster, as he mote on high, To leave to him that lady.

Spenser, F. Q. iii. viii. 16.

To High.* To hasten. See To Hie. HIGH. † Is much used in composition, with variety of meaning, Dr. Johnson says; but, as Mr. Mason has observed. the number of these compositions would be much diminished, if high were considered as an adverb, which it really is, and were for that reason printed as a separate word. Our poets, however, abundantly use it in composition, as the additions to such words, already given by Dr. Johnson, will show.

HIGH-AIMED. * adj. Having lofty or grand

designs.

Thou, --- for all Thy high-aim'd hopes, gain'dst but a flaming fall. Crashaw, Transl. of Marino.

HIGH-ARCHED.* adj. Having lofty arches. The high-arch'd roofs were fill'd With wealth.

May, Lucan, B. 10. Over the foaming deep high-arch'd a bridge Milton, P. I. Of length prodigious.

HIGH-ASPI'RING. * adj. Having great views.

Some uprear'd, high-aspiring swain. Bp. Hall, Sat. i. S.

She check'd again

The high-aspiring thought. May, Reign of Hen. II. B. 5.

HIGH-BLE'ST. adj. Supremely happy. The good which we enjoy from heaven

descends; But from that us aught should ascend to heav'n

So prevalent, as to concern the mind Of God high-blest, or to incline his will, Hard to belief may seem. Milton, P. L.

HI'GH-BLOWN. adj. Swelled much with wind: much inflated.

I have ventur'd, Like little wanton boys that swim on bladders, These many summers on a sea of glory; But far beyond my depth: my high-blown pride At length broke under me, and now has left me, Weary, and old with service, to the mercy

Of a rude stream, that must for ever hide me. HI'GH-BORN. adj. Of noble extraction.

Cast round your eyes Upon the high-born beauties of the court; There chuse some worthy partner of your heart.

Rowe.

I know him by his stride The giant Harapha of Gath; his look Haughty as is his pile, high built and proud. Milton, S. A.

2. Covered with lofty buildings. In dreadful wars

The high-built elephant his castle rears, Looks down on man below, and strikes the stars.

Creech HIGH-CLI'MBING.* adj. Difficult to ascend; high to climb.

As when a scout, Through dark and desert ways with peril gone All night, at last by break of cheerful dawn Obtains the brow of some high-climbing hill.

Milton, P. L. HIGH-CO'LOURED. adj. Having a deep or

glaring colour. A fever in a rancid oily blood produces a scor-

butick fever with high-coloured urine, and spots in the skin. Floyer HIGH-DAY.* adj. Fine; befitting an holi

Thou spend'st such high-day wit in praising him.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven HIGH-DESI'GNING. adj. Having great schemes.

His warlike mind, his soul devoid of fear, His high-designing thoughts were figur'd there.

Dryden. HIGH-EMBO'WED.* adj. Highly vaulted; having lofty arches. But let my due feet never fail

To walk the studious cloysters pale, And love the high-embowed roof.

Milton, Il Pens

HIGH-ENGE'NDERED.* adj. Formed aloft; engendered in the air.

I tax not you, ye elements, with unkindness; -But yet I call you servile ministers,

That have with two pernicious daughters join'd Your high-engender'd battles, 'gainst a head So old and white as this. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

High-fe'd. adj. Pampered. A favourite mule, high-fed, and in the pride of flesh and mettle, would still be bragging of his family. L'Estrange.

HIGH-FLA'MING. adj. Throwing the flame to a great height.

Hecatombs of bulls to Neptune slain, High-flaming, please the monarch of the main.

HIGH-FLI'ER. n.s. One that carries his opinions to extravagance.

She openly professeth herself to be a high-flier; and it is not improbable she may also be a Papist Swift.

HI'GH-FLOWN.* adj. [high and flown, from fly.]

1. Elevated; proud.

This stiff-neck'd pride, nor art nor force can bend,

Nor high-flown hopes to Reason's lure descend.

2. Turgid; extravagant. This fable is a high-flown hyperbole upon the miseries of marriage.

L'Estrange. HIGH-FLUSHED.* adj. Elevated; elated. That man greatly lives,

Whate'er his fate, or fame, who greatly dies, High-flush'd with hope, where heroes shall despair. Young, Night Th. 8.

HIGH-FLY'ING. adj. Extravagant in claims or opinions. Clip the wings

Of their high-flying arbitrary kings.

Dryden, Virg. HIGH-GA'ZING.* adj. Looking upwards. | HIGH-REARED.* adj. Of lofty structure. VOL. II.

Don Psittaco cast up his eyen, Brimful of thoughts to solve this knot of mine; But in the fall of his high-gazing sight He spied two on the road.

More, Song of the Soul, i. ii. 74.

HIGH-GO'ING.* adj. Going or moving at a great rate. How can she brook the rough high-going sea,

Over whose foamy back our ship, well rigg'd With hope and strong assurance, must transport Massinger, Renegado.

HIGH-GROWN.* adj. Having the crop grown to considerable height.

Search every acre in the high-grown field. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

HIGH-HE'APED. adj.

1. Covered with high piles. The plenteous board high-heap'd with cates divine,

And o'er the foaming bowl the laughing wine.

2. Raised into high piles. I saw myself the vast unnumber'd store Of brass, high-heap'd amidst the regal dome.

HIGH-HE'ARTED.* adj. Full of heart or courage.

Come, be high-hearted all!

Beaum. and Fl. Island Princess.

HIGH-HE'ELED. adj. Having the heel of the shoe much raised. By these embroider'd high-heel'd shoes,

She shall be caught as in a noose.

HI'GH-HUNG. adj. Hung aloft. By the high-hung taper's light, I could discern his cheeks were glowing red.

Dryden. HIGH-ME'TTLED. adj. Proud or ardent of spirit.

He fails not in these to keep a stiff rein on a high-mettled Pegasus; and takes care not to surfeit here, as he had done on other heads, by an erroneous abundance.

HIGH-MI'NDED. adj. Proud; arrogant. My breast I'll burst with straining of my courage, But I will chastise this high-minded strumpet.

Because of unbelief they were broken off, and thou standest by faith: be not high-minded, but

fear. Rom. xi. 20. HIGH-PLACED.* adj. Elevated in situation or rank.

High-placed Macbeth Shall live the lease of nature. Shakspeare.

HIGH-PRI'NCIPLED. adj. Extravagant in notions of politicks.

This seems to be the political creed of all the high-principled men I have met with.

HIGH-RAISED.* adj. 1. Raised aloft.

On high-rais'd decks the haughty Belgians ride. Dryden, Ann. Mir. 2. Raised with great conceptions.

To our high-rais'd phantasy present That undisturbed song of pure concent, Aye, sung before the sapphire-colour'd throne To him that sits thereon. Milton, Ode Sol. Musick.

HIGH-RE'ACHING.* adj. 1. Reaching upwards.

At last appear Hell bounds, high-reaching to the horrid roof. Milton, P. L.

2. Ambitious; aspiring. High-reaching Buckingham grows circumspect. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

The prayers of holy saints, and wronged souls Like high-rear'd bulwarks stand before our faces. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

High-RE'D. adj. Deeply red. Oil of turpentine, though clear as water, being digested upon the purely white sugar of lead, as in a short time afforded a high-red tincture.

Boyle on Colours. HIGH-REPE'NTED.* adj. Repented of to

My high-repented blames, Dear sovereign, pardon to me.

the utmost.

Shakspeare, All's Well. HIGH-RESO'LVED.* adj. Resolute.

With a power

Of high-resolved men, bent to the spoil, They hither march amain. Titus Andronicus.

HIGH-ROOFED.* adj. Having a lofty roof. The shade

High-roof'd, and walks beneath, and alleys brown. Milton, P. R. HIGH-SE'ASONED, adj. Piquant to the

palate. Be sparing also of salt in the seasoning of all

his victuals, and use him not to high-seasoned meats. HIGH-SE'ATED.* adj. Fixed above.

Heaven's high-seated top. · Milton, P. L. HIGH-SI'GHTED. adj. Always looking

upwards. Let high sighted tyranny range on, Till each man drop by lottery.

Shakspeare. HIGH-SPI'RITED. adj. Bold; daring; insolent.

HIGH-STO'MACHED. adj. Obstinate; lofty. High-stomach'd are they both, and full of ire; In rage, deaf as the sea, hasty as fire. Shaksp.

HIGH-SWE'LLING.* adj. Swelling to a great height. Desire, like stormy wind,

Stirs up high-swelling waves of hope and fear. P. Fletcher, Pisc. Ecl. iii. 9.

HIGH-SWOLN.* adj. Swoln to the utmost. The broken rancour of your high-swoln hearts. Shakspeare, Rich. III. O, let my high-swoln grief distil on you

The saddest drops of a parental dew. Dr. King's Poems, p. 60.

HIGH-TA'STED. adj. Gustful; piquant. Flatt'ry still in sugar'd words betrays, And poison in high-tasted meats conveys. Denham.

HIGH-TO'WERED.* adj. Having lofty Huge cities and high-tower'd. Milton, P. R.

HIGH-VI'CED. adj. Enormously wicked. Be as a planetary plague, when Jove

Will o'er some high-vic'd city hang his poison In the sick air. Shakspeare. HI'GH-WROUGHT. † adj.

1. Agitated to the utmost.

It is a high-wrought flood;

I cannot, 'twixt the heaven and the main, Descry a sail. Shakspeare, Othello.

2. Accurately finished; nobly laboured. Thou triumph'st, victor of the high-wrought day, And the pleas'd dame, soft smiling, lead'st away.

HI'GHLAND. † n. s. [high and land.] Mountainous region.

By their actions we might rather judge them to be a generation of highland thieves and redshanks. Milton, Observ. on the Art. of Peace. The wondering moon

Beholds her brother's steeds beneath her own; The highlands smok'd, cleft by the piercing rays. Addison

Ladies in the highlands of Scotland use this discipline to their children in the midst of winter, and find that cold water does them no harm. Locke.

HI'GHLANDER. n. s. [from highland.] An inhabitant of mountains; a mountaineer. His cabinet council of highlanders.

HI'GHLANDISH.* adj. [from highland.] Denoting a mountainous country.

The country round is altogether so highlandish, that sometimes, when I waked from my little reveries, I really thought myself at home. Drummond, Trav. p. 10.

HI'GHLY. adv. [from high.]

1. With elevation as to place and situation. aloft.

2. In a great degree.

Whatever expedients can allay those heats, which break us into different factions, cannot but be useful to the publick, and highly tend to its

It cannot but be highly requisite for us to enliven our faith, by dwelling often on the same considerations.

3. Proudly; arrogantly; ambitiously.

What thou wouldst highly
That though wouldst holily; wouldst not play false,

And yet wouldst wrongly win. Shakspeare.

4. With esteem; with estimation. Every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think.

Job, xxxi. 23.

HI'GHMOST. adj. [An irregular word.] Highest; topmost.

Now is the sun upon the highmost hill. Of this day's journey. Shakspeare.

HI'GHNESS. † n. s. [from high.]

loftiness.

2. The title of princes, anciently of kings. Most royal majesty,

I crave no more than that your highness offer'd.

How long in vain had nature striv'd to frame A perfect princess, ere her highness came? Waller. Beauty and greatness are eminently joined in your royal highness. Dryden.

3. Dignity of nature; supremacy. Destruction from God was a terrour to me, and by reason of his highness I could not endure.

4. Excellence; value.

The park for a cheerful rising ground, for groves and browsings for the deer, for rivulets of water, may compare with any for its highness in the whole Howell, Lett. i. ii. 8.

HIGHT.† [This is an imperfect verb, used only in the preterite tense, with a passive signification: hazan, to call, Saxon: heissen, German. Dr. Johnson. - This is not accurate. For, that it is not confined to the past tense, the laughable prologue alone in the Midsummer Night's Dream might prove; but it was formerly not uncommon in other forms of passive signification.

1. Is called; is named; am named. Now highte I Philostrat. Chaucer, Kn. Tale. Bright is her hew, and Geraldine she hight. Ld. Surrey, Songs, &c. (1587,) fol. 5. b. This grisly beast, which by name lion hight,

The trusty Thisby, coming first by night, Did scare away, or rather did affright.

Shakspeare, Mids. N. Dream.

2. To be called.

I dare not beknowe min own name; But there as I was wont to highte Arcite, Chaucer, Kn. Tale. Now highte I Philostrat. 3. Was named; was called.

The city of the great king hight it well, Wherein eternal peace and happiness doth dwell. Spenser, F. Q.

Within this homestead liv'd, without a peer For crowing loud, the noble Chanticleer, Dryden, Nun's Priest.

So hight her cock. 4. It is sometimes used as a participle passive: called; named. It is now obsolete, except in burlesque writings, Dr. Johnson says; but Grose notices it as used in the North for called.

Amongst the rest a good old woman was, Fight mother Hubberd. Spenser, Hubb Tale. On parchment scraps yfed, and Wormius hight. Hight mother Hubberd. Pope, Dunciad.

To Hight.* v. a. [haran, Sax.; heta, Su. Goth; haitan, gahaitan, M. Goth. to promise, and to command. At first, this word was written hete.

1. To promise. Still used in Cumberland, according to Pegge.

He had hold his way, as he had hight. Chaucer, Wife of Bath's Tale.

2. To entrust.

water mark.

The gates stood open wide, Yet charge of them was to a porter hight. Spenser, F. Q. i. iv. 6.

3. To command; to direct. But the sad steele seiz'd not where it was hight Upon the childe, but somewhat short did fall.

Spenser, F. Q. v. xi. 8. On Hight.* adv. Aloud. See on High. He - spake these same wordes all on hight. Chaucer, Kn. Tale.

[He] with reproachful words him thus bespake Spenser, F. Q. vi. vi. 2. 1. Elevation above the surface; altitude; Highth. * n. s. [Sax. hiho.] Height. See HEIGHT.

That to the highth of this great argument,

Milt. P.L. I may assert Eternal Providence. The pillars or piers of the old building, which Wykeham made use of, were about sixteen feet in highth. Lowth, Life of Wyckeh. (3d edit.) p.197. HIGHWA'TER. n. s. [high and water.] The

utmost flow of the tide. They have a way of draining lands that lie below the high-water, and are something above the low-

HIGHWA'Y. n. s. [high and way. "As the Romans always elevated their publick roads above the circumjacent country, by a causeway of stone, or else by earth thrown up, such roads came to be called by the name, which they have retained, of the highway." Blakeway's Hist. of Shrewsbury.

. Great road; publick path:

So few there be

That chuse the narrow path or seek the right: All keep the broad highway, and take delight

With many rather for to go astray. Spenser, F. Q. Two inscriptions give a great light to the histories of Appius, who made the highway, and of Fabius the dictator. Addison. Entering on a broad highway,

Where power and titles scatter'd lay,

He strove to pick up all he found. Swift. 2. Figuratively, a train of action with apparent consequence.

I could mention more trades we have lost, and are in the highway to lose. Child on Trade.

HI'GHWAYMAN. n. s. [highway and man.] A robber that plunders on the public roads.

'Tis like the friendship of pickpockets and highwaymen, that observe strict justice among them-

A remedy like that of giving my money to an highwayman, before he attempts to take it by force, to prevent the sin of robbery.

HI'GLAPER. n.s. An herb. Ainsworth. To HILARATE.* v. a. [Lat. hilaro. We now use exhilarate.] To make merry. Cockeram.

HILA'RITY. † n. s. [hilaritas, Lat.] Merriment; gayety.

Cheer up the countenance, expel austerity, bring in hilarity. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 294. Averroes restrained his hilarity, and made no more thereof than Seneca commendeth, and was allowable in Cato; that is, a sober incalescence and regulated estuation from wine.

HI'LARY Term.* [In law.] The term which begins on the twenty-third of January: Terminus Sancti Hilarii.

HILD, in Ælrick's grammar, is interpreted a lord or lady: so Hildebert is a noble

lord; Mathild, an heroick lady. Gibson. HI'LDING. + n. s. [hilb, Saxon, signifies a lord: perhaps hilding means originally a little lord in contempt, for a man that has only the delicacy or bad qualities of high rank; or a term of reproach abbreviated from hinderling, degenerate. Hughes's Spenser. Dr. Johnson. - Mr. H. Tooke and Mr. Malone concur in deducing this word from the Sax. hylban, to crouch, to bend down; and the former assimilates this derivation to that which he gives of coward, viz. the English cower. But that word of shame is the ancient French couard, which took its origin from coue, the tail, as the Italian codardo has from cauda, the same; and as the low Latin caudatus has been applied to the timid and pusillanimous.

1. A sorry, paltry, cowardly fellow.

V. Du Cange.

He was some hilding fellow, that had stolen The horse he rode on. Shakspeare. If your lordship find him not a hilding, hold me no more in your respect. Shakspeare,

A base slave, A hilding for a livery, a squire's cloth. Shakspeare, Cymbeline.

2. It is used likewise for a mean woman. Laura, to his lady, was but a kitchen wench; Helen and Hero, hildings and harlots. Shukspeare.

This idle toy. this hilding scorns my power, And sets us all at nought. Rowe, Jane Shore.

HILL. † n. s. [hil, Sax. from the verb hilan, or helan, to cover, " Any heap of earth, or stone, &c. by which the plain or level surface of the earth is covered.' Mr. H. Tooke, Div. of Purl. ii. 382.7 An elevation of ground less than a mountain.

My sheep are thoughts, which I both guide and serve:

Their pasture is fair hills of fruitless love. Sidney. Jerusalem is seated on two hills, Of height unlike, and turned side to side.

Fairfax. Three sides are sure imbar'd with crags and hills, The rest is easy, scant to rise espy'd; But mighty bulwarks fence the plainer part: So art helps nature, nature stengtheneth art. Fairfux.

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When our eye some prospect would pursue, Descending from a hill looks round to view.

A hill is nothing but the nest of some metal or mineral, which, by a plastick virtue, and the efficacy of subterranean fires, converting the adjacent earths into their substance, do increase and grow.

To HILL.* v. a. [Sax. hilan; Goth. huljan, to cover. See To HELE. To cover. A bed-hilling is a quilt or coverlet, in the north of England, according to Grose.

With the clothes of hir love She hilled all hir bedde about.

Gower, Conf. Am. B. v. Ye shall enquyre yf there be ony house in the warde, that is hylled with ony other thyng than tyle, or slat, or lede, for peryl of fire.

Arnold's Chron. sign. F. 5 b.

Those mountains

Hill'd with snow. Carew, Poems, p. 145. HI'LLED.* adj. [from hill.] Having hills. The power, thus stigmatized, is a power seated HIMSELF. pron. [him and self.]

in the seven-hilled city. Bp. Hurd on the Proph. Serm. xi. HI'LLING.* n. s. [from To HILL.]

1. A covering: as, "the hylling of a house." Prompt. Parv. A bed-hilling. See To HILL.

2. An accumulation.

Cease then, all you that aim at the hilling up of fatal gold, and employ your hours in a more noble traffick.

HI'LLOCK. n. s. [from hill.] A little hill. Yet weigh this, alas! great is not great to the greater: what, judge you, doth a hillock show by the lofty Olympus? Sometime walking not unseen

By hedge-row helms, on hillocks green.

Milton, L'All. This mountain, and a few neighbouring hillocks that lie scattered about the bottom of it, is the whole circuit of these dominions. Addison; on Italy.

HI'LLY. † adj. [from hill.] 1. Full of hills; unequal in the surface. Towards the hilly corners of Druina remain yet

her very Aborigines, thrust amongst an assembly of mountains.

Climbing to a hilly steep, He views his herds in vales afar. Dryden. Lo! how the Norick plains

Rise hilly, with large piles of slaughter'd knights.

Hilly countries afford the most entertaining prospects, though a man would chuse to travel through a plain one.

2. Like a hill; lofty.

Better to have liv'd Poor and obscure, and never scal'd the top Of hilly empire, than to die with fear To be thrown headlong down almost as soon As we have reach'd it. Beaum. and Fl. Prophetess.

HILT. n. s. [hilz, Saxon, from healban, to hold.] The handle of any thing, particularly of a sword.

Now sits expectation in the air, And hides a sword from hilt unto the point, With crowns imperial; crowns, and coronets. Shakspeare.

And when my face is cover'd, as 'tis now, Guide thou the sword. Shakspeare, Jul. Cas. Be his this sword, whose blade of brass displays A ruddy gleam; whose hilt, a silver blaze. Pope, Odyssey.

HI'LTED.* adj. [from hilt.] Having a hilt; as, a silver-hilted sword. HIM. + [him, Saxon; imma, Goth.] 1. The oblique case of he.

hanged. Gen. xli. 2. Him was anciently used for it in a neutral sense.

The subjunctive mood hath evermore some conjunction joined with him.

3. Sometimes used for himself.

Sweet touch, the engine that love's bow doth bend.

The sense wherewith he feels him deified.

Chapman, Ovid's Banquet, &c. (1595.) The hungry Tantal might have fill'd him now. P. Fletcher, Purp. Isl. v. 64.

4. Him thought. An ancient form of speech of the same construction as methought; meaning, he thought.

Whan he [St. George] sawe the arraye of that damysel, him thought that it shold be a woman of grete worth. Lib. Festiv. sign. k. ij. Him thought he heard the softly whistling wind. Fairfax, Tass. xiii. 40.

Him thought he by the brook of Cherith stood. Milton, P. R.

1. In the nominative the same as he, only more emphatical, and more expressive

of individual personality.

It was a sparing speech of the ancients to say, that a friend is another himself; for that a friend is far more than himself. With shame remembers, while himself was one Of the same herd, himself the same had done.

Hewit, Serm. p. 41. 2. It is added to a personal pronoun or noun by way of emphatical discrimination.

> He himself returned again. Judges, iii. 19. God himself is with us for our captain. 2 Chron. xiii, 12.

3. In ancient authors it is used neutrally for itself.

She is advanc'd Above the clouds, as high as heaven himself.

Shakspeare. 4. In the oblique cases it has a reciprocal signification.

David hid himself in the field. 1 Sam. xx. 24. 5. It is sometimes not reciprocal.

I perceive it was not altogether your brother's evil disposition made him seek his death; but a provoking merit set awork by a reproveable badness in himself. Shakspeare

Nothing in nature can so peculiarly gratify the noble dispositions of humanity, as for one man to see another so much himself as to sigh his griefs, and groan his pains, to sing his joys, and do and feel every thing by sympathy.

By HIMSELF. Alone; unaccompanied. Ahab went one way by himself, and Obadiah went another way by himself. 1 Kings, xviii. 6. HIN. n. s. [.] A measure of liquids among Jews, containing about ten pints.

With the one lamb a tenth deal of flour, mingled with the fourth part of an hin of beaten oil. Exod. xxix, 40.

HIND. adj. compar. hinder; superl. hindmost. [hynban, Saxon.] Backward; contrary in position to the face; as, hind legs. See HINDER and HINDMOST. Bringing its tail to its head, it bends its back so

far till its head comes to touch its hind part, and so with its armour gathers itself into a ball. Ray. The stag Hears his own feet, and thinks they sound like

And fears his hind legs will o'ertake his fore

HIND. n. s. [hinbe, Saxon, from hinnus,

Me he restored unto my office, and him he | 1. The she to a stag; the female of red

How he slew, with glancing dart amiss, A gentle hind, the which the lovely boy Did love as life. Spenser, F. Q. Canst thou mark when the hinds do calve?

Job, xxxix. 1. Nor Hercules more lands or labours knew,

Not though the brazen-footed hind he slew. Dryden.

2. [hine, Sax.] A servant. A couple of Ford's knaves, his hinds were called

forth by their mistress, to carry me in the name of foul clothes, to Datchet-lane.

3. [hineman, Saxon.] A peasant; a boor; a mean rustick.

The Dutch, who came like greedy hinds before, To reap the harvest their ripe ears did yield Now look like those, when rolling thunders roar,

And sheets of lightning blast the standing field.

He cloth'd himself in coarse array, A labouring hind in shew. Dryden, Fab.

HI'NDBERRIES. † n. s. [hinbbepian.] The same as raspberries. The Saxon word has been wrongly interpreted by Lye fragum. Craven Dialect.

To HINDER. † v. a. [hinbpian, Sax. hinderen, Dutch; probably from the Goth. hindar, behind. To obstruct; to stop;

to let: to impede.

Hinder me not, seeing the Lord hath prospered Gen. xxiv. 56 The whole world shined with clear light, and none were hindered in their labour. Wisd. xvii. 20. If the alms were hindered only by entreaty, the hinderer is not tied to restitution, because entreaty took not liberty away from the giver.

Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy. Solitude damps thought and wit; too much company dissipates and hinders it from fixing.

What hinders younger brothers, being fathers of families, from having the same right.

To HI'NDER v. n. To raise hinderances; to cause impediment.

You minimus of hindering knot-grass made.

Shaksneare. This objection hinders not but that the heroick action of some commander, enterprised for the Christian cause, and executed happily, may be

HI'NDER. adj. [from hind.] That is in a position contrary to that of the face: opposed to fore.

Bears, fighting with any man, stand upon their hinder feet, and so this did, being ready to give me a shrewd embracement.

As the hinder feet of the horse stuck to the mountain, while the body reared up in the air, the poet with great difficulty kept himself from sliding off his back.

HI'NDERANCE. n. s. [from hinder.] Impediment; let; stop; obstruction; with of, sometimes with to before the thing hindered; with to before the person.

False opinions, touching the will of God to have things done, are wont to bring forth mighty and violent practices against the hinderances of them, and those practices new opinions more pernicious than the first; yea most extremely sometimes opposite to the first. Hooker.

They must be in every Christian church the same, except mere impossibility of so having it be the hinderance.

What hinderance have they been to the knowledge of what is well done? Dryden.

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HINHave we not plighted each our holy oath, One soul should both inspire, and neither prove His fellow's hind'rance in pursuit of love?

He must conquer all these difficulties, and remove all these hinderances out of the way that Atterbury. leads to justice.

HI'NDERENDS.* n. s. pl. Refuse of corn; such as remains after it is winnowed. A northern word. Praise of Yorksh. Ale. Craven Dial, & Brockett.

HI'NDERER. + n. s. [from hinder.] One or that which hinders or obstructs.

Not enterprising to run afore, and so by their rashness become the greatest hinderers of such things, as they more arrogantly than godly would seem, by their own private authority, most hotly to set forward.

K. Edward VI. Proc. before the Order of Commun.

A coadjutor commonly proves an hinderer; and by his envious clashing, doth often dig his partner's grave. Fuller, Holy State, p. 273.

Brakes, great hinderers of all plowing, grow.

HI'NDERLING.† n. s. [from hind or hinder. Dr. Johnson gives no example of the word; and Mr. H. Tooke, in his remarks on hilding, (Div. Purl. ii. 315.) doubts the existence of hinderling.] A paltry, worthless, degenerate animal.

From this root [hind] comes the Anglo-Saxon hin benling, properly one who comes far behind his ancestors, familiæ suæ opprobrium. In Legibus Edw. Confess. c. 35. "Occidentales Saxonici habent in proverbio summi despectus hinderling, i. e. omni honestate dejecta et recedens imago; the scandal of his family.

Callander's Two Anc. Scot. Poems, p. 56.

HI'NDERMOST. adj. [This word seems to be less proper than hindmost.] Hindmost; last; in the rear.

He put the handmaids and their children foremost, and Leah and her children after, and Rachel and Joseph hindermost. Like to an enter'd tide, they all rush by,

Shakspeare. And leave you hindermost.

HI'NDMOST. adj. [hind and most.] The last; the lag; that which comes in the

'Tis not his wont to be the hindmost man, Whate'er occasion keeps him from us now.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. He met thee by the way, and smote the hindmost of thee, even all that were feeble behind.

Deut. xxv. 18. Let him retire, betwixt two ages cast,

The first of this, and hindmost of the last, A losing gamester. The race by vigour, not by vaunts is won;

So take the hindmost, hell - he said, and run.

HINDO'O.* n. s. [Persian. "Hindoo for the people, and Hindostan for the country, now generally used by natives and foreigners, were probably given them by their neighbours the Persians. The river improperly called the Indus is quite out of the question, either as giving a name to the country, as many have imagined, or borrowing one from it, according to the opinion of the late Alexander Dow, Esq. in the dissertation prefixed to his Hist. of Indostan, p. xxxi. l. 12.; who in the same page asserts, that "the Hindoos are so called from Indoo or Hindoo, which in the Shanscrita language signifies the Moon." It is true that eendoo is one of the names of the moon, but not hindoo. Let it suffice, that there are such words as Hindoo, or Hindostan, in the Sanskreet language. In Persian we find hind for the country, and hindoo for the people." Wilkins's Heetopades, 1787, p. 332.] An aboriginal inhabitant of Hindostan.

The British laws may, in some degree, be softened and tempered by a moderate attention to the peculiar and national prejudices of the Hindoo. Haled, Code of Gentoo Laws, Pref.

HI'NDRANCE.* See HINDERANCE.

HINGE. + n. s. For hingle, from hangle or hang. Dr. Johnson. - I believe no one ever before saw or heard of hingle and hangle. All the three words, however, are merely the past participle of the verb hangan, to hang. Mr. H. Tooke, Div. of Purl. ii. 358. — Mr. Tooke might have found, "hinge or hingell" in Barret's Alveary, 1580. Skinner and others have also deduced this word from the verb hang. In Scotland hing is still used for hang; and Pegge says, in the north of England also.] 1. Joints upon which a gate or door turns.

At the gate Of heaven arriv'd, the gate self-open'd wide,

On golden hinges turning. Milton, P. L. Then from the hinge their strokes the gates

And where the way they cannot find, they force.

Heaven's imperious queen shot down from high; At her approach the brazen hinges fly, The gates are forc'd.

2. The cardinal points of the world, East, West, North, and South.

Nor slept the winds Within their stony caves, but rush'd abroad From the four hinges of the world. Milton, P. R. If when the moon is in the hinge at East, The birth breaks forward from its native rest; Full eighty years, if you two years abate,

Creech, Manilius. This station gives. 3. A governing rule or principle.

The other hinge of punishment might turn upon a law, whereby all men, who did not marry by the age of five and twenty, should pay the third part of their revenue.

4. To be off the HINGES. To be in a state of irregularity and disorder.

The man's spirit is out of order and off the hinges; and till that be put into its right frame, he will be perpetually disquieted,

Methinks we stand on ruins, Nature shakes About us, and this universal frame So loose, that it but wants another push Dryden.

To leap from off its hinges.

To HINGE. v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To furnish with hinges.

2. To bend as an hinge.

Be thou a flatterer now, and hinge thy knee; And let his very breath, whom thou'lt observe, Blow off thy cap. Shakspeare.

To Hinge.* v. n. To turn as upon a hinge; to hang: as, the settlement of the matter hinges upon this point.

HINGE.* adj. Active; supple; pliant. Wilbraham's Cheshire Glossary.

To HI'NNIATE.* \ v. n. [Latin, hinnio.] \ To neigh. Cockeram. He neigheth and hinnieth; all is but hinnying sophistry. B. Jonson, Bartholomew Fair.

To HINT. + v. a. [enter, to implant, Fr. Skinner and Dr. Johnson. - From the hand. Serenius. - From the Norm. Sax. hence, to take hold on any thing. Rev. Mr. Lemon. - From henran, to take hold of; hint being something taken. Mr. H. Tooke.] To bring to mind by a slight mention or remote allusion; to mention imperfectly.

For examples out of other histories to hint a few of them. South, Serm. i. 289.

Willing to wound, and yet afraid to strike, Just hint a fault, and hesitate dislike. In waking whispers, and repeated dreams, To hint pure thought, and warn the favour'd soul.

To HINT at. To allude to; to touch slightly upon.

Speaking of Augustus's actions, he still remembers that agriculture ought to be some way hinted at throughout the whole poem.

Addison, on the Georgicks.

Thomson.

HINT. n. s. [from the verb.]

1. Faint notice given to the mind; remote allusion; distant insinuation.

Let him strictly observe the first stirrings and intimations, the first hints and whispers of good and evil, that pass in his heart. South, Serm.

2. Suggestion; intimation. Upon this hint I spake;

She lov'd me for the dangers I had pass'd.

Shakspeare, Othelle. Actions are so full of circumstances, that, as men observe some parts more than others, they take different hints, and put different interpretations on them.

HIP.† n. s. [Goth. hup; Dutch, huppe; Sax. hipe. Diper-baner-ece, the sciatica, or hip gout.

1. The joint of the thigh.

How now, which of your hips has the most profound sciatica? Shakspeare. Hippocrates affirmeth of the Scythians, that, using continual riding, they were generally melested with the sciatica, or hip gout. Brown, Vulg. Err.

2. The haunch; the flesh of the thigh. So shepherds use

To set the same mark on the hip

Both of their sound and rotten sheep. Hudibras. Against a stump his tusk the monster grinds, And ranch'd his hip with one continu'd wound.

3. To have on the HIP. [A low phrase.] To have an advantage over another. It seems to be taken from hunting, the hip or haunch of a deer being the part commonly seized by the dogs.

If this poor brach of Venice, whom I cherish

For his quick hunting, stand the putting on, I'll have our Michael Cassio on the hip.

Shakspeare, Othella.

4. Hip and Thigh. A phrase used in our present version of the Bible, and sometimes in conversation, denoting perhaps complete overthrow.

He smote them hip and thigh with a great slaughter. Judges, xv. 8, Sampson hip and thigh, pell-mell, haply with his leg and foot only, slew the Philistines with a

great slaughter. Bp. Richardson on the O. Testament, p. 66.

HIP. n. s. [from heopa, Saxon.] The fruit

of the briar or the dogrose. Eating hips and drinking watery foam.

Spenser, Hubb. Tale.

The oaks bear masts, the briars scarlet hips. Shaksp. Years of store of haws and hips do commonly portend cold winters. Bucon, Nat. Hist. To HIP. v. a. [from the noun.] To sprain

or shoot the hip.

His horse was hipp'd. HIP. interject. An exclamation, or calling to one; the same as the Latin eho, heus!

Ainsworth.

To HIPE.* v. n. To push with a head. Praise of Yorkshire Ale. Grose hence observes, that "an ox, apt to push with his horns, is said to hype." He adds, that this northern word, when applied to a person, as, "to hype, or hipe at one," means to make mouths at or affront one. HIP-HOP. A cant word formed by the

reduplication of hop.

Your different tastes divide our poets cares; One foot the sock, t' other the buskin wears:

Thus while he strives to please, he's forc'd to do't, Like Volcius hip-hop in a single boot. Congreve.

Ainsworth. I fancy you are a little hippish; and, I hope, you fright yourself without any reason.

Graves, Spirit. Quixote, B. 9. ch. 12. HI'PPED.* adj. [from the corrupt word hip.] Melancholy.

To some coffee house I stray For news, the manna of a day And from the hipp'd discourses gather, That politicks go by the weather.

Green's Spleen, p. 10. HI'PHALT.* adj. [hip and halt.] Lame. See HIPSHOT.

Vulcanus of whom, I spake, He had a courbe upon the back, And thereto he was hippe-halte.

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 5.

HI'PPINS.* n. s. pl.

1. Stepping stones over a brook. [contracted from the Teut. hippelen.] Craven

2. Children's cloths; a kind of towel: a clout. Common in the north of England. HI'PPOCAMP.* n. s. [іннімациноς, Gr.; hip-

pocampe, Fr.] A sea-horse.

Jove's bright lamps

Guiding from rocks her chariot's hippocamps.

HIPPOCE'NTAUR. n. s. [iπποκένλαυ 90ς; hip-pocentaure, French.] A fabulous monster, half horse and half man.

How are poetical fictions, how are hippocentaurs and chimeras to be imaged, which are things quite out of nature, and whereof we can have no notion?

HI'PPOCRASS. n. s. [hypocras, French; quasi vinum Hippocratis. A medicated wine.

Sack and the well-spic'd hippocrass, the wine, Wassail the bowl, with ancient ribbons fine. King.

Hippo'crates's Sleeve. n. s. A woollen bag made by joining the two opposite angles of a square piece of flannel, used to strain syrups and decoctions for clari-

HIPPO'CRATISM.* n. s. [from Hippocrates.] The philosophy of Hippocrates, applied to the science of medicine; or the doctrine of Hippocrates, considered with regard to the means of prolonging life.

popotame, Fr. Spenser has departed from analogy in writing hippodame.] A sea-horse.

Infernal hags, centaurs, fiends, hippodames. Spenser, F. Q. ii. ix. 50.

That his swift charet might have passage wyde, Which foure great hippodames did draw, in temewise tyde. Spenser, F. Q. iii. xi. 40.

HI'PPODROME.* n. s. [ἔππος, a horse, and δρόμος, a course, Gr.; hippodrome, Fr.] A course for chariot and horse races, or exercises.

Within the hippodrome many of the cavalry used Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 162. Stukely supposes these two banks to have formed the ground for a British hippodrome, or Warton, Hist. of Kiddington, p. 70.

HI'PPOGRIFF.† n. s. [ἐππος and γρύψ; hippogriffe, French.] A winged horse; a being imagined by Ariosto.

He caught him up, and without wing Of hippogriff bore through the air sublime.

Milton, P. R. A centaur, hippogryph, and a flying dragon, are things that were never seen.

Fleetwood, Ess. on Miracles, p. 185.

HIPPOPO TAMUS. n. s. [ἐππος and πόταμος.] The river horse. An animal found in the Nile.

HI'PSHOT. † adj. [hip and shot.] Sprained or dislocated in the hip.

The field this hip-shot grammarian cannot set into right frame of construction, neither here in the similitude, nor in the following reddition ereof. Milton, Apol. for Smectymnuus.
Why do you go nodding and waggling so like

a fool, as if you were hip-shot? says the goose to the gosling. L'Estrange.

HI'PWORT. n. s. [hip and wort.] A plant. Ainsworth. HIR.* [Sax. hýpa, of them.] In our old

language is their. To HIRE. † v. a. [hypan, Saxon; from 2. In Scotland it denotes one who keeps

the Cymr. hur, merces. Serenius.] 1. To procure any thing for temporary use at a certain price.

His sordid avarice rakes In excrements, and hires the jakes. Dryden, Juv. 2. To engage a man to temporary service

for wages. They weigh silver in the balance, and hire a

goldsmith, and he maketh it a god. Isaiah, xlvi. 6. I cannot strike at wretched kerns, whose arms Are hir'd to bear their staves.

3. To bribe.

Themetes first, 'tis doubtful whether hir'd. Or so the Trojan destiny requir'd, Mov'd that the ramparts might be broken down.

Dryden. 4. To engage for pay; with the reciprocal

They that were full, hired out themselves for bread; and they that were hungry, ceased.

5. To let; to set for a time at a certain price. This, to prevent ambiguity, has sometimes the particle out; as, he hired out his house to strangers. Dr. Johnson. - This sense seems to be the primary one; at least, it is very ancient.

A man plaunted a vyneyard, and set an hegge about it, and dalf a lake, and bildid a tour, and hired it to tilieris, [in the present version, let it out.] Wicliffe, St. Mark, xii. 1.

Chambers. | HIRE. n. s. [hype, Saxon.]

Why should you want? Behold, the earth hath | HI'PPODAME.* n. s. [ιπποπόλαμος, Gr.; hip- | 1. Reward or recompence paid for the use of any thing.

2. Wages paid for service.

Great thanks and goodly meed to that good sire, He, thence departing, gave for his pains' hire. Spenser, F. Q.

I have five hundred crowns, The thrifty hire I sav'd under your father. Shaks. Though little was their hire, and light their gain, Yet somewhat to their share he threw. Dryden. All arts and artists Theseus could command, Who sold for hire, or wrought for better fame.

Druden. HI'RELESS.* adj. [hire and less.] Without hire; not rewarded; not recompensed; not expecting hire.

Your misbelief my hireless value scorns. Davenant, Gondibert, i. 3.

Poetry, Oh hireless science, and of all alone The liberal; meanly the rest each state In pension treats; but this depends on none.

Davenant, Gondibert, ii. 5. HI'RELING. n. s. [from hire.]

1. One who serves for wages.

The hireling longs to see the shades descend, That with the tedious day his toil might end, And he his pay receive.

In the framing of Hiero's ship there were three hundred carpenters employed for a year, besides many other hirelings for carriages. Wilkins, Dædal. 'Tis frequent here to see a freeborn son

On the left hand of a rich hireling run. Dryd. Juv.

2. A mercenary; a prostitute.

Now she shades thy evening walk with bays, No hireling she, no prostitute to praise.

HI'RELING. adj. Serving for hire; venal; mercenary; doing what is done for money.

Then trumpets, torches, and a tedious crew Of hireling mourners for his funeral due. Dryden.

HI'RER. n. s. [from hire.]

1. One who uses any thing, paying a recompense; one who employs others, paying wages.

small horses to let.

To HI'RPLE.* See To HERPLE.

To HI'RSLE.* v. n. [Teut. erselen, cessim ire, tergiversari.] To move about. Craven Dial.

HIRST.* See HURST. HIRSU'TE. + adj. [hirsutus, Lat.]

1. Rough; rugged; shaggy.

There are bulbous, fibrous, and hirsute roots: the hirsute is a middle sort, between the bulbous and fibrous; that besides the putting forth sap upwards and downwards, putteth forth in round. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

An hirsute beggar's brat, that lately fed on scraps. Burton, Anat. of Mel. To the Reader.
Their bodies, that are affected with this universal melancholy, are most part black; - hirsute they are and lean.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 201. 2. Of coarse manners; of rough be-

He looked elderly, and was cynical and hirsute in his behaviour. Life of A. Wood, p. 109.

HIRSU'TENESS.* n. s. [from hirsute.] Hairiness.

Leanness, hirsuteness, broad veins, much hair on the brows, &c. shew melancholy.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 58. His. + pronoun possessive. [hyr, Saxon;

i. e. he's.] 1. The masculine possessive. Belonging to him that was before mentioned.

England his approaches makes us fierce As waters to the sucking of a gulph.

Shakspeare, Hen. V. If much you note him,

You shall offend him, and extend his passion. Shakspeare, Macbeth. Heav'n and yourself

Had part in this fair maid; now heaven bath all, And all the better is it for the maid: Your part in her you could not keep from death; But heav'n keeps his part in eternal life.

Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul. If our father carry authority with such disposition as he bears this last surrender of his, it will Shaksneare. but offend us.

He that is nourished by the acorns he picked up under an oak in the wood, has appropriated them to himself: nobody can deny but the nourishment is his.

Whene'er I stoop, he offers at a kiss; And when my arms I stretch, he stretches his. Addison.

2. It was anciently used in a neutral sense, where we now say its.

Who can impress the forest, bid the tree Unfix his earth-bound root? Shakspeare, Macbeth.

Not the dreadful spout, Shall dizzy with more clamour Neptune's ear Shakspeare, Troil. and Cress. In his descent. There's not the smallest orb, which thou behold'st,

But in his motion like an angel sings,

Still quiring to the young-ey'd cherubims. Shaks. This rule is not so general, but that it admitteth his exceptions. Carew, Surv. of Cornwall. Opium loseth some of his poisonous quality,

if it be vapoured out, mingled with spirit of wine

3. It is sometimes used as a sign of the genitive case: as the man his ground, for the man's ground. It is now rarely thus used, as its use proceeded probably from a false opinion that the s formative of the genitive was his contracted. Dr. Johnson .- " Christ his sake," in our liturgy, is a mistake either of the printers, or of the compilers. "My paper is the Ulysses his bow, in which every man of wit or learning may try his strength." Addison, Guard. No. 98. This is no slip of Mr. Addison's pen: he gives us his opinion upon this point very explicitly in another place. "The same single letter [s] on many occasions," says Addison, "does the office of a whole word, and represents the his and her of our forefathers." Spect. No. 135. "The latter instance," Lowth observes, " might have shewn him, how groundless this notion is: for it is not easy to conceive, how the letter s added to a feminine noun should represent 2. Censure; expression of contempt used the word her, any more than it should the word their added to a plural noun; as, the children's bread. But the direct derivation of this case from the Saxon genitive case is sufficient of itself to decide this matter." Lowth, Introduct. to Eng. Grammar.

Where is this mankind now? who lives to age Fit to be made Methusalem his page? By thy fond consort, by thy father's cares,

By young Telemachus his blooming years. Pope. 4. It is sometimes used in opposition to this man's.

Were I king, I should cut off the nobles for their lands, Desire his jewels, and this other's house. Shaksp.

5. Anciently before self. Every of us, each for his self, laboured how to Sidney. recover him.

HIS

To HISK.* v. n. To breathe short through cold or pain; to draw the breath with difficulty. A northern word. Grose, and Craven Dialect.

HI'SPID.* adj. [old Fr. hispide; Lat. hispidus.] Rough.

John of the wilderness? the hairy child? The hispid Thisbite? or what Satyr wild? More, Verses pref. to Hall's Poems, 1646.

To HISS. v. n. [hissen, Dutch.] 1. To utter a noise like that of a serpent and some other animals. It is remarkable, that this word cannot be pronounced without making the noise

which it signifies. In the height of this bath to be thrown into the Thames, and cool'd glowing hot, in that surge, like a horseshoe; think of that; hissing hot.

Shakspeare. The merchants shall hiss at thee, Ezek. xxvii. 36. See the furies arise:

See the snakes that they rear, How they hiss in their hair.

Dryden, Alexander's Feast. Against the steed he threw

His forceful spear, which, hissing as it flew, Pierc'd through the yielding planks. Dryden. 2. To condemn at a public exhibition;

which is sometimes done by hissing. Men shall pursue with merited disgrace;

Hiss, clap their hands, and from his country chase. Sandus. To Hiss. v. a. [hircan, Saxon.]

1. To condemn by hissing, to explode. Every one will hiss him out to his disgrace.

Ecclus. xxii. 1. She would so shamefully fail in the last act, that instead of a plaudite, she would deserve to be hissed off the stage.

I have seen many successions of men, who have shot themselves into the world, some bolting out upon the stage with vast applause, and others hissed off, and quitting it with disgrace. Dryden.

Will you venture your all upon a cause, which would be hissed out of all the courts as ridiculous? Collier on Duelling.

2. To procure hisses or disgrace. Thy mother plays, and I

Play too; but so disgrac'd a part, whose issue Will hiss me to my grave. Shaksp. Wint. Tale. What's the newest grief?

That of an hour's age doth hiss the speaker, Each minute teems a new one. Shaks. Macbeth.

Hiss. n. s. [from the verb.]

1. The voice of a serpent, and of some other animals. He would have spoke,

But hiss for hiss return'd with forked tongue To forked tongue. Milton, P. L

in theatres.

He heard

On all sides, from innumerable tongues, A dismal universal hiss, the sound

Of publick scorn! Fierce champion fortitude, that knows no fears Of hisses, blows, or want, or loss of ears. Pope.

HI'SSING.* n. s. [from hiss.]

Donne. 1. The noise of a serpent, and of some

Being scared with beasts that passed by, and hissing of serpents, they died for fear. Wisd. zvii. 9. 2. An object of hisses or disgrace.

To make their land desolate, and a perpetual hissing; every one that passeth thereby shall be astonished, and wag his head. Jerem. xviii.16.

HI'SSINGLY.* adv. [from hissing.] With whistling sound.

Sherwood. HIST. + interj. [Of this word I know not the original: some have thought it a corruption of hush, hush it, husht, hist; but I have heard that it is an Irish verb commanding silence. Dr. Johnson. -Others suppose it to be the Latin interjection of silence, st; considered as an abbreviation of sta, stand, or of siste, stop. But it is most probably from our own word whist, be silent; whist, huist, hist. See To WHIST.] An exclamation commanding silence.

The mute Silence hist along, 'Less Philomel will deign a song, In her sweetest saddest plight, Smoothing the rugged brow of night.

Milton, Il Pens. Hist, hist, says another that stood by, away, doctor; for here's a whole pack of dismals coming. Swift.

HISTO'RIAL.* adj. [historial, Fr.] Our elder word for historical.

An historial thing notable.

Chaucer, Doct. of Phys. Tale. HISTO'RIAN. n. s. [historicus, Latin; historien, French.] A writer of facts and events; a writer of history.

What thanks sufficient, or what recompence

Equal, have I to render thee, divine

Milton, P. L. Historian ! Our country, which has produced writers of the first figure in every other kind of work, has been Addison. very barren in good historians.

Not added years on years my task would close, The long historian of my country's woes. Pope. HISTO'RICAL. adj. [historique, Fr. HISTO'RICK.] historicus, Lat.]

1. Containing or giving an account of

facts and events.

Because the beginning scemeth abrupt, it needs that you know the occasion of these several adventures; for the method of a poet historical is not such as of an historiographer. Spenser.

In an historical relation we use terms that are most proper and best known. Burnet, Theory. Here rising bold, the patriot's honest face;

There warriors frowning in historick brass. Pope. 2. Suitable or pertaining to history or narrative.

With equal justice and historick care, Their laws, their toils, their arms with his compare.

HISTO'RICALLY. adv. [from historical.] In the manner of history; by way of parration.

The gospels, which are weekly read, do all historically declare something which our Lord Jesus Christ himself either spoke, did, or suffered in

his own person. When that which the word of God doth but deliver historically, we construe as if it were

legally meant, and so urge it further than we can prove it was intended, do we not add to the laws of God? Hooker.

After his life has been rather invented than written, I shall consider him historically as an author, with regard to those works he has left behind bim. Pope, Essay on Homer.

HI'STORIED.* adj. [from history.] Recorded in history; containing history. See STORIED.

HISTO'RIER.* n. s. [from history.] An old word for an historian.

Huntingdoniensis, doctor Poynet's historier, reporteth of priests' marriages.

Martin on the Marr. of Priests, (1554,) M. ii.

To HISTO'RIFY. v. a. [from history.] To HISTRIO'NICALLY. adv. [from histrionical.] relate; to record in history.

O, muse, historify Her praise, whose praise to learn your skill hath framed me.

The third age they term historicon; that is, such wherein matters have been more truly historified, and therefore may be believed.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

HISTORIO'GRAPHER. n. s. [isopla and γράφω; historiographe, French. An historian; a writer of history.

The method of a poet historical is not such as of an historiographer. Spenser.

What poor ideas must strangers conceive of persons famous among us, should they form their notions of them from the writings of those our historiographers?

I put the journals into a strong box, after the manner of the historiographers of some eastern Arbuthnot, Hist. of John Bull.

HISTORIO'GRAPHY. n. s. [is opla and γραφω.] The art or employment of an historian. HISTORIO LOGY.* n. s. [ίςορία, and λόγος, description, discourse.] Knowledge of history; explanation of history.

Cockeram. HI'STORY. † n. s. [150pla, Gr. historia, Lat. histoire, French; from 15 wp, skilful, knowing; whence is opéw, to inquire, to explore, to know by examination, and to relate.

1. A narration of events and facts delivered with dignity.

Justly Cæsar seorns the poet's lays; It is to history he trusts for praise.

2. Narration; relation.

The history part lay within a little room. Wiseman.

Pope.

What histories of toil could I declare? But still long-weary'd nature wants repair. Pope.

3. The knowledge of facts and events. History, so far as it relates to the affairs of the Bible, is necessary to divines.

HISTORY Piece. n. s. A picture representing some memorable event.

His works resemble a large history piece, where even the less important figures have some convenient place.

HI'STRION.* n. s. [Fr. histrion; Lat. histrio.] A player. Cockeram. HISTRIO'NICAL. † adj. [Fr. histrionique, HISTRIO'NICK. from the Lat. histrio.] Befitting the stage; suitable to a player; becoming a buffoon; theatrical.

A histrionical contempt Of what a man fears most.

B. Jonson, Magn. Lady. Histrionical gestures, representing unto us Apollo's solemnities in his temple at Delos.

Peter Smart, Serm. at Durham, (1628,) p. 24. Such naked and forlorn Quakers act a part much more cunning, false, and histrionical, than those that least affect such pitiful simplicities.

Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 164. Nor may this be called an histrionike parada, or stagely visard and hypocrisy

Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 168. Though the world be histrionical, and most men

live ironically, yet be thou what thou singly art, and personate only thyself.

Brown, Chr. Mor. iii. 20. In consequence of his love and his knowledge of the histrionic art, he taught the choristers over which he presided to act plays.

Warton, Hist. E. P. iii. 285.

Theatrically; in the manner of a buffoon.

HI'STRIONISM.* n. s. [from histrion.] Theatrical or feigned representation.

When personations shall cease, and histrionism of happiness be over; when reality shall rule.

Brown, Chr. Mor. iii. 24.

To HIT. † v. a. [from ictus, Lat. Minsheu; from hitte, Danish, to throw at random, Junius. From the Su. Goth. hitta, ferire, attingere. Spegel.]

1. To strike; to touch with a blow.

When I first saw her I was presently stricken; and I, like a foolish child, that when any thing hits him will strike himself again upon it, would needs look again, as though I would persuade mine eyes that they were deceived.

His conscience shall hit him in the teeth, and tell him his sin and folly.

2. To touch the mark; not to miss. Is he a god that ever flies the light? Or naked he, disguis'd in all untruth? If he be blind, how hitteth he so right? Sidney. So hard it is to tremble, and not to err, and to

hit the mark with a shaking hand. South. 3. To attain; to reach; not to fail: used

of tentative experiments. Were I but twenty-one, Your father's image is so hit in you,

His very air, that I should call you brother, As I did him. Shakspeare.

Search every comment that your care can find, Some here, some there, may hit the poet's mind. Roscommon.

Birds learning tunes, and their endeavours to hit the notes right, put it past doubt that they have perception, and retain ideas, and use them for patterns. Locke.

Here's an opportunity to shew how great a bungler my author is in hitting features. Atterbury. 4. To suit; to be conformable to.

Hail, divinest melancholy !

Whose saintly visage is too bright

To hit the sense of human sight. Milton, Il Pens. 5. To strike; to catch by the right bait; to touch properly.

There you hit him : St. Dominick loves charity exceedingly; that argument never fails with him. Dryden.

6. To HIT off. To strike out; to fix or determine luckily.

What prince soever can hit off this great secret, need know no more either for his own safety, or that of the people he governs.

7. To HIT out. To perform by good luck. Having the sound of ancient poets ringing in his ears, he mought needs in singing hit out some of their tunes.

To HIT. † v. n.

1. To clash; to collide.

If bodies be extension alone, how can they move and hit one against another; or what can make distinct surfaces in an uniform extension?

Bones, teeth, and shells being sustained in the water with metallick corpuscles, and the said corpuscles meeting with and hitting upon those bodies, become conjoined with them. Woodward.

2. To chance luckily; to succeed by accident; not to miss.

Oft expectation fails, and most oft there Where most it promises; and oft it hits Where hope is coldest, and despair most sits.

Shaksveare. 3. To succeed; not to miscarry.

The experiment of binding of thoughts would be diversified, and you are to note whether it hits for the most part. Bacon, Nat. Hist. But thou bring'st valour too and wit, Two things that seldom fail to hit. Hudibras.

This may hit, 'tis more than barely possible. Dryden.

All human race would fain be wits, And millions miss for one that hits. Swift.

4. To light on.

There is a kind of conveying of effectual and imprinting passages amongst compliments, which is of singular use, if a man can hit upon it. Bacon.

You've hit upon the very string, which touch'd, Echoes the sound, and jars within my soul; There lies my grief. Dryden, Span. Friar.

It is much, if men were from eternity, that they should not find out the way of writing sooner: sure he was a fortunate man, who, after men had been eternally so dull as not to find it out, had the luck at last to hit upon it. Tillotson.

There's a just medium betwixt eating too much and too little; and this dame had hit upon't, when the matter was so ordered that the hen brought her every day an egg. L'Estrange. None of them hit upon the art. Addison.

There's but a true and a false prediction in any telling of fortune; and a man that never hils on the right side, cannot be called a bad guesser, but must miss out of design. Bentley.

To agree; to suit.

Pray you, let us hit together. Shaks. K. Lear. The number so exactly hits.

Waterland, Script. Vind. iii. 6. HIT. n. s. [from the verb.]

1. A stroke.

The king hath laid, that in a dozen passes between you and him, he shall not exceed you three hits. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

So he the fam'd Cilician fencer prais'd, And at each hit with wonder seem amaz'd.

2. A chance; a fortuitous event.

To suppose a watch, by the blind hits of chance to perform diversity of orderly motions, without the regulation of art, this were the more pardonable absurdity.

If the rule we judge by be uncertain, it is odds but we shall judge wrong; and if we should judge right, yet it is not properly skill, but chance; not a true judgement, but a lucky hit.

But with more lucky hit than those

That use to make the stars depose. Hudibras The fisherman's waiting, and the lucky hit it had in the conclusion, tells us, that honest endeavours will not fail. L'Estrange.

If casual concourse did the world compose, And things and hits fortuitous arose,

Then any thing might come from any thing; For how from chance can constant order spring? Blackmore.

3. A lucky chance.

Have all his ventures fail'd? What, not one hit? Shakspeare.

These hits of words a true poet often finds, without seeking. Dryden, Dufresnoy. If at first he minds his hits,

And drinks champaigne among the wits, Five deep he toasts the tow'ring lasses.

To HITCH. † v. n. [Skinner derives this word from the Sax. hiegan, hicgan, which means to strive, or from the French hocher, to move quickly; to which Dr. Johnson assents, defining our word accordingly "to catch, to move by jerks;" but, at the same time, observing that he knows not where it is used but in the following passage from Pope, nor well knows what it there means. The word, however, is used by South; as more than one literary friend has remarked to me, and as I had noted several years since. Dr. Jamieson, illustrating the Scottish verb hatch, (to

wards and forwards in a clumsy manner,) says, that our hitch is used in the same way; although it is a word occurring so rarely, that Johnson could find but one example. To Skinner's etymons he adds the Icel. hika, cedo, recedo, retrocedo, which he considers as the radical word; and Serenius had proposed hagga, to move, to shake; hik, a small motion. - But hitch, in the passage from South, seems to mean to become "entangled or hooked to-gether;" and, in that from Pope, "to be hooked in, to fall into, to be caught, and exposed as it were;" and so may be deduced from the same root as to hook, Teut. haecken. Hichel, (or hitchel,) a hook. Barret's Alv. 1580. To hitch. to catch hold of any thing with a rope or hook. Coles, Dict. edit. 1685. This is still a sea term; " hitch the fish-hook to the fluke of the anchor." In Gloucestershire, Mr. Malone says, to hitch is used actively in the sense of to make fast; and, as a neutral verb, to stick fast. Thus, after a swing-gate has vibrated backwards and forwards for some time, when the latch drops into the groove made to receive it, the gate is said to hitch. The word has other provincial meanings. Nor is hitch, in the sense of to hook on, or to fasten as with a hook, uncommon in many places. And from the active sense, thus implying hold, has arisen probably the use of the substantive for an impediment.]

1. To become entangled, or hooked together. ["Elementa hamata, et per-plicata." Lucret.]

But if this will not do, we are told, that there was an infinite innumerable company of little bodies, called atoms, from all eternity, flying and roving about in a void space, which at length hitched together and united; by which union and connection they grew at length into this beautiful, curious, and most exact structure of the universe. A conceit fitter for Bedlam than a school, or an South, Serm. iii. 90.

2. To be caught: to fall into; to be hooked in.

Whoe'er offends, at some unlucky time Slides into verse, or hitches in a rhyme; Sacred to ridicule his whole life long, And the sad burthen of some merry song.

Pope, Imit. of Hor. B. 2. Sat. I.

3. [Spoken of horses.] To hit the legs

together in going. 4. To hop on one leg. Yorkshire. Grose. And so Dr. Johnson defines "to hobble" to hitch. See To Hobble.

5. To move, or walk. Norfolk. HITCH.* n. s. [from the verb.] A catch; any thing that holds; an impediment: as, there is a hitch in the business; the man has a hitch in his gait.

I am credibly informed, that there is still a considerable hitch or hobble in your enunciation; and that when you speak fast, you speak unintelligibly. Ld. Chesterfield.

To HI'TCHEL. v. a. [See HATCHEL.] To beat or comb flax or hemp.

move quickly up and down, or back- [HI'TCHEL. n. s. [heckel, German.] The instrument with which flax is beaten or combed.

> HITHE. n. s. [hýðe, Saxon.] 'A small haven to land wares out of vessels or boats: as Queenhithe, and Lambhithe, now Lam-

> HI'THER. + adv. [hidre, Goth. hisen, hi-

den, Sax.

1. To this place from some other. Cæsar, tempted with the fame Of this sweet island, never conquered, And envying the Britons blazed name, O hideous hunger of dominion, hither came.

Spenser, F. Q. Men must endure

Their going hence, even as their coming hither. Shakspeare. Who brought me hither,

Will bring me hence; no other guide I seek.

2. It is used in opposition: hither and thither, to this place and that.

3. To this end; to this design; to this topick of argument: [huc, Lat. Huc refer exitum. Not much used.

Hereupon dependeth whatsoever difference there is between the states of saints in glory; hither we refer whatsoever belongeth unto the highest perfection of man, by way of service towards God.

Hither belong all those texts, which require of us that we should not walk after the flesh, but after the spirit.

HI'THER. adj. superl. hithermost. Nearer; towards this part.

After these. But on the hither side, a different sort, From the high neighbouring hills descended.

Milton, P. L. An eternal duration may be shorter or longer upon the hither end, namely, that extreme wherein it is finite.

HI'THERMOST. adj. [of hither, adv.] Nearest on this side.

That which is eternal can be extended to a greater extent at the hithermost extreme. HI'THERTO. adv. [from hither.]

1. To this time; yet.

Hitherto I have only told the reader what ought not to be the subject of a picture or of a poem.

2. In any time till now. More ample spirit than hitherto was wont, Here needs me, whiles the famous ancestries Of my most dreadful sovereign I recount. Spenser, F. Q.

3. At every time till now.

In this we are not their adversaries, though they in the other hitherto have been ours. Hooker Hitherto, lords, what your commands impos'd I have perform'd, as reason was, obeying.

Milton, S. A. Hitherto she kept her love conceal'd, And with those graces every day beheld

The graceful youth. He could not have failed to add the opposition of ill spirits to the good: this alone has hitherto been the practice of the moderns.

To correct them, is a work that has hitherto been assumed by the least qualified hands. Swift. adv. [hýðeppeans, Sax.] HI'THERWARD.

This way; towards HI'THERWARDS. this place.

Some parcels of their power are forth already, Shakspeare, Coriol. And only hitherward. The king himself in person hath set forth, Or hitherwards intended speedily.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. 14

A puissant and mighty power Is marching hitherward in proud array. Look now for no enchanting voice, nor fear The bait of honied words; a rougher tongue Draws hitherward. Milton, S. A.

HIVE. + n. s. There, Saxon; either from the Su. Goth. hof, a house; or the M. Goth. haban, Icel. hefa, to contain; or the Sax. hipe, Icel. hiu, a house; a family. Serenius.]

1. The habitation or artificial receptacle of bees.

So bees with smoke, and doves with noisome stench.

Are from their hives and houses driv'n away.

So wandering bees would perish in the air, Did not a sound, proportion'd to their ear, Appease their rage, invite them to the hive.

Bees have each of them a hole in their hives: their honey is their own, and every bee minds her own concerns Addison

2. The bees inhabiting a hive. The commons, like an angry hive of bees

That want their leader, scatter up and down. Shakspeare.

3. A company being together. What modern masons call a lodge, was by antiquity called a hive of free masons; and therefore, when a dissension happens, the going off is to this

day called swarming. To HIVE. v.a. [from the noun.] 1. To put into hives; to harbour.

Mr. Addison of Oxford has been troublesome to me: after his bees, my latter swarm is scarcely worth hiving. Druden. When bees are fully settled, and the cluster at

the biggest, hive them. Mortimer, Husbandry. 2. To contain, as in hives; to receive, as to an habitation.

Ambitious now to take excise Of a more fragrant paradise, He at Fuscara's sleeve arriv'd,

Where all delicious sweets are hiv'd. Cleaveland. To HIVE. v. n. To take shelter together;

to reside collectively. He sleeps by day

More than the wild cat, drones hive not with me, Therefore I part with him. In summer we wander in a paradisaical scene, among groves and gardens; but at this season we get into warmer houses, and hive together in cities.

HI'VER. n. s. [from hive.] One who puts bees in hives.

Let the hiver drink a cup of good beer, and wash his hands and face therewith. Mortimer.

HIVES.* n. s. pl. [a corruption of our own word heave, to swell, or rise up.] Eruptions in the skin: used in some parts of the north, according to Mr. Brockett.

To Hizz.* v. n. To hiss. See To Hiss. To have a thousand with red burning spits Come hizzing in upon them. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

HI'ZZING.* n. s. An hissing or hiss. See

HISSING. Lest, by the sun the organs parch'd and spill'd,

The dismal ghost uncertain hizzings yield.

May, Lucan, B. 6.

HO. † interj. [eho, Latin. Dr. Johnson. -Ho, old French; stop, cease; the word made use of for combatants to leave off fighting. Kelham, Norm. Dict. Ho, Welsh, an exclamation, a call.] A call; a sudden exclamation to give notice of approach, or any thing else; a command to stop; cease; give over; enough.

The duke of Norfolke was not fullie set forward, when the king cast down his warder, and the heraldes cried ho, ho. Holinshed, Chron. The sacke without botome, which never can say ho.

Myrrour of Good Manners, tr. by A. Barcley, s. d. There be three things never satisfied, and the

fourth never saith ho.

Florio's Dialog. Ital. & Eng. (1578.) Behold, the kinsman of whom Boaz spake came by; unto whom he said, Ho, such a one, turn aside, sit down here. Ruth, iv. 1. Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters. Isaiah, lv. 1.

Ho, ho, come forth and flee from the land of the north. Zech. ii. 6.

What noise there, ho? Shakspeare. Ho, swain, what shepherd owns these ragged sheep? Dryden.

Ho.* n. s. [from the interjection.] Stop; bound; limit. Formerly the word was common in this country. Mr. Malone says, it is yet common in Ireland: as, there is no ho with him, i. e. he knows no bounds, he never has enough, he is intemperate. "Out of all ho." Immo- HOARD. + n. s. [haurd, Goth. hopo, Sax. dicè. Litt. Dict. 1715.

Heer was no ho in devout drinkyng:

Langham's Lett. of Q. Eliz. Entert, at Killingworth, (1575.) To rule unruly people, with whom otherwise

there were no ho. Harvey, Pierce's Supererog. (1592.) He once loved the fair maid of Fresingfield out of all ho. Greene's Friar Bacon.

To Ho.* v. n. To call out. An old seaterm, " Howen, or cryen, as shipmen." Pr. Parv. "Clamor nauticus vel cantus, ut, heve & howe, rombylow." Ort. Vocab. [Teut. hou.] See Hox.

HOA. † interj. [from ho.] A sudden exclamation to give notice of approach, or

any thing else.

Here dwells my father Jew : hoa, who's within? Shaksneare.

When I cried hoa! Like boys, kings would start forth, and cry, Your will. Shakspeare.

Ho'ANE.* n. s. [Sax. hæn; Icel. hein. See HONE. A fine kind of whetstone.

Cockeram.

HOAR. † adj. [hap, Sax. from hapian, canescere. Mr. H. Tooke.] 1. White.

The hoare waters from his frigot ran, Spenser, F. Q. ii. xii. 10.

A people, Whom Ireland sent from loughs and forrests hore.

Island of bliss, all assaults

Baffling, like thy hoar cliffs the loud sea-wave.

2. Gray with age.

It govern'd was, and guided evermore

Through wisdom of a matron grave and hoar. Spenser, F. Q. Let not his hoar head go down to the grave in

1 Kings, ii. 6. Now swarms the populace, a countless throng; Youth and hour age, and man drives man along.

3. White with frost.

Low the woods Thomson, Winter.

4. Mouldy; musty. [hopiz, Sax. mucidus, hapian, mucescere; hor, Icel. mucor.] VOL. II.

Guyon finds Mammon in a delve Sunning his threasure hore.

Spenser, F. Q. ii. vii. Arg. A hare, sir, in a lenten pie, that is something stale and hoar. Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul.

HOAR.* n. s. [from the adjective.] Antiquity; hoariness.

His grants are engrafted on the publick law of Europe, covered with the awful hoar of innumerable ages.

To Hoar. * v. n. [Sax. hapian, mucescere.] To become mouldy or musty.]

A hare that is hoar, Is too much for a score,

When it hoars ere it be spent.

Old Song in Romeo and Juliet. HOAR-FROST. n. s. [hoar and frost.] The congelations of dew in frosty mornings

on the grass. When the dew was gone up, behold upon the face of the wilderness there lay a small round thing,

as small as the hoar-frost on the ground. Exod. xvi. 14. In Farenheit's thermometer, at thirty-two de-

grees, the water in the air begins to freeze, which is hoar-frost.

from hyrda, Icel. to keep, to guard. Serenius. And Mr. H. Tooke states it to be the past participle of the Sax. hýpban, custodire. It may be added, that in the Persones Tale of Chaucer, horde (as hoard was formerly written) is used for the place to keep treasure in. "Glotonie 2. Mouldiness. — is the devil's horde; ther he hideth him and resteth." Chaucer, C. T. edit. Tyrrwhitt, ii. 359.] A store laid up in secret; a hidden stock; a treasure.

I have a venturous fairy, that shall seek The squirrel's hoard, and fetch thee hence new nuts. They might have even starved, had it not been

for this providential reserve, this hoard, that was stowed in the strata underneath, and now seasonably disclosed.

To HOARD. † v. n. [Sax. hopban.] To make hoards; to lay up store. He fear'd not once himself to be in need,

Nor car'd to hoard for those whom he did breed. Spenser, F. Q.

Happy always was it for that son, Whose father for his hoarding went to hell. Shakspeare.

To Hoard. v. a.

1. To lay in hoards; to husband privily; to store secretly.

The hoarded plague of the gods requite your Shaksneare.

You hoard not health for your own private use, But on the public spend the rich produce.

You will be unsuccessful, if you give out of a great man, who is remarkable for his frugality for the publick, that he squanders away the nation's money; but you may safely relate that he hoards Arbuthnot, Art of Politic. Lying.

A superfluous abundance tempts us to forget God, when it is hoarded in our treasures, or considered as a safe, independent provision laid up for many years.

2. It is sometimes enforced by the particle up.

I have, just occasion to complain of them, who because they understand Chaucer, would hoard him up as misers do their grandam gold, only to look on it themselves, and hinder others from making use of it.

The base wretch who hoards up all he can, Is prais'd, and call'd a careful thrifty man.

Druden. Ho'ARDER. † n. s. [Sax. hopbene.] One that stores up in secret.

The horders of provision were constrained to open their garners, and the prices of grain abated. Wotton, Panegyr. to K. Charles I.

Since commodities will be raised, this alteration will be an advantage to nobody but hoarders of

Ho'ARED.* adj. [from hoar.] Mouldy; musty.

All the bread of their provision was dry and hoared, [in the present version, mouldy].

Josh. ix. 5. Matthew's, Cranmer's, and the Bishops' Transl.

Ho'ARHOUND.† n. s. [marrubium, Lat.] A plant.

Hoarhound has its leaves and flowercup covered very thick with a white hoariness: it is famous for the relief it gives in moist asthmas, of which a thick and viscous matter is the cause; but it is now little used. Pale horehound, which he holds of most espe-

cial use. Drayton, Polyolb. S. 13.

Ho'ARINESS. † n. s. [from hoary.]

1. The state of being whitish; the colour of old men's hair.

He grows a wolf, his hoariness remains, And the same rage in other members reigns.

Dryden. Barret, and Sherwood. Hoariness, or vinewdness, such as is on bread or meat long kept; or mouldiness from moisture or lack of cleansing.

HOARSE. adj. [hap, Sax. heersch, Dutch.] Having the voice rough, as with a cold; having a rough sound.

Come, sit, sit, and a song.

— Clap into't roundly, without hawking or spitting, or saying we are hoarse.

Shakspeare, As you like it. The raven himself is hoarse, That croaks the fatal entrance of Duncan

Under my battlements. Shakspeare, Macbeth. He sped his steps along the hoarse resounding The stock-dove only through the forest cooes,

Mournfully hoarse. Thomson.

Ho'ARSELY. † adv. [from hoarse.] a rough harsh voice. Hard at my feet ran down a crystal spring,

Which did the cumbrous pebbles hoarsely chide For standing in the way.

More, Cupid's Conflict, (1647.) The hounds at nearer distance hoarsely bay'd;

The hunter close pursu'd the visionary maid. Dryden.

Ho'ARSENESS. n. s. [from hoarse.] Roughness of voice.

The voice is sometimes intercluded by an hoarseness or viscous phlegm. I had a voice in heav'n, ere sulph'rous steams

Had damp'd it to a hoarseness. Dryden, K. Arthur. The want of it in the wind-pipe occasions hoarseness in the gullet, and difficulty of swallowing. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

HO'ARY. † adj. [hap, hapung, Saxon. See HOAR.]

1. White; whitish.

One would think the deep to be hoary.

Job, xli. 32. The secrets of the hoary deep. Milton, P. L. Thus she rested on her arm reclin'd, The hoary willows waving with the wind. Addison,

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2. White or grey with age.

A comely palmer clad in black attire, Of ripest years, and hairs all hoary grey.

Spenser, F. Q. Solyman, marvelling at the courage and majesty of the hoary old prince in his so great extremity, dismissed him, and sent him again into the city. Knolles, Hist.

Has then my hoary head deserv'd no better? Rowe.

Then in full age, and hoary holiness, Retire, great preacher, to thy promis'd bliss. Prior.

3. White with frost.

The seasons alter; hoary headed frosts Fall in the fresh lap of the crimson rose. Shaksp.

4. Mouldy; mossy; rusty. [hopiz, Sax. See the fourth sense of HOAR.

There was brought out of the city into the camp very coarse, hoary, moulded bread. Knolles, Hist.

Ho'ASED,* See Hoose.

Ho'ast.* n. s. A cough. See Haust. HOAX.* n. s. [Such is the Sax. hucre, or hucx, derision, mockery, irony; though Mr. Malone considers it as derived from the cant word hocus, a cheat. Lambarde calls the Sax. hucxxybe, a time of scorning and mocking. From the Lambeth book, cited by Mr. Brand, under the years 1556-1557, there appear receipts for hoxce-money. The Sax. hocep, hocop, also signified scorn, laughing to scorn, or contumely; and Chaucer's "wife of Simkin" is described "ful of hoker and bismare," (i. e. in-solence or mockery, and of abuse,) Reve's Tale.] An imposition; a de-ception: as, the hoax was credited beyond expectation.

To Hoax.* v. a. [from the noun.] To deceive: to impose upon.

HOB.* n. s.

1. A clown. [German, hube, formerly hobe, a country-farm; hubner, a country fellow. Serenius.] Sherwood. 2. A fairy; a spirit. See Hobgoblin. Sherwood.

3. The back of the chimney. A northern term. Grose. See Hobnob.

HOB or Nob.* See HOBNOB.

Ho'BBARD-DE-HOY.* n. s. [in some places called hobbledehoy, and also hobbetyhoy.] A stripling; a young lad between fourteen and twenty-one; neither man nor boy.

Man's age divided here ye have By prentiships from birth to grave, The first seven years bring up as a childe: The next to learning, for waxing too wilde : The next keepe under Sir Hobbard-de-hoy: The next a man, no longer a boy, &c. Tusser, Husbandrie, &c. (1580,) p. 57.

Ho'BBISM.* n. s. The opinions of Thomas Hobbes of Malmesbury, in this country, who was born towards the close of the sixteenth century. He "made no scruple to speak of the light and law of nature as a chimera; and as little, to mould Christianity to a system of his own, directly repugnant to the nature and end of all religion; for he establishes it as a fundamental point, that the subjects of every community ought to conform, in all religious matters, to the this he added a frightful picture of human nature, representing mankind as Deism Revealed, Dial. viii. "His ethics have a strong tendency to corrupt our morals, and his politics to destroy that liberty which is the birthright of every human creature. He is commonly represented as a sceptic in religion, and a dogmatist in philosophy; but he was a dogmatist in both." Granger, Biog. Hist. Charles II. Cl. ix.

The abettors of Hobbism could not stand up for it, without allowing themselves to be actuated only by base and narrow principles.

Skelton, Deism Revealed.

Ho'BBIST.* n. s. A follower of the opinions of Hobbes.

That Rochester should write a satire on man, I am not surprized. It is the business of the libertine to degrade his species, and debase the dignity of human nature, and thereby destroy the most efficacious incitements to lovely and laudable actions. But, that a writer of Boileau's purity of manners should represent his kind in the dark and disagreeable colours he has done, with all the malignity of a discontented Hobbist, is a lamentable perversion of fine talents, and is a real injury Dr. Warton, Ess. on Pope. to society.

To HO'BBLE. + v. n. [to hop, to hopple, to hobble. Dr. Johnson. - The diminutive of the Su. Goth. hoppa, to hop, to leap; so hoppen, hobben, Teut.; hobbelu, ride. Cym. the same. Serenius.

1. To walk lamely or awkwardly upon one leg more than the other; to hitch; to walk with unequal and encumbered

The friar was hobbling the same way too. Dryd. Some persons continued a kind of hobbling march on the broken arches, but fell through. Addison_

Was he ever able to walk without leadingstrings, without being discovered by his hobbling?

2. To move roughly or unevenly. Feet being ascribed to verses, whatever is done with feet is likewise ascribed to

Those ancient Romans - had a custom of reproaching each other in a sort of extempore poetry, or rather tunable hobbling verse.

Dryden, Orig. and Pr. of Satire. While you Pindarick truths rehearse, She hobbles in alternate verse. Prior.

To Ho'BBLE.* v. a. [perhaps from hobbel, a knot, Fland.; hobbelen, to complicate in a knot.] To perplex; to embarrass: as, he is greatly hobbled.

Ho'BBLE. 7 n. s. [from the verb.] 1. Uneven aukward gait.

One of his heels is higher than the other, which

gives him a hobble in his gait. Swift, Gulliv. Trav. 2. A difficulty. [hobbel, Fland. a knot.]

To get into a hobble.

Ho'BBLER. † n. s. [old French, hobeler; " cavalier qui monte un cheval Escossois, qu'on nommoit anciennement hobin.' Lacombe, and Roquefort.

1. A kind of horse-soldier.

For twenty hobblers armed, Irishmen so called, because they served on hobbies, he paid six-pence a-piece per diem.

commands of the civil magistrate. To | 2. Men employed in towing vessels by a rope on the land. West of England. Jennings.

altogether selfish and savage." Skelton, Ho'BBLINGLY. adv. [from hobble.] Clumsily; aukwardly; with a halting gait. Ho'bbly.* adj. [from hobble.] Rough uneven: as, a hobbly road. Brockett, N. Country Words.

> Ho'BBY. † n. s. [hobbije, Fland.; hobereau, French; hebog, Welsh.]

1. A species of hawk.

They have such a hovering possession of the Valtoline, as an hobby hath over a lark. Bacon. The people will chop like trouts at an artificial fly, and dare like larks under the awe of a painted L'Estrange. Larks lie dar'd to shun the hobby's flight. Dryd.

2. An Irish or Scottish horse; a pacing horse; a nag. [Goth. hoppe, a horse; hobin, Fr. a pacing horse. Dr. Johnson. - Hobin, Irish, a horse whose motion is easy. Bullet. This, Dr. Jamieson thinks, may be from obann, Ir. quick, nimble. Nevertheless he reverts also to the northern language, to which Serenius likewise refers hobby, viz. Icel. hoppa, a mare; as Johnson has to the Goth. hoppe, a horse. This, I may add, carries us to the Greek "##05.

Hobblers armed, Irishmen so called, because they served on hobbies. Davies on Ireland.

As young children, who are ty'd in Go-carts, to keep their steps from sliding, When members knit, and legs grow stronger, Make use of such machine no longer; But leap pro libitu, and scout On horse call'd hobby, or without.

4. In colloquial language, that which is the favourite object or pursuit of a person. See Hobby-Horse.

Ho'BBY-HORSE.* n. s.

1. A stick on which boys get astride and

Those grave contenders about opinionative trifles look like aged Socrates upon his boy's hobby-

A character in the old May-games. The hobby-horse was represented by a man equipped with as much pasteboard as was sufficient to form the head and hinder parts of a horse, the quadrupedal defects being concealed by a long mantle or foot-cloth that nearly touched the ground. The performer on this occasion exerted all his skill in burlesque horsemanship. Douce.

But see the hobby-horse is forgot: Fool! it must be your lot, To supply his want with faces And some other buffoon graces.

B. Jonson, Masque at Althorpe. The word politician is not usual to his maw, and thereupon he plays the most notorious hobbyhorse, jesting and frisking in the luxury of his Milton, Colasterion.

3. A stupid or foolish person. [from the preceding sense.]

I have studied eight or nine wise words to speak to you, which these hobby-horses must not hear. Shakspeare.

4. The favourite object or pursuit of a person.

What the last age denominated follies, or hobby- [HO'BLIKE.* adj. [from hob.] Clownish; horses, we style collections: Uncle Toby's library would have required no apology among the hunters of old ballads, and churchwardens' bills of our day!

Ferriar, Illustr. of Sterne, ch. 5. Hobgo'blin. + n. s. [according to Skinner, for robgoblins, from Robin Goodfellow, Hob being the nickname of Robin: but more probably, according to Wallis and Junius, hopgoblins, empusæ, because they do not move their feet: whence, says Wallis, came the boys' play of fox in the hole, the fox always hopping on one leg. Dr. Johnson. - Wallis maintains his opinion, in his Correction of Hobbes, with much stoutness: "This derivation you did, at first, cry out upon as very absurd; and you meant to pay me for it; till you were informed, as I hear, by some of your friends, that the scholiast of Aristophanes had the same, (viz. empusa from ev and #85,) and so have Eustathius, Erasmus, Cælius Rhodoginus, Stephanus, Scapula, Calepine, and others; and therefore you were advised not to quarrel with it. Whereupon, waving your main charge, you only tell me, that it doth not become my gravity to tell you, that empusa, your dæmonium Atheniense, was a kind of hobgoblin, that hopped upon one leg; and that thence a boys' play, now in use, comes to be called ludus empusæ; and withal pray me to tell you, where it was that I read the word empusa for the boys' play I spake of? To the question I answer, that I read it so used in Junius's Nomenclator, Rider's, and Thomas's Dictionary; sufficient authors for such a business." Due Correction for Mr. Hobbes, Oxf. 1656. p. 24. Notwithstanding this learned etymology, it is, I think, plain that our ancestors considered the hobgoblin as no other than a Robin Goodfellow; and that, therefore, we may consider hob as the true etymon; hob, the goblin, i. e. Robin Goodfellow. See the example from Shakspeare's Mids. N. Dream. " A bigger kind there is of them [fairies] called with us hobgoblins, and Robin Goodfellows, that would in those superstitious times, grind corn for a mess of milk, &c." Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 47. Hence hob was also a general name for a fairy or spirit. "The hobs of night." Morall Plot of C. Wase's Electra of Sophocles, 1649. " Hobthrust, or rather hob o' th' hurst, a spirit supposed to haunt woods only." North. Grose's Prov. Gloss. Hob Howlard, the name of a spirit. Brand, Popular Antiq. ii. 359.] A fairy; vulgarly, a frightful

You are that shrewd and knavish sprite,

Call'd Robin Goodfellow :

Those that Hobgoblin call you, and sweet Puck, You do their work. Shakspeare, Mids. N. Dream. Fairies, black, gray, green, and white, Attend your office and your quality:

Crier hobgoblin, make the fairy o-yes. Shakspeare. Ho'BIT. n. s. A small mortar to shoot little bombs.

Cotgrave, in V. Rude, and Sherwood. HO'BNAIL. † n. s. [from hobby and nail.] 1. A nail used in shoeing a hobby or little horse; a nail with a thick strong head.

Steel, if thou turn thine edge, I beseech Jove on my knees thou may'st be turn'd into hobnails.

We shall buy maidens as they buy hobnails, by

2. A clownish person, in contempt. No antick hobnoil at a morris, but is more hand-

somely facetious. Milton, Colasterion.

Ho'BNAILED. adj. [from hobnail.] Set with hobnails.

Would'st thou, friend, who hast two legs alone, Would'st thou, to run the gantlet, these expose To a whole company of hobnail'd shoes:

Dryden, Juv.

Ho'BNOB. This is probably corrupted from habnab by a coarse pronunciation. Hock. See HABNAB. Dr. Johnson. — Grose, Ho'CKAMORE. in like manner, explains hobnob " at a venture, rashly," as a northern expression, and sometimes pronounced habnab. From him we learn also, that hob or hub is our northern name for the back of the chimney; and that the drinking phrase to hob or nob with a person, arose from beer being placed on the hob to warm, and cold beer being set on a small table called the nob; so that or nob, meant, will you have warm or cold beer? This very improbable account has been somewhat refined in a work of great erudition. "It was customary for persons to pledge each other by taking their cups from the hobs or hubs and nobs, on which they were placed on each side of the fire-place." Whiter's Etymolog. Magnum, p. 122. Mr. Brand's etymology and explanation are much more satisfactory; habban, Sax. to have, and næbban, to want. May it not therefore be explained in this sense, "Do you choose a glass of wine, or would you rather let it alone?"

His incensement at this moment is so implacable, that satisfaction can be none but by pangs of death, and sepulchre; hob, nob, is his word; Shakspeare, Tw. Night. give't or take't.

Ho'Boy.* n. s. A wind instrument. See HAUTBOY. It is written hoboy, as if it were from the Italian oboe, which, as Pegge has observed, is exactly the pronunciation an Italian would give the French word hautbois; and has no meaning, as the French name has.

Ho'Bson's Choice.* An expression often used denoting that kind of choice in which there is no alternative. The caprice of Hobson, the Cambridge carrier, who died in 1630, is said to have given

Hobson kept a stable of forty good cattle, always ready and fit for travelling; but when a man came for a horse, he was led into the stable, where there was great choice, but he obliged him to take the horse next to the stable door; so that every customer was alike well-served according to his chance, and every horse ridden with the same justice: From whence it became a proverb, when what ought to be your election was forced upon you, to say, Hobson's choice. Spectator, No. 509.

Ho'bthrust, or Ho'bthurst.* n. s. An hobgoblin, sometimes called Robin Goodfellow; supposed, according to Grose, to haunt woods only; hob o' the hurst. See Hobgoblin. A northern word. Formerly used for a clown also, a rustick.

Both can easily pardon the mistake of this rude writer, nor are at all surprised at it as a novelty, that any ignorant rural hobthurst should call the spirit of nature (a thing so much beyond his capacity to judge of) a prodigious hobgoblin.

Annot. on Glanville, &c. (1682.) p. 91.

HOCK. n. s. [hoz, hoh, Saxon.] The joint between the knee and the fetlock. See Hough.

To Hock. v. a. [from the noun.] To disable in the hock.

n. s. ffrom Hockheim on the Maine.] Old strong Rhenish wine.

Restor'd the fainting high and mighty, With brandy, wine, and aqua vitæ; And made 'em stoutly overcome

With bachrach, hockamore and mum. Hudibras. Wine becomes sharp, as hock, like vitriolick acidity.

If cyder royal should become unpleasant, and as unfit to bottle as old hockamore, mix one hogshead of that and one of tart new cyder together.

the original question, will you have hob Ho'ckey, or HA'wkey.* n. s. [hoch, German, heach, Sax. high, i. e. festival.] A name for harvest-home, used in Norfolk, Suffolk, and Cambridgeshire, according to Pegge; and certainly in other places. Hockey cake is that which is distributed to the people at harvesthome. The hockey cart is that which brings the last corn and the children rejoicing with boughs in their hands. with which the horses are also attired. Salmon's Survey, Hertfordshire, cited in Brand's Popular Antiquities.

Hoackey is brought

Home with hallowin. Poor Robin's Alm. 1676. In the town of Cambridge, and centre of our University, such curious remains of ancient customs may be noticed, in different seasons of the year, which pass without observation. The custom of blowing horns on the first of May (old stile) is derived from a festival in honour of Diana. At the hawkie, as it is called, I have seen a clown dressed in woman's clothes, having his face painted, his head decorated with ears of corn, and bearing about him other symbols of Ceres. carried in a waggon, with great pomp and loud shouts through the streets, the horses being covered with white sheets; and when I enquired the meaning of the ceremony, was answered by the people that they were drawing the harvest-queen. Dr. Clarke's Travels.

Ho'ckherb. n.s. [hock and herb.] A plant; the same with mallows. Ainsworth.

To Ho'ckle.† v. α. [from hock.]

1. To hamstring; to cut the sinews about the ham or hough. Hanmer. 2. To mow. Applied only to stubble.

HOCUS POCUS. The original of this word is referred by Tillotson to a form of the Romish church. Junius derives

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or pocus, a bag, jugglers using a bag for conveyance. It is corrupted from some words that had once a meaning, and which perhaps cannot be discovered. Dr. Johnson. - Archbishop Tillotson's remark is, that " in all probability those common juggling words of hocus pocus are nothing else but a corruption of hoc est corpus, by way of ridiculous imitation of the priests of the church of Rome in their trick of transubstantiacorruption as arising from the illiteracy of some Romish priests, who themselves pronounced, in a gabbling manner, the proper words as if they were hocus pocus. Anecd. of the Eng. Language. - I subscribe neither to this, nor to the archbishop's observation; and have often wondered that such a man as Tillotson should have given publicity to his opinion. Mr. Turner, in his History of the Anglo-Saxons, considers it as descended from Ochus Bochus, a magician and demon of the northern mythology; and refers us to the authority of Verelius. Ho'dmandod. n.s. From Verelius we derive further information, that this personage's name was in use among the Italian conjurers, "histrionibus Italis hodieque notum; Ocus Bochus, carmina præsto!" Verelii Epitome Hist. Suio-Goth. 4to. 1730. p. 13. This was unknown to Dr. Johnson; and, had it been known to Tillotson, would have saved his remark, which has been repeated in abundance of books.7

1. A juggler.

I will speak of one man more excelling in that craft than others, that went about in king James his time, and long since, who called himself "the king's majesty's most excellent hocus pocus;" and so was he called, because that, at the playing of every trick, he used to say, "hocus pocus, tontus, talontus, vade celeriter jubeo," a darke composure of words to blinde the eyes of beholders.

Ady's Candle in the Dark, Treat. of Witches, &c. p. 29. Boy. Do they think this pen can juggle? I would we had Hokos pokos for 'em then, your

people; or Travitano Tudesko.

Dam. Who's that, boy?

Boy. Another juggler with a long name.

B. Jonson, Magn. Lady. Dancing-wenches, hocus pocus's, and other anticks past my remembrance.

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 154.

2. A juggle; a cheat; the words formerly used by conjurers in practising their

Right and wrong Could never hold it out so long, And, like blind fortune, with a sleight Convey men's interest and right From Stiles's pocket into Nokes's,

As easily as hocus pocus. Hudibras, iii. iii. If thou hast any hocus pocus tricks to play, why can'st not do them here?

Addison, Drummer. Addison, Drummer.

To Hocus, or To Hocus-Pocus.* To cheat. A low expression.

This gift of hocus-pocussing, and of disguising matters, is surprising. L'Estrange. One of the greatest pieces of legerdemain, with which these jugglers hocus the vulgar and incautelous of the present age.

tempt from hood, a hod being carried on the head. Dr. Johnson. - Rather perhaps a corruption of hoved or heaved, that which is carried: the trough is carried on the shoulders, not on the head. Or from the French hotte, a basket to carry on the back. V. Cotgrave in HOTTE.] A kind of trough in which a labourer carries mortar to the masons.

A fork and a hook to be tampering in clay, A lath, hammer, trowel, a hod or a tray. Tusser.

tion." Serm. xxvi. Pegge notices the Ho'DDY.* adj. Well; pleasant; in good spirits. A southern expression. Grose. Ho'ddy-Do'ddy.* n. s. A word of contempt, denoting an awkward, foolish, or ridiculous person.

Cob's wife, and you, That make your husband such a hoddy-doddy. B. Jonson, Every Man in his Humour. He has more goodness in his little finger, than you have in your whole body

My master is a personable man, and not a spindleshank'd hoddy-doddy.
Swift, Cookmaid's Lett. to Dr. Sheridan.

Ho'DMAN. n. s. [hod and man.] A labourer that carries mortar.

1. A fish.

Those that cast their shell are the lobster, the crab, the crawfish, and the hodmandod or dodman.

2. A shell-snail. See Dodman.

Hodge-Podge. n. s. [hochepot, quasi hachis en pot, French. Our word is also written hodgepot, hotchpot, and hotchpotch. Teut. hutspot. See HOTCH-POT.

1. A medly of ingredients boiled together. They have made our English tongue a gallimaufrey, or hodgepodge of all other speeches.

Ep. Pref. to Spenser's Shep. Cal.

As for mercury water, and other poisons, they might be fit for tarts, which is a kind of hodgepot. Bacon, Speech against the Countess of Somerset. It produces excellent corn, whereof the Turks make their trachana and bouhourt, a certain hodge-

podge of sundry ingredients. Sandys, Trav. 2. A commixture of lands. See Hotch-POTCH.

Hodie'rnal. adj. [hodiernus, Latin.] Of

to-day. HOE. † n. s. [houe, French; houwe, Dutch; hoha, Gothick; old Fr. hoe, mod. houe; Dutch, houwe; which some derive from the Lat. upupa, a similar instrument.] An instrument to cut up the earth, of which the blade is at right angles with the handle.

They should be thinned with a hoe. Mortimer. To Hoe. v. a. [houer, French; houwen,

Dutch.] To cut or dig with a hoe.
They must be continually kept with weeding Mortimer. and hoeing.

HO'FUL.* adj. [Saxon, horull, full of care, perhaps from hoza, prudent.] Careful. Not now in use.

S. Gregory, ever hoful of his doings and behaviour, directed especial letters unto him. Stapleton, Fortr. of the Faith, (1565,) fol. 97. b.

Ho'fully. * adv. [from hoful.] Carefully; prudently.

Women serving God hofully and chastely. Stapleton, Fortr. &c. fol. 119. b.

it from hocced, Welsh, a cheat, and poke HOD. † n. s. [corrupted perhaps in con- | HOG. † n. s. [hwch, Welsh; hoch, Cornish.] 1. The general name of swine.

This will raise the price of hogs, if we grow all to be pork-eaters. Shakspeare. The hog, that plows not, nor obeys thy call, Lives on the labours of this Lord of all.

2. A castrated boar.

3. To bring Hogs to a fine market. To fail of one's design.

You have brought your hogs to a fine market. Spectator.

4. Hog is used in Lincolnshire for a sheep of a certain age, I think of two years. Skinner. [hogetz, Norm. Fr. young wether sheep. Kelham.] In some parts of the north for sheep of a year old.

5. In naval language, a sort of flat scrubbing broom.

To Hog.* v.a.

1. In naval language, to hog a ship, is to scrape the filth from the ship's bottom with the kind of broom called a hog.

2. To carry on the back. North. Grose. 3. To cut the hair short, like the bristles of a hog. A colloquial expression; as, to hog the mane of a horse.

Ho'GCOTE. n. s. [hog and cote.] A house for hogs; a hogsty.

Out of a small hogcote sixty or eighty load of dung hath been raised.

Ho'GGEREL. n. s. A two year old ewe.

Ainsworth. Ho'GGET.* n. s. [Norm. Fr. hogetz. See the fourth sense of hog.]

Skinner. 1. A sheep of two years old. 2. A hog-colt; a colt of a year old. Hamp-

Grose. Ho'GGISH. † adj. [from hog.] Having the qualities of an hog; brutish; greedy;

Suspicion Miso had, for the hoggish shrewdness of her brain, and Mopsa, for a very unlikely envy.

Those devils, so talked of and feared, are none

else but hoggish jailors. Overbury, Charact. of a Prison.

Ho'ggishly. † adv. [from hoggish.] Greedily; selfishly.

They are all hoggishly drunk.

Gascoigne, Del. Diet for Droonkardes, (1576.)

Ho'GGISHNESS. n. s. [from hoggish.] Brutality; greediness; selfishness. Hogh. n. s. Totherwise written ho, how, or

hough, from hoogh, Dutch.] A hill; rising ground; a cliff. Obsolete.

That well can witness yet unto this day, The western hogh, besprinkl'd with the gore Of mighty Goëmot. Spenser, F. Q.

Ho'GHERD. n. s. [hog and hypo, a keeper.] A keeper of hogs.

No lusty neatherd thither drove his kine, Nor boorish hog-herd fed his rooting swin

Browne, Brit. Past. (1616,) B. ii. S. 1. The terms hogherd and cowkeeper are not to be used in our poetry; but there are no finer words in the Greek. Broome, Notes on the Odyssey.

Ho'Go.* n. s. [corrupted from haut gout. See HAUT GOUT. 7 High flavour; strong

Belshazzar's sumptuous feast was heightened by the hogo of his delicious meats and drinks. Dr. Mat. Griffith, Fear of God and the King,

(1660,) p. 76.

Ho'GRINGER.* n. s. [hog and ring.] One whose business it is to fasten rings in the snout of a hog. A colloquial ex-

Ho'GSBEANS. Ho'GSBREAD. Ho'GSFENNEL. Ho'GSMUSHROOMS.

They throw their persons, with a hoiden air, Across the room, and toss into the chair. Ainsworth.

awkward hoydens in nature.

Young, Sat. 5. Give us nature wild.

Ho'IDEN.* adj. Rustick; inelegant; un-

Delighted with a hoyden soul, Which truth and innocence controul.

Green's Spleen, ver. 250. To Ho'IDEN. v. n. [from the noun.] To romp indecently.

Some of them would get a scratch; but we always discovered, upon examining, that they had been hoidening with the young apprentices. Swift.

To HOISE v. a. [hausser, French.] To HOIST. raise up on high.

'Tis the sport to have the engineer Hoist with his own petar. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

Join you with me; We'll quickly hoist duke Humphrey from his seat. Shakspeare.

Hoise sail, and fly; And in thy flight aloud on Cratis cry.

Chapman, Odyssey. Auria had hoised sail, and was on his way toward the bay of Naupactus. Knolles, Hist. They loosed the rudder bands, and hoised up the

mainsail to the wind, and made toward shore. Acts, xxvii. 40. That man which prizeth virtue for itself, and cannot endure to hoise and strike his sails, as the

divers natures of calms and storms require, must cut his sails of mean length and breadth, and content himself with a slow and sure navigation. Ralegh

What made Absalom kick at all the kindnesses of his father, but because his ambition would needs be fingering the sceptre, and hoisting him into his father's throne?

We thought for Greece The sails were hoisted, and our fears'release.

Dryden, Æn. They hoist him on the bier, and deal the dole,

And there's an end. Dryden, Pers. What haste she made to hoist her purple sails!

And to appear magnificent in flight, Drew half our strength away.

Dryden, All for Love. Their navy swarms upon the coasts: they cry To hoist their anchors, but the gods deny.

Dryden, Seize him, take, hoist him up, break off his hold, And toss him headlong from the temple's wall.

If 'twas an island where they found the shells, they straightways concluded that the whole island lay originally at the bottom of the sea, and that it was hoisted up by some vapour from beneath. Woodward, Nat. Hist.

Hoist.* n. s. [from To hoise.] A lift; the act of raising up. It is used in low conversation,

He is upon his second hoist into the cart.

Gayton, on D. Quix. p. 286. To HOIT.* v. n. [Icel. hauta, to dance, to run about.] To leap; to caper.

He lives at home, and sings, and hoits, and revels, among his drunken companions.

Beaum. and Fl. Kn. of the Burn. Pestle. He that - could do

The vaulter's somersalts; or us'd to woo With hoiting gambols. Donne, Poems, p. 310.

Ho'ITY-TO'ITY.* adj. [from To hoit. "Dancing, jumbling, all a hoit." Florio, in V. Intresca. World of Words, 1598. And from the Goth, and Icel. teitr, very merry.] Thoughtless; giddy. It is a

All those [women] we saw, were the ugliest low expression; and has been used also as an interjection of surprise, or ad-Swinburne, Trav. through Spain, Lett. 44.

miration, or any sudden feeling. Hoity-toity ! what have I to do with dreams! Congreve, Love for Love.

Then hoity-toity, Wisking, frisking. Bickerstaff, Love in a Village.

HOLD, in the old glossaries, is mentioned in the same sense with wold, i. e. a governour or chief officer; but in some other places for love, as holdlic, lovely. Gibson's Camden.

To HOLD. v. a. preter. held; part. pass. held or holden. [haldan, Gothick; healban, Saxon; houden, Dutch.]

1. To grasp in the hand; to gripe; to clutch.

Lift up the lad, hold him in thy hand.

Genesis, xxi. 18. France, thou may'st hold a serpent by the tongue, A fasting tiger safer by the tooth,

Than keep in peace that hand which thou dost hold. Shakspeare.

2. To connect; to keep from separation. The loops held one curtain to another. Exod. xxxvi. 12.

3. To keep; to retain; to gripe fast; not to let go. Too late it was for satyr to be told

Or ever hope recover her again; In vain he seeks, that having, cannot hold.

Spenser, F. Q. Prove all things: hold fast that which is good.

2 Thess. v. 21. 4. To maintain as an opinion.

Thou hast there them that hold the doctrine of Baalam. 5. To consider; to regard.

I as a stranger to my heart and me Hold thee from this for ever. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

6. To think of; to judge with regard to praise or blame.

I hold him but a fool, that will endanger His body for a girl that loves him not. Shakspeare. One amongst the fair'st of Greece,

That holds his honour higher than his ease. Shaks. This makes thee blessed peace so light to hold, Like summer's flies that fear not winter's cold.

Fairfax. Philipp. ii. 29. Hold such in reputation. He would make us amends, and spend some time with us, if we held his company and confer-

As Chaucer is the father of English poetry, so I hold him in the same degree of veneration as the Grecians held Homer, or the Romans Virgil.

Ye Latian dames, if any here Hold your unhappy queen Amata dear. Dryden. 7. To receive, and keep in a vessel.

She tempers dulcet creams, nor these to hold Wants her fit vessels pure. Milton, P. L.

8. To contain; to receive into its capacity: as, a hogshead holds sixty-three gallons; the sack is too little to hold the grain.

9. To keep; not to spill. Broken cisterns that can hold no water. Jerem, ii. 13.

10. To keep; to hinder from escape. For this infernal pit shall never hold Celestial spirits in bondage. Milton, P. L.

11. To keep from spoil; to defend.
With what arms

We mean to hold what anciently we claim Of empire. Milton, P. L. 12. To keep from loss.

Man should better hold his place Milton, P. L.

pression.

n. s. Plants.

Ho'GSHEAD. † n. s. [supposed to be so called, says Minsheu, from the form or shape; but more probably from the Dutch ockshood, and ogshood, from ocks, the name of a certain measure in Brabant, and houden, to contain. See Minsheu in V. HOGGESHEAD. 7

1. A measure of liquids containing sixtythree gallons.

Varro tells, that every jugerum of vines yielded six hundred urns of wine; according to this proportion, our acre should yield fifty-five hogsheads, and a little more. Arbuthnot.

2. Any large barrel.

Blow strongly with a pair of bellows into a hogshead, putting into it before that which you would have preserved; and in the instant that you withdraw the bellows, stop the hole.

They slung up one of their largest hogsheads: I drank it off; for it did not hold half a pint. Swift, Gulliv. Trav.

Ho'GSHEARING.* n. s. [hog and shear.] A ludicrous term, denoting much ado about nothing.

Why do I hold you thus long in these his noisome exhalations, and hideous cry of hogshearing, where, as we use to say in England, we have a great deal of noise, and no wool.

Dean Martin, Lett. (1662,) p. 95. Ho'GSTEER.* n. s. [hog and steer, Saxon,

recop, a young bullock.] A wild boar of three years old. Ho'GSTY. n. s. [hog and sty.] The place in which swine are shut to be fed.

The families of farmers live in filth and nastiness, without a shoe or stocking to their feet, or a house so convenient as an English hogsty. Swift. Ho'GWASH. n. s. [hog and wash.] The

draff which is given to swine. Your butler purloins your liquor, and the brewer sells you hogwash. Arbuthnot, Hist. of John Bull.

HOIDEN. † n. s. [hoeden, Welsh; fæmina levioris famæ, Latin. Dr. Johnson. — Skinner derives it from the Teut. heyde, a country place, q. d. a rustick; and, with probability, as hoiden is not confined to the female sex. Cotgrave and Sherwood give us the male hoiden. "Badault, a fool, dolt, fop, ass, cox comb, gaping hoydon." Again, Sherwood translates his "rude hoidon" into the French falourdin, which Cotgrave converts into "a lubberly sloven, a heavy sot, a lumpish hoydon." This sense was not known to Dr. Johnson, though Milton also uses it; and indeed of the female hoiden he has given no example. The word, in my opinion, was first applied to men.

such application, but not to women.] 1. An awkward, rude, ill-behaved man. Shall I argue of conversation with this hoyden, to go and practise at his opportunities in the larder? Milton, Colasterion.

It occurs repeatedly in Cotgrave with

2. An ill-taught, awkward, country girl.

13. To have any station.

The star, that bids the shepherd fold,

Now the top of heaven doth hold. Milton, Comus. And now the strand, and now the plain they held; Their ardent eyes with bloody streaks were fill'd.

Observe the youth who first appears in sight, And holds the nearest station to the light. Dryden. 14. To possess: to have.

Holding Corioli in the name of Rome,

Even like a fawning greyhound in the leash, To let him slip at will. Shakspeare. The castle holden by a garrison of Germans, he commanded to be besieged. Knolles, Hist.

Assuredly it is more shame for a man to lose that which he holdeth, than to fail in getting that which he never had.

15. To possess in subordination.

He was willing to yield himself unto Solyman as his vassal, and of him to hold his seigniory for a The terms too hard by which I was to hold The good.

16. To suspend; to refrain.

Men in the midst of their own blood, and so furiously assailed, held their hands, contrary to the laws of nature and necessity. Death! what dost? O hold thy blow!

What thou dost, thou dost not know. Crashaw.

17. To stop; to restrain.

We cannot hold mortality's strong hand, Shaks, Fell, banning hag! inchantress, hold thy tongue. Shalesneare.

When straight the people, by no force compell'd, Nor longer from their inclination held, Break forth at once.

Unless thou find occasion, hold thy tongue; Thyself or others, careless talk may wrong.

Hold your laughter, then divert your fellow servants. Swift, Direct. to the Footman.

18. To fix to any condition.

His gracious promise you might, As cause had call'd you up, have held him to. Shakspeare.

19. To keep; to save. Stay but a little; for my cloud of dignity Is held from falling with so weak a wind, That it will quickly drop; my day is dim.

Shaksneare. 20. To confine to a certain state.

The Most High then shewed signs for them, and held still the flood, till they were passed over-2 Esdr. xiii. 14.

21. To detain; to keep in confinement or subjection.

Him God hath raised up, having loosed the pains of death, because it was not possible that he should be holden of it. Acts, ii. 24.

22. To retain; to continue.

These reasons mov'd her star-like husband's heart:

But still he held his purpose to depart. Dryden, 23. To practise with continuance.

Night

And chaos, ancestors of nature, hold Eternal anarchy. Milton, P. L.

24. Not to intermit.

Seed-time and harvest, heat and hoary frost, Milton, P. L. Shall hold their course,

25. To solemnize; to celebrate.

The queen this day here holds her parliament, But little thinks we shall be of her council. Shaks, He held a feast in his house, like the feast of a 1 Sam. xxv. 36.

26. To conserve; not to infringe. Her husband heard it, and held his peace.

Numb. xxx. 7. She said, and held her peace: Aneas went, Unknowing whom the sacred sibyl meant. Dryden. 40. To Hold up. To raise aloft.

HOL 27. To manage; to handle intellectually. Some in their discourse desire rather commend-

ation of wit, in being able to hold all arguments, than of judgement in discerning what is true.

28. To maintain.

Whereupon they also made engines against their engines and held them battle a long season.

1 Mac. vi. 52. 29. To carry on conjunctively. The Pharisees held a council against him.

St. Matt. xii. 14. A while discourse they hold. Milton, P. L.

30. To prosecute; to continue.

He came to the land's end, where he holding his course towards the West, did at length peaceably Abbot. pass through the straits.

31. To Hold forth. To offer; to exhibit; to propose.

Christianity came into the world with the greatest simplicity of thought and language, as well as life and manners, holding forth nothing but piety, charity, and humility, with the belief of Temple. the Messiah and of his kingdom.

Observe the connection of ideas in the propositions, which books hold forth and pretend to teach as truths.

My account is so far from interfering with Moses, that it holds forth a natural interpretation of his sense. Woodward.

32. To Hold forth. To protend; to put forward to view.

How joyful and pleasant a thing is it to have a light held us forth from heaven to direct our steps! Cheyne.

33. To Hold in. To restrain; to govern by the bridle.

I have lately sold my nag, and honestly told his greatest fault, which is, that he became such a lover of liberty that I could scarce hold him in.

34. To Hold in. To restrain in general. These men's hastiness the warier sort of you doth not commend; ye wish they had held themselves longer in, and not so dangerously flown abroad.

35. To Hold off. To keep at a distance. Although 'tis fit that Cassio have his place; Yet if you please to hold him off a while,

You shall by that perceive him. Shaksp. Othello. The object of sight doth strike upon the pupil of the eye directly, without any interception; whereas the cave of the ear doth hold off the sound a little from the organ.

I am the better acquainted with you for absence, as men are with themselves for affliction: absence does but hold off a friend, to make one see him truly. Pope to Swift.

36. To Hold on. To continue; to protract; to push forward.

They took Barbarossa, holding on his course to Africk, who brought great fear upon the country. Knolles, Hist.

If the obedience challenged were indeed due. then did our brethren both begin the quarrel and Sanderson. hold it on.

37. To Hold out. To extend; to stretch

The king held out to Esther the golden sceptre that was in his hand,

38. To Hold out. To offer; to propose. Fortune holds out these to you as rewards.

B. Jonson. 39. To Hold out. To continue to do or

suffer. He cannot long hold out these pangs,

Th' incessant care and labour of his mind. Shakspeare.

I should remember him: does he not hold up his head, as it were, and strut in his gait?

The hand of the Almighty visibly held up, and prepared to take vengeance.

41. To Hold up. To sustain; to support by influence or contrivance.

There is no man at once either excellently good or extremely evil, but grows either as he holds himself up in virtue, or lets himself slide to vicious-

It followeth, that all which they do in this sort proceedeth originally from some such agent as knoweth, appointeth, holdeth up, and actually frameth the same. Hooker.

The time misorder'd doth in common sense. Crowd us, and crush us to this monstrous form. To hold our safety up. Shaks
And so success of mischief shall be born, Shakspeare. And heir from heir shall hold his quarrel un.

Shakspeare. Those princes have held up their sovereignty

best, which have been sparing in those grants. Davies on Ireland.

Then do not strike him dead with a denial, But hold him up in life, and cheer his soul With the faint glimmering of a doubtful hope. Addison, Cato.

42. To keep from falling; materially.

We have often made one considerably thick piece of marble take and hold up another, having purposely caused their flat surfaces to be carefully ground and polished, To Hold. v.n.

1. To stand; to be right; to be without exception.

To say that simply an argument, taken from man's authority, doth hold no way, neither affirmatively nor negatively, is hard. Hooker. This holdeth not in the sea-coasts.

Bacon. The lasting of plants is most in those that are largest of body; as oak, elm, and chesnut, and this holdeth in trees; but in herbs it is often con-

When the religion formerly received is rent by discords, and when the holiness of the professors of religion is decayed, and full of scandal, and withal the times be stupid, ignorant, and barbarous, you may doubt the springing up of a new sect; if then also there should arise any extravagant and strange spirit, to make himself author thereof; all which points held when Mahomet published his law.

Bacon.

Nothing can be of greater use and defence to the mind than the discovering of the colours of good and evil, shewing in what cases they hold, and in what they deceive.

Where outward force constrains, the sentence holds :

But who constrains me? Milton, S. A. None of his solutions will hold by mere mecha-

This unseen agitation of the minute parts will hold in light and spirituous liquors. Boyle. The drift of this figure holds good in all the

parts of the creation. L'Estrange. The reasons given by them against the worship

of images will equally hold against the worship of images amongst Christians. Stilling fleet. It holds in all operative principles whatsoever,

but especially in such as relate to morality; in which not to proceed, is certainly to go backward.

The proverb holds, that to be wise and love, Is hardly granted to the gods above.

Dryden, Fab. As if th' experiment were made to hold

For base production, and reject the gold. Dryd. This remark, I must acknowledge, is not so proper for the colouring as the design; but it will

hold for both. Dryden. Our author offers no reason; and when any

body does, we shall see whether it will hold or no.

The rule holds in land as well as all other commodities. Locke.

This seems to hold in most cases. Addison. The analogy holds good, and precisely keeps to the same properties in the planets and comets.

Sanctorius's experiment of perspiration, being to the other secretion as five to three, does not hold in this country, except in the hottest time of summer. Arbuthnot on Aliments. In words, as fashions, the same rule will hold;

Alike fantastick, if too new or old. Pope.

2. To continue unbroken or unsubdued. Our force by land hath nobly held. Shakspeare.

3. To last; to endure.

We see, by the peeling of onions, what a holding substance the skin is. Bacon.

Never any man was yet so old, But hop'd his life one winter more might hold.

4. To continue without variation.

We our state

Hold, as you yours, while our obedience holds. Milton, P. L. He did not hold in this mind long.

L'Estrange.

Denham.

5. To refrain.

His dauntless heart would fain have held From weeping, but his eyes rebell'd.

6. To stand up for; to adhere.

Through envy of the devil came death into the world, and they that do hold of his side do find it. Wisd. ii. 24. They must, if they hold to their principles, agree

that things had their production always as now they have. When Granada for your uncle held,

You was by us restor'd, and he expell'd. Numbers hold.

With the fair freckled king and beard of gold : So vigorous are his eyes, such rays they cast, So prominent his eagle's beak is plac'd.

Dryden, Fab.

7. To be dependent on.

The other two were great princes, though holding of him; men both of giant-like hugeness and

The mother, if the house holds of the lady, had rather, yea, and will, have her son cunning and Ascham,

The great barons had not only great numbers of knights, but even petty barons holding under Temple.

My crown is absolute, and holds of none. Dryden.

.8. To derive right.

'Tis true, from force the noblest title springs; I therefore hold from that which first made kings,

9. To maintain an opinion.

Men hold and profess without ever having ex-

10. To Hold forth. To harangue; to speak in publick; to set forth publickly. the market-place.

. 11. To Hold in. To restrain one's self. I am full of the fury of the Lord: I am weary with holding in. Jer. vi. 11.

12. To HOLD in. To continue in luck. A duke, playing at hazard, held in a great many

13. To Hold off. To keep at a distance

without closing with offers. These are interests important enough, and yet

we must be wooed to consider them; nay, that does not prevail neither, but with a perverse Decay of Piety coyness we hold off.

14. To Hold on. To continue; not to be interrupted.

The trade held on for many years after the bishops became Protestants; and some of their names are still remembered with infamy on account of enriching their families by such sacrilegious alienations.

15. To Hold on. To proceed. He held on, however, till he was upon the very

point of breaking. L'Estrange. 16. To Hold out. To last; to endure.

Before those dews that form manna come upon trees in the valleys, they dissipate, and cannot hold out.

As there are mountebanks for the natural body, so are there mountebanks for the politick body; men that perhaps have been lucky in two or three experiments, but want the grounds of science, and therefore cannot hold out.

Truth, fidelity, and justice, are a sure way of thriving, and will hold out, when all fraudulent arts and devices will fail. Tillotson.

By an extremely exact regimen a consumptive person may hold out for years, if the symptoms are not violent. Arbuthnot.

17. To Hold out. Not to yield; not to be subdued.

The great master went with his company to a place where the Spaniards, sore charged by Achimetes, had much ado to hold out. Knolles, Hist.

You think it strange a person, obsequious to those he loves, should hold out so long against importunity.

Nor could the hardest ir'n hold out Against his blows. Hudibras.

I would cry now, my eyes grow womanish; But yet my heart holds out. Dryden, Span. Friar.

The citadel of Milan has held out formerly, after the conquest of the rest of the dutchy. Addison on Italy.

Pronounce your thoughts: are they still fixt To hold it out, and fight it to the last?

Or are your hearts subdu'd at length, and wrought

By time and ill success to a submission?

.Addison, Cato. As to the holding out against so many alterations of state, it sometimes proceeds from prin-Collier on Pride.

18. To Hold together. To be joined. Those old Gothick castles, made at several times, hold together only, as it were, by rags and patches. Dryden.

19. To Hold together. To remain in

Even outlaws and robbers, who break with all the world besides, must keep faith amongst themselves, or else they cannot hold together. 20. To Hold up. To support himself.

All the wise sayings which philosophers could muster up, have helped only to support some few stout and obstinate minds, which, without the assistance of philosophy, could have held up pretty well of themselves.

21. To Hold up. Not to be foul weather. Though nice and dark the point appear, Quoth Ralph, it may hold up and clear.

A petty conjurer, telling fortunes, held forth in 22. To Hold up. To continue the same speed.

When two start into the world together, the success of the first seems to press upon the reputation of the latter; for why could not he hold up? Collier of Envy.

23. To Hold with. To adhere to; to cooperate with.

There is none that holdeth with me in these things but Michael, Daniel.

HOLD has the appearance of an interjection; but is the imperative mood. Forbear; stop; be still.

Hold, ho! lieutenant - sir - Montano! Gentlemen,

Have you forgot all sense of place and duty? The general speaks to you — hold, hold, for shame! Shakspeare.

Hold, hold ! are all thy empty wishes such! A good old woman would have said as much.

Hold. † n. s. [from the verb.]

1. The act of seizing; gripe; grasp; seizure. It is used with great frequency, both literally and figuratively, both for manual and intellectual agency. The verbs with which it is oftenest united, are take, lay, and have.

Those bards delivered no certain truth of any thing; neither is there any certain hold to be taken of any antiquity which is received by tradi-Spenser on Ireland.

The wits of the multitude are such, that many things they cannot lay hold on at once. Hooker. Uzzah, put forth his hand to the ark of God, and took hold of it; for the oxen shook it.

2 Sam. vi. 6. This is to give him liberty and power:

Rather thou should'st lay hold upon him, send him

To deserv'd death, and a just punishment. B. Jonson

Let but them

Find courage to lay hold on this occasion.

Milton, S. A. The devil himself, when let loose upon Job, could not transport that patient good man beyond his temper, or make him quit his hold.

He seiz'd the shining bough with griping hold, And rent away with ease the ling'ring gold.

The hand is divided into four fingers bending forwards, and one opposite to them bending backwards, and of greater strength than any of them singly, which we call the thumb, to join with them severally or united, whereby it is fitted to lay hold of objects of any size or quantity.

Ray on the Creation.

Yet then, from all my grief, O Lord, Thy mercy set me free,

Whilst in the confidence of prayer, My soul took hold on thee.

Addison. We are strangely backward to lay hold of this safe, this only method of cure. Atterbury. He kept his hold,

Nor lost till beauty was decay'd and old, And love was by possession pall'd and cold. Granville.

2. Something to be held; support.

If a man be upon an high place, without rails or good hold, he is ready to fall.

3. Power of keeping.

On your vigour now, My hold of this new kingdom all depends.

Millon. 4. Catch; power of seizing. The law hath yet another hold on you.

5. Prison; place of custody.

They lay him in hold, because it was not declared what was to be done with him. Hooker. The prisoner to his hold retir'd. Druden. They laid hands on them, and put them in hold unto the next day.

6. Custody.

King Richard, he is in the mighty hold Of Bolingbroke.

7. Power; influence operating on the mind.

Rural recreations abroad, and books at home, are the innocent pleasures of a man who is early wise; and gives fortune no more hold of him than of necessity he must.

Fear is that passion which hath the greatest power over us, and by which God and his laws take the surest hold of us. Tillatson.

Let it consist with an unbeliever's interest and safety to wrong you, and then it will be impossible you can have any hold upon him, because 13. The burden or chorus of a song. there is nothing left to give him a check, or to put in the balance against his profit.

8. Hold of a Ship. All that part which lies between the keelson and the lower deck. [from the Su. Goth. hol, hollow.]

Now a sea into the hold was got, Wave upon wave another sea had wrought.

Dryden. 9. A lurking place; as the hold of a wild beast or deer. [from the Su. Goth. hol, hollow, q. d. a cave.]

10. A fortified place; a fort; a safe residence.

It was his policy to leave no hold behind him; but make all plain and waste. There separated themselves unto David, into the hold to the wilderness, men of might.

1 Chron. xii. 8. He shall destroy thy strong holds.

Jerem. xlviii. 18. Ho'ldback.* n. s. [hold and back.] Let;

hindrance; opposition. I doubt not but you will be as forward to go, as any man to have you. The only holdback is the affection, and passionate love, that we bear to our

Hammond, Works, iv. 555. Ho'LDER. † n. s. [from hold.] 1. One that holds or gripes any thing in 3. A cave; a hollow place.

his hand. Struggling still with those,

That 'gainst her rising pain their utmost strength oppose,

[She] starts

Casting with furious limbs her holders to the walls. Drayton, Polyolb. S. 7. The makers and holders of plows are wedded to

their own particular way. Mortimer. 2. One that keeps back or restrains, with Sherwood.

3. One that supports, with up. Sherwood. 4. A tenant; one that holds land under

another. In times past holdings were so plentiful, and

holders so scarce, as well was the landlord who could not get one to be his tenant. Carew, Surv. of Cornwall.

5. A possessor of any thing; as, a holder of stock. A mercantile expression of modern times.

HOLDERFO'RTH. n. s. [hold and forth.] An haranguer; one who speaks in publick. Whence some tub holdersforth have made

In powdering-tubs the richest trade. Hudibras. He was confirmed in this opinion upon seeing the holderforth. Addison.

Ho'LDFAST. † n. s. [hold and fast.]

1. Any thing which takes hold; a catch; a

The several teeth are furnished with holdfusts suitable to the stress that they are put to. Ray on the Creation.

2. Support; hold.

His holdfast was gone; his footing lost.

Mountagu, App. to Cas. p. 18. Ho'LDING. n. s. [from hold.]

1. Tenure; farm.

Holdings were so plentiful, and holders so scarce, as well was the landlord who could not get one to be his tenant.

Whether flax and tillage do not naturally multiply hands, and divide land into small holdings, and well improved? Bp. Berkeley, Querist, § 98. 2: Hold; influence.

Every thing would be drawn from its holdings in the country to the personal favour and inclination of the prince.

Burke on the present Discontents, (1770.)

Hanmer. The holding every man shall bear, as loud s his strong sides can volley. Shakspeare.

The undersong or holding whereof is, It is As his strong sides can volley. merrie in haul where beards wag all.

The Serving Man's Comfort, (1598.)

Ho'LDSTER.* See HOLSTER.

HOLE. † n. s. [Sax. hol; Dutch, hol; from the Su. Goth. hoelia, M. Goth. huljan, to cover, to hide. Serenius.]

1. A cavity narrow and long, either perpendicular or horizontal.

The earth had not a hole to hide this deed.

Shakspeare. A loadstone is so disposed, that it shall draw unto it, on a reclined plane, a bullet of steel, which, as it ascends near to the loadstone, may fall down through some hole, and so return to the place whence it began to move. Wilkins, Dædalus.

There are the tops of the mountains, and under their roots in holes and caverns the air is often detained.

2. A perforation; a small intersticial vacuity.

Look upon linen that has small holes in it: those holes appear black, men are often deceived in taking holes for spots of ink; and painters, to represent holes, make use of black.

Boyle.

Upon his bloody finger he doth wear A precious ring, that lightens all the hole.

4. A cell of an animal.

A tortoise spends all his days in a hole, with a L'Estrange. house upon his head.

Shakspeare.

I have frighted ants with my fingers, and pursued them as far as another hole, stopping all passages to their own nest, and it was natural for them to fly into the next hole.

5. A mean habitation. Hole is generally used unless in speaking of manual works, with some degree of dislike.

When Alexander first beheld the face Of the great cynick, thus he did lament: How much more happy thou, that are content To live within this little hole, than I

Who after empire, that vain quarry, fly. Dryden. 6. Some subterfuge or shift. Ainsworth. To this sense may be referred the proverbial expression of finding a hole to Mason. creep out at.

7. Arm-hole. The cavity under the shoulder.

Tickling is most in the soles, and under the armholes and sides.

8. To take down a Hole. To let fall; of the same import as to take down a peg. "To take a hole lower, humilier, to humble, to bring down." Cotgrave. He has taken his thoughts a hole lower.

Lilly, Endimion.

HOLE.* adj. Whole. So written by our old authors. See WHOLE. To Hole.* v. n. [from the noun.] To

go into a hole.

I have you in a purse-net, Good master Picklock, with your worming brain, And wriggling engine-head of maintenance, Which I shall see you hole with very shortly: A fine round head, when those two lugs are off,

To trundle through a pillory. B. Jonson, Staple of News. To Hole.* v. a. [Saxon, holian; Germ.

holen. To form a hole; to excavate. ancient oath.

HOL By my holidam here comes Catharine. Shaksp.

Now on my faith, and holy-dom, we are Beholden to your worship. B. Jonson, Tale of a Tub. Ho'LIDAY.* See HOLYDAY.

Ho'LILY. adv. [from holy.] 1. Piously; with sanctity.

Thou would'st be great, Art not without ambition; but without The illness should attend it; what thou would'st

highly, That would'st thou holily. Shakspeare.

2. Inviolably; without breach. Friendship, a rare thing in princes, more rare between princes, that so holily was observed to the last of those two excellent men.

Ho'LINESS. n. s. [from holy.] Sanctity; piety; religious goodness.
 Ill it doth beseem your holiness

To separate the husband and the wife. Shakspeare. Religion is rent by discords, and the holiness of the professors is decayed, and full of scandal.

Then in full age, and hoary holiness, Retire, great teacher, to thy promis'd bliss. Prior.
We see piety and holiness ridiculed as morose singularities. Rogers.

2. The state of being hallowed; dedication to religion.

3. The title of the pope. I here appeal unto the pope, To bring my whole cause 'fore his holiness.

Shaksneare. His holiness has told some English gentlemen, that those of our nation should have the privileges. Addison on Italy.

HO'LLA. † interj. [The French have enlarged the term ho to a dyssyllable by the assistance of their favourite adjunct la, and used the compound word ho-la (or stop there) in combats; which we have adopted in common language, when we call upon a person to stop. Pegge. The word was a term of the manege, by which the rider restrained and stopped his horse. Malone. It is sometimes written, and pronounced, holloa.] A word used in calling to any one at a distance.

Holla ! stand there. Shakspeare, Othello. To Ho'LLA. v. n. [from the interjection. This word is now vitiously written hollo by the best authors; sometimes halloo. Dr. Johnson. - More frequently hallow, Dr. Johnson might have added; and the practice may be defended by referring to the Saxon ahlovan, to shout aloud. I To cry out loudly.

But I will find him when he lies asleep, And in his ear I'll holla, Mortimer! Shakspeare. What halloing and what stir is this to-day?

Shakspeare.

Ho'LLA.* n. s.

1. A shout. [from the Sax. ahlopan.] List! list! I hear

Some far off hallow break the silent air. Milton, Comus, (ed. 1645.)

He's here with a whoop, and gone with a holla, Duke of Buckingham, Rehearsal. 2. The word of command to a horse to

stop. [from the interjection.] What recketh he his rider's angry stir, His flattering holla, or his stand I.say?

Shakspeare, Ven. and Adon. But I must give my muse the hola here. Cotton, Wonders of the Peak.

Ho'LIDAM. 7 n. s. [See HALIDOM.] An Ho'LLAND. n. s. Fine linen made in Hol-

Some for the pride of Turkish courts design'd For folded turbants finest holland bear. Dryden.

Ho'LLANDER.* n. s. A man of Holland. Your Dane, your German, and your swagbellied Hollander. Shakspeare, Othello.

Ho'LLANDS.* A kind of cant term for gin; much of that liquor being brought into this country from Holland.

Ho'LLEN.* [Sax. holegn, holen.] holly. North. See Holly.

HO'LLOW. † adj. [from hole, Dr. Johnson says. It is the Su. Goth. and Sax. 3. Pit. hol, Icel. holr, cavus.]

1. Excavated; having a void space within; not solid.

It is fortune's use To let the wretched man outlive his wealth, To view with hollow eye and wrinkled brow An age of poverty. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. Some search for hollow trees, and fell the woods.

He frets, he fumes, he stares, he stamps the

ground;
The hollow towers with clamours ring around. Dryden.

2. Light; loose.

A courser strong,
Whose armed feet upon the hollow lay Seemed to thunder. Spenser, F. Q. iii, viii. 15.

3. Noisy, like sound reverberated from a cavity.

The southern wind, Now by his hollow whistling in the leaves, Foretels a tempest. Shaksneare.

Thence issu'd such a blast and hollow roar, As threaten'd from the hinge to heave the door.

4. Not faithful; not sound; not what one appears.
Who in want a hollow friend doth try,

Directly seasons him his enemy. Shaksp. Hamlet. Hollow church papists are like the roots of nettles, which themselves sting not; but bear all the stinging leaves. Bacon.

He seem'd For dignity compos'd, and high exploit; , But all was false and hollow. Milton, P. L.

Ho'LLOW.* adv. A colloquial expression: as, he carried it hollow, that is, he gained the prize without difficulty; as Skinner remarks, "luculenter vicit, he carried it wholly, whole, and all." Craven Dialect. Ho'LLOW-EYED.* adj. [hollow and eye.]

Having the eyes sunk in the head. Death hollow-eyed,

With bones shyderyd,

With his worme-eaten maw. And his gastly jaw.

Skelton, Poems, p. 257. A needy, hollow-ey'd, sharp-looking wretch. Shakspeare, Com. of Err.

Ho'LLOW-HEARTED. adj. [hollow and heart.] Dishonest; insincere; of practice or sentiment differing from profes-

What could be expected from him, but knotty and crooked hollow-hearted dealings?

Howell, Voc. For.

The hollow-hearted, disaffected, And close malignants are detected. Hudibras.

Ho'LLOW. n. s.

1. Cavity; concavity. I've heard myself proclaim'd,

And by the happy hollow of a tree Escap'd the hunt. Shakspeare, K. Lear. I suppose there is some vault or hollow, or isle, behind the wall, and some passage to it.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Against the horse's side his spear He throws, which trembles with enclosed fear; Whilst from the hollows of his womb proceed Groans not his own. Denham. Himself, as in the hollow of his hand,

Holding, obedient to his high command, The deep abyss. Prior.

2. Cavern; den; hole. Who art thou, that lately did'st descend

Into this gaping hollow of the earth? Shakspeare. Forests grew Upon the barren hollows, high o'ershading

The haunts of savage beasts.

A fine genius for gardening thought of forming such an unsightly hollow into so uncommon and agreeable a scene.

4. Any opening or vacuity. He touched the hollow of his thigh.

Gen. xxii. 25.

5. Passage; canal.

The little springs and rills are conveyed through little channels into the main hollow of the aqueduct. Addison on Italy.

To Ho'LLOW. † v. a. [Sax. holian; Germ. holen.] To make hollow; to excavate. Trees rudely hollow'd did the waves sustain, Ere ships in triumph plow'd the watry plain.

Multitudes were employed in the sinking of wells, and the hollowing of trees. Spectator.

To Ho'LLow. + v. n. [This is written by neglect of etymology for holla, Dr. Johnson says. But if we refer to the Sax. ahlopan, this charge is done away. See To Holla.] To shout; to hoot. This unseen judge will wait, and in your ear

Will hollow rebel, tyrant, murderer. Dryden. I pass for a disaffected person and a murderer,

because I do not hoot and hollow, and make a He with his hounds comes hollowing from the

Makes love with nods, and kneels beneath a table.

Ho'LLOWLY. adv. [from hollow.] 1. With cavities.

2. Unfaithfully; insincerely; dishonestly. O earth, bear witness And crown what I profess with kind event, If I speak true; if hollowly, invert

What best is boaded me, to mischief!

Shakspeare, Tempest. You shall arraign your conscience, And try your penitence, if it be sound, Or hollowly put on. Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas.

Ho'LLOWNESS. † n. s. [from hollow.] 1. Cavity; state of being hollow.

If you throw a stone or a dart, they give no sound; no more do bullets, except they happen to be a little hollowed in the casting, which hollowness penneth the air. Racon

I have seen earth taken up by a strong wind, so that there remained great empty hollowness in the place.

The river - is drawn into little hollownesses.

Bp. Taylor, Serm. Earth's hollownesses, which the world's lungs Have no more wind than the upper vault of air.

Donne, Poems, p. 144. An heap of sand or fine powder will suffer no hollowness within them, though they be dry sub-

2. Deceit; insincerity; treachery. Thy youngest daughter does not love the least; Nor are those empty hearted, whose low sound

Reverbs no hollowness. Shakspeare, K. Lear. People, young and raw, and soft natured, think it an easy thing to gain love, and reckon their own friendship a sure price of any man's: but when experience shall have shewn them the hardness of most hearts, the hollowness of others, and the baseness and ingratitude of almost all, they will then find that a friend is the gift of God, and that he only who made hearts can unite them.

Ho'LLOWROOT. n. s. [hollow and root.] A Ainsworth. Ho'LLY. n. s. [holeyn, Sax.] A tree.

The leaves are set about the edges with long, sharp, stiff prickles: the berries are small, round, and generally of a red colour, containing four triangular striated seeds in each. Of this tree there are several species; some variegated in the leaves, some with yellow berries, and some with white. Miller.

Fairest blossoms drop with every blast; But the brown beauty will like hollies last. Gay. Some to the holly hedge

Nestling repair, and to the thicket some; Some to the rude protection of the thorn.

Ho'llyhock. n.s. [holihoc, Saxon, commonly called holyoak.] Rosemallow. It is in every respect larger than the common mallow. Holyocks far exceed poppies for their durable-

ness, and are very ornamental. Mortimer.

Ho'LLYROSE. †] n. s. Plants. Ainsworth. HO'LLYTREE. J Why, holly-rose, dost thou of slender frame,

And without scent, assume a rose's name? Tate's Cowley.

Holm.† п. s.

1. A river-island; an islet. [Goth. holmr, holm; Sax. holm; Dan. holm.] In the north of England, holms are low lands near a river. It is sometimes pronounced, and written, hown. Where holm is the name of a place, or where it is joined with another word, it usually signifies a place surrounded with waters; but if water be not near the place, it may signify hilly; the Saxon word, according to Camden, meaning

also a hill or mountain. A little higher up the river was a holm, which divided it into two branches.

Vaillant, Trav. iii. 295.

2. The ilex; the evergreen oak. [Sax. holen, holly; the leaves of one sort of the evergreen oak are called holly-

Under what tree did'st thou take them companying together? who answered, under a holm Hist. of Sus. ver. 58.

The carver holme, the maple seldom inward Spenser, F. Q.

Ho'LMEN.* adj. [from holm.] Made of holm. West of England. Jennings.

Ho'LOCAUST. n.s. [δλος and καίω.] A burnt sacrifice; a sacrifice of which the whole was consumed by fire, and nothing retained by the offerer.

Isaac carried the wood for the sacrifice, which being an holocaust, or burnt offering, to be consumed unto ashes, we cannot well conceive a burthen for a boy.

Let the eye behold no evil thing, and it is made a sacrifice; let the tongue speak no filthy word, and it becomes an oblation; let the hand do no unlawful action, and you render it a holocaust. Ray on the Creation.

Eumenes cut a piece from every part of the victim, and by this he made it an holocaust, or an

Ho'LOGRAPH. n. s. [όλος and γεάφω.] This word is used in the Scottish law to denote a deed written altogether, by the granter's own hand.

Holp. The old preterite and participle

passive of help.

His great love, sharp as his spur, hath holp him To's home before us.

Ho'LPEN. The old preterite and participle passive of help.

He hath holpen his servant Israel.

St. Luke, i. 54. In a long trunk the sound is holpen, though both the mouth and the ear be a handful from the trunk; and somewhat more holpen when the hearer is near, than when the speaker. Racon.

Ho'LSTER. n. s. [heolyten, Sax. a hiding place.] A case for a horseman's pistol. In's rusty holsters put what meat Into his hose he cou'd not get.

Butler. To Ho'LSTER.* v. n. To bustle; to make

a disturbance. West of England. Grose. Holt. † n. s. [at the beginning or ending of the name of any place, holt signifies that it is or hath been woody, from the Saxon holt, a wood; or sometimes possibly from the Saxon hol, i. e. hollow, especially when the name ends in tun or dun. Gibson.— Mr. H. Tooke deduces this word from the Sax, helan, to cover; holed, hol'd, holt: a rising ground or knoll covered with trees. Div. of Purl. ii. 383. Serenius, long before, had made a similar deduction from the Goth. and Icel. hulja, hoelia, to cover. We also use this word, however, simply for a hill, without any reference to its covering, but rather with the meaning of bleak or barren. In this case, perhaps, the Icel. hollt, a rough and barren place, is the etymon.]

1. A wood; a grove; a forest. The word is still thus used in many parts of Eng-Cherry-holt, a plantation of cherry-trees. Norfolk.

These holtes, and these hayis, That han in winter dead yben and drie, Revestin hem in grene, when that May is. Chaucer, Tr. and Cr. iii. 352. The wilde forest, the clothed holtes with green.

Ld. Surry, Songs, &c. p. 10. A grove, holt, or wood of such trees. Mede's Works, (1677,) p. 65.

2. A hill.

O'er holt and heath

We went, through deserts waste, and forests wild. Fairfax, Tass. viii. 12. Underneath the holtes so hoar.

Old Poem cited by Percy, Rel. Anc. Poet. v. 1. Gloss. He, whose rustick muse

O'er heath and craggy holt her wing display'd.

HO'LY. † adj. [haliz, Saxon; heyligh, Dutch, from hal, healthy, or in a state of salvation.

1. Good; pious; religious.

See where his grace stands 'tween two clergymen!

And see a book of prayer in his hand, True ornaments to know a holy man. Shakspeare, Rich. III. 2. Anniversary feast.

With joy he will embrace you; for he's honourable,

And, doubling that, most holy. Shakspeare, Cymb. 2. Hallowed; consecrated to divine use. [Sax. halza; Icel. heilagn, from hala, to praise. Serenius.]

HOL

State, holy or unhallow'd, what of that? Shaks. Bare was his hoary head; one holy hand

Held forth his laurel crown, and one his sceptre. Dryden.

3. Pure; immaculate.

Common sense could tell them, that the good God could not be pleased with any thing cruel; nor the most holy God with any thing filthy and unclean.

4. Sacred.

An evil soul producing holy witness, Is like a villain with a smiling cheek.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. He has deserv'd it, were it carbuncled Like holy Phæbus' car. Shaksp. Ant. and Cleop.

HOLY-CROSS Day.* n. s. The fourteenth of September. See Holy-Rood.

Ho'LY-GHOST. n. s. [haliz and zart, Sax.] The third person of the adorable Tri-

If strength of persuasion be the light which must guide us, I ask, how shall any one distinguish the inspirations of the Holy-Ghost?

HO'LY-ONE.* n. s. [holy and one.]

1. One of the appellations of the Supreme Being, by way of emphasis; applied also to God the Son.

I am the Lord, your Holy-One, the Creator of Israel, your King. Isaiah, xliii. 15. I know thee who thou art, the Holy-One of St. Luke, iv. 34.

Nor from the Holy-One of Heaven Refrained his tongue blasphemous. Milton, P. L.

2. One separated to the service of God. And of Levi he said, Let thy Thummim and y Urim be with thy holy-one. Deut. xxxiii. 8. thy Urim be with thy holy-one. Though by holy-one be principally meant the high priest, - yet it comprehends all the rest of the priests and Levites in conjunction with him.

HOLY-ROOD Day.* n. s. The old festival, called also Holy-Cross day; instituted on account of the recovery of a large piece of the Cross, by the emperor Heraclius, after it had been taken away, on the plundering of Jerusalem by Cosroes, king of Persia, about the year of Christ 615; the fourteenth day, of September. Brand.

This day, they say, is called holy-rood day, And all the youth are now a nutting gone

Com. of Grim the Collier of Croydon. Ho'LY-THURSDAY. n.s. The day on which the ascension of our Saviour is commemorated, ten days before Whitsuntide.

Ho'LY-WEEK. n. s. The week before Easter, in which the passion of our Redeemer is commemorated.

Ho'LYDAY. † n. s. [holy and day.]

1. The day of some ecclesiastical festival. The histories, which were writ before the reformation, do frequently speak of transactions happening upon such a holy-day, or about such a time, without mentioning the month; relating one thing to be done at Lammas-tide, and another about Martlemas, &c. so that were these names quite left out of the calendar, we might be at a loss to know when several of these transactions Wheatly on the Comm. Prayer.

This victory was so welcome unto the Persians, that in memorial thereof they kept that day as one of their solemn holydays for many years after. Knolles, Hist.

Rome's holidays you tell, as if a guest With the old Romans you were wont to feast.

3. A day of gayety and joy.

My approach has made a little holy-day, And every face was dress'd in smiles to meet me. Rowe, Jane Shore.

4. A day of rest from ordinary occupation. Suppose you had a mind to persuade Mr. Maittare to give you a holy-day? would you bluntly say to him, give me a holy-day? Ld. Chesterfield.

Ho'LYDAY.* adj.

1. Befitting a holiday; gay; cheerful. Headbands, holyday clothes, and veils, glasses,

and scarfs. Knight, Trial of Truth, (1580,) fol. 7. What, have I 'scaped love-letters in the holyday time of my beauty, and am I now a subject for Shakspeare, Merr. Wives of Windsor. 2. Occurring seldom.

Courage is but a holyday kind of virtue, to be seldom exercised.

HO'M AGE. n.s. [hommage, Fr.; homagium, low Latin.]

1. Service paid and fealty professed to a sovereign or superior lord.

Call my sovereign yours, And do him homage as obedient subjects.

Shaksneare. The chiefs, in a solemn manner, did their homages and made their oaths of fidelity to the earl marshal. Davies.

2. Obeisance; respect paid by external

action.

The gods' great mother, when her heavenly race Do homage to her. Denham. A tuft of daisies on a flowery lay

They saw, and thitherward they bent their way; To this both knights and dames their homage made.

And due obeisance to the daisy paid. Dryden. Go, go, with homage you proud victors meet!

Go, lie like dogs beneath your masters' feet. Dryden.

To Ho'MAGE. v. a. [from the noun.] To reverence by external action; to pay honour to; to profess fealty. HO'MAGEABLE.* adj. [from homage.]

Subject to homage.

Of them two, he of Holland, being homageable to none, - was the more potent. Howell, Lett. i. ii. 15.

For which he is homageable to the crown of France. Howell, Lett. i. vi. 12, HO'MAGER. n. s. [hommager, French, from

homage.] One who holds by homage to a superiour lord.

Thou blushest, Antony; and that blood of thing Is Cæsar's homager. His subjects, traytors, are received by the duke

of Bretagne, his homager. Bacon, Hen. VII. HOME.† n. s. [ham, Sax. The past participle of hæman, coire. Mr. H. Tooke, Div. of Purl. ii. 347. A word, however, as Serenius has observed, of the highest antiquity; haim, M. Goth. a village, a town; heim, Su. Goth. a house, a mansion; and probably primitive. Wachter views it as derived from heima, to cover,

to shield.] 1. His own house; the private dwelling. I'm now from home, and out of that provision Which shall be needful for your entertainment.

Shakspeare.

Something like home that is not home is to be desired; it is found in the house of a friend.

Home is the sacred refuge of our life, Secur'd from all approaches but a wife. Dryden. When Hector went to see His virtuous wife, the fair Andromache,

He found her not at home; for she was gone.

Dryden. Those who have homes, when home they do repair, To a last lodging call their wand'ring friends.

2. His own country.

How can tyrants safely govern home, Unless abroad they purchase great alliance? Shaks. Their determination is to return to their homes, and to trouble you no more.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. With honour to his home let Theseus ride, With love to friend. Dryden.

At home the hateful names of parties cease, And factious souls are weary'd into peace. Dryden. They who pass through a foreign country, towards their native home, do not usually give up themselves to the pleasures of the place. Atterbury.

3. The place of constant residence. Flandria, by plenty made the home of war, Shall weep her crime, and bow to Charles restor'd.

4. Home, united to a substantive, signifies domestick, or of the same country.

Let the exportation of home commodities be more in value than the importation of foreign.

Home. † adv. [from the noun.] 1. To one's own habitation.

One of Adam's children in the mountains lights on a glittering substance; home he carries it to Adam, who finds it to be hard, to have a bright yellow colour, and exceeding great weight. Locke.

2. To one's own country. Men in distant regions roam,

To bring politer manners home. Gay, Fab. 14. 3. Close to one's own breast or affairs.

He that encourages treason lays the foundation of a doctrine, that will come home to himself. L'Estrange.

This is a consideration that comes home to our interest. Addison.

These considerations, proposed in general terms, you will, by particular application, bring home to your own concern. Wake, Prep. for Death. 4. To the point designed; to the utmost;

closely; fully. Crafty enough either to hide his faults, or never to shew them, but when they might pay home.

Sidney With his prepared sword he charges home My unprovided body. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

A loyal sir
To him thou follow'st: I will pay thy graces Home both in word and deed. Shaks. Tempest.

Accuse him home and home. Men of age object too much, adventure too little, and seldom drive business home to the full period; but content themselves with a mediocrity of success. Racon.

That cometh up home to the business, and taketh off the objection clearly. Sanderson. Break through the thick array

Of his throng'd legions, and charge home upon him.

He makes choice of some piece of morality; and, in order to press this home, he makes less use of reasoning. Broome. I can only refer the reader to the authors them-

selves, who speak very home to the point.

5. United to a substantive, it implies force and efficacy.

Poison may be false; The home thrust of a friendly sword is sure. Dryden.

I am sorry to give him such home thrusts; for he lays himself so open, and uses so little art to avoid them, that I must either do nothing, or expose his weakness. Stilling fleet.

Ho'MEBORN. adj. [home and born.]

1. Native; natural.

Though to be thus elemented, arm These creatures from homeborn intrinsick harm.

2. Domestick; not foreign. Num'rous bands

With homeborn lyes, or tales from foreign lands.

Ho'MEBRED. adj. [home and bred.] 1. Native: natural.

God hath taken care to anticipate every man, to draw him early into his church, before other competitors, homebred lusts, or vicious customs of the world, should be able to pretend to him.

Hammond on Fundamentals. 2. Not polished by travel; plain; rude; artless; uncultivated.

Only to me two homebred youths belong,

3. Domestick; not foreign. But if of danger, which hereby doth dwell, And homebred evil, ye desire to hear,

I can you tydings tell. Spenser, F. Q. This once happy land,

By homebred fury rent, long groan'd. Philips. Ho'MEFELT. adj. [home and felt.] Inward; Ho'MER. n. s. A Hebrew measure of about

Yet they in pleasing slumber lull'd the sense, And in sweet madness robb'd it of itself; But such a sacred and homefelt delight, Such sober certainty of waking bliss,

Milton, Comus. I never heard till now. Happy next him, who to these shades retires, Whom nature charms, and whom the muse inspires, Whom humbler joys of homefelt quiet please, Successive study, exercise, and ease.

Ho'MEKEEPING.* adj. [home and keep.] Staying at home.

Homekeeping youth have ever homely wits. Shakspeare, Two Gent. of Ver.

Ho'MELESS.* adj. [home and less.] Wanting a home; having no home.

Ho'MELILY. adv. [from homely.] Rudely; inelegantly.

Ho'MELINESS. n. s. [from homely.] Plainness; rudeness; coarseness. Originally, management; care of home. So "Grisild's wifely homeliness." Chaucer, Cl. Tale.

Coarse tapestry may, afar off, show well; which, when it comes to be close viewed, discovers an homeliness in texture and faults enough, both in shapes and colours. Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 51.

Homer has opened a great field of raillery to men of more delicacy than greatness of genius, by the homeliness of some of his sentiments.

Ho'MELY. † adj. [from home. And at first this adjective signified what related to home or household. "The enemyes of a man ben they that ben homely with hym." Wicliffe, St. Matt. x. 36. "They of his own household." Pres. Version. Plain; homespun; not elegant; not beautiful; not fine; coarse; rude. It is used both of persons and things.

Each place handsome without curiosity, and homely without loathsomeness.

Within this wood, out of a rock did rise A spring of water mildly tumbling down; Whereto approached not in any wise The homely shepherd nor the ruder clown. Spenser.

Like rich hangings in an homely house, So was his will in his old feeble body. Shakspeare.

Be plain, good son, and homely in thy drift: Riddling confession finds but riddling shrift.

Shaksneare. Home-keeping youth have ever homely wits. Shakspeare.

Our stomachs will make what's homely savoury.

It is for homely features to keep home; They had their name thence. Milton, Comus. It is observed by some, that there is none so homely but loves a looking-glass. South.

Their homely fare dispatch'd, the hungry band Invade their trenchers next. Dryden. Now Strephon daily entertains

His Chloe in the homeliest strains. Homely persons, the more they endeavour to adorn themselves, the more they expose the defects they want to hide. Clarendon.

Ho'MELY. † adv. Plainly; coarsely; rudely. It is a bashful child; homely brought up, In a rude hostelry. B. Jonson, New Inn.

Thus like the god his father, homely drest, He strides into the hall a horrid guest. Dryden.

HO'MELYN. n. s. A kind of fish. Ainsworth. HO'MEMADE. adj. [home and made.] Made at home; not manufactured in foreign

A tax laid on your native product, and homemade commodities, makes them yield less to the first seller.

three pints. An homer of barley-seed shall be valued at fifty

shekels of silver. Lev. xxvii. 16. Ho'MESPEAKING.* n. s. [home and speak.]

Forcible and efficacious speech.

Our Saviour, who had all gifts in him, was Lord to express his indoctrinating power in what sort him best seemed; sometimes by a mild and familiar discourse; sometimes with plain and impartial homespeaking. Milton, Apol. for Smectym.

Ho'mespun. adj. [home and spun.]

1. Spun or wrought at home; not made by regular manufacturers. Instead of homespun coifs, were seen

Good pinners, edg'd with colberteen. 2. Not made in foreign countries.

He appeared in a suit of English broad cloth, very plain, but rich: every thing he wore was substantial, honest, homespun ware.

3. Plain; coarse; rude; homely; inele-

They sometimes put on, when they go ashore, long, sleeveless coats of homespun cotton.

Sandys, Trav. We say, in our homespun English proverb, He killed two birds with one stone. Our homespun authors must forsake the field, And Shakspeare to the soft Scarlatti yield.

Ho'MESPUN. n. s. A coarse, inelegant, rude, untaught, rustick man. Not in use.

What hempen homespuns have we swaggering here, So near the cradle of the fairy queen? Shakspeare.

HO'MESTALL.† n. s. [ham and reese, Ho'MESTEAD. Saxon.] The place of the house; including sometimes a small portion of land adjoining the house.

I do not see thee led into the market-place, or any other part of the city, or thy homestead of Nazareth, but into the vast wilderness.

Bp. Hall, Contempl. Christ tempted.
Both house and homestead into seas are borne, And rocks are from their old foundations torn.

Through every homestall and through every yard (His midnight walks) panting, forlorn he flies. Somerville. Ho'MEWARD. | adv. [ham and peaps, HOMOGE'NEAL.] adj. [homogene, Fr. Ho'MEWARDS.] Saxon.] Towards home; HOMOGE'NEOUS.] δμογενής.] Having towards the native place; towards the place of residence.

Then Urania homeward did arise, Leaving in pain their well-fed hungry eyes. Sidney.

My affairs Shakspeare. Do even drag me homeward. Since such love's natural station is, may still My love descend, and journey down the hill, Not panting after growing beauties; so I shall ebb on with them who homeward go.

Donne. Look homeward, angel, now, and melt with

And O ye dolphins, waft the hapless youth! Milton, Lycidas.

Like a long team of snowy swans on high, Which clap their wings, and cleave the liquid sky, Which homeward from their wat'ry pastures borne, They sing, and Asia's lakes their notes return.

What now remains, But that once more we tempt the wat'ry plains, And, wand'ring homewards, seek our safety hence. Dryden.

HO'MICIDE. n. s. [homicide, French, homicidium, Latin.]

1. Murder; manquelling.

The apostles command to abstain from blood: construe this according to the law of nature, and it will seem, that homicide only is forbidden; but construe it in reference to the law of the Jews, about which the question was, and it shall easily appear to have a clean other sense, and a truer, when we expound it of eating, and not of shedding Hooker.

2. Destruction. In the following lines it is not proper.

What wonder is't that black detraction thrives! The homicide of names is less than lives. Dryden.

3. [Homicide, Fr. homicida, Latin.] A murderer; a manslayer.

I'd undertake the death of all the world, So might I live one hour in your sweet bosom.

— If I thought that, I tell thee, homicide, These nails should rend that beauty from my cheeks.

Hector comes, the homicide, to wield His conq'ring arms, with corps to strew the field. Dryden.

Homici'dal. adj. [from homicide.] Murderous; bloody.

The troop forth issuing from the dark recess, With homicidal rage the king oppress.

HOMILE'TICAL. adj. [δμιλητικός.] Social; conversible.

His life was holy, and when he had leisure for retirement, severe: his virtues active chiefly, and homiletical; not those lazy sullen ones of the Atterbury, Charact. of Luther.

Ho'MILIST.* n. s. [from homily.] One who preaches to a congregation.

To this good homilist I have ever been stubborn. Beaum. and Fl. Scornful Lady. The plainest Christian homilist, speaking as the oracles of God. Hurd's Works, vol. 8. p. 124.

HO'MILY. n. s. [homilie, Fr. δμιλία.] discourse read to a congregation.

Homilies were a third kind of readings usual in former times; a most commendable institution, as well then to supply the casual, as now the necessary defect of sermons.

What tedious homily of love have you wearied your parishioners withal, and never cried, Have patience, good people! Shakspeare, As you like it.

If we survey the homilies of the ancient church, we shall discern that, upon festival days, the subject of the homily was constantly the business of the Hammond, Fundam. the same nature or principles; suitable to each other.

HON

The means of reduction, by the fire, is but by congregation of homogeneal parts. Ice is a similary body, and homogeneous concretion, whose material is properly water.

Brown, Vulg. Err. An homogeneous mass of one kind is easily dis-

tinguishable from any other; gold from iron, sulphur from alum, and so of the rest. Woodward, Nat. Hist.

The light, whose rays are all alike refrangible, I call simple, homogeneal, and similar; and that whose rays are some more refrangible than others, I call compound, heterogeneal, and dissimilar.

Homoge'nealness. 7 n. s. [from homogeneous or homoge-Homogene'ity. Homoge'neousness.

neal.] Participation of the same principles or nature; similitude of kind.

The mixtures acquire a greater degree of fluidity and similarity or homogeneity of parts.

Arbuthnot on Aliments. Upon this supposition of only different diameters, it is impossible to account for the homogeneity or similarity of the secerned liquors. Cheyne.

Ho'mogeny. n. s. [ὁμογενία.] Joint nature. Not used.

By the driving back of the principal spirits, which preserve the consistence of the body, their government is dissolved, and every part returneth to his nature or homogeny.

Homo'Logous. † adj. [homologue, French; δμόλογ .] Having the same manner or proportions.

Comparing the homologous or corresponding members on both sides.

Bp. Berkeley, Analyst. . § 29.

Homo'nymous. † adj. [homonyme, French; δμώνυμ.] things; equivocal; ambiguous: having a common name for several things, but having a different definition of each by the explanation of that name for each.

It is a rule in art, that words which are homonymous, of various and ambiguous significations, ought ever in the first place to be distinguished. Bp. Bramhall against Hobbes, p. 19.

As words signifying the same thing are called synonymous, so equivocal words, or those which signify several things, are called homonymous, or ambiguous; and when persons use such ambiguous words, with a design to deceive, it is called Watts, Logick. equivocation.

Homo'nymy.† n. s. [homonymie, French; δμονυμία.] Equivocation; ambiguity. Shun homonymy, and - state the question.

Shelford, Learned Discourses, (1635,) p.121. The devil eartheth himself in an homonymy, as a fox in the ground; if he be stopped at one hole, he will get out at another.

Fuller, Holy War, p. 272.

Homo τονους. adj. [δμοτόνος.] Equable; said of such distempers as keep a constant tenour of rise, state, and declension.

HONE. † n. s. [This word M. Casaubon derives from anowh; Junius from hogsaen, Welsh; Skinner, who is always rational, from hæn, Saxon, a stone; hænan, to stone; Serenius, from the Icel. hein, a whetstone. A whetstone.

A hone and a parer, to pare away grass. Tusser. These snakes they made stiff changelings Of all the folks they hist on;

They turned barbers into hones, And masons into free-stone.

Ballad of St. George for England. To Hone. + v. n. [old Fr. hoigner, to whine; Su. Goth. hwina. To whine. See To WHINE.

His heart is still with her, to talk of her, admiring, and commending her, lamenting, honing, wishing himself any thing for her sake.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 533. HO'NEST. † adj. [honeste, Fr.; honestus, Lat. 7

1. Upright; true; sincere. What art thou?

-A very honest hearted fellow, and as poor as the Shakspeare. An honest physician leaves his patient, when he

can contribute no further to his health. Temple. The way to relieve ourselves from those sophisms, is an honest and diligent enquiry into the real nature and causes of things. Watts, Logick. 2. Chaste.

Wives may be merry, and yet honest too. Shaks. 3. Just; righteous; giving to every man his due.

Tate will subscribe, but fix no certain day, He's honest, and as wit comes in, will pay. Tate. 4. Creditable; honourable.

It is not honest, it may not avance. Chauc. C.T. Pr. No manner of art that was honest.

Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 49. b. Let ours also learn to maintain good works for necessary uses, [in the margin, profess honest Titus, iii. 14.

5. Well-looking; jolly; open. [Lat. honestus.

Bacchus ever fair and young ; -Flush'd with a purple grace,

He shews his honest face. Dryden, Alex. Feast. The strong laborious ox, of honest front.

Thomson, Summer. Denominating different 6. Honest Fellow. An ironical expression, as good-fellow is sometimes used: denoting a jovial companion.

I was five hours with three merry, and two honest fellows. The former sang catches; and the latter even died with laughing at the noise they made. - Says one of the honest fellows, - let us drink about. We did so from seven of the clock until eleven! Tatler, No. 45.

To Ho'NEST.* v. a. [Lat. honesto.] To adorn; to grace; to credit.

He also did honest and honour the same with his presence. Abp. Sandys, Serm. fol. 139. You have very much honested my lodging with B. Jonson, Epicæne. your presence.

To HO'NESTATE.* v. a. [Lat. honestatus.] To honour. Not in use. Cockeram.

Honesta'tion.* n. s. [Lat. honestatio.] Adornment; grace.

Many courtiers have brought out with them much of this precious metal of human prudence and sagacity, by which virtuous qualities and honestations they have been more happy than others in their applications to move the minds of men.

W. Montague, Dev. Ess. P. 1. (1648,) p.118.

Ho'NESTLY. adv. [from honest.]

1. Uprightly; justly.

It doth make me tremble, There should those spirits yet breathe, that when they cannot

Live honestly, would rather perish basely. B. Jonson.

For some time past all proposals from private persons to advance the publick service, however honestly and innocently designed, have been called flying in the king's face.

2. With chastity; modestly.

Ho'nesty. † n. s. [honnesteté, Fr. honestas,

1. Justice; truth; virtue; purity. Thou shalt not have thy husband's lands. - Why, then mine honesty shall be my dower.

Shakspeare Goodness, as that which makes men prefer their duty and their promise before their passions or their interest, and is properly the object of trust, in our language goes rather by the name of honesty; though what we call an honest man, the Romans called a good man; and honesty in their language, as well as in French, rather signifies a composition of those qualities which generally acquire honour and esteem.

2. Honour; credit.

For the honesty of your shooting.

Ascham, Toxoph. B. 1. You looked some time to have had honesty, pleasures, and commodities.

Bp. Ridley, Farewell to his Friends. 3. Frankness; liberality.

A noble gentleman 'tis, if he would not keep so good a house. — Every man has his fault, and honesty is his. Shakspeare, Tim. of Ath. honesty is his. HO'NEY. n. s. [hung, Saxon honig, Dutch; honec, honag, German.]

1. A thick, viscous, fluid substance, of a whitish or yellowish colour, sweet to the taste, soluble in water; and becoming vinous on fermentation, inflammable, liquable by a gentle heat, and of a fragrant smell. Of honey, the first and finest kind is virgin honey, not very firm, and of a fragrant smell: it is the first produce of the swarm, obtained by draining the combs without pressing. The second is often almost solid, procured by pressure: and the worst is the common yellow honey, extracted by heating the combs, and then pressing them. In the flowers of plants, by certain glands near the basis in the petals, is secreted a sweet juice, which the bee, by means of its proboscis, or trunk, sucks up, and

cessity of feeding on it themselves. Hill, Mat. Med.

So work the honey bees, Creatures that by a ruling nature teach The art of order to a peopled kingdom.

Shakspeare, Hen. V. Touching his education and first fostering, some affirm, that he was fed by honey bees. Ral. Hist.

discharges again from the stomach

through the mouth into the comb. The

honey deposited in the comb is destined

for the young offspring; but in hard

seasons the bees are reduced to the ne-

In ancient time there was a kind of honey, which, either of its own nature, or by art, would grow as hard as sugar, and was not so luscious as ours.

When the patient is rich, there's no fear of physicians about him, as thick as wasps to a honey pot. L'Estrange.

Honey is the most elaborate production of the vegetable kind, being a most exquisite vegetable sope, resolvent of the bile, balsamick and pectoral: honey contains no inflammable spirit, before it has felt the force of fermentation; for by distillation it affords nothing that will burn in the fire. Arbuth. New wine, with honey temper'd milk, we bring ;

Then living waters from the crystal spring. Pope.

2. Sweetness; lusciousness.

The king hath found Watter against him, that for ever mars Shakspeare. The honey of his language.

A honey tongue, a heart of gall, Is fancy's spring, but sorrow's fall. Shakspeare.

3. Sweet; sweetness; a name of tenderness. [Mel; corculum.]

Honey, you shall be well desir'd in Cyprus; I've found great love amongst them.

I prattle out of fashion, and I dote.

Shakspeare, Othello. Why, honey bird, I bought him on purpose for Dryden.

To Ho'NEY. v. n. [from the noun.] To talk fondly.

Nay, but to live In the rank sweat of an incestuous bed, Stew'd in corruption, honeying and making love Over the nasty sty. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

Ho'NEY-BAG. n.s. [honey and bag.] The honey-bag is the stomach, which bees always fill to satisfy, and to spare, vomiting up the greater part of the honey to be kept against winter.

Grew, Museum. Ho'NEY-COMB. n. s. [honey and comb.] The cells of wax in which the bee stores her honey.

All these a milk-white honey-comb surround, Which in the midst the country banquet crown'd.

Ho'NEY-COMBED. adj. [honey and comb.] Spoken of a piece of ordnance flawed with little cavities by being ill cast.

A mariner having discharged his gun, which was honey-combed, and loading it suddenly again, the powder took fire.

Ho'NEY-DEW. n. s. [honey and dew.] Sweet dew.

There is a honey-dew which hangs upon their leaves, and breeds insects. Mortimer. How honey-dews embalm the fragrant morn,

And the fair oak with luscious sweets adorn.

Ho'NEY-FLOWER. n. s. [melanthus, Lat.] A plant.

It hath a perennial root, and the appearance of a shrub. This plant produces large spikes of chocolate-coloured flowers in May, in each of which is contained a large quantity of black sweet liquor, from whence it is supposed to derive its name.

Ho'NEY-GNAT. n. s. [mellio, Latin; honey and gnat. An insect. Ainsworth. Ho'NEY-HARVEST.* n. s. [honey and harvest.] Honey collected.

Bees - haunt the fields, and bring

Their honey-harvest home. Dryden, Ovid.

Ho'ney-moon. n. s. [honey and moon.] The first month after marriage, when there is nothing but tenderness and

And now their honey-moon, that late was clear, Doth pale, obscure, and tenebrous appear.

Cornucopia, (1612). A man should keep his finery for the latter season of marriage, and not begin to dress till the honey-moon is over. Addison.

Ho'ney-month.* n. s. [honey and month.] The honey-moon.

Sometimes the parties fly asunder even in the midst of courtship, and sometimes grow cool in the very honey-month. Taller, No. 192.

Ho'NEY-MOUTHED.* adj. [honey and mouth.] Flattering; using honied words.

He must be told on't, and he shall: the office Becomes a woman best; I'll take't upon me: If I prove honey-mouthed, let my tongue blister. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

Ho'NEY-STALK.* n.s. Clover-flower.

Johnson. With words more sweet, and yet more dan-

Than baits to fish, or honey-stalks to sheep. Titus Andronicus.

Ho'ney-suckle. † n. s. [caprifolium, Lat.] 1. Woodbine; the plant.

It hath a climbing stalk, which twists itself about whatsoever tree stands near it: the flowers are tubulous and oblong, consisting of one leaf, which opens towards the top, and is divided into two lips; the uppermost of which is subdivided into two, and the lowermost is cut into many segments: the tube of the flowers is bent, somewhat resembling a huntsman's horn. They are produced in clusters, and are very sweet. Miller enumerates ten species, of which three grow wild in our hedges.

Bid her steal into the pleached bower, Where honey-suckles, ripen'd by the sun, Forbid the sun to enter; like to favourites, Made proud by princes, that advance their pride Against the power that bred it. Shakspeare. A bank

With ivy canopied, and interwove

With flaunting honeysuckle. Milton, Comus. The flower or blossom of the woodbine. Woodbine that beareth the honeysuckle.

Barret, Alv. (1580.) So doth the woodbine the sweet honeysuckle Gently entwist. Shakspeare, Mids. N. Dream.

A honey-suckle, The amorous woodbine's offspring.

Sicily and Naples, or The Fatal Union, (1640.)

Then melfoil beat, and honeysuckles pound; With these alluring savours strew the ground.

Ho'NEY-SWEET.* adj. Sweet as honey. The vertuous quiete, That is in mariage hony-swete.

Chaucer, March. Tale. Pr'ythee, honey-sweet husband, let me bring thee to Stains. Shakspeare, K. Hen. V.

Ho'NEY-TONGUED. * adj. [honey and tongue.] Using soft speech. This is the flower that smiles on every one,

To show his teeth as white as whales bone; And consciences, that will not die in debt, Pay him the due of honey-tongu'd Boyet. -A blister on his sweet tongue, with my heart! Shakspeare, Love's L. Lost.

Ho'ney-wort. n. s. [cerinthe, Lat.] A

Ho'NEYLESS. adj. [from honey.] Being without honey.

But for your words, they rob the Hybla bees, And leave them honeyless. Shakspeare.

Ho'NIED. † adj. [from honey. This is an adjective of frequent occurrence in our old poets; but it is not confined to them; for the admirable author of the Christian Life has also adopted it.]

1. Covered with honey. The bee with honied thigh, That at her flowery work doth sing. Milt. Il Pens.

2. Sweet; luscious. When he speaks,

The air, a charter'd libertine, is still; And the mute wonder lurketh in men's ears, To steal his sweet and honied sentences. Shakspeare, Hen. V.

Look now for no enchanting voice, nor fear The bait of honied words; a rougher tongue Millon, S. A. Draws hitherward.

The Grecian sophists, as Plutarch tells us, by their singing tones, and honied words, and effeminate phrases and accents, did very often transport their auditors into a kind of bacchical enthusiasm. Scott, Works, ii. 129.

Ho'NIEDNESS.* n. s. [from honied.] Sweetness; allurement.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood.

Ho'NORARY. adj. [honorarius, Lat.] 1. Done in honour: made in honour.

There was probably some distinction made among the Romans between such honorary arches erected to emperors, and those that were raised to them on the account of a victory, which are properly triumphal arches. Addison on Italy. This monument is only honorary; for the

ashes of the emperor lie elsewhere. Addison on Italy.

2. Conferring honour without gain.

The Romans abounded with little honorary rewards, that without conferring wealth and riches, gave only place and distinction to the person who received them.

HO'NOUR. † n.s. [honneur, French; honor, old French and Latin.]

1. Dignity; high rank.

I will promote thee unto very great honour. Num. xxii. 17.

2. Reputation; fame.

A man is an ill husband of his honour, that entereth into any action, the failing wherein may disgrace him more than the carrying of it through can honour him.

3. The title of a man of rank. Not now used, Dr. Johnson says. It was applied, however, in his time, as it is now, to the Master of the Rolls; and now also to the great law-officer, of modern appointment, called the Vice-Chancellor.

Return unto thy lord, Bid him not fear the separated councils: His honour and myself are at the one; And at the other is my good friend Catesby. Shakspeare.

4. Subject of praise.

Thou happy father, Think that the clearest gods, who make them honours

Of man's impossibilities, have preserv'd thee. Shakspeare.

5. Nobleness of mind; scorn of meanness; magnanimity.

Now shall I see thy love; what motive may Be stronger with thee than the name of wife? - That which upholdeth him, that thee upholds, His honour. Oh, thine honour, Lewis; thine Shaksneare. honour.

If by honour is meant any thing distinct from conscience, 'tis no more than a regard to the censure and esteem of the world. Rogers.

6. Reverence; due veneration. To do honour is to treat with reverence.

They take thee for their mother, And every day do honour to thy grave.

His Grace of Canterbury, Shaksp.

Who holds his state at door, 'mongst pursuivants.

- Ha! 'tis he, indeed!

Is this the honour they do one another? Shaksp. This is a duty in the fifth commandment, required towards our prince and our parent under the name of honour; a respect, which, in the notion of it, implies a mixture of love and fear, and, in the object, equally supposes goodness and Rogers. power.

7. Chastity.

Be she honour-flaw'd, I have three daughters, the eldest is eleven: If this prove true, they'll pay for't.

Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. She dwells so securely on the excellency of her honour, that the folly of my soul dares not present itself: she is too bright to be looked against. Shaksneare.

8. Dignity of mien.

Two of far nobler shape, erect and tall, Godlike erect! with native honour clad, In naked majesty, seem'd lords of all.

Milton, P. L.

9. Glory; boast.

A late eminent person, the honour of his profession for integrity and learning. Burnet, Theory.

10. Publick mark of respect.

He saw his friends, who, whelm'd beneath the waves,

Their funeral honours claim'd, and ask'd their Dryden, Æn. quiet graves. Such discourses, on such mournful occasions as these, were instituted not so much in honour of

the dead, as for the use of the living. Numbers engage their lives and labours, some to heap together a little dirt that shall bury them in the end; others to gain an honour, that at best can be celebrated but by an inconsiderable part of the world, and is envied and calumniated by more than 'tis truly given.

Wake, Prep. for Death.

 Privileges of rank or birth. Henry the seventh, truly pitying My father's loss, like a most royal prince, Restored to me my honours; and, from ruins, Shakspeare. Made my name once more noble. Honours were conferred upon Antonine by Wotton, Rom. Hist. Hadrian in his infancy.

12. Civilities paid.

Then here a slave, or if you will a lord, To do the honours, and to give the word.

13. Ornament; decoration. The sire then shook the honours of his head, And from his brows damps of oblivion shed. Dryden.

14. Seigniory; lordship. Being his majesty's steward of his majesty's honour and manor of Woodstock.

Ld. Clarendon, Life Contin. iii. 949. 15. Honour, or on my honour, is a form of protestation used by the lords in judicial decisions.

My hand to thee, my honour on my promise.

To Ho'Nour. v. a. [honnorer, French; honoro, Latin.]

1. To reverence; to regard with veneration.

He was called our father, and was continually honoured of all men, as the next person unto the Esth. xvi. 11.

The poor man is honoured for his skill, and the rich man is honoured for his riches. Ecclus. x. 30. He that is honoured in poverty, how much more in riches? Ecclus. x. 31.

How lov'd, how honour'd once, avails thee not. 2. To dignify; to raise to greatness.

We nourish 'gainst our senate The cockle of rebellion, insolence, sedition, Which we ourselves have plow'd for, sow'd and

By mingling them with us, the honour'd number. Shakspeare.

3. To glorify.

I will harden Pharaoh's heart, that he shall follow after them; and I will be honoured upon Pharaoh, and upon all his host; that the Egyptians may know that I am the Lord,

Ho'NOURABLE. adj. [honorable, French.] 1. Illustrious: noble.

Who hath taken this counsel against Tyre, the crowning city, whose merchants are princes, whose traffickers are the honourable of the earth? Isa. xxiii. 8.

2. Great; magnanimous; generous. Sir, I'll tell you.

Since I am charg'd in honour, and by him That I think honourable. Shaksveure

3. Conferring honour.

Think'st thou it honourable for a nobleman Still to remember wrongs? Shakspeare. Then warlike kings, who for their country

fought, And honourable wounds from battle brought.

Dryden. Many of those persons, who put this honourable task on me, were more able to perform it them-Druden.

4. Accompanied with tokens of honour. Sith this wretched woman overcome.

Of anguish, rather than of crime hath been, Preserve her cause to her eternal doom; And in the mean, vouchsafe her honourable tomb.

Spenser, F. Q. 5. Not to be disgraced.

Here's a Bohemian Tartar tarries the coming down of thy fat woman : - let her descend, my chambers are honourable.

6. Free from taint; free from reproach. As he was honourable in all his acts, so in this,

that he took Joppe for an haven. 1 Mac. xiv. 5. Methinks I could not die any where so contented as in the king's company, his cause being just, and his quarrel honourable. Shakspeare.

7. Honest; without intention of deceit.

The earl sent again to know if they would entertain their pardon, in case he should come in person, and assure it: they answered, they did conceive him to be so honourable, that from himself they would most thankfully embrace it. Hayward. If that thy bent of love be honourable,

Thy purpose marriage, send me word to-morrow. Shakspeare.

8. Equitable.

Ho'nourableness. † n. s. [from honourable.] Eminence; magnificence; generosity; dignity; honesty.

My next place, of the honourableness of marriage amongst all, he smooths over with a pre-

tended concession.

Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Marr. Clergy, p. 108. Peter, moved with the patriarch's persuasions, the equity and honourableness of the cause, - took the whole business upon him.

Fuller, Holy War, p. 11. To spread the fame of the Gospel in the world; to make it appear lovely in the eyes of all beholders; and to allure them to submit to the honourableness, the gentleness, the easiness of its Sprat, Hist. R. Soc. p. 366. The dignity of the office, and honourableness of the employment.

Echard, Gr. of Cont. of the Clergy, p. 126.

Ho'NOURABLY. adv. [from honourable.]

1. With tokens of honour.

The rev'rend abbot, With all his convent, honourably receiv'd him. Shakspeare.

2. Magnanimously; generously.

After some six weeks, which the king did honourably interpose, to give space to his brother's intercession, he was arraigned of high treason,

and condemned. 3. Reputably; with exemption from reproach.

'Tis just, ye gods! and what I well deserve: Why did I not more honourably starve! Dryden. Ho'Nourer. + n. s. [from honour.] One that honours; one that regards with veneration.

I must not omit Mr. Gay, whose zeal in your concern is worthy a friend and honourer. First, for what concerns our own church: He was a sincere honourer and approver of it.

Ward, Life of Dr. Henry More, p. 165.

Ho'Nourless.* adj. [honour and less.] Without honour; not honoured.

That religion, which renders void the first pre- 3. To blind, as with a hood. cept of my text, by taking away the "fear of God," will always be for introducing a form of government which renders void the second; by taking away all "honour from the king." And so, reciprocally, will an honourless king promote the worship of a fearless God.

Warburton, Serm. xiv.

Hood. † n. s. [Sax. hab; German heit; Dutch heid.] Quality; character; contherhood. Sometimes it is written after the Dutch, as maidenhead. Sometimes it is taken collectively: as, brotherhood, a confraternity; sisterhood, a company of sisters.

Thou ken'st little good,

So vainly to advaunce thy heedlesse hood. Spenser, Shep. Cal. Feb.

HOOD. † n. s. [hob, Saxon, probably from heros, head. Dr. Johnson. - Chaucer writes it hawve, and Mr. Tyrwhitt derives it from the Teut. hoofd, the head. Mr. H. Tooke views it as the participle of the Sax. hearan, to heave or lift up. Ruddiman, as the Dutch huyve, huyf, a To Ho'odwink. v. a. [hood and wink.] thus also Serenius refers to the Alem. huaten, huoden, to cover, to protect.]

1. The upper covering of a woman's head.

The glasses, and the fine linen, and the hoods, and the veils. Isaiah, iii. 23.

In velvet, white as snow, the troop was gown'd; neir koods and sleeves the same.

Dryden. Their koods and sleeves the same.

2. Any thing drawn upon the head, and wrapping round it.

All hoods make not monks.

Shakspeare, K. Henry VIII. He undertook so to muffle up himself in his hood, that none should discern him. The lacerna came, from being a military habit,

to be a common dress: it had a hood, which could be separated from and joined to it.

Arbuthnot on Coins.

3. A covering put over the hawk's eyes, when he is not to fly.

4. An ornamental fold that hangs down the back of a graduate, to mark his degree. It is so named from the hood or cowl of the monks; the cut or fashion of which was so contrived, that in cold or wet weather it might be a covering to the head; or, at other times, might be thrown back, hanging upon the neck by the lower end, after the same manner as the academical hood is now worn.

Such ministers, as are graduates, shall wear upon their surplices such hoods as are agreeable to their degrees; which no minister shall wear, being no graduate, under pain of suspension.

Constit. and Canons Eccl. 58.

To Hoop. † v. a. [from the noun.] 1. To dress in a hood. Huloet.

To converse veiled and hooded, and sing like a devout nun.

Brevint, Saul and Sam. at Endor, (1674,) p. 316. The cobbler apron'd, and the parson gown'd, The friar hooded, and the monarch crown'd.

2. To disguise, as in a hood.

But hooded with the shew of outward love, Beguiling my simplicitie of mind, He in the end a deadly foe did prove.

Mir. for Mag. p. 648.

While grace is saying, I'll hood mine eyes Thus with my hat, and sigh, and say, Amen. Shakspeare.

4. To cover.

An hollow crystal pyramid he takes, In firmamental waters dipt above; Of it a broad extinguisher he makes, And hoods the flames that to their quarry strove. Dryden.

dition: as, knighthood; childhood; fa- 5. To put the covering on the head of a hawk. A term of falconry, applied to a hawk when he is not to fly. See the third sense of Hoop.

See him laugh'd at! See him baffled!

As a hooded hawk, or owl With light blinded, when the fowl With their armies flock about her,

Some to beat, and some to flout her. Fanshaw, Pastor Fido.

Ho'odman Blind. n. s. A play in which the person hooded is to catch another, and tell the name; blindman's buff.

What devil was't, That thus hath cozen'd you at hoodman blind?

coif, huyven, to cover the head. And I. To blind with something bound over the eyes.

They willingly hoodwinking themselves from seeing his faults, he often abused the virtue of courage to defend his foul vice of injustice.

We will bind and hoodwink him so, that he shall suppose he is carried into the leaguer of the adversaries. Shakspeare. Then she who hath been hoodwink'd from her

birth. Doth first herself within death's mirrour see.

Danies.

So have I seen, at Christmast sports, one lost, And, hoodwink'd, for a man embrace a post. B. Jonson.

Satan is fain to hoodwink those that start.

Dec. of Piety. Prejudice so dexterously hoodwinks men's minds as to keep them in the dark, with a belief that they are more in the light. Locke.

Must I wed Rodogune? Fantastick cruelty of hoodwink'd chance! Rowe. On high, where no hoarse winds or clouds

resort. The hoodwink'd goddess keeps her partial court.

2. To cover; to hide.

Be patient, for the prize, I'll bring thee to, Shall hoodwink this mischance.

3. To deceive; to impose upon.

She delighted in infamy, which often she had used to her husband's shame, filling all men's ears, but his, with reproach; while he, hoodwinked with kindness, least of all men knew who struck

HOOF. n. s. [hor, Saxon; hoef, Dutch.] The hard horny substance on the feet of graminivorous animals.

With the hoofs of his horses shall he tread down all thy streets. Ezek, xxvi. 11.

The bull and ram know the use of their horns as well as the horse of his hoofs. HOOF-BOUND. adj. [hoof and bound.]

A horse is said to be hoof-bound when he has a pain in the fore-feet, occasioned by the dryness and contraction or narrowness of the horn of the quarters, which straitens the quarters of the heels, and oftentimes makes the horse lame. A hoof-bound horse has a narrow heel, the sides of which come too near one another, insomuch that the flesh is kept too tight, and has not its natural extent. Farrier's Dict.

To Hoor.* v. n. [from the noun.] To walk; to move by leisurely steps: applied to cattle.

To hoof it o'er as many weary miles, -As e'er the bravest antler of the woods.

Ethwald, W. Scott's Lady of the Lake, Notes. Ho'ofen. adj. [from hoof.] Furnished with hoofs.

Among quadrupeds, the roe-deer is the swiftest; of all the hoofed, the horse is the most beautiful; of all the clawed, the lion is the strongest. Grew.

HOOK. † n. s. [hoce, hooc, Saxon; hoeck, Dutch; hake, Icel. hokni, crooked, and Teut. haeck, the same.]

1. Any thing bent so as to catch hold: as, a shepherd's hook and pot-hooks.

This falling not, for that they had not far enough undermined it, they assayed with great hooks and strong ropes to have pulled it down. Knolles.

Shakspeare. 2. The curvated wire on which the bait is hung for fishes, and with which the fish is pierced.

Like unto golden hooks,

That from the foolish fish their baits do hide. Spenser.

My bended hook shall pierce

Their slimy jaws. Shakspeare. Though divine Plato thus of pleasures thought, They us with hooks and baits, like fishes, caught. Denham.

3. A snare; a trap.

A shop of all the qualities that man Loves woman for, besides that hook of wiving, Fairness, which strikes the eye. Shakspeare.

4. An iron to seize the meat in the cal-

About the caldron many cooks accoil'd. With hooks and ladles, as need did require; The while the viands in the vessel boil'd.

Spenser, F. Q.

5. A sickle to reap corn. Pease are commonly reaped with a hook at the

end of a long stick. 6. Any instrument to cut or lop with. Not that I'd lop the beauties from his book,

Like slashing Bentley with his desperate hook.

7. The part of the hinge fixed to the post: whence the proverb, off the hooks, for in disorder. My doublet looks,

Like him that wears it, quite off o' the hooks.

Cleaveland. She was horribly bold, meddling, and expensive, easily put off the hooks, and monstrous hard to be pleased again. L'Estrange. While Sheridan is off the hooks,

And friend Delany at his books. 8. Hook. [In husbandry.] A field sown

two years running. Ainsworth. 9. Hook or Crook. One way or other;

by any expedient; by any means direct

says, citing only the two examples from Hudibras and Dryden. The phrase is very ancient in our language, although ascribed to the names of two learned judges, in the time of Charles the First, Hooke and Crooke; implying, that a difficult cause was to be gotten either by Hooke or Crooke. See observations on Spenser by Warton, who says that the phrase occurs in Skelton; and that the form was not then invented as a proverb, but applied as a pun. The fact is, that hook is the same as crook; our old dictionaries, under hook, say, "a hook or crook;" Huloet, Barret, &c. The original meaning therefore was, either in one form or the other.

For all your bragges, hookes and crookes, you have such a fall, as you shall never be able to

stande upright again. Abp. Cranmer, Ans. to Bp. Gardiner, fol. 341. That which her size had scrap't by hooke and Spenser, F. Q. v. ii. 27. crooke. Master of almost two millions yearly, what by hook or crook. Milton, Eiconocl. ch. xi. Which he by hook or crook had gather'd,

And for his own inventions father'd, He would bring him by hook or crook into his Dryden. quarrel.

To Hook. v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To catch with a hook.

The huge jack he had caught was served up for the first dish: upon our sitting down to it; 2. The whalebone with which women exhe gave us a long account how he had hooked it, played with it, foiled it, and at length drew it out upon the bank. Addison.

2. To entrap; to ensnare.

3. To draw as with a hook.

But she

I can hook to me, Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. 4. To fasten as with a hook.

5. To draw by force or artifice.

There are many branches of the natural law no way reducible to the two tables, unless hooked in by tedious consequences. Norris.

To Hook.* v. n. To bend; to have a curvature.

Her bill hooks, and bends downwards.

Ho'OKED. † adj. [from hook.]

1. Bent; curvated.

Gryps signifies eagle or vulture; from whence the epithet grypus, for an hooked or aquiline nose.

Now thou threaten'st, with unjust decree, To seize the prize which I so dearly bought: Mean match to thine; for still above the rest, Thy hook'd rapacious hands usurp the best.

Caterpillars have claws and feet: the claws are hooked, to take the better hold in climbing from twig to twig, and hanging on the backsides of

2. Furnished with hooks, or any instrument to cut with. [falcatus, Lat.] The hooked chariot stood,

Unstain'd with hostile blood. Milton, Ode Nativ. Ho'okedness. n. s. [from hooked.] State

of being bent like a hook.

Ho'oker.* n. s. [from hook.]

1. That which catches as with a hook.

2. A vessel built like a pink, but rigged and masted like a hoy; much used by . the Dutch.

or oblique. Ludicrous, Dr. Johnson | Hookno'sed. adj. [hook and nose.] Hav- | Hoop.* n. s. [from the verb.] ing the aquiline nose rising in the mid-

HOO

I may justly say with the hook-nosed fellow of Rome there, Cæsar, I came, saw, and overcame Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

Ho'oky.* adj. [from hook.]

1. Full of hooks. [hamosus, Lat.] Huloet. 2. Pertaining to a hook. [hamatilis.]

HOOP. n. s. [hoep, Dutch; hop, Sax. hapt, Icel. a band, from hypia, to draw in, to contract. Serenius.

1. Any thing circular by which something else is bound, particularly casks or bar-

Thou shalt prove a shelter to thy friends, A hoop of gold to bind thy brothers in, That the united vessel of their blood Shall never leak. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

If I knew What hoop would hold us staunch, from edge to edge

O' th' world I would pursue it.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. A quarrel, ho, already! what's the matter? - About a hoop of gold, a paltry ring.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. To view so lewd a town, and to refrain, What hoops of iron could my spleen contain.

Dryden, Juv. And learned Athens to our art must stoop, Could she behold us tumbling through a hoop.

tend their petticoats; a farthingale.

At coming in you saw her stoop: The entry brush'd against her hoop. All that hoops are good for is to clean dirty shoes, and to keep fellows at distance.

Richardson, Clarissa. 3. Any thing circular. I have seen at Rome an antique statue of Time,

with a wheel or hoop of marble in his hand. Addison on Italy.

To Hoop. v. a. [from the noun.]

To bind or enclose with hoops. The three hoop'd pot shall have ten hoops, and I will make it felony to drink small beer.

Shakspeare. The casks for his majesty's shipping were hooped as a wine-cask, or hooped with iron. Ralegh.

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 383. 2. To encircle; to clasp; to surround. If ever henceforth thou

Shalt hoop his body more with thy embraces, Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. I will devise a death. I hoop the firmament, and make

This my embrace the zodiack. That shelly guard, which hoops in the eye, and hides the greater part of it, might occasion his

To HOOP. tv. n. ffrom wopgan or wopyan, Goth. or houper, French, derived from the Gothick. This word is generally written whoop, which is more proper, if we deduce it from the Gothick; and hoop, if we derive it from the French. Chaucer adopts the French form.] To shout; to make an outcry by way of call or pursuit.

They shriked and they houped.

Chaucer, Nun's Pr. Tale. To Hoop. v. a.

To drive with a shout.

Dastard nobles, Suffer'd me, by the voice of slaves, to be Hoop'd out of Rome. Shakspeare, Coriol. Chambers. 2. To call by a shout.

1. A shout. See WHOOP.

You have run them all down with hoops and hola's, i. e. with noise and confidence.

Bp. Parker, Repr. Rehears. Transpr. p. 26. 2. A measure, containing a peck, or a quarter of a strike. North. 3. The bird, called hoopoo. Ray, Dict. Tril.

Ho'oper. n. s. [from hoop, to enclose with hoops.] 1. A cooper; one that hoops tubs.

Every tinker, tailour, hooper, hostler, cardmaker, and horsekeeper, might as they did compare in learning, and all other offices, above a doctour

Martin, Mar. of Priests, (1554,) Ll. ii. b. 2. A wild swan: by the name of hooper this bird is known among sportsmen and ornithologists; but I have not met with the etymology.

Ho'oping-cough. n. s. for whooping-cough, from hoop, to shout.] A convulsive cough, so called from its noise; the

chincough.

Ho'opoo.* n. s. [Lat. upupa; Gr. έποψ. Linnæus says the name is from the note of the bird, which resembles it. Others deduce it from the Fr. huppé, crested.] A bird, called also the hoop, of the class of pice; not a lapwing, as some have asserted.

"Vannellus" (the lapwing) is a new-made name of the French "vanneau;" which bird, by a great mistake, hath been generally taken to be the upupa of the ancients, which is now by all acknowledged to be the hoopoo.

Ray, Dict. Tril. p. 22.

Dryden.

Hoose, or Hooze.* n. s. [Icel. hoese.] A difficulty of breathing. Craven Dialect. Thus hoased is hoarse, in the west of England. Grose. See also HAUST.

To Hoor. v. n. [hwt, Welsh; huer, Fr.]

1. To shout in contempt.

A number of country folks happened to pass thereby, who hollowed and hooted after me as at the arrantest coward. Matrons and girls shall hoot at thee no more.

2. To cry as an owl.

Some keep back The clamorous owl, that nightly hoots and wonders

At our quaint sports. Shakspeare. 3. To shout in mirth, in good spirits.

With hooting and shouting we pierce through And Echo turns huntress, and doubles the cry.

To Hoor. v. a. To drive with noise and

shouts. We lov'd him; but, like beasts,

Our coward nobles gave way to your clusters, Who did hoot him out o' th' city. Shakspe. Shaksneare. The owl of Rome, whom boys and girls will hoot !

That were I set up for that wooden god That keeps our gardens, could not fright the

Or the least bird, from muting on my head.

Patridge and his clan may hoot me for a cheat and impostor, if I fail in any particular of mo-Swift.

Hoor. n. s. [huée, French, from the verb.] Clamour; shout; noise.

Its assertion would be entertained with the hoot of the rabble. Glanville, Scepsis.

Ho'oting.* n. s. [from hoot.] A shout: " Hou hou hou, hootings or whoopings; voices wherewith swine are scared, or infamous old women disgraced!"

To HOP. + v. n. [hoppan, Saxon; hoppen, Dutch; hoppa, Su. Goth. probably from the M. Goth. hup, the hip.]

1. To dance. This is the primary sense, like that of the Sax. hoppan. It is unnoticed by Dr. Johnson.

At every bridale would he singe and hoppe.

Chaucer, Coke's Tale. What good doth all that dauncing of young women holding upon men's armes, that they may hop the higher i

Northbroke, Treat. against Dauncing, p. 132.

2. To jump; to skip lightly. I would have thee gone, And yet no further than a wanton's bird, That lets it hop a little from her hand, And with a silk thread plucks it back again.

Shakspeare. Go, hop me over every kennel home; For you shall hop without my custom, sir.

Shakspeare. Be kind and courteous to this gentleman, Hop in his walks, and gambol in his eyes.

The painted birds, companions of the spring, Hopping from spray to spray were heard. Dryd. Your Ben and Fletcher, in their first young flight,

Did no Volpone, nor no Arbaces write; But hopp'd about, and short excursions made From bough to bough, as if they were afraid.

Why don't we vindicate ourselves by trial ordeal, and hop over heated ploughshares blindfold?

Collier on Duelling. I am highly delighted to see the jay or the thrush hopping about my walks. Spectator.

3. To leap on one leg.

Men with heads like dogs, and others with one huge foot alone, whereupon they did hop from place to place.

I always beat him at three jumps; but he could hop upon one leg further than I.

Goldsmith, Vicar of Wakefield.

4. To walk lamely, or with one leg less nimble or strong than the other; to limp; to halt.

The limping smith observ'd the sadden'd feast, And hopping here and there, himself a jest, Put in his word. Dryden, Homer.

5. To move; to play.

Softly feel Her feeble pulse, to prove if any drop Of living blood yet in her veins did hop.

Spenser, F. Q.

Hop. † n. s. [from the verb.]

1. A dance. So a hop is still denominated in many parts of England. Ainsworth calls it a place, where meaner people dance. But it is, assuredly, the dance also itself.

2. A jump; a light leap.

3. A jump on one leg.

When my wings are on, I can go above a hundred yards at a hop, step, and jump.

HOP. n. s. [hop, Dutch; lupulus, Lat.] A plant.

It has a creeping root: the leaves are rough, angular, and conjugated; the stalks climb and twist about whatever is near them; the flowers are male and female on different plants: the male flower consists of a calyx divided into five parts, which surrounds the stamina, but has no petals to the flower: the female plants have their flowers collected into squamose heads, which grow in bunches: from each leafy scale is produced an horned ovary, which becomes a single roundish seed. Miller.

If hop yard or orchard ye mind for to have, For hop poles and crotches in lopping to save.

Tusser The planting of hop yards is profitable for the planters, and consequently for the kingdom.

Beer hath malt first infused in the liquor, and is afterwards boiled with the hop. Bacon Next to thistles are hop strings, cut after the

flowers are gathered. Have the poles without forks, otherwise it will be troublesome to part the hop vines and the poles. Mortimer

When you water hops, on the top of every hill put dissolved dung, which will enrich your hop Mortimer.

In Kent they plant their hop gardens with appletrees and cherry-trees between. Mortimer. The price of hoeing of hop ground is forty shil-

lings an acre. Mortimer. Hop poles, the largest sort, should be about twenty feet long, and about nine inches in com-Mortimer,

Hop-BIND.* n. s. [hop and bind.] stem of the hop. See BIND.

It is made felony without benefit of clergy, maliciously to cut any hop-binds growing in a 3. That which gives hope; that on which plantation of hops.

Hop-garden.* n. s. [hop and garden.] A ground planted with hops; formerly, hop-yard; like vine-yard. See Hop-YARD.

Hop-oast.* n. s. [hop, and probably ustus, Lat. dried.] In Kent, a kiln for drying hops.

HOP-PICKER.* n. s. [hop and pick.] A person who carefully gathers the ripe

To the festivities of harvest-home must be referred the popular custom among the hop-pickers in Kent. Brand, Pop. Antiq.

HOP-POLE. † n. s. The pole which supports the hop. See Hop.

HOP-YARD.* n. s. [hop and yard.] Ground in which hops are planted. See

He's busy at his hop-yards now.

B. Jonson, Alchemist.

To Hop. v. a. [from the noun.] To impregnate with hops.

Brew in October, and hop it for long keeping.

To increase the milk, diminished by flesh-meat, take malt-drink not much hopped.

Arbuthnot on Aliments.

HOPE. n. s. [hopa, Sax.; hope, Dutch.] 1. Expectation of some good; an expectation indulged with pleasure.

Hope is that pleasure in the mind which every one finds in himself, upon the thought of a profitable future enjoyment of a thing, which is apt to delight him.

There is hope of a tree, if cut down, that it will Job, xiv. 7. When in heaven she shall his essence see,

This is her sov'reign good, and perfect bliss; Her longing, wishings, hopes, all finish'd be; Her joys are full, her motions rest in this. Davies. Sweet hope! kind cheat! fair fallacy! by thee

We are not where or what we be;

But what and where we would be: thus art thou Our absent presence, and our future now.

Faith is opposed to infidelity, and hope to Bp. Taylor. He sought them both, but wish'd his hap might

Eve separate: he wish'd, but not with hope Of what so seldom chanc'd: when to his wish, Beyond his hope, Eve separate he spies.

Milton, P. L.

The Trojan dames
To Pallas' fane in long procession go, In hopes to reconcile their heavenly foe.

Dryden, Virg. Why not comfort myself with the hope of what may be, as torment myself with the fear on't?

To encourage our hopes, it gives us the highest assurance of most lasting happiness, in case of obedience. Tillotson.

The deceased really lived like one that had his hope in another life; a life which he hath now entered upon, having exchanged hope for sight, desire for enjoyment. Atterbury.

Young men look rather to the past age than the present, and therefore the future may have some hopes of them. Swift.

2. Confidence in a future event, or in the future conduct of any person.

It is good, being put to death by men, to look for hope from God, to be raised up again by him. 2 Mac. vii. 14.

Blessed is he who is not fallen from his hope in Ecclus. xiv. 2.

the hopes are fixed, as an agent by which something desired may be effected.

I might see from far some forty truncheoneers draw to her succour, which were the hope of the Strand, where she was quartered.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

4. The object of hope.

Thy mother felt more than a mother's pain, And yet brought forth less than a mother's hope; To wit, an indigested deform'd lump. Shakspeare. She was his care, his hope, and his delight, Most in his thought, and ever in his sight. Dryd.

Hope. † n.s. [If we can have any confidence in Bullet, hope was used in this sense, in the language of the ancient Gauls, " petite vallée entre des montagnes." Dr. Jamieson.] Any sloping plain between the ridges of mountains.

Ainsworth. Hope signifies a dingle, or little valley; and is retained in Kent, and other parts of England, in the names of places. Gloss. to Urry's Chaucer.

To Hope. † v. n. [Sax. hopian.] 1. To live in expectation of some good.

Hope for good success, according to the efficacy of the causes and the instrument; and let the husbandman hope for a good harvest.

Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy. My muse, by storms long tost, Is thrown upon your hospitable coast;

And finds more favour by her ill success Than she could hope for by her happiness. Dryd. 2. To place confidence in another.

He shall strengthen your heart, all ye that hope in the Lord. Psalm xxxi. 24.

To Hope. + v. a. To expect with desire. Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the

evidence of things not seen. The sun shines hot; and if we use delay Cold-biting winter mars our hop'd-for hay. Shaks.

So stands the Thracian herdsman with his spear Full in the gap, and hopes the hunted bear.

Dryden.

Ho'PEFUL. adj. [hope and full.]

1. Full of qualities which produce hope; promising; likely to obtain success; likely to come to maturity; likely to gratify desire, or answer expectation. He will advance thee:

I know his noble nature, not to let

Thy hopeful service perish. Shakspeare. You serve a great and gracious master, and there is a most hopeful young prince whom you

must not desert. What to the old can greater pleasure be, Than hopeful and ingenious youth to see?

Denham. They take up a book in their declining years, and grow very hopeful scholars by that time they are threescore.

2. Full of hope; full of expectation of This sense is now almost success. confined to Scotland, though it is analogical, and found in good writers.

Men of their own natural inclination hopeful and strongly conceited, whatsoever they took in Hooker.

I was hopeful the success of your first attempts would encourage you to make trial also of more nice and difficult experiments.

Whatever ills the friendless orphan bears, Bereav'd of parents in his infant years, Still must the wrong'd Telemachus sustain, If hopeful of your aid, he hopes in vain. HO'PEFULLY. adv. [from hopeful.]

1. In such a manner as to raise hope; in

a promising way.
He left all his female kindred either matched with peers of the realm actually, or hopefully with earls' sons and heirs.

They were ready to renew the war, and to prosecute it hopefully, to the reduction or suppression of the Irish. Clarendon.

2. With hope; without despair. sense is rare.

From your promising and generous endeavours we may hopefully expect a considerable enlargement of the history of nature.

HO'PPET.**
HOPPER.

ceed.

Set down beforehand certain signatures of hopefulness, or characters, whereby may be timely described what the child will prove in probability.

Wotton on Education.

Ho'PELESS. adj. [from hope.]

1. Wanting hope; being without pleasing expectation; despairing.

Are they indifferent, being used as signs of immoderate and hopeless lamentation for the dead?

Alas! I am a woman, friendless, hopeless! Shakspeare.

[He] - watches with greedy hope to find His wish, and best advantage, us asunder; Hopeless to circumvent us join'd, where each To other speedy aid might lend at need.

Milton, P. L. The fallen archangel, envious of our state, And hopeless to prevail by open force, Seeks hid advantage. Dryden, State of Innocence.

Hapeless of ransom, and condemn'd to lie

In durance, doom'd a ling'ring death to die.

2. Giving no hope; promising nothing The hopeless word of never to return,

Breathe I against thee upon pain of life. Shaks. Ho'PELESSLY.* adv. [from hopeless.] Without hope.

Is your last hope past to mollify Morecraft's heart about your mortgage? - Hopelessly past. Beaum. and Fl. Scornful Lady.

HO'PER. n. s. [from hope.] One that has 2. Continuing for an hour. pleasing expectations.

I except all hopers, who turn the scale, because the strong expectation of a good certain salary will outweigh the loss by bad rents. Swift.

With Ho'PINGLY. adv. [from hoping.] hope; with expectation of good.

One sign of despair is the peremptory contempt of the condition which is the ground of hope; the going on not only in terrours and amazement of conscience, but also boldly, hopingly, and confidently in wilful habits of sin.

Ho'pper. † n. s. [hoppene, Sax. a dancer.] One who dances, or hops, or jumps on

I conceive, a female hopper, or dancer, was called a hoppester. Tyrwhitt, Notes on Chaucer.

Ho'PPER. n. s. [so called because it is always hopping, or in agitation. It is called in French, for the same reason, tremie or tremu.

1. The box or open frame of wood into which the corn is put to be ground.

The salt of the lake Asphaltites shooteth into perfect cubes. Sometimes they are pyramidal and plain, like the hopper of a mill. Granivorous birds have the mechanism of a mill:

their maw is the hopper which holds and softens the grain, letting it drop by degrees into the stomach. Arbuthnot on Aliments. Just at the hopper will I stand,

In my whole life I never saw grist ground, And mark the clack how justly it will sound. Retterton.

2. A basket for carrying seed. Ainsworth. Sometimes pronounced, and written, hoppet. Grose.

Ho'PPERS. [commonly called Scotch hoppers.] A kind of play in which the actor hops on one leg.

See the second sense of

Promise of good; likelihood to suc-Promise of good; likelihood to suc-a meeting of persons intending to

Their daunces were spiritual, religious, and godly, not after our hoppings, and leapings, and interminglings, men with women.

Northbrooke, Tr. against Dauncing, p. 118. In the north of England, — meetings are still kept up under the name of hoppings. Brand, Pop. Antiq. ii. 428.

To Ho'PPLE.* v. a. To tie the feet or legs together. A northern word. Grose, and Brockett.

Ho'p-scotch.* A game. See Hoppers. HO'RAL. adj. [from hora, Latin.] Relating to the hour.

Howe'er reduced and plain, The watch would still a watch remain;

But if the horal orbit ceases, The whole stands still, or breaks to pieces. Prior. Ho'RALLY.* adv. [from horal.] Hourly.

Cockeram.

Ho'RARY. adj. [horaire, French; horarius, Latin.

1. Relating to an hour.

I'll draw a figure that shall tell you What you perhaps forgot befell you, By way of horary inspection,

Which some account our worst erection. Hudibras. In his answer to an horary question, as what hour of the night to set a fox-trap, he has discussed, under the character of Reynard, the manner of sur-

When, from a basket of summer-fruit, God by Amos foretold the destruction of his people, thereby was declared the propinquity of their desolation, and that their tranquillity was of no longer duration than those horary or soon decaying fruits of summer. Brown, Vulg. Err.

HORDE.† n. s. [A Tartarian term, implying multitude.] A clan; a migratory crew of people.

His [a Tartar duke's] hord consisted of about a thousand households of a kindred.

Purchas. Pilgr. (1617,) p. 478. Such were the hords among the Goths, the clans in Scotland, and septs in Ireland.

Temple, Introd. Hist. of England.
They once relum'd the flame Of lost mankind, in polish'd slavery sunk Drove martial horde on horde with dreadful sweep,

And gave the vanquish'd world another form. Thomson, Winter.

Hore, or Hoore.* n. s. [Sax. hop; old Fr. hore; Cornish, hora.] Our old and proper word for whore. See Whore.

HORIZON. † n. s. [δρίζων, Gr. that which terminates, from 8005, a boundary. Shakspeare has once placed the accent on the first syllable of this word: but it should be always on the second. The line that terminates the view. The horizon is distinguished into sensible and real: the sensible horizon is the circular line which limits the view; the real is that which would bound it, if it could take in the hemisphere. It is falsely pronounced by Shakspeare hórizon.

When the morning sun shall raise his car Above the border of this horizon, We'll forward towards Warwick and his mates.

Shakspeare. She began to cast with herself from what coast

this blazing star should first appear, and at what time it must be upon the horizon of Ireland. Bacon.

In his East the glorious lamp was seen, Regent of day; and all the horizon round Milton, P. I. Invested with bright rays. The morning lark, the messenger of day,

Saluted in her song the morning gray; And soon the sun arose with beams so bright, That all the horizon laugh'd to see the joyous sight.

When the sea is worked up in a tempest, so that the horizon on every side is nothing but foaming billows and floating mountains, it is impossible to describe the agreeable horrour that rises from such a prospect.

Horizo'ntal. † adj. [horizontal, French, from horizon. Pronounced new and unusual, in 1656, by Heylin.]

1. Near the horizon.

As when the sun, new risen, Looks through the horizontal misty air, Shorn of his beams; or from behind the moon, In dim eclipse, disastrous twilight sheds On half the nations. Milton, P. L.

2. Parallel to the horizon; on a level. An obelisk erected, and golden figures placed horizontal about it, was brought out of Egypt by Augustus.

The problem is reduced to this; what perpendicular height is necessary to place several ranks of rowers in a plane inclined to a horizontal line in a given angle? Arbuthnot on Coins.

HORIZO'NTALLY. adv. [from horizontal.] In a direction parallel to the horizon.

As it will not sink into the bottom, so will it neither float above, like lighter bodies; but, being

prising all sharpers.

near in weight, lie superficially, or almost horizon- To Horn.* v. a. To cornute; to bestow tally unto it.

The ambient ether is too liquid and empty to impel them horizontally with that prodigious ce-Bentley, Serm. vii.

HORN.† n. s. [haurn, Gothick; hopn, Saxon; horn, Dutch.]

1. The hard bodies which grow on the heads of some graminivorous quadru- HORNBE'AK.) n. s. A kind of fish. peds, and serve them for weapons. No beast that hath horns hath upper teeth.

Zetus rises through the ground,

Bending the bull's tough neck with pain, That tosses back his horns in vain. All that process is no more surprising than the

eruption of horns in some brutes, or of teeth and beard in men at certain periods of age. Bentley.

2. An instrument of wind-musick first made of horns; afterwards of metal. See FRENCH-HORN.

The squire gan nigher to approach, And wind his horn under the castle-wall, That with the noise it shook as it would fall.

Spenser, F. Q. There's a post come from my master, with his horn full of good news. Shaksp.

The goddess to her crooked horn Shakspeare.

Adds all her breath: the rocks and woods around. And mountains, tremble at th' infernal sound.

Fair Ascanius, and his youthful train, With horns and hounds a hunting match ordain. Dryden.

3. The extremity of the waxing or waning moon, as mentioned by poets. She blest the bed, such fruitfulness convey'd,

That ere ten moons had sharpen'd either horn, To crown their bliss, a lovely boy was born. Dryden.

The moon Wears a wan circle round her blunted horns.

Thomson. 4. The feelers of a snail. Whence the proverb, To pull in the horns, to repress

one's ardour. Love's feeling is more soft and sensible. Than are the tender horns of cockled snails. Shakspeare.

Aufidius, Hearing of our Marcius's banishment, Thrust forth his horns again into the world, Which were inshell'd when Marcius stood for Rome,

And durst not once peep out. Shaksneare. 5. A drinking cup. [horn, Icel. a cup; or probably from being made of horn, or

shaped like a horn. They attended the banquet, and served the he-

roes with horns of mead and ale. Mason's Notes on Gray's Poems.

6. A winding stream. [Lat. cornu.] With sevenfold horns mysterious Nile Surrounds the skirts of Egypt's fruitful soil.

Dryden, Georg. iv. 7. Antler of a cuckold. See Cuckold.

If I have horns to make one mad, Let the proverb go with me, I'll be horn-mad.

Merchants, venturing through the main, Slight pirates, rocks, and horns for gain.

3. Horn mad. Perhaps mad as a cuckold. I am glad he went not in himself: if he had, he would have been horn-mad.

Shakspeare, Mer. W. of Windsor. Horn-mad, some of them, to let others lie with their wives, and wink at it.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. To the Reader.

horns upon.

Under your patience, gentle emperess, Tis thought you have a goodly gift in horning. Titus Andronicus.

I not repent me of my late disguise. -If you can horn him, sir, you need not.

B. Jonson, Fox.

HORNFI'SH. Ainsworth.

Ho'RNBEAM. n. s. [horn and boem, Dutch, for tree, from the hardness of the tim-

It hath leaves like the elm or beechtree. The timber is very tough and inflexible, and of excellent use. Miller. Ho'RNBLOWER.* n. s. [Sax. hopnblapene.]

One who blows a horn. Ho'RNBOOK. n. s. [horn and book.] The first book of children, covered with horn to keep it unsoiled.

He teaches boys the hornbook. Nothing has been considered of this kind out of the ordinary road of the hornbook and primer.

Locke. To master John the English maid A hornbook gives of ginger-bread; And that the child may learn the better, As he can name, he eats the letter. Prior.

Ho'RNED. † adj. [from horn.] 1. Furnished with horns.

As when two rams, stirr'd with ambitious pride, Fight for the rule of the rich fleeced flock, Their horned fronts so fierce on either side Do meet, that, with the terrour of the shock, Astonished both stand senseless as a block.

Spenser, F. Q. Thither all the horned host resorts, To graze the ranker mead. Denham.

2. Shaped like a horn or crescent; resembling horns; crooked. The horned moon three courses did expire.

Spenser, F. Q. iv. vi. 43. The horned moon to shine by night.

Milton, Ps. cxxxvi. These knights of Malta, but a handful to Your armies, that drink rivers up, have stood Your fury at the height, and with their crosses Struck pale your horned moons,

Massinger, Renegado. A steep cloud-kissing rock, whose horned crown With proud imperial looke beholds the main. Mir. for Mag. p. 650.

The horned flood bore to our ile His head more high. Browne, Brit. Past. ii. 5. Push'd by the horned flood. Milton, P. L Thou king of horned floods, whose plenteous urn Suffices fatness to the fruitful corn. Dryden.

Ho'RNEDNESS.* n. s. [from horned.] Appearance resembling a horn.

The hornedness of the new moon is still faintly considered by the vulgar as an omen with regard to the weather. They say, on that occasion, the new moon looks sharp. Brand, Pop. Antiq.

Ho'RNER. † n. s. [from horn.]

1. One that works in horn, and sells horns. The skin of a bull's forehead is the part of the hide made use of by horners, whereupon they shave their horns.

A winder of a horn. Sherwood. Ho'RNET. n. s. [hypnette, Saxon, from its horns.] A very large strong stinging fly, which makes its nest in hollow trees.

Silence, in times of suff'ring, is the best; 'Tis dangerous to disturb a hornet's nest. Dryden. Hornets do mischief to trees by breeding in

I have often admired how hornets, that gather dry materials for building their nests, have found a proper matter to glue their combs.

Derham, Phys .- Theology.

Ho'RNFOOT. n. s. [horn and foot.] Hoofed. Mad frantick man, that did not inly quake! With hornfoot horses, and brass wheels, Jove's storms to emulate. Hakewill on Providence.

Ho'RNING.* n. s. [from horn.] Appearance of the moon increasing.

It [the hegira of Mahomet] fell out upon Friday the 16th of July, and 622 of the incarnation, beginning (as their years are lunar) from the new moon of that time, but which they account not as others from the conjunction itself, but from the horning, which is the cause why they set up in their steeples a crescent.

Gregory, Posthum. (1650,) p. 168.

To Ho'RNIFY.* v. a. [from horn.] To bestow horns upon. Cotgrave, and Sherwood. A ludicrous word.

I proceed now to the second kind of theft, which I kept in store for women; I mean that whereby they hornifie their husbands.

World of Wonders, (1608,) p. 99. This versifying my wife has hornified me.

Beaum. and Fl. Four Plays in One. Ho'RNISH.* adj. [from horn.] Somewhat

resembling horn; hard. Temperance, as if it were of a hornish composure, is too hard for the flesh, by keeping under the body with fastings and watchings, till it bring

it in obedience. Sir M. Sandys, Ess. (1634,) p. 21. Ho'RNLESS.* adj. [horn and less. Sax.

hopnlear.] Having no horns. Creatures, whom our common mother nature

with admirable wisdom hath created toothless and hornless, he converteth into ravenous wolves and untamed bulls. Transl. of Boccalini, (1626,) p.17.

Ho'RNOWL. n. s. A kind of horned owl. Ho'RNPIPE. † n. s. [horn and pipe.]

1. A quick or merry musical movement; a kind of dance: supposed to have been adopted from the dances performed to a Welsh instrument, called the pib-corn, i. e. the horn-pipe. The word has been in use, among us also, for the instrument.

A lusty tabrere, That to thee many a hornpipe play'd, Whereto they dauncen each one with his maid.

There many a hornpipe he tun'd to his Phyllis. Ralegh.

Let all the quicksilver i' the mine Run to the feet veins, and refine Your firkhum jerkhum to a dance Shall fetch the fiddlers out of France, To wonder at the hornpipes here

Of Nottingham and Derbyshire. Florinda danced the Derbyshire hornpipe in the presence of several friends.

2. A wind-instrument; a kind of pipe.

On the right hand of the hornpipe sat a Welsh harp. - Bass viol and kit; trumpet and Welsh harp; hunting horn and hornpipe.

Tatler, No. 157.

Ho'rnshavings.* n. s. pl. [horn and shave.] The scrapings or raspings of the horns of deer; what we call harts-

Hem. What had she then? Need. Only a fit o' the mother :

They burnt old shoes, goose-feathers, assa-fætida, A few horn-shavings, with a bone or two, And she is well again. B. Jonson, Magn. Lady.

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HO'RNSPOON.* n. s. [horn and spoon.] A | Ho'Roscope. n. s. [horoscope, Fr. ωρώσκοωος, spoon made of horn.

I will be your partner, And give it a horn-spoon, and a treen-dish. B. Jonson, Magn. Lady.

Ho'RNSTONE. n. s. A kind of blue stone. Ainsworth.

Ho'RNWORK. † n.s. [Goth. haurn, an angle as well as a horn; Sax. hypn, the same.] A kind of angular fortification.

View with care the real fortifications of some strong place, and you will get a clearer idea of bastions, half-moons, horn-works, &c. than all the masters in the world could give you upon paper. Ld. Chesterfield.

Ho'RNY. † adj. [from horn.] 1. Made of horn.

2. Resembling horn.

He thought he by the brook of Cherith stood, And saw the ravens with their horny beaks Food to Elijah bringing even and morn.

Milton, P. R. The horny or pellucid coat of the eye doth not lie in the same superficies with the white of the eye, but riseth up above its convexity, and is of an hyberbolical figure. Ray.

Rough are her ears, and broad her horny feet. Dryden The pineal gland was encompassed with a kind

of horny substance.

Addison. As the serum of the blood is resolvable by a small heat, a greater heat coagulates it so as to turn it horny, like parchment; but when it is thoroughly putrified, it will no longer concrete. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

3. Hard as horn; callous.

Tyrrheus, the foster-father of the beast, Then clench'd a hatchet in his horny fist. Dryden.

4. Consisting of horns.

He leads the staring infant through the hall; Points out the horny spoils that grac'd the wall; Tells how this stag through three whole counties fled.

What rivers swam, where bay'd, and where he bled. Gay, Birth of the Squire.

Thorographie, Fr.; Horo'graphy. n. s. ώρα and γράφω, Gr.] An account of the hours.

Ho'ROLOGE. † \(n. s. [horologium, Latin; Ho'rology. ωρολογίον, Gr. from ωρα, and λέγω. "The abbey horologe," the clock of the abbey. Chaucer.] Any instrument that tells the hour: as a clock; a watch; an hourglass.

He'll watch the horologe a double set,

If drink rock not his cradle. Shakspeare. Before the days of Jerome there were horologies, that measured the hours not only by drops of water in glasses, called clepsydra, but also by sand in glasses, called clepsainmia.

Horologio/GRAPHY.* n. s. [horologiographie, Fr.; ωρολογίον, and γράφω, Gr.] An account of instruments that tell the hours; also, the art of constructing

Horologiogra'phick.* adj. [from horologiography.] Pertaining to the art of

The gnomonick projection is also called the horologiographick projection, because it is the foundation

Horo'metry. n. s. [horometrie, Fr.; ωςα and μετρέω, Gr.] The art of measuring hours.

It is no easy wonder how the horometry of antiquity discovered not this artifice.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

Gr. The configuration of the planets at the hour of birth.

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How unlikely is it, that the many almost num-berless conjunctions of stars, which occur in the progress of a man's life, should not match and countervail that one horoscope or conjunction which is found at his birth?

A proportion of the horoscope unto the seventh house, or opposite signs every seventh year, op-Brown. presseth living creatures.

Him born beneath a boding horoscope, His sire, the blear-ey'd Vulcan of a shop, From Mars his forge sent to Minerva's school. Dryden.

The Greek names this the horoscope, This governs life, and this marks out our parts, Our humours, manners, qualities, and arts.

They understood the planets and the zodiack by instinct, and fell to drawing schemes of their own horoscopes in the same dust they sprung out of.

Ho'RRENT. † adj. [horrens, Lat. " Horrentia pilis agmina."] Pointed outwards; bristled with points: a word perhaps introduced by Milton.

Him a globe Of fiery seraphim encircled round With bright imblazonry and horrent arms.

Milton, P. L. The cruel winds have hurl'd upon the coast Some helpless bark; while sacred pity melts The general eye, or terror's icy hand Smites their distorted limbs and horrent hair.

Akenside, Pleas. of Imag. B. 2.

HO'RRIBLE. adj. [horrible, Fr.; horribi-lis, Lat.] Dreadful; terrible; shocking; hideous; enormous.

No colour affecteth the eye much with displea-sure: there be sights that are horrible, because they excite the memory of things that are odious or A dungeon horrible on all sides round,

As one great furnace flam'd. Milton, P. L. O sight

Of terrour, foul and ugly to behold,

Horrid to think, how horrible to feel! Milt. P. L. Eternal happiness and eternal misery, meeting with a persuasion that the soul is immortal, are, of all others, the first the most desirable, and the latter the most horrible to human apprehension.

Ho'rribleness. † n. s. [from horrible.]
Dreadfulness; hideousness; terribleness; fearfulness.

The horribleness of sin, the terrour of God's in-

dignation.

Abp. Cranmer, Def. of the Sacram. (1550,) fol. 7. The horribleness of a crime committed. Bp. Hall, Cases of Cons. D. 4. C. 10.

Ho'RRIBLY. adv. [from horrible.]
1. Dreadfully; hideously.

What hideous noise was that ! Horribly loud. Milton, S. A.

2. To a dreadful degree.

The contagion of these ill precedents, both in civility and virtue, horribly infects children. Locke.

HO'RRID. + adj. [horridus, Lat.] 1. Hideous; dreadful; shocking.

Give colour to my pale cheek with thy blood, That we the horrider may seem to those Which chance to find us. Shakspeare, Cymb.

Not in the legions Of horrid hell can come a devil more damn'd, Shaksneare.

In evils to top Macbeth. Horrour on them fell, And horrid sympathy. Milton, P. L.

2. Shocking; offensive; unpleasing: in women's cant.

Already I your tears survey, Already hear the horrid things they say.

3. Rough; rugged. Horrid with fern, and intricate with thorn, Few paths of human feet or tracks of beasts were

Druden. This makes the style look rough and horrid, and breaks the noble periods into little fragments.

Pove.

Blackwall, Sacr. Class. ii. 132.

4. Gloomy. In horrid shade or dismal den. Milton, P. L. A pathless desart, dusk with horrid shades. Milton, P. R.

In shelter thick of horrid shade. Pope, Odyss.

Ho'RRIDLY.* adv. [from horrid.] Terrifically; shockingly. Making night hideous; and we fools of nature, So horridly to shake our disposition,

With thoughts beyond the reaches of our souls, Shakspeare, Hamlet.

These inferences, how horridly soever they sound, yet I see not how they can be disclaimed.

Lively Oracles, &c. p. 57. Ho'RRIDNESS. † n. s. [from horrid.] Hide-

ousness; enormity. A bloody designer suborns his instrument to

take away such a man's life, and the confessor represents the horridness of the fact, and brings him to repentance. The looks of beauty she knew how to wear,

And make her horridness appear so sweet, That she the wisest and most piercing eyes Had often blinded by her fallacies. Beaumont's Psyche, (1651,) p. 281.

There needs no comment to set forth the horridness of these assertions.

Bp. Bull, Corrupt. of the Ch. of Rome.

HORRI'FICK. adj. [horrificus, Latin.] Causing horrour. His jaws horrifick, arm'd with three-fold fate,

Here dwells the direful shark.

Horri'sonous. adj. [horrisonus, Lat.] Sounding dreadfully. Ho'RROUR. † n. s. [horror, Lat.; horreur, Fr. from the Gr. δδρωδέω, to fear, to have fear. The French etymologists refer this word, like coward, to the tail, i.e.

the Greek 5000s, and for a similar reason. See Coward. "Horreur, derivé du Grec δρρωδειν, dont la racine est δρρος, le croupion, parce que certains animaux, quand ils ont peur, serrent leur queue entre les jambes." Morin, Fr. Gr. Dict.

1. Terrour mixed with detestation; a passion compounded of fear and hate, both strong.

The horror of death and everlasting dampnation. Abp. Cranmer, Def. of the Sacr. (1550,) p.7.

Over them sad horrour, with grim hue, Did always soar, beating his iron wings; And after him owls and night ravens flew, The hateful messengers of heavy things.

Spenser, F. Q. Doubtless all souls have a surviving thought, Therefore of death we think with quiet mind; But if we think of being turn'd to nought, A trembling horrowr in our souls we find. Davies.

Me damp horrour chill'd At such bold words, vouch'd with a deed so bold. Milton, P. L.

Deep horrour seizes ev'ry human breast; Their pride is humbled, and their fear confest. Dryden.

2. Dreadful thoughts.

I have supt full with horrours ; Direness, familiar to my slaught'rous thoughts, Shakspeare, Macbeth. Cannot once start me.

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3. Gloom; dreariness. Their way

Lies through the perplex'd paths of this drear wood.

The nodding horrour of whose shady brows Threats the forlorn and wandering passenger. Milton, Comus.

Her gloomy presence saddens all the scene, Shades every flower, and darkens every green; Deepens the murmur of the falling floods, And breathes a browner horrour on the woods.

4. [In medicine.] Such a shuddering or quivering as precedes an ague-fit; a sense of shuddering or shrinking.

Quincy. All objects of the senses, which are very offensive, do cause the spirits to retire; and, upon their flight, the parts are in some degree destitute, and so there is induced in them a trepidation and Bacon, Nat. Hist.

HORSE. † n. s. [Sax. hopr; Sueth. hors, horsa, ors; Icel. hross or ross, from ras, a course; reiten, Germ.; rida, Sueth. to ride. Wachter, and Serenius.]

1. A neighing quadruped, used in war, and draught, and carriage.

Duncan's horses, the minions of the race, Turn'd wild in nature, broke their stalls.

Shakspeare, Macbeth. A horse ! a horse ! my kingdom for a horse ! Shakspeare, Rich. III.

We call a little horse, such a one as comes not up to the size of that idea which we have in our minds to belong ordinarily to horses.

2. A constellation.

Thy face, bright Centaur, autumn's heats retain, The softer season suiting to the man; Whilst winter's shivering Goat afflicts the horse

With frost, and makes him an uneasy course. 3. To take Horse; to set out to ride. I took horse to the lake of Constance, which is

formed by the entry of the Rhine Addison on Italy.

4. It is used in the plural sense, but with a singular termination; for horses, horsemen, or cavalry.
I did hear

The galloping of horse: who was't came by?

Shakspeare, Macbeth. The armies were appointed, consisting of twenty-five thousand horse and foot, for the repulsing of the enemy at their landing,

Bacon, War with Spain. If they had known that all the king's horse were quartered behind them, their foot might very well have marched away with their horse. Clarendon.

The Arcadian horse With ill success engage the Latin force.

Dryden, Æn.

5. Something on which any thing is supported: as, a horse to dry linen on.

6. A wooden machine which soldiers ride by way of punishment. It is sometimes called a timber-mare.

7. As fine as a Horse. A phrase applied to a person tawdrily or gaudily dressed. It being the custom in this month (May) for

the passengers to give the waggoner at every inn a ribbon to adorn his team, she soon discovered the origin of the proverb, as fine as a horse; for, be-fore they got to the end of their journey, the poor beasts were almost blinded by the tawdry, partycoloured flowing honours of their heads. Gent. Mag. (1754,) vol. xxiv. p. 354.

nifies something large or coarse; as, a

8. Joined to another substantive, it sig-

are large and indelicate. Dr. Johnson. - The prepositive horse is applied variously to denote several things large and coarse by contra-distinction. Thus, in the vegetable system, we have the horse-radish, horse-walnut, and horse-

chesnut. In the animal world there is the horse-emmet, (or formica leo,) the horse-muscle, and the horse-crab; not forgetting that a fat, clumsy, vulgar woman is jocularly termed a horse-godmother. Pegge, Anecd. of the Eng. Language, p. 24.

To Horse.† v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To mount upon a horse; to furnish with a horse.

He came out with all his clowns, horsed upon such cart-jades, and so furnished, as I thought with myself, if that were thrift, I wisht none of my friends ever to thrive.

After a great fight there came to the camp of Gonsalvo, the great captain, a gentleman proudly horsed and armed: Diego de Mendoza asked the great captain, Who's this? Who answered, It is St. Elmo, who never appears but after the storm. Bacon, Apophthegms.

2. To carry on the back.

That treat of the discomfiting of keepers, horsing the deer on his own back, and making off with equal resolution and success. Butler's Characters.

3. To ride any thing.

Stalls, bulks, windows Are smother'd, leads are fill'd, and ridges hors'd With variable complexions; all agreeing In earnestness to see him.

4. To cover a mare.

If you let him out to horse more mares than your own, you must feed him well.

To Horse.* v. n. To get on horseback. Lapping himself up handsomely in his long cloak, he went to horse; and rode as women use: then mounted the barber likewise on his mule. Shelton, Tr. of D. Quixote, iii. 13.

Ho'rseback. n. s. [horse and back.] Riding posture; the state of being on a horse.

I've seen the French, And they can well on horseback. Shakspeare. I saw them salute on horseback,

Beheld them when they lighted. Shakspeare Alexander fought but one remarkable battle wherein there were any elephants, and that was with Porus king of India; in which notwithstanding he was on horseback.

When mannish Mevia, that two-handed whore, Astride on horseback hunts the Tuscan boar.

Dryden, Juv. If your ramble was on horseback, I am glad of it, on account of your health. Swift to Gay.

Ho'rsebean. n. s. [horse and bean.] A small bean usually given to horses.

Only the small horsebean is propagated by the plough.

Ho'rseblock. n. s. [horse and block.] A block on which they climb to a horse. Ho'rseboat. n. s. [horse and boat.] boat used in ferrying horses.

Ho'rseboy. n. s. [horse and boy.] A boy employed in dressing horses; a stable-

Some horseboys, being awake, discovered them by the fire in their matches. Knolles, Hist.

Ho'rsebrambles.* n. s. pl. [horse and bramble.] Briars; wild rose. Norfolk. Grose.

horse-face, a face of which the features Ho'rsebreaker. n. s. [horse and break.] One whose employment it is to tame horses to the saddle.

Under Sagittarius are born chariot-racers, horsebreakers, and tamers of wild beasts. Creech. Horseche'snut. n. s. [horse and chesnut.

Esculus.] A tree.

It hath digitated or fingered leaves: the flowers, which consist of five leaves, are of an anomalous figure, opening with two lips: there are male and female upon the same spike: the female flowers are succeeded by nuts, which grow in green prickly husks. Their whole year's shoot is commonly performed in three weeks' time, after which it does no more than increase in bulk, and become more firm; and all the latter part of the summer is occupied in forming and strengthening the buds for the next year's shoots.

The horsechesnut grows into a goodly standard.

Ho'resecourser. in s. [horse and courser. Junius derives it from horse and cose, an old Scotch word, which signifies to change; and it should therefore, he thinks, be writ horsecoser. The word now used in Scotland is horsecouper, to denote a jockey, seller, or rather changer of horses. It may well be derived from course, as he that sells horses may be supposed to course or exercise them. Dr. Johnson. - Under the word scourse, however, he notices the Italian scorsa, exchange; whence, he adds, a horse-scourser.]

1. One that runs horses, or keeps horses for the race.

2. A dealer in horses.

A servant to a horsecourser was thrown off his

A Florentine bought a horse for so many crowns, upon condition to pay half down: the horsecourser comes to him next morning for the remainder. L'Estrange. Ho'RSECRAB. n.s. A kind of fish.

Ainsworth.

Horsecu'cumber. n. s. [horse and cucumber.] A plant. The horsecucumber is the large green cucumber.

and the best for the table, green out of the garden.

Ho'rsedrench.* n. s. [horse and drench.] Physick for a horse.

The most sovereign prescription in Galen - of no better report than a horsedrench?

Shakspeare, Coriol. Ho'rsedung. n.s. [horse and dung.] The excrements of horses.

Put it into an ox's horn, and, covered close, let it rot in hot horsedung. Peacham on Drawing.

Horsee'mmer. n. s. [horse and emmet.] Ant of a large kind.

Ho'rseface. n. s. [horse and face.] A face of which the features are large and indelicate.

Ho'rseflesh. n.s. [horse and flesh.] The flesh of horses.

The Chinese eat horseflesh at this day, and some gluttons have colt's flesh baked.

Bacon.

An old hungry lion would fain have been dealing with a good piece of horseflesh; but the nag he thought would be too fleet for him. L'Estr.

that stings horses, and sucks their blood. Ho'rsefoot. n.s. An herb. The same with coltsfoot. Ainsworth.

Ho'rseguards.* n. s. pl. [horse and guard.] Regiments of horse of the King's Guard; as the Life-Guards were formerly called, and as now the Oxford Blues are.

Twelve gentlemen of the horseguards were impannelled, having unanimously chosen Mr. A. Truncheon, who is their right-hand man in the troop, for their foreman in the jury. Addison, Tatler, No. 253.

Ho'rsehair. n.s. [horse and hair.] The hair of horses.

His glitt'ring helm, which terribly was grac'd With waving horsehair. Dryden.

Ainsworth. Ho'rseheel. n. s. An herb. Ho'RSEKEEPER.* n. s. [horse and keep.] One employed to take care of horses; 3. A rider; a man on horseback. a groom; formerly horseknave.

The spirits of the meaner sort had commonly such offices, as we make horsekeepers, neatherds, &c. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 42.

Your horsekeeper tells ye the surfeits of your Dr. White, Serm. (1615,) p. 50.

Ho'rseknave.* n. s. [horse and knave, a Ho'rsemanship. n. s. [from horseman.] servant. See KNAVE.] A groom. Ob-

And am but as her horseknave. Gower, Conf. Am. B. 4.

Ho'RSEKNOPS.* n. s. pl. [horse and knop.] Heads of knapweed. North. Grose.

Ho'rselaugh. n. s. [horse and laugh. Some etymologists contend, that it is a corruption of hoarse laugh; but in such case it must be confined to those who either naturally have a very rough voice, or have got a violent cold; neither of which circumstances are absolutely necessary; for what we call a horse-laugh depends rather upon loudness, rude vehemence, or vulgarity of manner. It seems to be, in fact, no more than an expression of augmentation, as the prepositive horse is applied variously to denote several things large and coarse by contradistinction. Pegge. See the eighth sense of Horse. loud violent rude laugh.

A horselaugh, if you please, at honesty; A joke on Jekyl.

Ho'rseleech. n. s. [horse and leech.]

1. A great leech that bites horses. The horseleech hath two daughters, crying Give, Prov. xxx. 15.

Let us to France; like horseleeches, my boys, The very blood to suck. Shakspeare.

2. [From leech; signifying a physician. See Leech.] A farrier. Ainsworth.

Ho'RSELITTER. n. s. [horse and litter.] A carriage hung upon poles between two horses, in which the person carried lyes along.

He that before thought he might command the waves of the sea, was now cast on the ground, and carried in an horselitter. 2 Mac. ix. 8.

Ho'RSELOAD.* n. s. [horse and load.] As much as a horse can carry.

They have, like good sumpters, laid ye down their horseload of citations and fathers at your door.

Milton, Reas of Ch. Gov. B 2. door.

Ho'resefly. n. s. [horse and fly.] A fly that stings horses, and sucks their blood. to a horse, Mr. Tyrwhitt observes, as match of horses in running. manly is to a man. Not now in use. This horse -

HOR

So high was, and so broad, and long : Therewith so horsely, and so quick of eye. Chaucer, Squ. Tale.

Ho'rseman. n. s. [horse and man.] 1. One skilled in riding.

A skilful horseman, and a huntsman bred.

2. One that serves in wars on horseback. Encounters between horsemen on the one side, and foot on the other, are seldom with extremity of danger; because as horsemen can hardly break a battle on foot, so men on foot cannot possibly chase horsemen. Hayward.

In the early times of the Roman commonwealth, a horseman received yearly tria millia æris, and a foot-soldier one mille; that is, more than sixpence a day to a horseman, and twopence a Arbuthnot on Coins. day to a foot-soldier.

With descending show'rs of brimstone fir'd, The wild Barbarian in the storm expir'd; Wrapt in devouring flames the horseman rag'd, And spurr'd the steel in equal flames engag'd. Addison.

A horseman's coat shall hide Thy taper shape, and comeliness of side. The art of riding; the art of managing

He vaulted with such ease into his seat, As if an angel dropt down from the clouds, To turn and wind a fiery Pegasus,

And witch the world with noble horsemanship. Shakspeare.

They please themselves in terms of hunting or horsemanship. Wotton. His majesty, to shew his horsemanship, slaughtered two or three of his subjects. Addison. Peers grew proud, in horsemanship t' excel;

Newmarket's glory rose, as Britain's fell. Pope. HO'RSEMARTEN. n. s. A kind of large Ainsworth.

Ho'RSEMATCH. n. s. A bird. Ainsworth. HO'RSEMEAT. n. s. [horse and meat.] Pro-

Though green peas and beans be eaten sooner, yet the dry ones that are used for horsemeat are

Ho'rsemill.* n. s. [horse and mill.] A mill turned by a horse. See MILL-HORSE. Barret.

Horsemi'lliner.* n. s. [horse and milliner. "In use now, of which there are several in London. The word is used by Rowley - Chatterton." Pegge. Anecd. of the Eng. Lang. p. 330.] One who supplies ribands, or other decorations, for horses.

The trammels of the palfrey pleas'd his sight, For the horse-millanare his head with roses dight. Rowley, Excellent Balade of Charity, v. 55.

Ho'rsemint. n. s. A large coarse mint. Ho'rsemuscle. n. s. A large muscle.

The great horsemuscle, with the fine shell, that breedeth in ponds, do not only gape and shut as the oysters do, but remove from one place to

Ho'rseplay. n. s. [horse and play.] Coarse, rough, rugged play.

He is too much given to horseplay in his raillery, and comes to battle like a dictator from the Ho'rsepond. n. s. [horse and pond.] A

pond for horses.

In horseraces men are curious that there be not the least weight upon the one horse more than upon the other. Racon. Trajan, in the fifth year of his tribuneship, entertained the people with a horserace. Addison.

HORSERA'DISH. n. s. [horse and radish.] A root acrid and biting: a species of scurvygrass.

Horseradish is increased by sprouts spreading from the old roots left in the ground, that are cut or broken off. Stomachicks are the cresse acrids, as horseradish

and scurvygrass, infused in wine. Floyer on the Humours.

Ho'rseshoe. n.s. [horse and shoe.] 1. A plate of iron nailed to the feet of

horses. I was thrown into the Thames, and cool'd glowing hot in that surge, like a horseshoe. Shakspeare. 2. An herb. Ainsworth.

Ho'rseshoehead.* n. s. A disease in infants, in which the sutures of the skull are too open: the opposite to head-

Ho'rsestealer. n. s. [horse and steal.] A thief who takes away horses.

He is not a pickpurse, nor a horsestealer; but for his verity in love, I do think him as concave as a covered goblet, or a worm-eaten nut.

Shakspeare, As you like it.

Ho'rsestinger.* n. s. [horse and sting.] The dragon-fly is thus called in several parts of England.

Ho'rsetail. n.s. A plant.

Ho'rsetongue. n. s. An herb. Ainsw. Ho'reseway. n. s. [horse and way.] A broad way by which horses may travel.

Know'st thou the way to Dover? -Both stile and gate, horseway and footpath.

Shakspeare, K. Lear.

Ho'RSEWHIP.* n. s. [horse and whip.] A whip to strike a horse with.

The jackass, with his hideous braying, put to flight the huntsman's courser; who, however, was wheeling round to reward Tugwell for his intelligence with the discipline of a horsewhip. Graves, Spiritual Quix. i. 5.

To Ho'RSEWHIP.* v. a. [from the noun.] To strike or lash with a horsewhip.

HORTA'TION. n. s. [hortatio, Lat.] The act of exhorting; a hortatory precept; advice or encouragement to something. HO'RTATIVE. † n. s. [hortatif, old Fr. from hortor, Lat. | Exhortation; precept by

which one incites or animates. Generals commonly, in their hortatives, put men in mind of their wives and children. Bacon.

An hortative, or spur, to correct sloth. Bacon on Helps to the Intell. Powers.

Ho'RTATIVE.* adj. [hortatif, French.] Encouraging; hortatory. Bullokar.

Ho'RTATORY + adj. [from hortor, Lat.] Encouraging; animating; advising to any thing: used of precepts, not of persons; a hortatory speech; not a hortatory speaker.

This word was but plausible and hortatory. Bp. Hall, Contempl. B. 4. This psalm is hortatory, stirring up to the raises of God. Udall, Serm. (1642,) p. 1.

He much commended Law's Serious Call, praises of God. which he said was the finest piece of hortatory

theology in any language. Boswell, Life of Johnson. HORTE'NSIAL.* adj. [hortensis, Lat.] Fit for a garden.

Such as are sative and hortensial.

Evelyn, Introd. § 3.

HORTICU'LTURAL.* adj. [from horticulture.] Relating to the cultivation of gardens.

HO'RTICULTURE.† n.s. [hortus and cultura, Lat.] The art of cultivating gardens.

Favourers of the more refined parts of horticulture. Evelyn.

HORTICU'LTURIST.* n. s. [from horticulture.] One who is fond of, or skilful in, the art of cultivating gardens.

Ho'RTULAN. adj. [hortulanus, Lat.] Be-

longing to a garden.

This seventh edition of my hortulan kalendar is yours.

Evelyn, Kalendar.

HORTUS SICCUS.* n. s. [Latin.]
Literally, a dry garden; a collection of
specimens of plants dried and preserved.

Tran from auction to auction, became a critick in shells and fossils, bought a hortus siccus of inestimable value, and purchased a secret art of preserving insects.

Johnson, Idler, No. 64.

Ho'rtyard.* n. s. [optzeaps, Sax.] A garden of fruit-trees; an orchard.

The hortyard entering, [he] admires the fair And pleasant fruits.

Sandys, Ovid's Met. (edit. 1638,) p. 290.

Hosa'nna.† n. s. [brawra, Greek. "The word hosanna is a contraction of Hebrew words, meaning Save, I besech thee; a form of acclamation which the Jews were wont to use in their feast of tabernacles, in which also they used to carry boughs in their hands, and to sing paalms, as it is in the second book of Maccabees, ch. x. ver. 7. Both these customs of boughs and hymns were usual among the Grecians, in any time of sacred festivity. Hammond on St. Matt. xxi. 9.] A form of acclamation, of blessing, of wishing well; an exclamation

Through the vast of heaven

of praise to God.

It sounded, and the faithful armies rung

Hosanna to the Highest. Milton, P. L.

The publick entrance which Christ made and

Jerusalem was celebrated with the hosanna and

acclamations of the people. Fiddes, Serm.

HOSE†. n. s. plur. hosen. [hor, hora, Saxon; hosan, Welsh; ossan, Erse, ossanen, plur. chausse, Fr. Dr. Johnson—From huten, to cover. Wachter. The old Fr. heuse, or house, should take the place of chausse. Serenius notices the ancient Su. hussor, femoralial axiora, which we may render trowsers; especially as Barret speaks of "shipmen's hose, or galligaskins." Our early usage of the word is in the sense of sandals. "Gird thee, and do on thine hosis." Wicliffe, Acts, xii. 8. Where it also appears that hosen was not always the plural.]

1. Breeches.

Guards on wanton Cupid's hose. Shakspeare. Here's an English taylor come hither for stealing out of a French hose. Shakspeare. These men were bound in their coats, hosen,

These men were bound in their coats, hosen, hats, and other garments, and cast into the midst of the burning fiery furnace.

Dan. iii. 21.

He cross-examin'd both our hose,
And plunder'd all we had to lose.

Hudibras.

Stockings; covering for the legs.

He, being in love, could not see to garter his hose; and you, being in love, cannot see to put on your hose.

Shakspeare.
Will she thy linen wash, or hosen darn,

And knit thee gloves? Gay, Pastorals. Ho'sier. n. s. [from hose.] One who sells stockings.

As arrant a cockney as any hosier in Cheapside. Swift.

HO'SPITABLE.† adj. [hospitable, Fr. Cotgrave; hospitalis, Latin.] Giving entertainment to strangers; kind to strangers.

I'm your host: With robbers' hands my hospitable favour

You should not ruffle thus. Shakspeare.

Receive the ship-wreck'd on your friendly shore;
With haspitable rites relieve the poor. Dryden.

Ho'spitableness,* n. s. [from hospitable.]
Disposition to entertain strangers; kindness to strangers.

I have two ways to entertain my Saviour; in his members, and in himself. In his members, by charity and hospitableness; "what I do to one of these little ones, I do to him:" In himself, by faith; "if any man open, he will come in and sup with him."

Bp. Hall, Contempl. b. iv.

His [Abraham's] benignity to strangers, and

His [Abraham's] benignity to strangers, and hospitableness, is remarkable among all his deeds of goodness.

Barrow, Works, i. 428.

Ho'spitably. adv. [from hospitable.] With kindness to strangers.

Ye thus hospitably live,

And strangers with good cheer receive. Prior.

The former liveth as piously and hospitably as the other.

Swift.

Ho'spitalty; the duty of a guest to his host. A word perhaps coined by Spenser.

That his ungentle host n'ote him appeach
Of vile ungentleness or hospitage's breach.

Spenser, F. Q. iii. x. 6.

HO'SPITAL. n. s. [hospital, Fr. hospitalis, Latin.]

1. A place built for the reception of the sick, or support of the poor.

They who were so careful to bestow them in a college when they were young, would be so good as to provide for them in some hospital Woton.

Woton.

I am about to build an hospital, which I will endow handsomely for twelve old husbandmen.

Addison.

2. A place for shelter or entertainment.
Obsolete.

They spy'd a goodly castle, plac'd Foreby a river, in a pleasaunt dale; Which choosing for that ev'ning's hospital, They thither march'd. Spenser, F. Q.

HO'SPITAL.* adj. [hospitalis, Latin: "If hospital were an adjective," says Mr. Pegge in his Anecdotes of the English Language, "the substantive hospitality would follow: but the adjective is hospitable." Certainly, however, hospital is our old adjective; and literally the Latin hospitalis.] Kind to strangers; hospitable. Obsolete.

I am to be a guest to this hospital maid a good while.

Howell, Lett. (dat. 1621,) i. i. 34.

Έπίσροφος, sociable, hospital; a good house-

Bogan, Homerus, 'Εβραίζων, (1658,) p. 234.

Hospita'lity. n. s. [hospitalité, Fr.] The practice of entertaining strangers.

The Lacedemonians forbidding all access of strangers into their coasts, are, in that respect, deservedly blamed, as being enemies to that hospitality which, for common humanity sake, all the nations on earth should embrace.

Hooker.

My master is of a churlish disposition, And little recks to find the way to heaven, By doing deeds of hospitality.

Shakspeare, As you like it. How has this spirit of faction broke all the laws of charity, neighbourhood, alliance, and hospitality? Swift.

Ho'spitalLer. † n. s. [hospitalier, French; hospitalarius, low Latin, from hospital.]

1. One of a religious community, of which there were several in this country, (as the hospitallers of St. John at Coventry, of St. Leonard at York, &c.) whose office it was to relieve the poor, the stranger, and the sick.

Folk that ben entred into ordre, as sub-deken, deken, or preest; or hospitalers.

Chaucer, Pers. Tale.

2. A knight of a religious order; usually spoken of the knights of Malta.

Gilbert, master of the hospitallers, chiefly stirred up the king to this war. Fuller, Ch. Hist. p. 93.

To Ho'spitate. v. n. [hospitor, Latin.]
To reside under the roof of another.

That always chooses an empty shell, and this hospitates with the living animal in the same shell.

Grew, Museum.

To Ho'spitate.* v. a. [low Lat. hospitare.]
To lodge a person. Cockerum.
HOST.† n. s. [hoste, Fr. hospes, hospitis,
Latin.]

One who gives entertainment to another.
 Homer never entertained either guests or hosts with long speeches, till the mouth of hunger be stopped.
 Sidney.
 Here, father, take the shadow of this tree

For your good host. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

2. The landlord of an inn.

Time's like a fashionable host, That slightly shakes his parting guest by the hand; But with his arms outstretch'd, as he would fly, Grasps in the comer. Shakspeare, Tr. and Cress.

3. [From hostis, Latin. Dr. Johnson. — Old French, host, or ost, an army.] An army; numbers assembled for war.

Let every soldier hew him-down a bough,
And bear't before him; thereby shall we shadow
The numbers of our host. Shakspeare, Macbeth.
The waters returned, and covered the chariots,
and the horsemen, and all the host of Pharaoh.

Exod. xiv. 28.

Then through the fiery pillar, and the cloud,
God looking forth will trouble all his host,
And craze their chariot-wheels. Millon, P. L.

After these came arm'd, with spear and shield, An host so great as cover'd all the field. Dryden,

4. Any great number.

Give to a gracious message

An host of tongues; but let ill tidings tell

Themselves when they be felt.

Shakspeare.

 [hostia, Latin, hostie, French.] The sacrifice of the mass in the Romish church: the consecrated wafer.

The Romanists will have Christ's whole body to be in ten thousand places together, and at once; namely, wheresoever their host is celebrated, and in every particle of that host. South, Serm. vii. 20.

6. A cough. See HAUST.

To Host. v. n. [from the noun.]

1. To take up entertainment; to live, as at | HO'STILE, adj. [hostilis, Lat.] Adverse;

Go, bear it to the Centaur, where we host; And stay there, Dromio, till I come to thee. Shaksneare.

2. To encounter in battle.

Strange to us it seem'd At first, that angel should with angel war, And in fierce hosting meet. Milton, P. L. New authors of dissension spring from him, Two branches, that in hosting long contend Philips. For sovereign sway. 3. To review a body of men; to muster.

Obsolete. See Hosting.

To Hosr.* v. a. To give entertainment to another.

Malbecco will no strange knights host
For peevish jealousy. Spenser, F. Q. iii, ix. Arg. Such was that hag, unmeet to host such guests. Spenser, F. Q. iv. viii. 27.

Ho'stage. n. s. [ostage, Fr.] One given in pledge for security of performance of conditions.

Your hostages I have, so have you mine; And we shall talk before we fight. Do this message honourably; And if he stand on hostage for his safety,

Bid him demand what pledge will please him best. Shakspeare.

He that hath wife and children, hath given hostages to fortune; for they are impediments to great enterprizes, either of virtue or mischief. Bacon. They who marry give hostages to the publick that they will not attempt the ruin or disturb the peace

Alterbury. The Romans having seized a great number of

hostages, acquainted them with their resolution. Arbuthnot on Coins.

Hoste.* n. s. Hoarseness. Craven Dial. See Houst, and Hoose.

Ho'stelry. \(\) n. s. [hostel, hostelerie, Fr.]
Ho'stelry. \(\) An inn; a lodging house. In Southwerk at the Tabard as I lay, -At night was come into that hostelry Well nine-and-twenty in a compagnie.

Chaucer, C. T. Prol. It is a bashful child, homely brought up, In a rude hostelrie. B. Jonson, New Inn. Hospitium, one of the old hostels [or halls] at

Oxford, which were foundation of the colleges.

Warton, Hist. E. P. i. 425.

Ho'steler.* See Hostler.

Ho'stess. n. s. [hostesse, Fr. from host.] 1. A female host; a woman that gives entertainment.

Fair and noble hostess, We are your guest to-night. Shakspeare, Macbeth. Ye were beaten out of door, And rail'd upon the hostess of the house.

Be as kind an hostess as you have been to me, and you can never fail of another husband. Dryden 2. A woman that keeps a house of publick

entertainment. Undistinguished civility is like a whore or a

Temple. Ho'stess-ship. n. s. [from hostess.] The

character of an hostess. It is my father's will I should take on me

The hostess-ship o' the day: you're welcome, sirs. Shakspeare.

Ho'stie.* n. s. [French; hostia, Latin.] The consecrated wafer. See Host. Another priest, that lived in the court, gave him the pix with an hostie in it.

Burnet, Hist. of his own Time, (an. 1685.) The priest immediately withdrew the hostie, which is still preserved. Drummond, Trav. p. 12.

opposite; suitable to an enemy. He has now at last

Given hostile strokes, and that not in the presence Of dreadful justice, but on the ministers That do distribute it. Shaksneare.

Fierce Juno's hate, Added to hostile force, shall urge thy fate. Dryden.

Ho'stilely.* adv. [from hostile.] In an adverse manner.

Ho'stility. n. s. [hostilité, French, from hostile. The practices of an open enemy; open war; opposition in war.

Neither by treason nor hostility To seek to put me down, and reign thyself. Shaks. Hostility being thus suspended with France, preparation was made for war against Scotland. Hayward.

What peace can we return,

But, to our power, hostility and hate, Untam'd reluctance and revenge? Milton, P. L. We have shewed ourselves fair, may, generous adversaries; and have carried on even our hostilities with humanity.

To Ho'stilize.* v. a. [from hostile.] To make an enemy; to render adverse.

When England, Spain, Holland, and Russia, united with the powers already hostilized against an impious nation that had reduced robber, murder, and profaneness to a cool and practical system, I thought there was the fairest prospect of their suc-Seward, Lett. (dat. 1794,) iii. 376.

Ho'sting.* n. s. [from host.] An assemblage of armed men; a muster. Obsolete

When the lord deputy hath raised any general hostings, the noblemen have claimed the leading of Spenser on Ireland.

Lords have had the leading of their own followers under them to the general hostings.

Ho'stless.* adj. [host and less.] hospitable.

Who with Sir Satyrane, as earst ye red, Forth ryding from Malbeccoes hostless hous, Fay off aspyde a young man, the which fled From an huge geaunt. Spenser, F. Q. iii. xi. 3.

Ho'stler. n. s. [hosteller, from hostel.] Originally, the keeper of an inn; hostelier, French. Chaucer so uses it.] One who has the care of horses at an

The cause why they are now to be permitted is want of convenient inns for lodging travellers on horseback, and hostlers to tend their horses by the Spenser on Ireland.

Ho'stlery.* n. s. Another word for hostelry; it is the Cornish term for an inn or an alehouse.

Ho'stry. † n. s. [from the Fr. hoste; a very old word in our language. "Inne or ostri." Pr. Parv. Yet Dr. Johnson pronounces it a corruption of hostelry, in the sense only of a place for horses, and with a solitary example from Dryden.]

1. A lodging-house.

In exchange-time one may hear seven or eight sorts of tongues spoken upon their burses, [in the Netherlands;] nor are the men only expert herein, but the women and maids also in their common Howell, Lett. (dat. 1622,) i. ii. 15. Lostries.

These tabernacles of our bodies, which are the hosteries of our souls, and temples of the Holy Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 71.

are kept.

Swift rivers are with sudden ice constrain'd. And studded wheels are on its back sustain'd; An hostry now for waggons, which before Tall ships of burden on its bosom bore.

Dryden, Georg.

HOT. + adj. [Sax. hat, hæt, i. e. heated : the past participle of the verb hæran, calefacere. Mr. H. Tooke. See also the participial adjective HEAT.

1. Having the power to excite the sense of heat; contrary to cold; fiery.

What is thy name? · Thou'lt be afraid to hear it.

No, though thou call'st thyself a hotter name Than any is in hell, Shakspeare, Macbeth.

The great breezes which the motion of the air in great circles, such as are under the girdle of the world, produceth, do refrigerate; and therefore, in those parts, noon is nothing so hot as about nine in the forenoon. Bacon. Hot and cold were in one body fixt;

And soft with hard, and light with heavy mixt-

Black substances do soonest of all others become hot in the sun's light, and burn; which effect may proceed partly from the multitude of refractions in a little room, and partly from easy commotion of so very small corpuscles. Newton.

2. Lustful; lewd.

What hotter hours, Unregister'd in vulgar fame, you have

Luxuriously pick'd out. Shaksneare. Now the hot blooded gods assist me! remem-

ber, Jove, thou wast a bull for thy Europa. Shakspeare.

3. Violent; furious; dangerous.

That of Carthagena, where the Spaniards had warning of our coming, was one of the hottest services, and most dangerous assaults, that hath been known. He resolved to storm; but his soldiers declined

that hot service, and plied it with artillery. Clarendon.

To court the cry directs us, when we found The assault so hot, as if 'twere only there.

Denham. Our army

Is now in hot engagement with the Moors. Dryd.

4. Ardent; vehement; precipitate. Come, come, Lord Mortimer, you are as slow,

As hot Lord Percy is on fire to go. Shaksped Nature to youth hot rashness doth dispense, Shakspeare. But with cold prudence age doth recompense.

Denham. Achilles is impatient, hot, revengeful; Æneas, patient, considerate, and careful of his people.

5. Eager; keen in desire.

It is no wonder that men, either perplexed in the necessary affairs of life, or hot in the pursuit of pleasures, should not seriously examine their

She has, quoth Ralph, a jointure, Which makes him have so hot a mind t' her. > Hudibras.

6. It is applied likewise to the desire, or sense raising the desire, or action excited; as, a hot pursuit. Nor law, nor checks of conscience will we hear,

When in hot scent of gain and full career.

7. Piquant; acrid: as, hot as mustard.

Hor,* n. s. A sort of basket to carry turf or slate in, and formerly used for taking manure into fields of steep ascent. [old French, hotte.] A northern word. Grose, and Brockett.

2. A place where the horses of guests Hot, Hote, Hoten.* pret. of the old verb hight, both active and passive.

1. Named.

A shepherd true, yet not so true As he that earst I hote. Spenser, Shep. Cal. July.

2. Was named or called.

There was a duke, and he was hotte Mundus.

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 1. His name was hoten deinous Simekin.

Chaucer, Reve's Tale.

It rightly hot The Well of Life, ne yet his virtues had forgot. Spenser, F. Q. i. xi. 29.

Ho'TBED. n. s. A bed of earth made hot by the fermentation of dung.

The bed we call a hotbed is this: there was taken horsedung, old and well rotted; this was laid upon a bank half a foot high, and supported round about with planks, and upon the top was cast sifted earth two fingers deep. Preserve the hotbed as much as possible from

HOTBRA'INED. adj. [hot and brain.] Violent; vehement; furious. Cerebrosus. You shall find 'em either hotbrain'd youth,

HO'TCHPOTCH; Inst. French: or health pot, Fr. as Camden has it, as being boiled up in a pot; yet the former corruption is now generally used. Dr. Johnson. -Mr. Tyrwhitt, and others, consider it as the Teut. hutspot, which Kilian derives from hutsen, to shake.]

1. A mingled hash; a mixture; a con-

fused mass.

Such patching maketh Littleton's hotchpot of our tongue, and, in effect, brings the same rather to a Babellish confusion than any one entire language. Camden, Rem.

A mixture of many disagreeing colours is ever unpleasant to the eye, and a mixture or hotchpotch of many tastes is unpleasant to the taste.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Nor limbs, nor bones, nor carcass would remain :

But a mash'd heap, a hotchpotch of the slain. Dryden, Juv.

2. Hotchpot, old French, "rapport entre cohéritiers, 1000." Lacombe.] A commixture, or putting together, of lands of several tenures, for the equal division of them. Littleton in Cowel.

A daughter which hath had given unto her any lands in frank-marriage, claiming to be coheir after her father's death to other lands with some sisters, is constrained to suffer that part of land given her before her father's death, to be put in hotchpot, that is, to be mingled together with the lands whereof her father died seized, so that an equal division may be made of the whole.

Bullokar, (edit. 1656.) Hotco'ckles. n. s. [hautes coquilles, Fr.] A play in which one covers his eyes,

and guesses who strikes him. The chytindra is certainly not our hotcockles; for

that was by pinching, not by striking. Arbuthnot and Pope. As at hotcockles once I laid me down,

And felt the weighty hand of many a clown,

Buxoma gave a gentle tap, and I

Quick rose, and read soft mischief in her eye. Gay. HOTE'L.* n. s. [French.] What was formerly hostel; a lodging-house; particularly a publick house furnished with beds, &c. for the accommodation of occasional lodgers, who are there supplied with apartments hired for the night, or by the week. Of this kind of lodging-house, Mr. Malone says, there VOL. II.

was not one till about the year 1760. In 1810 he considered the number of them to be above 100. The designation of coffee-house and hotel, is now very

HOTHEA'DED. adj. [hot and head.] Vehement; violent; passionate.

One would not make the same person zealous for a standing army and publick liberty; nor a hotheaded, crackbrained coxcomb forward for a scheme of moderation.

Ho'THOUSE. † n. s. [hot and house.]

1. A bagnio; a place to sweat and cup in. Now she professes a hothouse, which is a very ill house too. Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas.

2. A brothel.

Where lately harbour'd many a famous whore, A purging bill, now fix'd upon the door, Tells you it is a hothouse; so it may,

And still be a whorehouse: they are synonyma.

3. A place enclosed, and covered, and kept hot, for rearing tender plants, and ripening fruits.

Ho'TLY. † adv. [from hot.] 1. With heat; not coldly.

The shadow had forsook them, And Titan, tired in the mid-day heat, With burning eye did hotly overlook them. Shakspeare, Ven. and Adon.

2. Violently; vehemently.

The stag was in the end so hotly pursued, that he was driven to make courage of despair. Sidney. I do contest

As hotly and as nobly with thy love, As ever in ambitious strength I did

Contend against thy valour. Shakspeare, Coriol. The enemy now at hand, began hotly to skirmish in divers places with the Christians. Knolles, Hist. Though this controversy be revived, and hotly agitated, I doubt whether it be not a nominal

3. Lustfully.

Voracious birds, that hotly bill and breed, And largely drink, because on salt they feed.

HOTMOU'THED. adj. [hot and mouth.]

Headstrong; ungovernable. I fear my people's faith,
That hotmouth'd beast that bears against the curb.

Hard to be broken. Dryden, Span. Friar. Ho'TNESS. n. s. [from hot.] Heat; violence; fury.

Ho'TSPUR. n. s. [hot and spur.]

1: A man violent, passionate, precipitate, and heady.

My nephew's trespass may be well forgot; It hath the excuse of youth and heat of blood, A hairbrain'd hotspur govern'd by a spleen.

Shakspeare. Wars are begun by hairbrained dissolute captains, parasitical fawners, unquiet hotspurs, and restless innovators.

2. A kind of pea of speedy growth. Of such peas as are planted or sown in gardens,

the hotspur is the speedlest of any in growth. Mortimer.

Ho'TSPUR.* adj. Violent; impetuous. The hotspurre youth so scorning to be crost. Spenser, F.Q. iv. i. 25. I long to see these hotspur senses at it; they

say, they have gallant preparations. Brewer, Com. of Lingua, ii. i. Hotspur Julius on his mettled horse.

Fanshaw, Poems, (ed. 1676,) p. 279. Ho'TSPURRED. adj. [from hotspur.] Vehement; rash; heady.

To draw Mars like a young Hippolytus, with an effeminate countenance, or Venus like that hotspurred Harpalice in Virgil, this proceedeth from a senseless judgement.

Ho'TTENTOT.* n. s. A savage inhabitant of the southern extremity of Africa. The word has been sometimes used generally to denote a rude, uncivilized

We have an instance of the same nature [in the love of our country] among the very Hottentots. One of these savages was brought into England, taught our language, and in a great measure polished out of his natural barbarity; but, upon being carried back to the Cape of Good Hope, he mixed, in a kind of transport, with his countrymen, brutalized with them in their habit and manners, and would never again return to his Addison, Freeholder. foreign acquaintance.

HOTTENTOT Cherry. [maurocenia.] A plant.

Its characters are these: The flower has five oval petals, which spread open-It hath five stamina, which are situated between the petals; and in the centre is situated a roundish germen, crowned by a trifid stigma. The germen turns to an oval berry with one or two cells, each containing a single oval seed. There are three species, natives of the Cape of Good Hope, and one discovered at Jamaica. Chambers.

Hove. † The preterite of heave. | Sax.

In sea language; she hove off at the next flood. Pegge. Anecd. Eng. Lang. p. 244.

To Hove.* v. n. [Welsh hofio, hovio, to hang over.]

1. To hover about; to halt; to loiter; to stay; to remain. Not now in use. This quene unto the pleine rode,

Where that she hoved and abode.

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 6. He walked through Holborne,

Three hours after the sunne was downe; And walked up towarde saynte Gyles in the felde: He hoved styll, and there beheld, But there he could not spede of his preye.

Old Morality of Hycke Scorner.

He far away espide A couple, seeming well to be his twaine, Which hoved close under a forest side, As if they lay in wait, or els themselves did hide.

Spenser, F. Q. iii. x. 20. Some part of those enormities The which in court continually hooved.

Spenser, Colin Clout. Ne joy of aught that under heaven doth hove, Can comfort me. Spenser, Sonnet 88.

2. To take shelter. Wilbraham, Cheshire Gloss.

3. As a sea term, see Hove, the preterite

HO'VEL.† n. s. [diminutive of hore, house, Saxon; hof. fel, German, from hof;

Su. Goth. and Icel. hybile, a cottage.] 1. A shed open on the sides, and covered overhead.

So, likewise a hovel will serve for a roome, To stacke on the pease, when harvest shall come.

If you make a hovel, thatched, over some quantity of ground, plank the ground over, and it will Bacon breed saltpetre.

Your hay it is mow'd, your corn it is reap'd, Your barns will be full, and your hovels heap'd,

². A mean habitation; a cottage.

The men clamber up the acclivities, dragging their kine with them, where they feed them and milk them, and do all the dairy work in such sorry hovels and sheds as they build to inhabit in during the summer.

Ray on the Creation.

To Ho'vel. v. a. [from the noun.] To shelter in an hovel.

And was't thou fain, poor father,

To hovel thee with swine and rogues forlorn, In short and musty straw. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

Ho'ven.† part. pass. [from heave.] Raised; swelled; tumified. Hence, in some places, the expression of hoven-bread. So the Swed. "broedet haefver, sig," the bread heaves or swells.

Tom Piper hath hoven and puffed up cheeks; If cheese be so hoven, make Cisse to seek creeks.

To HO'VER.† v. n. [hovio, to hang over. Welsh. Dr. Johnson. — Sueth, haefwa, fluctuare; Icel. hefrig, fluctus, procella. Serenius.]

1. To hang in the air over head, without flying off one way or other.

Some fiery devil hovers in the sky,
And pours down mischief. Shakspeare, K. John.
Ah, my poor princes! ah, my tender babes!
If yet your gentle souls fly in the air,
And be not fix'd in doom perpetual,
Hover about me with your airy wings,
And hear your mother's lamentation.

Shakspeare, Rich. III.

A hovering mist came swimming o'er his sight,
And seal'd his eyes in everlasting night. Dryden.
Great flights of birds are hovering about the
bridge, and settling upon it.

Addison.

Till as the earthly part decays and falls, The captive breaks her prison's mould ring walls; Hovers a-while upon the sad remains, Which now the pile, or sepulchre, contains, And thence with liberty unbounded flies,

Impatient to regain her native skies. Prior.
Some less refin'd, beneath the moon's pale light
Hover, and catch the shooting stars by night.

2. To stand in suspense or expectation.

The landlord will no longer covenant with hi

The landlord will no longer covenant with him; for that he daily looketh after change and alteration, and hovereth in expectation of new worlds.

Spenser on Ireland.

3. To wander about one place.

We see so warlike a prince at the head of so great an army, hovering on the borders of our confederates.

Addison.

The truth and certainty is seen, and the mind fully possesses itself of it; in the other, it only hovers about it.

Locke.

Ho'ver.* n. s. [from the verb.] A protection; a shelter by hanging over.

The pond also breedeth crabs, eels, and shrimps; and in the beginning, oysters grew upon the boughs of trees, (an Indian miracle,) which were cast in thither to serve as a hover for the fish.

Carew, Surv. of Cornwall.

Hoven Ground.* Light ground; so called in some counties. Ray, and Grose. HOUGH.† n. s. [Sax. hog, hoh; usually written hock; though hough is still our northern word.]

 The joint of the hinder leg of a beast; sometimes called the pastern.

Blood shall be from the sword unto the belly, and dung of men unto the camel's hough.

2 Esd. xiii, 36.

2. [hoüe, Fr.; houwe, Dutch.] An adze; an hoe. See Hoe.

Did they really believe that a man, by houghs and an axe, could cut a god out of a tree?

Stilling fleet.

To Hough. v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To hamstring; to disable by cutting the sinews of the ham.

Thou shalt hough their borses.

Josh. xi. 6.

Thou shalt hough their horses. Josh. xi. 6.

2. To cut up with an hough or hoe.

3. To hawk. This orthography is uncommon. See To HAWK.

Neither could we hough or spit from us; much less could we sneeze or cough.

Grew.

Ho'uler. See Howler.

Hoult.† n. s. [holz, Sax.] A small wood. Obsolete. See Holt.

Or as the wind, in hoults and shady greaves,
A murmur makes among the boughs and leaves.

Fairfax.

HOUND.† n. s. [hunb, Sax.; hund, Scottish; hunds, Goth. "Vox antiquissima, ac propterea multis linguis et dialect. communis." Serenius.] A dog used in the chase, Dr. Johnson says. At first it was the generical name for dogs.

Nile ye give hooly thing to houndis, neither caste ye your margaritis bifore swyne, lest paraventure thei defoule hem with her feet, and the houndis ben turned, and al to tere you.

Wicliffe, St. Matt. vii. 6. Hounds and greyhounds, mongrels, spaniels,

Are cleped all by the name of dogs.

Shakspeare, Macbeth.

Jason threw, but fail'd to wound
The boar, and slew an undescrying hound,
And through the dog the dart was nail'd to ground.

Dryden.

The kind spaniel and the faithful hound, Likest that fox in shape and species found, Pursues the noted path and covets home.

To Hound. v. a. [from the noun.]
1. To set on the chase.

God is said to harden the heart permissively, but not operatively nor affectively; as he who only lets loose a greyhound out of the slip, is said to hound him at the hare.

Bp. Branhadl.

2. To hunt; to pursue.

If the wolves had been hounded by tigers, they should have worried them.

L'Estrange.

Ho'undfish.† n. s. A kind of fish. Mustela lævis. Like to the skin of houndfish, sharp as brere. Chaucer, March. Tale.

Ho'UNDSTONGUE. n. s. [cynoglossum, Lat.]
A plant.
Miller.

HO'UNDTREE. n. s. A kind of tree. Cornus.

Ainsworth.

The because

Hour.† n. s. [upupa, Lat.] The hoopoo; not the pewet, as Dr. Johnsoń says, misled by Ainsworth. See Hoopoo. HOUR.† n. s. [heure, Fr.; hora, Lat.]

 The twenty-fourth part of a natural day; the space of sixty minutes.

See the minutes how they run:
How many makes the hour full compleat.
How many hours bring about the day,
How many days will finish up the year,
How many years a mortal man may live.
Shakspeare.

A particular time.
 Vexation almost stops my breath,
 That sunder'd friends greet in the hour of death.

Shakspeare.

When we can intreat an hour to serve,
We'll spend it in some words upon that business
If you would grant the time. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

The conscious wretch must all his arts reveal, From the first moment of his vital breath, To his last hour of unrepenting death.

Dryden, Æn.
3. The time as marked by the clock.
The hour runs through the roughest day.

Shakspeare.

Our neighbour let her floor to a genteel man, who kept good hours. Tatler.

They are as loud any hour of the morning, as

our own countryman at midnight. Addison.
4. In the plural, the stated times of devotion in the Romish church. [heures, Fr.: horæ canonicæ. Lat.]

None end is there of their babling praiers, their songes, houres, bells, ymages, &c.

Bale on the Revel. (1550,) P. i.

The hermite, which his life here led In streight observaunce of religious vow Was wont his howres and holy things to bed.

Spenser, F. Q. vi. v. 35. Ho'urglass. n. s. [hour and glass.]
1. A glass filled with sand, which, running

through a narrow hole, marks the time.

Next morning, known to be a morning better
by the hourglass than by the day's clearness.

In sickness, the time will seem longer without a clock or hourglass than with it; for the mind doth value every moment.

Shake not his hourglass, when his hasty sand

Is ebbing to the last. Dryden, Span. Friar.
2. Space of time. A manner of speaking rather affected than elegant.

We, within the hourglass of two months, have won one town, and overthrown great forces in the field.

Bacon.

HO'URHAND.* n. s. [hour and hand.]
That which performs the office of a hand
in pointing out the hour of the day.

We have no perception of the motion of the index or hourhand of a clock: and yet this no perception, so many times repeated, becomes real perception, with respect to the minute hand. Batter on the Soul, ii. 303,

Ho'url.* n. s. A Mahometan nymph of paradise. ["They are called horhin, and in the singular number hora; and they are reclused, and well watched and guarded in their palaces, and their garments are wonderful: Thus he [Mahomet] boasts, and says further, that their beauty is as the light." Confut. of the Alcoran, 1652, p. 158.]

Suspend thy passage to the seats of bliss, Nor wish for houries in Irene's arms.

Johnson, Trag. of Irene.
Ho'urly. adj. [from hour.] Happening
or done every hour; frequent; often
repeated.

Aleyone

Computes how many nights he had been gone, Observes the waning moon with hourly view, Numbers her age, and wishes for a new. Dryden.

We must live in hourly expectation of having those troops recalled, which they now leave with us.

Swift.

Ho'urly. adv. [from hour.] Every hour; frequently.

She deserves a lord,
That twenty such rude boys might tend upon,

And hourly call her mistress. Shakspeare.

Our estate may not endure

Hazard so near us, as doth hourly grow
Out of his lunacies. Shakspeare, Hambet.
They with ceaseless cry

Surround me, as thou saw'st; hourly conceiv'd, And hourly born, with sorrow infinite

To me! Milton, P. L.

Great was their strife, which hourly was renew'd, Till each with mortal bate his rival view'd.

HO'URPLATE. n. s. [hour and plate.] The dial; the plate on which the hours 8. A body of the parliament; the lords or pointed by the hand of a clock are in-

If eyes could not view the hand, and the characters of the hourplate, and thereby at a distance see what o'clock it was, their owner could not be much benefited by that acuteness.

Ho'usage.* n. s. [from house.] A fee which a carrier, or other person, pays for laying up goods in a house.

Chambers. Ho'usal.* adj. [from house.] Domestick. Not now in use.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood. HOUSE. † n. s. [hur, Sax.; huys, Dutch; huus, Dan.; hus, Su. Icel. and Goth. perhaps from hysa, to receive hospitably, and also to contain. But see also Leigh's Critica Sacra, 1650, p. 25. "A house is named in the Hebrew, of building, beith; in Greek, of dwelling, olkog; in English, of tuition and custody, a house; of the Almain, huis, which is of hu, to defend."]

1. A place wherein a man lives; a place of human abode.

Sparrows must not build in his house eaves.

Shakspeare. Houses are built to live in, not to look on; therefore let use be preferred before uniformity, except where both may be had.

In a house the doors are moveable, and the rooms square; yet the house is neither moveable nor square. Watts

2. Any place of abode.

The bees with smoke, the doves with noisome

Are from their hives and houses driven away. Shakspeare.

3. Place in which religious or studious persons live in common; monastery; col-

Theodosius arrived at a religious house in the city, where now Constantia resided,

4. The manner of living; the table. He kept a miserable house, but the blame was laid wholly upon madam.

5. Station of a planet in the heavens; as-

trologically considered.

Pure spiritual substances we cannot converse with, therefore have need of means of communication, which some make to be the celestial houses: those who are for the celestial houses worship the planets, as the habitations of intellectual substances that animate them. Stilling fleet. 6. Family of ancestors; descendants; and

kindred; race. The red rose and the white are on his face,

The fatal colours of our striving houses.

Shakspeare. An ignominious ransom and free pardon, Are of two houses; lawful mercy sure

Is nothing kin to foul redemption. Shakspeare. A man whose name was Joseph, of the house of St. Luke, i. 27.

By delaying my last fine, upon your grace's accession to the patrimonies of your house, I may seem to have made a forfeiture. Dryden.

A poet is not born in every race; Two of a house few ages can afford,

One to perform, another to record. Dryden, Fab. 7. The household; the family dwelling in the house.

A devout man, and one that feared God with all his house.

I call here, the man, the woman, their children, their servants.

Sir T. Smith, Commonwealth of Eng. ch. 2.

commons collectively considered.

Nor were the crimes objected against him so clear, as to give convincing satisfaction to the major part of both houses, especially that of the King Charles.

To House. v. a. [Sax. hujian.]

1. To harbour; to admit to residence. Palladius wished him to house all the Helots.

Sidney. Upon the North sea a valley houseth a gentleman, who hath worn out his former name.

Carew, Surv. of Cornwall.

Slander lives upon succession, For ever housed where it gets possession. Shakspeare.

Mere cottagers are but housed beggars. Bacon. Oh, can your counsel his despair defer,

Who now is housed in his sepulchre? We find them housing themselves in dens. South. In expectation of such times as these, A chapel hous'd them, truly call'd of ease.

Dryden. 2. To shelter; to keep under a roof. As we house hot-country plants to save them, so we may house our own to forward them.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. House your choicest carnations, or rather set them under a pent-house, to preserve them in extremity of weather. Evelyn.

Wit in northern climates will not blow, Except, like orange trees, 'tis hous'd from snow.

Dryden.

3. To drive to shelter. E'en now we hous'd him in the abbey here.

Shakspeare, Com. of Err. To House. v. n.

1. To take shelter; to keep abode; to re-

Ne suffer it to house there half a day. Spenser, Hubb. Tale.

Graze where you will, you shall not house with Shakspeare.

Summers three times eight, save one, She had told; alas! too soon,

After so short a time of breath,

To house with darknes and with death. Milton, Ep. on the M. of Winchester.

2. To have an astrological station in the heavens.

In fear of this, observe the starry signs Where Saturn houses, and where Hermes joins. Dryden.

I housing in the lion's hateful sign, Bought senates and deserting troops are mine.

Ho'useboat.* n. s. [house and boat.] A boat with a covering in it, like a room.

Ho'usebote.* n. s. [house and bore, Sax. compensation.] An allowance of necessary timber, out of the lord's wood, for the repair and support of a house or tenement. Cowel. And to burn in the house. Blackstone.

Ho'usebreaker. n. s. [house and break.] Burglar; one who makes his way into houses to steal.

All housebreakers and sharpers had thief written in their foreheads. L'Estrange.

Ho'usebreaking. n. s. [house and break.] Burglary.

When he hears of a rogue to be tried for robbing or housebreaking, he will send the whole paper to the government.

They two together ruleth the house. The house [HO'USEDOG. n. s. [house and dog.] A mastiff kept to guard the house.

A very good housedog, but a dangerous cur to strangers, had a bell about his neck. L'Estrange. You see the goodness of the master even in the

old housedog.

Ho'USEHOLD. n. s. [house and hold.]

1. A family living together. Two households, both alike in dignity, In fair Verona, where we lay our scene, From ancient grudge break to new mutiny.

Shakspeare. A little kingdom is a great household, and a great household a little kingdom.

Bacon, Adv. to Villiers. Of God observ'd

The one just man alive, by his command, Shall build a wondrous ark, as thou beheld'st, To save himself and household from amidst

A world devote to universal wreck. Milton, P. L. He has always taken to himself, amongst the sons of men, a peculiar household of his love, which at all times he has cherished as a father, and governed as a master: this is the proper household of faith; in the first ages of the world, 'twas sometimes literally no more than a single kousehold, or some few families. Smat.

Great crimes must be with greater crimes repaid,

And second funerals on the former laid; Let the whole household in one ruin fall, And may Diana's curse o'ertake us all,

Dryden, Fab. Learning's little household did embark, With her world's fruitful system in her sacred

ark. Swift. In his own church he keeps a seat,

Says grace before and after meat; And calls, without affecting airs,

His household twice a-day to prayers. 2. Family life; domestic management.

An inventory, thus importing The several parcels of his plate, his treasure,

Rich stuffs, and ornaments of household. Shaksp.

3. It is used in the manner of an adjective, to signify domestick; belonging to the family.

Cornelius called two of his household servants. Acts, x. 7.

For nothing lovelier can be found In woman, than to study household good; And good works in her husband to promote.

Milton, P. L. It would be endless to enumerate the oaths among the men, among the women the neglect of household affairs.

Ho'usehold-bread.* n.s. Bread not of the finest quality. See CHEAT-BREAD. Ho'USEHOLDER. n. s. [from household.] Master of a family.

A certain householder planted a vineyard. St. Matt. xxi. 33.

Ho'useholdstuff. n. s. [household and stuff.] Furniture of an house; utensils convenient for a family.

In this war that he maketh, he still flieth from his foe, and lurketh in the thick woods, waiting for

advantages: his cloke is his bed, yea and his household stuff. usehold stuff. Spenser on Ireland.

A great part of the building was consumed with much costly householdstuff.

The woman had her jest for her housholdstuff. L'Estrange.

Ho'usekeeper. n. s. [house and keep.]

1. Householder; master of a family.

To be said an honest man and a good housekeeper, goes as fairly as to say a graceful man and a great scholar. Shakspeare. If I may credit housekeepers and substantial

tradesmen, all sorts of provisions and commodities are risen excessively.

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2. One who lives in plenty; one that ! exercises hospitality.

The people are apter to applaud housekeepers than house-raisers.

3. One who lives much at home.

How do you both? You are manifest housekeepers. What are you sewing here?

Shakspeare, Coriol.

Swift.

4. A woman servant that has care of a family, and superintends the other maid servants.

Merry folks, who want by chance A pair to make a country-dance, Call the old housekeeper, and get her To fill a place for want of better.

5. A housedog. Not in use. Distinguish the housekeeper, the hunter. Shaksp. Ho'usekeeping. adj. [house and keep.] Domestick; useful to a family.

His house, for pleasant prospect, large scope, and other housekeeping commodities, challengeth the pre-eminence.

Ho'usekeeping. n. s. Hospitality; liberal and plentiful table.

I hear your grace bath sworn out housekeeping.

His table was one of the last that gave us an example of the old housekeeping of an English nobleman: an abundance reigned, which shewed the master's hospitality.

HO'USEL + n. s. [hurl, Saxon, from hunsl, Gothick, a sacrifice, or hostia, dimin. hostiola, Latin. The holy eucharist.

Man and wife Should shew ther parish priest ther life Ones a yere, as saith the boke, Ere any wight his housel toke.

Chaucer, Rom. R. 6386. He died within viii dais after without howsell

or shrift, they say.

Bale Acts of Eng. Vot. (1550,) P.i. fol. 60. b.
To Ho'usel. v. a. [hurlian, Sax.] To give or receive the eucharist. Both the noun and verb are obsolete. Our old lexicography defines it specially, "to minister the communion to one that lieth on his death-bed."

Bullokar, and Cockeram. He shall housel me anone.

Chaucer, Rom. R. 6437.

Ones a yere at the last it is lawful to be housted. Chaucer, Pers. Tale. A priest, a priest, says Aldingar,

While I am a man alive, A priest, a priest, says Aldingar,

Me for to houzel and shrive.

Old Ballad of Sir Aldingar, Percy's Rel. To shriye, housell, and anointe the sycke; to say dirige and masse, and burye the dead.

Confut. of N. Shaxton, (1546,) sign. G. iiii. The cardinal said mass, and gave the pax; then the king and queen descending were both housled with one host parted between them at the high Sir G. Buck, Hist. of Rich. III. p. 26.

Ho'uselamb.* n. s. [house and lamb.] A lamb kept up, to be fatted in the

Ho'useleek. n. s. [house and leek.] plant. Miller. The acerbs supply their quantity of cruder

acids; as juices of apples, grapes, the sorrels, and houseleek. Floyer. Want-

Ho'useless. adj. [from house.] ing abode; wanting habitation.

Poor naked wretches, How shall your houseless heads and unfed sides, Your loop'd and window'd raggedness, defend

Ho'usemaid. n. s. [house and maid.] A maid employed to keep the house clean. The housemaid may put out the candle against the looking-glass.

Ho'usepigeon.* n. s. [house and pigeon.] A tame pigeon.

If Semiramis be a wood-pigeon in Greece, it may perchance have been an house-nigeon in the country of Ashur.

Gregory, Posthum. (1650,) p. 236.

Ho'useraiser.* n. s. [house and raise.] One who builds or raises a house.

The earl I account the more liberal, and the duke the more magnificent; for I do not remember that my lord of Essex in all his life-time did build or adorn any house; the queen perchance spending his time, and himself his means; or otherwise inclining to popular ways; for we know the people are apter to applaud house-Wotton's Parallel. keepers than houseraisers.

Ho'useroom. n.s. [house and room.] Place in a house.

Houseroom, that costs him nothing, he bestows; Yet still we scribble on, though still we lose.

Ho'usesnail. n. s. A kind of snail.

Ho'usewarming. n. s. [house and warm.] A feast or merrymaking upon going into a new house.

Ho'usewife. † n. s. [house and wife. This is now frequently written huswife or

1. The mistress of a family.

You will think it unfit for a good housewife to stir in or to busy herself about her housewifery. Spenser on Ireland.

I have room enough, but the kind and hearty housewife is dead. Pope to Swift.

2. A female economist.

Fitting is a mantle for a bad man, and surely for a bad housewife it is no less convenient; for some of them, that be wandering women, it is half a Spenser on Ireland.

Let us sit and mock the good housewife, Fortune, from her wheel, that her gifts may henceforth be disposed equally. Shakspeare.

Farmers in degree,

He a good husband, a good housewife she.

Dryden. Early housewifes leave the bed, When living embers on the hearth are spread.

Dryden. The fairest among the daughters of Britain shew themselves good stateswomen as well as good housewifes.

One skilled in female business.

He was bred up under the tuition of a tender mother, till she made him as good an housewife as herself: he could preserve apricocks, and make jellies.

4. A little case or bag, with partitions in it, for articles of female work.

Many women - think it (and no doubt it is) a more rational way of spending their time in knotting, or making an housewife, than in starting difficulties and quirks to puzzle the minds of Shelton, Deism Revealed, Dial. viii. mankind.

Ho'usewifely.† adj. [from housewife.] Skilled in the acts becoming a house-

When she had learned what food was most agreeable to him, she set herself instantly to prepare it for him with all the housewifely skill of those simpler ages. Delany, Life of Pavid, iii. 66.

This hungry, houseless, suffering dying Jesus, HO'USEWIFELY, † adv. [from housewife.] With the economy of a careful woman. Sherwood.

Ho'usewifery. n. s. [from housewife.]

1. Domestick or female business; management becoming the mistress of a family. You will think it unfit for a good housewife to stir in, or to busy herself about, her housewifery. Spenser on Ireland.

He ordain'd a lady for his prise, Generally praiseful; fair and young, and skill'd in housewiferies. Chapman, Iliud. Little butter was exported abroad, and that discredited by the housewifery of the Irish in making it up.

2. Female economy.

Learn good works for necessary uses; for St. Paul expresses the obligation of Christian women to good housewifery, and charitable provisions for their family and neighbourhood.

Ho'usewright.* n. s. [house and wright.] An architect. Not now in use.

Some, farriers; some, locksmiths; - some, housewrights; some, shipwrights; and some, the joiners of smaller works. Fotherby, Atheom. (1622,) p. 193.

Ho'using. † n. s. [from house.]

1. Quantity of inhabited building. London is supplied with people to increase its inhabitants, according to the increase of housing.

Their lodging was in Allsaints' parish, in the back-side housing called Amsterdam.

Life of A. Wood, p. 242.

2. Any habitation. All ants keep their own way in their housing, journeys, provisions. Bp. Hall, Select. Th. § 8.

3. [From houseaux, heuses, or houses, Fr.] Cloth originally used to keep off dirt, now added to saddles as ornamental.

Thus fix'd, content he taps his barrel, Exhorts his neighbours not to quarrel; -Rides a sleek mare with purple housing, To share the monthly club's carousing. Warton, Progr. of Discontent.

Ho'useling. † adj. [from house.] vided for entertainment at first entrance into a house; house-warming. Dr. Johnson. - Not so; but sacramental, alluding to the marriages of antiquity, as Upton long since observed; which were solemnized sacramento ignis et aquæ; " the housling fire." i. e. sacramental fire, or fire used in that sacrament of marriage. See Housel. His owne two hands the holy knots did knitt,

That none but death for ever can divide; His owne two hands, for such a turn most fitt, The housling fire did kindle and provide, And holy water thereon sprinckled wide: At which the bushy teade a groome did light, And sacred lamp in secret chamber hide.

Spenser, F. Q. i. xii. 37

Houss. n. s. [from houseaux, or houses, Fr.] Covering of cloth originally used to keep off dirt, now added to saddles as ornamental; housings. This word, though used by Dryden, I do not remember in any other place.

Six lions' hides, with thongs together fast, His upper part defended to his waist : And where man ended, the continu'd vest, Spread on his back, the houss and trappings of a

Dryden. HOW. † adv. [hu, Sax.; hoe, Dutch; hue Goth. How is sometimes an expletive;

as in 1 Cor. x. 1. "I would not that Howbe'it. adv. [how be it.] Neverthe- Ho'wker, or Ho'oker. * A. S. [hulc, Sax. ye should be ignorant how that all our Ho'wbE. fathers were under the cloud;" where that is sufficient, without how. This redundancy obtains in common conversation. 7

1. In what manner; to what degree.

How long wilt thou refuse to humble thyself How much better is it to get wisdom than gold!

and to get understanding, rather to be chosen than silver! Prov. xvi. 16. How oft is the candle of the wicked put out and how oft cometh their destruction upon them!

Job, xxi. 17. O how love I thy law! it is my meditation.

Psalm exix. 97. How many children's plaints, and mother's

How many woful widows left to bow

To sad disgrace! Daniel, Civ. War. Consider into how many differing substances it may be analysed by the fire.

2. In what manner.

Mark'd you not,

How that the guilty kindred of the queen Look'd pale, when they did hear of Clarence' death?

Prosecute the means of thy deliverance By ransom, or how else. Milton, S. A.

We examine the why and the how of things. L'Estrange.

'Tis much in our power how to live; but not at all when or how to die. L'Estrange. It is pleasant to see how the small territories of

this little republick are cultivated to the best Addison on Italy. advantage.

3. For what reason; from what cause. How now, my love? Why is your cheek so

Shakspeare. How chance the roses there do fade so fast?

How is it thou hast found it so quickly?

Gen. xxvii. 10.

4. For what price.

How a score of ewes now?

Shakspeare, K. Hen. IV. P. II.

5. By what means.

Men would have the colours of birds' feathers, if they could tell how; or they will have gay skins instead of gay clothes. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

6. In what state.

For how shall I go up to my father?

Whence am I forc'd, and whither am I born? How, and with what reproach shall I return? Dryden, Æn.

7. It is used in a sense marking proportion

or correspondence.

Behold, he put no trust in his servants, how much less in them that dwell in houses of clay, whose foundation is in the dust? Job, iv. 19. A great division fell among the nobility, so

much the more dangerous by how much the spirits were more active and high. Hayward. By how much they would diminish the present

extent of the sea, so much they would impair the fertility, and fountains and rivers of the earth.

8. It is much used in exclamation.

How are the mighty fallen! 2 Sam. i. 19. How doth the city sit solitary as a widow! Lam. i. 1.

9. In an affirmative sense, not easily explained; that so it is; that.

Thick clouds put us in some hope of land, knowing how that part of the South-sea was utterly unknown, and might have islands or continents.

less; notwithstanding; yet; however. Not now in use.

Siker thou speak'st like a lewd lorrel,

Of heaven to deemen so, Howbe I am but rude and borrel,

Yet nearer ways I know.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. Things so ordained are to be kept, howbeit not necessarily any longer than till there grow some urgent cause to ordain the contrary.

There is a knowledge which God hath always revealed unto them in the works of nature; this they honour and esteem highly as profound wisdom, howbeit this wisdom saveth them not.

There was no army transmitted out of England, howbeit the English colonies in Ireland did win ground upon the Irish. Davies on Ireland.

Ho'wdy.* n. s. [Ihre has observed, that the Su. Goth. iordgumma, a midwife, is properly iodgumma, from iod, childbirth, and gumma, a woman; as the vulgar in this country [Scotland] often express the name houdy-wife. Dr. Jamieson.] A midwife; so called in the north of Eng-

I once heard an etymon of howdy to the following effect: how d'ye; midwives being great gos sipers! This is evidently of a piece with Swift's

All egg's under the grate.

Brand, Popul. Antiq. ii. 451. Howd'yE. † [Contracted from how do ye, and sometimes augmented to how d'ye do.] In what state is your health? A message of civility.

I now write no letters but of plain business, or plain howd'ye's, to those few I am forced to correspond with.

The charge receiv'd, away run I, And here, and there, and yonder fly, With services, and howd'yedoes;

Then home return full fraught with news. Dodsley's Footman.

Howe'ver. adv. [how and ever.] 1. In whatsoever manner; in whatsoever

degree. This ring he holds In most rich choice; yet in his idle fire, To buy his will, it would not seem too dear, Shakspeare. Howe'er repented of.

To trace the ways Of highest agents, deem'd however wise.

Milton, P. L. Gen. xliv. 34. 2. At all events; happen what will; at least.

Our chief end is to be freed from all, if it may be, however from the greatest evils; and to enjoy, if it may be, all good, however the chiefest.

3. Nevertheless: notwithstanding; yet. In your excuse your love does little say;

You might howe'er have took a fairer way. Dryd. Its views are bounded on all sides by several ranges of mountains, which are however at so great a distance, that they leave a wonderful variety of Addison on Italy. beautiful prospects. I do not build my reasoning wholly on the

case of persecution, however I do not exclude it. Atterbury.

Few turn their thoughts to examine how those diseases in a state are bred, that hasten its end; which would, however, be a very useful inquiry.

4. To some of these meanings this word may be commonly reduced, but its power is sometimes almost evanescent. Ho'witz, or Ho'witzer.* n. s. A kind

of mortar or cannon, of German invention.

a galley, a pinnace. A vessel so called, much used by the Dutch.

Howkers carry from fifty to two hundred ton; and with a small number of hands will go to the East Indies; they are commonly navigated with two masts, viz. a main-mast and a mizen-mast: they tack soon and short, will sail well, and lie near the wind, and live almost in any sea.

To HOWL. v. n. [huglen, Dutch; ululo, Latin. Dr. Johnson. - It is a word formed from the sound it expresses, and many languages have a similar term. Fr. huller, to howl or yell. Cotgrave. Su. Goth. and Icel. yla; Sax. zyllan; Gr. έλαω. See To YELL.]

1. To cry as a wolf or dog. Methought a legion of foul fiends Environ'd me, and howled in mine ears Such hideous cries, that with the very noise

I trembling wak'd. Shakspeare, Rich. III. If wolves had at thy gate howl'd that stern time, Thou should'st have said, Go, porter, turn the key.

He found him in a desert land, and in the waste howling wilderness. Deut. xxxii. 10. Hard as his native rocks, cold as his sword,

Fierce as the wolves that howl'd around his birth; He hates the tyrant, and the suppliant scorns. 2. To utter cries in distress.

Therefore will I howl, and cry out for all Moab. Jer. xlviii. 31.

Each new morn New widows howl, new orphans cry, new sorrows Strike Heaven on the face. Shaksp. Macbeth.

I have words That would be howl'd out in the desart air, Where hearing should not catch them.

Shakspeare, Macbeth. 3. To speak with a belluine cry or tone. Peace, monster, peace! Go tell thy horrid tale To savages, and howl it out in desarts! Philips.

4. It is used poetically of many noises

loud and horrid. HowL. n. s. [from the verb.]

The cry of a wolf or dog.

Murther, Alarm'd by his sentinel the wolf,

Whose howl's his watch. Shakspeare, Macb. These and the like rumours are no more than the last howls of a dog dissected alive.

The cry of a human being in horrour. She raves, she runs with a distracted pace,

And fills with horrid howls the publick place. Dryden, Æn.

Ho'wler. † n. s. [Fr. hulotte.] The vulgar name for an owl, Dr. Johnson says. It is sometimes called Madge-howlet, and Jenny-howlet. Cotgrave defines hulotte, "a Madge-howlet, or a small kind of hairy-legged and rough-footed owl, which hath sticking out on either side of her head a little tuft of feathers.'

Estriches, daunsyng apes, howlettes, meremaydes, and other odible monsters.

Bale on the Revel. (1550,) P. iii. A a. iiii. Adder's fork, and blind worm's sting,

Lizard's leg, and howlet's wing. Shaksp. Mach. Out, thou houlet,

Thou should'st ha' given her a madge-owl, and

Th' hadst made a present o' thyself. Ben Jonson, Sad Shepherd.

Ho'wling.* n. s. [from howl.] 1. The cry of a wolf or dog.

As when a sort of wolves infest the night With their wild howlings at fair Cynthia's light.

2. The cry of one in distress.

The songs of the temple shall be howlings in that day. Amos, viii. 3. The damned use that word in hell,

Howlings attend it. Shaksp. Rom. and Jul.

3. Any loud or horrid noise.

With hollow howlings they did chant That hellish ode. More, Poems, (1647,) p. 327. A peal of thunder immediately follows, with dreadful howlings. Dryden, K. Arthur. Ho'wso.* adv. [abbreviation of howsoever.]
Although. Obsolete.

Let greatness go, so it go without thee: And welcome come, howso unfortunate:

I will applaud what others do despise; I love thee for thyself, not for thy state.

Daniel, Civil War, B. 2. [how and soever. Howsoe'ver.† adv. " This is a word, which nobody would now use in verse; and not many, in good prose." Bp. Hurd on Addison's using it in an Epilogue.]

1. In what manner soever. See However. Berosus, who, after Moses, was one of the most ancient, howsoever he hath been since corrupted. doth in the substance of all agree. Ralegh, Hist.

2. Although.

The man doth fear God, howsoever it seems not Shakspeare. Howve.* The old word for a hood. See

Hoop. To Hox. v. a. [from hoh, Sax.] To hough;

to ham-string. Thou art a coward.

Which hoxes honesty behind, restraining From course required. Shaksp. Wint. Tale. Lodronius, perceiving the old soldier's meaning, alighted, and with his sword hoxed his horse, saying aloud, This day, valiant soldiers, shall you have me both your general and fellow-soldier,

fighting on foot as one of yourselves. Knolles, Hist. of the Turks.

Hoy. † n. s. [heu, Fr. a Dutch hoy. Cotgrave. Junius derives hoy from the French word; but it is, according to Skinner, probably from the Dutch hoogh, or Teut. hoch, hoy, q. d. a ship made high, considering her burthen. Mr. Pegge thinks that the vessel may have received its original name from stopping Ti. e. from the naval term hoy, or ho, in the sense of stop,] at different small places in its voyage, to take in goods or passengers, when called to or hailed from the shore.-A learned writer on naval subjects calls this kind of vessel a huy: "The huyes, and lighters, hired for carrying of balast." Madyman's Maritime Politicks, 1691, p. 83.] A large boat sometimes with one deck.

He sent to Germany, strange aid to rear; From whence eftsoons arrived here three hous Of Saxons, whom he for his safety employs.

Spenser, F. Q. To define a barge and hoy, which are between a boat and a ship, is hard. Watts, Logick. Hoy.* interj. [old Fr. hu, huye, a term of the chase; huer, to shout, to cry out; Teut. hou; Lat. heus.] An exclamation sometimes used, like the old French term, to encourage dogs; sometimes, in the sense of driving away, i. e. be gone; and sometimes, like holla, for stop, halt. See To Ho.

back to her styes!

Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Married Clergy, p. 164. When one ship hails another, the words are, What ship? hoy I that is, stop, and tell the name of your ship.

Pegge, Anecd. of the Engl. Lang. p. 16.

Hu'bbleshew, or Hu'bblesho.* n. s. A riotous assembly, according to Grose; a state of confusion, in the Craven dialect, where it is deriv'd from the Teut. hobbelen, inglomerare, and schowe, specta-

Hu'bbub. n. s. [I know not the etymology, unless it be from up, up, or hobnob. Dr. Johnson. - It may seem akin to the Teut. hobben tobben, to be in a bustle or hurry, to make a stir. But I rather consider it as a corruption of whoop and up; especially as the early use of the word is in the sense of a cry, a shout; though Dr. Johnson notices only that of a tumult, a riot; and yet his examples from Butler and Milton shew the word in the former meaning. Hubbub was also formerly written whoobub, and seems clearly to have implied, "the whoop is up," the hue and cry is making. See Wноовив, and Wноор.

1. A shout; a shriek; a loud or shrill noise. They heard a noyse of many bagpipes shrill, And shricking hububs them approaching nere, Which all the forest did with horrour fill.

Spenser, F. Q. iii. x. 43. Within this hour the whoobub

Will be all o'er the prison: I am then Kissing the man they look for. Beaum. and Fl. Two Nob. Kinsmen.

An universal hubbub wild Of stunning sounds, and voices all confus'd, Borne through the hollow dark, assaults his ear

With loudest vehemence. Milton, P. L. Wolves raise a hubbub at her,

And dogs howl when she shines in water. Hudibras.

2. A tumult; a riot.

They drove fast with him down the Strand, followed by a multitude of people: —all this was done of design for the lady's escape, which in that hubbub she made. Phinet's Philox. (1656,) p. 239.

People pursued the business with all contempt of the government; and in the hubbub of the first day there appeared nobody of name or reckoning, but the actors were really of the dregs of the people.

Hubbub-boo.* n.s. A word formed from the preceding, and denoting the cry or howling of the lower sort of Irish at funerals.

His followers and kin,

Who far and near came crowding in,

ith hubbub-boos. Irish Hudibras, (1689).
Not the sweet harp that's claim'd by Jews, With hubbub-boos.

Nor that which to the far more ancient Welsh belongs

Nor that which the wild Irish use,

Frightening e'en their own wolves with loud hubbubbaboos. Sam. Wesley, Pindaric on a Hog.

To HUCK.* v. n. [harceler, Fr. " to haggle, huck, dodge, or palter long in the buying of a commoditie." Cotgrave. From hucker, or hoecker, Teut. a huckster.] To haggle in purchasing goods.

A near, and hard, and hucking chapman shall never buy good flesh. Hales, Serm. at the end of his Rem. (1673,) p. 20. 14

Away, nasty C. E. transformed by Circe! Hoy! | HU'CKABACK. n. s. A kind of linen on which the figures are raised. Dr. Johnson .- Rather, a kind of coarse tablelinen, having the weft alternately crossed, to produce an unenven surface. Perhaps from the Teut. huyke, a cloak, a covering; Icel. huckl, a hood.

HUCKLE.* n. s. [perhaps from the Teut. hucken, to sit down. Serenius notices the Icel. hackell, "tibia ablatis

cruribus." The hip. Though beaten down and wounded sore,

I' the fiddle, and a leg that bore One side of him, not that of bone, But much its better, th' wooden one; Straight - getting up on stump and huckle, He with the foe began to buckle. Hudibras, i. ii.

Hu'cklebacked. adj. Thocker, German, a bunch, and back.] Crooked in the shoulders.

Hu'cklebone. † n. s. [huckle and bone. See HUCKLE. The hip-bone.

Nay, and that were the worst, we would not greatly care For bursting of her huckle-bone, or breaking of

her chair,

But greater, greater is her grief.

Gamm. Gurton's Needle, (1551).

HU'CKSTER.† | n. s. [Teut. hucker, HU'CKSTERER.] | hoecker, a pedlar, an huckster. V. Kilian.]

1. One who sells goods by retail, or in small quantities; a pedlar.

A merchant shall hardly keep himself from doing wrong, and an huckster shall not be freed from sin. Ecclus. xxvi. 29.

There cannot be a more ignominious trade than the being hucksters to such vile merchandise. Gov. of the Tongue.

God deliver the world from such guides, or rather such hucksters of souls, the very shame of South, Serm. ii. 395. religion.

Should thy shoe wrench aside, down, down you

And overturn the scolding huckster's stall, The scolding huckster shall not o'er thee moan, But pence expect for nuts and pears o'erthrown.

There should be a confederacy of all servants, to drive those China hucksters from the doors. Swift.

Those hucksterers or money-jobbers will be found necessary, if this brass money is made cur-

2. A trickish mean fellow.

Now the ape wanted his huckster man.

Spenser, Hubb. Take. Some such desperate huckster should devise To rowze thine hare's heart from her cowardice. Bp. Hall, Sat. iv. 4.

To Hu'ckster.* v. a. [from the noun.]

To expose to sale.

Some who had been called from shops and warehouses, without other merit, to sit in supreme counsils, (as their breeding was,) fell to huckster the commonwealth. Milton, Hist. of Eng. B. iii.

To Hu'ckster. + v. n. [from the noun.] To deal in petty bargains.

They must pay a shilling for changing their iece into silver, to some huckstering fellow who follows that trade.

Despotism itself is obliged to truck and huckster. The sultan gets such obedience as he can. He governs with a loose rein, that he may govern Burke, Speech on Concil. with America.

Hu'cksterage.* n. s. [from huckster.] Dealing; business.

The ignoble hucksterage of piddling tithes. Milton, Of Ref. in Eng.

Hu'cksteress.* n. s. [from huckster.] A she-pedlar. Sherwood Hud.* n. s. [perhaps a corruption of hood,

that which covers.]

1. The husk of a nut or walnut. To hud, to take off the husk. Gloucestershire.

2. The side of the fire within the chimney; the back of the fire. A northern word. Grose, and Brockett. Written

To HU'DDLE.† v. a. [probably from hood, Dr. Johnson says. — But it is the German hudeln, to huddle up.]

1. To dress up close so as not to be dis-

covered; to mobble.

2. To put on carelessly in a hurry. At twelve she rose with much ado; Her clothes were huddled on by two. Prior. Now all in haste they huddle on Their hoods, their cloaks, and get them gone.

Swift.

3. To cover up in haste. Young, fair, and good! ah, why should young, and fair,

And good be huddled in untimely grave? Edwards, Sonn. 37.

4. To perform in a hurry. I have given much application to this poem: this is not a play huddled up in haste. Dryden.

When continu'd rain

The lab'ring husband in his house restrain, Let him forecast his work with timely care, Which else is huddled when the skies are fair.

Dryden, Virg. 5. To throw together in confusion.

Our adversary, huddling several suppositions together, and that in doubtful and general terms, makes a medley and confusion.

But here, thou say'st the miseries of life Are huddled in a group. Young, Night Th. 8.

To Hu'ddle. v. n.

1. To come in a crowd or hurry. Glance an eye of pity on his losses.

That have of late so huddled on his back, Enough to press a royal merchant down. Shaksp. Brown answered after his blunt and huddling

Thyrsis, whose artful strains have oft delay'd The huddling brook to hear his madrigal, And sweeten'd every muskrose of the dale.

Milton, Comus. Their eyes are more imperfect than others; for they will run against things, and, huddling forwards, fall from high places. Brown, Vulg. Err.

2. To cuddle. A northern word. Westmoreland and Cleveland Dialects, &c. See To CUDDLE.

HU'DDLE. n. s. [from the verb.] Crowd; tumult; confusion: with obscurity.

That the Aristotelian philosophy is a huddle of words and terms insignificant, has been the censure of the wisest. Glanville.

Your carrying business in a huddle, Has forc'd our rulers to new-model. Nature doth nothing in a huddle. L'Estrange. The understanding sees nothing distinctly in things remote, and in a huddle.

Locke.

Several merry answers were made to my question, which entertained us till bed-time, and filled my mind with a huddle of ideas. Addison.

HU'DDLER.* n. s. [Germ. hudler.] One who throws things into confusion; a bungler.

A confused huddler of things.

· Cotgrave, and Sherwood.

HUE. † n. s. [Sax. hip, hipe, and also hiu; our old authors usually write our word hew. Serenius notices the Sueth. hy, the colour of the face, which in the Icelandick is the down of it, from hua, hya, to cover.]

1. Colour; die.

For never in that land Face of fair lady she before did view. Or that dread lyon's look her cast in deadly hue.

To add another hue unto the rainbow, Is wasteful and ridiculous excess. Shaks. K. John.

Flowers of all hue, and without thorn the rose. Milton, P. L.

To whom the angel, with a smile that glow'd Celestial rosy red, love's proper hue, Milton, P. L. Answer'd.

Your's is much of the camelion hue, To change the die with a distant view.

2. [Huée, French; from huer, to shout after. Kelham deduces this from the old Fr. huchet, a huntsman's horn.] A clamour; a legal pursuit; an alarm given to the country. It is commonly joined with cry.

Hue and cry, villain, go! Assist me, knight, I

am undone: fly, run, hue and cry! villain, I am Shakspeare. Immediately comes a hue and cry after a gang

of thieves, that had taken a purse upon the road. If you should hiss, he swears he'll hiss as high;

And, like a culprit, join the hue and cry. Addis. The hue and cry went after Jack, to apprehend him dead or alive, wherever he could be found. Arbuthnot, J. Bull.

HU'ED.* adj. [from hue.] Coloured. Written hewed. See HUE. Phebus waxe old, and hewed like laton.

Chaucer, Frankl. Tale.

Lastly stood war in glittering arms yelad, With visage grim, sterne looks, and blackly hewed. Sackville, Induct. Mir. for Mag.

Hu'ER. n. s. [huer, French, to cry.] One whose business is to call out to others.

They lie hovering upon the coast, and are directed by a balker or huer, who standeth on the cliff-side, and from thence discerneth the course of the pilchard. Carew, Surv. of Cornwall.

HUFF. n. s. [from hove, or hoven, swelled: he is huffed up by distempers. So in some provinces we still say the bread huffs up, when it begins to heave or ferment: huff, therefore, may be ferment. To be in a huff is then to be in a ferment, as we now speak.

1. Swell of sudden anger or arrogance. Quoth Ralpho, honour's but a word

To swear by, only in a lord; In others it is but a huff,

To vapour with instead of proof. Hudibras.

His frowns kept multitudes in awe, Before the bluster of whose huff All hats, as in a storm, flew off.

Hudibras. We have the apprehensions of a change to keep a check upon us in the very huff of our greatness. L'Estrange.

A Spaniard was wonderfully upon the huff about his extraction. L'Estrange.

No man goes about to ensnare or circumvent another in a passion, to lay trains, and give secret blows in a present huff. 2. A wretch swelled with a false opinion

of his own value. As for you, colonel huff-cap, we shall try before

a civil magistrate who's the greater plotter.

Lewd shallow-brained huffs make Atheism and contempt of religion the sole badge and character

To HUFF. † v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To swell; to puff.

In many wild birds the diaphragm may easily be huffed up with air, and blown in at the windpipe.

2. To hector; to treat with insolence and arrogance, or brutality.

The commissioner at Magdalen college said to Dr. Hough, You must not presume to huff us.

3. To offend. "She's easily huffed." Brockett's N. Country Words.

To Huff. v. n. To bluster; to storm; to bounce; to swell with indignation or

Therefore the maids and Roman matrons all, A shadowing veile before their face did weare Their heavenly hue did throw no man to thrall: They were content with plaine and decent geare, They huft it not with painted frisled heare. Mir. for Mag. p. 215.

A huffing, shining, flatt'ring, cringing coward, A cankerworm of peace, was rais'd above him.

A thief and justice, fool and knave, A huffing officer and slave. Hudibras.

Huffing to cowards, fawning to the brave, To knaves a fool, to cred'lous fools a knave. Roscommon.

This senseless arrogant conceit of theirs made them huff at the doctrine of ropentance, as a thing below them. South Now what's his end? O charming glory, say!

What, a fifth act to crown his huffing play?

What a small pittance of reason and truth is mixed with those huffing opinions they are swelled When Peg received John's message, she huffed and stormed like the devil. Arbuthnot, J. Bull.

HU'FFER. n. s. [from huff.] A blusterer :

a bully.

Nor have I hazarded my art To be expos'd i' th' end to suffer, By such a braggadocio huffer. Hudibras.

Hu'ffiness.* n. s. [from huff.] Arrogance; petulance.

Their understandings being but creatural huffiness of mind, and an ambition of approving themselves the broachers and maintainers of

strange paradoxes. Annot. on Glanville, &c. (1682,) p. 248.

Hu'ffish. adj. [from huff.] Arrogant; insolent; hectoring.

HU'FFISHLY. adv. [from huffish.] With arrogant petulance; with bullying bluster.

Hu'ffishness. n. s. Petulance; arrogance; noisy bluster.

To MUG. † v. a. [hezian, Saxon, to hedge, to enclose.]

1. To press close in an embrace. He bewept my fortune,

And hugg'd me in his arms. Shakspeare. What would not he do now to hug the creature that had given him so admirable a serenade!

Ev'n in that urn their brother they confess, And hug it in their arms, and to their bosom press.

Dryden. King Xerxes was enamoured upon an oak, which he would hug and kiss.

Harvey on Consumptions. Dryden, Span. Friar. 2. To fondle; to treat with tenderness.

I, under fair pretence of friendly ends, And well-plac'd words of glozing courtesy, Baited with reasons not unplausible, Wind me into the easy-hearted man, And hug him into snares. Milton, Comus. We hug deformities, if they bear our names.

Admire yourself, And, without rival, hug your darling book.

Though they know that the flatterer knows the falsehood of his own flatteries, yet they love the impostor, and with both arms hug the abuse.

Mark with what joy he hugs the dear discovery.

3. To hold fast.

Age makes us most fondly hug and retain the good things of life, when we have the least prospect of enjoying them. Atterbury.

4. To gripe in wrestling.

5. To applaud or congratulate one's self, on account of supposed advantage or

superiority.

These shall be declared the rightful heirs of the kingdom, when the presumed sons of it, who hugged themselves as the only favourites of heaven, and warmed their hands by their own fantastick fires, who flew aloft, on the wings of imagination, and proudly looked down upon the modest and humble believer : - these, we have reason to think, shall then be cast out. Glanville, Serm. p. 315.

Not to mention the wonderful delight of libelling men in power, and hugging yourself in a corner with mighty satisfaction for what you have Swift, Exam. No. 26.

Hug. + n. s. [from the verb.]

1. Close embrace.

Why these close hugs? I owe my shame to him.

2. A particular gripe in wrestling, called a Cornish hug.

Knock down, was the word in the civil wars, and we generally added to this skill the knowledge of the Cornish hug, as well as the grapple, to play Tatler, No. 173. with hand and foot.

HUGE.† adj. [hoogh, high, Dutch. Dr. Johnson. - It is from the old Fr. ahugue, " enorme, grand." Roquefort.]

1. Vast; immense.

Let the state of the people of God, when they were in the house of bondage, and their manner of serving God in a strange land, be compared with that which Canaan and Jerusalem did afford; and who seeth not what huge difference there was between them?

This space of earth is so huge, as that it equalleth in greatness, not only Asia, Europe, and Africa, Abbot. but America.

2. Very great.

Very great.
The mountain huge.
Part, huge of bulk, Milton, P. L. Wallowing unwieldy, enormous in their gait, Tempest the ocean; there leviathan, Hugest of living creatures, in the deep Stretch'd like a promontory, sleeps or swims, Milton, P. L. And seems a moving land. 3. Great even to deformity or terribleness.

The patch is kind enough, but a huge feeder. Shakspeare. Through forest huge, and long unravell'd heaths,

With desolation brown, he wanders waste. Thomson.

4. Having any quality in a great or high degree.

The mercy, and the pardon, and the huge moderation of that court. Hammond, Works, iv. 505. He received admonition always as huge kindness. Fell, Life of Hammond.

Hu'GELY. † adv. [from huge.]

1. Immensely; enormously.
Who cries out on pride, That can therein tax any private party?

Doth it not flow as hugely as the sea? Shakspeare.

Greatly: very much.

Some think it is enough, in all instances, if they pray hugely and fervently.

Bp. Taylor, Serm. (1653,) p. 134. Their case is hugely suspicious, though they then repent and call for mercy.

Bp. Taylor, Holy Dying, § 4. ch. 5.

A thing so hugely pleasurable.

Hammond, Works, iv. 479. It was hugely accidental, that Joash king of Israel, being commanded by the prophet to strike upon the ground, (2 Kings, xiii.) should strike no oftener than just three times. South, Serm. i. 288. I am hugely bent to believe, that whenever you

concern yourselves in our affairs, it is for our good.

1. Enormous bulk; greatness. For though, in hugenesse, that blacke fleet of Spaine

Did farre surpasse; yet was it farre more slow In nimble stirrage wafting to and fro. Mir. for Mag. p. 820.

2. Utmost extent. Not in use.

Hu'GENESS.† n. s. [from huge.]

My mistress exceeds in goodness the hugeness of your unworthy thinking.

Hu'GEOUS.* adj. [from huge.] A low word

for vast or enormous.

Hu'ggermugger. † n. s. [corrupted perhaps from hug er morcker, or hug in the dark. Morcker in Danish is darkness, whence our murky. It is written by Sir Thomas More, hoker moker. Hoker, in Chaucer, is peevish, crossgrained, of which moker may be only a ludicrous reduplication. Hooke is likewise in German a corner, and moky is in English Johnson. - This expression was also written hucker mucker, with the same meaning of in secret. "They should not have lurked all this while in hucker mucker." Stapleton, Fort. of the Faith, 1565. fol. 88. "The matter hushed up in hucker mucker." Watson, Quodlibets of Rel. and State, 1602, p. 44. This directs us to the German mucken, to mutter, to speak low, as the probable etymon of part of the word. "They in hugger mugger muttred what they durst." Mir. for Mag. p. 457. Dr. Jamieson, under the similar Scottish expression hudge mudge, notices also the Icel. miugg, secretly, as the basis of it, which Ihre, he adds, inclines to deduce from the German mucken. Of the alliance of the former part of the expression, viz. hugger, hudge, or hucker, to the Teut. hugghen, and the Saxon hozan, to mind, to observe, which Skinner and Dr. Jamieson state, there may be doubt. To hugger appears to have been a cant term for to lurk about, in the sixteenth century; as Steevens remarks in a note on huggermugger, in Shakspeare.] Secrecy; bye-place.

The patrimony which a few Now hold in huggermugger in their hand, And all the rest do rob of goods and land. Spenser, Hub. Tale.

We have done but greenly, In huggermugger to inter him. Shaks, Hamlet.

But if I can but find them out, Where e'er th' in huggermugger lurk,

I'll make them rue their handy work. Hudibras. There's a distinction betwixt what's done openly and barefaced, and a thing that's done in huggermugger, under a seal of secrecy and concealment. L' Estrange.

HU'GUENOT.* n. s. [There have been many fanciful derivations of this word proposed. The most rational is that of Eignots, confederates, which Voltaire and others have given, from the German eidgnossen; of which it seems to be a -corrupt pronunciation. The term of Huguenot had its rise in 1560; that of Eignot, at the beginning of that century. "Nouveau sujet de division dans Genève. Ce fut alors (1513) qu' on y vit naître les tîtres d'Eignots, et de Mammelus; par lesques les deux parties se distinguèrent. Les Eignots etoîent ceux qui tenoient pour la liberte de la patrie. -- On les appelloient ainsi, parce qu'ils aimoient la liberté, comme les Cantons Suisses, qui s'appellent en leur langue eidgnossen, c'est à dire, confédérez. De là est venu vraisemblablement le nom des Huguenots," Ruchat, Reform. de la Suisse. vol. i. p. 447.] One of the reformed religion in France; a French Calvinist.

Mezeray tells us, that the name of Huguenots, or Fidnos, [so printed by Dryden, but evidently mistaken for *Eidgnoss or Eidgnossen*,] from whence it was corrupted, signifies league, or association, in the Swiss language; and was brought, together with the sect, from Geneva into France.

Dryden, Poster. to the Hist. of the League.

dark. I know not how to determine. Dr. Hu'guenotism.* n. s. [from huguenot. Fr. huguenoterie.] The profession or primciples of an Huguenot.

> Sherwood, and Bailey. Hu'gy. † adj. Vast; great; huge. Not in use, Dr. Johnson says, citing only Carew. He had forgotten Dryden and

This hugy rock one finger's force apparently Carew, Surv. of Cornwall. The wide waste places, and the hugie plain.

Sackville, Induct. Mir. for Mag. Scarce had he finish'd, when with speckled pride, A serpent from the tomb began to glide; His hugy bulk on seven high volumes roll'd,

Blue was his breadth of back, but streak'd with scaly gold. Dryden, Æn. v.

HU'ISHER.* n. s. [French, huissier.] An attendant; a door-keeper. Now written usher. See Usher.

It makes huishers serviceable men.

B. Jonson, Forest.

HUKE † n. s. [Dr. Johnson merely cites the Fr. huque; but that is from the Teut. huycke. Our old lexicography calls it "a Dutch attire, covering the head, face, and all the body." Bullokar, and Cockeram. Cotgrave describes it as a "Dutch "mantle, or a Dutch woman's mantle." The low Latin huca, as well as the Fr. huque, whether a mantle, hood, or robe, appears to have been worn by both sexes. See Du Cange and Lacombe. Kilian says that the Teut. huycke is the same as hoedke, from hoeden, to cover. Our word has been written also hyke.] A cloak; a mantle.

As we were thus in conference, there came one that seemed to be a messenger in a rich huke.

Bacon, New Atlantis.

HULCH.* n. s. [from the Su. Goth. hulkig, convex.] A bunch; a bump; any round swelling, as a hulch in the back.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood. HULCHBA'CKED.* adj. [hulch and back.] Crook-backed; having bent or crump shoulders. Cotgrave, and Sherwood.

HU'LCHED.* adj. [from hulch.] Swollen; puffed up. Cotgrave, and Sherwood. Hu'lchy.* adj. [from hulch.] Much swelling; gibbous. Sherwood.

HU'LET.* See Howler.

HULK. † n. s. [Su. Goth. holk. Serenius and Ihre. From holka, to excavate; hol, hollow. Others, from the Gr. dwyas. "Ships of burden, which the Roman authors call "naves onerariæ," and the Grecian φορτικοί and δλκάδες, whence the name of our hulks may properly be derived, served for the conveyance of victuals, &c." Kennet, Rom. Antiq. ii. iv. 20. Dr. Johnson, under hull, admits that hulk seems originally to have signified not merely the body or hull, but a whole ship of burden, heavy and bulky. Yet here, in its proper place, no notice is taken of it. The Saxon hulce is described as a light, swift ship; the Teut. hulke, as a large and heavy one, "navis oneraria, navigium latum vastumque." Kilian.]

1. A ship: a vessel of burden; "a broad ship." Huloet.

The massy anchors wai'd, One English ship, two hulks of Holland, aid In such a pinch. Mir. for Mag. p. 414.

2. The body of a ship.

There's a whole merchant's venture of Bourdeaux stuff in him; you have not seen a hulk better stuffed in the hold. Shakspeare.

The custom of giving the colour of the sea to the hulks, sails, and mariners of their fly-boats, to keep them from being discovered, came from the Arbuthnot.

They Argo's hulk will tax, And scrape her pitchy sides for wax. The sooty hulk

Steer'd sluggish on. Thomson.

Swift.

3. Any thing bulky and unweildy. This sense is still retained in Scotland, and the north of England; as, a hulk of a fellow. And Harry Monmouth's brawn, the hulk Sir John.

Is prisoner to your son. The hulck of a tall Brabanter, behind whom I stood in the corner of a street, shadowed me from notice. Bp. Hall, Spec. of his Life, p. 22.

To HULK. v. a. To exenterate: as, to hulk a hare. Ainsworth. Hu'lky.* adj. [from hulk.] This is a

colloquial term in many parts of England, for a heavy, large, or unweildy person.

HULL. † n. s. [huljan, Gothick, to cover. Dr. Johnson. - Germ. hullen, the same. See To HELE, and To HILL. "Hull of a nut, &c. That by which the nut is covered. Hull of a ship. That part which is covered in the water." Mr. H. Tooke, VOL. II.

sertion, Mr. Tooke is supported by preceding etymologists; to the latter difference of opinion may be safely objected, in following Ihre's derivation of holk, i. e. hulk, from the verb signifying to hollow out; a term, he says, originally applied to the trunks of trees hollowed out, the first vessel of the Scythians.]

1. The husk or integument of any thing: the outer covering; as, the hull of a nut | 5.

covers the shell.

2. The body of a ship; the hulk. Hull and hulk are now confounded; but hulk seems originally to have signified not merely the body or hull, but a whole ship of burden, heavy and bulky.

Deep in their hulls our deadly bullets light,

And through the yielding planks a passage find.

So many arts hath the Divine Wisdom put together, only for the hull and tackle of a thinking creature.

To lie a Hull. Spoken of a ship, either in a dead calm or a storm, when she cannot carry all her sails; or her masts are taken down or gone, and she is left at the direction of the waves.

We took in our sail, and lay a hull, tost suffi-Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 398.

Like a ship at hull and becalmed. Hammond, Works, iv. 655.

To HULL. v. n. [from the noun.] To float; to drive to and fro upon the water without sails or rudder.

They saw a sight full of piteous strangeness; a ship, or rather the carcase of the ship, or rather some few bones of the carcase, hulling there, part broken, part burned, and part drowned. Sidney. Will you hoist sail, sir, here lies your way.

- No, good swabber, I am to hull here a little Shakspeare. He look'd, and saw the ark hull on the flood.

Milton, P. L. People walking down upon the shore saw somewhat come hulling toward them. L'Estrange. To HULL.* v. a.

1. To peel off the hull or husk of any seed. The male will hull the seeds for his consort with

his bill, and present them to her in this state. Latham, Synops, i. 310. 2. To fire cannon balls into the hull of a

ship, within the point-plank rank. Chambers.

HU'LLY. adj. [from hull.] Siliquose; husky. Ainsworth.

HU'LVER. n. s. Holly. Save hulver and thorn, thereof flail for to make.

To HUM. † v. n. [hommelen, Dutch.]

1. To make the noise of bees. An airy nation flew,

Thick as the humming bees that hunt the golden dew In summer's heat.

Dryden. 2. To make an inarticulate and buzzing

I think he'll hear me : yet to bite his lip, And hum at good Cominius, much unhearts me.

The cloudy messenger turns me his back,

And hums; as who should say, You'll rue. Shaks. 3. To make a confused noise, like that of bustling crowds at a distance.

The city swarms intense: the publick haunt, Full of each theme and warm with mix'd discourse, Hums indistinct. Thomson, Winter.

Div. of Purl. ii. 383. In the former as- | 4. To pause in speaking, and supply the interval with an audible emission of breath.

Having pump'd up all his wit,

And humm'd upon it, thus he writ. Hudibras. I still acquiesc'd,

And never humm'd and haw'd sedition, Nor snuffled treason.

Hudibras. The man lay humming and having a good while; but, in the end, he gave up himself to the physi-

To make a low dull noise; to murmur. Humming rivers, by his cabin creeping,

Rock soft his slumbering thoughts in quiet ease. P. Fletcher, Pisc. Ecl. ii. 17. Still humming on, their drowsy course they keep,

And lash'd so long, like tops, are lash'd asleep.

6. To express applause. Approbation was commonly expressed in publick assemblies by a hum, about a century ago. Here the spectators hummed. -

Ld. Ch. Baron. Gentlemen, this humming is not at all becoming the gravity of this court. Trial of the Regicides, (1660,) fol. 49. b.

To Hum.* v. a.

1. To applaud. See the last sense of the verb neuter.

The better sort among them will confess it a rare matter to hear a true edifying sermon in either of their great churches; and that such as are most hummed and applauded there, would be scarcely suffered the second hearing in a grave congregation of pious Christians.

Milton, Apology for Smectymnuus.

2. To sing low; to utter murmuringly or indistinctly.

Hum half a tune. The wild wind hums the sullen song to night. Rev. G. Butt, Ode, (1780.)

3. To cause to hum or make a dull noise: as, to hum a gig or top.

4. To impose upon a person. See the eighth sense of the substantive Hum.

Hum. † n. s. [from the verb.]

1. The noise of bees or insects. · To black Hecat's summons,

The shard-born beetle, with his drowsy hums, Hath rung night's yawning peal. Shaksp. Mach. Nor undelightful is the ceaseless hum,

To him who muses through the woods at noon. Thomson.

2. A low confused noise, as of bustling crouds at a distance. From camp to camp, through the foul womb of

The hum of either army stilly sounds.

Shakspèare, Hen. V. Tower'd cities please us then,

And the busy hum of men. Milton, L'All. One theatre there is of vast resort

Which whilome of requests was call'd the court; But now the great exchange of news 'tis hight, And full of hum and buzz from noon till night.

3. Any low dull noise. Who sat the nearest, by the words o'ercome,

Slept fast; the distant nodded to the hum. Pope.

4. A pause with an inarticulate sound. These shrugs, these hums and haws, When you have said she's goodly, come between,

Ere you can say she's honest. Shaksp. Wint. Tale. Your excuses want some grains to make them current: hum and ha will not do the business. Dryden, Span. Friar.

5. In Hudibras it seems used for ham, Dr. Johnson says: where, however, the word is not hum, but bum.

6. An expression of applause. You hear a hum in the right place.

7. Formerly a strong liquor drunk by the common people; whence, perhaps, the application of humming to ale. See HUMMING Ale.

The taking of tobacco, with which the devil Is so delighted : - and calls for hum. You takers of strong waters and tobacco,

B. Jonson, Dev. is an Ass. Mark this. 8. A jest; a low trick; a hoax. [It is also used in Scotland; and Dr. Jamieson notices, with Serenius, the Su. Goth. hum, the origin of which is unknown.]

> A landlord of Bath put upon me a queer hum. Epig. Oxford Sausage.

Hum. interject. A sound implying doubt and deliberation.

Let not your ears despise the heaviest sound

That ever yet they heard.

- Hum ! I guess at it. Shakspeare, Macbeth. See sir Robert - hum !

And never laugh for all my life to come. Pope. HU'MAN. adj. [humanus, Lat. humain

1. Having the qualities of a man.

It will never be asked whether he be a gentleman born, but whether he be a human creature?

2. Belonging to man.

The king is but a man as I am: the violet smells to him as it doth to me; all his senses have but human conditions. Shakspeare. For man to tell how human life began

Is hard; for who himself beginning knew?

Milton, P. L. Thee, serpent, subtil'st beast of all the field, I knew; but not with human voice indu'd.

Milton, P. L. Intuitive knowledge needs no probation, nor can have any, this being the highest of all human cer-

HU'MANATE.* part. adj. [from human.] Invested with humanity.

Of your saying it followeth, that the bread is humanate or incarnate.

Abp. Cranmer, Answ. to Bp. Gardiner, p. 369. HUMA'NE. adj. [humaine, Fr.] Kind;

civil; benevolent; good-natured. Love of others, if it be not spent upon a few,

doth naturally spread itself towards many, and maketh men become humane and charitable

Envy, malice, covetousness, and revenge are abolished: a new race of virtues and graces, more divine, more moral, more humane, are planted in their stead.

HUMA'NELY. adv. [from humane.] Kindly; with good-nature.

If they would yield us the superfluity, while it were wholesome, we might guess they relieved us Shaksneare. humanely.

Huma'neness.* n. s. [from humane.] Tenderness; humanity.

HU'MANIST. † n. s. [humaniste, Fr.] A philologer; a grammarian; a term used in the schools of Scotland, Dr. Johnson says, without any example, and without noticing that it is well used by our own writers for one skilled in the knowledge of human nature.

Physicians use commonly to intend some other art or practice, which they fancy more than their profession; for you shall have of them antiquaries, poets, humanists, statesmen, merchants, divines; and in every of these better seen than in their pro-Bacon, Adv. of Learning, B. 2.

Of all sorts of men in the world, none repute themselves, or are reputed by others, wiser, than the profound humanist and cunning politician.

Junius, Sin Stigmat. p. 603. Huma'nity. † n. s. [humanité, Fr. humanitas, Lat.

1. The nature of man.

Look to thyself; reach not beyond humanity. A rarer spirit never did steer humanity. Shaks.

The middle of humanity thou never knewest, but the extremity of both ends. To preserve the Hebrew intire and uncorrupt, there hath been used the highest caution humanity Brown

could invent. an uncertain rumour, a slight suspicion; 2. Humankind; the collective body of mankind.

If he can untie those knots, he is able to teach all humanity, and will do well to oblige mankind by his informations. Glanville.

3. Benevolence; tenderness.

All men ought to maintain peace, and the common offices of humanity and friendship in diversity of opinions. How few, like thee, enquire the wretched out,

And court the offices of soft humanity? Like thee reserve their raiment for the naked, Reach out their bread to feed the crying orphan, Or mix their pitying tears with those that weep?

4. Philology; grammatical studies. In Scotland, humaniores literæ. The French so use les humanités.

If then we may spend some of yong yeares in studies of humanity; what better and more sweet study is there for a young man than Poetrie? Harrington, Apology of Poetry.

A man but young, Yet old in judgement; theorick and practick Massinger, Fatal Dowry. In all humanity. The most eminent scholars which England produced both in philosophy and humanity.

To Hu'manize. v. a. [humaniser, Fr.] To soften; to make susceptive of tenderness or benevolence.

Here will I paint the characters of woe, -And here my faithful tears in showers shall flow, To humanize the flints whereon I tread. Wotton.

Was it the business of magick to humanize our natures with compassion, forgiveness, and all the instances of the most extensive charity? Addison. HU'MANKIND. n. s. [human and kind.]

The race of man; mankind. Blest with a taste exact, yet unconfin'd; A knowledge both of books and humankind.

HU'MANLY. adv. [from human.] 1. After the notions of men; according to

the power of men. Thus the present happy prospect of our affairs,

humanly speaking, may seem to promise. Atterb. 2. Kindly; with good-nature. This is now written humanely.

Though learn'd, well bred; and though well bred, sincere;

Modestly bold, and humanly severe. HUMA'TION.* n. s. [Lat. humatio, from humus, the ground.] Interment.

Chambers. HU'MBIRD. n. s. [from hum and bird.]

The humming bird. All ages have conceived the wren the least of birds, yet our own plantations have shewed us one far less; that is, the humbird, not much exceeding

a beetle. HU'MBLE. adj. [humble, Fr. humilis,

Brown

1. Not proud; modest; not arrogant.

And mighty proud to humble weak does yield,

Spencer Now we have shewn our power,

Let us seem humbler after it is done, Than when it was a-doing. Shakspeare, Coriot. Thy humble servant vows obedience, And faithful service, till the point of death.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. We should be as humble in our imperfections and sins as Christ was in the fulness of the spirit, great wisdom, and perfect life.

Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy.
You, if an humble husband, may request,
Provide and order all things for the best. Dryd.

Ten thousand trifles light as these, Nor can my rage nor anger move: She should be humble, who would please; Prior. And she must suffer, who can love.

2. Low; not high; not great. The example of the heavenly lark, Thy fellow-poet, Cowley, mark!

Above the skies let thy proud musick sound, Thy humble nest build on the ground. Denied what ev'ry wretch obtains of fate,

An humble roof and an obscure retreat. Yalden. Ah! prince, hadst thou but known the joys which dwell

With humbler fortunes, thou wouldst curse thy royalty! Far humbler titles suit my lost condition. Smith.

To HU'MBLE. v. a. [from the adjective.] 1. To make humble; to make submissive; to make to bow down with humility.

Take this purse, thou whom the heaven's plagues

Have humbled to all strokes. Shaksp. K. Lear. The executioner

Falls not the axe upon the humbled neck, But first begs pardon. Shakspeare, As you like it. Humble yourselves under the mighty hand of 1 Pet. v. 6. God, that he may exalt you. Hezekiah humbled himself for the pride of his

Why do I humble thus myself, and suing For peace, reap nothing but repulse and hate?

Milton, S. A. Let the sinner put away the evil of his doings, and humble himself by a speedy and sincere repentance: let him return to God, and then let him be assured that God will return to him.

Rogers. 2. To crush; to break; to subdue; to mortify.

We are pleased, by some implicit kind of revenge, to see him taken down and humbled in his reputation, who had so far raised himself above us. Addison.

The mistress of the world, the seat of empire, The nurse of heroes, the delight of gods, That humbled the proud tyrants of the earth.

Addison, Cato. Men that make a kind of insult upon society, ought to be humbled as disturbers of the publick Freeholder. tranquillity.

Fortune not much of humbling me can boast; Though double tax'd, how little have I lost!

3. To make to condescend.

This would not be to condescend to their capacities, when he humbles himself to speak to them, but to lose his design in speaking. 4. To bring down from an height.

In process of time the highest mountains may be humbled into valleys; and again, the lowest valleys exalted into mountains.

Hakewill on Providence.

Hu'mblebee. † n. s. [humble and bee. What may be the true etymology of this word, I am in doubt. The humblebee is known to have no sting. The Scotch call a cow without horns an humble cow;

so that the word seems to signify inermis, wanting the natural weapons. Dr. Beattie, and Dr. Johnson. - It is from the Teut. hommolen, bombum edere. some think that the humblebee ought rather to be called bumblebee, from the Lat. bombus, on account of the deepness of its note. It is so called in many parts of England. See BUMBLEBEE. Chaucer, however, uses humbling in the sense of humming, murmuring, or muttering, which at once decides the etymon: "Like to the humblinge after the clappe of a thundringe." House of Fame, ii. 531.] A buzzing wild bee.

The honeybags steal from the humblebees, And for night tapers crop their waxen thighs.

Shakspeare. This puts us in mind once again of the humblebees and the tinderboxes.

HU'MBLEBEE. n. s. An herb. Ainsworth. HU'MBLEBEE Eater. n. s. A fly that eats the humblebee. Ainsworth. Hu'mdrum.† adj. [from hum, drone, or humming drone. Dr. Johnson. — From

HU'MBLEMOUTHED. adj. Thumble and mouth.] Mild; meek.

You are meek and humblemouthed, but your heart

Is cramm'd with arrogancy, spleen, and pride.

Hu'mbleness. n. s. [from humble.] Humility; absence of pride. With how true humbleness

They look'd down to triumph over pride! Sidney. I am rather with all subjected humbleness to thank her excellencies, since the duty thereunto gave me rather heart to save myself, than to receive

Sidney. It was answered by us all, in all possible humbleness; but yet with a countenance, that we knew that he spoke it but merrily.

A grain of glory, mixt with humbleness, Cures both a fever and lethargickness. Herbert. HU'MBLEPLANT. n. s. A species of sen-

sitive plant.

The humbleplant is so called, because as soon as you touch it, it prostrates itself on the ground, and in a short time elevates itself again: it is raised in hotbeds. Mortimer.

HU'MBLER. † n. s. [from humble.] One that humbles or subdues himself or others.

Sherwood. Hu'mbles. † n. s. Entrails of a deer. See UMBLES.

Humbleness; humility. Obsolete. And with meek humbleness, and afflicted mood,

Pardon for thee, and grace for me intreat. Spens. HU'MBLING.* n. s. [from humble.] Humiliation; abatement of pride.

Yearly enjoin'd some say, to undergo This annual humbling certain number'd days, To dash their pride and joy for man seduc'd. Milton, P. L.

HU'MBLY. adv. [from humble.] 1. Without pride; with humility; modestly; with timorous modesty.

They were us'd to bend, To send their smiles before them to Achilles, To come humbly as they us'd to creep to holy Shakspeare. altars.

Here the tam'd Euphrates humbly glides, And there the Rhine submits her swelling tides.

Write him down a slave, who, humbly proud, With presents begs preferments from the crowd.

In midst of dangers, fears, and death, Thy goodness I'll adore: And praise thee for thy mercies past,

And humbly hope for more. Addison. 2. Without height; without elevation.

Hu'mbug.* n. s. An imposition: a very low word. Not used in any serious writings. See the eighth sense of Hum.

There is a word very much in vogue with the people of taste and fashion, which though it has not even the "penumbra" of a meaning, yet makes up the sum total of the wit, sense, and judgement of the aforesaid people of taste and fashion! "This peace will prove a confounded humbug upon the nation.—These theatrical managers humbug the town damnably!"—Humbug is neither an English word, nor a derivative from any other language. It is indeed a blackguard sound, made use of by most people of distinction! It is a fine make-weight in conversation, and some great men deceive themselves so egregiously as to think they mean something by it!

Student, vol. 2. (1751), p. 41.

hum, and the Icel. draums, dull, melancholy; or droma, to proceed slowly.] Dull; dronish; stupid.

Shall we, quoth she, stand still humdrum, And see stout Bruin all alone,

By numbers basely overthrown? I was talking with an old humdrum fellow, and, before I had heard his story out, was called away by business. Addison, Whig-Exam. No. 3.

v. a. [humecto, Lat. To HUME'CT. humecter, Fr.] To To HUME CTATE. wet; to moisten.

The Nile and Niger do not only moisten and contemperate the air by their exhalations, but refresh and humectate the earth by their annual in-Her rivers are divided into sluices, to humectate

the bordering soil. Howel, Voc. For. The medicaments are of a cool humecting qua-

lity, and not too much astringent.

Wiseman, Surgery. HUMECTA'TION. n. s. [humectation, Fr. from humectate.] The act of wetting; moistening.

Plates of brass, applied to a blow, will keep it down from swelling: the cause is repercussion, without humectation, or entrance of any body.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. That which is concreted by exsiccation, or expression of humidity, will be resolved by humectation, as earth and clay. Brown, Vulg. Err.

HUMBLESS.† n. s. [old Fr. humblesse.] Hume'ctive.* adj. [from To humect.] Having the power to wet or moisten.

These fountain-waters have an humective and vegetative virtue within them, to water and to make things prosper and grow up. Partheneia Sacra, (1633,) p. 218.

HU'MERAL. adj. [humeral, Fr. from humerus, Lat.] Belonging to the shoulder. The largest crooked needle should be used, with a ligature, in taking up the humeral arteries in

Humicuba'tion. n.s. [humi and cubo, Lat.] The act of lying on the ground. Fasting and sackcloth, and ashes and tears, and humicubations, used to be companions of repent-Bp. Bramhall.

HU'MID. adj. [humide, Fr.humidus, Lat.] Wet; moist; watery. Iris there, with humid bow,

Waters the odorous banks that blow Flowers of more mingled hue, Than her purpled scarf can shew. Milton, Comus. The queen, recover'd, rears her humid eyes,

And first her husband on the poop espies. Dryden. If they slip easily, and are of a fit size to be agitated by heat, and the heat is big enough to keep them in agitation, the body is fluid; and if it be apt to stick to things, it is humid.

Newton, Opticks.

HUMI'DITY. n. s. [humidité, Fr. from humid.] That quality which we call moisture, or the power of wetting other bodies. It differs very much from fluidity, depending altogether on the congruity of the component particles of any liquor to the pores or surfaces of such particular bodies as it is capable of adhering to. Thus quicksilver is not a moist liquor, in respect to our hands or clothes, and many other things it will not stick to; but it may be called so in reference to gold, tin, or lead, to whose surfaces it will presently adhere. And even water itself, that wets almost every thing, and is the great standard of humidity, is not capable of wetting every thing; for it stands and runs easily off in globular drops on the leaves of cabbages, and and many other plants; and it will not wet the feathers of ducks, swans, and other water-fowl. Quincy.

We'll use this unwholesome humidity, this gross watry pumpion. Shakspeare. O blessed breeding sun, draw from the earth

Rotten humidity: below thy sister's orb Infect the air. afect the air. Shakspeare, Tim. of Athens. Young animals have more tender fibres, and

more humidity, than old animals, which have their juices more exalted and relishing Arbuthnot on Diet.

To HU'MILE.* v.a. [old Fr. humilier.] To humiliate or humble. Obsolete.

Davyd ought to humyle himselfe. Bp. Fisher, Ps. p. 4.

Humilia'tion. n.s. [French.]

1. Descent from greatness; act of humi-

The former was an humiliation of Deity, the latter an humiliation of manhood; for which cause there followed upon the latter an exaltation of that which was humbled; for with power he created the world, but restored it by obedience. Hooker. Thy humiliation shall exalt

With thee thy manhood also to this throne.

Milton, P. L.

2. Mortification; external expression of sin and unworthiness.

John fared poorly, according unto the apparel he wore, that is, of camel's hair; and the doctrine he preached was humiliation and repentance.

Brown, Vulg. Err. With tears

Watering the ground, and with our sighs the air Frequenting, sent from hearts contrite, in sign Of sorrow unfeign'd, and humiliation meek. Milton, P. I..

3. Abatement of pride.

It may serve for a great lesson of humiliation to mankind, to behold the habits and passions of men trampling over interest, friendship, honour, and their own personal safety, as well as that of their

Humi'lity. n. s. [humilité, Fr.]

1. Freedom from pride; modesty; not ar-

When we make profession of our faith, we stand; when we acknowledge our sins, or seek unto God for favour, we fall down; because the gesture of constancy becometh us best in the one, | HU'MORAL adj. [Fr. humoral. Cotgrave.] in the other the behaviour of humility. Hooker.

I do not know that Englishman alive, With whom my soul is any jot at odds, More than the infant that is born to night; I thank my God for my humility.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. What the height of a king tempteth to revenge, the humility of a Christian teacheth to forgive.

King Charles. The humility of the style gained them many

friends. There are some that use Humility to serve their pride, and seem Humble upon their way, to be the prouder

At their wish'd journey's end. Denham's Sophy. It is an easy matter to extol humility in the midst of honours, or to begin a fast after dinner. South.

As high turrets, for their airy steep, Require foundations in proportion deep; And lofty cedars as far upwards shoot, As to the nether heavens they drive the root; So low did her secure foundation lye, She was not humble, but humility. Dryden.

2. Act of submission.

With these humilities they satisfied the young king, and by their bowing and bending avoided Davies. the present storm.

HU'MMER. n. s. [from hum.] That which Ainsworth. hums; an applauder. HU'MMING.* n. s. [from To hum.]

1. The noise of bees or flies.

The humming of bees is an unequal buzzing. Bacon.

So weary bees in little cells repose; But if night robbers lift the well-stored hive, An humming through the waxen city grows.

Hoarse hummings of unnumber'd flies. Dr. Warton, Ode to Evening.

2. An inarticulate sound.

Upon my honour, sir, I heard a humming, And that a strange one too, which did awake me. Shakspeare.

3. A dull, unmeaning noise.

The musical accents of the Indians, to us, are but inarticulate hummings; as are ours to their otherwise tuned organs.

HU'MMING Ale.* Sprightly ale; probably from the spirituous liquor called hum, which ale perhaps displaced; or from a mixture of hum with the malt liquor, as spirits are now sometimes mixed with it. See the seventh sense of Hum.

With humming ale encouraging his text. Dryden, Wife of Bath's Tale.
Rum, brandy, gin with choicest smack,

From Holland brought, Batavia's 'rack; All these will nought avail,

To cheer a truly British heart, And lively spirits to impart, Like humming nappy ale.

Song ascribed (perhaps inaccurately) to Gay.

HUMMING Bird.* See HUMBIRD.

Hu'mmock.* n.s. [perhaps a corruption of hump. A little hill; rising ground. Point Possession bore N. N. E. about three miles distance, and some remarkable hummocks on

the north. Hawkesworth's Voyages.

Hu'mmums.* n. s. pl. [Persian, hummum, a hot-house. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 318.] Sweating-places, or baths. The word is used by us only in the plural. Artificial grots, having also hummums of stone

paved with white marble.

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 169. The hummums (or sweating-places) are many, [at Cazbyn in Persia.]

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 211.

Proceeding from the humours.

This sort of fever is comprehended under continual humoral fevers. Harvey on Consumptions. n. s. [humoristo, Italian;

Hu'moriste, Fr.]

1. One who conducts himself by his own fancy; one who gratifies his own hu-

The notion of a humorist is one that is greatly pleased; or greatly displeased, with little things; his actions seldom directed by the reason and nature of things.

Many of the rest were as bad men as princes; humorists rather than of good humours.

Brown, Chr. Mor. iii. 12. Extraordinary men of arts, in all ages, are generally observed to be the greatest humorists: they are so full of the sweetness of their own conceptions, that they become morose when they are drawn from them. Sprat, Hist. R. S. p. 336.

This humorist keeps to himself much more than he wants, and gives his superfluities to purchase

2. One who has odd conceits.

Do ye see a nice humorist, that will not dress a dish, nor lay a cloth, nor walk abroad on a Sunday, and yet make no conscience of cozening his neighbour on the workday?

Bp. Hall, Serm. The Hypocrite. 3. One who is fond of jesting; a wag; a

An infectious collection of base vices and fashions of men and women - will be of use only among humorists for jests and table-talk.

Sir T. Bodley, Lett. to Sir F. Bacon. These poor gentlemen endeavour to gain themselves the reputation of wits, and humourists, by such monstrous conceits as almost qualify them Addison, Spect. No. 35. for Bedlam.

The wit sinks imperceptibly into an humourist. Shakspeare's heroes, and Jonson's humourists.

Tatler, No. 12. 4. One who has violent and peculiar passions.

By a wise and timous inquisition the peccant humours and humorists must be discovered and purged, or cut off: mercy, in such a case, in a king, is true cruelty. Bacon to Villiers.

Hu'morous.† adj. [from humour.]
1. Moist; humid; damp; dewy.

The humourous fogs deprive us of his sight.

Drayton, Baron's Wars, C. 1. Every lofty top, which late the humorous night Bespangled had with pearl.

Drayton, Polyolb. S. 13. He hath hid himself among those trees, To be consorted with the humorous night. Shakspeare, Rom. and Juliet.

2. Full of grotesque or odd images.

Some of the commentators tell us, that Marsya was a lawyer who had lost his cause; others that this passage alludes to the story of the satyr Marsyas, who contended with Apollo, which I think Addison on Ituly is more humorous.

3. Capricious: irregular; without any rule but the present whim.

I am known to be a humourous patrician; said to be something imperfect, in favouring the first complaint; hasty and tinder-like, upon too trivial Shakspeare, Coriol. motion.

Thou fortune's champion, that do'st never fight But when her humorous ladyship is by, To teach thee safety. Shakspeare, K. John

He's humorous as winter, and as sudden As flaws congealed in the spring of day. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

O, you awake then: come away, Times be short, are made for play; The humorous moon too will not stay :

What doth make you thus delay? B. Jonson. Vast is his courage, boundless is his mind,

Rough as a storm, and humorous as the wind. Dryden.

He that would learn to pass a just sentence on persons and things, must take heed of a fanciful temper of mind, and an humorous conduct in his Watts, Logick.

4. Pleasant; jocular. Thy humorous vein, thy pleasing folly, Lies all neglected, all forgot: And pensive, wav'ring, melancholy,

Thou dread'st and hop'st thou know'st not what.

Hu'morously. adv. [from humorous.]

1. Merrily; jocosely.

A cabinet of medals Juvenal calls very humorously, concisum, argentum in titulos faciesque minutas.

It has been humorously said, that some have fished the very jakes for papers left there by men

2. Capriciously; whimsically.

We resolve by halves, and undadvisedly; we resolve rashly, sillily, or humorously, upon no reasons that will hold.

Calamy.

Hu'morousness. † n. s. [from humorous.] 1. Fickleness; capricious levity.

2. Jocularity; oddness of conceit.

3. Petulance; peevishness.

It must be extreme humourousness to deny a Providence in them. Goodman, Wint. Ev. Conf. P. iii.

HU'MORSOME. † adj. [from humour.]

 Peevish; petulant.
 I am glad that, though you are incredulous,
 you are not humoursome too.

Goodman, Wint. Ev. Conf. P. iii. [This] seems to me very humoursome and un-Blackwall, Sacr. Class. i. 17. reasonable.

2. Odd; humorous. In this sense it is less

Our science cannot be much improved by masquerades, where the wit of both sexes is altogether taken up in continuing singular and humorsome disguises.

HU'MORSOMELY. † adv. [from humorsome.] Peevishly; petulantly.

There is no time of the world, wherein there are not very plainly the prints of divinity, and evidences of a Providence continually presiding over the world, if a man do not humoursomely despise Goodman, Wint. Ev. Conf. P. iii.

HU'MOUR. n. s. [humeur, Fr. humor, Lat.

1. Moisture.

The aqueous humour of the eye will not freeze, which is very admirable, seeing it hath the perspicuity and fluidity of common water.

Ray on the Creation.

2. The different kind of moisture in man's body, reckoned by the old physicians to be phlegm, blood, choler, and melancholy, which, as they predominated, were supposed to determine the temper

Believe not these suggestions, which proceed From anguish of the mind and humours black, That mingle with thy fancy. Milton, S. A.

3. General turn or temper of mind.

As there is no humour, to which impudent poverty cannot make itself serviceable; so were there enow of those of desperate ambition, who would build their houses upon others ruin.

Sidney.

There came a young lord, led with the humour of youth, which ever thinks that good whose goodness he sees not.

King James, as he was a prince of great judgement, so he was a prince of a marvellous pleasant humour; as he was going through Lusen by Greenwich, he asked what town it was; they said Lusen. He asked, a good while after, what town is this we are now in? They said still it was Lusen; then, said the king, I will be king of Bacon, Apophthegms. Examine how your humour is inclin'd.

And which the ruling passion of your mind.

Roscommon.

They, who were acquainted with him, know his humour to be such, that he would never constrain himself. Dryden.

In cases where it is necessary to make examples, it is the humour of the multitude to forget the crime, and to remember the punishment.

Addison. Good humour only teaches charms to last, Still makes new conquests, and maintains the past.

4. Present disposition.

It is the curse of kings to be attended By slaves, that take their humours for a warrant To break into the blood-house of life. Shakspeare. Another thought her nobler humour fed.

Their humours are not to be won,

But when they are impos'd upon. Tempt not his heavy hand:

But one submissive word which you let fall, Will make him in good humour with us all. Dryden.

5. Grotesque imagery; jocularity; merriment.

In conversation humour is more than wit, easiness more than knowledge.

6. Tendency to disease; morbid disposition.

He denied himself nothing that he had a mind to eat or drink, which gave him a body full of humours, and made his fits of the gout frequent and violent. Temple.

The child had a humour which was cured by the waters of Glastonbury. Fielding.

7. Petulance; peevishness.

Is my friend all perfection, all virtue and discretion? Has he not humours to be endured, as well as kindnesses to be enjoyed?

8. A trick; a practice.

I like not the humour of lying: he hath wronged me in some humours: I should have borne the humour'd letter to her. Shakspeare.

9, Caprice; whim; predominant inclin- HU'NCHBACKED. adj. [hunch and back.] ation.

In private, men are more bold in their own humours; and in consort, men are more obnoxious to others' humours: therefore it is good to take both.

To Hu'mour. v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To gratify; to sooth by compliance.

If I had a suit to master Shallow, I would humour his men; if to his men, I would curry with master Shallow. Shakspeare If I were Brutus now, and he were Cassius,

He should not humour me. Shakspeare

Obedience and subjection were never enjoined by God to humour the passions, lusts, and vanities of those who are commanded to obey our gover-

You humour me, when I am sick; Why not when I am splenetick?

Children are fond of something which strikes their fancy most, and sullen and regardless of every thing else, if they are not humoured in that fancy. Watts, Logick.

2. To fit; to comply with.

To after age thou shalt be writ the man, That which smooth air could'st humour best our Milton, Sonnet.

'Tis my part to invent, and the musicians to

humour that invention. Dryden, Pref. to Albion.
Fountainbleau is situated among rocks and woods, that give a fine variety of savage prospects: the king has humoured the genius of the place, and only made use of so much art as is necessary to regulate nature.

Hu'mourist.* See Humorist. Hu'moursome.* See Humorsome.

HUMP.† n. s. [corrupted perhaps from

bump. See Bump. Dr. Johnson. - It is more probably from the Lat. umbo, which is the boss of a buckler, and also a tump or hillock.] The protuberance formed by a crooked back.

These defects were mended by matches; the eyes were opened in the next generation, and the hump fell.

Accidents, as a wound, bruise, dislocation, or fracture, may introduce humps, distortions, &c. Cheyne, English Malady, ch. 3. § 9.

HU'MPBACK. n. s. [hump and back.] Crooked back; high shoulders.

The chief of the family was born with an humn, back and very high nose. Tatler

Hudibras. Hu'mpbacked, adj. Having a crooked back.

Dwarfs, crooked, or humpback'd, and other errors of nature. Townsend, Conq. of Mexico, iii. 14.

To HUNCH. † v. a. [husch, Germ. a blow; hnustkast, Icel. to strike or contend with fists, from hnosa; Sueth. knosa, to pound, to beat. Serinius.]

To strike or punch with the fists.

A great troop of women, and their fellows at their heels, ever and anon hunching and justling one another.

L'Estrange, Trans. of Quevedo, p. 148. Jack's friends began to hunch and push one another: why don't you go and cut the poor fellow down ? Arbuthnot.

2. [Hocker, a crooked back, a bunch, Germ.] To crook the back.

Thy crooked mind within hunch'd out thy back, And wander'd in thy limbs.

Hunch.* n. s. [from the verb.]

I. A blow; a punch. "He gave me a deadly hunch.

2. A hump; a bunch. [Germ. hocker.]

Having a crooked back. His person deformed to the highest degree, flat-

nosed, and hunchbacked. L'Estrange. But I more fear Creon! To take that hunchback'd monster in my arms,

Th' excrescence of a man

Dryden and Lee, Œdimus. The second daughter was peevish, haggard, pale, with saucer-eyes, a sharp nose, and hunchbacked. Arbuthnot, Hist. of J. Bull.

HU'NDRED.† adj. [honderd, Dutch; hund, hundped. Sax. from the Goth. hund. At first the Gothick expression for hund was taihun-taihund, or taihuntehund, i. e. ten times ten. This was abbreviated into the last syllable. See Lye, edit. Manning, in V. Goth. hund.] The number consisting of ten multiplied

A hundred altars in her temple smoke, A thousand bleeding hearts her pow'r invoke. Dryden, Æn.

Many thousands had seen the transactions of our Saviour, and many hundred thousands received an account of them from the mouths of those who were eye-witnesses.

HU'NDRED. n. s.

1. A company, body, or collection consisting of an hundred.

Very few will take this proposition, that God is pleased with the doing of what he himself commands, for an innate moral principle: whosoever does so, will have reason to think hundreds of propositions innate. Locke.

Lands, taken from the enemy, were divided into centuries or hundreds, and distributed amongst the soldiers.

2. A canton or division of a county, perhaps once containing an hundred manors. [hundredum, low Lat. hundrede, old Fr.]

Imposts upon merchants do seldom good to the king's revenue; for that that he wins in the hundred, he loseth in the shire.

For justice they had a bench under a tree, where Ket sat, and with him two of every hundred whence their companies had been raised; here complaints were exhibited. Hayward.

HU'NDREDER.* n. s. [hundredarius, low

1. One of the jury upon a controversy, dwelling in the hundred where the land

Some of the jury were obliged to be returned from the hundred in which such vill lay; and, if none were returned, the array might be challenged for defect of hundredors. Blackstone.

2. One that hath the jurisdiction of a hundred, and holdeth the hundred court; the bailiff of an hundred. Cowel.

Hu'ndredth.adj.[hunbpeonteogopa, Sax.] The ordinal of an hundred; the tenth ten times told.

We shall not need to use the hundredth part of that time, which themselves bestow in making invectives.

If this medium is rarer within the sun's body than at its surface, and rarer there than at the hundredth part of an inch from its body, and rarer there than at the orb of Saturn, I see no reason why the increase of density should stop.

Hung. The preterite and part. pass. of

A wife so hung with virtues, such a freight,

What mortal shoulders can support! Dryden, Juv. A room that is richly adorned, and hung round with a great variety of pictures, strikes the eye at once.

Hu'ngary Water.* A distilled water, so called from a queen of Hungary, for whose use it was first prepared. It is prepared from rosemary flowers.

HU'NGER. † n. s. [hungep, Sax. the past participle of hyngman, to hunger, according to Mr. H. Tooke. It is, however, the Su. Goth. hunger, whence also the Dutch honger. See also To HUNGER.

1. Desire of food; the pain felt from fast-

An uneasy sensation at the stomach for food. When the stomach is empty, and the fibres in their natural tension, they draw up so close as to rub against each other, so as to make that sensation: but when they are distended with food, it is again removed; unless when a person fasteth so long as for want of spirits, or nervous fluid, to have those fibres grow too flaccid to corrugate, and then we say a person has fasted away his stomach. Quincy,

Thou shalt serve thine enemies in hunger and in thirst. Deut. xxviii. 48.

The sub-acid part of the animal spirits, being cast off by the lower nerves upon the coats of the stomach, vellicates the fibres, and thereby produces the sense we call hunger. Something viscous, fat, and oily, remaining in

the stomach, destroys the sensation of hunger. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

2. Any violent desire.

The immaterial felicities we expect, do naturally suggest the necessity of preparing our appetites and hungers for them, without which heaven can Decay of Piety. be no heaven to us. For hunger of my gold I die. Dryden.

To Hu'nger. + v. n. [M. Gothick, huggrian, pronounced hungrian; Sax hyn-Zpian.]

1. To feel the pain of hunger.

My more having, would be as a sauce To make me hunger more. Shakspeare, Mucbeth. As he returned into the city, he hungered. St. Matt. xxi. 18.

Widely they gape, and to the eye they roar, As if they hunger'd for the food they bore. Cowley. 2. To desire with great eagerness; to long.

Do'st thou so hunger for my empty chair, That thou wilt needs invest thee with my honours, Before thy hour be ripe? O, foolish youth, Thou seek'st the greatness that will overwhelm thee!

Stay but a little. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. P. II. I content me,

And from the sting of famine fear no harm, Nor mind it, fed with better thoughts that feed Me hungering more to do my father's will,

Milton, P. R.

To Hu'nger.* v. a. To famish; as, to hunger a person, that is, not to allow sufficient food. Common in the north of England; and used, perhaps, in other places.

Hu'ngerbit. 7 adj. [hunger and bit: hunzepbiten, Sax. HU'NGERBITTEN. Chron. Pained or weakened with hunger.

His strength shall be hungerbitten. Job, xviii.12. Thyself

Bred up in poverty and straits at home; Lost in a desart here, and hungerbit. Milton, P. R.

Hu'ngered.* See Hungred.

Hu'ngerly. † adj. [from hunger.] Hungry; in want of nourishment.

Then came Covetis, can I him no discrive, So hungerly and hollowe, so sternely he loked. Vis. of P. Plowman, (ed. 1550,) fol. xxiii. His beard

Grew thin and hungerly, and seem'd to ask His sops as he was drinking. Shakspeare.

Hu'ngerly. adv. With keen appetite. You have sav'd my longing, and I feed

Most hungerly on your sight. Shakspeare.

They are all but stomachs, and we all but food; They eat us hungerly, and, when they're full, They belch us.

To Hu'ngerstarve.* v. a. [hunger and starve.] To famish. Huloet.

Hu'ngerstarved. † adj. [hunger and starved. Formerly, hunger-starven. Gower, Conf. Am. B. 6. Bp. Hall, Sat. i. 1. " Hunger-starven, trencher poetry."] of food.

All my followers to th' eager foe Turn back, and fly like ships before the wind, Or lambs pursu'd by hungerstarved wolves. Shaksneare.

Go, go, cheer up thy hungerstarved men. Shakspeare.

By extortion and oppression, by unconscionable racking of rents and wresting from them excessive fines, [they] make them naked and hunger-starved. Hakewill on Providence, p. 522.

Hunger-starved beggars, wandering rogues. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 157.
As to some holy house th' afflicted came,

The hungerstarv'd, the naked, and the lame, Want and diseases, fled before her name. Dryden.

Hu'ngred. † adj. [from hunger. Usually with an prefixed, corresponding to athirst. Pinched by want of food.

When he had fasted forty days and forty nights, St. Matt. iv. 2. he was afterwards an hungred. Odours do in a small degree nourish, and we see men an hungred love to smell hot bread.

HU'NGRILY. adv. [from hungry.] With keen appetite.

Thus much to the kind rural gods we owe, Who pity'd suff'ring mortals long ago; When on harsh acorns hungrily they fed, And gave 'em nicer palates, better bread.

HU'NGRY, adj. [from hunger.]

1. Feeling pain from want of food. That face of his the hungry cannibals Would not have touch'd, would not have stain'd

with blood. By eating before he was hungry, and drinking before he was dry, he was sure never to eat or drink much at a time,

They that talk thus may say that a man is always hungry, but that he does not always feel it; whereas hunger consists in that very sensation.

2. Not fat; not fruitful; not prolifick; more disposed to draw from other substances than to impart to them.

Cassius has a lean and hungry look. Shakspeare. The more fat water will bear soap best; for the hungry water doth kill its unctuous nature. Bacon. In rushy grounds springs are found at the first and second spit, and sometimes lower in a hungry Mortimer gravel.

To the great day of retribution our Saviour refers us, for reaping the fruits that we here sow in the most hungry and barren soil.

Smalridge, Serm. Hunks. n. s. [hunskur, sordid, Icelandick.]

A covetous sordid wretch; a miser; a 2. A pack of hounds. curmudgeon. The old hunks was well served, to be tricked

out of a whole hog for the securing of his pud-L'Estrange She has a husband, a jealous, covetous, old hunks.

Irus has given all the intimations of being a close hunks, worth money.

Huns.* n. s. pl. [Lat. Hunni; Sax. punar.] 4. Pursuit. A barbarous people of Scythia, who, after subduing Pannonia in the third century, gave to it the present name of Hungary, and settled there.

Theophilactus Simocatta, speaking of the Abares a Scythian nation dwelling near Ister, saith, that they were descended from the Hunnes.

Purchas, Pilgrim, (1617,) p. 409. His countrymen the Huns, Did stew their meat between their burns.

Hudibras, i. ii.

Starved with hunger; pinched by want | To HUNT. v. a. [huncian, Saxon, from huns, a dog.

1. To chase wild animals.

The man that once did sell the lion's skin, While the beast liv'd, was kill'd in hunting him. Shakspeare.

Wilt thou hunt the prey for the lion, or fill the appetite of the young lions? Job, xxxviii. 39. We should single every criminal out of the herd, and hunt him down, however formidable and overgrown; and, on the contrary, shelter and defend virtue.

2. To pursue; to follow close.

Evil shall hunt the violent man to overthrow Ps. cxl.

The heart strikes five hundred sort of pulses in an hour, and is hunted unto such continual palpitations, through anxiety, that fain would it Harvey on Consumptions.

3. To search for.

Not certainly affirming any thing, but by conferring of times and monuments, I do hunt out a probability.

All that is found in books is not rightly deduced from principles: such an examen every reader's mind is not forward to make, especially in those who have given themselves up to a party, and only hunt for what may favour and support the tenets of it.

4. To direct or manage hounds in the chase.

He hunts a pack of dogs better than any, and is famous for finding hares. Addison.

To HUNT. v. n.

1. To follow the chase. When he returns from hunting,

I will not speak with him. Shakspeare, K. Lear. Esau went to the field to hunt for venison. Gen. xxvii. 5.

On the old pagan tombs, masks, hunting matches, and Bacchanals are very common.

Addison on Italy.

2. To pursue or search. Very much of kin to this is the hunting after arguments to make good one side of a question, and wholly to neglect and refuse those which favour the other side.

Hunt. † n. s. [from the verb.]

1. A huntsman. [Sax. hunta, a hunter.] This is the ancient usage of the substantive, which remained in our lexicography in Charles the First's time. "A hunt, or huntsman." Sherwood's Dictionary. Dr. Johnson has not noticed it.

Ready for to ride

With hunte and horne, and houndes him beside. Chaucer, Kn. Tale.

The common hunt, though from their rage restrain'd

By sovereign pow'r, her company disdain'd, Grinn'd as they pass'd. Dryden, Hind & Panther. 3. A chase.

The hunt is up, the morn is bright and gray; The fields are fragrant, and the woods are green.

Shakspeare.

I've heard myself proclaim'd;

And by the happy hollow of a tree, Escap'd the hunt. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

HU'NTER. † n. s. [from hunt.]

1. One who chases animals for pastime or

If those English lords had been good hunters, and reduced the mountains, boggs, and woods within the limits of forests, chases, and parks, the forest law would have driven them into the plains. Davies on Ireland.

Down from a hill the beast that reigns in woods, HU'NTSMANSHIP.† n. s. [from huntsman.] First hunter then, pursued a gentle brace, Goodliest of all the forest, hart and hind.

Milton, P. L. Another's crimes th' unhappy hunter bore, Glutting his father's eyes with guiltless gore.

Dryden, Æn. This was the arms or device of our old Roman hunters; a passage of Manilius lets us know the pagan hunters had Meleager for their patron.

Addison on Italy Bold Nimrod first the savage chase began, A mighty hunter, and his game was man. Pope.

2. A dog that scents game or beasts of

Of dogs, the valu'd file Distinguishes the swift, the slow, the subtle,

The housekeeper, the hunter. Shaksp. Macbeth. 3. A hunting-horse, as it was formerly called. The name of hunter, applied to the horse, is modern: as, he rides a good hunter.

· Hu'nting.* n. s. [Sax. huntung, venatio.]

The diversion of the chase.

When we grow up to men, we have another succession of sanguinary sports; in particular, hunting. I dare not attack a diversion, which has such authority and custom to support it.

Guardian, No. 61. One followed study and knowledge, and another hawking and hunting.

HU'NTINGHORN. n. s. [hunting and horn.] A bugle; a horn used to cheer the hounds.

Whilst a boy, Jack ran from school,

Fond of his huntinghorn and pole. Hu'ntinghorse.* n.s. [hunting and horse.] A horse to hunt on, what is now called, a hunter.

His hunting-horses were the finest and best managed in all these parts. Spectator, No. 116. HU'NTINGSEAT.* n.s. [hunting and seat.]

A temporary residence for the purpose of hunting.

Near it [is] a house built by one of the grand dukes for a hunting-seat, but now converted into Gray, Lett.

HU'NTRESS. n. s. [from hunter.] A woman that follows the chase.

And thou, thrice crowned queen of night, sur-

With thy chaste eye, from thy pale sphere above, Thy huntress' name, that my full life doth sway.

Shall I call Antiquity from the old schools of Greece, To testify the arms of chastity? Hence had the huntress Dian her dread bow, Fair silver-shafted queen, for ever chaste.

Milton, Comus. Let old Arcadia boast her ample plain, The immortal huntress, and her virgin train;

Nor envy Windsor. Homer represents Diana with her quiver at her

shoulder; but at the same time he describes her as an huntress.

HU'NTSMAN. n. s. [hunt and man.]

1. One who delights in the chase. Like as a huntsman, after weary chase,

Seeing the game escape from him away, Sits down to rest him. Spenser, Sonn. Such game, whilst yet the world was new, The mighty Nimrod did pursue:

What huntsman of our feeble race,

Or dogs, dare such a monster chase? 2. The servant whose office it is to manage the chase.

Apply this moral rather to the huntsman, that managed the chase, than to the master.

L'Estrange.

The qualifications of a hunter.

At court your fellows every day Give the art of rhiming, huntsmanship, or play.

To betoken his huntsmanship, he holdeth in his hand the skin of a wild beast.

Gregory, Posthum. (1650,) p. 228. HU'RDEN.* n. s. [from being made of hurds, or coarse flax.] A coarse kind of linen. It is used adjectively, as linen; woollen, and words of that kind very frequently are. Mason.

It is, when he is reaping, making hay, or when he is hedging in his hurden frock. Shenstone.

HU'RDLE.† n. s. [hypbel, Sax. The past participle of hypban, to keep, according to Mr. H. Tooke. Serenius, long before, had thus deduced the Icel. hurd, crates, from the verb hyrda, to keep. Hence the Germ. hurde, a hurdle; and the old Fr. hourde, which has also hordel, "hordelies, des claies pour les champs, crates." Lacombe.]

1. A texture of sticks woven together; a crate.

The sled the tumbril, hurdles and the flail, These all must be prepar'd. Dryden, Georg. 2. Crate on which criminals were dragged to execution.

Settle your fine joints 'gainst Thursday next, Or I will drag thee on a hurdle thither. Shakspeare. The blacksmith was hanged, drawn, and quartered at Tyburn; taking pleasure upon the hurdle,

to think that he should be famous in after times. To Hu'rdle.* v. a. [from the noun. German, hurden.] To make up, hedge. cover, or close with hurdles. Sherwood. This old verb has lately been revived.

In hurdled cotes the flocks are penn'd, Seward, Sonnets, &c. p. 173. HURDS. † n. s. [See HARDS.] The refuse

of hemp or flax. Ainsworth. Hu'rdy-gurdy.* n. s. [I know not whence it is derived.] A stringed instrument, often heard in the streets of London; though, as Mr. Ritson has observed, not in the hands of the natives; the strings of which are agitated by the friction of a wheel. It is played by foreign mendicants, most frequently women.

Whom have we here? a sightly swain and sturdy!

Hum! plays, I see, upon the hurdy-gurdy. Foote's Midas.

To HURL. † v. a. [from huorlt, to throw down, Icelandick; or, according to Skinner, from whirl. Dr. Johnson. To whirl, and to hurl, are both derived from the Su. Goth. hurra, to turn round rapidly; Sax. hpeppian; and I should imagine hurl to be the elder of the two. Wicliffe uses it in the sense of beating vehemently, whirling round with violence. "The wyndis blewen, and thei hurliden agen that hous, and it felde down." St. Matt. vii. 27. "The flood was hurlid to that house." St. Luke, vi. Hence our hurlwind. See also To HURTLE.

1. To throw with violence; to drive impetuously.

If heavens have any grievous plagues in store, O, let them keep it till thy sins be ripe, And then hurl down their indignation

On thee. Shakspeare, Rich. III. He holds vengeance in his hand, To hurl upon their heads that break his law.

I with my nails digg'd stones out of the ground, To hurl at the beholders of my shame.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. If he thrust him of hatred, or hurl at him by laying of wait. Numb. xxxv. 20.

They use both the right hand and the left in hurling stones. 1 Chron. xii, 2. Hurl ink and wit,

As madmen stones. B. Jonson. His darling sons,

Hurl'd headlong to partake with us, shall curse Their frail original and faded bliss. Milton, P. L. She strikes the lute; but if it sound,

Threatens to hurl it on the ground. Waller. Corrupted light of knowledge hurl'd,

Sin, death, and ignorance, o'er all the world. Denham.

Young Phaeton, From east to north irregularly hurl'd, First set himself on fire, and then the world.

Dryden, Juv. Conjure him far to drive the Grecian train, And hurl'd them headlong to their fleet and main.

2. To utter with vehemence. [hurler, French, to make an howling or hideous noise. This sense is not in use.

The glad merchant that does view His ship far come from watry wilderness, He hurls out vows. Spenser. Highly they rag'd against the Highest, Hurling defiance toward the vault of heaven.

Milton, P. L. 3. To play at a kind of game.

Hurling taketh its denomination from throwing of the ball, and is of two sorts; to goals, and to the country: for hurling to goals there are fifteen or thirty players, more or less, chosen out on each side, who strip themselves, and then join hands in ranks, one against another: out of these ranks they match themselves by pairs, one embracing another, and so pass away: every of which couple are to watch one another during this play. Carew, Survey of Cornwall.

To HURL.* v. n. To move rapidly; to whirl.

The very streams look languid from afar, Or through the unshelter'd glade impatient seem To hurl into the covert of the grove.

Thomson, Summer.

HURL. † n. s. [from the verb.] 1. The act of casting or throwing.

The gods with horror and amaze look'd down, Beholding rocks from their firm basis torn, Mountain on mountains thrown,

With threatening hurl that shook th' etherial firmament. Congreve, Ode on taking Namur.

2. Tumult; riot; commotion. [hurler, Fr.] He in the same hurl murdering such as he thought would withstand his desire, was chosen Knolles.

After this hurle the King was faine to flee Northward in post, for succour and reliefe! Mir. for Mag. p. 358.

HU'RLBAT. n. s. [hurl and bat.] Whirlbat. Ainsworth.

Hu'rler. † n. s. [from hurl.] 1. One who throws, or hurls. The stone that strikes the wall

Sometimes bounds back on th' hurler's head. Harington, Br. View of the Church, p. 48. This cursing Shimei, a hurler of stones as well Milton, Apol. for Smeetymnuus. as a railer.

2. One that plays at hurling. The hurlers must hurl man to man, and not

two set upon one man at once.

Carew, Surv. of Cornwall. HU'RLWIND. n. s. [hurl and wind.] A whirlwind; a violent gust. A word not now in use.

Like scatter'd down thy howling Eurus blown, By rapid hurlwinds from his mansion thrown.

No sudden hurlwinds shall your bodies cast On trembling earth. Sandy's Christ's Pass. p. 13.

HU'RLYSURLY. \ n. s. [from the French Hu'RLYBURLY. \} hurlubrelu, inconsiderately. Dr. Johnson. - " Hurly-burly means, literally much ado. It was a far more frequent expression of the English, than of the Scottish writers, during the age of Elizabeth and James. Burly signifies gross, great, Bullokar. Burly-brand, a great sword, or a great fury, Coles. Hurler, Fr. to do as others; to be wicked with the wicked, Dict. Comique. And see hurler, in Menage. Johnson is content to derive this expressive term, from the modern Fr. hurlu-burlu, not hurlubrelu: for it is not to be found in the old French word-books." Chalmers, Gloss. to Sir David Lyndsay's Works. - Mr. Chalmers and Dr. Johnson have overlooked a distinction of burly, in our language, for boisterous and loud; which I have illustrated in its place. Hurly-burly, therefore, may fairly be deduced from the Fr. hurler, to howl, to make a great cry, and the Teut. borlen, to make a noise; forming "a name which intimates the sound of that it signifieth; as hurliburly, for an uprore and tumultuous stirre." Peacham, Garden of Eloquence, 1577. Sign. C. iiij.] Tumult: commotion: bustle.

Winds take the ruffian billows by the top, That with the hurly death itself awakes. Shaksp.

Methinks, I see this hurly all on foot. All places were filled with tumult and hurlyburly, every man measured the danger by his own fear; and such a pitiful cry was in every place, as in cities presently to be besieged. Knolles, Hist. When, I pray you, were these classical assemblies, and these seditious stirs and hurliburlies of

Martinists?

Sir G. Paul, Life of Abp. Whitgift, p. 63. Hu'rly-burly.* adj. Tumultuous. Poor discontents,

Which gape and rub the elbow at the news Of hurlyburly innovation.

In the hurlyburly days of queen Elizabeth. Persecutio Undecima, (1648,) p. 11.

Hurra'h.* interj. [probably from the Goth. hurra, to agitate, to move vio-lently or rapidly.] A shout of joy, or triumph, or applause, or encouragement: at first, perhaps, the shout of

soldiers at the onset. HU'RRICANE. † \ n. s. [huracan, Spanish; HURRICA'NO. J ouragan, French; originally from the Su. Goth. hurra, to move rapidly or violently. Our word was at first variously written herocane, and herricano, as well as hurricane, and ! hurricano. A violent storm, such as is often experienced in the western hemisphere.

Blow winds and crack your cheeks;

Your cataracts and hurricanoes spout. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

We believed a herocane was begun, a vast or unwonted tumour in the air.

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 41. The winds are not only wild in a storm, but even stark mad in an hurricano.

Fuller, Holy State, p. 122. A storm or hurricano, though but the force of air, makes a strange havock where it comes.

Burnet, Theory. A poet who had a great genius for tragedy, made every man and woman too in his plays stark raging mad: all was tempestuous and blustering; heaven and earth were coming together at every word; a mere hurricane from the beginning

The ministers of state who gave us law, In corners with selected friends withdraw; There, in deaf murmurs, solemnly are wise, Whisp'ring like winds, ere hurricanes arise.

Dryden. So, where our wide Numidian wastes extend, Sudden th' impetuous hurricanes descend, Wheel through the air, in circling eddies play, Tear up the sands, and sweep whole plains away. Addison.

One that HU'RRIER. n. s. [from hurry.] hurries; a disturber. Mars, that horrid hurrier of men.

To HU'RRY. + v. a. [hepgian, to plunder, Saxon: hurs was likewise a word used by the old Germans in urging their horses to speed; but seems the imperative of the verb. Dr. Johnson. -

It is the Goth, horra, hurra, or hyra, to agitate, to drive, to move violently.] To hasten; to put into precipitation or confusion; to drive confusedly. Your nobles will not hear you; but are gone

To offer service to your enemy; And wild amazement hurries up and down The little number of your doubtful friends.

For whom all this haste Of midnight march and hurried meeting here? Milton, P. L. Impetuous lust hurries him on to satisfy it.

South. That hurried o'er Such swarms of English to the neighb'ring shore.

A man has not time to subdue his passions, establish his soul in virtue, and come up to the perfection of his nature, before he is hurried off

Stay these sudden gusts of passion,

That hurry you away. Rowe, Royal Convert.

If a council be called, or a battle fought, you are not coldly informed, the reader is hurried out of himself by the poet's imagination.

Pope's Pref. to the Iliad. To Hu'rry. v.n. To move on with pre-

cipitation. Did you but know what joys your way attend,

You would not hurry to your journey's end. Dryden.

HU'RRY. n. s. [from the verb.] Tumult; precipitation; commotion.

Among all the horrible hurries in England, Ireland was then almost quiet, It might have pleased him in the present heat and hurry of his rage; but must have displeased him infinitely in the sedate reflection. South.

After the violence of the hurry and commotion was over, the water came to a state somewhat more calm.

Ambition raises a tumult in the soul, it inflames the mind, and puts it into a violent hurry of thought. Addison. A long train of coaches and six ran through

the heart, one after another, in a very great hurry. I do not include the life of those who are in a

perpetual hurry of affairs, but of those who are not always engaged.

The pavement sounds with trampling feet, And the mixt hurry barricades the street.

Gay, Trivia.

Hu'rry-skurry.* adv. [an expression noticed in Dr. Jamieson's Scottish Etym. Dict. for a tumult, an uproar; " from the Su. Goth. hurra, cum impetu circumagi, & skorra, sonum stridulum edere, or skura, increpare, objurgare." We may look upon it, like hurly-burly, formed to signify its own meaning.] Confusedly; in a bustle; with noise and tumult.

Each hole and cupboard they explore. Each creek and cranny of his chamber, Run hurry-skurry round the floor, And o'er the bed and tester clamber. Gray, Long Story.

HURST. † n. s. [Sax. huppe, silva; low Lat. hursta. Du Cange. Horscht, hurst. virgultum, silva humiles tantum frutices proferens, frutetum. Kilian. Mr. H. Tooke derives it from the Sax hypran, to adorn; and says, that hurst is applied only to places ornamented by trees. It is true that hurst, or hyrst, is used by our old writers for a wood; and many places in this country, that have this word for part of the name, were so called from being near woods; and in the margin of Drayton's Polyolbion, from which the example of the word is cited, hurst is explained a wood. In the north of England, it denotes a bank or sudden rising of the ground. The term, as Dr. Jamieson has observed on the Scottish usage of the word, may have been primarily used to denote the barrenness of ground, as shewn by its producing only twigs and brushwood, from the Icel. hreys, hrys, in the pl. rendered loca virgultis obsita, et sterilia. Teut. horst. From this sense of it, an underwood might easily become the next, and then generally a wood; a rising ground, planted with trees. A small wood; a knoll covered with trees.

To her neighbouring chase the courteous forrest show'd

So just-conceived joy, that from each rising hurst, Where many a goodlie oake had carefullie been

The Sylvans in their songs their mirthfull meeting tell. Drayton, Polyolb. S. 2.

To HURT. † v. a. preter. I hurt; part. pass. I have hurt. [hypr, wounded, Sax. heurter, to strike, Fr. Dr. Johnson. -The past participle of hyppian, injuria afficere, vexare. Mr. H. Tooke. - But I must add the Teut. horten, which means the same as our hurt.

South. 1. To mischief; to harm.

He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death. Revel. ii. 11.

Virtue may be assail'd, but never hurt Surpriz'd by unjust force, but not enthrall'd.

Milton, Comus.

The Adonis of the sea is so called because it is a loving and innocent fish, that hurts nothing that

2. To wound; to pain by some bodily harm.

My heart is turn'd to stone: I strike it, and it hurts my hand. Shakspeare, Othello.

It breeds contempt

For herds to listen, or presume to pry, When the hurt lion groans within his den.

Dryden.

3. To damage; to impair. See thou hurt not the oil and wine.

Revel. vi. 6.

HURT. n. s. [from the verb.] 1. Harm; mischief.

The hurt thereby is greater than the good.

Spenser. I have slain a man to my hurt. Gen. iv. 23. I found it stand there uncorrected, as if there had been no hurt done. Baker on Learning.

2. Wound or bruise.

Where is he wounded? - There will be large cicatrices to shew the people: he received seven hurts i' th' body.

Shakspeare, Coriol. Carter adventured bravely, and received two great hurts in his body. The pains of sickness and hurts, hunger, thirst, and cold, all men feel. In arms and science, 'tis the same, Prior.

Our rival's hurts create our fame.

3. Injury; wrong. Why should damage grow to the hurt of the Ezra, iv. 22.

HUR'TER. † n. s. [from hurt.]

1. One that does harm.

2. A wounder. Cotgrave, and Sherwood. 3. The shoulder of the axle against which

the nave of the wheel knocks. [Fr. heurter, to knock.] Brockett, North Country Words.

HU'RTFUL. adj. [hurt and full.] Mischievous; pernicious.

Secret neglect of our duty is but only our own hurt: one man's contempt of the common prayer of the church of God may be most hurtful unto Hooker. The hurtful hazle in the vineyard shun,

Nor plant it to receive the setting sun.

Dryden, Georg.

HU'RTFULLY. + adv. [from hurtful.] Mischievously; perniciously. Sherwood.

HU'RTFULNESS. † n. s. [from hurtful.] Mis-

chievousness; perniciousness. Sherwood.

To HU'RTLE.† v. n. [heurter, French; urtare, Italian. Dr. Johnson. - Skinner considers hurtle as derived from hurl: or perhaps from the old Fr. heurteler for heuler, to push, or hit violently against. In the sense of encountering with violence, the word has been probably adopted from the Italian urtare, as it is a common phrase in that language for rushing on the enemy, "urtare contro i nemici." See Upton's note on Spenser, F. Q. i. iv. 16.]

1. To clash; to skirmish; to run against any thing; to jostle; to meet in shock

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and encounter. Hanmer. "To stumble against a thing." Pr. Parv.

They drew out their swords, and hurtled together with violence.

Hist. of Prince Arthur, P. i. ch. 28. Kindness

Made him give battle to the lioness, Who quickly fell before him; in which hurtling, From miserable slumber I awak'd.

Shakspeare, As you like it.

2. To clash; to rattle. The noise of battle hurtled in the air.

Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs. Iron sleet of arrowy shower Hurtles in the darken'd air.

Gray, Ode vii, 3. To rush forward.

Suddein upriseth from her stately place The roiall dame, and for her coche doth call: All hurtlen forth.

Spenser, F. Q. i. iv. 16. 4. To wheel round; to turn about quickly. His approved skill to ward,

Or strike, or hurtle round in warlike gyre. Spenser, F. Q. ii. v. 8.

To HU'RTLE. + v. a. | To move with violence or impetuosity. This is probably the original of hurl. Dr. Johnson. - See the etymology of the verb neuter, and the fourth sense of it. But the original meaning of hurtle seems to be to push, to thrust, in an active sense.]

1. To push with violence.

They hurtliden the schip, [they thrust in the shippe, Transl. of 1578: they ran the ship aground, Pres. Translation. Wicliffe, Acts, xxvii. 41. He foineth on his foe with a tronchoun, And he him hurtleth with his horse adoun.

Chaucer, Kn. Tale.

2. To move with violence, or rather with velocity; to whirl round; to brandish. His harmfull club he gan to hurtle high,

And threaten battle to the faery knight.

Spenser, F. Q. To toss the speer, and in a warlike gyre To hurtle my sharp sword about my head,

Selimus, Emp. of the Turkes, (1594.)

HU'RTLEBERRY. † n. s. [hiot bar, Danish; heonochenz, Sax.] Bilberry; bacca vitis

HU'RTLESS. adj. [from hurt.]

1. Innocent; harmless; innoxious; doing

Unto her home he oft would go, Where bold and hurtless many a play he tries,

Her parents liking well it should be so; For simple goodness shined in his eyes. [She] joy'd to make proof of her cruelty

On gentle dame, so hurtless and so true.

Spenser, F. Q. Shorter every gasp he takes, And vain efforts and hurtless blows he makes. Dryden, Æn.

2. Receiving no hurt.

HU'RTLESSLY. adv. [from hurtless.] Without harm.

Your neighbours have found you so hurtlessly strong, that they thought it better to rest in your friendship than make new trial of your enmity. Sidney.

HU'RTLESSNESS. n. s. [from hurtless.] Freedom from any pernicious quality.

HU'SBAND. † n. s. [hossband, master, Danish; from house and bonda, Runick, a master; hurbon6a, the master of the house or family, and also a husband; hur-bunea, Sax. Chronicon; "husbonde, Su. Goth. from hus, domus, and bonde, colonus, maritus, titulus olim honorificus."

Serenius. "The Su. Goth. bonde denotes the head of a family, as opposed to a servant; a husband, as opposed to a wife; a citizen or private person, as opposed to a prince; an inhabitant of the country, as opposed to those who live in towns; and also one who possesses his own inheritance, as distinguished from those who cultivate the property of others." Dr. Jamieson. An allusion to the etymology, as Mr. Malone also has observed, occurs in Shakspeare: "You will turn good husband now, Pompey; you will keep the house." Meas. for Measure.] 1. The correlative to wife; a man married

to a woman.

Thy husband is thy lord, thy life, thy keeper, Thy head, thy sovereign. Shaks. Tam. of the Shrew. Why, woman, your husband is in his old lunes again: he so takes on yonder with my husband, and so rails against all married mankind.

Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor. This careful husband had been long away, Whom his chaste wife and little children mourn.

The contract and ceremony of marriage is the occasion of the denomination of relation of husband.

2. The male of animals.

Ev'n though a snowy ram thou shalt behold, Prefer him not in haste, for husband to thy fold.

3. An economist; a man that knows and practises the methods of frugality and profit. Its signification is always modified by some epithet implying bad or

Edward I. shewed himself a right good husband; owner of a lordship ill husbanded.

Davies on Ireland. I was considering the shortness of life, and what ill husbands we are of so tender a fortune. Collier on Fame.

4. A tiller of the ground; a farmer. Husband's work is laborious and hard.

Spenser, Hubb. Tale. I heard a great husband say, that it was a common errour to think that chalk helpeth arable grounds. In those fields

The painful husband plowing up his ground, Shall find all fret with rust, both pikes and shields. Hakewill on Providence.

If continu'd rain The lab'ring husband in his house restrain, Let him forecast his work. Dryden, Georg.

To Hu'sband. v. a. [from the noun.] 1. To supply with an husband.

Think you I am no stronger than my sex, Being so father'd and so husbanded?

Shakspeare, Jul. Cas. If you shall prove

This ring was ever her's, you shall as easy Prove that I husbanded her bed in Florence, Where yet she never was. Shakspeare. In my right,

By me invested, he compeers the best. - That were the most, if he should husband you.

To manage with frugality.

To manage with fruganty.

It will be pastime passing excellent,

Shakspeare. If it be husbanded with modesty. The French, wisely husbanding the possession of a victory, kept themselves within their trenches.

Bacon, Hen. VII.

If thou be master-gunner, spend not all That thou can'st speak at once; but husband it, And give men turns of speech. Herbert.

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3. To till; to cultivate the ground with proper management.

A farmer cannot husband his ground, if he sits at a great rent.

Racon.

Hu'sbandable.* adj. [from To husband.] Manageable with frugality. Sherwood. Hu'sbandless. adj. [from husband.] Without an husband.

A widow, husbandless, subject to fears;

A woman, naturally born to fears.

Shakspeare, K. John. Hu'sbandly. adj. [from husband.] Frugal;

Bare plots full of galls, if ye plow overthwart; And compass it then, is a husbandly part. Tusser.

Hu'sbandman.† n. s. [husband and man.]
1. A master of a family. See Husband.
Not now in use.

Sicke lay the husband-man, whose that the place is. Chaucer, Sompm. Tale.

2. One who works in tillage.

This Davy serves you for good uses; he is your serving-man, and your husbandman. Shakspeare. The mule being more swift in his labour than the ox, more ground was allowed to the mule by husbandman.

Broome.

Hu'sbandry. n. s. [from husband.]

1. Tillage; manner of cultivating land.

He began with a wild method to run over all the art of husbandry, especially employing his tongue about well dunging of a field. Sidney. Ask'd if in husbandry he aught did know,

To plough, to plant, to reap, to sow.

Spenser, Hubb. Tale.

Husbandry supplieth all things necessary for food.

Spenser.

Peace hath from France too long been chas'd; And all her husbandry doth lie on heaps, Corrupting in its own fertility. Shaks. Hen. V.

Her plenteous womb

Expresseth its full tilth and husbandry. Shakspeare.
The seeds of virtue may, by the husbandry of
Christian counsel, produce better fruit than the

Christian counsel, produce better fruit than the strength of self-nature. Ralegh, Hist. Husbandry the Spaniards wanting in the valleys of Mexico, could not make our wheat bear seed.

Ralegh.

A family governed with order will fall naturally to the several trades of husbandry, tillage and pasturage.

Temple.

Let any one consider the difference between an acre of land sown with wheat, and an acre of the same land lying without any husbandry upon it, and he will find that the improvement of labour makes the value.

Locke.

2. Thrift; frugality; parsimony.

There's hushandry in heaven;

The candles are all out. Shakspeare, Mucbeth. You have already saved several millions to the publick, and that what we ask is too inconsiderable to break into any rules of the strictest good husbandry.

3. Care of domestick affairs.

Lorenzo, I commit into your hands
The husbandry and manage of my house. Shaks.

HUSH.† interj. [Without etymology. Dr. Johnson.— Cotgrave partly points out the etymology in his translation of the French househe; "an interjection whereby silence is imposed; husht, whist, ist, not a word for your life." This leads us to hist and whist, from which we have also whish. See Hist, and To Whist. Chaucer uses hust for whist. To hust occurs in the old dictionary of Palsgrave, in the sense of still; and soon afterwards, in the dictionary of Huloet, the word became husht; "To

husht, or to keep silence: husht, hold thy peace." So Cotgrave, husht. It finally became hush.] Silence! be still! no noise!

The king hath done you wrong; but hush!
'tis so.
Shakspeare.
There's something else to do; hush and be mute,

Or else our spell is marr'd. Shakspeare, Tempest.

Hush. adj. [from the interjection.] Still; silent; quiet.

As we often see, against some storm,
A silence in the heav'ns, the rack stand still,
The bold winds speechless, and the orb below
As hush as death. Shakspeare, Hamlet-

To Hush. v. n. [from the interjection.]
To be still; to be silent.

This frown'd, that fawn'd, the third for shame did blush;

Another seemed envious or coy;

Another in her teeth did gnaw a rush;
But at these strangers presence every one did hush.

Spenser, F. Q.

To Hush. v. a. To still; to silence; to quiet; to appease.

Yet can I not of such tame patience boast, As to be husht, and nought at all to say. Shak: It was my breath that blew this tempest up, Upon your stubborn usage of the pope;

But since you are a gentle convertite,

My tongue shall hush again this storm of war,

And make fair weather in your blust'ring land.

Shakspeare.

Speak softly;

All's husht as midnight yet. Shakspeare, Tempest.

My love would speak; my duty hushes me.

Shakspeare.

When in a bed of straw we shrink together,

When in a bed of straw we shrink togetter, And the bleak winds shall whistle round our heads, Wilt thou then talk thus to me? Wilt thou then Hush my cares thus, and shelter me with love?

Hush'd as midnight silence go;
He will not have your acclamations now. Dryden.
Her sire at length is kind,

Calms ev'ry storm, and hushes ev'ry wind;
Prepares his empire for his daughter's ease,
And for his hatching nephews smooths the seas.

Dryden.

The court was hushed, and a whisper ran.

Addison.

To Hush up. v. a. To suppress in silence; to forbid to be mentioned.

This matter is hushed up, and the servants are forbid to talk of it.

Pope.

HU'SHMONEY. † n. s. [hush and money.] A bribe to hinder information; pay to secure silence.

A dexterous steward, when his tricks are found, Hushmoney sends to all the neighbours round; His master, unsuspicious of his pranks, Pays all the cost, and gives the villain thanks.

I expect hushmoney to be regularly sent for every folly or vice any one commits in this whole town; and hope I may pretend to deserve it better than a harmon mild.

and hope I may pretend to deserve it better than a chamber-maid or a valet de chambre.

Tatler, No. 26.

HUSK. n. s. [huldsch, Dutch, or huyschen, from huys.] The outmost integument of fruits.

Do but behold yon poor and starved band, And your fair shew shall suck away their souls, Leaving them but the shales and husks of men.

Shakspeare.

Most seeds, in their growing, leave their husk or rind about the root. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Thy food shall be

The fresh brook mussels, withered roots, and husks Wherein the acorn cradled. Shakspeare, Tempest.

Fruits of all kinds, in coat

Rough, or smooth rind, or bearded husks, or shell She gathers; tribute large! and on the board Heaps with unsparing hand. Milton, P. L. Some steep their seeds, and some in cauldrons

o'er gentle fires; the exuberant juice to drain,

O'er gentle fires; the exuberant juice to drain,
And swell the flatt'ring husks with fruitful grain.

Dryden.

Some, when the press Has drain'd the pulpous mass, regale their swine With the dry refuse; thou, more wise, shalt steep The husks in water, and again employ

The pond'rous engine. Philips.
Barley for ptisan was first steeped in water till it swelled; afterwards dried in the sun, then beat till the husk was taken off, and ground.

Arbuthnot on Coins.

Do not content yourselves with mere words, lest you feed upon husks instead of kernels. Watts.

To Husk. v. a. [from the noun.] To strip off the outward integument.

Hu'sked † adj. [from husk.] Bearing an husk; covered with a husk. Sherwood. Hu'skiness.* n. s. [from husky.] Hoarse-

ness; the state of being husky. Hu'sky.† adj. [from husk.] 1. Abounding in husks; consisting of

husks.

Most have found

A husky harvest from the grudging ground.

Dryden, Virg.

Call all such husky and curious arts and studies, the recreations and entertainments of children, and the weak supports of the gainful trade of cheating and imposture. Spencer on Prod. p. 404.

With timely care

Shave the goat's shaggy beard, lest thou too late In vain should'st seek a strainer, to dispart The husky terrene dregs from purer must. Philips.

 Hoarse; having a rough or dismal sound; having a cough, formerly hesky, and hosty, "tuscicus," Ort. Vocab. See HAUST.

Here the mouth of sad Melpomene Is wholly bent to tragedy's discourse:—
Here means the wrathful muse, in seas of tears, And loud laments, to tell a dismal tale; A tale wherein she lately hath bestow'd The husky humour of her bloody quill.

Trag. of Soliman and Perseda, (1599.)
Proser was dead, and Sergeant Quirkit

Grew husky, and had left the circuit.

Anstey, Pleader's Guide.

Hussa'r.* n. s. [Fr. houssart, hussart, hussard; low Lat. huszaro; Germ. hussar.] Originally an Hungarian horse-soldier, light-armed. The name appears to have been given also to the driver of a chariot, who perhaps was armed. At the close of the seventeenth century some regiments of French cavalry were called hussars, and soon afterwards the word became common in our language.

Two Hungarian miles from Friestat lies Banca; we being here upon the 18th of March: the hussen, who drove our chariot hither, after we had supped went out. Brown's Travels, &c. (1685,) p. 56.

They were a sort of tame hussars, that were allowed in our cities, like the wild ones in our camp; who had all the privileges belonging to us, but at the same time were not tied to our discipline or laws.

Tatler, No. 56.

He made his breeches and his doublet of one continued piece of cloth, after the manner of the hussars.

Spectator, No. 576.

Hu'ssite.* n. s. One of the followers of John Huss of Prague, the reformer, and the contemporary of Wicliffe; whom Fox pithily describes as "a man of great knowledge, of a pregnant wit, and excellentlie favoured for his worthie life."

Procopius despised the pope's excommunication, and the crusado he had published against the Hussites; and overcame the forces, which the emperor had sent against them.

Pelletreau, Ecc. Hist. 15. Cent.

Hu'ssy. † n. s. [corrupted from housewife: taken in an ill sense.]

1. A sorry or bad woman; a worthless wench. It is often used ludicrously in slight disapprobation.

Get you in, hussy, go: now will I personate this hopeful young jade.

Southern, Innocent Adultery. 2. A kind of book, used by women for holding thread and other small materials. Sometimes called a huswife.

Hu'stings. † n. s. [hurcing, Sax.; husthing, Goth. and Icel. From hus, domus, and thing, forum, conventus. Serenius. From hur, domus, and bing, res, causa, q. d. domus causarum. Lye. From hypro and ding, q. d. supremum judicium. Somner. 7

1. A council; a court held.

From the sheriff's court in the city of London, a writ of errour lies to the court of hustings before the mayor, recorder, and sheriffs. Blackstone.

2. The place of meeting to choose a mem-

ber of parliament.

I stood on the hustings (except when I gave my thanks to those who favoured me with their votes) less like a candidate, than an unconcerned spectator of a publick meeting. Burke, Speech at Bristol.

To Hu'stle.† v. a. [perhaps corrupted from hurtle. Dr. Johnson. — Not so, but from the Teut. hutsen, hutselen, to shake together.] To shake together in confusion.

To Hu'sTLE.* v. n. To shrug up the shoulders. A northern term. Praise of

Yorkshire Ale, and Grose.

HU'SWIFE. † n. s.

1. A bad manager; a sorry woman. It is common to use housewife in a good, and huswife or hussy in a bad sense, Dr. Johnson says. Huswife is the early form of writing housewife, and not a corruption of it, as he asserts; for if it be, by the 3. In Kent, a small cart. Grose. same rule husband would be a corruption of houseband. It is the Sax. hur and wife. Our old writers use huswife, in a good sense, as the mistress of the house. See the second meaning.

Bianca A huswife, that, by selling her desires,

Buys herself bread and cloth. Shakspeare, Othello.

2. An economist; a thrifty woman. Good huswife provides, ere a sickness do come, Of sundry good things in her house to have some.

To Hu'swife. v. a. [from the noun.] To manage with economy and frugality. But huswifing the little Heaven had lent,

She duly paid a groat for quarter-rent; And pinch'd her belly, with her daughters two, To bring the year about with much ado. Dryden.

Hu'swifely.* adj. [from huswife.] Thrifty; frugal; becoming a housewife. Good huswifely physick. Tusser.

particularly addressed to the farmer.

Warton, Hist. E. P. iii. 307. Hu'swifely.* adv. Thriftily; like a good huswife or husband. Hu'swifery. † n. s. [from huswife.]

1. Management good or bad.

Good huswifery trieth To rise with the cock ; Ill huswifery lieth Till nine of the clock.

Thy good lady - therein reap'd The just reward of her high huswifry;

Trusser.

To have her linen, plate, and all things nigh, When she was far. B. Jonson, Forest.

2. Management of rural business committed to women.

If cheeses in dairie have Argus his eyes, Tell Cisley the fault in her huswifery lies. Tusser.

HUT. † n. s. [hucce, Saxon; hutte, Germ.; hute, French.

A poor cottage.

Our wandering saints, in woeful state, To a small cottage came at last, Where dwelt a good old honest yeoman, Who kindly did these saints invite,

In his poor hut to pass the night. Sore pierc'd by wintry wind, How many shrink into the sordid hut

Thomson. Of cheerless poverty! 2. A temporary building to lodge soldiers. To Hut.* v.a. [Fr. huter.] A military expression: as, to hut troops, i. e. to

lodge them in huts. HUTCH. † n. s. [hpæcce, Sax.; huche,

French.

1. Not simply a corn-chest, as given by Dr. Johnson, but also a chest of any kind; a coffer, called in the north country, (as Huloet also says under hutch,) an ark. See ARK.

In their tabernacles, amperes, hutches; or as a

mystery in their locked closets.

Sheldon, Mir. of Antichrist, (1616,) p. 255. The hutch and the boulter, the furnace and B. Jonson, Masques. The best way to keep them, after they are threshed, is to dry them well, and keep them in

hutches,, or close casks. Archbishop Chichelé gave a borrowing chest to the university of Oxford, which was called Chi-

chelé's hutch. Warton, Notes on Milton's Comus. Among farmers, a hollow trap for taking vermin alive; and also a kind of case for keeping rabbits.

To Hutch.* v.a. [from the noun.] To hoard; to lay up as in a chest.

In her own loins, She hutch'd the all-worshipt ore, and precious Millon, Comus, gems.

HUTCHINSO'NIAN.* n. s. One of the followers, in this country, of the philosophical and religious opinions of Mr. John Hutchinson of Yorkshire, in the last century; whose notion was, that a plenum and the air are the principles of the Scripture philosophy, and whose scheme of reformation related to the original language of the Old Testament and the true sense of the Bible.

This gentleman - possibly may not call himself an Hutchinsonian, though I have presumed to introduce him here, from a similarity both in the letter and spirit of his sermon to those of that

Heathcote, A Word to the Hutchinsonians, (1756,)

His [Tusser's] huswifely admonitions - are not | To Huzz. v. n. [from the sound.] To buzz; to murmur. "Stridunt apes; the bees huzz.'

HUZZA'.* interj. [from the Hungarian hussars, who loudly shout at the onset in battle, according to some; from hosanna, the acclamation of wishing well, accordto others.] An exclamation of joy, or triumph.

Liberty, Property, and Old England, for ever, Goldsmith, Ess. 24.

Huzza'. n. s. A shout; a cry of acclama-

The huzzas of the rabble are the same to a bear that they are to a prince. L'Estrange. You keep a parcel of roaring bullies about me

day and night; huzzas and hunting horns never let me cool. All fame is foreign, but of true desert;

Plays round the head, but comes not to the heart:
One self-approving hour whole years outweighs
Of stupid starers and of loud huzzas. Pope.

To Huzza'. v. n. [from the interjection.] To utter acclamation.

A caldron of fat beef, and stoop of ale, On the huzzaing mob shall still prevail.

King, Cookery. With that I huzzaed, and took a jump across the table. Tatler, No. 45.

To Huzza'. v. a. To receive or attend with acclamation.

He was huzzaed into the court by several thousands of weavers and clothiers.

HY'ACINTH. n. s. [ὑάκινθος, Gr.; hyacinthe, Fr.; hyacinthus, Lat.

1. A flower.

It hath a bulbous root: the leaves are long and narrow: the stalk is upright and naked, the flowers growing on the upper part in a spike: the flowers consist each of one leaf, are naked, tubulose, and cut into six divisions at the brim, which are reflexed: the ovary becomes a roundish fruit with three angles, which is divided into three cells, which are filled with roundish seeds.

The silken fleece, impurpl'd for the loom, Rival'd the hyacinth in vernal bloom. Pope, Odys.

2. A gem.

The hyacinth is the same with the lapis lyncurius of the ancients. It is a less shewy gem than any of the other red ones. It is seldom smaller than a seed of hemp, or larger than a nutmeg. It is found of various degrees of deepness and paleness; but its colour is always a deadish red, with a considerable admixture of yellow; its most usual is that mixed red and yellow, which we know by the name of flame-colour.

Hill on Fossils. Hy'Acinthine.† adj. [ύακίνθινος, Gr.] Made of hyacinths; resembling hyacinths.

[His] hyacinthine locks

Round from his parted forelock manly hung. His curling locks like hyacinthine flowers. Cowper, Odyssey.

Hy'Ades. \ n. s. [δάδες, Gr.] A watery

Hy'ADS. Constellation.
Then sailors quarter'd heaven, and found a name For every fix'd and every wandering star;

. The pleiads, hyads. Dryden, Georg. Hy'aline. adj. [δάλινος, Gr.] Glassy; Hydro'grapher. n. s. [δδωρ and γραφω; crystalline; made glass; resembling

glass.

From heaven-gate not far, founded in view On the clear hyaline, the glassy sea. Milton, P. L. HY'BRID.* adj. [Gr. έβρις, έβρίδος; Lat. hybrida; from &Bpic, as it signifies a kind of adultery.] Mongrel; of different species: applied to plants as well as animals.

We should by all means deal with our separatists, and dissenters, as St. Paul did with those judaizing, hybrid Christians. South, Serm. v. 518. Hy'BRIDOUS. adj. [εβρις, Gr.; hybrida,

Lat.] Begotten between animals of dif-

ferent species.

Why such different species should not only mingle together, but also generate an animal, and yet that that hybridous production should not again generate, is to me a mystery.

Hyda'tides. n. s. [from εδωρ, Gr.] Little transparent bladders of water in any part: most common in dropsical persons, from a distention or rupture of the lympheducts. Quincy. All the water is contained in little bladders, ad-

hering to the liver and peritoneum, known by the Wiseman.

name of hydatides.

Hy'DRA. n. s. [hydra, Lat.] A monster with many heads slain by Hercules: whence any multiplicity of evils is termed a hydra.

New rebellions raise Their hydra heads, and the false North displays Her broken league to imp her serpent wings.

More formidable hydra stands within, Whose jaws with iron-teeth severely grin.

Dryden, Æn.

Subdue The hydra of the many-headed hissing crew.

Dryden. Hy'dragogue, Fr.] Such medicines as occasion the discharge of watery humours, which is generally the case of the

stronger catharticks, because they shake most forcibly the bowels and their appendages. Quincy.

HYDRAU'LICK. } adj. [from hydraulicks.]
HYDRAU'LICK. } Relating to the conveyance of water through pipes.

Among the engines in which the air is useful, pumps may be accounted, and other hydraulical Derham.

We have employed a virtuoso to make an hydraulick engine, in which a chymical liquor, resembling blood, is driven through elastick chan-Arbuthnot and Pope.

HYDRAU'LICKS. † n. s. [# oup water, and άυλος, a pipe.] The science of conveying water through pipes or conduits. Hydraulics has for its object the motion of fluids.

Adams.

HYDROCE'LE. n. s. [υδροκηλή, Gr.; hydrocele, Fr.] A watery rupture.

Hydroce PHALUS. n. s. [τόωρ and κεφαλή.] A dropsy in the head.

A hydrocephalus, or dropsy of the head, is only incurable when the serum is extravasated into the

ventricles of the brain. Arbuthnot on Diet. Hy'drogen.* n.s. [νοως, water, and γεννάω, to generate.] One of the principles of water; in chymical language, as it is found in the form of gas, and then called inflammable air.

hydrographe, Fr. 7 One who draws maps of the sea.

It may be drawn from the writings of our hydrographer.

Hydrogra'phical. adj. [from hydrography.] Applied to maps or charts, which represent the sea-coast, rocks, islands, shoals, shallows, and the like.

Christopher Columbus, the first great discoverer of America, was a man that earned his living by making and selling hydrographical maps.

HYDRO'GRAPHY.† n. s. [εδως and γραφω; hydrographie, Fr.] Description of the watery part of the terraqueous

To further the noble studie of navigation and

hydrographie.

Norman, New Attractive, &c. (1592,) Dedic. For the reception of which waters he had prepared a channel; how deep, or how great a part of the earth is filled with them, I suppose is beyond this man's skill in philosophy or hydrography to determine.

Bp. Croft, Animadv. on Burnet's Theory, p. 84. HYDRO'LOGY.* n. s. Γέδως and λόγος; Fr.

hydrologie. Description of the nature and properties of water in general. Hy'DROMANCY. n. s. [έδωρ and μανλία;

hydromantie, Fr.] Prediction by water. Divination was invented by the Persians: there are four kinds of divination; hydromancy, pyromancy, aeromancy, and geomancy

Ayliffe, Parergon. Milton, Sonn. Hy'DROMEL. n. s. [εδως and μέλι; hydromel,

Fr. Honey and water.

Hydromel is a drink prepared of honey, being one of the most pleasant and universal drinks the northern part of Europe affords, as well as one of the most ancient. Mortimer.

In fevers the aliments prescribed by Hippocrates were ptisans and cream of barley; hydromel, that is, honey and water, when there was no ten-Arbuthnot.

dency to a delirium.

Hydro'meter.† n. s. [έδωρ and μέτρον, Gr.] An instrument to measure the extent or profundity, gravity or density, velocity or other properties, of

HYDRO'METRY. n. s. Γύδωρ and μέτρον, Gr.] The act of measuring the extent of water.

Нудворно'віа. n. s. [ύδρωφοβία, Gr.; hydrophobie, Fr. 7 Dread of water. Among those dismal symptoms that follow the

bite of a mad dog, the hydrophobia or dread of water is the most remarkable.

Hy'drophoby.* n. s. [Fr. hydrophobie.] Dread of water.

A letter from Dr. Lister to Mr. Aston, dated at York, March 26. 1683, was produced, containing an account of an hydrophoby in a man bitten by a mad dog. Birch, Hist. R.S. iv. 197.

HYDRO'PICAL.] adj. [ύδροπικός, Gr.; hydro-HYDRO'PICK. \ pique, Fr. from hydrops,

1. Dropsical; diseased with extravasated water.

Cantharides heat the watery parts of the body; as urine, and hydropical water. Bacon, Nat. Hist. The world's whole sap is sunk :

The general balm th' hydropick earth hath drunk.

Hydropical swellings if they be pure, are pellucid.

Hydropick wretches by degrees decay, Growing the more, the more they waste away; By their own ruins they augmented lye, With thirst and heat amidst a deluge fry.

Blackmore. One sort of remedy he uses in dropsies, the water of the hydropicks. Arbuthnot.

2. Resembling dropsy. Some men's hydropick insatiableness learned to thirst the more, by how much more they drank.

Every lust is a kind of hydropick distemper, and the more we drink the more we shall thirst. Tillotson.

Hy'dropsy.* n. s. [hydrops, Lat.; τδρωψ, Gr.; hydropisie, Fr.] Personified by Thomson for the dropsy.

Soft-swoln and pale, here lay the Hydropsy, Unwieldy man, with belly monstrous round.

HYDROSTA TICAL. adj. [5800 and saling, Gr. Relating to hydrostaticks; taught by hydrostaticks.

A human body forming in such a fluid, will never be reconcilable to this hydrostatical law: there will be always something lighter beneath, and something heavier above; because bone, the heaviest in specie, will be ever in the midst.

HYDROSTA'TICALLY. adv. [from hydrostatical.] According to hydrostaticks.

The weight of all bodies around the earth is ever proportional to the quantity of their matter: as for instance, a pound weight, examined hydrostatically, -doth always contain an equal quantity Bentley, Serm. vii. of solid mass.

HYDROSTA'TICKS.† n. s. [εδωρ and ςαλκή, Gr.; hydrostatique, Fr.] The science of weighing fluids; weighing bodies in

His [Boyle's] incomparable treatises of the air and hydrostatics. Bentley, Serm. vii. The lofty column of water issuing out of the

trump of Fame, exceeded all our conceptions of the power of hydrostaticks.

Swinburne, Trav. through Spain, L. 43.

HYDRO'TICK. n. s. [Edwg, Greek; hydrotique, Fr.] Purger of water or phlegm. He seems to have been the first who divided purges into hydroticks and purgers of bile. Arbuthnot on Coins.

Hy'drus.* n. s. [from εδωρ, Gr. water.]

1. A water-snake.

Cerastes horn'd, hydrus, and elops drear. Milton, P. L.

2. In astronomy, the water-serpent; a southern constellation.

HY'EMAL.* adj. [Lat. hyemalis.] Belonging to winter: as, the hyemal solstice.

Besides vernal, estival, and autumnal made of flowers, the ancients had also hyemal garlands.

Sir T. Brown, Miscell. p. 92. Astronomers have divided the whole face of heaven into four colures; the vernal, estival, autumnal, hyemal.

Moxon, Astronom. Pl. Cards, p. 10.

To HY'EMATE.* v. n. [Lat. hyemo.] To winter at a place. Cockeram. HYEMA'TION.* n. s. [Lat. hyematio.] Shelter from the cold of winter.

Where we set them [exotic plants] in for hye-

Hy'en.† n. s. [hyene, Fr.; hyæna, Lat.; Hye'na.] vana, Gr. Supposed to be from the Gr. 35, a swine; because the back of this animal is bristly like that [3. In botany, a fine delicate skin in which | Hy'PER. n. s. [A word barbarously curof the swine.] An animal like a wolf, said fabulously to imitate human voices.

I will weep when you are disposed to be merry; I will laugh like a hyen, when you are inclined to Shakspeare.

A wonder more amazing would we find; The hyena shews it, of a double kind:

Varying the sexes in alternate years,

In one begets, and in another bears. Dryden, Fab. The hyena was indeed well joined with the bever, as having also a bag in those parts, if thereby we understand the hyena odorata, or civet cat.

Brown, Vulg. Err. The keen hyena, fellest of the fell. Thomson.

Hygro'meter. n.s. [$\delta\gamma\rho\delta\varsigma$ and $\mu\epsilon\rho\epsilon\omega$, Gr.; hygrometre, Fr.] An instrument to measure the degrees of moisture.

A sponge, perhaps, might be a better hygrometer than the earth of the river.

Arbuthnot on Air.

HY'GROSCOPE. n. s. [έγρος and σκοπέω, Gr.; hygroscope, Fr.] An instrument to shew the moisture and dryness of the air, and to measure and estimate the quantity of either extreme. Moisture in the air is discovered by hygroscopes. Arbuthnot.

HYGROSCO'PICK.* adj. [from hygroscope.]

Having affinity to water.

Hygroscopic substances have their humidity always proportionable to the places they are in. Adams.

HYLA'RCHICAL. † adj. [ελη and ἀρχὴ, Gr.] Presiding over matter.

By this hylarchical principle, or plastick nature, so many of the vital motions of the body may be kept in play. Hallywell, Melampron. (1681,) p. 70.

Hy'Lozoick.* n. s. [Gr. δλη, matter, and ζώη, life.] One of a sect of ancient atheists that held all matter to be animated and to have perception.

When they [Spinoza and his followers] speak of the intelligence and knowledge of God, they mean to attribute these powers to him in no other sense, than the ancient hylozoicks attributed them to all matter; that is, that a stone, when it falls, has a sensation and consciousness; but that that consciousness is no cause at all, or power, of Which kind of intelligence, in any tolerable propriety of speech, is no intelligence at all. And consequently the arguments, that proved the Supreme Cause to be properly an intelligent and active Being, do also undeniably prove that he is likewise indued with liberty and choice; which alone is the power of acting.

Clarke on the Attributes, § 9.

HYM.† n. s. A species of dog; unless it is by mistake for lym, Dr. Johnson says; which it is, in the passage from Shakspeare's Lear which he cites. See LYM.

HY'MEN.† n. s. [δμην, Gr.]

1. The god of marriage.

He wore a garland of roses and myrtles on his head, and on his shoulders a robe like an imperial mantle, white and unspotted all over, excepting only that, where it was clasped at his breast, there were two golden turtle-doves that buttoned it by their bills, which were wrought in rubies. He was called by the name of Hymen

Tatler, No. 120. Hymen marched immediately after Love; and seconding the good inclinations which he had inspired, joined the hands of both armies.

Addison, Guardian, No. 152.

flowers are enclosed, while in the bud; spoken particularly of roses.

Hymene'Al.] n. s. [δμέναως, Gr.] A Hymene'An.] marriage song.

And heavenly choirs the hymenean sung. Milton, P. L.

For her the spouse prepares the bridal ring; For her white virgins hymeneals sing. HYMENE'AL. \ adj. Pertaining to mar-HYMENE'AN. S riage.

The suitors heard, and deem'd the mirthful voice

A signal of her hymeneal choice. Pope, Odyssey. HYMN. n. s. [hymne, Fr.; έμνος, Gr.]
An encomiastick song, or song of adoration to some superiour being.

As I earst, in praise of mine own dame, So now in honour of thy mother dear,

An honourable hymn I eke should frame. Spenser. Our solemn hymns to sullen dirges change; Our bridal flowers serve for a buried corse.

When steel grows Soft as the parasite's silk, let hymns be made An overture for the wars. Shakspeare, Coriol.

There is an hymn sung; but the subject of it is always the praises of Adam, and Noah and Abraham, concluding ever with a thanksgiving for the nativity of our Saviour. Farewel, you happy shades,

Where angels first should practise hymns, and string

Their tuneful harps, when they to Heav'n would sing.

Το ΗΥΜΝ. v. a. [ὑμνέω, Gr.] Το praise in song; to worship with hymns.

Whose easier business were to serve their Lord High up in heaven, with songs to hymn his throne.

To HYMN. v. n. To sing songs of ador-

They touch'd their golden harps, and hymning prais'd

God and his works. He had not left alive this patient saint, This anvil of affronts, but sent him hence To hold a peaceful branch of palm above,

And hymn it in the quire. Dryden, Span. Friar. HY'MNICK. † adj. [εμνος, Gr.] Relating

to hymns. Where she (faire Ladie) tuning her chaste layes

Of England's Empresse to her hymnicke string. Mir. for Mag. p. 773. He rounds the air, and breaks the hymnick notes

In birds, heaven's choristers, organick throats; Which, if they did not die, might seem to be A tenth rank in the heavenly hierarchy. Donne.

HYMNO'LOGY.* n. s. [ύμνος and λόγος, Gr. hymnologie, French. A collection of hymns.

That hymnologie which the primitive church used at the offering of bread and wine for the eucharist. Mede, Dia. p. 56.

To Hyp. v. a. [barbarously contracted from hypochondriack.] To make melancholy; to dispirit.

I have been, to the last degree, hypped since I

HYPA'LLAGE. n. s. [ὑπαλλαγη, Gr.] A figure by which words change their cases with each other.

HY'PER.* [Gr. ὑπερ, above, beyond.] A word often found in composition, in our language, usually signifying excess, or something beyond the meaning of the simple word to which it is joined.

tailed by Prior from hypercritick.] A hypercritick; one more critical than necessity requires. Prior did not know the meaning of the word.

Criticks I read on other men, And hypers upon them again.

Hypera'spist.* n. s. [Lat. hyperaspistes, from the Gr. ὑπερασπίζω, to protect with a shield.] A defender.

I appeal to any indifferent reader, whether C. M. be not by his hyperaspist forsaken in the plain field. Chillingworth, Works, (ed. 1704,) p. 26.

The hyperaspists of the ancients bestrode their fellows fallen in battle, and covered them with their shields. Warburton, Note on Macbeth.

Hype'rbaton.* n. s. [Latin; from the Gr. ὑπερβαίνω, to go beyond.] A figure in writing, when the words are transposed from the plain grammatical order.

If your meaning be with a violent hyperbaton to transpose the text. Milton, Animadv. Rem. Def. The words are at times so transposed, as to create an hyperbaton.

Durell, Critical Remarks on Job, Pref.

HYPE'RBOLA. n. s. [hyperbole, Fr.; ἕπερ and βάλλω.] In geometry, a section of a cone made by a plane, so that the axis of the section inclines to the opposite leg of the cone, which in the parabola is parallel to it, and in the ellipsis intersects it. The axis of the hyperbolical section will meet also with the opposite side of the cone, when produced above the vertex.

Had the velocities of the several planets been greater or less than they are, or had their distances from the sun, or the quantity of the sun's matter, and consequently his attractive power been greater or less than they are now, with the same velocities, they would not have revolved in concentrick circles, but have moved in hyperbolas very eccentrick.

HY'PERBOLE. n. s. [hyperbole, Fr. ὑπεςβολη, Gr.] A figure in rhetorick by which any thing is increased or diminished beyond the exact truth: as, he runs faster than lightning. His possessions are fallen to dust. He was so gaunt, the case of a flagellet was a mansion for him. Shakspeare.

Terms unsquar'd, Which, from the tongue of roaring Typhon dropt, Would seem hyperboles. Shakspeare, Tr. and Cress. Taffata phrases, silken terms precise,

Three pil'd hyperboles, spruce affectation, Figures pedantical, these summer flies, Have blown me full of maggot ostentation.

Shakspeare. They were above the hyperboles, that fond poetry bestows upon its admired objects. Hyperboles, so daring and so bold,

Disdaining bounds, are yet by rules control'd! Above the clouds, but yet within our sight, They mount with truth, and make a tow'ring flight.

The common people understand raillery, or at least rhetorick, and will not take hyperboles in too

literal a sense. HYPERBO'LICAL.† adj. [hyperbolique, Fr.; HYPERBO'LICK.]

 Belonging to the hyperbola; having the nature of an hyperbola.

Cancellated in the middle with squares, with triangles before, and behind with hyperbolick lines. Grew, Museum.

2. The virginal membrane.

as a hillock, above the convexity of the white of the eye, and is of an hyperbolical or parabolical Ray on the Creation.

2. [From hyperbole.] Exaggerating or extenuating beyond fact.

An hyperbolical liar, a flatterer, a parasite.

Burlon, Anat. of Mel. To the Reader.

Look upon vices and vicious objects with hynerbolical eyes, and rather enlarge their dimensions, that their unseen deformities may not escape thy Brown, Chr. Mor. iii. 3.

There are always some fools that can commend nothing but with hyperbolick expressions.

King Charles, Lett. to Henderson, p. 56. It is parabolical, and probably hyperbolical, and therefore not to be taken in a strict sense.

Hyperbo'lically. adv. [from hyperboli-

1. In form of an hyperbola.

2. With exaggeration or extenuation.

Yet may all be solved, if we take it hyperbo-Scylla is seated upon a narrow mountain, which thrusts into the sea a steep high rock, and hyperbolically described by Homer as inaccessible.

Broome, Notes on the Odyssey.

HYPERBO'LIFORM. adj. [hyperbola and forma.] Having the form, or nearly the form of the hyperbola.

Hype'rbolist.* n. s. [from hyperbole.]

One who hyperbolizes.

I cease to think the Psalmist an hyperbolist for comparing the transcendent sweetness of God's Word to that inferiour one of honey, which is like it in nothing more, than in that of both their suavities experience gives much advantageouser notions than descriptions can.

Boyle on the Style of Hol. Script. p. 253.

To Hype'rbolize.* v. n. [from hyperbole.] To speak or write with exaggeration or extenuation.

You have heard - how some of the ancientest fathers do speak, and how they hyperbolize sometimes, in some points, in their popular sermons.

Mountagu, App. to Cas. (1625,) p. 260. The Spanish traveller was so habituated to hy-Howell, Instruct. for Trav. p. 178. perbolize. Which if but a rhetorical flourish, doth yet hyperbolize into blasphemy.

Fuller, Holy War, p. 244.

To Hype'rbolize.* v.a. To exaggerate or extenuate.

Vain people, hyperbolizing his fact, - he grew by their flattery into that madness of conceit. Fotherby, Atheom: (1622,) p. 203. Come, Man,

Huperbolized nothing ! know thy span.

Crashaw, Poems, p. 96. Hyperboréen, Fr.; hyperboréen, Fr.; hyperboreus, Lat.] Northern.

The body moulded by the clime endures The Equator heats and Hyperborean frost.

The Hyperborean ice he wander'd o'er,

And solitary roam'd round Tanais' shore. J. Warton's Virgil.

HYPERCATALE'CTICK.* adj. [ὑπερ, and catalectick.] Exceeding the measure; applied to verses having a syllable or two too many at the end.

Hypercri'tick. n. s. [hypercritique, Fr.; Emsp and upitimos.] A critick exact or captious beyond use or reason.

Those hypercriticks in English poetry differ from the opinion of the Greek and Latin judges, from the Italians and French, and from the general taste of all ages.

HYP The horny or pellucid coat of the eye riseth up, | HYPERCRI'TICAL. adj. [from hypercritick.] Critical beyond necessity or use.

We are far from imposing those nice and hypercritical punctilios, which some astrologers oblige

Such hypercritical readers will consider my business was to make a body of refined sayings, only taking care to produce them in the most natural

Hyperdu'lia.* hy'perduly. n. s. [ὑπερ and dulia.]

A superiour kind of service, among the Romanists, to the Virgin Mary. See Dulia.

From whom our Romanists did first learn their hyperdulia, or transcendant kind of service, where-

with they worship the Virgin Mary.

Abp. Usher, Answ. to the Jes. Malone, p. 356. From all Romish dulia, and hyperdulia, Good Lord deliver us. Ibid. p. 369. Call you this devotion, as you please, whether duly or hyperduly.

Brevint, Saul and Sam. at Endor, p. 352. HYPE'RICON.* n. s. [Latin.] In botany,

St. John's wort.

Hypericon, called "fuga dæmonum," reckoned among sacred magical plants, on account of the Druids using them. Stukeley, Palæogr. Sacr. p.16.

Hype'rmeter. n. s. [ύπερ and μέτρον.] Any thing greater than the standard requires.

When a man rises beyond six foot, he is an hypermeter, and may be admitted into the tall club.

Hyperphy'sical.* adj. Γύπερ and physical.] Supernatural.

These are hyperphysical opticks, and drawn from the heavens. Aubrey, Miscell. p.147.

Hypersarco'sis. n. s. [ὑπερσάςκωσις, ὕπερ and σαρκός.] The growth of fungous or proud flesh.

Where the hyparsarcosis was great, I sprinkled it with precipitate, whereby I more speedily freed the ulcer of its putrefaction.

Hy'phen.† n. s. [ύφὲν, Gr.] A note of conjunction; as vir-tue, ever-living. What a sight it is to see writers committed together by the ears for ceremonies, syllables,

points, colons, commas, hyphens, and the like. B. Jonson, Discoveries. HYPNO'TICK. † n. s. [επνος, Gr.] Any

medicine that induces sleep. I need no better hypnotick to make me sleep. Brown, Rel. Med.

He writes, as an hypnotick for the spleen. Young, Ep. to Pope, I.

HYPOCHO'NDRES.† n. s. [hypocondre, Fr. ὑποχόνδριον, Gr. This word at first was hypocondry, with the regular plural hypochondries. Dr. Johnson has not noticed this. See Hypochondry.] The two regions lying on each side the cartilago ensiformis, and those of the ribs, and the tip of the breast, which have in one the liver, and in the other the spleen. Quincy.

The blood moving too slowly through the celiack and mesenterick arteries, produce various complaints in the lower bowels and hypochondres; from whence such persons are called hypochon-Arbuthnot on Aliments.

Hy'pocaust.* n. s. Γύπόκαυςον, hypocauste, Fr.] A subterraneous place, in which was a furnace that served to heat the baths of the Greeks and Romans; and in modern times applied to the place which keeps warm a stove or hot-house.

The apartments on the east side - were probably warmed by the hypocaust.

Lysons, Antiq. at Woodchester, (1797.)

Hypocho'ndria.* n. s. [from hypochondres.] Melancholy. Personified by Thomson. The proper substantive is hypochondriacism; though hypochondriasm has been used, but less properly. See Hypochondriacal.

Moping here did Hypochondria sit, Mother of spleen, in robes of various dve. Who vexed was full oft with ugly fit,

And some her frantick deem'd, and some her deem'd a wit. Thomson, Castle of Indol. HYPOCHONDRI'ACAL.† adj. [hypochon-HYPOCHONDRI'ACK.] driaque, Fr. from hypochondres.

1. Of or belonging to the hypochondres; also melancholical. See the next sense. Bullokar.

2. Melancholy; disordered in the imagination.

A streightness of breath, which I should be glad to know whether you observe in other hupochondriacal patients. Wotton, Rem. p. 366. 3. Producing melancholy; having the na-

ture of melancholy.

Cold sweats are many times mortal, and always suspected; as in great fears, and hypochondriacal passions, being a relaxation or forsaking of the spirits. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Such is the hypochondriac, melancholy complexion of us islanders, that we seem made of butter, every accident makes such a deep impression upon us.

Bp. Berkeley, Lett. (1746,) Life, &c. p. 182. Hypochondri'Ack.* n. s. One who is melancholy, or disordered in imagination.

How the humours of the body arrive at an ability thus to impregnate the mind with conceits wild and monstrous beyond the varieties of Africa, is an enquiry not pertinent here; but to question that so they can, is to speak ourselves strangers to all the stories of hypochondriacks [which] books and discourses abound withal.

Spencer on Vulg. Prophecies, (1665,) p. 98. Socrates laid down his life in attestation of that most fundamental truth, the belief of one God; and yet he's not recorded either as fool or hypo-

chondriack. Decay of Chr. Piety.

HYPOCHONDRI'ACISM.* n. s. [from hypochondriack.] Melancholy; disordered

In hypochondriacism the insanity not being formed, there is for the most part a capacity for Johnstone on Madness, p. 25. HYPOCHONDRI'ASIS.* n. s. Hypochon-

driack affection or passion. Mental affections produce hypochondriasis, by

creating a disorder in the stomach and intestines, and in the nervous system.

Chrichton on Mental Derangement, p. 200. Hypocho'ndry.* n. s. [See Hypochon-DRES.] One of the two regions called the hypochondres. This word has been overlooked, by our lexicographers, as a noun with the singular number.

If from the liver, there is usually a pain in the right hypochondry; if from the spleen, hardness and grief in the left hypochondry.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 200. Envy swells the hypochondries, which, by drinking up the nourishment of the neighbouring parts,

makes the whole body lean and meager. Scott, Christian Life, P. iii. ch. 3.

Hy'pocist. n.s. [ὑπόκιςις, Gr.; hypociste, Fr.] Hypocist is an inspissated juice, considerably hard and heavy, of a fine

shining black colour, when broken. The stem of the plant is thick and fleshy; and much thicker at the top than towards the bottom. The fruits contain a tough glutinous liquor, gathered before they are ripe; the juice is expressed, then formed into cakes.

Hy'pocras.* See Hippocras.

Hypo'crisy. † n. s. [hypocrisie, Fr. δπόκρισις, Gr. from vmouplyouas, to feign. Dissimulation with regard to the moral or religious character.

Laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies. 1 Pet. ii. 1.

Next stood hypocrisy with holy leer, Soft smiling and demurely looking down;

But hid the dagger underneath the gown.

Dryden, Fab. Hypocrisy is much more eligible than open infidelity and vice : it wears the livery of religion, and is cautious of giving scandal: nay, continued disguises are too great a constraint: men would leave off their vices, rather than undergo the toil of practising them in private. Swift.

HY'POCRITE. n. s. [hypocrite, French;

ύποκριτής, Gr.]

1. A dissembler in morality or religion. He heartily prays some occasion may detain us longer: I dare swear he is no hypocrite, but prays from his heart. Shakspeare.

A wise man bateth not the law; but he that is an hypocrite therein, is as a ship in a storm. Ecclus. xxxiii. 3.

Fair hypocrite, you seek to cheat in vain ; Your silence argues, you ask time to reign.

Dryden. The making religion necessary to interest might increase hypocrisy; but if one in twenty should be brought to true piety, and nineteen be only hypocrites, the advantage would still be great.

Swift.

2. A dissembler.

Beware, ye honest: the third circling glass Suffices virtue; but may hypocrites, Who slily speak one thing, another think Hateful as hell, still pleas'd unwarn'd drink on, And through intemp'rance grow a while sincere.

Philips. HYPOCRI'TICAL. adj. [from hypocrite.]
HYPOCRI'TICK. Dissembling; insincere; appearing differently from the reality.

Now you are confessing your enormities; I know it by that hypocritical down-cast look.

Dryden, Span. Friar. Whatever virtues may appear in him, they will be esteemed an hypocritical imposture on the world; and in his retired pleasures, he will be presumed a libertine. Rovers.

Let others skrew their hypocritick face. Swift. Hypocri'TICALLY. adv. [from hypocritical.] With dissimulation; without sin-

cerity; falsely.

Simeon and Levi spake not only falsely, but insidiously, nay hypocritically, abusing at once their proselytes and their religion.

Gov. of the Tongue. Hypoga'strick. adj. [hypogasarique, Fr.; επο and γας ηρ, Gr.] Seated in the lower part of the belly.

The swelling we supposed to rise from an effusion of serum through all the hypogastrick arteries.

Hypoge'um. n. s. [ΰπο and γη, Gr.] A name which the ancient architects gave to all the parts of a building that were under ground, as cellars and vaults.

HYPO'STASIS. † n. s. [hypostase, French;

ύπός ασις, Gr. 1. Distinct substance.

2. Personality. A term used in the doctrine of the Holy Trinity.

The oneness of our Lord Jesus Christ, referring to the several hypostases in the one eternal, indivisible, divine nature, and the eternity of the Son's generation, and his co-eternity and consubstantiality with the Father, are assertions equivalent to those comprised in the ancient simple article. Hammond.

3. In medicine, sediment of urine.

Here's an hypostasis argues a very bad stomach. Nabbes, Microcosmus.

HYPOSTA'TICAL. † adj. [hypostatique, Fr. from hypostasis.]

1. Constitutive; constituent as distinct ingredients.

Let our Carneades warn men not to subscribe to the grand doctrine of the chymists, touching their three hypostatical principles, till they have a little examined it.

2. Personal; distinctly personal.

Beside that grounded upon the hypostatical union; beside that glorious condition upon his resuffection; there was yet another and that more proper ascension. Pearson on the Creed, Art. 6.

HYPOSTA'TICALLY.* adv. [from hypostatical. Personally.

That they should see all things and transactions, hear all prayers and orations, "in speculo divinitatis," is alike incredible; a thing which the humanity of Christ himself, though hypostatically united to the divinity, did not pretend to.

More, Antid. against Idolatry, ch. 2.

Hypo'tenuse. n. s. [hypotenuse, French, υωσίένεσα, Gr.] The line that subtends the right angle of a right-angled triangle: the subtense.

The square of the hypotenuse in a right-angled triangle, is equal to the squares of the two other

To Hypo'thecate.* v. a. [Lat. hypotheca, a pledge.] To pawn; to give in pledge. Whether they, to whom this new pledge is hypothecated, have redeemed their own ; - I leave it to those, who recollect that memorable debate, to determine. Burke on a Regicide Peace.

HYPO'THESIS.† n. s. [hypothese, Fr. ὑωόθεσις, Gr. Our word was pronounced by Heylin, in 1656, new and uncouth.] A supposition; a system formed upon some principle not proved.

The mind casts and turns itself restlessly from one thing to another, till at length it brings all the ends of a long and various hypothesis together; HYTHE.* n. s. A port. See HITHE.

sees how one part coheres with another, and so clears off all the appearing contrarieties that seemed to lie cross, and make the whole intelligible.

What imagin'd sovereignty Lord of his new hypothesis he reigns : He reigns: how long? till some usurper rise; And he too, mighty thoughtful, mighty wise,

Studies new lines, and other circles feigns. Prior HYPOTHE'TICAL. adj. [hypothetique, Fr. HYPOTHE'TICK. from hypothesis.] In-

cluding a supposition; conditional. Conditional or hypothetical propositions are those whose parts are united by the conditional particle if; as, if the sun be fixed, the earth must

HYPOTHE'TICALLY. adv. [from hypothetical.] Upon supposition; condition-

The only part liable to imputation is calling her a goddess; yet this is proposed with modesty and doubt, and hypothetically

Broome, Notes to Pope's Odyssey.

HYRSE.* n. s. [German, hirse.] In botany, millet.

HYRST. HURST. HERST. Are all from the Sax. hypre, ... wood or grove.

Hy'ssop. n. s. [hyssope, Fr. hyssopus, Lat.] A verticillate plant.

It hath been a great dispute, whether the hyse / commonly known is the same which is mentioned in Scripture.

The hyssop of Solomon cannot be well conceived to be our common hyssop; for that is not the least of vegetables observed to grow upon walls; but rather some kind of capillaries, which only grow upon walls and stony places. Brown.

HYSTE'RICAL. adj. [hysterique, Fr HYSTE'RICK. υσερικός, Gr.

1. Troubled with fits: disordered in the regions of the womb. In hysterick women the rarity of symptoms

doth oft strike an astonishment into spectators. Harvey on Consumptions. Many hysterical women are sensible of wind

passing from the womb. Floyer on the Humour 2. Proceeding from disorders in the womb.

Parent of vapours, and of female wit, Who gave th' hysterick or poetick fit.

This terrible scene made too violent an impression upon a woman in her condition, and threw her into a strong hysterick fit. Arbuthnot and Pope.

Hyste'ricks. n. s. [bçepinds, Gr.] Fits of women, supposed to proceed from disorders in the womb.

Hy'steron-Pro'teron.* n. s. Γύς ερον, πρότερον, Gr.] A rhetorical figure: when that is last said, which was first done.

Peacham. A Greek term, sometimes used in derision of that which is spoken or done preposterously, or quite contrary. We call it in English, The cart before the Bullokar.

I vowel has a long sound, as fine, thine, which is usually marked by an e final; and a short sound, as fin, thin. Prefixed to e it makes a diphthong of the same sound with the soft i, or double e, ee: thus field, yield, are spoken as feeld, yeeld; except friend, which is spoken frend. Subjoined to a or e it makes them long, as fail, neigh; and to o makes a mingled sound, which approaches more nearly to the true notion of a diphthong, or sound composed of the sounds of two vowels, than any other combination of vowels in the English language, as oil, coin. The sound of i before another i, and at the end of a word, is always expressed by y.

J consonant has invariably the same sound with that of g in giant; as, jade,

jet, jilt, jolt, just.

I.† pronoun personal, [ik, Gothick; 1c, Saxon; ich, Dutch; ig, eg, Icel. ego, Latin, ĕγω, Gr.]

I, gen, &c. me; plural we, gen, &c. us. Sax. ic. dat. &c. me; plural pe, dat. &c. ur. Goth. ik gen. meina; plural weis, dat. &c. uns, unsis.

The pronoun of the first person, myself.
 I do not like these several councils, I.
 Shakspeare, Rich. III.

There is none greater in this house than I.

Gen. xxxix. 9. Be of good cheer, it is I; be not afraid.

St. Matt. xiv. 27. What shall I do to be for ever known, And make the age to come my own?

I shall like beasts or common people die,
Unless you write my elegy.

Hence, and make room for me!

Cowley.

Cowley.

When chance of business parts us two,
What do our souls, I wonder, do?
Thus, having pass'd the night in fruitless pain,
I to my longing friends return again, Druden, Mo.

Itomy longing friends return again. Bryden, En.
Of night impatient we demand the day,
The day arrives, and for the night we pray.

Blackmore

2. Me is in the following passage written for I.

There is but one man whom she can have, and that is me. Richardson, Clarissa.

3. I is more than once in Shakspeare written for ay, or yes. — Dr. Johnson. — It was usual in the time of Shakspeare, and later, to write the affirmative article ay in the form of I, and was not merely poetical custom.

Hath Romeo slain himself? Say thou but I, And that bare vowel, I, shall poison more Than the death-darting eye of cockatrice, Shaks.

Did your letters pierce the queen?

I, sir; she took 'em and read 'em in my

presence,

And now and then an ample tear trill'd down.

Shakspear I, now the spheres are in their tunes again.

B. Jonson, Masques at Court.
There cannot be imagined an example more exactly suiting, more closely applicable to bis intent, which was not to discredit and dishearten his followers, by comparing, I, and preferring the cunning of an ordinary fellow.

Chillingworth, Works, (ed. 1704,) p. 381.

4. I, prefixed to a word, is common in our old language, as well as y; as ibrought, ibuilt, ybuilt, yblessed; and is the Saxon prepositive particle ze. It is merely a redundancy.

To JA'BBER.† v. n. [gabbaren, Dutch. See To Gab, and To Gabble. Jabber is old in our language; though Dr. Johnson maintains it only by the modern authority of Swift.] To talk idly; to prate without thinking; to chatter.

Censynge, Latyne jabberinge, and wawlynge, accordinge to the office of saynt Antonynes personage. Bale, Yet a Course, &c. (1543,) fol. 43. b. We scorn, for want of talk, to jabber

We scorn, for want of talk, to jabber Of parties. Swift.

JA'BBER.* n. s. [from the verb.] Garrulity; prating. Bishop Fleetwood somewhere uses the word in his works; and it is still a colloquial term.

JA'BBERER. n. s. [from jabber.] One who talks inarticulately or unintelligibly.

Out cant the Babylonian labourers
At all their dialects of jabberers.

Hudibras.

JA'BBERMENT.* n. s. [from jabber.] Idle talk; prate.

We are come to his farewell, which is to be a concluding taste of his jabberment in the law.

Milton, Colasterian.

JA'BBERNOWL.* See JOBBERNOWL.

JA'CENT. adj. [jacens, Lat.] Lying at length.

So laid, they are more apt in swagging down to pierce than in the jacent posture. Wotton, Architect.

JACI'NTH. n. s. [for hyacinth, as Jerusalem for Hierusalem.]

1. The same with hyacinth.

2. A gem of a deep reddish yellow approaching to a flame colour, or the deepest amber.

Woodward.

JACK.† n. s. [probably by mistake from Jaques, which in French is James. Dr. Johnson.—Jak, Jaky, old French. Kelham.—I know not how it has happened, that, in the principal modern languages, John, or its equivalent, is a name

of contempt, or at least of slight. So the Italians use Gianni, from whence zany; the Spaniards Juan, as bobo Juan, a foolish John; the French Jean, with various additions; and in English, when we call a man a John, we do not mean it as a title of honour. Chaucer uses Jacke fool, as the Spaniards do bobo Juan; and I suppose Jack ass has the same etymology. Tyrwhitt.]

1. The diminutive of John. Used as a general term of contempt for saucy or

paultry fellows.

I know some pepper-nosed dame Will term me fool and saucy Jack, That dare their credit so defame, And lay such slanders on their back.

H. Gifford, Posic of Gilliflowers, (1580.) Since every Jack became a gentleman, There's many a gentle person made a Jack.

Shakspeare, K. Rich. III.
You will perceive that a Jack guardant cannot office me from my son Coriolanus. Shaks. Coriol.
I have in my mind

A thousand raw tricks of these bragging Jacks,
Which I will practise. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven.
Every Jack slave hath his belly-full of fighting,
and I must go up and down like a cock that nobody
can match.
Shakspeare, Cymb.

A company of scoffers and proud Jacks are commonly conversant and attendant in such places.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 291. I met some Jack lords going into my grove, but I think I have nettled them!

Bp. Ward, Pope's Life of Ward, p. 47.
Such, especially if they are broken gamesters, I still say are no better than Jack gentlemen.

Bp. Parker, Rehears. Transpr. p. 480.
2. The name of instruments which supply the place of a boy, as an instrument to pull off boots.

Foot-boys, who had frequently the common name of jack given them, were kept to turn the spit, or to pull off their masters' boots; but when instruments were invented for both those services, they were both called jacks. Watts, Logick.

3. An engine which turns the spit.

The excellencies of a good jack are, that the jack frame be forged and filed square; that the wheels be perpendicularly and strongly fixed on the squares of the spindle; that the teeth be evenly cut, and well smoothed; and that the teeth of the wormwheel fall evenly into the groove of the worm.

The ordinary jacks, used for roasting of meat, commonly consist but of three wheels.

Milkins, Math. Magick.

A cookmaid, by the fall of a jack weight upon her head, was beaten down. Wiseman, Surgery,
Some strain in rhyme; the muses on their racks
Scream, like the winding of ten thousand jack

Scream, like the winding of ten thousand jacks.

Pope.

4. A young pike. [perhaps from the Lat.

jaculum. Skinner.]

No fish will thrive in a pond where roach or gudgeons are, except jacks. Mortimer, Husbandry.

5. A coat of mail. Fold French jaque, or jake; Germ. jacke; Dutch, jack; Ital. giacco.] A coat of mail; a kind of military coat put over the coat of mail.

The residue were on foot, well furnished with jack and skull, pike, dagger, bucklers made of board, and slicing swords, broad, thin, and of an excellent temper. Hayward.

6. A cup of waxed leather. See BLACK-" JACK.

Small jacks we have in many ale-houses of the

city and suburbs, tipt with silver Heywood, Drunkard opened, &c. (1635,) p. 45. Dead wine, that stinks of the borrachio, sup

From a foul jack, or greasy maple-cup. Dryden, Pers.

7. A small bowl thrown out for a mark to the bowlers.

'Tis as if one should say, that a bowl equally poisoned, and thrown upon a plain bowling green, will run necessarily in a direct motion; but if it be made with a byass, that may decline it a little. from a straight line, it may acquire a liberty of will, and so run spontaneously to the jack. Bentley.

8. A part of the musical instruments called a virginal, a harpsichord, a spinet.

In a virginal, as soon as ever the jack falleth, and toucheth the string, the sound ceaseth. Bacon. Those jacks that nimble leap

To kiss the tender inward of thy hand.

Shakspeare, Sonn. Your teeth did dance like virginal jacks. B. Jonson, Fox.

It plays on the harpsicon the while, whose jacks are the pebble-stones, checking the little waves as Parth. Sacra, p. 210. strings.

9. The male of animals.

A jack ass, for a stallion was bought for three thousand two hundred and twenty-nine pounds JA'CKALENT. 7 n.s. [Jack in Lent, a poor three shillings and four pence. Arbuthnot on Coins.

10. A support to saw wood on. Ainsworth. 11. The colours or ensign of a ship.

Ainsworth.

Nothing was to be seen aloft but ensigns, jacks, streamers, and the heads of sailors.

Drummond, Trav. p. 71.

12. In Yorkshire, half a pint. Grose. A quarter of a pint. Pegge.

13. A cunning fellow who can turn to any thing, in the following phrase.

Jack of all trades, show and sound; An inverse burse, an exchange under ground.

14. Used by Shakspeare for Jack with the

Monster, your fairy, which, you say, is a harm-less fairy, has done little better than played the Shakspeare, Tempest.

JACK Boots. n. s. [from jack, a coat of mail.] Boots which serve as armour to the legs.

A man on horseback, in his breeches and jack boots, dressed up in a commode and a night-rail.

JACK by the Hedge. n. s. Erysimum.

Jack by the hedge is an herb that grows wild under hedges, is eaten as other salads are, and much used in Mortimer.

JACK of the Clock-house.* n. s. The little man that strikes the quarters in a clock, jacquelet. Cotgrave. This kind of automaton may yet be seen in some of our market-towns, as well as at St. Dunstan's church in London.

My time Runs posting on in Bolingbroke's proud joy, While I stand fooling here, his Jack o'the clock. Shakspeare, Rich. II.

Is this your Jack o'the clock-house?—
Will you strike, sir? Beaum. and Fl. Coxcomb.

JACK Pudding. n. s. [jack and pudding.] A zany; a merry Andrew.

Every jack-pudding will be ridiculing palpable weaknesses which they ought to cover.

A buffoon is called by every nation by the name of the dish they like best: in French jean potage, and in English jack pudding. Jack pudding in his party-colour'd jacket,

Tosses the glove, and jokes at every packet. Gay. JACK Sauce.* n.s. An impudent fellow; a saucy Jack. Huloet and Minsheu. His reputation is as arrant a villain, and a Jack Shakspeare, Hen. V.

JACK with a Lantern. An ignis fatuus. See Ignis Fatuus. Written also Jack-

Plenty of inflammable sulphureous matter in the air, such as ignes fatui, or jack-a-lanterns, and the meteors which are called falling stars.

Steph. Hales on Earthquakes, (1750,) p. 10. He has played Jack with a lantern, he has led us about like an ignis fatuus, by which travellers are decoyed into the mire.

Johnson, Note on Shakspeare's Tempest. JACKADA'NDY.* n. s. [jack and dandy.] A little impertinent fellow. See DAN-DIPRAT. In this sense it is still a JACKDA'w. n.s. [from jack and daw, Dr. northern word. See Craven Dialect, where the Teut. danten, to play the fool, is cited for the etymology. The word is generally used in contempt.

starved fellow. Dr. Johnson. - This is not so. A Jack-o-Lent was a puppet formerly thrown at in Lent, like shrovecocks. Neither is Dr. Johnson's definition of a "simple, sheepish fellow" applicable to the solitary example which he cites from Shakspeare. It is there applied to Falstaff's page, little Robin, an intelligent lad, in a joking manner.] A sort of puppet.

You little jackalent, have you been true to us?-- Ay, I'll be sworn.

Shakspeare, Mer. W. of Wind. On an Ash-Wednesday,

Where thou didst stand six weeks the Jack o' Lent, For boys to hurl three throws a penny at thee.

B. Jonson, Tale of a Tub. Push-pin is too high for him; he is fit for no other employment than to catch shadows and jackalents; for though they are meer nothings, yet to children they appear as it were something Bp. Parker, Rehear. Transpr. p. 204.

JACKA'L. † n. s. [chacal, Fr. from the Persian schakal, which is also written shegal, and is from the Hebrew shual. See Pocock's Comm. on Malachi, ch. i. ver. 3.7 A small animal supposed to

start prey for the lion. The Belgians tack upon our rear,

And raking chase-guns, through our sterns they send:

Close by their fireships, like jackals appear, Who on their lions for the prey attend. Dryden. The mighty lion, before whom stood the little jackal, the faithful spy of the king of beasts. Arbuthnot and Pope.

JA'CKANAPES.† n. s. [jack and ape. Dr. Johnson.—The second sense, applied to

a coxcomb or impertinent person, is very old in our language. Skelton

" He grins and he gapes, " As it were Jack Napes."

Poems, p. 160. And Bale, " He played Jack-a-napes, swearynge by his tenne bones." Yet a Course at the Romish Foxe, 1543, fol. 92. And so Marston, "Down, Jack-an-apes, from thy feign'd royalty." Scourge of Villany, B. 3. Sat. 9. (1599.) This naturally refers us to the tricks of the ape; and the corruption of Jack Napes is easily accounted for by the various writing or pronunciation of that word. Ape is a word of great antiquity.

1. Monkey; an ape. I believe he hath robb'd a jackanapes of his gesture; marke but his countenance; see how he mops, and how he mowes, and how he strains his Riche, Faults, &c. (1606,) p. 7.

2. A coxcomb; an impertinent. Which is he?

- That jackanapes with scarfs. Shakspeare. People wondered how such a young upstart jackanapes should grow so pert and saucy, and take so much upon him.

JA'CKASS.* See the etymology of JACK, and Dr. Johnson's ninth definition of that

Johnson says; calling it "a cock daw." - It is the Teut. gacke, the "menedula" or daw, with the addition of our own word.] A species of the crow.

Not all unlyke unto Esope's chough, whom we commonly call Jackedawe.

Bale, Yet a Course, &c. (1543,) fol. 87. To impose on a child to get by heart a long scroll of phrases, without any ideas, is a practice fitter for a jackdaw than for any thing that wears the shape of man.

JA'CKET. n. s. [jaquette, Fr.] 1. A short coat; a close waistcoat. In a blue jacket, with a cross of red.

Spenser, Hubb. Tale.
And hens and dogs and hogs are feeding by; And here a sailor's jacket hangs to dry.

2. To beat one's JACKET, is to beat the

She fell upon the jacket of the parson, who stood gaping at her. L'Estrange.

JA'CKETED.* adj. [from jacket.] Wearing a jacket. JA'coB's Ladder. n. s. Polemonium; the

same with Greek valerian.

JA'cob's Staff. † n. s.

1. A pilgrim's staff. [from St. Jacob, or James, the pretended patron of pilgrims.]

2. Staff concealing a dagger. 3. A cross staff; a kind of astrolabe. Reach then a soaring quill that I may write,

As with a Jacob's staff to take her height. Cleveland, Hec. to his Mistress, p. 11.

Why on a sign no painter draws The full-moon ever, but the half,

The full-moon ever, but the full-moon ever, but the Resolve that with your Jacob's staff.

Hudibras, ii. iii.

JA'COBIN, or JA'COBINE.* n. s [Fr. Jacobin, from the Lat. Jacobus, as having some pretended reference or allusion to St. James:]

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1. A friar of the order of St. Dominick; a gray or white friar.

Now I am Robert, now Robin, Now frere Minor, now Jacobin.

Chaucer, Rom. R. 6338.

This king went in danger of his life, a long while sought by a capuchin; -who at length was taken and executed, together with another Jacobine for the same crime.

Sir E. Sandys, State of Religion.

2. One of an execrable faction in the late French democratical revolution, distinguished by their hatred of religion, monarchy, and social order; so called from their meeting at the church of St. Jacobus, or a monastery of the Jacobin friars; one who approves or maintains the principles of such.

With the Jacobins of France, vague intercourse is without reproach; marriage is reduced to the vilest concubinage; children are encouraged to cut the throats of their parents; mothers are taught that tenderness is no part of their character. Burke on a Regicide Peace.

We are not to conclude that all, who are not Jacobins, are conscientiously attached to the established church. Bp. Horsley, Charge.

JA'COBIN.* adj. Of the principles of modern Jacobins.

They knew from the beginning that the Jacobin party was not confined to that country.

Burke on a Regicide Peace.

JA'COBINISM.* n.s. The principles of a modern Jacobine.

When to these establishments of regicide, of jacobinism, and of atheism, you add the correspondent system of manners, no doubt can be left on the mind of a thinking man, concerning their determined hostility to the human race.

Burke on a Regicide Peace. May the more recent spirit of jacobinism have a still quicker termination. Mason, Note to Isis.

To JA'COBINIZE.* v. a. To infect with Jacohinism.

France was not then jacobinized.

JA'COBINE. n.s. A pigeon with a high Ainsworth.

JA'COBITE.* n. s.

1. One of a sect of hereticks, who were anciently a branch of the Eutychians, and are still subsisting in the Levant.

The Jacobites took their denomination from one Jacob, a Syrian, who began to disseminate his doctrines in the East about the close of the sixth century. His sect are sometimes distinguished by the name of Monophysites, the progeny of the Eutychians, who asserted the single nature of Christ, in opposition to the orthodox, who maintained that his nature was twofold, human, and Professor White's Serm. Notes, p. ix.

2. One attached to the cause of king James the second after his abdication, and to his line. [from Jacobus, Lat. for James.]

He is writing an epigram to a young virgin, who knits very well: It is a thousand pities he is a Jacobite; but his epigram is by way of advice to this damsel, to knit all the actions of the Pretender, and the duke of Burgundy's last campaign, in the clock of a stocking. Tatler, No. 3.

JA'COBITE.* adj. [from the noun.] Of the principles of Jacobites.

The whole story party was become avowedly Ld. Bolingbroke.

JA'COBITISM.* n.s. The principles of a Jacobite.

both our universities before the year 1745, was far from being quite extinguished in 1748. Mason, Note to Isis.

Jaco'Bus.* n. s. [Lat.] A gold coin, worth twenty-five shillings, so called from king James the first of England, in whose reign it was struck.

The women have taken a fancy to prefer

guineas and jacobusses. L'Estrange, Tr. of Quevedo, p. 273.

JA'CKSMITH.* n.s. [jack and smith.] A maker of the engine called a jack.

Tompion, the celebrated watchmaker, was originally a jacksmith.

Malone, Note on Dryden, i. ii. 49. JA'CTANCY.* n. s. [old French jactance, jactancie, Lacombe; jactantia, Lat.] Boasting. Cockeram.

JACTITA'TION. n. s. [jactito, Lat.] 1. Tossing; motion; restlessness; heaving.

If the patient be surprised with jactitation, or great oppression about the stomach, expect no relief from cordials.

2. A term in the canon law for a false pretension to marriage.

To JA'CULATE.* v. a. [Latin, jaculo.] Cockeram. JACULA'TION. † n. s. [jaculatio, Lat.] The

act of throwing missive weapons. It was well and strongly strung with 36 barrels of gunpowder, great and small, for the more vio-

lent jaculation, vibration, and speed of the arrows.

Dean King, Serm. 5. Nov. (1608,) p. 20. So hills amid the air encounter'd hills, Hurl'd to and fro with jaculation dire.

Milton, P. L.

JA'CULATORY.* adj. [from To jaculate; Fr. jaculatoire.]

Bullokar. 1. Throwing out. 2. Suddenly darted out; uttered in short

sentences; ejaculatory. Jaculatory prayers are the nearest dispositions

to contemplation. Sp. Conq. Maxims of Myst. Divin. (1651,) p. 81.

JADE. † n. s. [The etymology of this word is doubtful: Skinner derives it from gaad, a goad or spur. Dr. Johnson. - Hickes and Serenius observe that the Icel. jalkr, or jaelkr, is an aged horse; from jad, loss of teeth.

1. A horse of no spirit; a hired horse; a worthless nag; and sometimes a vicious

Alas, what wights are these that load my heart ! I am as dull as winter-starved sheep,

Tir'd as a jade in overloaden cart. When they should endure the bloody spur, They fall their crest, and, like deceitful jades, Sink in the trial. Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs.

The horsemen sit like fixed candlesticks, With torchstaves in their hand; and their poor

jades Lob down their heads, dropping the head and Shakspeare. If we kick when your honour spur us,

We are knaves and jades / Beaum. and Fl. Maid in the Mill.

So have I seen with armed heel, A wight bestride a commonweal, While still the more he kick'd and spurr'd, Hudibras. The less the sullen jade had stirr'd. The plain nag came upon the trial to prove those

to be jades that made sport with him. L'Estrange. False steps but help them to renew their race, As, after stumbling, jades will mend their pace.

The spirit of Jacobitism, which had obtained in | 2. A sorry woman. A word of contempt noting sometimes age, but generally

> There follow'd fast at band two wicked hags: -The squyre, arriving, fiercely in his arms Snatch'd first the one, and then the other jade.

Shall these, these old jades, past the flower Of youth, that you have, pass you? But she, the cunning st jade alive, Chapman.

Says 'tis the ready way to thrive. Stepney. Get in, hussy: now will I personate this young jade, and discover the intrigue.

Southern, Innocent Adultery. In diamonds, pearl, and rich brocades, She shines the first of batter'd jades,

And flutters in her pride. Swift. 3. A young woman; in irony and slight contempt.

You see now and then some handsome young jades among them: the sluts have very often white teeth and black eves.

Addison. white teeth and black eyes.

JADE. n. s. A species of stone.

The jade is a species of the jasper, and of extreme hardness. Its colour is composed of a pale blueish grey, or ash-colour, and a pale green, not uniform. It appears dull and coarse on the surface, but it takes a very elegant polish. It is used by the Turks for handles of sabres.

To JADE. v. a. [from the noun.] 1. To tire; to harass; to dispirit; to

weary: applied originally to horses. With his banners, and his well-paid ranks, The ne'er-yet-beaten horse of Parthia

We've jaded out o'the field.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. It is good in discourse to vary and intermingle speech of the present occasion with arguments; for it is a dull thing to tire and jade any thing too

If fleet dragon's progeny at last Proves jaded, and in frequent matches cast No favour for the stallion we retain, And no respect for the degen'rate strain. Dryden, Juv.

The mind once jaded, by an attempt above its power, is very hardly brought to exert its force

There are seasons when the brain is overtired or jaded with study or thinking; or upon some other accounts animal nature may be languid or cloudy, and unfit to assist the spirit in meditation.

Watts, Logick.

2. To overbear; to crush; to degrade; to harass, as a horse that is ridden too hard. If we live thus tamely,

To be thus jaded by a piece of scarlet, Farewell nobility. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

3. To employ in vile offices. The honourable blood

Must not be shed by such a jaded groom. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

4. To ride; to rule with tyranny. I do not now fool myself, to let imagination jade me: for every reason excites to this.

Shakspeare, Tw. Night. To JADE. v. n. To lose spirit; to sink. Many offer at the effects of friendship, but they do not last: they are promising in the beginning,

but they fail and jade and tire in the prosecution. South.

JA'DERY.* n. s. [from jade.] Jadish tricks.

Seeks all foul means Of boisterous and rought jadery, to disseat His lord that kept it bravely.

Beaum. and Fl. Two Noble Kinsmen.

JA'DISH. † adj. [from jade.]

1. Vitious; bad, as an horse. If an ass did kick, &c. some will for such jadish tricks give the ass his due burden of bastinados. Florio's First Fruits, &c. (1598,) Pref. That hors'd us on their backs, to show us

A jadish trick at last, and throw us. Hua When once the people get the jadish trick Of throwing off their king, no ruler's safe.

Southern.

2. Unchaste; incontinent.

Tis to no boot to be jealous of a woman; for if the humour takes her to be jadish, not all the locks and spies in nature can keep her honest,

To JAG. + v. a. [gagau, slits or holes, Welsh. To cut into indentures; to cut into teeth like those of a saw.

To avaunce your flesh, you cut and jagge your

Old Morality of Lusty Juventus, (temp. Edw. VI.) To what end doe we jagge and gash the garments, that are sewed together to cover our Some leaves are round, some long, some square, and many jagged on the sides. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

The banks of that sea must be jagged and torn by the impetuous assaults, or the silent underminings of waves; violent rains must wash down earth from the tops of mountains. Bentley. An alder-tree is one among the lesser trees,

whose younger branches are soft, and whose leaves are jagged.

JAG. † n. s. [from the verb.]

1. A protuberance or denticulation.

The figure of the leaves is divided into so many jaggs or escallops, and curiously indented round the edges.

Take off all the staring straws, twigs, and jaggs in the hive and make them as smooth as possible.

Mortimer, Husbandry. 2. A small parcel of any thing; a small load of hay or corn. In Norfolk and Suffolk it is called a bargain. See Grose, and Wilbraham's and Moore's

Glossaries. The latter of these two letters is come abroad; whereof, because it is in many hands, some jags

will suffice to be recited.

Hacket's Life of Abp. Williams, (1693,) p. 136. JA'GGEDNESS. n. s. [from jagged.] The

state of being denticulated : unevenness. First draw rudely your leaves, making them plain, before you give them their veins or jagged-Peacham on Drawing.

JA'GGY. adj. [from jag.] Uneven; denticulated.

His tow'ring crest was glorious to behold; His shoulders and his sides were scal'd with gold; Three tongues he brandish'd when he charg'd his foes;

His teeth stood jaggy in three dreadful rows.

Amid those angles, infinitely strain'd,

They joyjul leave their jaggy salts behind.

JAIL. † n. s. [geol. Welsh: geole, or rather gaiole, Fr. gieol, Su. Goth. But see GAOL.] A gaol; a prison; a place where criminals are confined. It is written either gaol or jail, but commonly by latter writers jail. Away with the dotard, to the jail with him.

Shakspeare. A dependant upon him paid six thousand pounds ready money, which, poor man, he lived to repent in a jail.

He sigh'd and turn'd his eyes, because he knew 'Twas but a larger jail he had in view. Dryden.

One jail did all their criminals restrain, Which now the walls of Rome can scarce contain.

One

JA'ILBIRD. n. s. [jail and bird.] who has been in a jail. JA'ILER. n. s. [from jail.] A gaoler; the

keeper of a prison.

Seeking many means to speak with her, and ever kept from it, as well because she shunned it, seeing and disdaining his mind, as because of her jealous jailors. This is as a jailer, to bring forth

Some monstrous malefactor.

Shakspeare. His pow'r to hollow caverns is confin'd: There let him reign, the jailer of the wind;

With hoarse commands his breathing subjects call, And boast and bluster in his empty hall. Dryden, Æn.

Palamon, the prisoner knight, Restless for woe, arose before the light; And, with his jailer's leave, desir'd to breathe An air more wholesome than the damp beneath.

Transl. of Bullinger's Serm. p. 239. JAKES. † n. s. [Of uncertain etymology. Dr. Johnson. - From the Lat. cacare; Sax. cac-hure, a privy. Minsheu, Skinner, and Lye. - Or, perhaps, from the Lat. jacio, jactus, thrown into, cast into.] A privy; a little house accommodated with a place to receive the excrements; "a common draught." Huloet. Dr. Johnson's examples of this word exhibit it as a noun having the plural number only; but it was used in the singular, having the same form.

Such therefore is this house; - and not this jakes, built upon men's traditions with mouldy

and rotten wood.

Harmar, Tr. of Beza's Serm. (1587,) p. 200. I will tread this unbolted villain into mortar, and daub the walls of jakes with him.

Shakspeare, K. Lear. From thence, as from an infernal jakes, do issue the most infamous vices, and execrable actions that can be committed by men.

Hewyt, Serm. (1658,) p. 141. Their sordid avarice rakes In excrements, and hires the very jakes.

Dryden, Juv. Some have fished the very jakes for papers left there by men of wit.

JA'LAP. n.s. [jalap, Fr. jalapium, low Lat. A medicinal drug.

Jalap is a firm and solid root, of a wrinkled surface, and generally cut into slices, heavy, and hard to break; of a faintish smell, and of an acrid and nauseous taste. It had its name jalapium, or jalapa, from Xalapa, a town in New Spain, in the neighbourhood of which it was discovered; though it is now principally brought from the Madeiras. It is an excellent purgative where serous humours are to be eva-cuated. Hill, Mat. Med.

JAM.† n. s. [I know not whence derived.] 1. A conserve of fruits boiled with sugar and water.

2. A sort of frock for children.

The long muslin dress, usually worn in India, both by Hindoos and Mahomedans, is called jammah; whence the dress well known in England, and worn by children, is usually called a Hodges, Travels, p. 3.

3. A thick bed of stone, which hinders the work of the lead-miners, when they

are pursuing the veins of ore. The language of the lead-miners in Mendip. Chambers.

To JAM.* v.a. [I know not the etymology. 1. To squeeze closely; to enclose any

object between two bodies, so as to render it immovable. 2. To render firm by treading, as cattle

do the land they are foddered on. JAMA'ICA Pepper.* See ALLSPICE.

JAMB. n. s. [jambe, Fr. a leg.] Any supporter on either side, as the posts of a door.

No timber is to be laid within twelve inches of the foreside of the chimney jambs.

Moxon, Mech. Exer. JA'MBEUX.* n. s. [Fr. jambes. See GIAM-BEUX.] Armour for the legs.

One for his legs and knees provided well, With jambeux arm'd, and double plates of steel.

Dryden, Pal. and Arcite. JAMBE'E.* n. s. A name formerly for a fashionable sort of cane.

Sir Timothy, yours is a true jambee; and esquire Empty's only a plain dragon. — This virtuoso has a parcel of jambees now growing in the East Indies. Tatler, No. 142.

IA'MBICK. n. s. [iambique, Fr. iambicus, Lat.] Verses composed of iambick feet, or a short and long syllable alternately: used originally in satire, therefore taken for satire.

In thy felonious heart though venom lies, It does but touch thy Irish pen, and dies: Thy genius calls thee not to purchase fame In keen iambicks, but mild anagram.

IA'MBICK.* adj. Composed of iambick feet. Aristotle observes, that the iambick verse in the Greek tongue was the most proper for tragedy; because, at the same time that it lifted up the discourse from prose, it was that which approached nearer to it than any other kind of verse.

Addison, Spect. No. 39. JANE.* n. s.

1. A coin of Genoa. Skinner. "Dear enough a jane." Chaucer. I could not give her many a jane.

Spenser, F. Q. iii. vii, 58. 2. A kind of fustian; a word still in use. Whether from Genoa, or, as Fuller derives it, from Jan, i. e. Jena, in Saxony, (in his Worthies, under Lancashire,) I am unable to say.

Two yards of jeyne fustiane to lyne a dublet for Mr. John, 20d. Talbot Accounts, 1580.

To JA'NGLE.† v. n. [jangler, old Fr. Skinner, jaengla, Su. Goth.] To altercate; to quarrel; to bicker in words. Now a low word; formerly much used by our old writers: and in the sense of to prate, to babble, which Dr. Johnson has wholly overpassed.

1. To prate; to talk idly or maliciously. My son, be thou none of tho

To jangle, and tell tales so. Gower, Conf. Am. b.3. Of sundry doutes thus they jangle and trete.

Chaucer, Squ. Tale. Wife is not in the Scriptures called an impediment or necessary evil, as certain poets and beastly men, who hated women, have foolishly Transl. of Bullinger's Serm. p. 224. jangled.

Whether any have used to commune, jangle, and talk in the church.

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jangling, spending, gaming.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. To the Reader. A jangling noise of words unknown. Milton, P. L.

2. To quarrel; to bicker in words.

Good wits will be jangling; but, gentles, agree, This civil war of wits were much better us'd On Navarre and his book-men.

Shakspeare, Love's L. Lost. There is no errour which hath not some appearance of probability resembling truth, which when men, who study to be singular, find out, straining reason, they then publish to the world matter of contention and jangling.

To make to sound To JA'NGLE. v.a. untunably.

Now see that noble and that sovereign reason, Like sweet bells jangled out of tune and harsh. Shakspeare, Hamlet. Ere Gothick forms were known in Greece,

And in our verse ere monkish rhimes Had jangled their fantastick chimes. Prior.

JA'NGLE.* n. s. [old Fr. jangle.]

1. Prate; babble.

This sompnour - was ful of jangles, -And ever enquering upon every thing. Chaucer, Fr. Tale.

2. Discordant sound. The mad jangle of Matilda's lyre.

The Mariad.

JA'NGLER. † n. s. [from the verb; old Fr. jangleur.] A wrangling, chattering, noisy fellow; a prater. A tongue cutteth friendship all atwo :

A jangler is to God abhominable.

Chaucer, Mancip. Tale. News-carriers, janglers, and such like idle com-mions. Brewer, Com. of Lingua. panions.

JAN'GLING.* n. s. [from jangle.]

1. Babble; mere prate.

The end of the commandment is charity out of a pure heart, and of a good conscience, and of faith unfeigned; from which some having swerved, have turned aside unto vain jangling, [ματαιολογία, vain discourse, desiring to be teachers of the law understanding neither what they say, nor whereof they affirm. 1 Tim. i. 6.

2. Dispute; altercation; quarrel.

So far am I glad it did so sort, As this their jangling I esteem a sport. Shakspeare. They lose their respect towards us from this

jangling of ours. Guardian, No. 73. JA'NITOR.* n. s. [Latin.] A door-keeper;

The janitor of the starry hall drove away slum-Warton, Notes on Milton's Sm. Poems.

JA'NIZARY.† n. s. [A Turkish word. " Janizar apud Turcas significat novum ordinem. Nam Jani est novum, et Zar ordo; ideò autem dictus ordo ille novus, quia illum ultimum Turcæ invenerunt.

Alii Janizaros dictos volunt, quasi janitores, quia semper proximi sunt ad Imperatorem, certè proximiores aliis.' Critopuli Emendat, et Animady, in Meursii Gloss. p. 26.] One of the guards of the Turkish king.

His grand vizier, presuming to invest The chief imperial city of the West,

With the first charge compell'd in haste to rise; The standard's lost, and janizaries slain,

Render the hopes he gave his master vain. Waller. Next follow his best footmen, called janizaries, taken young from their christian parents, (parallel to the Roman prætorian soldiers,) being the guard of the grand signior's person.

Fuller, Holy War, p. 283.

A vain humour he hath in building, bragging, | JANIZA'RIAN.* adj. [from janizary.] Of | To JAPA'N. v. a. [from the noun.] the command or government of jani-

JAP

I never shall so far injure the janizarian re-publick of Algiers, as to put it in comparison for every sort of crime, turpitude, and oppression, with the jacobin republick of Paris.

Burke on a Regicide Peace. JA'NNOCK. n. s. [probably a corruption of bannock.] Oat bread. A northern word. JA'NSENISM.* n. s. The doctrine of Cornelius Jansen, bishop of Ypres, in Flanders; which made no great noise in the world till after the death of its author in 1638. It related chiefly to grace and freewill. To his work, which was published after his death, he had been induced by the controversy at the beginning of the seventeenth century, between the Jesuits and Dominicans, concerning the nature and necessity of divine grace.

JA'NSENIST.* n.s. One who espouses the

opinions of Jansen.

He was a Jansenist: he hated the Jesuits. Burnet, Hist. of his Own Time, an. 1671.

JA'NTY. † adj. [corrupted from gentil, Fr. Dr. Johnson. - But see Gent. Such also is the Teut. jent, pretty. Dr. Jamieson has observed, that Bailey gives what seems the proper sense of this word, viz. "romping, wanton;" and he barely notices Dr. Johnson's definition of "showy, fluttering." Append. to his Etym. Dict. But Dr. Johnson is right; and Bailey's sense must be sought elsewhere than in our authors of note. I confirm Dr. Johnson's sense by four examples, to which "romping and wanton" can have no claim.] Showy; fluttering; finical.

Not every one that brings from beyond seas a new gin, or other janty device, is therefore a Hobbes Considered, (1662). philosopher. This sort of woman is a janty slattern; she

hangs on her clothes, plays her head, and varies her posture. Such janty scribblers are justly laughed at for

their sonnets on Phillis and Chloris, and fantastical descriptions in them. Tatler, No. 9. A janty limp is the present beauty.

Tatler, No. 77. What though they dress so fine and janty? Warton, Oxf. Newsm. Verses, (1760).

JA'NTINESS. n. s. [from janty.] Airiness; flutter; genteelness.

A certain stiffness in my limbs entirely destroyed that jauntiness of air I was once master

first month of the year, from Janus, to whom it was, among the Romans, consecrated.

January is clad in white, the colour of the earth at this time, blowing his nails. This month had the name from Janus, painted with two faces, signifying providence.

JAPA'N. n. s. [from Japan in Asia, where figured work was originally done.] Work varnished and raised in gold and colours. It is commonly used with another substantive, and therefore may be considered as an adjective.

The poor girl had broken a large japan glass, of great value, with a stroke of her brush. Swift.

1. To varnish, and embellish with gold and raised figures.

For not the desk with silver nails. Nor bureau of expence,

Nor standish well japann'd, avails To writing of good sense. Swift. 2. To black and gloss shoes. A low phrase.

The god of fire Among these generous presents joins his part, And aids with soot the new japanning art. Gay, Trivia.

JAPA'NNER. n. s. [from japan.]

1. One skilled in japan work.

2. A shoeblacker. So called because he makes the shoes shine. The poor have the same itch;

They change their weekly barber, weekly news, Prefer a new japanner to their shoes. Pope, Horace,

To JAPE.* v. n. [Icel. geipa, to utter foolish or light words; to jest: allied to the verb gibe, old Fr. gaber. Lye deduces it from the Armor. goap, irrisio, goapat, irridere; whence, he adds, the Fr. gaber. 7 To jest. Obsolete. To japen he began. Chaucer, Prol. to Sir Thopas.

To JAPE.* v. a.

1. To cheat; to impose upon. [Sax. zeap, cunning, crafty. Thus hath he japed thee ful many a yere.

Chaucer, Kn. Tale.

2. To sport with; to wanton with. In both senses obsolete. JAPE.* n. s. [Icel. geip.] A jest; a trick.

He had a jape of malice in the dark.

Chaucer, Coke's Prol. JA'PER.* n. s. [from jape.] A jester; a buffoon. Obsolete.

After this cometh the sinne of japers, that ben the devils apes. e devils apes.

They ben but jugglers and japers.

P. Ploughman's Creed. Chaucer, Pers. Tale.

To JAR. + v. n. [from coppe, anger, Sax.; or guerre, war, French; or garren, old Teutonick, to clamour.

1. To strike together with a kind of short

The rings of iron that on the doors were hung, Sent out a jarring sound, and harshly rung.

My knees tremble with the jarring blow. Gay. 2. To strike or sound untunably and irregularly.

O, you kind gods! Cure this great breech in his abused nature : The untun'd and jarring senses, O, wind up, Of this child-changed father ! Shakspeare, K. Lear.

I perceive you delight not in musick. Shakspeare. - Not a whit, when it jars so. A string may jar in the best master's hand,

And the most skilful archer miss his aim. Roscommon. He keeps his temper'd mind, serene and pure, And every passion aptly harmoniz'd

Amid a jarring world. Thomson, Summer. 3. To strike or vibrate regularly; to repeat the same sound or noise.

My thoughts are minutes, and with sighs they Shakspeare, Rich. II.

The owl shrieking, the toads croaking, the minutes jerring, and the clock striking twelve. Kyd, Spanish Trag. (1601).

He hears no waking clocke, nor watch to jarre. Heywood, Troja Britann. iv. 107. (1609). 4. To clash; to interfere; to act in op-

position; to be inconsistent.

At last, though long, our jarring notes agree. Shakspeare.

For orders and degrees Jar not with liberty, but well consist. Milton, P. L. Venalus concluded his report: A jarring murmur fill'd the factious court:

As when a torrent rolls with rapid race, The flood, constrain'd within a scanty space, Roars horrible. Dryden, Æn.

5. To quarrel; to dispute.

When those renowned noble peers of Greece, Through stubborn pride, among themselves did

Forgetful of the famous golden fleece, Then Orpheus with his harp their strife did bar.

They must be sometimes ignorant of the means conducing to those ends, in which alone they can jar and oppose each other.

To JAR.* v. a.

1. To make to jar, or sound untunably. When once they [bells] jar and check each other, either jangling together, or striking preposterously, how harsh and unpleasing is that noise?

Bp. Hall, Occas. Medit. § 80.

2. To shake; to agitate. JAR. + n. s. [from the verb.]

1. A kind of rattling vibration of sound. In r, the tongue is held stiffly at its whole length, by the force of the muscles; so as when

the impulse of breath strikes upon the end of the tongue, where it finds passage, it shakes and agitates the whole tongue, whereby the sound is affected with a trembling jar.

Holder, Elem. of Speech.

2. Harsh sound; discord.

Harsh ill-sounding jars

Of clamorous sin, that all our musick mars, Milton, at a Solemn Musick, (MS. reading).

3. A repetition of the noise made by the pendulum of a clock. See the third sense of the verb.

I love thee not a jar o'the clock behind

What lady she her lord. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. 4. Clash of interests or opinions; discord; debate.

He maketh war, he maketh peace again, And yet his peace is but continual jar : O miserable men, that to him subject are!

Nath'less, my brother, since we passed are Unto this point, we will appease our jar.

Spenser, Hubb. Tale.

Force would be right; or rather right and wrong, Between whose endless jar justice presides,

Would lose their names, and so would justice too.

5. A state in which a door unfastened may strike the post; half opened; that is, on the turn; gyrus, Lat. a turning about; zýpan, Sax. to turn.

The chaffering with dissenters, and dodging about this or t'other ceremony, is but like opening a few wickets, and leaving them a-jar, by which no more than one can get in at a time.

6. An earthen vessel. [Spanish, jarro; Ital. giarro.]

About the upper part of the jar there appeared a good number of bubbles. Boyle.

He mead for cooling drink prepares, Of virgin honey in the jars. Dryden.

Warriors welter on the ground, Whilst empty jars the dire defeat resound. Garth.

To JA'RBLE.* v. a. To bemire; to daggle; to wet. A northern word. Dr. Johnson says it is jable. See To JAVEL. The Yorkshire Glossary, and the still more northern pronunciation in Cumberland, is jarble.

JA'RDES. n. s. [French.] Hard callous tumours in horses, a little below the bending of the ham on the outside. This distemper in time, will make the horse halt, and grow so painful as to cause him to pine away, and become light-bellied. It is most common to managed horses, that have been kept too much upon their haunches.

Farrier's Dict.

To JA'RGLE.* v. n. [Su. Goth. jerga.] To emit a shrill or harsh sound.

Oh, Hercules!

Thy mother could for thee thy cradle set Her husband's rusty iron corselet;

Whose jargling sound might rock her babe to rest. Bp. Hall, Sat. iv. 4.

JA'RGON. † n. s. [jargon, Fr. gergon, Ital. Perhaps, as Serenius observes, from the Su. Goth. jerga, "eadem oberrare chorda." Formerly we had the verb in the sense of prate or chatter; and I find no occurrence of the substantive so early as that of the verb in the following lines from Gower's fifth book of his Confessio Amantis .

"Whan he thir tongue refte, " A littell part thereof he lefte;

"But she withall no worde maie sowne,

"But chitre, and as a byrde jargowne." The French have the verb jargonner.] Unintelligible talk; gabble; gibberish.

Nothing is clearer than mathematical demonstration, yet let one, who is altogether ignorant in mathematicks, hear it, and he will hold it to be plain fustian or jargon. Bp. Bramhall. From this last toil again what knowledge flows?

Just as much, perhaps, as shews That all his predecessors' rules

Were empty cant, all jargon of the schools. Prior. During the usurpation an infusion of enthusiastick jargon prevailed in every writing. Swift.

JARGONE'LLE. n. s. A species of pear. See PEAR.

JA'RRING.* n. s. [from jar.] Quarrel; dispute.

Polygamy occasions perpetual jarrings, and jea-Burnet, Life of Ld. Rochester, p. 113.

JA'RSEY.* See JERSEY.

JA'SEY.* n. s. [corrupted from jarsey, or jersey, which Bailey calls "the finest wool, separated from the rest by combing."] A worsted wig; and in some places a colloquial term for any wig.

JA'SHAWK. n. s. [probably ias or eyas hawk.] A young hawk. Ainsworth. JA'SMINE. n. s. [gelsiminum; jasmin, Fr.

It is often pronounced jessamine.] A creeping shrub with a fragrant flower. Thou like the harmless bee, mayst freely range;

From jasmine grove to grove may'st wander.

JA'SMINE Persian. n. s. A plant. A species of lilac.

JASP. n. s. [jaspe, Fr. iaspis, Lat.] A hard stone of a bright, JA'SPER. beautiful green colour, sometimes clouded with white, found in masses of various sizes and shapes. It is capable of a very elegant polish, and is found in many parts of the East Indies, and in Egypt, Africa, Tartary, and China.

Hill, Mat. Med.

The floor of jasp and emeraude was dight.

Spenser, Vis. of Bellay. The basis of jasper is usually of a greenish hue, and spotted with red, yellow, and white.

Woodward, Met. Foss. The most valuable pillars about Rome are four columns of oriental jasper in St. Paulina's chapel, and one of transparent oriental jasper in the Va-tican library.

Addison on Italy.

IATROLE'PTICK. adj. [iatraleptique, Fr. ialgòς and ἀλέιφω, Gr.] That which

cures by anointing. To JA'VEL, or JA'BLE. v.a. To bemire; to soil over with dirt through unnecessary traversing and travelling. This word is still retained in Scotland and the northern counties. Dr. Johnson. - To jarble, as I before observed, is our northern word. Nevertheless, jable, in our old language, is found for javel. See the substantive. Of its etymology I am ignorant.

JA'vel. n. s. [perhaps from the verb.] A wandering or dirty fellow.

What, thu jabell, canst not have to do? Thu and thi company shall not depart, Tyll of our distavys ye have take part.

Mystery of Candlemas-Day, (1512). When as Time, flying with wings swift

Expired had the term that these two javels Should tender up a reckoning of their travels. Spenser, Hubb. Tale.

Sir Thomas More, preparing himself for execution, put on his best apparel, which the lieutenant compelled him to put off again, saying, That he who should have them was but a javel. What, says Sir Thomas, shall I account him a javel, who shall this day do me so great a benefit?

More, Life of Sir Tho. More.

JA'VELIN. n.s. [javeline, Fr.] A spear or half pike, which anciently was used either by foot or horse. It had an iron head pointed.

Others, from the wall, defend With dart and javelin, stones and sulphurous fire; On each hand slaughter and gigantick deeds.

Milton, P. L. She shakes her myrtle juvelin; and, behind, Her Lycian quiver dances in the wind.

Dryden, En. Flies the javelin swifter to its mark, Launch'd from the vigour of a Roman arm? Addison, Cuto.

JAUM.* n. s. The language of carpenters, and also of our northern counties, for jamb. See JAMB. It was formerly written jaumb.

To JAUNCE.* v. n. [Fr. jancer, "to jaunt, an old word." Cotgrave.] To bustle about; to jaunt. This is the true reading in the following passage, which Dr. Johnson has converted into jaunting, and affixed as an authority to jaunt.

I was not made a horse, And yet I bear a burden like an ass, Spurgall'd and tir'd by jauncing Bolingbroke. Shakspeare, Rich. II.

JA'UNDICE. n. s. [jaunisse, jaune, yellow, Fr.] A distemper from obstruc-tions of the glands of the liver, which prevents the gall being duly separated by them from the blood: and sometimes, especially in hard drinkers, they are so indurated as never after to be opened, and straighten the motion of the blood so much through that viscus as to make it divert with a force great enough into the (gastrick arteries, which go off from the hepatick, to break through them, and 2. The mouth. drain into the stomach; so that vomiting of blood, in this distemper, is a fatal symptom. Quincy.

Why should a man, whose blood is warm within,

Sit like his grandsire cut in alabaster?

Sleep when he wakes, and creep into the jaundice By being peevish? Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. Those were thy thoughts, and thou could'st 3. In low language, gross abuse.

judge aright,

Till int'rest made a jaundice in thy sight. Dryden. The eyes of a man in the jaundice make yellow observations on every thing; and the soul, tinctured with any passion, diffuses a false colour over the appearances of things.

JA'UNDICED. adj. [from jaundice.] Infected with the jaundice.

All seems infected, that th' infected spy, As all looks yellow to the jaundic'd eye.

To JAUNT. v. n. [originally jaunce; Fr. jancer, an old word. See To JAUNCE.] To wander here and there; to bustle about. It is now always used in contempt or levity.

O, my back, my back! Beshrew your heart for sending me about, To catch my death with jaunting up and down. Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul.

I'm weary with the walk, My jaunting days are done.

Beaum. and Fl. Wit at sev. Weapons.

JAUNT. † n. s. [from the verb.]

1. Ramble; flight; excursion. It is commonly used ludicrously, but solemnly by

Our Saviour meek, and with untroubled mind, After his aery jaunt, though hurried sore, Hungry and cold, betook him to his rest.

Milton, P. R.

He sends me out on many a jaunt,

Old houses in the night to haunt.

They parted, and away posts the cavalier in quest of his new mistress: his first jaunt is to L'Estrange.

If you are for a merry jaunt, I'll try for once who can foot it farthest. Dryden, Span. Friar.

Thus much of the scheme of my design in this part have I run over, and led my reader a long and tedious jaunt, in tracing out these metallick and Woodward.

2. The felloe of a wheel. [Fr. jante.] JA'UNTINESS. See JANTINESS.

JA'UNTY.* See JANTY.

JAW.† n. s. [joue, a cheek, Fr. whence jowbone, or cheekbone, then jaw. Dr. Johnson. — This word, it must be observed, was formerly written chaw. "The chaw bone. The chawes." Barret's Alv. 1580. The etymon of the verb chaw will therefore, perhaps, be more satisfactory. See To Chaw. Serenius notices the Sax. zeazl, mandibula, maxilla: and the Icel. jagl, dens molaris.]

1. The bone of the mouth in which the teeth are fixed.

A generation whose teeth are as swords, and their jaw teeth as knives to devour the poor.

Prov. xxx. 14. The jaw bones, hearts, and galls of pikes are very medicinable. Walton, Angler. Piso, who probably speaks Aristotle's meaning,

saith, that the crocodile doth not only move his upper jaw, but that his nether jaw is immoveable. Grew, Museum.

More formidable hydra stands within, Whose jaws with iron teeth severely grin.

Druden. Æn.

My tongue cleaveth to my jaws, and thou hast brought me into the dust of death. Psalm xxii, 15. My bended hook shall pierce their slimy jaws.

Shaksveare. A smeary foam works o'er my grinding jaws, And utmost anguish shakes my labouring frame.

To JAW.* v. a. In low language, to abuse grossly; used also in Scotland, "to assault one with coarse raillery." Dr.

JA'WED.* adj. [from jaw.] Denoting the

appearance of the jaws.

Jawed liked a jetty. Skelton, Poems, p. 124. JA'wfALL.* n. s. [jaw and fall.] Depression of the jaw; figuratively, depression of mind or spirits. So CHAP-FALLEN.

We find the Jews - desperately sick of this vertiginous disease; for they had their dukes, or leaders; - and for a time they had an inter-regnum, and no king in Israel, beside divers other horrid jawfalls in government.

Dr. M. Griffith, Fear of God & the King, (1660,) p. 81.

To Jawn.* v. n. [See Chaun, and To CHAUN.] To open. Stop his jawning chaps.

Marston, Scourge of Vill. i. 3. (1599.)

JA'wy.* adj. [from jaw.] Relating to the jaws.

The dewlaps and the jawy part of the face. Gayton on D. Quixote, p. 42.

JAY. + n. s. [named from his cry. Skinner and Dr. Johnson. - The bird has much the same name in other languages; gay, gaey, old Teut.; gay, geay, Fr.; kaa, Dan. "The jay, that chattering bird, which has found its way into so many languages, is nothing but the jaw; and it might easily be proved, that all its various names are derived from this idea." Whiter, Etymolog. Mag. p. 192. Isidore supposes the Latin name of this bird, graculus, to be derived from garrulitas, its prating. A bird; piaglandaria.

Two sharp-winged sheers, Decked with diverse plumes, like painted jays, Were fixed at his back to cut his airy ways.

Spenser, F. Q. We'll use this unwholesome humidity, this gross watery pumpion — we'll teach him to know turtles

What, is the jay more precious than the lark, Because his feathers are more beautiful?

Shakspeare. I am highly delighted to see the jay or the thrush hopping about my walks.

Admires the jay, the insect's gilded wings? Or hears the hawk, when Philomela sings? Pope.

JA'zel. n. s. A precious stone of an azure or blue colour.

I'BIS.* n. s. The name of an Egyptian bird, approaching to the stork-kind.

A certain bird called ibis, about the banks of the Nile, first taught the Egyptians the way of administering clysters; for this bird has been often observed, by means of his crooked bill intromitted into the anus, to inject salt-water, as with a syringe, into its own bowels, and thereby to exonerate its paunch when too much obstructed.

Greenhill, Art of Embalming, p. 232.

ICE. † n. s. fir, Sax.; eyse, Dutch; is, Swed. allied, as Lye thinks, to the Icel. isiaki, large fragments of ice.]

1. Water or other liquor made solid by cold.

You are no surer, no, Then is the coal of fire upon the ice,

Or hailstone in the sun. Shakspeare, Coriol. Thou art all ice, thy kindness freezes.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. If I should ask whether ice and water were two distinct species of things, I doubt not but I should be answered in the affirmative. 2. Concreted sugar.

3. To break the ICE. To make the first opening to any attempt.

If you break the ice, and do this feat, Achieve the elder, set the younger free

For our access, whose hap shall be to have her, Will not so graceless be to be ingrate. Shakspeare.

Thus have I broken the ice to invention, for the lively representation of floods and rivers necessary for our painters and poets. Peacham on Drawing.

After he'd a while look'd wise,

At last broke silence and the ice. Hudibras. To ICE. † v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To cover with ice: to turn to ice.

'Tis chrystal, friend, ic'd in the frozen sea. P. Fletcher, Pisc. Eclog. v. 11.

2. To cover with concreted sugar; to cover as with sugar.

Noise, and passion, and hardy confidence, iced over with some sanctimonious pretences, can engage the affections of the vulgar more than ingenuity and real moderation. Puller, Moder. of the Ch. of Eng. Pref. (1679.)

3. To chill; to freeze.

I'CEBUILT.* adj. [ice and build.] Formed of heaps of ice.

Where shaggy forms o'er icebuilt mountains roam. Gray, Prog. of Poesy. I'cehouse. n. s. [ice and house.] A house.

in which ice is reposited against the warm months.

I'CELANDER.* n. s. A native of Iceland.

The aspirations of the consonants, so frequent in the English, are the leading marks to a Northern derivation; so that an Icelander, hearing this in the mouth of an Englishman, will go no farther than to his own language, and is sure to find either the same word, or the root of it, with very few alterations.

Serenius, Pref. to his Eng. and Sw. Dict.

Ichne'umon. † n. s. [ἰχνέυμων, Gr.] Α small animal that breaks the eggs of the crocodile.

The crocodile - is awed by none more than Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 364. the ichneumon. The ichneumon makes it the whole business of his life to break the eggs of the crocodile.

Addison, Spect. No. 126.

ICHNEUMONFLY' n. s. A sort of fly.

The generation of the ichneumonfly is in the bodies of caterpillars, and other nymphæ of insects. Derham, Physico-Theol.

ICHNOGRA'PHICAL.* adj. [from ichnography; Fr. ichnographique.] Representing a certain plot of ground.

Perrault has assisted the text with a figure, or ichnographical plot. Evelyn, ii. i. 1. Here you have the ichnographical plan of the temple of Janus. Drummond, Trav. p. 116.

ICHNO'GRAPHY.† n. s. [1xyos and γράφω, Gr.; ichnographie, Fr.] ground plot.

The inspection alone of those curious ichnographies of temples and palaces.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 268.

It will be more intelligible to have a draught of each front in a paper by itself, and also to have a draught of the ground-plot or ichnography of every story in a paper by itself.

Mozon.

I'CHOR. n. s. [$l\chi\omega g$, Gr.] A thin watery humour like serum. Quincy.

Milk, drawn from some animals that feed only upon flesh, will be more apt to turn rancid and putrify, acquiring first a saline taste, which is a sign of putrefaction, and then it will turn into an ichor.

Arbuthnot on Alliments.

I'chorous. adj. [from ichor.] Serous; sanious; thin; undigested.

The lung-growth is imputed to a superficial

sanious or ichorous exulceration.

Harvey on Consumptions.

The pus from an ulcer of the liver, growing thin

and ichorous, corrodes the vessels.

Arbuthnot on Diet.

ICHTHYO'LOGY. n. s. [ichthyologie, French; λ/ θυολογία, and λ/ βνός and λ/ έγω, Gr.] The doctrine of the nature of fish.

Some there are, as camels and sheep, which carry no name in ichthyology. Brown, Vulg. Err. [CHTHYO'PHAGY. N. S. [½βδς and φάγω, Gr.] Diet of fish; the practice of eating fish.

I'CICLE. n. s. [from ice.] A shoot of ice commonly hanging down from the upper

part.

If distilled vinegar or aqua-fortis be poured into the powder of loadstone, the subsiding powder, dried, retains some magnetical virtue; but if the menstruum be evaporated to a consistence, and afterwards doth shoot into icicles, or crystals, the loadstone hath no power upon them.

From locks uncomb'd, and from the frozen beard,
Long icicles depend, and crackling sounds are
heard.

Dryden.

The common dropstone consists principally of spar, and is frequently found in form of an icide, hanging down from the tops and sides of grottos.

Woodward, Nat. Hist.

I'CINESS. n. s. [from icy.] The state of generating ice.

I'CING.* n. s. [from ice.] A covering of concreted sugar.

concreted sugar.

The splendid *iceing* of an immense historick plumb-cake, was embossed with a delicious basso-

plumb-cake, was embossed with a delicious bassorelievo of the destruction of Troy.

Warton, Hist. E. P. iii. 492.

I'ckie.* n. s. In the north of England, an icicle. Grose.

Be she constant, be she fickle,

Be she fire, or be she ickle.

Cotton, Joys of Marriage, (1689.)

I'CON. n. s. [ἐικων, Gr.] A picture or representation.

Boysardus, in his tract of divination, hath set forth the icons of these ten, yet added two others.

Brown, Vulg. Err.
Some of our own nation, and many Netherlanders, whose names and icons are published, have deserved good commendation.

Hakewill on Providence.

Ico'noclast. † n. s. [iconoclaste, Fr.; ἔικονοκλαςης, Gr.] A breaker of images.

Pope Stephen, IV. in 768 condemned this council in a synod of Italian bishops, who asserted the honour of images against the eastern iconoclasts.

Young on Idolatrous Corrupt, ii. 275.

ICONOCLA'STICK.* adj. [from iconoclast.]

Breaking or destroying images.

I have sometimes reflected for what reason the Turks should appoint such marks [niches in their mosques] to direct their faces towards, in prayer. And if I may be allowed to conjecture, I believe they did it at first in testimony of their iconoclastick

principle; and to express to them both the reality of the Divine presence there, and at the same time also its invisibility. Maundrell, Trav. p. 15. Most of those [statues] at York were destroyed,

in the first emotions of iconoclastic zeal.

Swinburne, Trav. through Spain, L. 44.

ICONO'GRAPHY.* n. s. [iνων and γεάφω, Gr.; iconographie, Fr.] A description of pictures, statues, and similar monuments of ancient art.

ICONO'LATER.* n. s. [εδιων and λάτζος, Gr.; iconolátre, Fr.] A worshipper of images; a name given by the iconoclasts to the Romanists.

Icono'Logy. n. s. [iconologie, Fr.; εἰκὼν and λέγω, Gr.] The doctrine of picture or representation.

ICTE'RICAL. n. s. [icterique, Fr.; icterus, Lat.]

1. Afflicted with the jaundice.

In the jaundice the choler is wanting, and the icterical have a great sourness, and gripes with windiness.

Floyer.

2. Good against the jaundice.
ICTHYO'LOGY.* See ICHTHYOLOGY.
I'CY. adj. [from ice.]

1. Full of ice; covered with ice; made of ice; cold; frosty.

But my poor heart first set free, Bound in those icy chains by thee.

Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas.

Here feel we but the penalty of Adam, The seasons difference; as the *icy* phang, And churlish chiding of the winter's wind.

He relates the excessive coldness of the water they met with in Summer in that icy region, where they were forced to winter. Boyle.

Bear Britain's thunder, and her cross display To the bright regions of the rising day; Tempt icy seas, where scarce the waters roll, Where clearer flames grow round the frozen pole.

2. Cold; free from passion.

Thou would'st have never learn'd
The icy precepts of respect. Shaksp. Timon.

Frigid; backward.
 If thou do'st find him tractible to us,
 Encourage him, and tell him all our reasons;

If he be leaden, icy, cold, unwilling,
Be thou so too.

Shakspeare, Rich. III.

ICY-PE'ARLED.* adj. Studded with pearls, as it were of ice.

So mounting up in icy-pearled car, Through middle empire of the freezing air He wander'd long. Milt. Death of a Fair Infant.

I'd. Contracted for I would. IDE'A. n. s. [idée, Fr.; idéa, Gr.] Mental

Whatsoever the mind perceives in itself, or is the immediate object of perception, thought, or understanding, that

I call idea. Locke.

The form under which these things appear to the mind, or the result of our

apprehension, is called an *idea*. Watts. Happy you that may to the saint, your only

Although simply attir'd, your manly affection

Our Saviour himself, being to set down the perfect idea of that which we are to pray and wish for on earth, did not teach to pray or wish for more than only that here it might be with us, as with them it is in heaven.

Hooker.

Her sweet idea wander'd through his thoughts. Fairfax.

I did infer your lineaments, Being the right idea of your father, Both in your form and nobleness of mind.

How good, how fair,
Answering his great idea.

If Chaucer, by the best idea wrought,

The fairest nymph before his eyes he set. Dryd. IDE'AL.† adj. [ideal, Fr. Cotgrave.] Mental; intellectual; not perceived by the senses.

There is a two-fold knowledge of material things; one real, when the thing, and the real impression thereof on our senses, is perceived; the other ideal, when the image or idea of a thing, absent in itself, is represented to and considered on the imagination.

Cheyne, Phil. Prin.

To Ide'Allize.* v. n. [from ideal.] To

form ideas.

Others attributed it [religion] to meditation and wonder on the beauty and magnificence of nature, or the forebodings and expectations of futurity congenial to man, or their natural propensity to idealize.

Maty, Acc. of Meiner's Hist. of all Relig. (1786). IDE'ALLY. adv. [from ideal.] Intellectually; mentally.

A transmission is made materially from some parts, and *ideally* from every one.

Brown, Vulg. Err.
To IDE'ATE.* v. a. [from idea.] To fancy;
to form in idea.

Letters mingle souls;

For thus friends absent speak: this ease controuls The tediousness of my life: But for these I could ideate nothing which could please.

Donne to Sir H. Wotton, Poems, p. 146.
What good statesmen would they be, who should ideate or fancy such a commonwealth?

Knott, Charity by Cath. P.1. ch. 2. in Chillingw. IDE'NTICAL. adj. [identique, Fr.] The IDE'NTICK. } same; implying the same thing; comprising the same idea.

The beard's the identick beard you knew,
The same numerically true.

Hudibras.
Their majus is identical with majis.

Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

Those ridiculous identical propositions, that faith is faith, and rule is a rule, are first principles in this controversy of the rule of faith, without which nothing can be solidly concluded either about rule or faith.

Tillotson, Serm.

If this pre-existent eternity is not compatible with a successive duration, as we clearly and distinctly perceive that it is not, then it remains, that some being, though infinitely above our finite comprehensions, must have had an identical, invariable continuance from all eternity, which being is no other than God.

Bentley, Serm.

IDE'NTICALLY.* adv. [from identical.]
With sameness.

In artificial things the introduction of a new form makes not the matter to be identically different from what it was. Ross on Sir K. Digby.

IDE'NTICALNESS.* n. s. [from identical.]

Locke. Identifica tify.] Production of sameness; proof our of identity.

Sameness.

Shep. He may then be able, for ought we know to the contrary, to join the soul or spirit of man to himself.

Dech. Not so as to make but one person of both; such an identification I take to be impossible.

sible.

Shep. You may take it to be so; but I am sure

you cannot prove it.

Skelton, Deism Revealed, Dial. vi.

I am not ready to admit the identification of the
Romish faith with Gospel faith.

Bp. Watson, Charge.

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To IDE'NTIFY.* v. a. [from identick, and 1. A primary disease that neither depends 2. Folly; natural imbecillity of mind. the Lat. fio.]

1. To prove sameness.

All indictments must set forth the christian name, surname, and addition of the state and degree, mystery, town, or place, and the county of the offender: and all this to identify his person. Rlackstone.

2. To make the same: as, his cause is identified with mine.

All the divine perfections, being intrinsical unto and identified with the divine nature or essence. Barrow, Works, i. 391.

IDE'NTITY. n. s. [identité, French; identitas, school Latin.] Sameness; not diversity.

There is a fallacy of equivocation from a society in name, inferring an identity in nature: by this fallacy was he deceived that drank aqua-fortis for strong water. Brown, Vulg. Err.

Certainly those actions must needs be regular, where there is an identity between the rule and the South, Serm.

Considering any thing as existing, at any determined time and place, we compare it with itself existing at another time, and thereon form the ideas of identity and diversity.

By cutting off the sense at the end of every first line, which must always rhyme to the next following, is produced too frequent an identity in sound, and brings every couplet to the point of an epi-

IDES. n. s. [ides, Fr.; idus, Lat.] A term anciently used among the Romans, and still retained in the Romish kalendar. It is the 13th day of each month, except in the months of March, May, July, and October, in which it is the 15th day, because in these four months it was six days before the nones, and in the others four days.

A soothsayer bids you beware the ides of March. Shaksneare.

IDIO'CRASY. n. s. [idiocrase, Fr.; 1810] and xpaous, Gr. 7 Peculiarity of consti-

IDIOCRA'TICAL. adj. [from idiocrasy.] Peculiar in constitution.

I'DIOCY. n. s. [ιδιω]ία.] Want of understanding.

I stand not upon their idiocy in thinking that horses did eat their bits.

I'DIOM.† n. s. [idiome, Fr.; ιδίωμα, Gr. In Sylvester's Du Bart, 1621, p. 663, the word idoana is placed among English terms requiring explanation.] A mode of speaking peculiar to a language or dialect; the particular cast of a tongue; a phrase; phraseology.

He did romanize our tongue, leaving the words translated as much Latin as he found them; wherein he followed their language, but did not comply with the idiom of ours. Dryden. Some that with care true eloquence shall teach,

And to just idioms fix our doubtful speech. Prior.

IDIOMA'TICAL.† \ adj. [from idiom.] Pe-IDIOMA'TICK. \ culiar to a tongue; phraseological.

Since phrases used in conversation contract meanness by passing through the mouths of the vulgar, a poet should guard himself against idiomatick ways of speaking. Milton mistakes the idiomatical use and mean-

ing of "munditiæ."

Warton, Notes on Milton's Sm. Poems. IDIO'PATHY. † n. s. [idiopathie, Fr.; "dios and πάθος, Gr. 7

on nor proceeds from another. Quincy.

2. Peculiar affection or feeling. Men are so full of their own fancies and idio-

pathies, that they scarce have the civility to interchange any words with a stranger. More, Song of the Soul, Pref. to P. ii. An elephant hath his idiopathy, and a man his,

at the hearing of a pipe: a cat, and an eagle, at the sight of the sun.

More, Song, &c. Notes, p. 429.

IDIOSY'NCRASY. n. s. [idiosynacrase, Fr.; ίδιος, σύν, and κρασις, Gr.] A peculiar temper or disposition of body not common to another. Quincu.

Whether quails, from any idiosyncracy or peculiarity of constitution, do innocuously feed upon hellebore, or rather sometimes but medicinally use the same. Brown, Vulg. Err.

The understanding also hath its idiosyncracies, as well as other faculties. Glanville, Scensis.

I'DIOT.† n. s. [idiot, Fr.; idiota, Lat.; ίδιώτης, Dr. Johnson. - The Greek word means originally a private person, and next an illiterate one. "Initio, sapientiæ studium maximam partem tantum inter magnos viros, publicâ authoritate præditos, versabatur. Unde TOIS HOAITE-ΤΟΜΕΝΟΙΣ oppositi & ΙΛΙΩΤΑΙ, quia plerique privati indocti ferè sunt. Hornii Hist. Philosophica, lib. 3. cap. 3. So Knatchbull: "Things not understood of them who are but ideots, and understand no other than their mother tongue." Annot. on 1 Cor. xiii. 13. Lastly, it came to denote what follows.] A fool: a natural; a changeling; one without 2. Not engaged; affording leisure. the powers of reason.

Life is a tale, Told by an idiot, full of sound and fury,

Signifying nothing.

Shakspeare, Macbeth.

What else doth he herein, than by a kind of circumlocution tell his humble suppliants that he holds them idiots, or base wretches, not able to get Ralegh, Essays.

By idle boys and idiots vilify'd, Who me and my calamities deride. Sandys.

Many idiots will believe that they see what they only hear. Dennis.

IDIO'TICAL.* adj. [from idiot.] IDIO'TICK. 1. Plain; familiar; not learned.

The language of the sublimest authors of Greece is, upon occasion, idiotical and vulgar. Blackwall, Sacr. Class. i. 271.

2. Stupid; foolish.

The stupid succession persisted to the last, in maintaining that the sun, moon, and stars, were no bigger than they appeared to the eye; and other such idiotic stuff, against mathematical demon-Bentley, Phil. Lips. § 49. stration.

I'DIOTCY.* See IDIOCY.

L'DIOTISM. † n. s. [idiotisme, Fr.; ίδιωλισμός,

1 Peculiarity of expression; mode of expression peculiar to a language.

It is the manner of that exquisite edition to set all the idiotisms of either language, and divers readings, in the margin.

Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Marr. Clergy, p.139. Scholars sometimes in common speech, or writing, in their native language, give terminations and

idiotisms suitable to their native language unto words newly invented. We may have lost some of the idiotism of that

language in which it was spoken.

Dryden, Life of Plutarch.

The wisdom of this world is idiotism; Strength a weak reed.

Decker, Con. of Old Fortunatus. To come to the knowledge of his own stolidity, idiotism, and gullishness.

Tr. of Boccalini, (1626,) p. 97. The running that adventure is the greatest idiotism, the most deplorable woeful simplicity in Hammond, Works, iv. 578. the world. If he should fall into absolute idiotism, and have

no will, he must then be no person.

Skelton, Deism Rev. Dial. vi. It matters not whether our good humour be construed by others into insensibility, or even idiotism; it is happiness to ourselves; and none but a fool would measure his satisfaction by what the world thinks of it. Goldsmith, Ess. iii.

To I'DIOTIZE.* v. n. [from idiot.] To become stupid.

It looks as if the heads of the greatest men idiotized, when they meet together.

Persian Letters, L. 109.

I'DLE.† adj. [ýbel, íbel, Sax. Mr. H Tooke considers it as the past participle of aiblian, irritum facere. But the Su. Goth, idel must also be cited, which, like the German eitel, is used in the sense of vain, useless, &c. Such, too, is our early usage of idle. "Feith without werkis is ydel." Wicliffe. St. James, ii. 20. "In idel," i. e. in vain. Chaucer.] 1. Lazy; averse from labour.

The tale of the bricks, which they did make heretofore, you shall lay upon them; you shall not diminish aught thereof; for they be idle.

Exod. iv. 8. For shame, so much to do, and yet idle. Bull.

For often have you writ to her; and she in modesty,

Or else for want of idle time, could not again reply. Shakspeare.

3. Unactive; not employed. Why stand ye here all the day idle? They say

unto him, Because no man hath hired us. St. Matt. xx. 6.

No war or battle's sound Was heard the world around,

The idle spear and shield were high up hung. Milton, Ode Nativ.

Children generally hate to be idle; all the care then is, that their busy humour should be constantly employed in something of use to them.

Supposing among a multitude embarked in the same vessel, there are several that, in a tempest, will rather perish than work; would it not be madness in the rest to stand idle, and rather chuse to sink than do more than comes to their share? Addison.

4. Useless; vain; ineffectual. They astonish'd, all resistance lost,

All courage; down their idle weapons dropp'd. Milton, P. L.

And threatening France, plac'd like a painted Held idle thunder in his lifted hand. Dryden.

Where was then The power that guards the sacred lives of kings? Why slept the lightning and the thunderbolts, Or bent their idle rage on fields and trees,

When vengeance call'd 'em here? Dryden, Span. Friar.

5. Unfruitful; barren: not productive of good. Of antres vast, and desarts idle,

It was my hint to speak. Shakspeare, Othello. The murmuring surge,

That on the unnumber'd idle pebbles chafes, Cannot be heard so high. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

He was met even now, Crown'd with rank fumiter and furrow weeds. Darnel, and all the idle weeds that grow

In our sustaining corn. Shakspeare, K. Lear. A poor and idle sin. B. Jonson, Sejanus. 6. Trifling; of no importance: as, an idle

Suffice it then, thou money god, quoth he,

That all thine idle offers I refuse; All that I need I have: what needeth me To covet more than I have cause to use?

Spenser, F. Q. This answer is both idle in regard of us, and also repugnant to themselves. Hooker.

They are not, in our estimation, idle reproofs, when the authors of needless innovations are opposed with such negatives, as that of Leo: how are these new devices brought in, which our fathers never knew?

His friend smil'd scornful, and, with proud contempt,

Rejects as idle what his fellow dreamt. Dryden. An idle reason lessens the weight of the good ones you gave before.

He wishes to recall the precious hours he has spent in trifles, and loitered away in idle unprofitable diversions. Rogers.

To IDLE. † v. n. [from the adjective.]

1. To lose time in laziness and inactivity.

These did no hurt, were sober, but went idleing about the grove with their hands in their pocketts, and telling the number of the trees there.

Aubrey, Anecd. ii. 429.

Prior.

Yet free from this poetick madness, Next page he says, in sober sadness. That she and all her fellow-gods Sit idling in their high abodes.

2. To play lightly.

A lover may bestride the gossomers That idle in the wanton summer air, And yet not fall; so light is vanity.

Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul. To I'DLE.* v. a. To waste idly; to consume unprofitably.

If you have but an hour, will you improve that hour instead of idling it away? Ld. Chesterfield.

IDLEHE'ADED. adj. [idle and head.]

1. Foolish; unreasonable.

These idleheaded seekers resorted thither. Carew. 2. Delirious; infatuated.

Upon this loss she fell idleheaded, and to this very day stands near the place still. L'Estrange.

I'DLELY.* adv. [Sax. 15elice.] So our ancestors wrote idly. See several examples in IDLY.

I'DLENESS.† n. s. [from idle. Sax. ibelneffe. Not very often found in the plural; at least not an instance occurs in Dr. Johnson's examples. Thomson uses it.]

1. Laziness; sloth; sluggishness; aversion from labour.

Nor is excess the only thing by which sin breaks men in their health, and the comfortable enjoyment of themselves; but many are also brought to a very ill and languishing habit of body by mere idleness, and idleness is both itself a great sin, and the cause of many more. South, Serm.

2. Absence of employment.

All which yet could not make us accuse her, though it made us pine away for spight, to lose any of our time in so troublesome an idleness. Sidney.

He fearing idleness, the nurse of ill, In scuplture exercis'd his happy skill.

Dryden, Ovid. Nature being liberal to all without labour, necessity imposing no industry or travel, idleness bringeth forth no other fruits than vain thoughts and licentious pleasures.

13. Omission of business.

Ten thousand harms, more than the ills I know, My idleness doth hatch. Shakspeare, Ant. & Cleop.

Unimportance; trivialness. To the English court assemble now,

From every region, apes of idleness. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

At last these puling idlenesses laid Aside, frequent and full the dry divan Close in firm circle, and set ardent in

For serious drinking. Thomson, Autumn.

5. Inefficacy; uselessness.

6. Barrenness; worthlessness.

Either to have it sterile with idleness, or manured with industry. Shakspeare, Othello.

7. Unreasonableness; want of judgement; foolishness; madness.

There is no heat of affection but is joined with some idleness of brain. Bacon, War with Spain.

I'DLEPATED.* adj. [idle and pate.] Idleheaded; stupid.

Let him be found never so idlepated, he is still a grave drunkard. Overbury, Charact. sign. O. 3.

I'DLER. n. s. [from idle.] A lazy person; a sluggard.

Many of these poor fishermen and idlers, that are commonly presented to his majesty's ships, are so ignorant in sea-service as that they know not the name of a rope. Ralegh. Thou sluggish idler, dilatory slave. Irene

I'dlesby.* n. s. [from idle.] An inactive or lazy person.

I know not whether among those "nihil agentes," idelsbys, or "male agentes," ill spenders of their time, I should place the newsmonger, and amorous trifler, that spendeth his forenoons on his glass and barber.

Whitlock, Mann. of the Eng. p. 301.

I'DLY. † adv. [from idle. Sax. ibelice.] 1. Lazily; without employment.

A yong jentleman, or a yong maide, that liveth welthily and idlely. Ascham, Schoolmaster. I will slay myself,

For living idly here in pomp and ease. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

2. Foolishly; in a trifling manner.

To rave or speak idlely in sickness. Barret, Alv. He hath idlely gone about the bush a little.

Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Marr. Clerg. p. 161.
And modern Asgil, whose capricious thought
Is yet with stores of wilder notions fraught, Too soon convinc'd, shall yield that fleeting

Which play'd so idly with the darts of death. Prior.

3. Carelessly; without attention. In a theatre, the eyes of men,

After a well-grac'd actor leaves the stage, Are idly bent on him that enters next, Thinking his prattle to be tedious.

Shakspeare, K. Rich. II. But shall we take the muse abroad, To drop her idly on the road?

And leave our subject in the middle, As Butler did his bear and fiddle? Prior.

4. Ineffectually; vainly.

Let this and other allegations, suitable unto it, cease to bark any longer idly against the truth, the course and passage whereof it is not in them to Hooker

I'DOL. n. s. [idole, Fr.; ἔιδωλον, idolum,

An image worshipped as God.

They did sacrifice upon the *idol* altar, which was upon the altar of God.

1 Mac. i. 59. A nation from one faithful man to spring,

Him on this side Euphrates yet residing, Milton, P. L. Bred up in idol worship.

The apostle is there arguing against the gnosticks who joined in the idol feasts, and whom he therefore accuses of participating of the idol god.

2. A counterfeit.

Woe to the idol shepherd that leaveth the flock. Zech. ii. 17.

3. An image.

Never did art so well with nature strive. Nor ever idol seem'd so much alive; So like the man, so golden to the sight; So base within, so counterfeit and light. Dryden.

4. A representation. Not in use. Men beholding so great excellence,

And rare perfection in mortality, Do her adore with sacred reverence, As th' idol of her maker's great magnificence.

Spenser, F. Q. 5. One loved or honoured to adoration.

He's honoured and lov'd by all; The soldier's god, and people's idol.

Denham, Sophy.

IDO'LATER. † n. s. [idolatre, Fr.; idololatra, Lat.

1. One who pays divine honours to images; one who worships for God that which is not God.

The state of idolaters is two ways miserable: first, in that which they worship they find no succour; and secondly, at his hands, whom they ought to serve, there is no other thing to be looked for but the effects of most just displeasure, the withdrawing of grace, dereliction in this world, and in the world to come confusion.

Hooker.

An astrologer may be no Christian; he may be an idolater or a pagan; but I would hardly think astrology to be compatible with rank atheism. Bentley, Serm.

Simply, an adorer; a great admirer. Jonson was an idolater of the ancients. Hurd.

IDO'LATRESS.* n. s. [from idolater.] She who worships idols.

They would not treat, unless he first acknow-ledged his father to be a tyrant, and his mother an Howell, Lett. iv. 43. Whose heart, though large,

Beguil'd by fair idolatresses, fell To idols foul. Milton, P. L.

IDOLA'TRICAL.* adj. [from idolatry.] Tending to idolatry; comprising idol-

We have in our church no publique worshipping of idols, no heathenish or idolatrical sacrifice. Bp. Hooper, Exam. as to Apparel, sign. xxx. 4.

To Ido'latrize.† v. a. [from idolater.] 1. To worship idols. Ainsworth. 2. To adore.

Apollo easily perceived, that Lipsius did manifestly idolatrize Tacitus.

Tr. of Boccalini, (1626,) p.17.

To IDO'LATRIZE.* v. n. To offer idolatrous worship. How should either swearing, or blaspheming,

or idolatrizing, be sin, if there were not a God, against whom they were committed?

Fotherby, Atheom. p. 41. And as the Persians did idolatrize

Unto the sun. Browne, Brit. Past. i. 1. Succeeding ages would idolatrize,

And as his numbers, so his reliques prize. Valentine on the Death of Donne.

IDO'LATRUOS. adj. [from idolater.] Tending to idolatry; comprising idolatry, or

the worship of false gods. Neither may the pictures of our Saviour, the apostles, and martyrs of the church, be drawn to an idolatrous use, or be set up in churches to be

worshipped. Peacham on Drawing. 3 F

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IDO'LATROUSLY. adv. [from idolatrous.] In an idolatrous manner.

Not therefore whatsoever idolaters have either thought or done; but let whatsoever they have either thought or done idolatrously, be so far forth

abhorred. IDO'LATRY. n. s. [idolatrie, Fr.; idolo-latria, Lat.] The worship of images;

the worship of any thing as God which is not God. Thou shalt be worshipp'd, kiss'd, lov'd and

ador'd: And, were there sense in his idolatry,

My substance should be statued in thy stead. Shakspeare.

Idolatry is not only an accounting or worshipping that for God which is not God, but it is also a worshipping the true God in a way unsuitable to his nature; and particularly by the mediation of images and corporeal resemblances.

The kings were distinguished by judgements or blessings, according as they promoted idolatry, or the worship of the true God. Addison, Spect. Addison, Spect. I'DOLISH.* adj. [from idol.] Idolatrous.

They have stuffed their idolish temples with the wasteful pillage of your estates.

Millon, Reas. of Ch. Gov. B. 2. I'DOLISM.** n. s. [from idol.] Idolatrous worship; defence of idolatrous worship. 4. Suspiciously vigilant. How wilt thou reason with them, how refute

Their idolisms, traditions, paradoxes? Milton, P. R. I'DOLIST. n. s. [from idol.] A worshipper

of images. A poetical word.
I to God have brought Dishonour, obloquy, and op'd the mouths

Of idolists and atheists. Milton, S. A. To I'dolize. v. a. [from idol.]

1. To worship idolatrously.

The reason Theodoret assigns for God's changing the diet of men from the fruits of the earth to the flesh of animals is, that, foreknowing they would idolize his creatures, he might aggravate the absurdity, and make it the more ridiculous to do so, by their consuming at their tables what they sacrificed to at their altars.

Biblioth. Bibl. i. 246. 2. To love or reverence to adoration.

Those who are generous, humble, just and wise, Who not their gold, nor themselves idolize.

Parties, with the greatest violation of Christian unity, denominate themselves, not from the grand author and finisher of our faith, but from the first broacher of their idolized opinions. Decay of Piety.

I'DOLIZER.* n. s. [from idolize.] One who loves or reverences to adoration. Overdoting idolizers of the faculty of free-will.

More, Myst. of Godl. (1660,) p. 281. The idolizers of monarchy, with equal flattery, have attributed the same prerogative to temporal Mannyngham, Disc. (1681,) p.132. Though I be not such an idolizer of antiquity

as Harris, yet they have great charms for me. Warburton to Hurd, Lett. 38.

l'DOLOUS.* adj. [from idol.] Idolatrous. Obsolete.

Was not this, thinke you, good wholsom counsel of this idolous byshop

Bale, Acts of Eng. Vot. P. i. fol. 90. b.

IDO'NEOUS. adj. [idoneus, Lat.] Fit; proper; convenient; adequate.

You entangle, and so fix their saline part, by making them corrode some idoneous body. Boyl An ecclesiastical benefice is sometimes void " de jure & facto," and then it ought to be conferred on an idoneous person.

I'DYL. n. s. [είδυλλιον, Gr.; idyllium, Lat.] A small short poem.

I. E. for id est, or, that is.

That which raises the natural interest of money, is the same that raises the rent of land, i. e. its aptness to bring in yearly, to him that manages it, a greater overplus of income above his rent, as a reward to his labour.

JE'ALOUS. adj. [jaloux, Fr.]

1. Suspicious in love.

To both these sisters have I sworn my love: Each jealous of the other, as the stung

Are of the adder. Shakspeare, K. Lear. Wear your eye thus; not jealous, nor secure: I would not have your free and noble nature, Out of self-bounty, be abus'd: look to't.

Shakspeare, Othello. Mistress Ford, the honest woman, the virtuous creature, that hath the jealous fool to her husband !

Shakspeare. A jealous empress lies within your arms, Too haughty to endure neglected charms.

Dryden, Aurengzebe. 2. Emulous; full of competition.

I could not, without extreme reluctance, resign the theme of your beauty to another hand: give me leave to acquaint the world that I am jealous of this subject. Druden.

3. Zealously cautious against dishonour. I have been very jealous for the Lord God of 1 Kings, xix. 10.

I am jealous over you with godly jealousy.

2 Cor. ii. 2. His apprehensions, as his jealous nature had much of sagacity in it, or his restless or mutinous humour, transported him. Clarendon.

5. Suspiciously careful.

Although he were a prince in military virtue approved, and jealous of the honour of the English nation; yet his cruelties and parricides weighed down his virtues. Bacon, Hen. VII. They, jealous of their secrets, fiercely oppos'd

My journey strange, with clamorous uproar Milton, P. L. Protesting fate supreme.

How nicely jealous is every one of us of his own repute, and yet how maliciously prodigal of other Dec. of Piety.

6. Suspiciously fearful.

'Tis doing wrong creates such doubts as these; Renders us jealous, and destroys our peace.

While the people are so jealous of the clergy's ambition, I do not see any other method left for them to reform the world, than by using all honest arts to make themselves acceptable to the laity. Swift.

JE'ALOUSLY. † adv. [from jealous.] Suspiciously; emulously; with suspicious fear, vigilance or caution. Sherwood.

JE'ALOUSNESS. n. s. [from jealous.] The state of being jealous; rivalry; suspicion: suspicious vigilance.

Nor is it hard for thee to preserve me amidst the unjust hatred and jealousness of too many, which thou hast suffered to prevail upon me

King Charles. JE'ALOUSY. † n. s. [jealousie, Fr. from jealous.

1. Suspicion in love.

But knowing jealousy, out of their sight Sitting alone, his bitter lips did bite. Spenser, F. Q.

How all the other passions fleet to air, As doubtful thoughts, and rash-embrac'd despair; And shuddering fear, and green-ey'd jealousy! O love, be moderate; allay thine extacy. Shaks. Why did you suffer Jachimo,

Slight thing of Italy, To taint his noble heart and brain

With needless jealousy? Shakspeare, Cymb. Small jealousies, 'tis true, inflame desire; Too great, not fan, but quite blow out the fire. Dryden.

2. Suspicious fear.

The obstinacy in Essex, in refusing to treat with the king, proceeded only from his jealousy, that when the king had got him into his hands, he would take revenge upon him. Clarendon. 3. Suspicious caution, vigilance or rivalry.

O how hast thou with jealousy infected The sweetness of affiance! Shakspeare, Hen. V. Jealousy is the fear or apprehension of superiority.

Shenstone To JEER. † v. n. [Of uncertain etymology.] To scoff; to flout; to make

mock. He with the Romans was esteemed so As silly jeering idiots are with kings,

For sportive words, and uttering foolish things. Shakspeare, Rape of Lucrece. The merry world did on a day,

With his trainbands and mates, agree To meet together where I lay,

And all in sport to jeer at me. Herbert. A jeering reprover is like a jeering judge, than which there cannot be imagined, either in nature or manners, a thing more odious and intolerable. South, Serm. vii. 150.

To JEER. v. a. To treat with scoffs.

My children abroad are driven to disavow me, Howel, Eng. Tears. for fear of being jeered. JEER. n. s. [from the verb.] Scoff; taunt; biting jest; flout; jibe; mock.

Midas, expos'd to all their jeers, Had lost his art, and kept his ears.

Swift. They tipt the forehead in a jeer, As who should say - she wants it here;

She may be handsome, young and rich; But none will burn her for a witch. Swift.

JE'ERER. † n. s. [from jeer.] A scoffer; a scorner; a mocker.

They are the jeerers, mocking, flouting Jacks. B. Jonson, Staple of News.

This would be brave matter Unto the jeerers. There you nam'd the famous jeerer.

Beaum. and Fl. Nice Valour. Je'ering.* n. s. [from jeer.] Mockery.

Abstain from dissolute laughter, petulant uncomely jests, loud talking, and jeering, which are called indecencies and incivilities.

Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy. Je'eringly. adv. [from jeering.] Scornfully; contemptuously; in mock; in

scoff. He jeeringly demandeth, whether the sonorous rays are refracted?

JE'GGET. n. s. A kind of sausage. Ainsworth.

JEHO'VAH. † n. s. The proper name of

God in the Hebrew language. I appeared unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto

Jacob, by the name of God Almighty, but by my name Jehovah was I not known to them. Exod. vi. 3. Jehovah, who in one night, when he pass'd

From Egypt marching, equall'd with one stroke Both her first-born and all her bleating gods.

Milton, P. L.

JEJU'NE. adj. [jejunus, Latin.] 1. Wanting; empty; vacant.

Gold is the only substance which hath nothing in it volatile, and yet melteth without much diffi-

culty: the melting sheweth that it is not jejune, or scarce in spirit. 2. Hungry; not saturated.

In gross and turbid streams there might be con-

tained nutriment, and not in jejune or limpid

3. Dry; unaffecting; deficient in matter. You may look upon an inquiry made up of meer narratives, as somewhat jejune.

JEJU'NENESS. n. s. [from jejune.]

1. Penury; poverty.

Causes of fixation are, the even spreading both parts, and the jejuneness or extreme comminution

2. Dryness; want of matter that can en-

gage the attention.

Jeju'nity.* n. s. [Lat. jejunitas.] Barrenness or dryness of style. Cockeram. Pray extend your Spartan jejunity to the length of a competent letter. Bentley, Lett. p. 261. JE'LLIED. adj. [See GELLY.] Glutinous;

brought to a state of viscosity.

The kiss that sips The jellied philtre of her lips. Cleaveland. JE'LLY. n. s. [gelatinum, Lat. See Gelly, which is the proper orthography.]

1. Any thing brought to a state of glutin-

ousness and viscosity. They, distill'd

Almost to jelly with th' effect of fear, Stand dumb, and speak not to him.

Shakspeare, Hamlet. 2. Sweetmeat made by boiling sugar in the

The desert came on, and jellies brought. King. That jelly's rich, this malmsey healing; Pray dip your whiskers. Pope, Sat. of Horace.

JE'LLY-BAG.* n. s. A bag through which gelly is distilled.

An epigram, if smart and good, In all its circumstances shou'd

Be like a jelly-bag: -Make it at top both wide and fit,

To hold a budget-full of wit,
And point it at the end. Student, i, 76. (1750).

JE'MMINESS.* n. s. [from jemmy.] Spruceness. A colloquial expression; not used in serious writing.

JE'MMY.* adj. [perhaps from gimp; or from gimcrack, in the sense of a smart fellow. See GIMP, and GIMCRACK.] Spruce. A low word.

To this race of words I must refer our vulgar term jemmy; a jemmy fellow, &c. and our quaint

though familiar phrase gim-crack.

Whiter, Etymol. Magn. p. 359.
Gimm, neatly trimmed; perhaps the new word jemmy should be gimmy.

JE'NNETING. n. s. [corrupted from Juneting, an apple ripe in June.] A species of apple soon ripe, and of a pleasant taste. Mortimer, Husbandry.

JE'NNET. n. s. [See GENET.] A Spanish

The Spanish king presents a jennet,

To shew his love. Prior.

To JE'OPARD. + v. a. [See JEOPARDY.] To hazard; to put in danger.

Many one jeopardeth his best joint to maintain himself in sumptuous raiment. Homilies, B. ii. Zebulun and Naphtali were a people that jeoparded their lives unto the death. Judges, v. 18. He had been accused of Judaism, and did boldly

jeopard his body and life for the religion of the Jews. 2 Mac.

JE'OPARDER.* n. s. [from the verb.] One Sherwood. who puts to hazard. JE'OPARDOUS. † adj. [from jeopardy.] Ha-

zardous; dangerous.

The jeopardous time is at hand. Bale on the Revel. sign. B. i. b. Moved or solicited to some jeopardous course. Gataker, Spiritual Watch, p. 98.

JE'OPARDOUSLY. * adv. [from jeopardous.] In danger; dangerously. JE'OPARDY. † n. s. [This word is supposed to be derived from j'ai perdu, or jeu perdu. Skinner, Junius, and Dr. JE'RKIN. + n. s. [cýptelkin, Saxon. Dr. Johnson, - I had made the same remark as Mr. Bagshaw, and Mr. Malone, that this word is rather a corruption of jeu parti; which, Mr. Tyrwhitt has observed, is properly a game in which the chances are exactly even. Hence it came to signify any thing uncertain or hazardous. See also Du Cange in V. Jocus Partitus.] Hazard; danger;

And would ye not poor fellowship expel, Myself would offer you t' accompany, In this adventure's chanceful jeopardy.

Spenser, Hubb. Tale. Why stand we in jeopardy every hour?

1 Cor. xv. 30. Thy rage shall burn thee up, and thou shalt turn To ashes ere our blood shall quench that fire: Look to thyself, thou art in jeopardy.

Shakspeare, K. John. We may impute to all excellencies in compositions a kind of poverty, or at least a casualty or jeopardy.

To JERK. † v. a. [zepæccan, Sax. corri- Jeru'salem Artichoke. n. s. Sunflower, of gere. Lye and Dr. Johnson. - Hreckia, Icel. pulsare, or jarke, pes feriens. Se-

1. To strike with a quick smart blow; to lash. It is sometimes written yerk.

I lack iniquity Sometimes to do me service: nine or ten times I thought to've jerk'd him here under the ribs. Shakspeare.

Bastings heavy, dry, obtuse, Only dulness can produce; While a little gentle jerking

Sets the spirits all a working.

2. To throw a stone by hitting the arm against the side; contrasted with throwing, which is done with the arm at full length. A common, and probably an old, word among boys.

eagerly. This seems to be the meaning in this place, but is mere cant.

Nor blush, should he some grave acquaintance meet

But, proud of being known, will jerk and greet. Dryden.

JERK. † n. s. [from the verb.] 1. A smart quick lash.

Contemn the silly taunts of fleering buffoonry; and the jerks of that wit, that is but a kind of confident folly.

Wit is not the jerk or sting of an epigram, nor the seeming contradiction of a poor antithesis: neither is it so much the morality of a grave sentence, affected by Lucan, but more sparingly used Dryden, Lett. to Sir R. Howard.

A sudden spring; a quick jolt that shocks or starts.

Well run Tawney, the abbot's churl;

His jade gave him a jerk, As he would have his rider hurl

His hood after the kirk. B. Jonson, Underwoods.

Lobsters use their tails as fins, wherewith they commonly swim backwards by jerks or springs, reaching ten yards at once.

3. A throw; a cast; the act of jerking. [from the second meaning of the verb active.]

JE'RKER.* n. s. [from jerk.] One who strikes with a quick smart blow; a whipper; a lasher. Cotgrave, and Sherwood.

Johnson. - Dutch, jurk, a frock.] A jacket; a short coat; a close waistcoat. A man may wear it on both sides, like a leather Shakspeare.

Unless we should expect that nature should make jerkins and stockings grow out of the ground, what could she do better than afford us wool?

More, Antid. against Atheism. Imagine an ambassadour presenting himself in a poor frize jerkin, and tattered cloaths, certainly he would have but small audience. South, Serm. Then strip thee of thy carnal jerkin,

And give thy outward fellow a firkin. Hudibras. I walked into the sea, in my leathern jerkin,

about an hour before high water. Swift, Gulliv. Trav.

JE'RKIN. n. s. A kind of hawk. Ainsworth. This should be written gyrkin.

JE'RSEY. † n. s. [from the island of Jersey, where much yarn is spun.] Fine yarn of wool.

She doth sit, and stockings knit

Of jarsy and of woollen.

Evans's Old Ballads, i. 179.

which it is a species.

Jerusalem artichokes are increased by small offsets, and by quartering the roots. Mortimer, Husbandry.

JESS. n. s. [gect, French; getto, Italian.] A short strap of leather tied about the legs of a hawk, with which she is held on the fist.

If I do prove her haggard, Though that her jesses were my dear heartstrings, I'd whistle her off, and let her down the wind, To prey at fortune. Shakspeare, Othello.

JE'SSAMINE. n. s. [See JASMINE.] A fragrant flower.

Her goodly bosom, like a strawberry bed; Her neck, like to a bunch of cullambines; Her breast like lillies, ere their leaves be shed; Her nipples, like young blossom'd jessamines.

To JERK. v. n. To strike up: to accost JESSE.* n. s. A large brass candlestick, branched into many sconces, hanging down in the middle of a church or choir: so called from the similitude of the branches, at its invention, to those of the "arbor Jessæ," the branch or genealogical tree of Jesse.

JE'SSED.* adj. [from jess.] Having jesses on; an heraldick term.

To JEST. † v. n. [gesticulor, Lat. Dr. Johnson. - Goth. gys, irrisio. Serenius. 7 1. To divert or make merry by words or

Jest not with a rude man, lest thy ancestors be

disgraced. Fear you the boar, and go so unprovided?

- You may jest on; but I do not like these Shakspeare, Rich. III. several councils. 2. To play a part in a mask. Obsolete.

As gentle and as jocund, as to jest, Go I to fight. Shakspeare, K. Rich. II.

JEST. † n. s. [from the verb.]

1. Any thing ludicrous, or meant only to raise laughter.

But is this true, or is it else your pleasure,

Like pleasant travellers to break a jest
Upon the company you overtake? Shakspeare. As for jest, there be certain things which ought to be privileged from it; namely, religion, matters of state, and great persons.

No man ought to have the less reverence for the principles of religion, or for the holy Scriptures,

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because idle and profane wits can break jests upon Tillatson. He had turn'd all tragedy to jest. When you the dullest of dull things have said, And then ask pardon for the jest you made.

2. The object of jests; laughing stock. If I suspect without cause, why then make sport at me? then let me be your jest, I deserve it.

3. Manner of doing or speaking feigned, not real; ludicrous, not serious; game, not earnest.

That high All-seer, which I dallied with, Hath turn'd my feigned prayer on my head, And giv'n in earnest what I begg'd in jest.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. When his play-fellows chose him their king, he spoke and did those things in jest, which would have become a king in earnest.

4. A mask. Obsolete.

He promis'd us in honour of our guest, To grace our banquet with some pompous jest. Kid, Span. Tragedy.

5. A gest; an action. See GEST. The jests or acts of princes or captains. Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 204.

Je'ster. n. s. [from jest.]

1. One given to merriment and pranks. The skipping king, he rambled up and down With shallow jesters, and rash bavin wits; Soon kindled, and soon burnt. Shaksp. Hen. IV.

2. One given to sarcasm. Now, as a jester, I accost you,

Which never yet one friend hath lost you. Swift. 3. Buffoon; jackpudding. A jester, or licensed scoffer, was kept at court to the time of Charles the First.

Another sort of like loose fellows do pass up and down, amongst gentlemen, by the name of jesters; but are, indeed, notable rogues, and partakers not only of many stealths, but also privy to many traitorous practices. Spenser on Ireland.

JE'STING.* n. s. [from jest.] Utterance of sarcasms or jests.

Neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor jesting, which are not convenient. Ephes. v. 4.

JE'STING-STOCK.* n.s. A laughing-stock; an object of derision.

An ape, quoth she, and jesting-stock Is man to God in skye,

As oft as he doth trust his wit Too much, presuming hie.

Googe, Zodiake of Life, (1565,) sign. Q. iii.

with merriment.

If he be unmarried, and sojourn, he never talks with any woman alone, but in the audience of others, and that seldom, and then also in a serious manner, never jestingly or sportfully.

Herbert, Country Parson, ch. 9. When his daughter-in-law [Sir Henry Spelman's] returned home from visiting her neighbours, he would always ask her what of antiquity she had heard or observed, and if she brought home no such account, he would chide her, jest-Aubrey, Anecd. ii. 541.

JE'SUIT.* n. s. [Fr. Jesuite.] One of a religious and learned order, founded by Ignatius Loyola, a Spanish military man, in the sixteenth century; which presumed to take the name of the Society of Jesus. "This society having been erected on purpose to fight the pope's battles, not with prayers, and tears, and monastick addresses, but with learning, policy, and address; its members are not, by its constitution, bound to have a

choir for the performance of divine offices, neither have they one any where: nor are they bound to attend processions; nor to use any of the monastick austerities, which would interrupt their studies, or might render their address less agreeable to all sorts of people; and for that reason the other orders will hardly allow the Jesuits to be monasticks or religious." Dr. Geddes's Tracts, vol. iii. p. 434. edit. 1730. The word, in our language, has been applied to men of great cunning, craft, and deceit; whence the common word jesuitical.

They think it as unsafe to commit religion and liberty to their arbitrating as to a synagogue of Milton, Of Ref. in Eng. B. 2.

We justly reproach the Jesuits, who have adapted all Christianity to temporal and political views, for maintaining a position so repugnant to the laws of nature, morality, and religion, that an evil may be committed for the sake of good, which Addison, Freeholder, No. 7. may arise from it.

JE'SUITED.* adj. [from the noun.] Conforming to the principles of the Jesuits. Our jesuited papists have a disease that holds them much like this of the beggar.

Dr. White, Serm. (1615,) p. 29. At Rome the pope's nuncio, and her jesuited mother here. Milton, Eiconocl. § 7.

Je'suitess.* n. s. A woman adopting the principles of the Jesuits.

These forward women usurp upon the fashions of their husbands, and will have their faces seen as well as their voices heard; as the Jesuitesses of late time dared both to attempt and practise, till the late restraint of pope Urban curbed and suppressed Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 237.

JESUI'TICAL.* adj. [from jesuit.] Belonging to a Jesuit; denoting a Jesuit; and thence, in our language, equivocating, imposing upon.

The place is so full and clear, that all the miserable and strained evasions of the jesuitical gainsayers cannot elude it. Bp. Hall. Rem. p. 276. Though for fashion's sake called a parliament,

yet by a jesuitical sleight not acknowledged, though called so. Milton, Eiconocl. § 13. The direction of our attention here is but a

jesuitical juggle. More, Antid. against Idolatry, ch. 2.

Detesting those jesuitick principles. Dryden. JE'STINGLY.* adv. [from jesting.] In jest; JESUI'TICALLY.* adv. [from jesuitical.]

> This is full out as jesuitically contrived, as the other was said and thought to be.

Echard, Observ. Ans. Cont. of the Cler. Pref. JE'SUITISM.* n. s. The principles and

doctrine of the Jesuits.

Puritanism - is only reformed Jesuitism, as Jesuitism is nothing else but popish puritanism. South, Serm. v. 219.

JET.† n. s. [zazat, Saxon; get, Dutch; gagates, Lat. Formerly our word was geat, or jeat. So Barret and Fuller write it.]

1. Jet is a very beautiful fossil, of a firm and very even structure, and of a smooth surface; found in masses, seldom of a great size, lodged in clay. It is of a fine deep black colour, having a grain resembling that of wood. It is confounded with canal-coal, which has no grain, and is extremely hard; and the jet is but moderately so.

Black, forsooth; coal-black, as jet.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. There is more difference between thy flesh and hers, than between jet and ivory.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. The bottom clear,

Now laid with many a fet, Of seed pearl, ere she bath'd her there, Was known as black as jet.

Drayton. One of us in glass is set, One of us you'll find in jet. Swift. Under flowing jet,

The neck slight shaded. Thomson, Summer. 2. [Jet, Fr.] A spout or shoot of water. Prodigious 'tis, that one attractive ray

Should this way bend, the next in adverse way! For should th' unseen magnetick jets descend All the same way, they could not gain their end. Blackmore.

Thus the small jet, which hasty hands unlock, Spurts in the gard'ner's eyes who turns the cock.

3. A yard. Obsolete. What orchard unrobbed escapes? Or pullet dare walk in their jet?

Tusser, Husbandry. 4. Drift; scope. Get, or jet, was anciently

used for fashion; as by Chaucer, and Hoccleve. The true jet of the argument was to be drawn

from precedent. Wyndham. To JET. † v. n. [jetter, Fr. yta, Icel. exire,

trudere; from the Su. Goth. ut, extrà, foras.]

1. To shoot forward; to shoot out; to intrude: to jut out.

Think you not how dangerous It is to jet upon a prince's right?

Shakspeare. The west end yields a right magnificent aspect, by reason of an eminency of land jetting out farther than the rest.

Blount, Voyage to the Levant, (1650,) p. 17. 2. To strut; to agitate the body by a proud gait; " to jette lordly through the streets, that men may see them." Barret. Another sort jetting up and down, to wayte

when my ladie shall be readye to see a cast of their office. Confut. of N. Shaxton, (1546,) sign. G. vi. Uncomely walking, and jetting up, and down, and overthwart the church. Homilies, B. ii. Contemplation makes a rare turkey-cock of him: how he jets under his advanced plumes.

Shakspeare, Tw. Night.
Amongst the chastest dames thou jett'st it now. With honesty stamp'd on thy haughty brow. Fanshaw, Tr. of Past. Fido.

3. To jolt; to be shaken. [Jetter, Fr.] Upon the jetting of a hackney-coach she was thrown out of the hinder seat against a bar of iron in the forepart.

JE'TSAM. \ n.s. [jetter, Fr.] Goods or JE'TSON. \ other things which, having been cast overboard in a storm, or after shipwreck, are thrown upon the shore, and belong to the lord admiral. Bailey.

JE'TTEE.* n. s. [Fr. jettee, "a jettie or juttie, a bearing out or leaning over in buildings; also, the bank of a ditch, &c." Cotgrave. Dr. Johnson has not noticed this substantive in any shape. Shakspeare has jutty. See JUTTY. His elder, Skelton, humorously describes a person "jawed like a jetty." Poems, p. 124. And Cotgrave, we see, gives it jettie or juttie. Why the English form should of late have been abandoned for the French, no good reason can be assigned.

Chaucer, Prior. Tale

1. A projection of part of any building. See Jutty.

An out-butting or jettic of a house, that jetties out farther than any other part of the house.

Florio, in V. Sporto, Ital. Dict. (1598.) 2. A kind of pier; a mole projected into

A curious harbour, formed by three stone jetties, carried out a good way into the sea. Smollett.

They found the demolition at Dunkirk entirely

at a stand; instead of demolition, they found construction; for the French were then at work on the repair of the jettees.

Burke, Obs. on the State of the Nat. (1769.) Some jettees and piers of defence, ill placed, had been made. Pref. to Smeaton's Reports, (1797.)

JE'TTER.* n. s. [from To jet.] A spruce fellow; one who struts.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood.

JE'TTY. adj. [from jet.]

1. Made of jet. 2. Black as jet.

The people about Capo Negro, Cefala, and Madagascar, are of a jetty black. Brown, Vulg. Err.

Her hair

Adown her shoulders loosely lay display'd, And in her jetty curls ten thousand Cupids play'd.

Nigrina black, and Merdamante brown, Vied for his love in jetty bowers below.

To JE'TTY.* v. n. [Fr. jetter.] To jut. See JETTEE.

An out-butting - of a house, that jetties out farther than any other part of the house.

JEW.* n. s. [from Judah.] An Hebrew; an Israelite. "Since their return from the Babylonian captivity, they lost, in great measure, the name of Israelites, and were called Jews, from Judah, their principal tribe, which made up the chief of the captives in Babylon, and consequently of those who returned from thence." Collyer, Sacred Interpr. vol. i. ch. 16.

The learned Chrysostome, in a sermon against the Jews, tells them this fact [the vain attempt to rebuild the temple] was then fresh in the memories even of their young men, that it happened but twenty years ago, and that it was attested by all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, where they might still see the marks of it in the rubbish of that work, from which the Jews desisted in so great a fright, and which even Julian had not the courage to carry on. This fact, which is in itself so miraculous, and so indisputable, brought over many of the Jews to Christianity; and shews us, that after our Saviour's prophecy against it, the temple could not be preserved from the plough passing over it, by all the care of Titus, who would fain have prevented its destruction, and that instead of being re-edified by Julian, all his endeavours towards it did but still more literally accomplish our Saviour's prediction, that not one stone should be left upon another. Addison on the Chr. Rel. § 8. As rich as a Jew.* A proverbial phrase.

We are apt to say, in a proverbial way, as rich as a Jew; but the Jews, take them in general, are not a rich people. There have been always some few among them that were immensely wealthy, and it was from the observation of these few that Pegge, Anonym. v. 20. the proverb arose.

JE'WEL. n. s. [joyaux, Fr. jeweelen, Dutch.

1. Any ornament of great value, used commonly of such as are adorned with precious stones.

Here, wear this jewel for me; 'tis my picture.

They found him dead, and cast into the streets, An empty casket, where the jewel, life, By some damn'd hand was robb'd and ta'en away.

Shakspeare. The pleasure of the religious man is an easy and a portable pleasure, such an one as he carries about in his bosom, without alarming either the eye or envy of the world; a man putting all his pleasures into this one, is like a traveller's putting all his goods into one jewel.

2. A precious stone; a gem. Jewels too, stones, rich and precious stones,

Stol'n by my daughter!

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. Proud fame's imperial seat With jewels blaz'd, magnificently great.

3. A name of fondness; an appellation of tender regard.

Bid farewell to your sisters.

- Ye jewels of our father, with wash'd eyes Cordelia leaves you. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

JEWEL-HOUSE, or Office. n. s. The place where the regal ornaments are reposited.

The king has made him master of the jewelhouse. Shakspeare

To JE'WEL.* v. a. [from the noun.] To dress or adorn with jewels.

You are as well jewel'd as any of them: your ruff and linen about you is much more pure than theirs. B. Jonson, Poetaster.

JE'WEL-LIKE.* adj. [jewel and like.] Brilliant as a jewel.

Her eyes as jewel-like,

And cas'd as richly. Shakspeare, Pericles. JE'WELLER. n. s. [from jewel.] One who trafficks in precious stones.

These grains were as like little dice as if they had been made by a jeweller.

The price of the market to a jeweller in his trade is one thing; but the intrinsick worth of a thing to a man of sense is another. L'Estrange. I will turn jeweller: I shall then deal in dia-

monds, and all sorts of rich stones. Je'wess.* n. s. [from Jew.] An Hebrew

Felix came with his wife Drusilla, which was a Jewess. Acts, xxiv. 24. There will come a Christian by,

Will be worth a Jewess' eye.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. JE'wish.* adj. Denoting a Jew; relating to the Jews.

Not giving heed to Jewish fables. Tit. i. 14. It was customary with the Jews to be called by a Jewish name among their own countrymen, and by another among the Gentiles. Hence we find Thomas called Didymus, St. John, xi. 16., and Tabitha called Dorcas, Acts, ix. 36., and Saul had the Roman name of Paul.

Collyer, Sacred Interpreter. JE'WISHLY.* adv. [from Jewish.] In a Jewish manner.

And howsoe'er French kings most Christian be, Their crowns are circumcis'd most Jewishly.

Donne, Poems, p. 86. JE'WISHNESS.* n. s. [from Jewish.] religious rites of the Jews.

These faithlesse fonde newe-fanglers would bring us again from the fayth unto paganisme, and unto the old Jewishness.

Martin, Marr. of Pr. (1554,) sign. L. iii. b. JE'WRY.* n.s.

In Jewry is God known. Ps. lxxvi. 1. 2. A district inhabited by Jews; whence probably the street so called in London. The word is very old in this sense.

There was in Asie, in a great citee, Amonges Christen folke a jewerie.

JEWS-EAR. † n. s. [from its resemblance of the human ear. Skinner, and Dr. Johnson. - "The arbor Juda is thought to be that whereon Judas hanged himself, and not upon the elder tree as it is vulgarly said. Gerardes Herbal, edit. Johnson, p. 1428. I am clear that the mushrooms or excrescencies of the elder tree, called auriculæ Judæ in Latin, and commonly rendered Jews' ears, ought to be translated Judas' ears from the popular superstition above mentioned." Brand. Pop. Antiq. ii. 587. n.] A fungus, tough and thin; and naturally, while growing, of a rumpled figure, like a flat and variously hollowed cup: from an inch to two inches in length, and about two thirds of its length in breadth. Its sides in many places run into the hollow, so as to represent in it ridges like those of the human ear. It generally grows on the lower parts of the trunks of elder trees decaying. The common people cure themselves of sore throats with a decoction of it in milk. Hill, Mat. Med. An herb called jews-ear groweth upon the lower parts of elder, and sometimes ashes: in

warm water it swelleth, and openeth extremely. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

JEWS-HARP. † n. s. [The Jews-trump, or, as it is more generally pronounced, the Jew-trump, seems to take its name from the nation of the Jews, and is vulgarly believed to be one of their instruments of musick .- But, upon enquiry, you will not find any such musical instrument as this described by the authors that treat of the Jewish musick. In short, this instrument is a mere boy's play-thing, and incapable in itself of being joined either with a voice or any other instrument; and I conceive the present orthography to be a corruption of the French jeutrump, a trump to play with. And in the Belgick, or Low-Dutch, from whence come many of our toys, a trump is a rattle for children. Sometimes they will call it a Jews-harp; and another etymon given of it is Jawsharp, because the place where it is played upon is between the jaws! Pegge, Anonym. i. 82.] A kind of musical instrument held between the teeth, which gives a sound by the motion of a broad spring of iron, which, being struck by the hand, plays against the breath.

JEWS-MALLOW. n. s. [corchorus, Latin.] Ranwolf says it is sown in great plenty about Aleppo as a pot-herb, the Jews boiling the leaves of this plant to eat it with their meat.

JEWS-STONE. n. s. An extraneous fossil, being the clavated spine of a very large egg-shaped sea-urchin, petrified by long lying in the earth. It is of a regular figure, oblong and rounded, swelling in

the middle, and gradually tapering to each end; generally about three quarters of an inch in length, and half an inch in diameter. It is ridged and furrowed alternately, in a longitudinal direction; and its colour is a pale dusky grey, with a faint cast of dusky reddishness. It is found in Syria.

Hill, Mat. Med.

JEWS-TRUMP.* See JEWS-HARP. As playing on a gittern, or a jews-trump. Beaum, and Fl. Lov. Progress.

JE'ZEBEL.* n. s. Formerly employed to denote a forward, impertinent woman; 2. Whether or no. and perhaps not yet wholly disused.

You are to know, sir, that a jezebel (so called by the neighbourhood from displaying her per-nicious charms at her window) has a thousand little tricks, and fooleries, to attract the eyes of all the idle young fellows in the neighbourhood.

Spectator, No. 175. Having myself observed a nest of jezebels near the Temple, who make it their diversion to draw up the eyes of young templars, that at the same time they may see them stumble in an unlucky gutter which runs under the window.

IF. † conjunction. [31; Saxon; the imperative of the Goth. gifan and Sax. ziran, to give, to concede, to allow. Skinner and Ray have preceded, in this deduction at least from the Saxon, Mr. Horne Tooke; who, however, has abundantly illustrated it by examples from our ancient writers, who used gif and yef, where we now employ if as well as the verb give, the word that being generally understood or implied in the former case; and then the meaning being, "allow that, grant that, the thing be so:" which senses we annex to give. God gif, God grant that; a very old expression. Yet it may not be omitted, that if has existed in the Gothick language without the deduction named by Mr. Tooke, or the possibility of such deduction, as noticed by Dr. Jamieson under the Scottish gif. The old word is gau, and jabai; to the former the Sax. zu, if, corresponds. These have no connection with the word give. Mr. Tooke should have shewn why there was none. The Icelandick if is also the hypothetical particle; which, as well as the Goth. conjunctions, Serenius, and Ihre connect with the Su. Goth. jef, doubt, exception. I shall not say with Mr. Callender, that "to derive if from gif, as some writers have done, is ridiculous;" yet I would not overpass the pretensions of if as a radical word.]

1. Suppose it be so, or it were so, that. A hypothetical particle.

Absolute approbation, without any cautions, qualifications, ifs, or ands.

If that rebellion Came like itself, in base and abject routs; I say, if damn'd commotion so appear'd In his true, native, and most proper shape, You, reverend father, and these noble lords, Had not been here. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

If they have done this deed, my noble lord. -If / talk'st thou to me of ifs? Thou art a

traitor. Shakspeare. be beneath, if that thou hearken unto the commandment of the Lord thy God. Deut. xxviii.14.

IGN

This seeing of all things, because we can desire to see all things, Malbranche makes a proof that they are present to our minds; and if they be present, they can no ways be present but by the presence of God, who contains them all. Locke.

This infallibility upon supposition, amounts to this, that if a thing be true, it is impossible to be Tillatson.

All of them suppose the apostle to have allowed the Epicurean maxims to be good; if so be there were no resurrection.

Tisiphone, that oft has heard my pray'r, Assist, if Œdipus deserve thy care. Pope, Statius.

Uncertain if by augury, or chance; But by this easy rise they all advance. Dryden. She doubts if two and two make four: It can't - it may be - and it must;

To which of these must Alma trust? Nay, further yet they make her go, In doubting if she doubts or no.

3. Allowing that; suppose it be granted Such mechanical circumstances, if I may so call

them, were not necessary to the experiments.

4. Though. Not usual.

They themselves decreed Their own revolt, not I; if I foreknew, Foreknowledge had no influence on their fault. Milton, P. L.

I'FAITH.* adv. [an abbreviation of in faith.] Indeed; truly. See the adverb

I'faith, I'll eat nothing; I thank you as much as though I did. Shaksp. M. Wives of Windsor. Then I feague it away i'faith.

D. of Buckingham, Rehearsal.

IGNA'RO.* n. s. [Latin.] A contemptuous term of elder days for a block-

It was intolerable insolence in such ignaroes to challenge this for popery, which they understood Mountagu, App. to Cæs. (1625,) p. 296. No man can be such an ignaro, as to imagine his sinews to be made of wire, or his body to be

immured in brass Hewyt, Serm. (1658,) p. 96. I'GNEOUS. adj. [igneus, Lat.] Fiery; containing fire: emitting fire; having the nature of fire.

That the fire burns by heat, leaves us still ignorant of the immediate way of igneous solu-Glanville, Scepsis.

To I'GNIFY.* v. a. [ignis and fio, Lat.] To form into fire.

The ignified part of matter was formed into the body of the sun. Stukely, Palæogr. Sacra, p. 20.

IGNI'FLUOUS.* adj. [ignifluus, Lat.] Flowing with fire. Cockeram. IGNI POTENT. adj. [ignis and potens, Lat.]

Presiding over fire. Vulcan is call'd the power ignipotent.

Pope, Homer.

FGNIS FATUUS.† n. s. [Latin.] Will IGNOMI'NIOUS. adj. [ignominieux, Fr. igno-with the wisp; Jack with the lanthorn. miniosus, Lat.] Mean; shameful; re-Vapours arising from putrified waters are usually called ignes fatui.

Newton, Opticks. An ignis fatuus, that bewitches And leads men into pools and ditches.

Hudibras, i. 1. Scared and guided by the ignis fatuus of popular superstition. Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 32.

Thou shalt be above only, and thou shalt not | To I'GNITE. v.a. [from ignis, fire, Lat.] To kindle; to set on fire. A chymical term.

Take good firm chalk, ignite it in a crucible, and then powder it. Grew, Museum. The ignited particles hasten to dip themselves in the neighbouring stream.

Sir H. Sheere, in Ld. Halifax's Miscell. p. 10. Plato, in his Timæus, enumerating the ignited juices, names wine in the first place.

Bp. Berkeley, Siris, § 212.

To I'GNITE.* v. n. To become red hot. A term of chymistry.

IGNI'TION. n. s. [ignition, Fr. from ignite.] The act of kindling, or of setting on

The laborant stirred the kindled nitre, that the ignition might be presently communicated. Boule. Those black circular lines we see on dishes, and other turned vessels of wood, are the effects of ignition, by the pressure of an edged stick upon the vessel turned nimbly in the lathe. Ray.

IGNI'TIBLE. adj. [from ignite.] Inflammable; capable of being set on fire. Not in use.

Such bodies only strike fire which have sulphur r ignitible parts. Brown, Vulg. Err. Igni'vomous. adj. [ignivomus, Latin.]

Vomiting fire. Vulcanos and ignivomus mountains are some of the most terrible shocks of the globe.

Derham, Physico-Theol. IGNOBI'LITY.* n. s. [Lat. ignobilitas.]

Want of magnanimity.

To locke up the gates of true knowledge, from

them that affectuously seketh it to the glory of God, is a property belongynge only to the hypocrytysh Pharisees and false lawers. A more signe of ignobylytie can not be sene, then to hyde such noble monumentes.

Bale, in Leland's Newe Year's Gift. IGNO'BLE. adj. [ignoble, Fr. ignobilis,

1. Mean of birth; not noble; not of illustrious race.

As when in tumults rise th' ignoble crowd, Mad are their motions, and their tongues are loud.

2. Worthless; not deserving honour. Used of things or persons.

The noble isle doth want her proper limbs ; Her royal stock graft with ignoble plants. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

IGNO'BLENESS.* n.s. [from ignoble.] Want of dignity; want of splendour: as, " ignobleness of birth." Ainsworth.

IGNO'BLY. adv. [from ignoble.] Ignominiously; meanly; dishonourably; reproachfully; disgracefully.

To these, that sober race of men, whose lives Religious, titled them the sons of God, Shall yield up all their virtue, all their fame

Milton, P. L. Ignobly! Here, over-match'd in fight; in heaps they lie; There scatter'd o'er the fields ignobly fly.

Dryden, Æn.

proachful; dishonourable. Used both of persons and things.

They with pale fear surpriz'd, Fled ignominious. Milton, P. L.

Cethegus, though a traitor to the state, And tortur'd, 'scap'd this ignominious fate.

Dryden, Juv. They gave, and she transferr'd the curs'd advice, That monarchs should their inward soul disguise

By ignominious arts for servile ends.

Should compliment their foes, and shun their friends.

Nor has this kingdom deserved to be sacrificed to one single rapacious, obscure, ignominious pro-

IGNOMI'NIOUSLY. adv. [from ignominious.] Meanly; scandalously; disgracefully; shamefully; reproachfully.

It is some allay to the infamy of him who died ignominiously to be buried privately.

I'GNOMINY. n. s. [ignominie, Fr. igno- 2. Want of knowledge respecting some minia, Lat.] Disgrace; reproach; shame; infamy; meanness; dishonour. Strength from truth divided, and from just,

Illaudable, nought merits but dispraise And ignominy; yet to glory aspires, Vain-glorious, and through infamy seeks fame.

Milton, P. L. Their generals have been received with honour after their defeat, yours with ignominy after con-

I'GNOMY.* n. s. This barbarous abbreviation of ignominy occurs very often in our old authors; and is not merely a poetical licence.

Thy ignomy sleep with thee in the grave! Shakspeare, K. Hen. IV. P. I. Sprinkling the terms of honour wholly on the

one part, and of hatred and ignomy on the other. Sir E. Sandys, State of Religion. They are paid in their own coin; they are with ignomy repaid reproach.

Bp. Richardson on the Old Test. p. 286. IGNORA'MUS. † n. s. [Latin.]

1. Ignoramus is a word properly used by the grand inquest impannelled in the inquisition of causes criminal and publick; and written upon the bill, whereby any crime is offered to their consider- 2. ation, when they mislike their evidence as defective or too weak to make good the presentment: the effect of which word so written is, that all farther inquiry upon that party, for that fault, is thereby stopped, and he delivered withwithout farther answer.

2. A foolish fellow; a vain uninstructed pretender. A low word, Dr. Johnson says. - South uses it with good effect, and probably adopted it from the character of Ignoramus in the facetious Latin comedy of that name, first printed in 1630, the keen and admirable satire in which is exactly suitable to South's

turn of mind.

If ever you find an ignoramus in place and power, and can have so little conscience and so much confidence as to tell him to his face, that he has a wit and an understanding above all the world beside; - I dare undertake, that, as fulsome a dose as you give him, he shall readily take it down, and admit the commendation, though he cannot believe the thing ! South, Serm. ii, 335,

As if, forsooth, there could not be so much as a few houses fired, a few ships taken, or any other calamitous accident befall this little corner of the world, but that some apocalyptick ignoramus must presently find and pick it out of some abused, martyred prophecy of Ezekiel, Daniel, or the Re-South, Serm. v. 57.

I'GNORANCE. n. s. [ignorance, Fr. ignoratio, Lat.]

1. Want of knowledge; unlearnedness.

If all the clergy were as learned as themselves are that most complain of ignorance in others, yet our book of prayer might remain the same. Hooker.

Ignorance is the curse of God, Knowledge the wing wherewith we fly to heav'n.

Still banish your defenders, till at length Your ignorance deliver you,

As most abated captives to some nation That won you without blows! Shakspeare.

If we see right, we see our woes; Then what avails it to have eyes From ignorance our comfort flows,

The only wretched are the wise. Prior. particular thing.

It is in every body's power to pretend ignorance of the law.

3. Want of knowledge discovered by external effect. In this sense it has a

Forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignor-

Punish me not for my sins and ignorances. Tob. iii. 2.

I'GNORANT. adj. [ignorant, Fr.; ignorans, Lat.]

1. Wanting knowledge; unlearned; uninstructed; uninlightened.

So foolish was I and ignorant, I was as a beast.

Thy letters have transported me beyond This ign'rant present time, and I feel now The future in the instant. Shukspeare, Macbeth. In such business

Action is eloquence, and the eyes of th' ignorant More learned than the ears. Shakspeare, Coriol. He that doth not know those things which are of use for him to know, is but an ignorant man, whatever he may know besides.

Fools grant whate'er ambition craves, And men once ignorant, are slaves. Pope.

Unknown; undiscovered. This is merely poetical.

If you know aught, which does behove my knowledge

Thereof to be inform'd, imprison't not In ignorant concealment. Shaksp. Wint. Tale.

3. Without knowledge of some particular. Let not judges be so ignorant of their own right as to think there is not left to them, as a principal part of their office, a wise application of Bacon, Ess.

O visions ill foreseen! Better had I Liv'd ignorant of future! so had borne

My part of evil only. 4. Unacquainted with. In a good sense.

Ignorant of guilt, I fear not shame. Dryden, 5. Ignorantly made or done. Unusual. His shipping,

Poor ignorant baubles, on our terrible seas Like egg-shells mov'd. Shakspeare. I'GNORANT. 7 n. s. One untaught, unlet-

tered, uninstructed. Let this dross carry what price it will

With noble ignorants. B. Jonson, Forest. Look into the private closets of their devout ignorants, what difference shall you find between the image and the suppliant?

Bp. Hall, Quo vadis. Did I for this take pains to teach Our zealous ignorants to preach.

I'GNORANTLY. adv. [from ignorant.] Without knowledge; unskilfully; without information.

The greatest and most cruel foes we have, Are those whom you would ignorantly save.

Dryden. When a poet, an orator, or a painter has performed admirably, we sometimes mistake his blunders for beauties, and are so ignorantly fond as to copy after them.

To Igno're. v. a. [ignorer, Fr. ignoro, Lat.] Not to know; to be ignorant of. This word Boyle endeavoured to introduce; but it has not been received, Dr. Johnson says. Boyle, however, is guiltless of the introduction; for the word occurs in our lexicography long before Boyle wrote. Thus Cotgrave renders the Fr. ignorer "to ignore;" and so Sherwood defines ignore "to be ignorant of." But it is a word not worthy to be used.

I ignored not the stricter interpretation, given by modern criticks to divers texts by me alleged.

Philosophy would solidly be established, if men would more carefully distinguish those things that they know from those that they ignore.

Igno'scible. adj. [ignoscibilis, Lat.] Capable of pardon.

IGNO'TE.* adj. [Lat. ignotus.] Unknown. Like ignore, a very pedantick word, and not to be received.

A traveller passing through the confines of ignote countries.

Sir M. Sandys, Ess. (1634,) p. 1. Shall such very ignote and contemptible pre-tenders be allowed a place among the most renowned of poetick writers?

Phillips, Theatr. Poet. (1675,) Pret. JIB.* n. s. [In naval language.] The

foremost sail of a ship.

To Jib.* v. a. To shift a boom-sail from one side of the mast to the other.

To JIBE.* See To GIBE.

JI'CKAJOG.* n. s. [a cant word, from jog; sometimes pronounced jig jog.] shake; a push.

An some writer (that I know) had had but the penning o'this matter, he would ha' made you such a jickajog i' the booths, you should ha' thought an earthquake had been i' the Fair.

B. Jonson, Barth. Fair, Induct. Ji'ffy.* n. s. [Now a colloquial word in several parts of England; and sometimes used in ludicrous writing. It is also a Scotch expression, and Dr. Jamieson considers it as a corruption of gliff. An instant; a moment.

And then shall each Paddy, who once on the

Perchance held the helm of some mackarel hoy, Hold the realm of the state, and dispense in a

More fishes than ever he caught when a boy! Rejected Addresses.

JIG.† n. s. [giga, Italian; geige, Teut. gige, Dan. and gigia, Icel. a fiddle; and the old Fr. gige, or gigue, "sorte d'instrument de musique à vent." Roquefort. Chaucer uses gigges in the sense of "irregular sounds produced by the wind." Tyrwhitt. The French instrument, borrowed from the northern, is considered by Menage as a sort of fiddle; whence the application of the word to the tune or dance.]

1. A light careless dance, or tune.

When Cyrus had overcome the Lydians, that were a warlike nation, instead of their warlike musick, he appointed to them certain lascivious lays and loose jigs; by which he so mollified and abated their courage, that they forgot their former Spenser on Ireland.

As fiddlers still,

Though they be paid to be gone, yet needs will Thrust one more jig upon you. Donne. All the swains that there abide,

With jigs and rural dance resort. Milton, Comus. The muses blush'd to see their friends exalting Those elegant delights of jig and vaulting.

They wrote to her friends in the country, that she should dance a jig next October in Westminster-hall.

Another Phœbus, thy own Phœbus reigns, Joys in my jigs, and dances in my chains. Pope. 2. A ludicrous composition; a ballad; a song. Obsolete.

Posterity shall know that you dare, in these jig-given times, to countenance a legitimate poem. R. Jonson.

A worthy story, howsoever writ, For language, modest mirth, conceit, or wit, Meets oftentimes with the sweet commendation Of "hang't, 'tis scurvy!" when for approbation A jig shall be clapp'd at, and every rhime Prais'd and applauded by a clamorous chime. Beaum and Fl. Fair Maid of the Inn, Prol.

To Jig. + v. n. ffrom the noun. Old Fr. To dance carelessly; to giguer.] dance. Expressed in contempt.

With earnest endeavour pushed forward to gaming, jigging, wassailing, and mixed dancing. Milton, of Ref. in Eng. B. 2. As for the jigging part and figures of dances,

I count that little. Tincke. JI'G-MAKER. † n. s. [jig and maker.] One

who dances or plays merrily; or who writes songs and ballads.

Your only jig-maker! what should a man do but be merry?

Shakspeare, Hamlet. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

JI'GGER.* n. s. [from jig.]

1. One that jigs. 2. In naval language, a machine to hold on the cable, when it is heaved into the ship by the revolution of the windlass.

Chambers.

JI'GGISH.* adj. [from jig.] Disposed or suitable to a jig.

She is never sad, and yet not jiggish. Habington's Castara, sign. A. 8. This man makes on the violin a certain jiggish Spectator, No. 276. noise to which I dance. A kit is more jiggish than the fiddle itself, and

never sounds but to a dance. Tatler, No. 157. JI'GGUMBOB. n. s. [A cant word.] A trinket; a knick-knack; a slight contrivance in machinery.

He rifled all his pokes and fobs Of gimeracks, whims, and jiggumbobs. Hudibras.

JILL.* n.s. This is the old form of writing gill, a contemptuous name for a woman. See the sixth sense of GILL.

Be merry, but with modesty, Lest some men blame thy honesty Let manners thine be pleasant still; With Jacks yet do not play the Jill.

Kendal, Flowers of Epigrams, (1577.) JILL-FLIRT.* n. s. A giddy, light, or wanton woman. See the sixth sense of

GILL. We are infested with a parcel of julflirts, who

are not capable of being mothers of brave men; for the infant partakes of the temper and disposition of its mother. Guardian, No. 26.

JILT. † n. s. [gilia, Icelandick, to entrap in an amour. Lye. Perhaps from giglot, by contraction; or gillet, or gillot, the diminutive of gill, the ludicrous name for a woman. "Tis also called jillet in Scotland. Dr. Johnson. - It may be

from the Sax. zæzl, zal, wanton. See the sixth sense of GILL. For, in the use of gill or jill by our old authors, it is evident, that the word first signified a loose or wanton woman; whence its softened application to her who cheats her lover.]

1. A woman who gives her lover hopes,

and deceives him.

Avoid both courts and camps, Where dilatory fortune plays the jilt, With the brave, noble, honest, gallant man, To throw herself away on fools. Otway, Orphan.

2. A name of contempt for a woman. When love was all an easy monarch's care, Jilts rul'd the state, and statesmen farces writ.

To JILT. v. a. [from the noun.] To trick a man by flattering his love with hopes, and then leaving him for another.

Tell who loves who; And who is jilted for another's sake. Dryden, Juv. Tell a man, passionately in love, that he is jilted; bring witnesses of the falsehood of his mistress, and three kind words of hers shall invalidate all their testimonies.

To JILT. v. n. To play the jilt; to practise amorous deceits.

She might have learn'd to cuckold, jilt, and

Had Covent-garden been at Surinam. Congreve. JI'MMERS.* n. s. Jointed hinges. Bailey. A northern word. Grose. See GIMMER. The things of this world hang together by very

weak and slender jimmers. Letter of Dr. Hen. More, 1680, Life, &c. of Dr. More by Ward, p. 156.

JI'MMY.* See JEMMY.

Jimp.* adj. Neat; handsome; elegant of shape. See Gimp. Used in Scotland, and in the north of England; and sometimes pronounced jim.

To JI'NGLE. † v. n. [A word made from jangle, or copied from the sound intended to be expressed. Dr. Johnson. - It is the same as to gingle, where see the etymology.] To clink; to sound with a kind of sharp rattle.

What should the wars do with these jingling Shakspeare. fools?

With noises Of roaring, shrieking, howling, jingling chains, We were awak'd. Shakspeare, Tempest. You ne'er with jingling words deceive the ear; And yet, on humble subjects, great appear. Smith.

What crowds of these, impenitently bold, In sounds and jingling syllables grown old! Pope.

To JI'NGLE.* v. a. To shake so that a shrill noise may be made. The bells she jingled, and the whistle blew.

JI'NGLE. n. s. [from the verb.] 1. Any clink, or sharp rattle.

2. It is used, I think, improperly, to express the correspondence of sound in the effects of rhyme.

Vulgar judges are nine parts in ten of all nations, who call conceits and jingles wit.

Dryden, Fab. Pref. 3. Any thing sounding; a rattle; a bell. If you plant where savages are, do not only entertain them with trifles and jingles, but use them justly. Bacon, Ess.

JI'PPO.* n. s. [Fr. juppe.] A waistcoat; a jacket; a kind of stays worn by ladies. This unnoticed word is near enough to the parent French, which has long been absurdly converted into jump. See the third sense of Jump.

There [is] as much insolence under a friese jerkin as a velvet jippo. Jura Cleri, &c. (1661,) p. 14.
Over all this they wear a jippo, not unlike the jippo's worn by the French ladies.

Hist. Descript. of the Kingd. of Macasar, (1701,) p. 80. ILE. n. s. [corrupted from aisle, Fr.] A walk or alley in a church or publick building. Properly aile.

Upward the columns shoot, the roofs ascend, And arches widen, and long iles extend.

ILE. n. s. [aisle, Fr.] An ear of corn. Ainsworth.

ILE'US. n. s. [Lat.]

An ileus, commonly called the twisting of the guts, is really either a circumvolution, or insertion of one part of the gut within the other. Arbuthnot.

I'LEX. n. s. [Lat.]

The ilex, or great scarlet oak, thrives well in England, is a hardy sort of tree, and easily raised of acorns. The Spaniards have a sort they call enzina; the wood of which, when old, is finely chambletted, as if it were painted. Mortimer. I'LIACK. adj. [iliacus, Lat.] Relating to

the lower bowels. The iliack passion is a kind of con-

vulsion in the belly. I'LIACK Passion. A kind of nervous colick, whose seat is the ilium, whereby that gut is twisted, or one part enters the cavity of the part immediately below or above; whence it is also called the

volvulus, from volvo, to roll. Those, who die of the iliack passion, have their bellies much swelled. Floyer on the Humours.

ILK. † adj. [elc, Saxon.] This word is still retained in Scotland, and the north of England; and denotes each: as ilk ane of you, every one of you. It also signifies, the same; as, Mackintosh of that ilk, denotes a gentleman whose surname and the title of his estate are the same; as, Mackintosh of Mackinotsh.

Shepherds, should it not yshend Your roundels fresh, to hear a doleful verse Of Rosalind, (who knows not Rosalind?); That Colin made? ilk can I you rehearse.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. ILL. † adj. [contracted from evil, and retaining all its senses. Dr. Johnson. — Icel. illr; Sueth. (Kon. Styr.) ill, malus, perversus. Vox antiquissima. Serenius.]

1. Bad in any respect; contrary to good, whether physical or moral; evil. See EVIL. Ill is but rarely applied to the person.

There's some ill planet reigns; I must be patient, till the Heavens look With an aspect more favourable.

Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. Of his own body he was ill, and gave
The clergy ill example. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. Neither is it ill air only that maketh an ill seat;

but ill ways, ill markets, and ill neighbours. Some, of an ill and melancholy nature, incline the company to be sad and ill-disposed: others, of a jovial nature, dispose them to be merry.

He was saying to himself, that he was a very ill man to go on in visiting and professing love to Flavia, when his heart was enthralled to another.

Spectator, No. 398. 2. Sick; disordered; not in health. 1 know not that evil is ever used in this sense, Dr. Johnson says. The Teut. evel often denotes disease. See Kilian in V. Evel. This sense of ill is to be referred to ail, which is the Goth. aglo, tribulation; Sax. adl, disease.

You wish me health in very happy season; For I am on the sudden something ill.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. I have known two towns of the greatest consequence lost, by the governours falling ill in the time of the sieges. ILL. n. s.

1. Wickedness; depravity; contrariety to holiness.

Ill, to man's nature, as it stands perverted, hath a natural motion strongest in continuance. Bacon. Young men to imitate all ills are prone;

But are compell'd to avarice alone:

For then in virtue's shape they follow vice. Dryden, Juv Strong virtue, like strong nature, struggles still,

Exerts itself, and then throws off the ill Dryden, Aurengzebe.

2. Misfortune; misery. Who can all sense of others ills escape,

Is but a brute at best in human shape. Tate, Juv. Though plung'd in ills and exercis'd in care, Yet never let the noble mind despair; When prest by dangers, and beset with foes, The gods their timely succour interpose; And when our virtue sinks, o'erwhelm'd with

By unforeseen expedients bring relief. A. Philips. ILL. adv.

1. Not well; not rightly in any respect. Ill at ease, both she and all her train

The scorching sun had borne, and beating rain. 2. Not easily; with pain; with difficulty.

Thou desir'st The punishment all on thyself! alas! Bear thine own first, ill able to sustain His full wrath, whose thou feel'st as yet least part, And my displeasure bear'st so ill. Ill bears the sex a youthful lover's fate.

When just approaching to the nuptial state. Dryden.

ILL, + substantive or adverb, is used in composition to express any bad quality or condition, which may be easily understood by the following examples.

When the substantive is compounded, the compound word mostly wants explanation; because the two words, when separated, seldom retain the same meaning, which they have when joined. But this is not the case with compounds of the adverb; they only require explanation, when the sense happens to be altered by the composition. ILL. substantive.

Dangerous conjectures in ill breeding minds. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

I have an ill divining soul: Methinks I see thee, now thou art below. As one dead in the bottom of a tomb. Shakspeare, No look, no last adieu, before he went!

In an ill boding hour to slaughter sent. Dryden, En.

The voice ill boding, and the solemn sound. Philips.

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The wisest prince on earth may be deceived by the craft of ill designing men. Swift, Examiner.

Your ill meaning politician lords, Under pretence of bridal friends and guests, Appointed to await me thirty spies,

Who, threatening cruel death, constrain'd the bride

To wring from me and tell to them my secret.

Milton, S. A. A spy distinguish'd from his airy stand, To bribe whose vigilance, Ægisthus told A mighty sum of ill persuading gold.

ILL. adverb.

There sounded an ill according cry of the enemies, and a lamentable noise was carried abroad. Wisd, xviii. 10.

My colleague, Being so ill affected with the gout, Will not be able to be there in person.

B. Jonson, Catiline. The examples

Of every minute's instance, present now, Have put us in these ill beseeming arms. Lead back thy Saxons to their ancient Elbe;

I would restore the fruitful Kent, the gift Of Vortigern, or Hengist's ill bought aid. Dryd. We simple toasters take delight

To see our women's teeth look white; And every saucy ill bred fellow

Sneers at a mouth profoundly yellow. Prior.

The ungrateful treason of her ill chosen husband overthrows her. Sidney.

Envy, how does it look? How meagre and ill complexioned? It preys upon itself, and exhausts the spirits.

There grows, In my most ill compos'd affection such A stanchless avarice, that, were I king, I should cut off the nobles for their lands.

Shakspeare, Macbeth. To what end this ill concerted lye, Palpable and gross? Dryden, Don Sebastian. Our generals at present are such as are likely to make the best use of their numbers, without throwing them away on any ill concerted projects. Addison on the War.

The second daughter was a peevish, froward, ill conditioned creature as ever was

Arbuthnot, Hist. of John Bull. No Persian arras hides his homely walls With antick vests, which, through their shady fold, Betray the streaks of ill dissembled gold.

Dryden, Virg. You shall not find me, daughter, After the slander of most step-mothers, Ill ey'd unto you. Shakspeare, Cymb.

I see thy sister's tears, Thy father's anguish, and thy brother's death, In the pursuit of our ill fated loves. Addison, Cato.

Others ill fated are condemn'd to toil Their tedious life. Plain and rough nature, left to itself, is much

better than an artificial ungratefulness, and such studied ways of being ill fashioned. Much better, when I find virtue in a fair lodg-

ing, than when I am bound to seek it in an ill favoured creature, like a pearl in a dunghill. Sidney.

Near to an old ill favoured castle they meant to perform their unknightly errand. Sidney. If a man had but an ill favoured nose, the deep

thinkers would contrive to impute the cause to the prejudice of his education. Swift.

I was at her house the hour she appointed. - And you sped, sir? Very ill favouredly.

Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor. They would not make bold, as every where they do, to destroy ill formed and mis-shaped produc-

The fabled dragon never guarded more The golden fleece, than he his ill got store. Dryden, Juv.

Bid him employ his care for these my friends, And make good use of his ill gotten power, By shelt'ring men much better than himself.

Addison, Cato. Ill govern'd passions in a prince's breast, Hazard his private and the publick rest. Waller. That knowledge of theirs is very superficial and ill grounded. Dryden, Dufresnoy.

Ill grounded passions quickly wear away; What's built upon esteem can ne'er decay. Walsh. Hither, of ill join'd sons and daughters born, First from the ancient world these giants came.

Millon, P. L. Nor has he erred above once by ill judged su-Did you never taste delicious drink out of an

ill looked vessel? L'Estrange.

The match had been so ill made for Plexirtus. that his ill led life would have tumbled to destruction, had there not come fifty to his defence.

These are the product Of those ill mated marriages thou saw'st,

Where good with bad were match'd. Milton, P.L. The works are weak, the garrison but thin, Dispirited with frequent overthrows,

Already wavering on their ill mann'd walls. Drud. He will not hear me out!

Was ever criminal forbid to plead? Curb their ill manner'd zeal.

It is impossible for the most ill minded, avaricious, or cunning clergyman to do the least injustice to the meanest cottager, in any bargain for tythes.

Soon as th' ill omen'd rumour reach'd his ear, Who can describe th' amazement in his face!

Dryden.

The eternal law of things must not be altered, to comply with his ill ordered choice.

Locke, When you expose the scene,

Down the ill organ'd engines fall, Off fly the vizards. Swift. For Phthia fix'd is my return:

Better at home my ill paid pains to mourn, Than from an equal here sustain the publick scorn, Dryden.

There motley images her fancy strike, Figures ill pair'd and similes unlike. Sparta has not to boast of such a woman; Nor Troy to thank her, for her ill plac'd love.

I shall direct you, a task for which I take myself not to be ill qualified, because I have had opportunities to observe the follies of women. Swift.

Actions are pleasing or displeasing, either in themselves, or considered as a means to a greater and more desirable end: the eating of a well seasoned dish, suited to a man's palate, may move the mind, by the delight itself that accompanies the eating, without reference to any other end; to which the consideration of the pleasure there is in health and strength may add a new gust, able to make us swallow an ill relished potion. Locke.

Blushes, ill restrain'd, betray Her thoughts intentive on the bridal day.

Pope, Odyssey. Behold the fruit of ill rewarded pain. Dryden. The god inform'd

This ill shap'd body with a daring soul. Dryden. There was plenty enough, but the dishes were ill sorted; whole pyramids of sweetmeats for boys and women; but little of solid meat for men.

Dryden. It does not belong to the priest's office to impose this name in baptism : he may refuse to pronounce the same, if the parents give them ludicrous, filthy, or ill sounding names.

Ayl
Ill spirited Wor'ster did we not send grace,

Pardon and terms of love to all of you? Shakspeare.

From thy foolish heart, vain maid, remove An useless sorrow, and an ill starr'd love. Prior. Ah, why th' ill suiting pastime must I try?

To gloomy care my thoughts alone are free: Ill the gay sports with troubled hearts agree. Pope, Odyssey. make a small salivation. Grenn. The maid, with downcast eyes, and mute with

grief,

For death unfinish'd and ill tim'd relief,

Dryden, Ovid. Stood sullen to her suit. How should opinions, thus settled, be given up, if there be any suspicion of interest or design, as there never fails to be, where men find themselves

That boldness and spirit which lads get amongst their playfellows at school, has ordinarily a mixture of rudeness and ill turned confidence; so that these misbecoming and disingenuous ways of shifting in the world must be unlearned.

To ILL.* v. a. To reproach. A northern word. Grose. It is also used in Scotland. See Dr. Jamieson's Supplement

IL, before words beginning with *l*, stands for in.

ILLA'CERABLE.* adj. [illacerabilis, Lat.] That cannot be torn. Cockeram.

ILLA'CRYMABLE. adj. [illacrymabilis, Lat.] Incapable of weeping. ILLA PSE. + n. s. [illapsus, Lat.]

1. Gradual emission or entrance of one thing into another.

What ravishing transports now Seize on that intellect! how doth it glow With fresh illapses of the purest light. J. Hall on the Death of Ld. Hastings, Lac. Mus.

The prophetick illapses could never grace an impure soul. Spenser on Vulg. Proph. (1665,) p. 40. As a piece of iron red hot, by reason of the illapse of the fire into it, appears all over like fire; so the souls of the blessed, by the illapse of the divine essence into them, shall be all over divine.

2. Sudden attack; casual coming.

Life is oft preserved By the bold swimmer in the swift illapse Of accident disastrous. Thomson, Summer. Passion's fierce illapse

Rouses the mind's whole fabrick. Akenside, Pleas. of Imag. B. 2.

To ILLA'QUEATE. † v. a. [illaqueo, Lat.] To entangle; to entrap; to ensnare.

Cockeram. I am illaqueated, but not truly captivated into your conclusion. More, Div. Dialogues.

They, that take upon them to be the only absolvers from sin, are themselves held fast in the snares of eternal death; and do as necessarily illaqueate all others therein whom they proselyte to their religion. More, Antid. against Idolatry, Pref.

ILLAQUEA'TION. † n. s. [from illaqueate.]

1. The act of catching or ensnaring.

The word in Matthew doth not only signify suspension, or pendulous illaqueation, but also suffo-

They wholly gave themselves up to learn to wrangle, and arts of illaqueation.

Evelyn to Bp. Nicholson, Nic. Ep. Corr. i. 140. 2. A snare; any thing to catch another;

ILLA'TION.† n. s. [illatio, Lat.] Infer-

ence; conclusion drawn from premises. Which might be inferred by those, that were rather apt to make evil than good illations of our

proceeding. Bacon, Rep. in the H. of Com. 5 Jac. Herein there seems to be a very erroneous illa-tion from the indulgence of God unto Cain, concluding an immunity unto himself.

Brown, Vulg. Err. Illation so orders the intermediate ideas as to discover what connection there is in each link of the chain, whereby the extremes are held to-

Holding of ill tasted things in the mouth will | I'LLATIVE. + adj. [illatus, Lat.] Relating to illation or conclusion.

There is a great deal of difference between a mere illative necessity, which consists only in the logical consequence of one thing upon another, and between a causal necessity, which efficiently and antecedently determines and puts the faculty upon South, Serm. viii. 89.

In common discourse or writing such casual particles as for, because, manifest the act of reasoning as well as the illative particles then and there-

I'LLATIVE.* n. s. That which denotes illation or conclusion.

This [word] ron that leads the text in, is both a relative, and an illative; referring to what he had said in the foregoing words; and inferring a necessary consequence of the one clause upon the other: "Purge out the old leaven: FOR Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us."

Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 186. I'LLATIVELY.* adv. [from illative.] By

illation or conclusion.

Most commonly taken illatively. Bp. Richardson on the O. Test. p. 434.

ILLA'UDABLE.† adj. [illaudabilis, Lat.] Unworthy of praise or commendation. This word is not coined by Milton; for 2. Not genuine. See the second sense of it exists in the vocabularies of Cockeram and Bullokar, more than half a century before the Publication of Paradise Lost.

Strength from truth divided and from just, Illaudable, nought merits but dispraise

Milton, P. L. You, my lord, have, I fear, been awed into a restraint of your genius in that point, by that illunderstood, (or otherwise) ill-grounded, and illaudable maxim of Mr. Pope.

"For fools admire, but men of sense approve." Delany, Observ. on Ld. Orrery, p. 102.

ILLA'UDABLY. adv. [from illaudable.] Unworthily; without deserving praise.

It is natural for all people to form, not illaudably, too favourable a judgement of their own country.

ILLE'CEBROUS.* adj. [illecebrosus, Lat.]
Full of allurements. Not in use. Not the illecebrous delectations of Venus, but

the valiant acts and noble affairs of princes. Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 19.

The study is elegant, and the matter illecebrous, that is to say, swete to the reader.

Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 120. b. ILLE'GAL. adj. [in and legalis, Lat.] Contrary to law.

No patent can oblige the subject against law, unless an illegal patent passed in one kingdom can bind another, and not itself.

ILLEGA'LITY. † n. s. [old Fr. illegalité.] Contrariety to law.

He wished them to consider what votes they had passed, of the illegality of all those commissions, and of the unjustifiableness of all the proceedings by virtue of them. Clarendon.

After the restoration from the captivity, down to the days of our Saviour, the 'priests were notoriously generals, soldiers, judges, statesmen, and chief ministers of state; and even kings; without any reproof or mark of illegality taken notice of by our Saviour, or his Apostles; just as they might be teachers in the synagogue, and doctors of the But they enjoyed none of these posts in right of their priesthood; they were only allowed to them as to any other qualified Jew. Bp. Story on the Priesthood, p. 33.

To ILLE'GALIZE.* v. a. [in and legalize.]

To render illegal. ILLE'GALLY. † adv. [from illegal.] In a manner contrary to law.

ILL Matches illegally struck up, contrary to the pretended conditions.

Bp. Hall, Cases of Consc. D. 4. C. 9. ILLE'GALNESS.* n. s. [from illegal.] The state of being illegal.

ILLEGIBI'LITY.* n. s. [from illegible.] Incapability of being read.

ILLE'GIBLE. adj. [in and legibilis, from lego, Lat.] That cannot be read.

The secretary poured the ink-box all over the writings, and so defaced them that they were made altogether illegible.

ILLE'GIBLY.* adv. [from illegible.] In a manner not to be read.

ILLEGI'TIMACY. n. s. [from illegitimate.] State of bastardy.

ILLEGI'TIMATE. † adj. [in and legitimus,

1. Unlawfully begotten; not begotten in wedlock.

Grieve not at your state;

For all the world is illegitimate. Cleaveland. Being illegitimate, I was deprived of that endearing tenderness and uncommon satisfaction, which a good man finds in the love and conversation of a Addison, Spect. parent.

ILLEGITIMATION. Not noticed by Dr. Johnson.

To ILLEGI'TIMATE.* v. a. [from the adjective.] To render illegitimate; to prove a person illegitimate.

The cardinal, his uncle, would first have illegitimated him.

Sir H. Wotton to Sir E. Bacon, Rem. p. 479. You will be the instruments of giving being to illegitimated issue, who are born to shame and con-Bp. Burnet, Serm. p. 323. Born with a legal claim to honour and to afflu-

ence, he was in two months illegitimated by the parliament, Johnson, Life of Savage. ILLEGI'TIMATELY. adv. [from illegitimate.] Not begotten in wedlock.

ILLEGITIMA'TION.† n. s. [from illegitimate.] 1. The state of one not begotten in wedlock.

Richard III. had a resolution, out of his hatred to both his brethren, to disable their issues, upon false and incompetent pretexts, the one of attainder, the other of illegitimation.

2. Want of genuineness. Many such like pieces, which, neither in their sense nor idiom agreeable with the times they pretend to, do bear in their very fronts the apparent brands of illegitimation

Dean Martin, Lett. (1662,) p. 57. ILLE'VIABLE. adv. [lever. Fr.] That can-

not be levied or exacted. He rectified the method of collecting his revenue, and removed obsolete and illeviable parts of charge.

ILLFA'CED.* adj. Having an ordinary or ugly face.

Then can he term his dirty ill-fac'd bride

Lady, and queen, and virgin deified! Bp. Hall, Sat. i. 7.

ILLFA'VOURED. adj. Deformed.

O, what a world of vile ill-favour'd faults
Look handsome in three hundred pounds a-year!

Shakspeare.

ILLFA'VOUREDLY.† adv.

1. With deformity.

Make them look so rustily and ill-favouredly, as might well become such wearers. Sidney, Arcad. b. 1.

Death doth play the fool with thee; Shewing his teeth, laughing ill-favour'dly. Davies, Wit's Pilgrim, Sign. P. 4.

A practice, which, duly seen into, and stripped | ILLIMITA'TION.* n. s. [from illimited.] | ILL-LIVED.* adj. [ill and live.] Leading of its hypocritical blinds, could not but look very

odiously and ill-favouredly. South, Serm. ii. 153.
2. Roughly; ruggedly; in ludicrous lan-

He shook him very ill-favouredly for the time, raging through the very bowels of his country, and plundering all wheresoever he came. ILLFA'vouredness. † n. s. Deformity.

The cheeks and the neck - might grace and beautify the ill-favouredness of the rest.

Harmar, Trans. of Beza's Serm. (1587) p. 176. ILLI'BERAL. † adj. [illiberalis, Lat.]

1. Not noble; not ingenuous.

The charity of most men is grown so cold, and their religion so illiberal. King Charles.

2. Not munificent; not generous; sparing. Yet subsist they did, and well too: an argument that that earth did not deal out their nourishment with an oversparing or illiberal hand.

Woodward, Nat. Hist.

3. Mean; homely.

There is no art, neither liberal nor illiberal, but it cometh from God, and leadeth to God. Fotherby, Atheom. (1622,) p. 172.

ILLIBERA'LITY. n. s. [illiberalitas, Lat.

from illiberal.] 1. Meanness of mind.

2. Parsimony; niggardliness; want of munificence.

The illiberality of parents, in allowance towards them with shifts.

ILLI'BERALLY. adv. [from illiberal.] Disin-

genuously; meanly.
One that had been bountiful only upon surprize and incogitancy, illiberally retracts. Decay of Piety.

ILLI'CIT. adj. [illicitus, Lat. illicite, Fr.] Unlawful; as, an illicit trade.

ILLI'CITLY.* adv. [from illicit.] Unlaw-

ILLI'CITNESS.* n. s. [from illicit.] Unlawfulness.

ILLI'CITOUS.* adj. [illicitus, Lat.] Unlawful. This is the old adjective, and is found in Cotgrave and Sherwood. licit is modern.

To ILLI'GHTEN. † v. a. [in and lighten.] To enlighten; to illuminate. A word, I believe, only in Ralegh, Dr. Johnson says. This is not the case. It appears to have been common.

Corporeal light cannot be, because then it would not pierce the air, nor diaphonous bodies; and yet every day we see the air illightened. Ralegh. This tale comes to Chrysostome by a third per-

son, not by the illightened saint himself. Sheldon, Mir. of Antichrist, (1616,) p. 78. To illighten every one that cometh into it, [the

world.] Gataker, God's Eye upon Israel, (1645,) Pref.

Illightened minds see a greater lustre in knowledge than in the fine gold.

Bp. Reynolds on the Passions, ch. 37. ILLI'MITABLE. adj. [in and limes, Lat.]

That cannot be bounded or limited. Although in adoration of idols, unto the subtiler heads, the worship perhaps might be symbolical; yet was the idolatry direct in the people, whose

credulity is illimitable, and who may be made believe that any thing is God. With what an awful world-revolving power, Were first th' unwieldy planets launch'd along

The illimitable void! Thomson, Summer.

ILLI'MITABLY. adv. [from illimitable.] Without susceptibility of bounds.

What admits of no certain determination.

The illimitation of age, and the miseries that attend it. Bp. Hall, Balm of Gilead, of Old Age, §. 1.

ILLI'MITED. † adj. [in and limes, Latin, illimité, Fr.] Unbounded; interminable. They saw his power illimited and irresistible.

Bp. Hall, Contempl. B. 4. In the former parts, the omnipotence of a Christian suffered no restraint; it was illimited, unconfined Hales, Rem. p. 126.

Neither doth the use or exercise of this dominion depend upon any one, so as to receive any direction or regulation, or to render any account of the administration of it; as being illimited, absolute, and supreme; and so the fountain from whence all dominion in any other is derived.

Pearson on the Creed, Art. 1.

ILLI'MITEDNESS. n. s. [from illimited.] Exemption from all bounds.

The absoluteness and illimitedness of his commission was generally much spoken of. Clarendon.

ILLI'TERACY.* n. s. [from illiterate.] Want of learning.

As I believe that what I have mentioned gave rise to the opinion of Shakspeare's want of learning; so what has continued it down to us may have been the many blunders and illiteracies of the first publishers of his works. Pope, Pref. to Shaks.

The deplorable condition of indigence and

Warton, Hist. E. P. ii. 452. their children, is an harmful errour, and acquaints ILLI'TERAL.* adj. [in and literal.] Not literal.

Descending under the earth, is a translation most of all unexact and illiteral.

Dr. Dawson, Texts on the Logos, &c. 1765, p. 251.

ILLITERATE. † adj. [illiteratus, Lat.]

1. Unlettered; untaught; unlearned; unenlightened by science: applied to persons.

The duke was illiterate, yet had learned at court to supply his own defects, by the drawing unto him of the best instruments of experience. Wotton. The illiterate writer, empirick like, applies

To minds diseas'd unsafe chance remedies: The learn'd in schools, where knowledge first began,

Studies with care th' anatomy of man; Sees virtue, vice, and passions in their cause, And fame from science, not from fortune draws.

Dryden. In the first ages of Christianity not only the learned and the wise, but the ignorant and illiterate, embraced torments and death.

Unlearned; rude; barbarous; applied to things.

There are in many places heresy, and blasphemy, and impertinency, and illiterate rudenesses.

Bp. Taylor on Extempore Prayer.

ILLI'TERATENESS. n. s. [from illiterate.] Want of learning; ignorance of science. Many acquainted with chymistry but by report,

have, from the illiterateness and impostures of those that pretend skill in it, entertained an ill opinion

ILLI'TERATURE. 7 n. s. [in and literature.] Want of learning.

The more usual causes of this deprivation are want of holy orders, illiterature, or inability for the discharge of that sacred function, and irreligion.

Ayliffe, Parergon. They, who in their present illiterature were so prone to sedition, - would be much more so if beated by bookish speculations,

L. Addison, West Barbary, (1671,) Pref. If the historian intended hereby to arraign the abbots of illiterature.

H. Warton, Specimen of Burnet's Errors, p. 63.

a wicked life.

How too like is this crackt bell to a scandalous and ill-lived teacher! His calling is honourable, his noise is heard far enough; but the flaw, which is noted in his life, mars his doctrine, and offends those ears which else would take pleasure in his Bp. Hall, Occas. Medit. § 56.

ILLNA TURE. n. s. [ill and nature.] Habitual malevolence; want of hu-

Illnature inclines a man to those actions that thwart and sour and disturb conversation, and consists of a proneness to do ill turns, attended with a secret joy upon the sight of any mischief that befals another, and of an utter insensibility of any kindness done him.

ILLNA'TURED. adj. [from illnature.] 1. Habitually malevolent; wanting kind-

ness or good-will; mischievous; desirous of another's evil.

These ill qualities denominate a person illnatured, they being such as make him grievous and uneasy to all whom he deals and associates himself South.

Stay, silly bird, th' illnatur'd task refuse; Nor be the bearer of unwelcome news.

Addison, Ovid. It might be one of those illnatured beings who are at enmity with mankind, and do therefore take pleasure in filling them with groundless terrors.

Atterbury. 2. Philips applies it to land. Untractable; not yielding to culture.

The fondly studious of increase, Rich foreign mold on their illnatur'd land

Induce. ILLNA'TUREDLY. adv. [from illnatured.] In a peevish, froward manner.

ILLNA'TUREDNESS. n. s. [from illnatured.]

Want of a kindly disposition. I'LLNESS. n. s. [from ill.]

1. Badness or inconvenience of any kind, natural or moral.

He that has his chains knocked off, and the prison-doors set open, is perfectly at liberty, though his preference be determined to stay, by the illness of the weather. Locke.

2. Sickness; malady; disorder of health. On the Lord's day which immediately preceded his illness, he had received the sacrament.

Atterbury. Since the account her majesty received of the insolent faction, during her late illness at Windsor, she hath been willing to see them deprived of power to do mischief.

3. Wickedness.

Thou would be great; Art not without ambition; but without The illness should attend it. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

ILLO'GICAL. adj. [in and logical.] 1. Ignorant or negligent of the rules of

reasoning. One of the dissenters appeared to Dr. Sanderson

so bold and illogical in the dispute, as forced him to say he had never met with a man of more pertinacious confidence, and less abilities.

2. Contrary to the rules of reason.

Reason cannot dispute and make an inference so utterly illogical. Decay of Piety.

ILLO'GICALLY. † adv. [from illogical.] In a manner contrary to the laws of argu-

The arguments, which bear hardest upon Socinus, are such as are taken from those Scriptures, which, beyond all possibility of rational contradiction, declare the pre-existence and precedent being of Christ to his conception, such as John, viii. 58. "Glorify me, O Father, with the glory 3 G 2

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which I had with thee, before the world was;" which all the Socinians in the world could never yet give any clear, proper, and natural exposition of; but unnaturally and illogically pervert and distort them, in defiance of sense, and reason, and all the received ways of interpretation.

South, Serm. iii. 259.

ILLO'GICALNESS.* n. s. [from illogical.] Contrariety to the rules of reason. The illogicalness of the inference.

Hammond, Works, iv. 546.

ILL-STARRED.* adj. [ill and star.] Influenced by evil stars with respect to fortune; unlucky.

O, ill-starr'd lovers! what avails it me

To have thy love? t'have mine, what boots it thee? Fanshaw, Tr. of Pastor Fido. Ill-starr'd birds, that listening, not admir'd. Shenstone, Eleg. 6.

To ILLU'DE. + v. a. [illuder, Fr. illudo, Lat.] To deceive; to mock; to impose on; to play upon; to torment by some contemptuous artifice of mockery.

Sometimes athwart, sometimes he strook him

And falsed oft his blow, t'illude him with such bait. Spenser, F. Q.

If the solitariness of these rocks do not illude me. Shelton, Tr. of Don Quix. iv. 1.

In vain we measure this amazing sphere, While its circumference, scorning to be brought Ev'n into fancy'd space, illudes our vanquish'd thought. Prior.

To Illuminer, Fr.]

1. To enlighten; to illuminate.

When you same star, that's westward from the

Had made his course, t' illume that part of heav'n, Where now it burns. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

2. To brighten; to adorn. The mountain's brow,

Illum'd with fluid gold, his near approach Betokens.

Thomson, Summer. To ILLU'MINATE. v. a. Filluminer, Fr. lumen, Lat.]

1. To enlighten; to supply with light.

Do thou vouchsafe, with thy love-kindling light, To illuminate my dim and dulled eyn. Spenser. No painting can be seen in full perfection, but as all nature is illuminated by a single light. Wotton.

He made the stars,

And set them in the firmament of heaven, To illuminate the earth and rule the night.

Milton, P. L. Reason our guide, what can she more reply Than that the sun illuminates the sky; Than that night rises from his absent ray, And his returning lustre kindles day?

2. To adorn with festal lamps or bonfires.

3. To enlighten intellectually with knowledge or grace.

Satan had no power to abuse the illuminated world with his impostures. Sandys, Travels. When he illuminates the mind with supernatural light, he does not extinguish that which is natural.

4. To adorn with pictures or initial letters of various colours.

5. To illustrate.

My health is insufficient to amplify these remarks, and to illuminate the several pages with variety of examples. Watts.

ILLU'MINATE.* adj. [from the verb.] Enlightened.

That famous and truly illuminate doctor, Francis Junius, the glory of Leyden.

Bp. Hall, Epist. D. 1. E. 7.

A precise, pure, illuminate brother!

B. Jonson, Fox. He hath an understanding so illuminate, as he is like to prove the best scholar of all his brethren. Harington, Br. View of the Church, p. 96.

ILLU'MINATE.* n. s. One pretending to be enlightened with superior knowledge; as certain hereticks of the sixteenth century, called illuminati, affected to be; and as other fanciful persons, the hermetical philosophers, called Rosicrusians, were sometimes denominated. In our own times, we have had illuminati, so calling themselves, assembling, in several parts of Europe, to promote plans against religion and social order; and endeavouring, by every method, to seduce the poor and the ignorant, as well as the rich and learned, into their secret machinations. England soon discovered, that these mock philosophers offered a stone instead of bread, and darkness visible instead of one cheering ray of light. Their execrable labours have been here exposed to detestation and contempt; but Europe yet mourns over the misery and ruin which those labours have occasioned. It is remarkable, that illuminate, as a noun substantive, in our language, is very old in a sense of contempt or reprehension; implying, that those who assumed the name, took too much upon them.

Another pestilent sect there was, not long since, of illuminati in Arragon, whose founders were a hypocritical crew of their priests; who, affecting in themselves and their followers a certain angelical purity, fell suddenly to the very counterpoint of justifying bestiality.

Sir E. Sandys, State of Religion. These new illuminates have such cogging shifts with them.

Watson, Quodlibets of State, (1602,) p. 44. Not unlike the refined and quaint illuminates of our time. Loe, Blisse of Br. Beauty, (1614,) p. 15. Such illuminates are our classical brethren!

Mountagu, App. to Cas. (1625,) p. 16. ILLUMINA'TI.* [Latin.] See the substantive ILLUMINATE.

ILLUMINA'TION. n. s. [illuminatio, Latin; illumination, Fr. from illuminate.

The act of supplying with light.

That which gives light.

The sun is but a body illightened, and an illumination created. Ralegh, Hist.

3. Festal lights hung out as a token of joy. Flow'rs are strew'd, and lamps in order plac'd, And windows with illuminations grac'd. Dryden, Pers.

4. Brightness; splendour.

The illuminators of manuscripts borrowed their title from the illumination which a bright genius giveth to his work. Felton on the Classicks. 5. Infusion of intellectual light; know-

ledge or grace.

Hymns and psalms are such kinds of prayer as are not conceived upon a sudden; but framed by meditation beforehand, or by prophetical illumina-

We have forms of prayer imploring God's aid and blessing for the illumination of our labours, and the turning them into good and holy uses.

No floly passion, no illumination, no inspiration, can be now a sufficient commission to warrant those attempts which contradict the common rules of peace.

ILLU'MINATIVE. adj. [illuminatif, Fr. from illuminate.] Having the power to give light.

What makes itself and other things be seen, being accompanied by light, is called fire: what admits the illuminative action of fire, and is not seen, is called air. Digby on Bodies.

ILLU'MINATOR. † n. s. [from illuminate.]

1. One who gives light.

Chaucer, writing his poesies in English, is of some called the first illuminator of the English tongue. Verstegan, Rest. of Dec. Intell. ch. 7.
2. One whose business it is to decorate

books with pictures at the beginning of chapters.

Illuminators of manuscripts borrowed their title from the illumination which a bright genius giveth

To ILLU'MINE † v. a. [illuminer, French.] 1. To enlighten; to supply with light. His understanding was illumined with the beams

of divine truth. Price, Prince Henry's Anniver. (1613,) p. 12.

To confirm his words, outflew Millions of flaming swords, drawn from the thighs Of mighty cherubims: the sudden blaze

Far round illumin'd hell. Milton, P. L. What in me is dark,

Illumine ! what is low, raise and support!

Milton, P. L. 2. To decorate; to adorn.

To Cato, Virgil paid one honest line: O let my country's friends illumine mine. Pope.

ILLU'SION. n. s. [illusio, Latin; illusion, French.] Mockery; false show; coun-

terfeit appearance; errour. That, distill'd by magick flights, Shall raise such artificial sprights, As, by the strength of their illusion,

Shall draw him on to his confusion. Shaks. Mac. There wanted not some about him that would have persuaded him that all was but an illusion.

Bacon, Hen. VIL So oft they fell

Into the same illusion; not as man, Whom they triumph'd, once laps'd. Milton, P. L. An excuse for uncharitableness, drawn from pretended inability, is of all others the most general and prevailing illusion. Atterbury.

Many are the illusions by which the enemy endeavours to cheat men into security, and defeat their salvation. Rogers. To dream once more I close my willing eyes;

Ye soft illusions, dear deceits, arise! We must use some illusion to render a pastoral delightful; and this consists in exposing the best side only of a shepherd's life, and in concealing its miseries. De-

ILLU'SIVE. adj. [from illusus, Lat.] ceiving by false show. The heathen bards, who idle fables drest,

Illusive dreams in mystick forms exprest.

Blackmore.

While the fond soul Wrapt in gay visions of unreal bliss, Still paints the illusive form. Thomson, Spring.

ILLU'SIVELY.* adv. [from illusive.] In a deceptious manner.

ILLU'SIVENESS.* n. s. [from illusive.] Deception; false appearance.

ILLU'SORY. adj. [from in and lusorius, Lat. illusoire, Fr.] Deceiving; fraudulent.

Subtility, in those who make profession to teach or defend truth, hath passed for a virtue; a virtue indeed, which, consisting for the most part in nothing but the fallacious and illusory use of obscure or deceitful terms, is only fit to make men more conceited in their ignorance.

To ILLU'STRATE. † v. a. [illustro, Lat. | ILLUXU'RIOUS. * adj. [in and luxurious.] | illustrer, Fr.

1. To brighten with light.

Then let us borrow from the glorious sun A little light to illustrate this act.

More, Song of the Soul, i. ii. 7. Being illustrated by the sun, it [the front of the house] might yield the more graceful aspect. Wotton on Architecture.

2. To brighten with honour.

Matter to me of glory! whom their hate Illustrates, when they see all regal power

Given me to quell their pride. Milton, P. L. Thee she enroll'd her garter'd knights among, Illustrating the noble list.

3. To explain; to clear; to elucidate. Authours take up popular conceits, and from

tradition unjustifiable, or false, illustrate matters of undeniable truth. Brown. ILLUSTRA'TION. n. s. [illustration, Fr.

from illustrate.] Explanation; elucidation; exposition. It is seldom used in its original signification for material brightness.

Whoever looks about him will find many living illustrations of this emblem. Space and duration, being ideas that have some-

thing very abstruse and peculiar in their nature, the comparing them one with another may perhaps be of use for their illustration.

ILLU'STRATIVE.† adj. [from illustrate.] Having the quality of elucidating or

They play much upon the simile, or illustrative argumentation, to induce their enthymemes unto the people.

Purging and pruning with all industry, What's dead or useless, less demonstrative,

What's dull or flaccid, nought illustrative. More, Song of the Soul, i. ii. 41.

We should suppose this also an additional ustrative note.

Biblioth. Bibl. Oxf. i. 47. illustrative note. ILLU'STRATIVELY. adv. [from illustrative.]

By way of explanation.

Things are many times delivered hieroglyphically, metaphorically, illustratively, and not with reference to action. Brown, Vulg. Err.

ILLU'STRATOR.* n. s. [Latin; illustrateur, Fr.] One who illustrates, brightens, clears, or beautifies. Cotgrave. The right gracious illustrator of virtue.

Chapman, Sonnets at the end of his Homer. ILLU'STRIOUS.† adj. [illustris, Latin, illustre, Fr. And our own word was at first illustre. "You may be an ornament to that illustre familye." Lett. in 1566. Sidney State-Pap. vol. i. p. 9.]

1. Bright; shining.

Shaking his illustrious tresses.

Sandys, Ovid. B. 2. His locks behind.

Illustrious on his shoulders fledge with wings, Lay waving round. Milton, P. L. 2. Conspicuous; noble; eminent for ex-

cellence. In other languages the most illustrious titles are derived from things sacred.

Of every nation, each illustrious name, Such toys as those have cheated into fame.

Dryden, Juv. ILLU'STRIOUSLY. adv. [from illustrious.] Conspicuously; nobly; eminently.

He disdained not to appear at festival entertainments, that he might more illustriously manifest his charity.

You carrying with you all the world can boast, To all the world illustriously are lost. ILLU'STRIOUSNESS. n. s. [from illustrious.] Eminence; nobility; grandeur.

Not luxurious.

The widow Vanhomrigh and her two daughters quitted the illuxurious soil of their native country, for the more elegant pleasures of the English court.

Ld. Orrery on Swift, p. 104.

ILL-WILL.* n. s. [ill and will.] Disposition to envy or hatred.

Thereby he may gather

The ground of your ill-will, and so remove it. Shakspeare, K. Rich. III.

Ros. Why look you so upon me? Pheb. For no ill-will I bear you.

Shakspeare, As you like it.

ILL-WI'LLER.* n. s. One who wishes or intends ill to another.

If I were a man, I would fight for you; sure you have some ill-willers; I would slay them.

Beaum. and Fl. Cupid's Revenge. Having usually many ill-willers, many disaffected malecontents. Barrow, Works, i. 93.

I'm. Contracted from I am.

Im is used commonly, in composition, for in before mute letters. What is im in Latin, when it is not negative, is often em in French; and our writers, as the Latin or French occurs to their minds, use im or em: formerly im was more common, and now em seems to prevail. I'MAGE. n. s. [image, Fr. imago, Lat.]

1. Any corporeal representation, generally used of statues; a statue; a picture.

Whose is this image and superscription? St. Matt. xxii. 20. The one is too like an image, and says nothing ;

and the other too like my lady's oldest son, ever more talking.

Thy brother I, Shakspeare.

Even like a stony image, cold and numb. Shaksp. The image of a deity may be a proper object for that which is but the image of a religion. South. Still must I be upbraided with your line;

But your late brother did not prize me less, Because I could not boast of images.

2. An idol; a false god. Manasseh set the carved image in God's house. 2 Chron. xxxiii. 7.

3. A copy; representation; likeness.

Long may'st thou live,

To bear his image and renew his glories! Shaksp. I have bewept a worthy husband's death, And liv'd by looking on his images :

But now two mirrours of his princely semblance Are crack'd in pieces by malignant death.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. He made us to his image all agree : That image is the soul, and that must be,

Or not the maker's image, or be free. 4. Semblance; show; appearance.
Deny to speak with me? They're sick, they're weary,

They have travell'd all night! Mere fetches, The images of revolt. Shakspeare, K. Lear. This is the man should do the bloody deed: The image of a wicked heinous fault

Lives in his eye. Shakspeare, K. John. The face of things a frightful image bears, And present death in various forms appears.

Dryden, Æn.

5. An idea; a representation of any thing to the mind; a picture drawn in the fancy.

The image of the jest I'll shew you here at large. Shaksp Outcasts of mortal race! can we conceive Shakspeare.

Image of aught delightful, soft, or great? Prior. When we speak of a figure of a thousand angles, we may have a clear idea of the number one thousand angles; but the image, or sensible idea,

we cannot distinguish by fancy from the image of a figure that has nine hundred angles. I'MAGE-WORSHIP.* n. s. The worship of

images or idols. They are endeavouring to make proselytes, who

are startled at image-worship.

Trapp, Popery truly stated, P. i. In 787 another council met at Constantinople first, and was afterwards translated to Nice, in which the decree of the former synod was exploded, and image-worship first established in the church. This council was called, by the empress Irene, a bigotted image-worshipper.

Bp. Bull, Corrupt. of the Ch. of Rome. To I'MAGE. v. a. [from the noun.] To

copy by the fancy; to imagine.

How are immaterial substances to be imaged, which are such things whereof we can have no Image to thy mind

How our forefathers to the Stygian shades Went quick. Philips.

His ear oft frighted with the imag'd voice Of heav'n, when first it thunder'd. Fate some future bard shall join

In sad similitude of griefs to mine, Condemn'd whole years in absence to deplore, And image charms he must behold no more.

I'MAGERY. † n. s. [from image.] 1. Sensible representations; pictures;

Of marble stone was cut An altar, carv'd with cunning imagery.

Spenser, F. Q. When in those oratories might you see Rich carvings, portraitures, and imagery;

Where every figure to the life express'd The godhead's pow'r. Dryden, Kn. Tale. Your gift shall two large goblets be

Of silver, wrought with curious imagery.
And high emboss'd.

Dryce

Dryce Dryden, Æn.

2. Show; appearance.
Things of the world fill the imaginative part with beauties and fantastick imagery. Bp. Taylor. What can thy imagery of sorrow mean? Secluded from the world, and all its care,

Hast thou to grieve or joy, to hope or fear. Prior. All the visionary beauties of the prospect, the paint and imagery that attracted our senses, fade and disappear.

3. Forms of the fancy; false ideas; imaginary phantasms.

It might be a mere dream which he saw; the imagery of a melancholick fancy, such as musing men mistake for a reality. Atterbury.

4. Representations in writing; such descriptions as force the image of the thing described upon the mind. I wish there may be in this poem any instance

of good imagery. 5. Form; make.

They are our brethren, and pieces of the same imagery with ourselves. Feltham, Res. ii. 53.

IMA'GINABLE. adj. [imaginable, Fr. from imagine.] Possible to be conceived. It is not imaginable that men will be brought to

obey what they cannot esteem. Men, sunk into the greatest darkness imaginable, retain some sense and awe of a Deity. Tillotson.

IMA'GINANT. adj. [imaginant, Fr.] Imagining; forming ideas.

We will enquire what the force of imagination is, either upon the body imaginant, or upon another body.

IMA'GINANT.* n. s. One who is prone to form strange ideas.

Fascination is the power and act of imagination, intensive upon other bodies, than the body of the imaginant. Bacon, Adv. of Learning, B. 2.

The air of common report, or the single testimony of some superstitious and melancholy imaginant. Spenser on Prodigies, (1665,) p. 223.

IMA'GINARY. adj. [imaginaire, Fr. from imagine.] Fancied; visionary; existing only in the imagination.

False sorrow's eye,
Which, for things true, weeps things imaginary.
Shakspeare.

Expectation whirls me round; The *imaginary* relish is so sweet, That it enchants my sense.

Shakspeare, Troil. and Cres. Fortune is nothing else but a power imaginary, to which the successes of human actions and endeavours were for their variety ascribed.

Ralegh, Hist.
Why wilt thou add, to all the griefs I suffer,
Imaginary ills and fancied tortures?

Addison, Cato.

IMAGINA'TION. n.s. [imaginatio, Latin, imagination, Fr. from imagine.]
1. Fancy; the power of forming ideal

1. Fancy; the power of forming ideal pictures; the power of representing things absent to one's self or others.

Imagination I understand to be the representation of an individual thought. Imagination is of three kinds: joined with belief of that which is to come; joined with memory of that which is past; and of things present, or as if they were present; for I comprehend in this imagination feigned and at pleasure, as if one should imagine such a man to be in the vestments of a pope, or to have wings.

Raccon.

Our simple apprehension of corporal objects, if present, is sense; if absent, imagination: when we would perceive a material object, our fancies present us with its idea.

Glanville.

O whither shall I run, or which way fly The sight of this so horrid spectacle, Which erst my eyes beheld, and yet behold! For dire imagination still pursues me,

Milton, P. L.
Where beams of warm inagination play,
The memory's soft figures melt away.

Pope.

 Conception; image of the mind; idea. Sometimes despair darkens all her imaginations; sometimes the active passion of love cheers and clears her invention.

Princes have but their titles for their glories, An outward honour for an inward toil; And, for unfelt imaginations,

They often feel a world of restless cares.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. Better I were distract,

So should my thoughts be sever'd from my griefs; And woes, by wrong imaginations, lose

The knowledge of themselves. Shaksp. K. Lear.
His imaginations were often as just as they
were bold and strong.

Dennis.

3. Contrivance; scheme.

Thou hast seen all their vengeance, and all their imaginations against me.

Lam. iii. 60.

4. An unsolid or fanciful opinion.

We are apt to think that space, in itself, is actually boundless; to which imagination, the idea of space, of itself leads us.

Locke.

IMA'GFNATIVE. adj. [imaginatif, Fr. from imagine.] Fantastick; full of imagination.

Witches are imaginative, and believe ofttimes they do not. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Lay fetters and restraints upon the imaginative and fantastick part, because our fancy is usually pleased with the entertainment of shadows and gauds.

Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy.

To IMA'GINE. v. a. [imaginer, Fr.; imaginor, Lat.]

1. To fancy; to paint in the mind.

Look what notes and garments he doth give thee,

Bring them, I pray thee, with imagin'd speed.

Shakspeare.

What are our ideas of eternity and immensity but the repeated additions of certain ideas of imagined parts of duration and expansion, with the infinity of number, in which we can come to no end of addition?

Locke.

2. To scheme; to contrive.

They intended evil against thee, they imagined a mischievous device. Ps. xxi. 11. IMA GINER. n. s. [from imagine.] One who

forms ideas.

The juggler took upon him to know that such an one should point in such a place of a garter that was held up; and still he did it, by first telling the imaginer, and after bidding the actor think.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

IMA'GINING.* n. s. [from imagine.] Fancy; imagination.

Present fears

Are less than horrible imaginings.

Shakspeare, Macbeth.
To Imba'lm.* See To Embalm.

Imba'rgo.* See Embargo.

IMBA'RMENT.* n. s. Bar or opposition. See To Embar.

Only her povertie was the maine imbarment of her marriage. Tr. of Boccace, (1620.) p. 110. To Imba'rk.* See To Embark.

To IMBA'RN.* v. a. [from barn.] To lay up in a barn.

If a farmer hath both a fair harvest, and that also well in and imbarned, and continuing safe there, yet if God give him not the grace to use and utter this well, all his advantages are to his loss.

Herbert, Country Parson, ch. 30.
To Imba'se.* v. a. To debase. See To
Embase.

They that *imbase* coin and metals, and obtrude them for perfect and natural.

Bp. Taylor, Holy Dying, § 8. ch. 4.
To Imba'se.* v. n. To sink in value.

The books of the learned themselves, by ambitiously heaping up the conceits and authorities of other men, increase much in the bulk, but do as much imbase in true value. Hales, Rem. p. 35.

To Imba'stardize.* v. a. [from bastardize.] To convict of being a bastard, or degenerate.

The rest, imbastardized from the ancient nobleness of their ancestors, are ready to fall flat.

Milton, Eiconoclast. Pref.

To IMBA'THE.* v. a. [from bathe. To bathe all over. Not of Milton's coinage, as I long since had an opportunity of proving.

Fear had taught to barre Hot kisses from desire to press too farre,

To imbathe themselves.

Tusso's Aminta Engl. (1628,) A.i. S.I. And gave her to his daughters to imbathe In nectar'd lavers, strew'd with asphodel.

Millon, Comus.

Methinks a sovran and reviving joy must needs rush into the bosom of him that reads or hears, and the sweet odour of the returning gospel imbathe his soul with the fragrancy of Heaven.

Millon, Of Ref. in Eng. B.1.

IMBE'CILE.† adj. [imbecillis, Lat.; imbecille, Fr.] Weak; feeble; wanting strength of either mind or body.

We were, in respect to God, imbecile and lost.

Barrow, Works, vol. ii. S. 22.

To Imbe'cile, v.a. [from the adjective. This word is corruptly written embezzle. Dr. Johnson.—This is not the fact.

Embezzle, or imbezzle, is formed from a very different word. See To Embezzle. Our old lexicography defines "to imbesil, to purloin," but not to weaken. See Bullokar's Expositor. Bishop Jeremy Taylor uses the verb before us, imbecile, simply in the sense of weaken, without any allusion to injustice, which Dr. Johnson affixes to it in the example from that great man's "Holy Living;" but a second from his "Holy Dying" will prove what I assert.] To weaken a stock or fortune by clandestine expences or unjust appropriations; simply, to weaken.

Princes must in a special manner be guardians of pupils and widows, not suffering their persons to be oppressed, or their states *imbeciled*.

Ep. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy.

It is a sad calamity, that the fear of death should so imbecill man's courage and understanding.

Ep. Taylor, Holy Dying, § 7. ch. 3.

To Imbeci'litate.* v. a. [from imbecility.]
To weaken; to render feeble.

The man, being skilful in natural magick, did use all the artifices his subtilty could devise to imbecilitate the earl.

Arthur Wilson's Hist. of James I.

IMBECI'LITY. n. s. [imbecillité, Fr.] Weakness; feebleness of mind or body. A weak and imperfect rule argueth imbecility

No imbecility of means can prejudice the truth of the promise of God herein.

Hooker.

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We that are strong must bear the *imbecility* of the impotent, and not please ourselves. *Hooker*. That way we are contented to prove, which, being the worse in itself, is notwithstanding now, by

ing the worse in itself, is notwithstanding now, by reason of common imbecility, the fitter and likelier to be brooked.

Strength would be lord of imbecility.

And the rude son would strike his father dead.

Shakspeare.

Imbecility, for sex and age, was such as they

could not lift up a hand against them.

King Charles.

When man was fallen, and had abandoned his primitive innocence, a strange in health in the strange in health in the strange in health in the strange in health.

primitive innocence, a strange imbecility immediately seized and laid hold of him.

Woodward, Nat. Hist.

IMBE'DDED.* See EMBEDDED.

A number of glands imbedded in the cellular substance. Outlines of Anatomy, ch.1. § ult. IMBE'LLICK.* adj. [in and bellicus, Latin.]

Not warlike. See Bellick. Cockeram.
The imbellick peasant, when he comes first to the field, shakes at the report of a musket.

Julius, Sin Stigmat. (1639,) p. 423.
To Imbe'zzle.* v. a. To steal; to purloin; to take from. See To Embezzle.

Ioin; to take from. See To Embezzle.

He could, by his providence, preserve the books so written from being imbezzled or corrupted.

Goodman, Wint. Ev. Conf. P. iii.

IMBE'ZZLEMENT.* n. s. Theft. See Em-

BEZZLEMENT.

I must require you to use diligence in presenting specially those purloinings and imbezzlements, which are of plate, vessels, or whatsoever within

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Bacon, Charge, &c. p. 15.

To IMBI'BE.† v. a. [imbibo, Lat.; im-

To IMBIBE.† v. a. [imbibo, Lat.; imbiber, Fr.]

1. To drink in; to draw in.

A pot of ashes will receive more hot water than cold, forasmuch as the warm water imbibeth more of the salt.

Brown.

The torrent merciless imbibes, Commissions, perquisites, and bribes. Swift.

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Illumin'd wide The dewy-skirted clouds imbibe the sun. Thomson, Autumn.

2. To admit into the mind.

Those, that have imbibed this errour, have extended the influence of this belief to the whole gospel, which they will not allow to contain any thing but promises. Hammond.

It is not easy for the mind to put off those confused notions and prejudices it has imbibed from

Conversation with foreigners enlarges our minds, and sets them free from many prejudices we are ready to imbibe concerning them.

Watts, Improv. of the Mind.

3. To drench; to saturate; to soak. This sense, though unusual, perhaps unexampled, is necessary in English, unless the word imbue be adopted, which our writers seem not willing to receive. Dr. Johnson. - Cotgrave translates the 4. To enclose. Improper. French imbibé into "imbued, moistened, soaked, or drunk in." But see To Im-

Metals, corroded with a little acid, turn into rust, which is an earth tasteless and indissolvable in water; and this earth, imbibed with more acid, becomes a metallick salt.

IMBI'BER. n. s. [from imbibe.] That which drinks or sucks.

Salts are strong imbibers of sulphureous steams. Arbuthnot.

IMBIBITION. n. s. [imbibition, Fr. from imbibe.] The act of sucking or drinking in.

Most powders grow more coherent by mixture of water than of oil: the reason is the congruity of bodies, which maketh a perfecter imbibition and incorporation.

Heat and cold have a virtual transition, without communication of substance, but in moisture not; and to all madefaction there is required an imbibi-

A drop of oil, let fall upon a sheet of white paper, that part of it, which, by the imbibition of the liquor, acquires a greater continuity and some transparency, will appear much darker than the rest; many of the incident beams of light being now transmitted, that otherwise would be reflected. Roule.

To IMBI'TTER. v. a. [from bitter.]

1. To make bitter.

To deprive of pleasure; to make un-

happy.

Let them extinguish their passions which imbitter their lives, and deprive them of their share in the happiness of the community. Addison, Freeh. Is there any thing that more imbitters the enjoy-

ments of this life than shame?

3. To exasperate.

IMBI'TTERER.* n. s. [from the verb.] That which makes bitter.

The fear of death has always been considered as the greatest enemy of human quiet, the polluter of the feast of happiness, and the emhitterer of the cup of joy. Johnson in Taylor's Serm.

To IMBLA'ZON.* v. a. [blasonner, Fr.] To adorn with figures of heraldry. See To EMBLAZON.

To describe races and games, Or tilting furniture, imblazon'd shields.

Milton, P. L.

IMBLA'ZONRY.* See EMBLAZONRY. To IMBO'DY. v. a. [from body.] 1. To condense to a body.

2. To invest with matter; to make corpo-

An opening cloud reveals An heavenly form embodied, and array'd With robes of light. Druden.

Though assiduity in the most fixed cogitation be no trouble to immaterialized spirits, yet it is more than our imbodied souls can bear without lassitude. Glanville, Scepsis.

3. To bring together into one mass or company; to incorporate.

I by vow am so imbodied yours, That she which marries you must marry me. Shakspeare.

Never since created, man Met such imbodied force, as nam'd with these, Could merit more than that small infantry

Warr'd on by cranes. Milton, P. L. Under their head imbodied all in one. Milton, P. L.

Then Clausus came, who led a num'rous band Of troops imbodied from the Sabine land. Dryden, Æn.

In those strata we shall meet with the same metal or mineral imbodied in stone, or lodged in coal, that elsewhere we found in marle. Woodward, Nat. Hist.

To Imbo'dy. v. n. To unite into one mass; to coalesce.

The soul grows clotted by contagion, Imbodies and imbrutes, till she quite lose The divine property of her first being.

Milton, Comus. The idea of white, which snow yielded yesterday, and another idea of white from another snow today, put together in your mind, imbody and run

To Imbo'il. v. n. [from boil.] To exestuate; to effervesce; to move with violent agitation like hot liquor in a caldron, Not now in use.

With whose reproach and odious menace, The knight imboiling in his haughty heart, Knit all his forces, and gan soon unbrace His grasping hold. Spenser, F. Q.

To Imbo'lden. v. a. [from bold.] To raise to confidence; to encourage. 'Tis necessary he should die:

Nothing imboldens sin so much as mercy.

Shakspeare, Timon. I think myself in better plight for a lender than you are, the which hath something imboldened me to this unseasoned intrusion,

Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor. I was the more imboldened, because I found I had a soul congenial to his. Dryden.

Nor flight was left, nor hopes to force his way; Imbolden'd by despair, he stood at bay.

Dryden, Æn. Their virtues and superior genius imboldened them, in great exigencies of state, to attempt the service of their prince and country out of the com-

IMBO'NITY.* n. s. [in and bonitas, Lat.] Want of goodness. See Bonity.

All fears, griefs, suspicions, discontents, imbonities, insuavities are swallowed up and drowned in this Euripus, this Irish sea.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 215.

To Imbo'rder.* v. a. [from border.] To terminate; to bound.

Thick-woven arborets, and flowers Imborder'd on each bank. Milton, P. L.

To Imbo'sk.* v. n. [imboscare, Ital. " to enter a wood, to lay in ambush, to take shelter as a deer doth." Florio, 1598.7 To lie concealed.

They seek the dark, the bushy, the tangled forest; they would imbosk.

Milton, Of Ref. in Eng. B. 1.

To Imbosk.* v. a. [See the neuter verb.] To conceal: to hide.

Requesting him to depart, and imbosk himself in the mountain, which was very near. Shelton, Tr. of Don Quix, fol. 46. b.

To Imbo'ss.* See To Emboss. To Imbo'som. v.a. [from bosom.]

1. To hold on the bosom; to cover fondly with the folds of one's garment; to hide under any cover.

The Father infinite, By whom in bliss imbosom'd sat the Son. Milton, P. L.

Villages imbosom'd soft in trees, And spiry towns by surging columns mark'd.

2. To admit to the heart, or to affection. But glad desire, his late imbosom'd guest, Yet but a babe, with milk of sight he nurst.

Sidney. Who glad t'imbosom his affection vile,

Did all she might, more plainly to appear. Spenser, F. Q.

To Imbo'und. v. a. [from bound.] To enclose; to shut in.

That sweet breath, Which was imbounded in this beauteous clay.

To IMBO'W.† v. a. [from bow.] The word

at first was embow. See what is noticed, in respect to the orthography, in EM-Bow.] To arch; to vault.

Imbowed windows be pretty retiring places for conference: they keep both the wind and sun off; Bacon.

To Imbo'wel.* See To Embowel. Donne writes it imbowel.

To Imbo'wer. v. a. [from bower.] To cover with a bower; to shelter with

You whom highest heaven imbowers, Praise the Lord with all your powers.

Sandys, Ps. cxlvii. A shady bank,

Thick over-head with verdant roof imbower'd. Milton, P. L. And stooping thence to Ham's imbowering

walks, In spotless peace retir'd. Thomson.

To Imbo'wer.* v. n. See To Embower. IMBO'WMENT. n. s. [from imbow.] Arch; vault.

The roof all open, not so much as any imbowment near any of the walls left. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

To Imbo'x.* v. a. [emboister, emboiter, Fr. whence to emboss, for embox, in the sense of enclose. See the third sense of Emboss.] To shut or close up as in Cotgrave, and Sherwood. To IMBRA'ID.* v. a. [See To EMBRAID.]

To upbraid. Obsolete. Huloet. To IMBRA'NGLE. v. a. To entangle. A

low word. With subtle cobweb cheats

They're catch'd in knotted law like nets: In which, when once they are imbrangled,

The more they stir, the more they're tangled.

IMBRE'D.* part. [from imbreed.] Generated within. See To IMBREED.

To be wise, that is, to search the truth, is a disposition imbred in every man.

Hakewill on Providence, p. 288.

To IMBRE'ED.* v. a. [in and breed.] To generate within; to imbreed; to produce.

brede that fierceness and obstinacie in their scholars. Sir E. Sandys, State of Rel. H. 3. b.

I'MBRICATE.* adj. [imbricatus, from imbrex, Latin.] Laid one under another.

Two rows on each side of the belly consist of larger scales, ovate and imbricate.

Russell, Acc. of Indian Serpents, p. 7.

I'MBRICATED. adj. [imbricatus, Latin.] Indented with concavities; bent and hollowed like a roof or gutter-tile.

IMBRICA'TION. n. s. [imbrex, Latin.] Concave indenture.

All is guarded with a well-made tegument, adorned with neat imbrications, and many other

To Imbro'wn. v. a. [Ital. imbrunir.] To make brown; to darken; to obscure; to cloud.

Where the morning sun first warmly smote The open field, and where the unpierc'd shade Imbrown'd the noontide bow'rs. Milton, P. L. The foot grows black that was with dirt im-

And in thy pocket gingling halfpence sound. Gay.

Another age shall see the golden ear

Imbrown the slope, and nod on the parterre. Pope. Imbrown'd with native bronze, lo! Henly stands.

To Imbru'e. v. a. [from in and brue.] 1. To steep; to soak; to wet much or long. This seems indifferently written with im or em. I have here sustained

both modes of writing. Thou mad'st many hearts to bleed

Of mighty victors, with wide wounds embrued, And by thy cruel darts to thee subdued. Spenser. There streams a spring of blood so fast

From those deep wounds, as all embrued the face Of that accursed caitiff. Daniel, Civil Wars. The merciless Turks, embrued with the Christian blood, were weary of slaughter, and began greedily to seek after the spoil. Knolles, Hist. At me, as at a mark, his bow he drew.

Whose arrows in my blood their wings imbrue.

Lucius pities the offenders, That would embrue their hands in Cato's blood. Addison.

Lo! these hands in murder are imbrued, Those trembling feet by justice are pursu'd. Prior. There, where two ways in equal parts divide, The direful monster from afar descry'd

Two bleeding babes depending at her side ; Whose panting vitals, warm with life, she draws, And in their hearts embrues her cruel claws. Pope.

His virgin sword Ægysthus' veins imbrued; The murd'rer fell, and blood aton'd for blood.

A good man chuses rather to pass by a verbal injury than imbrue his hands in blood.

Richardson, Clarissa. 2. To pour; to emit moisture. Obsolete. Some bathed kisses, and did oft embrue

The sugar'd liquor through his melting lips. Spenser, F. Q.

To IMBRU'TE.† v. a. [from brute. Ital. imbruttare.] To degrade to brutality.

We find how far natural corruption, improved with ignorance and want of education or religion, can imbrute the manners of men.

Bp. Reynolds on the Passions, ch. 16. I, who erst contended With gods to sit the highest, am now constrain'd

Into a beast, and, mix'd with beastial slime, This essence to incarnate and imbrute.

These Jesuits endeavour by all means to im- To IMBRU'TE. v. n. To sink down to

The soul grows clotted by contagion, Imbodies and imbrutes, till she quite lose The divine property of her first being Milton, Comus.

To IMBU'E. v. a. Simbuo, Latin. This word, which seems wanting in our language, has been proposed by several writers, but not yet adopted by the rest. Imbu, French, the participial adjective is only used. To tincture deep; to imbibe or soak with any liquor or die.

Her face with blushing shamefac'dness inbued.

I would render this treatise intelligible to every rational man, however little versed in scholastick learning; among whom I expect it will have a fairer passage, than among those that are deeply imbued with other principles.

Clothes which have once been thoroughly imbued with black, cannot well afterwards be dyed into lighter colour.

Where the mineral matter is great, so as to take the eye, the body appears imbued and tinctured with the colour. Woodward.

To Imbu'rse. v.a. [bourse, French.] To stock with money. This should be emburse, from embourser, French. The word is old in our lexicography; and Sherwood defines it "to purse up.

IME.* n. s. [Su. Goth. imm, ime, vapor; Sax. hpyme. Rime. Used in this sense in the Craven Dialect.

IMITABI'LITY. n. s. [imitabilis, Latin.] The quality of being imitable.

According to the multifariousness of this imitability, so are the possibilities of being. Norris. I'MITABLE. adj. [imitabilis, Latin; imit-

able, Fr. 7 Worthy to be imitated; deserving to be copied.

How could the most base men, and separate from all imitable qualities, attain to honour but by an observant slavish course.

Ralegh, Hist. of the World. As acts of parliament are not regarded by most imitable writers, I account the relation of them improper for history. Hayward.

2. Possible to be imitated; within reach of imitation.

The characters of men placed in lower stations of life, are more useful, as being imitable by greater Atterbury.

To I'MITATE. v. a. [imitor, Latin; imiter, French.]

To copy; to endeavour to resemble. We imitate and practise to make swifter motions than any out of your muskets. Bacon. Despise wealth, and imitate a god. Cowley. I would caress some stable-man of note, And imitate his language and his coat

Bramston, Man of Taste. 2. To counterfeit.

This hand appear'd a shining sword to wield, And that sustain'd an imitated shield. Dryden, En.

3. To pursue the course of a composition, so as to use parallel images and ex-

For shame! what, imitate an ode! Gan IMITA'TION. n. s. [imitatio, Lat.; imitation, Fr.]

1. The act of copying; attempt to resem-

Milton, P. L. 2. That which is offered as a copy.

Since a true knowledge of nature gives us pleasure, a lively imitation of it, either in poetry or painting, must produce a much greater: for both these arts are not only true imitations of nature, but of the best nature.

3. A method of translating looser than paraphrase, in which modern examples and illustrations are used for ancient, or domestick for foreign.

In the way of imitation, the translator not only varies from the words and sense, but forsakes them as he sees occasion; and, taking only some general hints from the original, runs division on the groundwork.

I'MITATIVE. adj. [imitativus, Lat.]

1. Inclined to copy; as, Man is an imitative

2. Aiming at resemblance; as, Painting is an imitative art.

3. Formed after some original.

This temple, less in form, with equal grace, Was imitative of the first in Thrace. Dryd I'MITATOR. n. s. [Lat.; imitateur, French.] One that copies another; one that en-

deavours to resemble another. Imitators are but a servile kind of cattle, says Dryden.

I'MITATORSHIP.* n. s. [from imitator.] The office or employment of an imi-

My soul adores judicial scholarship; But when to servile imitatorship Some spruce Athenian pen is prentized, 'Tis worse than apish.

Marston, Scourge of Vil. iii, 9.

IMMA'CULATE. adj. [immaculatus, Lat.; immaculé, Fr.

1. Spotless; pure; undefiled. To keep this commandment immaculate and

blameless, was to teach the gospel of Christ. Hooker.

His words are bonds, his oaths are oracles; His love sincere, his thoughts immaculate. Shaksp. The king, whom catholicks count a saint-like and immaculate prince, was taken away in the

flower of his age. Bacon. Were but my soul as pure From other guilts as that, Heaven did not hold

One more immaculate. Denham, Sophy. 2. Pure; limpid. Thou clear, immaculate, and silver fountain,

From whence this stream, through muddy pas-Hath had his current and defil'd himself.

Shakspeare, Rich. II. IMMA'CULATELY.* adv. [from immaculate.]

Without blemish; purely. IMMA'CULATENESS.* n. s. [from immacu-

late.] Purity; innocence. Candour and immaculateness of conversation.

W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. P. i. (1648,) p. 140. IMMA'ILED.* adj. [from mail.] Wearing mail or armour.

Of men immail'd. Browne, Brit. Past. ii. 4.

Imma'lleable.* adj. [in and malleus, a hammer, Latin.] Not to be wrought upon; not to be impressed.

Oh the stiffness of a Romish zeal! how immalleable does it render their stony natures to the force of all humane impressions!

Memoirs of Sir Edmonbury Godfrey, (1682,) p.79.

To IMMA'NACLE. v. a. [from manacle.] To fetter; to confine.

Thou canst not touch the freedom of my mind With all thy charms, although this corporal rind Thou hast immanacled. Milton, Comus. IMMA'NE.† adj. [immanis, Latin.] Vast; IMMARCE'SSIBLE.† adj. [in and marcesco, IMMATE'RIALLY. adv. [from immaterial.] Latin; immarcessible, old Fr. Cotgrave, In a manner not depending upon no further notice of the word, and gives no example. It is, by our old writers, often coupled with cruelty, to denote excessive or monstrous cruelty; and Cockeram defines immane, cruel, wild. See also Immanely.

Doth it not appertain to the just judgement of God to avenge such immane cruelties?

Sheldon, Mir. of Antichrist, (1616,) p. 179. Those immane cruelties, which divers have exercised upon men's dead bodies.

Fotherby, Atheom. (1622,) p. 207. Immane Arcturus, weeping Pleiades,

Orion, who with storms plows up the seas

Sandys, Job, p. 15. What immane difference is there between the twenty-fourth of February, and commencement of March?

Evelyn, B. i. ch. 17. § 3.

IMMA'NELY.* adv. [from immane.] Mon-

strously: cruelly.

They have not done the same by the power of miracles and integrity of life, but only by dint of sword, which did so immanely and barbarously make havock of them, to the destruction of some illions. Sheldon, Mir. of Antichrist, p. 178. A man of excessive strength, valiant, liberal, millions.

and fair of aspect, but immanely cruel.

Milton, Hist. of Eng. B. i.

I'MMANENCY.* n. s. [in and maneo, Lat. Internal dwelling.

The immanency and inherency of this power in Jesus is evident in this, that he was able to communicate it to whom he pleased.

Pearson on the Creed, Art. 2.

I'MMANENT. adj. [immanent, Fr.; in and maneo, Lat.] Intrinsick; inherent; internal.

Judging the infinite essence by our narrow selves, we ascribe intellections, volitions, and such like immanent actions, to that nature which hath nothing in common with us.

What he wills and intends once, he willed and intended from all eternity; it being grossly con-trary to the very first notions we have of the infinite perfections of the Divine Nature to state or suppose any new immanent act in God. South.

IMMA'NIFEST. adj. [in and manifest.] Not manifest; not plain. Not in use.

A time not much unlike that which was before time, immanifest and unknown.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

IMMA'NITY. † n. s. [immanitas, Lat.; immanité, Fr. A word very common in Shakspeare's -time, and since; but Dr. Johnson has no other example than the single one from Shakspeare; and the commentators on the poet, explaining its meaning, have yet left it unsupported by any other instance.] Barbarity; savageness.

It was both impious and unnatural, That such immanity and bloody strife Should reign among professors of one faith.

Shakspeare. Maximinus, for the immanity of his mind and doings, was usually termed Cyclops, Busiris, Phalaris, Typhon.

Dean King, Serm. 5 Nov. 1608, p. 25. We shall be then most assured to taste of their fierce immanities. Sheldon, Mir. of Antichr. p. 138. A belluine kind of immanity never ranged so Howell, Lett. iii. 15. among men.

The poet brings in his goddess blaming the rusticks for their immanity.

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 833.

and Roquefort.] Unfading.

So minister discipline, that you forget not mercy; that when the Chief Shepherd shall come, you may receive the immarcessible crown of glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Form of Consecr. of Bishops, (1629). This crown, which Thou hast laid up for me,

is immarcessible.

Bp. Hall, Med. of the Love of Christ, § 11. They were inflamed with the desire of enlarging the kingdom of Christ here, and of obtaining that immarcessible crown hereafter.

More on the Seven Churches, ch. 3. If the prize which we expect in the race of our imperfect obedience be an immarcessible crown.

Pearson on the Creed, Art. 2. Not for a garland of flowers, but for wreaths of immarcessible glory.

Hallywell, Melampr. p. 105.

IMMA'RTIAL. adj. [in and martial.] Not warlike.

My powers are unfit, Myself immartial.

Chapman, Odyssey To IMMA'SK. + v. a. [in and mask.] To cover; to disguise.

I have cases of buckram for the nonce, to immask our noted outward garments.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

With thy deity Shade and inmaske the errors of my pen.

Marston, Pigm. Image, Addr. to Good Opin. (1598). IMMA'TCHABLE.* adj. [in and matchable.]

Not matchable; peerless.

Where learned More and Gardiner I met, Men in those times immatchable for wit.

Mir. for Mag. p. 530.

IMMATE'RIAL. adj. [immateriel, Fr. in and materia, Lat.]

1. Incorporeal; distinct from matter; void of matter.

Angels are spirts immaterial and intellectual, the glorious inhabitants of those sacred palaces, where there is nothing but light and immortality; no shadow of matter for tears, discontentments, griefs, and uncomfortable passions to work upon; but all joy, tranquillity, and peace, even for ever and ever do dwell.

As then the soul a substance hath alone Besides the body, in which she is confin'd; So hath she not a body of her own,

But is a spirit and immaterial mind. Those immaterial felicities we expect, suggest the necessity of preparing our appetites, without which heaven can be no heaven to us.

Decay of Piety. No man that owns the existence of an infinite spirit can doubt of the possibility of a finite spirit; that is, such a thing as is immaterial, and does not contain any principle of corruption. Tillotson.

2. Unimportant; without weight; impertinent; without relation. This sense has crept into the conversation and writings of barbarians; but ought to be utterly rejected. Dr. Johnson. - This censure is questionable, when the second sense of material is considered; to which this IMMATU'RITY. is opposed. See MATERIAL.

Immateria'LITY. † n. s. [from immaterial.] Incorporeity; distinctness from body or

There are sicknesses that walk in darkness, and there are exterminating angels that fly wrapt up in the curtains of immateriality.

Bp. Taylor, Funer. Serm. on the Count. of Carbery. When we know cogitation is the prime attribute of a spirit, we infer its immateriality, and thence its immortality.

matter.

The visible species of things strike not our senses immaterially; but streaming in corporal rays do carry with them the qualities of the object from whence they flow, and the medium through which they pass. Brown, Vulg. Err.

Immate' RIALIST.* n. s. [from immaterial.] One who professes immateriality.

Dr. George Berkeley became founder of a sect, called immaterialists. Swift, Lett. to Ld. Carteret. IMMATE'RIALIZED. adj. [from in and materia, Lat.] Distinct from matter; incorporeal.

Though assiduity in the most fixed cogitation be no trouble to immaterialized spirits, yet is it more than our imbodied souls can bear without Glanville, Scepsis. IMMATE'RIALNESS. n. s. [from immaterial.]

Distinctness from matter.

IMMATE'RIATE.† adj. [in and materia, Lat.] Not consisting of matter: incorporeal; wanting body.

It is a virtue which may be called incorporeal and immateriate, whereof there be in nature but

After a long inquiry of things immerse in matter, I interpose some object which is immateriate, or less materiate; such as this of sounds.

Philo makes all immateriate beings to be created in this first day. More, Conj. Cabb. p. 144. IMMATU'RE.† adj. [immaturus, Lat.]

1. Not ripe. Immature or unripe hopes.

Dr. Jackson, Works, iii. 529.

2. Not perfect; not arrived at fulness or completion. The land enterprize of Panama was an ill

measured and immature counsel, grounded upon a false account, that the passages were no better fortified than Drake had left them. Bacon. This is your time for faction and debate,

For partial favour, and permitted hate: Let now your immature dissension cease,

Sit quiet. 3. Hasty; early; come to pass before the natural time.

How were we affected here in England for prince Henry's immature death!

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 163. We are pleased, and call not that death immature, if a man lives till seventy.

Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy. IMMATU'RELY.† adv. [from immature.] Too soon; too early; before ripeness or completion.

They ripen though you crop them immaturely. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 333.

Had not his thread of life been immaturely cut, he might have surpassed the age of any of his royal ancestors.

Sir T. Herbert, Mem. of K. Ch. I. p. 110. Must noble Hastings immaturely die?

Dryden on the Death of Ld. Hastings. IMMATU'RENESS.† n. s. [from immature.]
IMMATU'RITY. Unripeness; incompleteness; a state short of completion.

In state, many things at first are crude and hard to digest, which time and deliberation can supple and concoct: but in religion, wherein is no immaturity, nothing out of season, it goes far Milton, Reas. of Ch. Gov. B. 1.

I might reasonably expect a pardon from the ingenious for faults committed in an immaturity of age and judgement.

IMMEABI'LITY. n. s. [immeabilis, Lat.] Want of power to pass. So it is used

in the example; but it is rather, incapability of affording passage.

From this phlegm proceed white cold tumours, viscidity, and consequently immeability of the Arbuthnot.

IMMEA'SURABLE. adj. [in and measure. Immense; not to be measured: indefinitely extensive.

Churches reared up to an height immeasurable, and adorned with far more beauty in their restoration than their founders before had given them. Hooker

From the shore They view'd the vast immeasurable abyss

Outrageous as a sea, dark, wasteful, wild.

Milton, P. L. Immeasurable strength they might behold In me, of wisdom nothing more than mean.

Milton, S. A. What a glorious show are those beings entertained with that can see such tremendous objects wandering through those immeasurable depths of ether? Addison, Guardian.

Nor friends are there, nor vessels to convey, Nor oars to cut the immeasurable way

Pope, Odyssey. IMMEA'SURABLY. adv. [from immeasurable.] Immensely; beyond all measure. The Spaniards immeasurably bewail their dead.

Spenser. There ye shall be fed, and fill'd Immeasurably; all things shall be your prey.

Milton, P. L. IMMEA'SURED.* adj. [in and measure.] Exceeding common measure.

Geaunts, and such dreadful wights, As far exceeded men in their immeasur'd mights.

Spenser, F. Q. ii. x. 8. IMMECHA'NICAL. adj. [in and mechanical.] Not according to the laws of mecha-

We have nothing to do to show any thing that is immechanical, or not according to the established laws of nature.

Cheyne. Nothing will clear a head possessed with immechanical notions. Mend.

IMME'DIACY. n. s. [from immediate.] Personal greatness; power of acting without dependance. This is a harsh word, and sense peculiar, I believe, to Shak-He led our powers,

Bore the commission of my place and person, The which immediacy may well stand up, And call itself your brother. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

IMME'DIATE. adj. [immediat, French; in and medius, Latin. 7

1. Being in such a state with respect to something else as that there is nothing between them; proximate; with nothing intervening.

Moses mentions the immediate causes of the deluge, the rains and the waters; and St. Peter mentions the more remote and fundamental causes, that constitution of the heavens. Burnet. Not acting by second causes.

It is much to be ascribed to the immediate will of God, who giveth and taketh away beauty at his

3. Instant; present with regard to time. Prior therefore should not have written more immediate.

Immediate are my needs, and my relief Must not be tost and turn'd to me in words, But find supply immediate. Shakspeare, Timon. Death denounc'd that day, Which he presumes already vain, and void, Because not yet inflicted, as he fear'd, By some immediate stroke. Milton, P. L.

But she, howe'er, of victory sure. Contemns the wreath too long delay'd; And arm'd with more immediate power, Calls cruel silence to her aid.

IMME'DIATELY. adv. [from immediate.] 1. Without the intervention of any other

cause or event. God's acceptance of it, either immediately by himself, or mediately by the hands of the bishop,

is that which vests the whole property of a thing 2. Instantly; at the time present; with-

out delay. Her father hath commanded her to slip

Away with Slender, and with him at Eaton Immediately to marry. Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor.

IMME'DIATENESS. n.s. [from immediate.] 1. Presence with regard to time.

2. Exemption from second or intervening

IMME'DICABLE.† adj. [immedicable, French; immedicabilis, Latin. Not to be healed; incurable.

For which immedicable blow,

Due to that time, me dooming heaven ordain'd, Wherein confusion absolutely reign'd.

Mir. for Mag. p. 522.
Wherein had concurred such abundance of malignant humours, that it might truly be said, it was immedicable.

Tr. of Boccalini, (1626,) p. 136. My griefs ferment and rage,

Nor less than wounds immedicable, Rankle and fester, and gangrene

To black mortification. Milton, S. A.

Immelo'dious.* adj. [in and melodious.] Not melodious; unmusical.

My lute be as thou wast, when thou didst grow With thy green mother in some shady grove, When immelodious winds but made thee move.

IMME'MORABLE.† adj. [immemorabilis, Latin.] Not worth remembering; unworthy of remembrance.

Huloet, and Bullokar. IMMEMO'RIAL. adj. [immemorial, Fr.; in and memoria, Latin.] Past time of memory; so ancient that the beginning cannot be traced.

All the laws of this kingdom have some memorials in writing, yet all have not their original in writing; for some obtained their force by immemorial usage or custom.

By a long immemorial practice, and prescription of an aged thorough-paced hypocrisy, they come to believe that for a reality, which, at first practice of it, they themselves knew to be a cheat. South.

IMMEMO'RIALLY.* adv. [from immemorial.] Beyond memory.

Both word and thing being immemorially known Bentley, Phil. Lips. § 50. IMME'NSE. adj. [immense, Fr. immensus,

Lat.] Unlimited; unbounded; infinite. O goodness infinite! goodness immense!

That all this good of evil shall produce!

As infinite duration hath no relation unto motion and time, so infinite or immense essence hath no relation unto body; but is a thing distinct from all corporeal magnitude, which we mean when we speak of immensity, and of God as of an immense being.

IMME'NSELY. adv. [from immense.] Infifinitely; without measure.

We shall find that the void space of our system is immensely bigger than all its corporeal mass.

IMME'NSENESS.* n. s. [from emmense.] Unbounded greatness.

The immenseness of whose excellencies [is] too highly raised for us. More, Conj. Cabb. p. 43. The immenseness of the victory, and the conse-

quences that might have attended it. Ld. Clarendon, Life, ii. 512.

IMME'NSITY. n. s. [immensité, French.] Unbounded greatness; infinity.

By the power we find in ourselves of repeating, as often as we will, any idea of space, we get the idea of immensity. He that will consider the immensity of this

fabrick, and the great variety that is to be found in this inconsiderable part of it which he has to do with, may think that in other mansions of it there may be other and different intelligent beings.

All these illustrious worlds, And millions which the glass can ne'er descry, Lost in the wilds of vast immensity,

Are suns, are centers. Blackmore, Creation. IMMENSURABI'LITY. n. s. [from immensur-

able. Impossibility to be measured. IMME NSURABLE. † adj. [in and mensurabilis, Latin. 7 Not to be measured.

One God of immensurable majesty. Old Poem in Ashmole's Theat. Chem. (1652,) p. 306.

IMME'NSURATE.* adj. [in and mensuratus, Lat.] Unmeasured. It fell into an immensurate distance from it.

W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. P. ii. (1654,) p. 168. To IMME'RGE. † v. a. [immergo, Latin.]

1. To put under water. 2. To keep in a state of intellectual de-

pression.

Their heads are gross, their souls are immerged in matter, and drowned in the moistures of an unwholesome cloud.

Bp. Taylor, Serm. (1653,) p. 208.

Drummond, Sonn. to his Lute. IMME'RIT. n. s. [immerito, Latin.] Want of worth; want of desert. This is a better word than demerit, which is now used in its stead.

When I receive your lines, and find there expressions of a passion, reason and my own immerit tell me it must not be for me. Suckling.

IMME'RITED.* adj. [Lat. immeritus.] deserved.

Those, on whom I have in the plenteousest manner showered my bounty, and immerited favour, have darted on me.

King Charles in the Princely Pelican, p. 279. IMME'RITOUS.* adj. [Latin, immeritus.] Undeserving; of no value.

A frothy, immeritous, and undeserving dis-Milton, Colasterion.

To IMME'RSE. v. a. [immersus, Latin.] To put under water.

2. To sink or cover deep.

He stood

More than a mile immers'd within the wood; At once the wind was laid.

They observed that they were immersed in their rocks, quarries, and mines, in the same manner as they are at this day found in all known parts of the world. Woodward.

3. To keep in a state of intellectual depression.

It is a melancholy reflection, that our country, which, in times of popery, was called the nation of saints, should now have less appearance of religion in it than any other neighbouring state or kingdom; whether they be such as continue still immersed in the errors of the church of Rome, or such as are recovered out of them.

Addison, Freeholder.

We are prone to engage ourselves with the business, the pleasures, and the amusements of this world: we give ourselves up too greedily to the pursuit, and immerse ourselves too deeply in the enjoyments of them. Atterbury. It is impossible to have a lively hope in another

life, and yet be deeply immersed in the enjoyments Atterbury

IMME'RSE. adj. [immersus, Latin.] Buried;

covered; sunk deep. After long inquiry of things immerse in matter, I interpose some object which is immateriate, or less materiate; such as this of sounds, that the intellect may become not partial.

IMME'RSION. † n. s. [immersio, Latin; immersion, French.

1. The act of putting any body into a fluid below the surface.

Achilles's mother is said to have dipped him, when he was a child, in the river Styx, which made him invulnerable all over, excepting that part which the mother held in her hand during this immersion. Addison, Guardian. 2. The state of sinking below the surface

of a fluid.

If it were true, that all the swallows which inhabit a country, plunge into the water or mud annually in October, and rise from their subaqueous bed in the following April; there must have been frequent opportunities of observing them, either in the instant of their immersion, or, what is much more curious, in the moment of their emersion, or during their long repose at the bottom of the pool.

Tr. of Buffon's Hist. of Birds.

3. The state of being overwhelmed or lost

in any respect.

Many persons, who, through the heat of their lusts and passions, through the contagion of ill example, or too deep an immersion in the affairs of life, swerve from the rules of their holy faith; yet would, upon extraordinary warning, be brought to comply with them. Atterbury

It was the Platonic doctrine, that humane souls or minds descended from above, and were sowed in generation, that they were stunned, stupified, and intoxicated by this descent and immersion into

animal nature. Bp. Berkeley, Siris, § 313.

IMME'THODED.* adj. [in and method.]

Not having method; without regularity. Their sudden thoughts, immethoded discourses

and slovenly sermocinations.

Waterhouse, Apol. for Learn. (1653,) p. 157. IMMETHO DICAL. † adj. [in and me-Confused; being without thodical.] regularity: being without method. Rude, harsh, immethodical.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 711. The unskilful and immethodical teaching of

their pastor.

Milton, Means to remove Hirelings out of the Church. The nature of their work required, that they should first begin with immethodical collections, and indigested experiments, before they go on to finish and compose them into arts.

Sprat, Hist. of the R. Soc. p. 319. M. Bayle compares the answering of an immethodical author to the hunting of a duck : when you have him full in your sight, he gives you the

slip, and becomes invisible. Addison. IMMETHO'DICALLY. † adv. [from immethodical.] Without method; without

The Spirit of God sets down nothing imme-

thodically, nor in vain.

More on the Seven Churches, p. 12.

IMMETHO'DICALNESS.* n. s. [from immethodical.] Want of method or order;

To IMME'w.* v. a. To mew or coop up; to confine. See To EMMEW.

My soul is free as ambient air, Although my baser part's immew'd; Whilst loyal thoughts do still repair To accompany my solitude.

Song in Lloyd's Memoirs, (1668,) p. 96.

To I'MMIGRATE.* v. n. [Lat. immigro.] To enter or pass into; to go to dwell in some place. They immigrate into the wishes they utter.

Novels, &c. (1668,) p. 67.

IMMIGRA'TION * n. s. [Lat. immigratio.] An entering or passing into a place.

Hitherto I have considered the Saracens either at their immigration into Spain about the ninth century, or at the time of the crusades, as the first authors of romantic fabling among the Europeans. Warton, Hist. E. P. vol. i. sign. C. 3. b.

The immigrations of the Arabians into Europe, and the crusades, produced numberless accounts, partly true and partly fabulous, of the wonders seen in the eastern countries. Ibid. p. 101.

I'mminence. n. s. [from imminent.] Any ill impending; immediate or near danger. A word not in use, Dr. Johnson says. Formerly it was imminency, as in the enlarged Expositor of Bullokar; and perhaps is not yet disused.

I do not speak of flight, of fear, of death; But dare all imminence, that gods and men Address their dangers in. Shaks. Troil. and Cres.

I'MMINENT. adj. [imminent, Fr. imminens, Lat.] Impending; at hand; threatening. Always in an ill sense.

What dangers at any time are imminent, what evils hang over our heads, God doth know, and Hooker.

Three times to-day You have defended me from imminent death. Shaksneare.

These she applies for warnings and portents Of evils imminent; and on her knee Hath begg'd, that I will stay at home to-day.

Shakspeare. To them preach'd

Conversion and repentance, as to souls In prison, under judgements imminent.

Milton, P.L. Men could not sail without imminent danger and inconveniences.

To IMMI'NGLE. v. a. [in and mingle.] To mingle; to mix; to unite.

Some of us, like thee, through stormy life Toil'd, tempest-heaten, ere we could attain This holy calm, this harmony of mind, Where purity and peace immingle charms.

Thomson, Summer.

Imminu'tion. † n. s. [from imminuo, Lat.] Diminution; decrease.

Without any addition, imminution, or alteration. Bp. Cosin, Canon of Scripture, p. 14. These revolutions are as exactly uniform as the earth's are, which could not be, were there

any place for chance, and did not a Providence continually oversee and secure them from all alteration or imminution. Ray on the Creation.

Immiscible'lity. n. s. [from immiscible.] Incapacity of being mingled.

IMMI'SCIBLE. adj. [in and miscible.] Not capable of being mingled.

Richardson, Clarissa. IMMI'SSION. † · n. s. [immissio, Latin.]

The act of sending in; contrary to emission.

To God must be ascribed these stirrings, these breakings; whether, by a just but efficacious permission, as sins; or by a just immission, as Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 76.

Transient immissions, and representations of the ideas of things future to the imagination.

South, Serm. iii. 416. His immission of a pestilence upon the Grecians. Hallywell, Melampr. p. 101.

To IMMI'T. v. a. [immitto, Latin.] To send in; to inject.

But grant an entire efficacy to this balsamic liquor, [oil or juice of cedar,] thus clysterwise immitted into the intestines; yet - medicines, this way exhibited to the dead, immediately flow out

Greenhill, Art of Embalming, (1705,) p. 273. Immi'tigable.* adj. [in and mitigo, Lat.]

Not to be softened. Did she mitigate these immitigable, these iron-

hearted men? Harris. To IMMI'X. † v. a. [in and mix.] To mingle.

Salt nitrous humours, which are immixed with the mass of the blood.

Ferrand, Love Melanch. (1640,) p. 341. Reason - immixed and contempered with the

soul. Bp. Reynolds on the Passions, ch. 17. Samson, with these immix'd, inevitably Pull'd down the same destruction on himself.

Milton. IMMI'XABLE. adj. [in and mix.] Impossible to be mingled.

Fill a glass sphere with such liquors as may be clear, of the same colour, and immixable. Wilkins.

IMMI'XT.* adj. [Lat. immixtus.] Unmixed. This seems to be an improper usage of the word; yet formerly was not thought so.

The most ancient and immixt people in the Sir T. Herbert, Travels, p. 377. universe. It doth steady stand, all-uniform,

Pure, pervious, immixt, innocuous, mild.

More, Song of the Soul, i. ii. 22. IMMOBI'LITY. n. s. [immobilité, French, from immobilis, Latin.] Unmovableness; want of motion; resistance to motion.

The course of fluids, through the vascular solids must in time harden the fibres, and abolish many of the canals; from whence driness, weakness, immobility, and debility of the vital force.

Arbuthnot on Aliments.

IMMO'DERACY.* n. s. [from immederate.]

The strength of delight is in its seldomness or rarity, and sting in its satiety: mediocrity is its life, and immoderacy its confusion.

Brown, Chr. Mor. ii. 1.

IMMO'DERATE. adj. [immoderé. Fr. immoderatus, Lat.] Excessive; exceeding the due mean.

One means, very effectual for the preservation of health, is a quiet and cheerful mind, not afflicted with violent passions, or distracted with immoderate cares. Ray on the Creation.

IMMO'DERATELY. adv. [from immoderate.] In an excessive degree.

Immoderately she weeps for Tybalt's death.

Shakspeare

The heat weakened more and more the arch of the earth, sucking out the moisture that was the cement of its parts, drying it immoderately, and chapping it. Burnet, Theory of the Earth. IMMO'DERATENESS.* n. s. [from immo-

derate.] Want of moderation. Doth Solomon speak this of honey's excess

only, and not of immoderateness in general? Shelford, Learned Disc. p. 85.

Adversaries join together in reproaching us for this moderation; and, by their immoderateness in so doing, do also justify the moderation of our church. Fuller, Moderat. of the Ch. of Eng, p. 41. 3 H 2

IMMODERA'TION. † n. s. [immoderation, Fr. IMMOLA'TION. n. s. [immolation, Fr. from] from immoderate. Want of moderation ; excess.

There was an immoderation and fault in anger. Hammond, Pract. Catech. ii. § 6. It may very well suit with the immoderations of the times.

e times. Gregory, Notes on Script. ch. 26.
Their sin proceeded from themselves; — and consists in the abuse of his fatherly indulgence by a wilful immoderation and excess.

Hallywell, Melampr. p. 10.

IMMO'DEST.† adj. simmodeste, Fr. in and modest. 1. Wanting shame; wanting delicacy or

chastity.

She railed at herself, that she should be so immodest to write to one that she knew would Shakspeare.

So dangerous a thing is an ignorant and indiscreet preacher, and a bold, immodest auditor.

More, Conj. Cabb. p. 225. More immodest was the pretence of the dean of Norwich's conversion [to popery] about two years

The Missionaries' Arts Discovered, (1688,) p. 61.

2. Unchaste; impure.

Immodest deeds you hinder to be wrought; But we proscribe the least immodest thought. Dryden.

3. Obscene.

'Tis needful that the most immodest word Be look'd upon, and learn'd; which, once attain'd, Comes to no farther use

But to be known and hated. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. Immodest words admit of no defence,

For want of decency is want of sense.

Roscommon.

4. Unreasonable: exorbitant: arrogant. IMMO'DESTLY.* adv. [from immodest.] In a shameless or immodest manner.

He would have us live soberly; - not wantonly, not immodestly, not incontinently.

Woolton, Chr. Manual, (1576,) sign. L. iii. b. This these Corinthian women (conceiting themselves, when they prayed or prophesied in the church, to be acting the part of she-priests, uttering oracles like the Pythiæ, or celebrating sacrifice as the Mænades or Bacchæ,) were so fond as to imitate; and accordingly cast off their veils, and discovered their faces immodestly in the congregation; and thereby (as the apostle speaks) dishonoured their heads. Mede, Diatr. p. 259.

IMMO'DESTY. + n. s. [immodestie, Fr. from immodest.

1. Want of delicacy; impudence.

I beseech your grace to assist us: or else the immodesty of his competitor will bear down this most honest and bashful creature,

Ld. Keeper Williams, in 1624, Cabala, p. 94. I am thereby led into an immodesty of proclaiming another work, which I have long devoted to the service of my country. Wotton on Architecture, Rem. p. 71.

2. Want of modesty: indecency.

It was a piece of immodesty. Pope. To I'MMOLATE.† v. a. [immolo, Lat. immoler, Fr.7

1. To sacrifice; to kill in sacrifice.

These courtiers of applause being oftentimes reduced to live in want, these costly trifles so ingrossing all that they can spare, that they frequently enough are forced to immolate their own desires to their vanity.

2. To offer in sacrifice. Huloet. Their Gentile forefathers used to immolate their children to the old red dragon.

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 158.

Now immolate the tongues, and mix the wine, Sacred to Neptune and the powers divine.

Pope, Odyssey.

immolate.

1. The act of sacrificing.

In the picture of the immolation of Isaac, or Abraham sacrificing his son, Isaac is described as a little boy.

A sacrifice offered. We make more barbarous immolations than the

most savage heathens. Decay of Piety. I'MMOLATOR.* n. s. [Lat. immolator.] One that offers in sacrifice. Huloet.

IMMO'MENT. adj. [in and moment.] Trifling; of no importance or value. A barbarous word.

I some lady-trifles have reserv'd. Immoment toys, things of such dignity

As we greet modern friends withal, Shakspeare. Immome'ntous.* adj. [in and momentous.] Unimportant. A proper word; perhaps of very recent adoption.

Our newspapers cease to assert the Austrian defeat immomentous. Seward, Lett. vi. 236.

IMMO'RAL, adj. [in and moral.] 1. Wanting regard to the laws of natural religion; as, a flatterer of vice is an immoral man.

2. Contrary to honesty; dishonest: as desertion of a calumniated friend is an immoral action.

IMMORA'LITY. n. s. [from immoral.] Dishonesty; want of virtue; contrariety to virtue.

Such men are put into the commission of the peace who encourage the grossest immoralities, to whom all the bawds of the ward pay contribution.

IMMORI'GEROUS.* adj. \(\text{immorigerus}\), Latin.] Rude; uncivil; disobedient.

Cockeram. Such creatures as are immorigerous, we have

found out expedients to reclaim. Stackhouse, Hist. of the Bib. i. 150. Immori'gerousness.* n. s. [from immo-

rigerous.] Disobedience. All degrees of delay are degrees of immorigerousness and unwillingness.

Bp. Taylor, Gr. Exemplar, P. 1. IMMO'RTAL. adj. [immortalis, Lat.]

1. Exempt from death; being never to die. To the king eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be glory for ever. 1 Tim. i. 17. Her body sleeps in Capulet's monument,

And her immortal part with angels lives. Shaksp. There was an opinion in gross, that the soul was Abbot, Descript. of the World.

The Paphian queen, With gored hand, and veil so rudely torn, Like terror did among the immortals breed, Taught by her wound that goddesses may bleed. Waller.

2. Never ending; perpetual.

Give me my robe, put on my crown : I have Immortal longings in me. Shaksp. Ant. and Cleop. Immorta'lity. n. s. [immortalité, Fr. from

1. Exemption from death; life never to

This corruptible shall put on incorruption, and this mortal, immortality. 1 Corinth. xv. Quaff immortality and joy. Milton, P. L. He the immortality of souls proclaim'd, Whom th' oracle of men the wisest nam'd.

Denham. His existence will of itself continue for ever, unless it be destroyed; which is impossible, from the immutability of God, and the nature of his immortality. Cheune.

When we know cogitation is the prime attribute of a spirit, we infer its immateriality, and thence its immortality.

2. Exemption from oblivion.

IMMO'RTALLY. adv. [from the adjective.] So as never to die. IMMORTALIZA'TION.* n. s. [from immor-

talize; Fr. immortalisation.] An immor-Cotgrave. To IMMO'RTALIZE. † v. a. [immortaliser.

Fr. from immortal.]

1. To make immortal; to perpetuate; to exempt from death. For mortal things desire their like to breed.

That so they may their kind immortalize.

Davies, Nosce Teipsum. Muster not the want of issue among your greatest afflictions, as those do, that cry, Give me children, or else my name dies; the poorest way of immortalizing that can be, and as natural to a cobler as a prince. Osborne, Adv. to a Son, p. 70.
Christ is risen from the grave, having conquered

death by dying; and is ascended into the pure and peaceable habitations of glory: Therefore all his members, who are united to Him in the inseparable bands of faith and love, shall feel the effects of his powerful life, in immortalizing their very bodies. Hallywell, Saving of Souls, p. 103.

2. To exempt from oblivion. Drive them from Orleans, and be immortaliz'd.

Revenge—by fresh returns of provocation brings in, what has in vain been attempted in nature, a kind of "perpetual motion" in malice, and immortalizes quarrels and contentions,

Norris on the Beatitudes, p. 185.
To Immo'ralize. v. n. To become immortal. This word is, I think, peculiar

to Pope.

Fix the year precise, When British bards begin to immortalize. IMMO'RTALLY. adv. [from immortal.] With exemption from death; without end.

There is your crown; And he that wears the crown immortally,

Long guard it yours! Shakspeare, Hen. IV.
What pity 'tis that he cannot wallow immortally in his sensual pleasures! Bentley.

IMMORTIFICA'TION.* n. s. \[\in \text{and morti-} \] fication.] Want of subjection of the pas-

It mingles violence with industry, and fury with zeal, - and violence with desires, and immortifications in all the appetites and prosecutions of the soul.

Bp. Taylor, Serm. (1653,) p. 134.

IMMOVABI'LITY.* n. s. [from immovable.]

Incapability of being removed. IMMO'VABLE. adj. [in and movable.]

1. Not to be forced from its place. We shall not question his removing the earth, when he finds an immovable base to place his en-

2. Not liable to be carried away; real in

When an executor meddles with the immovable

estate, before he has seized on the moveable goods, it may be then appealed from the execution of Ayliffe, Parergon. 3. Unshaken; unaffected.

How much happier is he, who, centring on himself, remains immovable, and smiles at the madness of the dance about him!

Dryden, Don Sebastian.

IMMOV'ABLENESS.* n.s. [from immovable.] The state or quality of being immovable. Ash.

IMMO'VABLY. adv. [from immovable.] In a state not to be shaken,

Immovably firm to their duty, when they could | IMMUTABI'LITY. † n. s. [immutabilitas, Lat.] have no prospect of reward. Atterbury.

To Immo'uld.* v. a. [in and mould.] To form; to mould.

Circe with her potion, charm'd in gold, Us'd many soules in beastly bodies to immould.

G. Fletcher, Christ's Vict. st. 49.

IMMU'ND.* adj. [immonde, Fr. immundus, Lat.] Unclean. Not now in use. Through their own nastiness and sluttishness, immund, and sordid manner of life, they suffer their air to putrify, and themselves to be choaked Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 81.

Immundi'city.* n.s. [Fr. immondicité.] Uncleanness; impurity.

Nor is there any moral immundicity of a more dangerous insinuation, than this of wanton dis-

W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. P. i. (1648, p. 138. IMMU'NITY. n. s. [immunité. Fr. immuni-

tas, Lat. 1. Discharge from any obligation.

Of things harmless whatsoever there is, which the whole church doth observe, to argue for any man's immunity from observing the same, it were a point of most insolent madness.

Granting great immunities to the commons, they prevailed so far as to cause Palladius to be proclaimed successor.

Simon sent to Demetrius, to the end he should give the land an immunity, because all that Tryphon did was to spoil. 1 Mac. xiii. 34. The laity invidiously aggravate the rights and immunities of the clergy. Sprat, Serm.

3. Freedom.

Common apprehensions entertain the antidotal condition of Ireland, conceiving only in that land an immunity from venomous creatures.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

But this annex'd condition of the crown, Immunity from errours, you disown.

To IMMU'RE. v. a. [in and murus, Lat. emurer, old French, so that it might be written emmure.] To enclose within walls; to confine; to shut up; to imprison.

Pity, you ancient stones, these tender babes, Whom envy hath immur'd within your walls!

Shakspeare. One of these three contains her heav'nly picture; And shall I think in silver she's immur'd !

Shaksneare. At the first descent on shore he was not immured with a .wooden vessel, but he did countenance the landing in his long boat. Lysimachus immured it with a wall.

Sandys, Travels. Though a foul foolish prison her immure On earth, she, when escap'd, is wise and pure.

IMMU'RE. n. s. [from the verb.] A wall; an enclosure, as in Shakspeare, but per-

haps no where else. Their vow is made To ransack Troy; within whose strong immures The ravish'd Helen, Menelaus' queen,

With wanton Paris sleeps.

Shakspeare, Prol. Tr. and Cress. IMMU'SICAL. adj. [in and musical.] Inhar-

monious; wanting proportion of sound. All sounds are either musical, which are ever equal, or immusical, which are ever unequal, as the voice in speaking, and whisperings.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. We consider the immusical note of all swans we ever beheld or heard of.

immutabilité, Fr. from immutable.] Exemption from change; invariableness; unchangeableness.

To shew unto the heirs of promise the immutability of his counsel. Heb. vi. 17.

The immutability of God they strive unto, by working after one and the same manner. Hooker. His existence will of itself continue for ever, unless it be destroyed; which is impossible, from the immutability of God.

Cheyne, Philos. Principles. The Egyptians are the healthiest people of the world, by reason of the immutability of their air. Greenhill, Art of Embalming, p. 147.

IMMU'TABLE. adj. [immutabilis, Lat.] Unchangeable; invariable, unalterable. By two immutable things, in which it was impossible for God to lye, we have a strong conso-

Thy threatenings, Lord, as thine, thou may'st

revoke;
But if immutable and fix'd they stand, Continue still thyself to give the stroke,

And let not foreign foes oppress thy land. Dryden. IMMU'TABLENESS.* n. s. [from immutable.]

Unchangeableness. 2. Privilege; exemption from onerous du- IMMU'TABLY. adv. [from immutable.] Unalterably; invariably; unchangeably.

His love is like his essence, immutably eternal. Boyle. IMMUTA'TION.* n. s. [Lat. immutatio.]

Change; alteration. Lo, what delightful immutations

On her soft flowing vest we contemplate. More, Song of the Soul, i. i. 23.

Strong and violent hath been the immutation which sudden joy hath wrought in the body. Bp. Reynolds on the Passions, ch. 21.

To IMMU'TE.* v. a. [immuto, Lat.] To change; to alter.

God can immediately immute, change, corrupt, destroy, or annihilate whatsoever pleaseth His divine majesty.

Salkeld, Treat. of Angels, (1613,) p. 106.

IMP. † n. s. [imp, Welsh, a shoot, a sprout, a sprig. Dr. Johnson. - Mr. Steevens and Mr. Chalmers give the same etymon. "But Mr. Steevens needed not to have travelled to Wales," says Mr. H. Tooke, " for that which he might have found at home. Our language has absolutely nothing from the Welsh. Imp is the past participle of the Sax. impan, to plant, to graft," Div. of Purl. ii. 311 .-Without stopping to notice here the sweeping assertion as to the Welsh language, which will be considered in another part of this dictionary, I may add that the Germ. impfen, is also to graft; and that the earliest usage of our word, is in the sense of the shoot of a tree.

1. A graff, scion, or sucker; "an imp, or young slip of a tree." Barret. Of feble trees there comen wretched imps.

Chaucer, Monk's Prol. Boughs, branches, twigs, yoong imps, sprayes, and buds. Newton, Herbal to the Bible, 1587.

2. A son; the offspring; progeny; a youth. That most noble imp, the prince's grace, your I.d. Cromwell to K. Hen. VIII. most dear son, And thou, most dreaded imp of highest Jove, Fair Venus' son! Spenser, F. Q.

That faire city, wherein make abode So many learned imps, that shoot abrode, And with their braunches spred all Britany. Spenser, F. Q. The tender imp was weaned from the teat.

Fairfax. A lad of life, an imp of fame. Shaksp. Hen. V. Loath them as the most basely-begotten imps. Bp. Hall, Cases of Conscience. Proving

A toward imp, I call'd him home.

B. Jonson, Every Man in his Humour. 3. A subaltern devil; a puny devil. In

this sense it is still retained.

In this our age, the church of England is vexed with two horrible impes and messengers of our enemie Sathan.

Anderson, Expos. upon Benedictus, (1573,) fol. 28. b. Such we deny not to be the imps and limbs of

The serpent - after long debate irresolute Of thoughts revolv'd, his final sentence chose, Fit vessel, fittest imp of fraud, in whom To enter, and his dark suggestions hide From sharpest sight. Milton, P. L.

As soon as you can hear his knell, This god on earth turns d-l in hell; And, lo! his ministers of state, Transform'd to imps, his levee wait.

4. An addition to a beehive. A northern word. Grose, and Craven Dialect.

To IMP. + v. a. [impio, to engraff, Welsh; impan, Sax. impfen, Germ.]

1. To plant; to graft. It was formerly also used as a verb neuter. Now wholly Thus taught and preschid hath Reson;

But Love yspilte hath her sermon, That was so impid in my thought, That her doctrine I set at nought.

Chaucer, Rom. R. 5137. Lesynges I imped,

Tyll they beare leaves of smowthe speach. Vision of P. Ploughman, fol. 22. b.

2. To lengthen or enlarge with any thing adscititious. It is originally a term used by falconers, who repair a hawk's wing with adscititious feathers.

If then we shall shake off our slavish yoke, Imp out our drooping country's broken wings. Shakspeare.

This bird was hatched in the council of Lateran, fully plumed in the council of Trent, and now lately hath her feathers imped by the modern ca-Bp. Hall, Old Relig. ch. 13. § 1.

New Rebellions raise Their hydra heads, and the false North displays Her broken league to imp their serpent-wings. Milton, Sonnet.

Help, ye tart satyrists to imp my rage With all the scorpions that should whip this age.

With cord and canvas from rich Hamburgh sent, His navy's molted wings he imps once more.

New creatures rise, A moving mass at first, and short of thighs; Till shooting out with legs, and imp'd with wings, The grubs proceed to bees with pointed stings.

The Mercury of heaven, with silver wings Imp'd for the flight, to overtake his ghost. Southern.

I'MPACABLE.* adj. [Lat. impacatus.] Not to be softened or appeased.

Freed from bands of impacable fate, And power of death, they live for aye above. Spenser, Ruins of Time.

To IMPA'CT. v. a. [impactus, Lat.] drive close or hard.

They are angular; but of what particular figure is not easy to determine, because of their being impacted so thick and confusedly together. Woodward on Fossils. To IMPA'INT. v. a. [in and paint.] To paint; to decorate with colours. Not

Never vet did insurrection want

Such water-colours to impaint his cause. Shaksp.

To IMPA'IR. v. a. [empirer, to make worse, French. Skinner. To diminish; to injure; to make worse; to lessen in quantity, value, or excellence. See To EMPAIR.

To change any such law, must needs, with the common sort, impair and weaken the force of those grounds whereby all laws are made effectual.

Objects divine Must needs impair and weary human sense.

Milton, P.L. That soon refresh'd him weary'd, and repair'd

What hunger, if aught hunger had impair'd, Milton, P.R.

Nor was the work impair'd by storms alone, But felt the approaches of too warm a sun. Pope. In years he seem'd, but not impair'd by years.

To IMPA'IR. v. n. To be lessened or worn

Flesh may impair quoth he, but reason can repair. Spenser, F.Q.

IMPA'IR. † n. s. [from the verb.] Diminution; decrease. Not now used.

The ladies think it a most desperate impair to their quickness of wit. B. Jonson, Epicæne. A loadstone, kept in undue position, that is, not lying on the meridian, or with its poles inverted, receives in longer time impair in activity and exchange of faces, and is more powerfully preserved by sight than dust of steel.

I'MPAIR, * adj. [impar, Lat.] Unsuitable. IMPANA'TION. * n. s. [impanation, Fr. Obsolete.

What he has, he gives, what thinks, he shews; Yet gives he not till judgement guides his bounty, Nor dignifies an impair thought with breath.

Shakspeare, Tr. and Cress. Nor is it more impaire to an honest and absolute

Chapman, Tr. of the Shield of Homer, (1598,) Pref.

IMPA'IRER.* n. s. [from impair.] That which impairs.

Immoderate labour and immoderate study are equally the impairers of health. Warburton. IMPA'IRMENT. † n. s. [from impair.] Di-

minution; injury.

Cold and moist are the qualities which worke an impairement in the reasonable part.

Carew, Trial of Wits, (1594). His posterity, at this distance, and after so perpetual impairement, cannot but condemn the poverty of Adam's conception, that thought to obscure himself from his Creator in the shade of the garden. Brown, Vulg. Err.

IMPA'LATABLE.* adj. [in and palatable.] Not suitable to the palate; not pleasing to the taste; disagreeable.

To Impa'le.* See To Empale.
Impa'lement.* See Empalement. To IMPA'LLID.* v. a. [from pallidus, Lat.]

To make pale.

It [Envy] is the green-sickness of the soul, that. feeding upon coals and puling rubbish, impallids all the body to a hectick leanness.

Feltham, Res. ii. 56.

To IMPA'LM.* v. a [empalmer, Fr.; in and palma, Lat.] To seize or take into the hand; to grasp. Cotgrave, and Sherwood. IMPALPABI'LITY.* n. s. [from impalpable.] The state or quality of not being perceived by touch.

the patriarch of Constantinople, had a curious dispute, whether the bodies of the righteous, after the resurrection, should be solid, or thinner than the air? Gregory was for the palpability, and Eutychius for the impalpability; and the dispute ended, as it is to be supposed, in a grievous quarrel.

Jortin, Remarks on Ecc. Hist. vol. iii. p. 170. (ed. 1805).

IMPA'LPABLE. † adj. [impalpable, Fr. in and palpable.

1. Not to be perceived by touch.

If beaten into an impalpable powder, when poured out, it will emulate a liquor, by reason that the smallness of the parts do make them easy to be put into motion.

2. Not coarse or gross.

His own religion from its simple and impalpable form was much less exposed to the ridicule of scenic exhibition. Warton, Hist. E. P. iii, 200,

IMPA'NATE.* adj. [impanatus, low Lat.
from in and panis.] Embodied in bread. See IMPANATION.

This speech meaneth not that the body of Christ is impanate.

Abp. Cranmer, Answ. to Bp. Gardiner, fol. 369.

To IMPA'NATE.* v. a. [impanatus, low Lat. To embody with bread.

If the elements really contain such immense treasures, what need have we to look up to the natural body above? or what have we to do but to look down to those impanated riches, to the elements ennobled with all graces and virtues, and replenished with that very divinity which makes the humanity so considerable?

Waterland, Charge on the Eucharist. p. 64.

from impanatus, low Lat.] A supposed subsistence of the body of Christ with the species of bread in the Lord's supper. See Consubstantiation.

Forasmuch as he is joined to the bread but sacramentally, there followeth no impanation thereof; no more than the Holy Ghost is inaquate, that is to say, made of water, being sacramentally joyned

to the water in baptisme.

Abp. Cranmer, Answ. to Bp. Gardiner, p. 368. Some have imagined that our Lord's divinity becomes personally united with the elements, as well as with his own natural body, having in that sense two personal bodies. This conceit has sometimes gone under the name of "assumption," as it imports the Deity's assuming the elements into a personal union; and sometimes it has been called impanation, a name following the analogy of the word "incarnation."

Waterland, Charge on the Eucharist. p. 34.

IMPA'NNEL.* See EMPANNEL.

To IMPA'RADISE. † v. a. [imparadisare, Italian.] To put in a place or state resembling paradise in felicity.

This imparadised neighbourhood made Zelmane's soul cleave unto her, both through the ivory case of her body, and the apparel which did overcloud it. Sidney, Arcad.

For there that soul imparadized lies.

Davies, Wit's Pilgrim. sign. N. i. b. O my bright lovely brooke, whose name doth bear the sound

Of God's first garden plot, the imparadized ground, Drayton, Polyolb. S. 30.

All my souls be Emparadis'd in you, in whom alone

I understand, and grow, and see. Donne, Poems, p. 20.

Thus these two, Imparadis'd in one another's arms, The happier Eden, shall enjoy their fill Of bliss on bliss. Milton, P. L.

He [pope Gregory the Great] and Eutychius, IMPA'RALLELED.* adj. [in and parallel.] Not to be paralleled: unmatched.

That this dear price should be paid for a little wild mirth, or gross and corporal pleasure, is a thing of such imparalleled folly, that if there were not too many instances before us, it might seem incredible. Burnet, Life of Ld. Rochester, p. 168. IMPA'RDONABLE.* adj. [in and pardon-

able.] Irremissable. Not that it is in its nature impardonable.

South, Serm. x. 323.

IMPA'RITY. † n. s. [imparitas, impar, Lat.] 1. Inequality; disproportion.

Some bodies are hard, some soft: the hardness is caused chiefly by the jejuneness of the spirits, and their imparity with the tangible parts. Bacon. 2. Oddness; indivisibility into equal parts.

What verity is there in that numeral conceit, in the lateral division of man, by even and odd; and so by parity or imparity of letters in men's names, to determine misfortunes on either side of their Brown, Vulg. Err.

3. Difference in degree either of rank or

excellence.

He, who by the hand of his holy Apostle, founded this church of Crete in Titus, and his elders in a meet and decent imparity and subordination, would maintain his own ordinance amongst Abp. Suncroft's, Serm. p. 54.

To IMPA'RK. v. a. [in and park.] To enclose with a park; to sever from a common. The orthography seems to

be empark. See To EMPARK.

IMPA'RLANCE.* See EMPARLANCE. To IMPA'RT. + v. a. [impartir, old Fr. to give, Lacombe; impertio, Lat. 7

1. To grant; to give.

High state and honours to others impart, But give me your heart. 2. To make known; to show by words or tokens.

Gentle lady, When first I did impart my love to you,

I freely told you all the wealth I had Ran in my veins. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. As in confession the revealing is for the ease of a man's heart, so secret men come to the knowledge of many things, while men rather discharge than

impart their minds. Thou to me thy thoughts, Wast wont, I mine to thee was wont to impart.

Milton, P. L. 3. To communicate; to grant as to a par-

I find thee knowing of thyself; Expressing well the spirit within thee free,

My image, not imparted to the brute. Milton, P. L. IMPA'RTIAL. adj. [impartial, Fr. in and partial.] Equitable; free from regard to party; indifferent; disinterested; equal in distribution of justice; just. It is used as well of actions as persons: an

impartial judge; an impartial sentence. Success I hope, and fate I cannot fear: Alive or dead, I shall deserve a name;

Jove is impartial, and to both the same

Dryden, Æn. IMPA'RTIALIST.* n. s. [from impartial.] One who is impartial.

I am professedly enough an impartialist.

Boyle, Style of H. Script. p. 76. Impartia'lity. n. s. [impartialité, Fr.;

from impartial.] Equitableness; justice: indifference. A pious and well disposed will gives not only

diligence, but also impartiality to the understanding in its search into religion, which is absolutely necessary to give success unto our inquiries into truth; it being scarce possible for that man to hit IMPA'SSIBLENESS. n. s. [from impassible.] the mark, whose eye is still glancing upon something beside it.

IMPA'RTIALLY. adv. [from impartial.] Equitably; with indifferent and unbiassed judgement; without regard to party or

interest; justly; honestly.

Since the Scripture promises eternal happiness and pardon of sin, upon the sole condition of faith and sincere obedience, it is evident, that he only can plead a title to such a pardon, whose conscience impartially tells him that he has performed the required condition.

IMPA'RTIBLE. adj. [impartible, Fr. from impart.] Communicable; to be conferred or bestowed. This word is elegant, though used by few writers.

The same body may be conceived to be more or less impartible than it is active or heavy. Digby. IMPA'RTMENT.* n. s. [from impart.] Com-

munication of knowledge; disclosure. Not in use.

It beckons you to go away with it,

As if it some impartment did desire To you alone. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

IMPA'SSABLE. adj. [in and passable.] Not to be passed; not admitting passage; impervious.

There are in America many high and impassable mountains, which are very rich. Over this gulf

Impassable, impervious; let us try,

To found a path from hell to that new world.

Milton, P. L. When Alexander would have passed the Ganges, he was told by the Indians that all beyond it was either impassable marshes, or sandy deserts.

IMPA'SSABLENESS.* n. s. [from impassable.]

Incapability of admitting passage. As no carts used to come here by reason of the impassableness of the boggy soil, it is a common proverb, That all the carts which come to Crowland were shod with silver.

Crutwell, Tour through Gt. Brit. (Lincolnshire).

IMPASSIBI'LITY. * n. s. [impassibilité, Fr. from impassible.] Exemption from suffering; insusceptibility of injury from external things.

These bodies of ours shall come out of their graves with all their parts entirely as they now are; altered indeed, I confess, in quality, in agility, in

glory and splendour, in impassibility.

Hales, Rem. Serm. at the End, p. 22. Two divinities might have pleaded their prerogative of impassibility, or at least not have been wounded by any mortal hand.

Dryden, Æn. Dedic.

IMPA'SSIBLE. † adj. [impassible, Fr. in and passio, Lat.] Incapable of suffering; exempt from the agency of external causes; exempt from pain.

This most pure part of the soul, and (as Aristotle sayeth) divine, impassible, and incorruptible,

is named in Latin, "Intellectus."

Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 201. After Thy resurrection and knowledge of Thine impassible condition, it was not strange for them to

talk of Thy kingdom.

Bp. Hall, Contempl. The Crucifixion. If the upper soul check what is consented to by the will, in compliance with the flesh, and can then hope that, after a few years of sensuality, that rebellious servant shall be eternally cast off, drop into a perpetual impassible nothing, take a long progress into a land where all things are forgotten, this would be some colour. Hammond.

Secure of death I should contemn thy dart, Though naked and impassible depart. Dryden. Impassibility; exemption from pain.

How shameless a partiality is it, thus to reserve all the sensualities of this world, and yet cry out for the impassibleness of the next?

Decay of Chr. Piety.

To IMPA'SSIONt. v. a. [in and passion.] To move with passion; to affect strongly. See To Empassion. Milton's empassion'd, so given by Dr Johnson, should be impassion'd, as it is here, and not as an adjective, as Dr. Johnson has pronounced it.

So, standing, moving, or to highth upgrown, The tempter, all impassion'd, thus began

Milton, P. L.

In the impassion'd man, Concealing art with art, the poet sunk.

Thomson, Liberty, P. ii. IMPA'SSIONATE.* adj.

1. Strongly affected. See Empassionate. 2. Without feeling; from passion.

A kind of stupidity or impassionate hurt.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 191. These reproaches we may take cooly and calmly, as that Stoick philosopher did, who whilst he was discoursing of being free from passions, (it being the doctrine of that sect, that a wise man should be impassionate,) a rude fellow spat purposely in his face; and when he was asked, whether he were not angry, answered, No, truly, I am not angry, but I doubt whether I should not be angry at such an abuse: but there is a God that will not put up our contumelies so; we strike his servants on earth, and he feels it in heaven.

Bp. Hall, Rem, p. 123.

To IMPA'SSIONATE.* v.a. [from impassion.] To affect powerfully.

It is evident in the Gospel, that our Saviour Christ was one while deeply impassionated with sorrow. More, Conj. Cabb. (1653,) p. 208.

IMPA'SSIVE. adj. [in and passive.] Exempt from the agency of external causes. She told him what those empty phantoms were, Forms without bodies, and impassive air.

Pale suns, unfelt at distance, roll away; And on the impassive ice the lightnings play.

IMPA'SSIVENESS.* n. s. [from impassive.] The state of being impassive.

We find all those figurings of apathy and impassiveness to prove but coloured and fruitless conceptions.

W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. P. i. (1648,) p. 62.

IMPASTA'TION.* 2. s. [from impaste.] A mixture of divers materials of different colours, and consistencies, baked or bound together with some cement, and hardened either by the air or fire.

To IMPA'STE. † v. a. [empaster, Fr.]

1. To knead or make into dough or paste; to paste; to concrete as into paste. Horridly trick'd

With blood of fathers, mothers, daughters, sons, Bak'd and impasted with the parching streets. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

2. [In painting.] To lay on colours thick and bold.

IMPA'TIBLE.* adj. [impatibilis, Lat.] Intolerable; not to be borne. Cockeram. IMPA'TIENCE. † n. s. [impatience, Fr. impatientia, Lat.

1. Inability to suffer pain; rage under suffering.

All the power of his wits has given way to his impatience. Shakspeare, K. Leur. The experiment I resolved to make was upon

thought, and not rashness or impatience. Temple. 2. Vehemence of temper; heat of passion. Fie! how impatience lowereth in your face!

Shakspeare, Com. of Err. 3. Inability to suffer delay; eagerness. No further with your din

Express impatience. Shakspeare, Cym. The longer I continued in this scene, the greater was my impatience of retiring from it. IMPA'TIENT. † adj. [impatient, Fr. impatiens,

 Not able to endure; incapable to bear: with of.

Fame, impatient of extremes, decays

Not more by envy than excess of praise. 2. Furious with pain; unable to bear pain. The tortur'd savage turns around

And flings about his foam, impatient of the wound. Dryden.

3. Vehemently agitated by some painful passion; with at before the occasion: with of, impatience is referred more to the thing; with at, to the person.

To be impatient at the death of a person, concerning whom it was certain he must die, is to mourn because thy friend was not born an angel. Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy.

4. Hot; hasty.

The impatient man will not give himself time to be informed of the matter that lies before him. Addison, Spect.

5. Eager; ardently desirous; not able to endure delay: with for before the thing desired.

The mighty Cæsar waits his vital hour, Impatient for the world, and grasps his promis'd power. Dryden.

On the seas prepar'd the vessel stands; Th' impatient mariner thy speed demands.

Pope, Odyssey.

6. Not to be borne. Ay me! deare lady, which the ymage art Of ruefull pity and impatient smart,

Spenser, F. Q. ii. i. 44.

IMPA'TIENT.* n. s. One who is not able to bear pain; one who is violently agitated by passion.

I have heard and seen some ignorant impatients, when they have found themselves to smart with God's scourge, cast a sullen frown back upon him, with Cur me Cædis? Seasonable Serm. p. 39.

IMPA'TIENTLY. # adv. [from impatient.]

With rage, under uneasiness.

Foaming at the mouth, impatiently he raves. Drayton, Polyolb. S. 18.

2. Passionately; ardently. He considered one thing so impatiently, that he would not admit any thing else to be worth consideration. Clarendon.

3. Eagerly; with great desire.

IMPATRONIZA'TION.* n.s. [impatronisation, Fr. from impatronize.] An absolute mastery, seigniory, or possession of. Cotgrave, and Sherwood. See To Im-PATRONIZE.

To IMPA'TRONIZE. v. a. [impatroniser, Fr. in and patronize. To gain to one's self the power of any seigniory. This word is not usual.

The ambition of the French king was to impatronize himself of the duchy. Bacon, Hen. VII. To IMPA'WN. v. a. [in and pawn.] To impignorate; to pawn; to give as a pledge; to pledge.

Go to the king, and let there be impawn'd, Some surety for a safe return again. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

Many now in health Shall drop their blood, in approbation Of what your reverence shall incite us to: Therefore take heed how you impawn our person, How you awake the sleeping sword of war.

Shakspeare, Hen. V.

To IMPE'ACH. † v. a. [empecher, Fr.] 1. To hinder; to impede. This sense is little in use. Dr. Johnson. - Where used, by our old authors, it is most frequently and properly empeach. See To ÈMPEACH.

His sons did impeach his journey to the Holy Land, and vexed him all the days of his life.

If they will impeach the purposes of an army, which they have no reason to think themselves able to resist, they put themselves out of all expectation of mercy. Hayward.

A defluxion on my throat impeached my utter-

2. To accuse by publick authority.

They were both impeached by a house of commons. Addison. Great dissensions were kindled between the

nobles and commons on account of Coriolanus, whom the latter had impeached.

3. To bring into question.

You do impeach your modesty too much, To leave the city, and commit yourself Into the hands of one that loves you not.

Shakspeare, Mids. N. Dream.

IMPE'ACH. † n. s. Trial; accusation; not hindrance or impediment, as Dr. Johnson has defined it; for in the following example, which he cites, the speaker is trying a cause, as Mr. Nares has observed, and speaks of it as such: a very necessary correction, which till now had escaped me.

Why, what an intricate impeach is this! If here you hous'd him, here he would have been; If he were mad, he would not plead so coldly.

Shakspeare. IMPE'ACHABLE. adj. [from impeach.] Ac-

cusable; chargeable.

Had God omitted by positive laws to give religion to the world, the wisdom of his providence had been impeachable.

IMPE'ACHER. n. s. [from impeach.] accuser; one who brings an accusation against another.

Many of our fiercest impeachers would leave the delinquent to the merciful indulgence of a Sa-Gov. of the Tongue.

IMPE'ACHMENT. † n. s. [empechement, Fr.] 1. Hindrance; let; impediment; obstruction. Not in use, Dr. Johnson says. But it has always been used, as Mr. Ritson also has observed, in the same sense, as a legal word in deeds: as, without impeachment of waste, i. e. without restraint or hindrance of waste. It should be written, in this sense, empeachment.

Tell us what things, during your late continuance there, are most offensive, and the greatest impeachment to the good government thereof. Spenser on Ireland.

Tell thy king, I do not seek him now; But could be willing to march on to Calais,

Without impeachment. Shakspeare, Hen. V. Neither is this accession of necessity any impeachment to Christian liberty, or ensnaring of men's consciences. Sanderson.

2. Publick accusation; charge preferred. The king, provok'd to it by the queen, Devis'd impeachments to imprison him.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. The lord Somers, though his accusers would gladly have dropped their impeachment, was instant with them for the prosecution. Addison.
The consequences of Coriolanus's impeachment

had like to have been fatal to their state.

3. Imputation; reproach.

He said, that Proteus, your son, was meet, And did request me, to importune you, To let him spend his time no more at home, Which would be great impeachment to his age, In having known no travel in his youth.

Shakspeare, Two Gent. Ver. To IMPE'ARL. v. a. [emperler, Fr. "to impearle, to deck, or set thick with pearls." Cotgrave.]

1. To form in resemblance of pearls. Innumerable as the stars of night Or stars of morning, dewdrops, which the sun Impearls on every leaf, and every flower. Milton, P. L.

To decorate as with pearls.

The dews of the morning impearl every thorn, and scatter diamonds on the verdant mantle of the earth. Digby to Pope.

IMPECCABI'LITY. n. s. [impeccabilité, Fr. from impeccable. Exemption from sin; exemption from failure.

It doth cause an everlasting impeccability. Salkeld, Treat. of Angels, (1613,) p. 234. Infallibility and impeccability are two of his at-

IMPE'CCABLE. † adj. [impeccable, Fr. in and pecco, Lat.] Exempt from possibility of sin.

If we honour the man, must we hold his pen impeccable?

Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Marr. Clergy, p. 43. Thou makest no man so acceptable, as that Thou makest him impeccable.

Donne, Devot. p. 592. That man pretends he never commits any act prohibited by the word of God, and then that were a rare charm to render him impeccable, or that is the means of consecrating every sin of his.

Hammond on Fundamentals. God is infallible, impeccable, and absolutely Skelton, Deism Revealed, Dial. iv. IMPE'CCANCY.* n. s. [old Fr. impeccance.] Impeccability.

Holy spirits dignified, from their purity and Waterhouse on Fortescue, p. 218. impeccancy. To IMPE'DE. v. a. [impedio, Lat. Con-

sidered by Heylin, in 1656, as an uncouth and unusual word.] To hinder; to let; to obstruct.

All the forces are mustered to impede its pas-The way is open, and no stop to force Decay of Chr. Piety.

The stars return, or to impede their course.

Creech, Manilius. IMPE'DIMENT.† n. s. [impedimentum,

1. Any obstruction to passage; as, a stake,

or sharp instrument, to retard the progress of an enemy: a military term. This primary sense of the word [in and pedes, Lat.] is overlooked by Dr. John-

The children of Israel had prepared for war, and had shut up the passages of the hill country, and had fortified all the tops of the high hills, and had laid impediments in the champaign countries. Judith, v. 1.

2. Hindrance; let; obstruction; opposi-

The minds of beasts grudge not at their bodies comfort, nor are their senses letted from enjoying their objects: we have the impediments of honour, and the torments of conscience.

What impediments there are to hinder it, and which were the speediest way to remove them.

The life is led most happily wherein all virtue is exercised without impediment or let. Hooker. But for my tears,

The moist *impediments* unto my speech, I had forestall'd this dear and deep rebuke. Shakspeare.

May I never To this good purpose, that so fairly shews,

Dream of impediment. Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. They bring one that was deaf, and had an im-

pediment in his speech. St. Mark, vii. 32. Fear is the greatest impediment to martyrdom; and he that is overcome by little arguments of pain, will hardly consent to lose his life with tor-Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy.

Free from the impediments of light and noise, Man, thus retir'd, his nobler thoughts employs.

To IMPE'DIMENT.* v. a. [from the noun.] To obstruct; to hinder.

Lest Themistocles, out of hatred to his person, should have withstood and impedimented a general Bp. Reynolds on the Passions, ch. 15. IMPEDIME'NTAL.* adj. [from impediment.] Hindering; causing obstruction.

The impedimental stain which intercepts her fruitive love.

W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. P. ii. (1654,) p. 182. To I'MPEDITE.* v. a. [Lat. impedio, impeditus.] To retard; to obstruct.

When diseases do not - impedite any faculty. Maynwaring, Preserv. of Health, (1670,) p. 25.
IMPEDI'TION.* n. s. [Lat. impeditio.] Hin-Cockeram.

I'MPEDITIVE.* adj. [from impedite.] Causing hindrance; having power to ob-

There are other cases concerning things un-

lawful by accident, in respect to the evil effect of the same; to wit, as they may be impeditive of good, or causative, or at the least (for we must use such words) occasionative of evil. Bp. Sanderson, on Promiss. Oaths, iii. § 11.

To IMPE'L. v. a. [impello, Lat.] drive on towards a point; to urge forward; to press on.

So Myrrha's mind, impell'd on either side, Takes ev'ry bent, but cannot long abide.

Dryden, Ov. The surge impell'd me on a craggy coast. Pope. Propitious gales Attend thy voyage, and impel thy sails.

Pope, Odyss. A mightier pow'r the strong direction sends, And sev'ral men impels to sev'ral ends;

This drives them constant to a certain coast. Pope.

IMPE'LLENT. † n. s. [impellens, Lat.] An impulsive power; a power that drives forward. S. What do you mean by voluntary oaths?

C. Those that no other impellent but myself, or my own worldly gain or interest, extort from me. Hammond, Pract. Catech. ii. § 8.

How such a variety of motions should be regularly managed, in such a wilderness of passages, by mere blind impellents and material conveyances, I have not the least conjecture. Glanville.

IMPE'LLER.* n. s. [from impel.] One that impels or urges forward.

As if he were the great impeller and inducer of men to sin. South, Serm. iv. 85. To IMPE'N.* v. a. [from pen.] To shut up; to enclose in a narrow place.

Like a sheep impenn'd in the fold.

Feltham, Res. ii. 59. He, whom the heaven of heavens cannot containe,

In narrow bowels doth impent remaine. Fitzgeffry, Blessed Birth-day, p. 16.

To IMPE'ND. v. n. [impendeo, Lat.]

1. To hang over.

Destruction sure o'er all your heads impends; Ulysses comes, and death his steps attends. Pope, Odyss.

2. To be at hand; to press nearly. It is used in an ill sense.

It expresses our deep sorrow for our past sins, and our lively sense of God's impending wrath.

Smalridge, Serm No story I unfold of publick woes,

Nor bear advices of impending foes. Pope, Odyssey. IMPE'NDENCY.* n. s. [from impendent.] The state of hanging over.

The present impendency of God's judgements. Hammond, Works, iv. 492.

IMPE'NDENT. adj. [impendens, Lat.] Imminent; hanging over; pressing closely.

In an ill sense. If the evil feared or impendent be a greater sensible evil than the good, it over-rules the appetite to aversation.

Dreadful in arms, on Landen's glorious plain Place Ormond's duke : impendent in the air Let his keen sabre, comet-like, appear.

IMPE'NDENCE. n. s. [from impendent.] The state of hanging over; near approach.

Good sometimes is not safe to be attempted, by reason of the impendence of a greater sensible evil.

IMPENETRABI'LITY. n. s. [impenetrabilité, Fr. from impenetrable.]

1. Quality of not being pierceable, or permeable.

All bodies, so far as experience reaches, are either hard or may be hardened; and we have no other evidence of universal impenetrability, besides a large experience, without an experimental ex-Newton, Opticks.

2. Insusceptibility of intellectual impression.

IMPE'NETRABLE. † adj. [impenetrable, Fr.; impenetrabilis, Lat.

1. Not to be pierced; not to be entered by any external force.

Nothing almost escaped that he achieved not. were the thing never so difficile, or (as who saith) impenetrable. -Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 73. b. With hardening cold, and forming heat,

The Cyclops did their strokes repeat, Before the impenetrable shield was wrought. Dryd.

2. Impervious; not admitting entrance. Deep into some thick covert would I run,

Impenetrable to the stars or sun. The mind frights itself with any thing reflected on in gross : things, thus offered to the mind, carry the shew of nothing but difficulty in them. and are thought to be wrapped up in impenetrable

3. Not to be taught; not to be informed.

4. Not to be affected; not to be moved. It is the most impenetrable cur

That ever kept with men. - Let him alone;

I'll follow him no more with bootless prayers.

Some will never believe a proposition in divinity, if any thing can be said against it: they will be credulous in all affairs of life, but impenetrable by a sermon of the gospel. Bp. Taylor. VOL. II.

penetrable.] The state of being impene-

IMPE'NETRABLY.† adv. [from impenetrable.] With hardness to a degree incapable of impression.

A cellar of strong sides, and impenetrably thick walls, dark and deep.

Dean King, Serm. 5 Nov. 1608, p. 20. Blunt the sense, and fit it for a skull Of solid proof, impenetrably dull.

IMPE'NITENCE. \ n. s. [impenitence, Fr. in IMPE'NITENCY. and penitence. Obduracy; want of remorse for crimes; final disregard of God's threatenings or

Where one man ever comes to repent, a thousand end their days in final impenitence. South.

Before the revelation of the gospel the wickedness and impenitency of the heathens was a much more excusable thing, because they were in a great measure ignorant of the rewards of another life.

He will advance from one degree of wickedness and impenitence to another, till at last he becomes hardened without remorse.

IMPE'NITENT. adj. [impenitent, Fr. in and penitent.] Finally negligent of the duty of repentance; obdurate.

Our Lord in anger hath granted some impenitent men's requests; as, on the other side, the Apostle's suit he hath of favour and mercy not granted.

They died Impenitent, and left a race behind Like to themselves.

Milton, P. L. IMPE'NITENT.* n. s. One who neglects the duty of repentance.

When the reward of penitents, and punishment of impenitents, is once assented to as true, 'tis impossible but the mind of man should wish for the one, and have dislikes to the other. Hammond.

IMPE'NITENTLY. adv. [from impenitent.] Obdurately; without repentance.

The condition required of us is a constellation of all the gospel graces, every one of them rooted in the heart, though mixed with much weakness, and perhaps with many sins, so they be not wilfully, and impenitently lived and died in.

What crowds of these, impenitently bold, In sounds and jingling syllables grown old, Still run on poets!

Impe'nnous. adj. [in and penna, Lat.]
Wanting wings. This word is convenient, but, I think, not used.

It is generally received an earwigg hath no wings, and is reckoned amongst impennous insects; but he that shall with a needle put aside the short and sheathy cases on their back, may draw forth two wings, larger than in many flies."

To IMPE'OPLE.* v. a. [from people.] form into a community. See To Em-

PEOPLE.

Thou hast helped to impeople hell. Beaumont, Psyche, xvi. 19.

I'MPERATE. adj. [imperatus, Lat.] Done with consciousness; done by direction of the mind.

The elicit internal acts of any habit may be quick and vigorous, when the external imperate acts of the same habit utterly cease.

Those natural and involuntary actings are not done by deliberation, yet they are done by the energy of the soul and instrumentality of the spirits, as well as those imperate acts, wherein we see the empire of the soul.

IMPE'NETRABLENESS.* n. s. [from im-| IMPE'RATIVE. adj. [imperatif, Fr.; imperativus, Lat.] Commanding; expressive of command.

He therefore instead of using an imperative style, by downright commanding such and such things, chose rather in a more gentle and condescending way to insinuate what was his will, and our duty. Norris on the Beatitudes, p. 239.

The verb is formed in a different manner, to signify the intention of commanding, forbidding, allowing, disallowing, intreating; which likewise, from the principal use of it, is called the imperative Clarke, Lat. Gram.

IMPE'RATIVELY. adv. In a commanding style; authoritatively.

IMPERATO'RIAL.* adj. [Lat. imperatorius.] Commanding.

Moses delivered his law after an imperatorial way, by saying, Thou shalt not do this, and Thou shalt not do that. Norris on the Beatitudes, p. 239.

IMPERCE'PTIBLE. adj. [imperceptible, Fr. in and perceptible.] Not to be discovered; not to be perceived; small; subtle; quick or slow, so as to elude observation.

Some things are in their nature imperceptible by our sense; yea, and the more refined parts of material existence, which, by reason of their subtilty, escape our perception.

In the sudden changes of his subject with almost imperceptible connections, the Theban poet is his master. Dryden.

The parts must have their outlines in waves. resembling flames, or the gliding of a snake upon the ground: they must be almost imperceptible to the touch, and even.

The alterations in the globe are very slight, and almost imperceptible, and such as tend to the benefit of the earth. Woodward, Nat. Hist. IMPERCE'PTIBLE.* n. s. That which is

not immediately perceived or discovered, on account of its smallness.

Microscopes bring to light shoals of living creatures in a spoonful of vinegar, &c. - I should be wonderfully pleased to see a natural history of imperceptibles, containing a true account of such vegetables and animals as grow and live out of Tatler, No. 119.

IMPERCE'PTIBLENESS. n. s. [from imperceptible.] The quality of eluding observation.

Many excellent things there are in nature, which, by reason of their subtilty and imperceptibleness to us, are not so much as within any of our faculties to apprehend.

IMPERCE'PTIBLY. adv. [from imperceptible.] In a manner not to be perceived.

Upon reading of a fable we are made to believe we advise ourselves: the moral insinuates itself imperceptibly, we are taught by surprize, and become wiser and better unawares. IMPERCI'PIENT.* adj. [in and percipient.]

Not perceiving; not having the power of perception.

There is no supposing the soul to be impercipient in sleep, but by supposing the perceptivity of it to depend upon matter, which I have shewn in many places of this section to be a contradiction; or by supposing that it sleeps in its own Baxter on the Soul, i. 349.

IMPERDIBI'LITY.* n. s. [from imperdible.]
State or quality of being imperdible. Derham somewhere uses it in his Physico-Theology.

IMPE'RDIBLE.* adj. [imperditus, Lat.] Not to be destroyed, or lost.

As they are harder in their acquisition, so are they more imperdible and steady in their stay. Feltham, Serm. on Eccl. ii. 11.

IMPE'RFECT. "adj. [imparfait, Fr.; imperfectus, Lat.]

1. Not complete; not absolutely finished; defective. Used either of persons or things.

Something he left imperfect in the state, Which, since his coming forth, is thought of, Which brought the kingdom so much fear and

That his return was most required. Shaksneare. Opinion is a light, vain, crude, and imperfect thing, settled in the imagination; but never arriving at the understanding, there to obtain the tincture of reason.

The middle action which produceth imperfect bodies, is fitly called, by some of the ancients, inquination or inconcoction, which is a kind of putrefaction.

The ancients were imperfect in the doctrine of meteors, by their ignorance of gunpowder and fireworks.

Divers things we agree to be knowledge, which yet are so uneasy to be satisfactorily understood by our imperfect intellects, that let them be delivered in the clearest expressions, the notions themselves will yet appear obscure. Boule.

A marcor is either imperfect, tending to a greater withering, which is curable; or perfect, that is, an intire wasting of the body, excluding all cure. Harvey on Consumptions.

The still-born sounds upon the palate hung, And died imperfect on the faltering tongue.

As obscure and imperfect ideas often involve our reason, so do dubious words puzzle men.

2. Frail; not completely good: as, our best worship is imperfect.

To IMPE'REECT.* v. a. [from the adjective. 7 To make imperfect. Not in HSP.

Time, which perfects some things, imperfects Brown, Chr. Mor. ii. 28. also others.

IMPERFE'CTION. n. s. [imperfection, Fr. from imperfect. Defect; failure; fault, whether physical or moral, whether of persons or things.

Laws, as all other things human, are many times full of imperfection; and that which is supposed behoveful unto men, proveth oftentimes most pernicious.

The duke had taken to wife Anne Stanhope, a woman for many imperfections intolerable; but for pride monstrous. Hayward.

Imperfections would not be half so much taken notice of, if vanity did not make proclamation of

The world is more apt to censure than applaud, and himself fuller of imperfections than virtues.

Addison, Spect. These are rather to be imputed to the simplicity of the age than to any imperfection in that divine poet.

IMPE'RECTLY. adv. [from imperfect.] Not completely; not fully; not without

Should sinking nations summon you away, Maria's love might justify your stay;

Imperfectly the many vows are paid, Which for your safety to the gods were made.

Those would hardly understand language or reason to any tolerable degree; but only a little and imperfectly about things familiar.

IMPE'RECTNESS.* n. s. [from imperfect.] Failure; defect.

The obscurity of things, and the imperfectness of our finite understandings.

Mannyngham, Disc. (1681,) p. 70.

Their authority, joined to the knowledge of my own imperfectness in the language, over-ruled me. Pope, Lett. to Mr. Bridges, cited by Dr. Warton.

IMPE'REFORABLE. adj. [in and perforo, Lat.] Not to be bored through.

IMPE'RFORATE. adj. [in and per-foratus, Lat.] Not pierced through; without a hole.

Sometimes children are born imperforate; in which case a small puncture, dressed with a tent, effects the cure. Sharp.

IMPE'RFORATED.* adj. Closed up. It happeneth sometimes in imperforated persons. Brown, Vulg. Err. vii. 16.

IMPERFORA'TION.* n. s. [Fr. imperforation, Cotgrave.] The state of being closed.

IMPE'RIAL. adj. [imperial, Fr.; imperialis, Lat.]

1. Royal; possessing royalty. Aim he took

At a fair vestal, throned in the west; But I might see young Cupid's fiery shaft Quench'd in the chaste beams of the watery moon, And the imperial vot'ress passed on In maiden meditation, fancy free. Shaksneare.

2. Betokening royalty; marking sove-

My due from thee is this imperial crown, Which, as immediate from thy place and blood, Derives itself to me. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

3. Belonging to an emperour or monarch; regal; royal; monarchical.

The main body of the marching foe Against the imperial palace is design'd. Dryden. You that are a sov'reign prince allay

Imperial power with your paternal sway. Dryden. To tame the proud, the fetter'd slave to free, These are imperial arts, and worthy thee.

IMPE'RIALIST. n. s. [from imperial.] One that belongs to an emperour.

The imperialists imputed the cause of so shameful a flight unto the Venetians.

Knolles, Hist. of the Turks.

IMPE'RIALIZED.* adj. [from imperial.] Belonging to an emperour.

The Romanists cast away the witness of all imperialized authors then living. Fuller, Holy War, p. 160.

IMPE'RIALLY.* adv. [from imperial.] In

a royal manner. IMPE'RIALTY.* n. s. [from imperial.]

Imperial power.

Which seventh cannot be your papacy; it must then of necessity be a short Roman imperialty or empire, which followed upon the destruction of the sixth. Sheldon, Mir. of Antichr. (1616,) p. 165.

To IMPE'RIL.* v. a. [from peril.] To bring into danger. See To EMPERIL.

Will I imperil the innocence and candour of the author, by this calumny? B. Jonson, Magn. Lady.
The civil polity, and authority of the magistrate, is hereby endamaged and imperilled.

Waterhous, Apol. for Learning, p. 35. IMPE'RIOUS. adj. [imperieux, Fr. imperiosus, Latin.]

Commanding; tyrannical; authoritative; haughty; arrogant; assuming command.

If it be your proud will To shew the power of your imperious eyes.

Spenser. This imperious man will work us all From princes into pages. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. Not the imperious show Of the full fortun'd Cæsar ever shall

Be brooch'd with me. Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleon. He is an imperious dictator of the principles of vice, and impatient of all contradiction.

More, Divine Dialogues. How much I suffer'd, and how long I strove Against the assaults of this imperious love

Druden. Recollect what disorder hasty or imperious words from parents or teachers have caused in his thoughts.

2. Powerful; ascendant; overbearing. A man, by a vast and imperious mind, and a heart large as the sand upon the sea shore, could command all the knowledge of nature and art.

IMPE'RIOUSLY. adv. [from imperious.] With arrogance of command: with insolence of authority.

Who's there, that knocketh so imperiously? Shoksneure.

Who can abide, that, against their own doctors, six whole books should, by their fatherhoods of Trent, be under pain of a curse, imperiously obtruded upon God and his church. Bu, Hall. It is not to insult and domineer, to look dis-

dainfully, and revile imperiously, that procures an esteem from any one.

The sage, transported at the approaching hour, Imperiously thrice thunder'd on the floor! Garth, Dispensary.

Impe'riousness. n. s. [from imperious.]

1. Authority; air of command.

So would he use his imperiousness, that we had a delightful fear and awe, which made us loth to lose our hopes,

2. Arrogance of command.

Imperiousness and severity is but an ill way of treating men, who have reason of their own to guide them. Locks.

IMPE'RISHABLE.† adj. [imperissable, Fr. in and perish.] Not to be destroyed.

Devotion offers to transfigure our affections, from their impure and passive shapes, into immaculate and imperishable forms; and raise them up from infirmity to virtue; and make those desires, which have been the image of terrestrial figures, to bear only that of the celestial.

W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. P. i. (1648,) p. 37. We find this our empyreal form

Incapable of mortal injury, Imperishable; and though pierc'd with wound, Soon closing, and by native vigour heal'd.

Milton, P. L.

IMPE'RIWIGGED.* adj. [emperruqué, Fr.] Wearing a periwig. Cotgrave, and Sherwood. See To Periwig.

IMPE'RMANENCE.* \ n. s. [in and permanence. Want of IMPE'RMANENCY. duration; instability.

Distilling, out of the serious contemplation of the mutability of all worldly happiness, a remedy against the evil of that fickleness and impermanency.

W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. P. i. (1648,) p. 58. Melancholy impermanence of human blessings. Seward, Lett. (1796,) iv. 264.

Impermeabl'Lity.* n. s. [from impermeable. The state or quality of being impermeable.

Concerning the impermeability of glass by elec-Philos. Transact. vol. 51, p. 313. tricity.

IMPE'RMEABLE.* adj. [in and permeable.] That may not be passed through.

Lands that have a retentive or impermeable soil, should be differently constituted from those that have one less retentive or more permeable.

Kirwan, on Manures, p. 54.

IMPE'RSONAL. adj. [impersonel, Fr. impersonalis, Lat.] Not varied according to the persons.

Impersonals be declined throughout all moods and tenses; a verb impersonal hath no nominative case before it.

IMPERSONA'LITY.* n. s. [in and personality.] Indistinction of personality.

Junius is pleased to tell me, that he addresses himself to me personally. I shall be glad to see him. It is his impersonality that I complain of. Sir W. Draper, Junius's Lett. Woodfall's edit. i. 38.

IMPE'RSONALLY. adv. [from impersonal.] | 1. Of no relation to the matter in hand; According to the manner of an impersonal verb.

To IMPE'RSONATE.* v.a. [from personate.]

To personify.

The Egyptians, who impersonated nature, had made her a distinct principle, and even deified her under the name of Isis. Bp. Berkeley, Siris, §. 268.

The masques and pageantries of the age of Elizabeth were not only furnished by the heathen divinities, but often by the virtues and vices impersonated. Warton, Hist. E. P. iii. 498. Some of these masques were moral dramas,

where the virtues and vices were impersonated. Hurd, Dial.

IMPERSPICUITY.* n. s. [in and perspicuity.] Want of clearness or perspicuity. Either very long, or very short, periods are subject to obscurity: one not opening and spreading the matter enough; the other overburdening the auditor's memory. Yet whose will not lose the acuteness and elegancy in the one, or suffer the dismembring in the other, must in some things hazard the imperspicuity of his style.

Instructions for Oratory, (Oxf. 1682,) p. 98. IMPERSPI'CUOUS.* adj. [in and perspicu-

ous.] Wanting clearness. Bailey. IMPERSUA'SIBLE. adj. [in and persuasibilis, Lat.] Not to be moved by persausion.

Evéry pious person ought to be a Noah, a preacher of righteousness; and if it be his fortune to have as impersuasible an auditory, if he cannot avert the deluge, it will yet deliver his own soul, 2. A rude, unmannerly, or saucy person. if he cannot benefit other men's. Dec. of Piety.

IMPE'RTINENCE.† \ n. s. [impertinence, Fr.; IMPE'RTINENCY. | from impertinent.]

1. That which is of no present weight; that which has no relation to the matter in hand; something not belonging to the

Some though they lead a single life, yet their thoughts do end with themselves, and account future times impertinencies. O, matter and impertinency mix'd,

Reason and madness! Shakspeare, K. Lear.

2. Troublesome; intrusion.

It will be said I handle an art no way suitable to my employments or fortune, and so stand charged with intrusion and impertinency.

Wotton on Architecture. We should avoid the vexation and impertinence of pedants, who affect to talk in a language not to be understood.

3. Trifle; thing of no value.

4. Sauciness; rudeness.

I envy your felicity, delivered from the gilded impertinencies of life, to enjoy the moments of a solid contentment.

Nothing is more easy than to represent as impertinencies any parts of learning, that have no immediate relation to the happiness or convenience of Addison.

There are many subtle impertinencies learnt in the schools, and many painful trifles, even among the mathematical theorems and problems.

Watts on the Mind.

party who came thither together, or whose impertinencies are of an equal pitch, act in concert, and are so full of themselves as to give disturbance to all that are about them. Sometimes you have a set of whisperers, who lay their heads together in order to sacrifice every body within their observation; sometimes a set of laughers, that keep up an insipid mirth in their own corner, and by their noise and gestures shew they have no respect for the rest of the company. Spectator, No. 168.

IMPE'RTINENT.† adj. [impertinent, Fr. in and pertinens, Lat.]

of no weight.

The law of angels we cannot judge altogether impertinent unto the affairs of the church of God.

The contemplation of things that are impertinent to us, and do not concern us, are but a more specious idleness.

Importunate; intrusive; meddling.

That spear directed by an impertinent malice, which opened his side, though it brought forth blood and water, caused no dolorous sensation; because the body was then dead.

Pearson on the Creed, Art. 4.

3. Foolish; trifling; negligent of the present purpose.

'Tis not a sign two lovers are together, when there can be so impertinent as to enquire what the world does.

4. Rude; unmannerly.

The ladies, whom you visit, think a wise man the most impertinent creature living; therefore you cannot be offended, that they are displeased with Spectator, No. 148.

IMPE'RTINENT. + n. s.

1. A trifler; a meddler; an intruder; one who enquires or interposes where he has no right or call.

Governours would have enough to do to trouble their heads with the politicks of every meddling officious impertinent. L'Estrange, Fab.

There are another kind of impertinents, which a man is perplexed with in mixed company; and those are your loud speakers. Spectator, No. 148.

IMPE'RTINENTLY. † adv. [from impertinent.] 1. Without relation to the present matter.

I call not impertinently to mind, that one of my time had wit enough in Venice to become the civil head of that republick.

Sir H. Wotton, Surv. of Education. Yet more impertinently the Spanish describers, remembered before, account their longitude from east to west, utterly against all other geography.

Gregory, Posthum. (1650,) p. 270. Those moral virtues—are here brought in by St. Paul, I hope not impertinently, under this head, justice, and continence, and judgement to Hammond, Works, iv. 521.

2. Troublesomely; officiously; intrusively. I have had joy given me as preposterously, and as impertinently, as they give it to men who marry where they do not love. Sir J. Suckling.

The blessedest of mortals, now the highest saint in the celestial hierarchy, began to be so impertinently importuned, that great part of the liturgy was addressed solely to her.

Why will any man be so impertinently officious as to tell me all this is only fancy? If it is a dream, let me enjoy it. Addison.

3. Rudely; saucily.

IMPERTU'RBABLE.* adj. [in and perturb.] Impossible to be disturbed; incapable of being disturbed.

Ash, from Dict. of Arts.

It often happens in publick assemblies, that a IMPERTURBA'TION.* n. s. [in and perturbation; Lat. imperturbatus.] Calmness; tranquillity; freedom from perturbation.

In our copying of this equality and imperturbation, we must profess with the Apostle, we have not received the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God.

W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. P. i. (1648,) p. 342. To propose the acquisition of a complete knowledge of all things in this life, of an absolute imperturbation of mind, and constant infallibility, is no less vain. Hen. Wharton, Serm. (1698,) ii. 116.

IMPERTU'RBED.* adj. [in and perturb.] Undisturbed; calm. IMPE'RVIOUS. adj. [impervius, Lat.]

1. Unpassable; impenetrable. Lest the difficulty of passing back

Stay his return, perhaps, over this gulf Impassable, impervious; let us try To found a path from hell to that new world.

Milton, P. L. We may thence discern of how close a texture glass is, since so very thin a film proved so impervious to the air, that it was forced to break the glass to free itself.

The cause of reflection is not the impinging of light on the solid or impervious parts of bodies. Newton, Opticks.

A great many vessels are, in this state, impervious by the fluids. Arbuthnot.

From the damp earth impervious vapours rise, Increase the darkness, and involve the skies. Pope. 2. Inaccessible. Perhaps improperly used.

A river's mouth, impervious to the wind, And clear of rocks. Pope, Odyss.

IMPE'RVIOUSLY.* adv. [from impervious.] Impenetrably; unpassably.

IMPE'RVIOUSNESS. n. s. [from impervious.] The state of not admitting any passage. IMPERTRANSIBI'LITY. n. s. [in and per-

transeo, Latin.] Impossibility to be passed through. I willingly declined those many ingenious

reasons given by others; as of the impertransibility of eternity, and impossibility therein to attain to the present limit of antecedent ages.

To IMPE'STER.* v. a. [empestrer, Fr.] To trouble; to harass; to entangle; to incumber; to pester. See To PESTER. Cotgrave, and Sherwood.

IMPETI'GINOUS. adj. [from impetigo, Lat.] Scurfy; covered with small scabs.

I'MPETRABLE. adj. [impetrabilis, from impetro, Lat. impetrable, Fr.] Possible to be obtained.

To I'MPETRATE. † v. a. [impetrer, Fr. impetro, Latin.] To obtain by intreaty. He hath impetrated reconciliation,

Abp. Usher, Letter xxiii. Life and Letters by

Parr, p. 50.

Impetrating this of God, that this penitential satisfaction may be so much blessed, as to restore some value of time thither, where I am to account for so much idle dissipation of it.

W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. P. i. Pref.

I'mpetrate.* part adj. [from the verb.] Obtained by application or intreaty. The one might be as facilly impetrate as the

I.d. Herbert, Hen. VIII. p. 227. IMPETRA'TION. † n. s. [impetration, Fr. impetratio, from impetro, Lat.] The act of obtaining by prayer or intreaty. Not much used, Dr. Johnson says, citing only the authority, which indeed is excellent, of bishop Jeremy Taylor. But the word appears to have been common; and was also applied formerly to the

pre-obtaining from the court of Rome benefices belonging to the king, which

was prohibited.

The said cardinal did not know the impetration of the said bulls to have been to the contempt and prejudice of the king, or that it was against any Ld. Herbert, Hen. VIII. p. 264. Application and impetration, in this matter we

have in hand, are of equal extent.

Abp. Usher, Letter xxiii. The impetration of some favour.

W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. p. i. Pref. The blessed sacrament is the mystery of the death of Christ, and the application of his blood which was shed for the remission of sins, and is the great means of impetration, and the meritorious cause of it. Bp. Taylor.

It is the greatest solemnity of prayer, the most powerful liturgy, and means of impetration in this Bp. Taylor.

I'MPETRATIVE.* adj. [from impetrate.] Able to obtain by entreaty.

O Saviour, Thy prayers, which were most perfect and impetrative, are they by which our weak and unworthy prayers receive both life and glory.

Bp. Hall, Contempt. B. 4.

I'MPETRATORY.* adj. [from impetrate.] Beseeching; obtaining by intreaty.

Alms are therefore effective to the abolition and pardon of our sins, because they are preparatory to and impetratory of, the grace of repentance, and are fruits of repentance.

Bp. Taylor, Holy Dying, § 3. ch. 2. IMPETUO'SITY. n. s. [impetuosité, Fr. from impetuous.] Violence; fury; vehemence;

I will set upon Aguecheek a notable report of valour, and drive the gentleman into a most

hideous opinion of his rage, skill, fury, and imperuosity.

Shatspeare, Tw. Night.

The whole intrigue was contrived by the duke, and so violently pursued by his spirit and impe-

tuosity. The mind gives not only licence, but incitation to the other passions to take their freest range,

and act with the utmost impetuosity. Dec. of Piety. IMPE'TUOUS.† adj. [impetueux, Fr. from impetus, Latin. This word Heylin, in 1656, enumerates among the uncouth and uncommon. But see IMPETUOUSLY.

1. Violent; forcible; fierce. Their virtue, like their Tiber's flood, Rolling its course, design'd their country's good; But oft the torrent's too impetuous speed, From the low earth tore some polluted weed.

2. Vehement of mind; passionate. The king 'tis true, is noble, but impetuous.

IMPE'TUOUSLY. † adv. [from impetuous.] Violently; vehemently: both of men and things.

Impatient of the wrong, impetuously he raves. Drayton, Polyolb. (1622,) S. 1. He would be - dissolutely wanton, impetuously self-willed. Bp. Hall, Of Contentation, § 22.

They view the windings of the hoary Nar; Through rocks and woods impetuously he glides, While froth and foam the fretting surface hides.

IMPE'TUOUSNESS. n. s. [from impetions.] Violence; fury; vehemence of passion. I wish all words of rage might vanish in that breath that utters them; that as they resemble the wind in fury and impetuousness, so they might in Decay of Piety. transientness.

I'MPETUS. † n. s. [Latin.] Violent tendency to any point; violent effort.

There is a sort of valour, which naturally springs out of the very crisis and temper of men's bodies; which is nothing else but a certain impetus, or brisk fermentation of the blood and spirits.

Scott, Sermon before the Artillery-Comp. (1680.) Why did not they continue their descent till they were contiguous to the sun, whither both mutual attraction and impetus carried them?

Bentley, Serm. vii. (1692.)

IMPI'CTURED.* adj. [from picture.] Painted: impressed.

His pallid face, impictured with death, She bathed oft. Spenser, Astrophel.

I'MPIER.* n. s. Our old word for umnire. which leads us to the Latin etymon. impar: and induces us to discard what Dr. Johnson, and those whom he has followed, propose as the root of umpire. See UMPIRE. Huloet thus defines the word, in the form now given. "Impier, or umpier, a judge or mediator taken to deem a matter debated."

To IMPI'ERCE.* v.a. [in and pierce.] To pierce through; to penetrate. See To EMPIERCE.

He feels those secret and impiercing flames. Drayton's Moyses, (1604.)

Time may come, when deep impierced sting Shall prick your heart; and it shall melt with sorrowing. More, Song of the Soul, i. iii. 34.

IMPIE'RCEABLE. adj. [in and pierce.] Impenetrable; not to be pierced.

Exceeding rage inflam'd the furious beast; -For never felt his impierceable breast So wondrous force from hand of living wight,

Spenser, F. Q.

IMPI'ETY. n. s. [impieté, French; impietas,

1. Irreverence to the Supreme Being; contempt of the duties of religion. To keep that oath were more impiety

Than Jephtha's, when he sacrific'd his daughter:

2. An act of wickedness; expression of irreligion. In this sense it has a plural. If they die unprovided, no more is the king guilty of those impieties for which they are now visited.

Shakspeare. Can Juno such impieties approve? We have a melancholy prospect of the state of our religion: such amazing impieties can be equalled by nothing but by those cities consumed of old by fire.

To IMPI'GNORATE. v. a. [in and pignus, Latin.] To pawn; to pledge.

Impignora'tion. n. s. [from impignorate.] The act of pawning or putting to 2. Admitting no relief or ease; not to be pledge.

To IMPI'NGE. v. n. [impingo, Latin.] To fall against; to strike against; to clash with.

Things are reserved in the memory by some corporeal exuviæ and material images, which, having impinged on the common sense, rebound thence into some vacant cells of the brain.

Glanville, Scepsis. The cause of reflexion is not the impinging of light on the solid or impervious parts of bodies. Newton, Opticks.

To IMPI'NGUATE. v. a. [in and pingues, Latin.] To fatten; to make fat.

Frictions also do more fill and impinguate the body than exercise; for that in frictions the inward parts are at rest. Bacon.

I'MPIOUS. adj. [impius, Latin.] Irreligious; wicked; profane; without reverence of religion.

That Scripture standeth not the church' of God in any stead to direct, but may be let pass as needless to be consulted with, we judge it profane, impious, and irreligious to think.

Cease then this impious rage. Milton, P. L. Then lewd Auchemolus he laid in dust,

Who stain'd his stepdame's bed with impious lust. Dryden. And impious nations fear'd eternal night.

Dryden. Shame and reproach is generally the portion of the impious and irreligious. When vice prevails, and impious men bear sway,

The post of honour is a private station. Since after thee may rise an impious line,

Coarse manglers of the human face divine : Paint on, till fate dissolve thy mortal part, And live and die the monarch of thy art.

They, impious, dar'd to prev On herds devoted to the god of day,

Pope. Grand mistakes in religion proceed from taking literally what was meant figuratively, from which several impious absurdities followed, terminating in infidelity. Forhes.

I'MPIOUSLY. adv. [from impious.] Profanely; wickedly.

The Roman wit, who impiously divides His hero and his gods to different sides, I would condemn.

I'MPIOUSNESS.* n. s. [from impious.] Contempt of the duties of religion.

Men - even by nature are taught to hope of another life, from which neither ignorance nor impiousness can drive them.

Sir W. Cornwallis, Disc. on Seneca.

Tickell.

IMPLACABI'LITY. † n. s. [from implacable.] Inexorableness; irreconcilable enmity; unappeasable malice.

What calamity happened to that most noble citie of Rome by the implacabilitie, or wrath insatiable, of these two captains!

Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 101.
The powder project — with fury and implacability came to be resolved on by a pack of boutefeux. Proceedings against Garnet, (1606,) Dd. 2.

IMPLA'CABLE. † adj. [implacabilis, Lat. implacable, Fr.

1. Not to be pacified; inexorable; malicious; constant in enmity.

His incensement is so implacable, that satisfaction can be none but by pangs of death. Shakspeare, Tw. Night.

Darah bears a generous mind; But to implacable revenge inclin'd;

A bounteous master, but a deadly foe.

Dryden. The French are the most implacable and the most dangerous enemies of the British nation.

assuaged. Dr. Johnson overpasses this sense.

O how I burne with implacable fyre! Spenser, F. Q. ii. vi. 44.

I burn With scorching heat of implacable fire.

Brewer, Com. of Lingua, v. 15. Their armour help'd their harm, crush'd in and bruis'd

Into their substance pent, which wrought them pain

Implacable, and many a dolorous groan. Milton, P. L.

IMPLA'CABLENESS. * n. s. [from implacable.] The state of being implacable.

Little as the archbishop gained upon them by his priestly implacableness, the king gained much less by his princely condescensions.

Bp. Parker, Reproof to the Rehears. Trans. (1673,)

IMPLA'CABLY. adv. [from implacable.]

1. With malice not to be pacified; inexorably.

An order was made for disarming all the papists; upon which, though nothing was after done, yet it kept up the apprehensions in the people of dangers, and disinclined them from the queen, whom they begun every day more implacably to hate, and consequently to disoblige.

2. It is once used by Dryden in a kind of mixed sense of a tyrant's love. I love,

And 'tis below my greatness to disown it: Love thee implacably, yet hate thee too. Dryden.

To IMPLA'NT. v. a [in and planto, Lat.] To infix; to insert; to place; to engraft; to settle; to set; to sow. The original meaning of putting a vegetable into the

ground to grow is not often used. How can you him unworthy then decree, In whose chief part your worths implanted be?

See, Father! what first-fruits on earth are

sprung, From thy implanted grace in man! Milton, P. L. No need of publick sanctions this to bind,

Which Nature has implanted in the mind.

There grew to the outside of the arytenoides another cartilage, capable of motion, by the help of some muscles that were implanted in it. Ray God, having endowed man with faculties of knowing, was no more obliged to implant those innate notions in his mind than that, having given him reason, hands, and materials, he should build

him bridges. IMPLANTA'TION. † n. s. [implantation, Fr. from implant.] The act of setting or planting; the act of enfixing or settling. This [is] more especially by the expressed way of insition or implantation

Sir T. Brown, Miscell. p. 48.

IMPLA'USIBLE. † adj. [in and plausible.] Not specious; not likely to seduce or

persuade. So improbable, so implausible means for accomplishing so great effects. Barrow, Works, i. 343. Nothing can better improve political schoolboys than the art of making plausible or implausible harangues against the very opinion for which

they resolve to determine. IMPLA'USIBLY.* adv. [from implausible.] Without show of probability.

To Imple'Ach.* v. a. [from pleach.] To interweave. See To Pleach. These talents of their hair,

With twisted metal amorously impleach'd, I have receiv'd from many a several fair. Shakspeare, Lover's Complaint.

To IMPLE'AD. * v. a. Fold Fr. emplaider. See To EMPLEAD.] To accuse; to indict. The honour of God seemeth violated by these invasions, since even the law of God is said to be

impleaded by such aspersions.

W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. P. i. p. 127. Righteousness in a judicial sense imports as much as a legal discharge, whereby the person impleaded becomes right in the court, or righteous.

Norris, on the Beatitudes, p. 91.

IMPLE-ADER.* n. s. [from To implead.]

An accuser; one who indicts another.

Ye envious and deadly malicious, ye impleaders and action-threateners, how long shall the Lord suffer you in his house, in which dwelleth nothing but peace and charity!

Harmar, Transl. of Beza's Serm. (1587,) p. 176.
The Gombette law, which was instituted by Gondebaud, king of Burgundy in the year 501,

allowed the expedient of duelling to those im- | IMPLI'CIT. † adj. [implicite, Fr. implicitus, pleaders, whom the administered oath to offenders did not sufficiently satisfy for an obtaining of their resigned and voluntary acquittance from the cause complained of. Hist. of Duelling, p. 3. IMPLE'ASING.* adj [in and please.] Not

A melancholy man is a strayer from the drove: one that nature made sociable, because she made him man; and a crazed disposition hath altered;

impleasing to all, as all to him.

pleasing; disagreeable.

Overbury, Charact. (ed. 1627,) sign. G. 5. b. To Imple'dge.* v. a. [from pledge.] To gage; to pawn. Sherwood.

I'MPLEMENT. n. s. [implementum, from impleo, Latin.]

1. Something that fills up vacancy, or supplies wants.

Unto life many implements are necessary; more, if we seek such a life as hath in it joy, comfort, delight, and pleasure. Hooker.

2. Instrument of manufacture; tools of a trade; vessels of a kitchen.

Wood hath coined seventeen thousand pounds, and hath his tools and implements to coin six times as much.

It is the practice of the eastern regions for the artists in metals to carry about with them the whole implements of trade to the house where they find employment.

IMPLE'TION. n. s. [impleo, Lat.] of filling; the state of being full.

Theophrastus conceiveth, upon a plentiful imletion, there may succeed a disruption of the

I'MPLEX. adj. [implexus, Latin.] Intricate; entangled; complicated; opposed to

Every poem is, according to Aristotle's division, either simple or implex: it is called simple when there is no change of fortune in it; implex, when the fortune of the chief actor changes from bad to good, or from good to bad.

Addison, Spect. No. 297.

To I'MPLICATE. v. a. [impliquer, Fr implico, Latin. " Provided that he entangle not himself with them, ἐμπλέκετας, implicatur." Abp. Laud's Answ. to Lord Say.] To entangle; to embarrass; to involve: to infold.

The ingredients of saltpetre do so mutually implicate and hinder each other, that the concrete acts but very languidly.

IMPLICA'TION. n. s. [implicatio, Lat. implication, French, from implicate.]

1. Involution; entanglement.

Three principal causes of firmness are the grossness, the quiet contact, and the implication of the component parts.

2. Inference not expressed, but tacitly

inculcated.

Though civil causes, according to some men, are of less moment than criminal, yet the doctors are, by implication, of a different opinion. Ayliffe, Parergon.

I'MPLICATIVE.* adj [from To implicate.] Having implication.

I'MPLICATIVELY.* adv. [from implicative.]

By implication. In revealing the confession of these men, it is implicatively granted, their fault was not then to

be punished, and so it appears no fault. Sir G. Buck, Hist. of Rich. III. (1646,) p. 102. Virtually and implicatively, and by necessary consequence, it takes away clergy from the principal in all those cases, where it takes it from the accessary before. Hale, H. P. C. ch. 49. V. sect. 2. Latin.

1. Entangled; infolded; complicated. This sense is rare, Dr. Johnson says, citing two examples of the word which he ascribes to Pope and Thomson; the latter of which belongs to Milton, and not to Thomson. The sense of "wrapped up," is what our old lexicography assigns to implicit. See Bullokar's Expositor, edit. 1656.

The humble shrub. And bush with frizzled hair implicit.

Milton, P. L. vii. 323. Many of them [periods] together, if without connexions, are but implicit argumentation at most. Instruct. for Oratory, Oxf. (1682,) p. 37. In his woolly fleece

I cling implicit.

2. Inferred; tacitly comprised; not ex-

In the first establishments of speech there was an implicit compact, founded upon common consent, that such and such words should be signs, whereby they would express their thoughts one to Our express requests are not granted, but the

implicit desires of our hearts are fulfilled.

The act '3. Resting upon another; connected with another over which that which is connected to it has no power; trusting without reserve or examination. Thus, by implicit credulity, I may believe a letter yet not opened, when I am confident of the writer's veracity.

There be false peaces or unities, when the peace is grounded but upon an implicit ignorance; for all colours will agree in the dark. Bacon.

No longer by implicit faith we err, Whilst every man's his own interpreter. Denham.

IMPLI'CITLY. adv. [from implicit.]

1. By inference comprised, though not expressed.

The divine inspection into the affairs of the world doth necessarily follow from the nature and being of God; and he that denies this, doth implicitly deny his existence: he may acknowledge what he will with his mouth, but in his heart he hath said there is no God. Bentley.

2. By connection with something else; dependently; with unreserved confidence or obedience.

My blushing muse with conscious fear retires, And whom they like, implicitly admires.

Roscommon. Learn not to dispute the methods of his providence; but humbly and implicitly to acquiesce in and adore them.

We implicitly follow in the track in which they lead us, and comfort ourselves with this poor reflection, that we shall fare as well as those that go

IMPLI'CITNESS.* n. s. [from implicit.] The state of being implicit; implication; dependance on the judgement or authority of another.

IMPLI'CITY.* n. s. [implicité, Fr. from implicit.] Entanglement; incumbrance; obscure involution.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood.

IMPLI'EDLY.* adv. [from the participle implied.] By inference comprised, though not expressed; by implication.

These informers, in this frontispiece before their several suggestions, impliedly undertake to make good three assertions.

Mountagu, App. to Cas. (1625), p. 1. IMPLORA'TION.* n. s. [old French, implo-

supplication. This imploration and worship is holy.

Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 250. The three points, wherein they did pretend to have prevented his majesty's former imploration of

Sir H. Wotton, Dispatch in 1622, Rem. p. 541. To IMPLO'RE. v. a. [implorer, Fr. imploro, Lat.]

To call upon in supplication; to solicit.

They ship their oars, and crown with wine The holy goblet to the pow'rs divine, Imploring all the gods that reign above.

Pope, Odyss.

2. To ask; to beg.

Do not say 'tis superstition, that I kneel, and then implore her blessing.

Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. IMPLO'RE. n. s. [from the verb.] The act of begging; intreaty; solicitation. Not in use.

Urged sore With piercing words and pitiful implore, Him hasty to arise. Spenser, F. Q.

IMPLO'RER. † n. s. [from implore.] Solicitor. This is an old substantive; for it occurs in Sherwood's dictionary; but not in Shakspeare's Hamlet, as cited by Dr. Johnson; the true word there being implorator; a word not likely to be revived.

IMPLU'MED. adj. [implumis, Lat. Without feathers.

IMPLU'MOUS.* adj. [implumis, Latin.] Naked of feathers.

Johnson in V. Unfeathered. To IMPLU'NGE.* v. a. [from plunge.] To plunge; to hurry into. See To EM-

He implunged himself in much just hatred for his unjust dealing. Fuller, Holy War, p. 22. Detestable crimes, which we finde the wicked have often been implunged into. Hewyt, Serm. p. 10.

To IMPLY'. v. a. [impliquer, French; im-

plico, Latin.]
To infold; to cover; to entangle. Not in use.

His courage stout, Striving to loose the knot that fast him ties, Himself in straighter bonds too rash implies.

Spenser, F. Q. And Phœbus flying so most shameful sight, His blushing face in foggy cloud implies.

Spenser, F. Q.

2. To involve or comprise as a consequence or concomitant.

That it was in use among the Greeks, the word triclinium implieth. Brown, Vulg. Err. What follows next is no objection; for that implies a fault. Dryden.

Bows the strength of brawny arms imply, Emblems of valour, and of victory. Where a malicious act is proved, a malicious

intention is implied. To IMPO'CKET.* v. a. [from pocket; Fr. empocher.] To put into the pocket.

The vulgar sort stood staring with their hands Carleton's Memoirs, p. 57. To IMPO'ISON. † v. a. [empoisonner, Fr. It might be written empoison, Dr. Johnson says; which indeed it abundantly is. I See To Empoison.]

1. To kill with poison.

A man by his own alms impoison'd, Shakspeare. And with his charity slain,

ration; from implore.] Solicitation; 2. To corrupt with poison. One doth not know

How much an ill word doth impoison liking.

Shakspeare. IMPO'ISONMENT.* n. s. [from impoison.] Act of poisoning; state of being poisoned. See Empoisonment.

The publick is already acquainted with the manner of Mr. Curll's impoisonment.

Pope, Deplor. Condit. of E. Curll. IMPO'LARILY. adv. [in and polar.] Not according to the direction of the poles. Little used.

Being impolarily adjoined unto a more vigorous loadstone, it will, in a short time, exchange its

IMPO'LICY.* n. s. [in and policy.] Imprudence; indiscretion; want of forecast.

The schemes of Providence and nature are too deeply laid to be overthrown by man's impolicy. Bp. Horsley, Serm. (1793.)

IMPO'LISHED.* adj. [in and polished, Lat. impolitus.] Unpolished; rude.

The lofty phrase - could not be followed nor sufficiently expressed in our rude and impolished English language.

T. Hudson, Dedic. of his Hist. of Judith, 1621. IMPOLI'TE.* adj. [in and polite.] Not

polite; rude. I never saw such impolite confusion at any country wedding in Britain.

Drummond, Trav. (Lett. 3. 1744,) p. 76. IMPOLITENESS.* n. s. [from impolite.] Want of politeness.

The impoliteness of his manners seemed to attest his sincerity. Ld. Chesterfield, Charact. IMPOLITICAL. adj. [in and politick.]
IMPO'LITICK. Imprudent; indis-

creet; void of art or forecast. He that exhorteth to beware of an enemy's policy, doth not give counsel to be impolitick; but rather to use all prudent foresight and circumspection, lest our simplicity be over-reach'd by cunning slights.

IMPOLI'TICALLY.† adv. [in and political.]
IMPO'LITICKLY. Without art or forecast. IMPO'LITICKLY. In the pursuits of their own remedies, they do it so impolitickly. Bacon, Report. in Parl. 5 Jac.

IMPO'NDEROUS. adj. [in and ponderous.] Void of perceptible weight.

It produces visible and real effects by imponderous and invisible emissions. Brown, Vulg. Err. To IMPO'OR.* v. a. [from poor.] To make poor.

Neither waves, nor thieves, nor fire, Nor have rots impoor'd this sire.

W. Browne, Shep. Pipe, Egl. iii. IMPORO'SITY. n. s. [in and porous.] Absence of interstices; compactness; closeness.

The porosity or imporosity betwixt the tangible parts, and the greatness or smallness of the pores.

IMPO'ROUS. adj. [in and porous.] Free from pores; free from vacuities or interstices; close of texture; completely

It has its earthly and salinous parts so exactly resolved, that its body is left imporous, and not discreted by atomical terminations.

Brown, Vulg. Err. If atoms should descend plumb down with equal velocity, being all perfectly solid and im-

porous, they would never the one overtake the Ray on the Creation. To IMPO'RT. v. a. [importo, Lat.]

1. To carry into any country from abroad: opposed to export. For Elis I would sail with utmost speed,

To import twelve mares, which there luxurious 2. To imply; to infer.

Himself not only comprehended all our necessities, but in such sort also framed every petition as might most naturally serve for many; and doth, though not always require, yet always import a multitude of speakers together. Hooker. The name of discipline importeth not as they

would fain have it construed; but the self-same thing it signifieth, which the name of doctrine This question we now asked, imported, as that

we thought this land a land of magicians. Bacon. 3. To produce in consequence. Something he left imperfect in the state,

Which since his coming forth is thought of, which Imports the kingdom so much fear and danger, That his return was most requir'd.

Shakspeare, K. Lear. 4. [Importer, importe, French. Impersonally.] To be of moment: as, it imports, it is of weight or consequence.

Her length of sickness, with what else more serious

Importeth thee to know, this bears.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleon. Let the heat be such as may keep the metal perpetually molten; for that above all importeth to the work.

Number in armies importeth not much, where the people is of weak courage. Bacon This to attain, whether heaven move, or earth.

Imports not, if thou reckon right. Milton, P. L. It may import us in this calm to hearken more than we have done to the storms that are now raising abroad. Temple. If I endure it, what imports it you? Dryden.

IMPO'RT. 7 n. s. [from the verb. Formerly the accent was constant on the last syllable of this word; in modern times, frequently on the first syllable, and certainly always so in the third meaning.]

1. Importance; moment; consequence. What occasion of import Hath all so long detain'd you from your wife?

Shakspeare. Some business of import that triumph wears You seem to go with. Dryden, and Lee, Œdipus.

When there is any dispute, the judge ought to appoint the sum according to the eloquence and ability of the advocate, and in proportion to the import of the cause. 2. Tendency.

Add to the former observations made about vegetables a third of the same import made in mineral substances.

3. Any thing brought from abroad; as, our imports ought not to exceed our

What foreign imports may be necessary for clothing? Bp. Berkeley, Querist, § 171.

IMPO'RTABLE. † adj. [old French, importable.] Unsupportable; not to be endured. A word accented by Spenser, from whose Fairy Queen Dr. Johnson gives the solitary example of it, on the first syllable. The poetick licence of Spenser is not to be followed, and the word is very common in our language. Dr. Johnson barely refers to the Apocrypha for its existence, without the citation.

That importable burden. Chaucer, Test. of Love. | IMPORTA'TION. † n. s. [from import.] His paines weren importable.

Chaucer, Monk's Tale. Beware of the importable burdens of the highmynded Pharisees.

Bale, Acts of Eng. Vot. P. 1. fol. 32. b. Venus - listeth to shew her importable vyo-Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 127. b.

So both attonce him charge on either syde With hideous strokes and importable powre.

Spenser, F. Q. ii. viii. 35. Thine angry threatening towards sinners is im-

Prayer of Manasses, Pref. to the Books of Maccabees.

The tempest would be importable, if it beat always upon him from all sides.

Life of Firmin, p. 80.

IMPO'RTANCE. n. s. [French.] 1. Thing imported or implied. Rare.

A notable passion of wonder appeared in them; but the wisest beholder, that knew no more but seeing, could not say if the *importance* were joy Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

2. Matter; subject. Not in use. It had been pity you should have been put together with so mortal a purpose, as then each

bore, upon importance of so slight a nature. Shakspeare, Cymb.

3. Consequence; moment. We consider

The importance of Cyprus to the Turks. Shakspeare, Othello.

Thy own importance know, Nor bound thy narrow views to things below.

4. Importunity. An improper use pe-

culiar to Shakspeare. Maria writ The letter at sir Toby's great importance; In recompence whereof he hath married her.

IMPO'RTANT. adj. [important, Fr.] 1. Momentous; weighty; of great conse-

quence.

The most important and pressing care of a new and vigorous king was his marriage, for mediate establishment of the royal line.

This superadds treachery to the crime: 'tis the falsifying the most important trust. Decay of Piety. O then, what interest shall I make

To save my last important stake When the most just have cause to quake. Roscommon.

The great important end that God designs religion for, the government of mankind, sufficiently shews the necessity of its being rooted deep in the heart, and put beyond the danger of being torn up by any ordinary violence. South.

Examine how the fashionable practice of the

world can be reconciled to the important doctrine of our religion.

Important truths still let your fables hold, And moral mysteries with art unfold. Granville. The important hour liath pass'd unheeded by.

2. Momentous; forcible; of great efficacy. This seems to be the meaning here. He fiercely at him flew, And with important outrage him assail'd; Who soon prepar'd to field, his sword forth drew,

And him with equal value countervail'd. Spenser, F. Q.

3. Importunate. A corrupt use of the word. See IMPORTANCE.

Great France My mourning and important tears hath pitied.

IMPO'RTANTLY.* adv. [from important.] Weightily; forcibly.

This more importantly concerns us. Hammond, Works, iv. 582.

1. The act or practice of importing, or bringing into a country from abroad; opposed to exportation.

The king's reasonable profit should not be neglected upon importation and exportation.

These mines fill the country with greater numbers of people than it would be able to bear, without the importation of corn from foreign parts. Addison on Italy.

The emperour has forbidden the importation of their manufactures into any part of the empire. Addison on Italy.

2. Simply, conveyance.

The instruments of the vital faculty, which serve for importation and reception of the blood and spirits. Smith on Old Age, p. 239. IMPO'RTER. n. s. [from import.] One that brings in from abroad.

It is impossible to limit the quantity that shall be brought in, especially if the importers of it have so sure a market as the Exchequer.

IMPO'RTLESS. adj. [from import.] Of no moment or consequence. This is a word not in use, but not inelegant. We less expect

That matter needless, of importless burthen, Divide thy lips. Shakspeare.

IMPORTU'NACY.* n. s. [from importunate.] The act of importuning. Art thou not asham'd

To wrong him with thy importunacy?

Shakspeare, Two Gent. of Ver. The multitude of suits, the confluence Of suitors; then, their importunacies?

B. Jonson, Sejanus. She would have by this time acquainted you with my importunacy.

Shelton, Tr. of D. Quix, iv. 7. IMPO'RTUNATE.† adj. [importunus, Lat. importune, Fr.]

1. Unseasonable and incessant in solicitations; not to be repulsed.

I was in debt to my importunate business; but he would not hear my excuse. Shakspeare. They may not be able to bear the clamour of an importunate suitor. Smalridge.

A rule restrains the most importunate appetites of our nature. 2. Troublesome; not easy to be borne.

[importunus, Lat.] Obsolete. Bethink you, how to the *importunate* accidents of this human life all the world is exposed.

Donne, Hist. of the Septuagint, p. 142.

IMPO'RTUNATELY. adv. [from importunate.] With incessant solicitation; pertinaciously in petition.

Their pertinacy is such, that when you drive them out of one form, they assume another; and are so importunately troublesome, as makes many think it impossible to be freed from them. Duppa, Rules of Devotion.

IMPO'RTUNATENESS. n.s. [from importunate.] Incessant solicitation.

She with more and more importunateness craved, which, in all good manners, was either of us to be desired, or not granted.

IMPO'RTUNATOR.* n. s. [from importunate.] An incessant solicitor, or demander.

Abnegators and dispensers against the law of God, but tyrannous importunators and exactors of their own. Sir E. Sandys, State of Religion.

To IMPORTU'NE. + v. a. [importuner, Fr. importunus, Lat. Accented anciently on the second syllable.]

1. To teaze; to harass with slight vexation perpetually recurring; to molest; to disturb by reiteration of the same request; to solicit earnestly.

They cry and call to love apace, With prayers loud importuning the sky.

Spenser, Colin Clout. Against all sense you do importune her. Shaks. If he espied any lewd gaiety in his fellow-servants, his master should straightways know it, and not rest free from importuning, until the fellow had put away his fault.

The highest saint in the celestial hierarchy began to be so impertinently importuned, that a great part of the liturgy was addressed solely to Howell, Voc. For.

There with my cries importune Heaven. Milton, P. L.

The bloom of beauty other years demands, Nor will be gather'd by such wither'd hands: You importune it with a false desire.

Every one hath experimented this troublesome intrusion of some frisking ideas, which thus importune the understanding, and hinder it from being employed.

We have been obliged to hire troops from several princes of the empire, whose ministers and residents here have perpetually importuned the court with unreasonable demands.

2. To require; to render necessary.

We shall write to you As time and our concerns shall importune, How it goes with us. Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas.

3. To import; to foretell. Not proper. The sage wisard tells, as he has redd,

That it importunes death and doleful dreryhedd. Spenser, F. Q.

IMPORTU'NE. † adj. [importun, old French, importunus, Lat. It was anciently pronounced with the accent on the second syllable.

1. Constantly recurring; troublesome by frequency.

All that charge did fervently apply, With greedy malice and importune toil; And planted there their huge artillery, With which they daily made most dreadful bat-

Spenser, F. Q.

Henry, king of England, needed not to have bestowed such great sums, nor so to have busied himself with importune and incessant labour, to compass my death and ruin, if I had been a Bacon, Hen. VII. feigned person.

2. Troublesome; vexatious.

He is apaide with his fortune, And for he n'ill be importune Unto no wight, ne onerous.

Chaucer, Rom. R. 5632. And th' armies of their creatures all, and some Do serve to them, and with importune might War against us, the vassals of their will. Spenser.

If the upper soul can check what is consented to by the will, in compliance with the flesh, and can then hope, that after a few years of sensuality, that importune rebellious servant shall be eternally cast off, this would be some colour for that novel Hammond. persuasion.

The same airs, which some entertain with most delightful transports, to others are importune. Glanville, Scepsis.

Certainly the just God cannot be so importune and unreasonable a master, as to enjoin us what is physically impossible, to expect to reap where he has not sown, to require bricks without allowance Bentley, Serm. ix.

3. Unseasonable; coming, asking, or happening at a wrong time.

No fair to thine

Equivalent, or second! which compell'd Me thus, though importune perhaps, to come And gaze and worship thee. Milton, P. L.

4. Cruel: inexorable. \(\text{importunus}\). Lat. The stroke of deth is importune, and can not yoyded.

Bp. Fisher, Ps. p. 93. be voyded.

They did lament his luckless state, And often blame the too importune fate.

Spenser, F. Q. i. xii. 16. IMPORTU'NELY. adv. [from importune.]

1. Troublesomely; incessantly. The palmer bent his ear unto the noise,

To weet who called so importunely : Again he heard a more efforced voice,

That bade him come in haste. Spenser, F. Q. 2. Unseasonably; improperly.

The constitutions that the apostles made concerning deacons and widows, are, with much importunity, but very importunely urged by the Sunderson. disciplinarians.

IMPORTU'NER.* n. s. [from importune.] One who is importunate.

Preclude your ears against all rash, rude, irrational, innovating importuners.

Waterhouse, Apol. for Learn. (1653,) p. 187.

IMPORTU'NITY. n. s.' [importunitas, Lat. importunité, Fr. from importunate.] Incessant solicitation.

Overcome with the importunity of his wife, a woman of a haughty spirit, he altered his former Knolles.

Thrice I deluded her, and turn'd to sport Milton, S. A. Her importunity.

IMPO'SABLE. adj. [from impose.] To be laid as obligatory on any body.

They were not simply imposable on any particular man, farther than he was a member of Hammond.

To IMPO'SE. v. a. [imposer. Fr. impositum, Lat.]

1. To lay on as a burthen or penalty.

It shall not be lawful to impose toll upon them. If a son do fall into a lewd action, the impu-

tation, by your rule, should be imposed upon his To tyrants others have their country sold,

Imposing foreign lords for foreign gold. Dryden, Æn.

On impious realms and barb'rous kings impose Thy plagues, and curse them with such ills as those

2. To enjoin as a duty or law.

What good or evil is there under the sun, what action correspondent or repugnant unto the law which God hath imposed upon his creatures, but in or upon it God doth work, according to the law which himself hath eternally purposed to keep?

Hooker There was a thorough way made by the sword for the imposing of the laws upon them.

Spenser on Ireland.

Thou on the deep imposest nobler laws, And by that justice hath remov'd the cause.

Christianity hath hardly imposed any other laws upon us, but what are enacted in our natures, or are agreeable to the prime and fundamental laws of it.

Impose but your commands, This hour shall bring you twenty thousand hands. Dryden.

It was neither imposed on me, nor so much as the subject given me by any man.

3. To fix on; to impute to.

This cannot be allowed, except we impute that unto the first cause which we impose not on the second; or what we deny unto nature, we impute unto nativity itself. Brown.

4. To obtrude fallaciously.

Our poet thinks not fit To impose upon you what he writes for wit.

5. To IMPOSE on. To put a cheat on; to deceive.

Physicians and philosophers have suffered themselves to be so far imposed upon as to publish chymical experiments, which they never tried.

Boule. He that thinks the name centaur stands for some real being, imposes on himself, and mistakes words for things.

6. [Among printers.] To put the pages on the stone, and fit on the chase, in order to carry the form to press.

IMPO'SE. n. s. [from the verb.] Command;

injunction. Not in use. According to your ladyship's impose, Shakspeare.

I am thus early come. IMPO'SER. † n. s. [from impose.]

1. One who enjoins as a law; one who lays any thing on another as a hardship.

The universities' sufferings might be manifested to all nations, and the imposers of these oaths Walton. might repent.

2. One who places or puts on.

The coronary thorns did not only express the scorn of the imposers, by that figure into which they were contrived; but did also pierce his tender and sacred temples to a multiplicity of pains, by their numerous acuminations.

Pearson on the Creed, Art. 4.

IMPOSITION.† n. s. [imposition, French; impositus, Latin.7

1. The act of laying any thing on another. The second part of confirmation is the prayer and benediction of the bishop, made more solemn by the imposition of hands. Hammond.

The act of annexing.

The first imposition of names was grounded, among all nations, upon future good hope conceived of children.

The imposition of the name is grounded only upon the predominancy of that element, whose name is ascribed to it. Boyle.

3. Injunction of any thing as a law or

Their determination is to trouble you with no more suit; unless you may be won by some other sort than your father's imposition, depending on

From imposition of strict laws, to free Acceptance of large grace; from servile fear To filial; works of law, to works of faith. Milton, P. L.

4. Constraint; oppression.

The constraint of receiving and holding opinions by authority was rightly called imposition. Locke. A greater load has been laid on us than we have been able to bear, and the grossest impositions have been submitted to, in order to forward the dangerous designs of a faction.

Let it not be made, contrary to its own nature, the occasion of strife, a narrow spirit, and unreasonable impositions on the mind and practice.

Watts on the Mind. 5. Cheat; fallacy; imposture.

It was therefore determined that we should dispose of the horse at the neighbouring fair; and, to prevent imposition, that I should go with him Goldsmith, Vic. of Wakefield, i. 14.

6. A supernumerary exercise enjoined scholars as a punishment.

Impositions were supply'd,

To light my pipe, or sooth my pride.

Warton, Progress of Discontent.

IMPO'SSIBLE. adj. [impossibile, Fr. in and possible.] Not to be done; not to be attained; impracticable.

It was impossible that the state should continue With men this is impossible; but with God, all things are possible. St. Matt. xix. 26.

'Twere impossible for any enterprize to be lawful, if that which should legitimate it is subsequent Decay of Piety.

Difficult it is, but not impossible. Chillingworth. It is impossible the mind should be stopped any where in its progress in this space, how far soever it extends its thoughts. Locke.

We cannot believe it impossible to God to make a creature with more ways to convey into the understanding the notice of corporeal things than Tacke.

I my thoughts deceive With hope of things impossible to find. Walsh

IMPO'SSIBLE.* n. s. An impossibility. To ben in aught espvid there,

That wist he well an impossible were. Chaucer, Tr. and Cress, iii. 526. I credit less

Than witches, which impossibles confess. Donne, Poems, p. 71.

IMPOSSIBI'LITY. n. s. [impossibilité, Fr. from

impossible.] 1. Impracticability; the state of being not

feasible. Simple Philoclea, it is the impossibility that doth

torment me; for unlawful desires are punished after the effect of enjoying, but impossible desires in the desire itself. Sidney.

Admit all these impossibilities and great absurdities to be possible and convenient. Whitgift. Let the mutinous winds

Strike the proud cedars 'gainst the firy sun, Murdering impossibility, to make

What cannot be, slight work. Shakspeare, Coriol. They confound difficulty with impossibility.

South. Those who assert the impossibility of space ex-

isting without matter, must make body infinite. When we see a man of like passions and weak-

ness with ourselves going before us in the paths of duty, it confutes all lazy pretences of impossibility. Rogers.

2. That which cannot be done.

Though men do, without offence, wish daily that the affairs, which with evil success are past, might have fallen out much better; yet to pray that they may have been any other than they are, this being a manifest impossibility in itself, the rules of religion do not permit. Hooker. Impossibilities ! oh no, there's none,

Could I bring thy heart captive home.

I'MPOST. n. s. [impost, impôt, French; impositum, Latin.] A tax : a toll; custom

Taxes and imposts upon merchants do seldom good to the king's revenue; for that that he wins in the hundred, he loseth in the shire. Bacon, Ess.

IMPO'STS. n. s. [imposte, Fr.] In architecture, that part of a pillar, in vaults and arches, on which the weight of the whole building lieth. Ainsworth. To IMPO'STHUMATE. † v. n. [from impost-

hume. To form an abscess; to gather; to form a cyst or bag containing matter. That high food of spiritual pride and confidence

- will be sure to impostumate in the soul. Hammond, Works, iv. 574. The bruise imposthumated, and afterwards turned

to a stinking ulcer, which made every body shy to come near her.

To Impo's THUMATE. † v. a. To afflict with an imposthume.

Our vices impostumate our fames. Sir G. Buck, Hist. of Rich. III. (1646,) p. 53.

I have lanced them to the quick, and not only ' let out the impostumated matter, but taken away the proud and dead flesh.

Dr. Griffith, Samaritan Revived, (1660,) p. 41. They would not fly that surgeon, whose lancet threatens none but the imposthumated parts.

Decay of Chr. Piety.

IMPOSTHUMA'TION. n. s. [from imposthumate. The act of forming an imposthume; the state in which an imposthume is formed.

He that maketh the wound bleed inwards, endangereth malign ulcers and pernicious impostu-Bacon, Ess.

IMPO'STHUME. n. s. [This seems to have been formed by corruption from impostem, as South writes it; and impostem to have been written erroneously for apostem, ἀπόςημα, an abscess.] A collection of purulent matter in a bag or cyst.

Now rotten diseases, ruptures, catarrhs, and bladders full of imposthumes, make preposterous Shakspeare. An errour in the judgement is like an impostem in the head, which is always noisome, and fre-

quently mortal. South. Fumes cannot transude through the bag of an

imposthume. Harvey on Consumptions. To Impo'sthume.* v. n. [from the noun.] To breed an imposthume. Huloet.

To Impo's THUME.* v. a. To affect with an imposthume.

I did always foresee, that your impostumed stomach would belch forth some loathsome matter. Hayward, Ans. to Doleman, ch. 5.

IMPO'STOR. n. s. [imposteur, Fr. from impose; impositor, Latin.] One who cheats by a fictitious character.

Shame and pain, poverty and sickness, yea death and hell itself, are but the trophies of those fatal conquests got by that grand impostor, the devil, over the deluded sons of men. South.

IMPO'STUME.* See IMPOSTHUME, and To IMPOSTHUME. The word was formerly written oftener without the hthan with it.

IMPO'STURAGE.* n. s. [from imposture.]
Imposition; cheat. Not now in use.

Many other practices of human art and invention, which help crookedness, lameness, dimness of sight, &c. no man is so foolish as to impute to the devil's invention, or to count them any hurtful imposturage. Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 127.

IMPO'STURE. n. s. [imposteur, Fr. impostura, Latin.] Cheat; fraud; supposititiousness; cheat committed by giving to persons or things a false character.

That the soul and angels have nothing to do with grosser locality, is generally opinioned; but who is it that retains not a great part of the imposture, by allowing them a definite ubi, which is Glanville, Scepsis. still but imagination?

Open to them so many of the interior secrets of this mysterious art, without imposture or invidious

We know how successful the late usurper was, while his army believed him real in his zeal against kingship; but when they found out the imposture, upon his aspiring to the same himself, he was presently deserted, and never able to crown his usurped greatness with that title. South. Form new legends,

And fill the world with follies and impostures.

IMPO'STURED.* adj. [from imposture.] Having the nature of imposture. VOL. II.

What have vile I to do with noble day, Which shews us heaven's fair face! that face

Wantonly scorn'd, and cast my love away Upon impostur'd lust's foul mystery. Beaumont, Psyche, ii. 102.

IMPO'STUROUS.* adj. [from imposture.] Deceitful; cheating.

Twice my thoughts were prompted by mine eye to hold thy strictness false and imposterous.

Beaum. and Fl. Woman-Hater. A proud, lustful, imposturous villain. More, Lett. ix. Ward's Life of Dr. More, p. 352.

I'MPOTENCE.† n. s. [impotence, old Fr.; I'MPOTENCY. | impotentia, Latin.]

1. Want of power; inability; imbecillity; , weakness.

Some were poor by impotency of nature; as young fatherless children, old decrepit persons ideots, and cripples. Sir J. Hayward. Weakness, or the impotence of exercising ani-

mal motion, attends fevers. Arbuthnot. God is a friend and a father, whose care supplies our wants, and defends our impotence, and from whose compassion in Christ we hope for eternal glory hereafter.

This is not a restraint or impotency, but the royal prerogative of the most absolute King of kings; that he wills to do nothing but what he can; and that he can do nothing which is repugnant to his divine goodness.

2. Ungovernableness of passion. A Latin signification; animi impotentia.

Will he, so wise, let loose at once his ire, Belike through impotence, or unaware, To give his enemies their wish, and end Them in his anger, whom his anger saves To punish endless? Milton, P. L.

Yet all combin'd, Your beauty and my impotence of mind. Dryden.

3. Incapacity of propagation. Dulness with obscenity must prove

As hateful, sure, as impotence in love. Latin.

1. Weak; feeble; wanting force; wanting

We that are strong must bear the imbecility of the impotent, and not please ourselves.

Yet wealth is impotent To gain dominion, or to keep it gain'd. Milton, P. R.

Although in dreadful whirls we hung, High on the broken wave, I knew thou wert not slow to hear, Nor impotent to save. Addison, Spect.

2. Disabled by nature or disease. In those porches lay a great multitude of impotent folk, of blind, halt, and withered.

St. John, v. S. There sat a certain man, impotent in his feet, being a cripple from his mother's womb, who never had walked.

Acts, xiv. I have learn'd that fearful commenting

Is leaden servitor to dull delay; Delay leads impotent and snail-pac'd beggary.

Shakspeare. The impotent poor might be relieved, and the idle forced to labour. Temple.

3. Without power of restraint. [Animi impotens.

With jealous eyes at distance she had seen, Whisp'ring with Jove, the silver-footed queen; Then, impotent of tongue, her silence broke, Thus turbulent in rattling tone she spoke. Dryd.

4. Without power of propagation. He told beau Prim, who is thought impotent, that his mistress would not have him, because he is a sloven, and had committed a rape.

I'MPOTENT.* n. s. One who languishes under disease.

Your task shall be With all the fierce endeavour of your wit, To enforce the pained impotent to smile. Shakspeare, Love's Lab. Lost.

I'MPOTENTLY. † adv. [from impotent.]

1. Without power.

The church of England is blessed with a true clergy, and glorious; and such a one, as his Italian generation may impotently envy and snarle at. Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Marr. Clergy, p. 96. Proud Cæsar, 'midst triumphal cars,

The spoils of nations, and the pomp of wars, Ignobly vain, and impotently great, Shew'd Rome her Cato's figure drawn in state.

2. Without government of passion; extravagantly.

He loves her most impotently, and she loves not Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 576. The danger is of being impotently passionate. More, Conj. Cabb. p. 203.

To IMPO VERISH.* See To EMPOVER-

IMPO'VERISHER.* n. s. [from impoverish.] One that impoverishes. See ÉMPOVER-

These were the pious impoverishers of bishops first, and then the kings of England. Bp. Gauden, Anti Baal-Berith, (1661,) p. 70.

Impo'verishment.* n. s. [from impoverish.] Cause of poverty; drain of wealth.

See EMPOVERISHMENT. It might tend to the state's impoverishment. Proceedings against Garnet, (1606,) sign. Hh.

The king afterward extended his bounty in so large and ample a manner, as procured his own impoverishment. Sir A. Weldon, Court of K. James, p. 4.

To IMPO'UND. v. a. [in and pound. See

POUND.] I'MPOTENT. adj. [impotent, Fr. impotens, 1. To enclose as in a pound; to shut in; to confine.

The great care was rather how to impound the rebels, that none of them might escape, than that any doubt was made to vanquish them.

Bacon, Hen. VII. 2. To shut up in a pinfold.

England

Hath taken and impounded as a stray Shakspeare, Hen. V. Seeing him wander about, I took him up for a stray, and impounded him, with intention to re-

store him to the right owner. Dryden, Don Sebastian.

To Impo'wer. See To Empower.

IMPRACTICABI'LITY.* n. s. [from impracticable.] Impossibility.

IMPRA'CTICABLE. adj. [impracticable, Fr. in and practicable.

1. Not to be performed; unfeasible; im-

possible. Had there not been still remaining bodies, the

legitimate offsprings of the antediluvian earth, 'twould have been an extravagant and impracticable undertaking to have gone about to determine any thing concerning it.

To preach up the necessity of that which our experience tells us is utterly impracticable, were to affright mankind with the terrible prospect of universal damnation. Rogers.

2. Untractable; unmanageable; stubborn. That fierce impracticable nature

Is govern'd by a dainty-finger'd girl. IMPRA'CTICABLENESS. † n. s. [from impracticable.]

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1. Impossibility.

I do not know a greater mark of an able minister than that of rightly adapting the several faculties of men, nor is any thing more to be lamented than the impracticableness of doing this.

2. Untractableness; stubbornness.

The greatest difficulty in these sieges was from the *impracticableness* of the ground.

Burnet, Hist. of his Own Time, (Q. Anne.)

To I'MPRECATE. v. a. [imprecor, Lat.] To call for evil upon himself or others.

IMPRECA'TION. n. s. [imprecatio, Lat. imprecation, Fr. from imprecate.] Curse; prayer by which any evil is wished to another or himself.

My mother shall the horrid furies raise

With imprecations. Chapman, Odyssey. Sir John Hotham, uncursed by any imprecation of mine, paid his own and his eldest son's heads. King Charles.

With imprecations thus he fill'd the air, And angry Neptune heard th' unrighteous pray'r. Pope.

I'MPRECATORY. adj. [from imprecate.] Con-

taining wishes of evil.

To IMPRE'GN. v. a. [in and prægno, Lat. Lord Monboddo considered this word as coined by Milton; but it was common before his time, though Dr. Johnson found no example earlier than that of the poet.] To fill with young; to fill with any matter or quality; to make pregnant.

The cane did again appear with a linen hanging thereat so grossly impregned, as it promised to be delivered of a most happy burthen.

Shelton, Tr. of D. Quirote, iv. 13.

Semele doth Bacchus bear, Impregn'd of Jove. More, Song of the Soul, i. i. 58.

In her ears the sound Yet rung of his persuasive words, impregn'd With reason, to her seeming. Millon, P. L. The unfruitful rock itself, impregn'd by thee, Forms lucid stones.

IMPRE'GNABLE. adj. [imprenable, Fr.] 1. Not to be stormed; not to be taken.

Two giants kept themselves in a castle, seated upon the top of a rock, impregnable, because there was no coming to it but by one narrow path, where one man's force was able to keep down an

Let us be back'd with God, and with the seas, Which he hath given for fence impregnable, And with their helps alone defend ourselves.

Shakspeare.

Hast thou not him, and all Which he calls his, inclosed with a wall Of strength impregnable? Sandus.

There the capitol thou see'st, Above the rest lifting his stately head On the Tarpeian rock, her citadel

Impregnable. Milton, P. R. 2. Unshaken; unmoved; unaffected; in-

vincible. The man's affection remains wholly unconcerned and impregnable; just like a rock, which, being plied continually by the waves, still throws them

back again, but is not at all moved. South. IMPRE'GNABLY. adv. [from impregnable.] In such a manner as to defy force or

hostility. A castle strongly seated on a high rock, joineth by an isthmus to the land, and is impregnably for-

To IMPRE'GNATE. v. a. [in and prægno, Lat.

tified.

1. To fill with young; to make prolifick.

Hermaphrodites, although they include the parts of both sexes, cannot impregnate themselves. Browns

Christianity is of so prolifick a nature, so apt to impregnate the hearts and lives of its proselytes, that it is hard to imagine that any branch should want a due fertility. Decay of Piety. 2. [impregner, Fr.] To fill; to saturate.

To IMPRE'GNATE. * v. n. To become preg-

Were they, like Spanish jennets, to impregnate by the winds, they could not have thought on a more proper invention. Addison, Spect. No. 127.

IMPRE'GNATE † adj. [from the verb.] Impre'GNATE † adj. [from the verb.] Impre'Spect No. 127. pregnated; made prolific.

The soul hereby grows (as it were) big, and impregnate with a temptation. South, Serm. vi. 155.
With native earth their blood the monsters

mix'd;

The blood, endu'd with animating heat, Did in the impregnate earth new sons beget. Druden.

IMPREGNA'TION. n. s. [from impregnate.] 1. The act of making prolifick; fecundation.

They ought to refer matters unto counsellors, which is the first begetting or impregnation; but when they are elaborate in the womb of their counsel, and grow ripe to be brought forth, then they take the matter back into their own hands.

2. That with which any thing is impreg-

nated. What could implant in the body such peculiar impregnations, as should have such power?

Derham, Phys. Theol. 3. [Impregnation, Fr.] Saturation.

Ainsworth. IMPREJU'DICATE. adj. [in, præ, and judico, Lat.] Unprejudiced; not prepossessed; impartial.

The solid reason of one man with imprejudicate apprehensions, begets as firm a belief as the authority or aggregated testimony of many hundreds.

IMPREPARA'TION. n. s. fin and preparation.] Unpreparedness; want of prepar-

Impreparation and unreadiness when they find in us, they turn it to the soothing up of themselves. Hooker.

It is our infidelity, our impreparation, that makes death any other than advantage IMPRESCRI'PTIBLE.* adj. [old French, im-

Bp. Hall, Contempl. B. 4.

prescriptible.] Without the compass of prescription; by no length of time to be aliened or lost. Such is Cotgrave's translation of imprescriptible. Coles gives the same definition of the word as an not modern in our language; though perhaps it was little regarded, till the late French democratical revolutionists had appended their's to words, the true import of which they grossly violated, "the rights of men and citizens." It ap-

pears to have been forgotten, when Johnson compiled his dictionary The end of every political association is the preservation of the natural and imprescriptible rights of man.

Nares, Rev. of the Fr. Decl., &c. Ess. (1810,) ii. 156.

To IMPRE'SS. † v. a. [impresser, old Fr. to print; impressum, Lat.

1. To print by pressure; to stamp. When God from earth form'd Adam in the East, He his own image on the clay imprest. Denham.

The conquering chief his foot imprest On the strong neck of that destructive beast. Dryden, Ovid.

2. To fix deep. We should dwell upon the arguments, and im-

press the motives of persuasion upon our own hearts, till we feel the force of them. Watts. 3. To mark; as impressed by a stamp.

So foul and ugly, that exceeding fear Their visages imprest, when they approached near. Spenser, F. Q.

now spoken and written press.
[His] age has charms in it, [his] title more,

To pluck the common bosom on his side, And turn our impress'd lances in our eyes Which do command them. Shakspeare, K. Leer.

Macbeth shall never vanquish'd be, until Great Burnam-wood to Dunsinane's high hill Shall come against him.

- That will never be;

Who can impress the forest, bid the tree

Unfix his earth-bound root? Shakspeare. Ormond should contribute all he could for the making those levies of men, and for impressing of Clarendon.

I'mpress. n. s. [from the verb. Johnson places the accent on the last syllable, according to the ancient pronunciation; but it is now most frequently placed on the first.] 1. Mark made by pressure.

This weak impress of love is as a figure Trenched in ice, which with an hour's heat

Dissolves to water. Shakspeare, Two Gent. of Ver. They having taken the impresses of the insides of these shells with that exquisite niceness, as to express even the finest lineaments of them. Woodward, Nat. Hist.

2. Effects of one substance or another.

How objects are represented to myself I cannot be ignorant; but in what manner they are received, and what impresses they make upon the differing organs of another, he only knows that feels them. Glanville, Scepsis.

3. Mark of distinction; stamp. God, surveying the works of the creation, leaves us this general impress or character upon them, that they were exceeding good.

4. Device; motto. [impresa, Italian. And so our own word was formerly written either impresa or imprese.

Impresas, and devices rare, Of all her gallant knights.

Peacham, Min. Brit. (1612).

A gulling imprese for you at tilt. B. Jonson, Epigr. 73.

Imblazon'd shields, Impreses quaint, caparisons and steeds.

Milton, P.L.

English one, Dict. 1685. It therefore is 5. Act of forcing any into service; compulsion; seizure. Now commonly press. Ajax was here the voluntary, and you as under Shakspeare, Troil. and Cress. an immess. Why such impress of shipwrights, whose sore

> Does not divide the Sunday from the week. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

Your ships are not well mann'd; Your mariners are muliteers, reapers, people Ingrost by swift impress.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop.

6. Impression; image fixed in the mind. That he should give himself up to meer inconsiderate imaginations, and casual impresses, chusing them for his guide, because they are the strongest, More, Conj. Cabb. (1653.) p. 243. not truest!

IMPRESSIBI'LITY.* n. s. [from impressible.] Capability of being impressed.

They [blue eyes] are sure signs of a tender im- | IMPRE'VALENCY.* n. s. [in and prevalence.] | pressibility, and sympathising disposition.

Philosoph. Lett. on Physiognomy, (1751,) p. 229. IMPRE'SSIBLE. adj. [in and pressum, Lat.]

That may be impressed.

The differences of impressible and not impressible, figurable and not figurable, are plebeian no-Bacon, Nat. Hist.

IMPRE'SSION. n. s. [impressio, Lat.; impression, Fr.]

1. The act of pressing one body upon another.

Sensation is such an impression or motion, made in some part of the body, as produces some perception in the understanding.

2. Mark made by pressure; stamp. Like to a chaos, or unlick'd bear whelp, That carries no impression like the dam.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

3. Image fixed in the mind.

Were the offices of religion stript of all the external decencies, they would not make a due impression on the mind. Atterbury. The false representations of the kingdom's ene-

mies had made some impression in the mind of the successor. 4. Efficacious agency; operation; influ-

The king had made him high sheriff of Sussex, that he might the better make impression upon that Clarendon.

We lie open to the impressions of flattery, which we admit without scruple, because we think we Atterbury.

Universal gravitation is above all mechanism, and proceeds from a divine energy and impression.

There is a real knowledge of material things, when the thing itself, and the real action and impression thereof on our senses, is perceived. Cheyne. 5. Effect of an attack.

Such a defeat of near two hundred horse, seconded with two thousand foot, may surely endure a comparison with any of the bravest impressions in ancient times. Wolton.

6. Edition; number printed at once; one course of printing.

To be distracted with many opinions, makes men to be of the last impression, and full of change.

Bacon For ten impressions, which his works have had in so many years, at present a hundred books are scarcely purchased once a twelvemonth. Dryden. IMPRE'SSIVE.* adj. [from impress.]

1. Capable of being impressed; suscept-

A soft and impressive fancy.

Spencer on Prodigies, (1665,) p. 75. No men more subject to such delusions, than men of devout affectious, if of strong fancies, impressive tempers, and weak intellectuals.

Spencer, Van. of Vulg. Proph. p. 70. 2. Capable of making impression; as, an impressive discourse.

IMPRE'SSIVELY.* adv. [from impressive.] In a powerful or impressive manner.

IMPRE'SSIVENESS.* n. s. [from impressive.] The quality of being impressive.

IMPRE'SSURE. n. s. [from impress.] The mark made by pressure; the dint; the impression.

Lean but upon a rush, The cicatrice and capable impressure

Thy palm some moments keeps.

Shakspeare, As you like it. I'mprest.* n. s. [imprestanza, Ital. from imprestare, to lend or give before hand. A kind of earnest money; money advanced; a loan.

Incapability of prevailing.

That nothing can separate God's elect from his everlasting love, he proves it by induction of the most powerful agents, and triumphs in the impotence and imprevalence of them all.

Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 276.

IMPRIMA'TUR.* n. s. [Latin.] A word formerly at the beginning of books, signifying let it be printed; a licence to print.

Sometimes five imprimaturs are seen together dialogue-wise in the piatza of one title-page. Milton, Areopagitica.

With what zeal and outrage have you asserted its [the press's] liberty from the bondage of imprimaturs, and the inquisition of prelates!

Bp. Parker, Repr. of Rehears. Transpr. p. 191.

Thus shall my title pass a sacred seal, Receive an imprimatur from above,

While angels shout, An infidel reclaim'd!

Young, Night Th. 7.

IMPRI'MERY.* n. s. [Fr. imprimerie.] A print, or impression; also a printinghouse, or the art of printing. You have those conveniencies for a great imprimerie, which other universities cannot boast of.

Ld. Arlington to Oxford University. IMPRI'MIS.* adv. [Latin.] First of all.

To IMPRI'NT. + v. a. [imprimer, Fr.] 1. To mark upon any substance by pres-

One and the same seal, imprinted upon pieces of wax of different colours.

Holder, Elem. of Speech. Having surveyed the image of God in the soul of man, we are not to omit those characters of majesty that God imprinted upon the body. South.

She amidst his spacious meadows flows; Inclines her urn upon his fatten'd lands, And sees his num'rous herds imprint her sands.

2. To stamp words upon paper by the use of types.

One of the said books so translated and imprinted may be had for every cathedral. Act for Unif. of Pub. Prayers, 14 Chas. II. ch. iv.

To fix on the mind or memory.

There is a kind of conveying of effectual and imprinting passages, amongst compliments, which is of singular use.

We have all those ideas in our understandings which we can make the objects of our thoughts, without the help of those sensible qualities which first imprinted them.

Retention is the power to revive again in our minds those ideas, which, after imprinting, have disappeared. Locke.

By familiar acquaintance he has got the ideas of those two different things distinctly *imprinted* on

4. To IMPRINT in is less proper.

When we set before our eyes a round globe, the idea, imprinted in our mind is of a flat circle, variously shadowed.

I'mprint.* n. s. Designation of place, where a work is printed; "the imprint," as it is called in technical language, " E Typographeo Clarendoniano," or "At the Clarendon Press." Brit. Crit. Feb.

To IMPRI'SON. v. a. [emprisonner, Fr. in and prison.] To shut up; to confine; to keep from liberty; to restrain in place. He imprison'd was in chains remediless

For that Hyppolitus' rent corse he did redress. Spenser, F. Q.

Now we are in the street, he first of all, Improvidently proud, creeps to the wall; And so imprison'd and hemm'd in by me, Sells for a little state his liberty.

Try to imprison the resistless wind; So swift is guilt, so hard to be confin'd. Dryden. If a man imprisons himself in his closet, and employs reason to find out the nature of the corporeal world, without experiments, he will frame a scheme of chimeras.

It is not improbable, that all the virtual heat in the juices of vegetables, metals, and minerals may be owing to the action of the imprisoned rays. Cheyne.

IMPRI'SONMENT. n. s. [emprisonnement, Fr. from imprison. Confinement; clausure; state of being shut in prison. It may be written emprisonment.

His sinews waxen weak and raw, Through long imprisonment and hard constraint.

Spenser, F. Q. Which shall I first bewail, Thy bondage or lost sight?

Thou art become, O worst imprisonment! Milton, S. A. The dungeon of thyself. From retentive cage

When sullen Philomel escapes, her notes She varies, and of past imprisonnent Sweetly complains.

Count Serini, still close prisoner in this castle, lost his senses by his long imprisonment and af-

It is well if they don't fix the brand of heresy on the man who is leading them out of their long imprisonment, and loosening the fetters of their Watts on the Mind.

IMPROBABI'LITY. n. s. [from improbable.] Unlikelihood; difficulty to be believed. The difficulty and the improbability of attempting this successfully, is great. As to the improbabilities of a spirit appearing,

I boldly answer him, that a heroick poet is not tied to the bare representation of what is true, or exceeding probable.

IMPRO'BABLE. adj. [improbable, Fr. improbabilis, Lat. in and probable. 7 Unlikely; incredible.

This account of party patches will appear improbable to those who live at a distance from the fashionable world.

Impro'bably. adv. [from improbable.] 1. Without likelihood.

2. In a manner not to be approved. Ob-

Aristotle tells us, if a drop of wine be put into ten thousand measures of water, the wine being

overpowered, will be turned into water: he speaks very improbably. To I'MPROBATE. v. a. [in and probo.

Lat.] Not to approve. Ainsworth. IMPROBA'TION. n. s. [improbatio, Lat. improbation, Fr.] Act of disallowing.

Ainsworth.

IMPRO'BITY. n. s. [improbitas, improbus, Lat.] Want of honesty; dishonesty; baseness.

He was perhaps excommunicable, yea, and cast out for notorious improbity. We balance the improbity of the one with the L'Estrange. improbity of the other.

IMPROFI'CIENCE. † n. s. [in and proficience.] Want of improvement.

This misplacing hath caused a deficience, or at least a great improficience, in the sciences them-Bacon, Adv. of Learning, B. 2.

IMPRO'FITABLE.* adj. [in and profitable.] Not profitable; vain.

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Secrete pastimes, privie dalyaunce, or other improfitable or wanton conditions.

Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 87.
A grave satire was sometimes no improfitable way of reproof.

Burnet, Life of Ld. Rochester, p. 25.

To IMPROLI'FICATE. v. a. [in and prolifick.] To impregnate; to fecundate. A word not used.

A difficulty in eggs is, how the sperm of the cock improlificates and makes the oval conception fruitful.

Brown.

IMPROLI'FICK.* adj. [in and prolifick.]
Not prolifick; unfruitful.

Men of gallant emulations will not cloy their souls with studies dull and unprolifick.

Waterhouse, Apol. for Learn. (1653,) p. 91.

IMPRO'MPTU* n. s. [French.] A brief extemporaneous, and often merry or witty, composition.

These [verses] were made extempore, and were as the French call them impromptus.

Dryden, Progr. of Satire.

IMPRO PER. adj. [impropre, Fr. improprius, Lat.]

1. Not well adapted; unqualified.

As every science requires a peculiar genius, so likewise there is a genius peculiarly improper for every one.

Burnet.

2. Unfit; not conducive to the right end.

The methods used in an original disease would be very *improper* in a gouty case.

Arbuthnot on Diet.

3. Not just; not accurate.

He disappear'd, was rarify'd;

For 'tis improper speech to say he dy'd:
He was exhal'd.

IMPRO'PERLY. adv. [from improper.]

1. Not fitly; incongruously.
2. Not justly; not accurately.

Inot justly; not accurately.

Improperly we measure life by breath;
Such do not truly live who merit death.

Dryden, Juv.

They assuring me of their assistance in correcting my faults where I spoke improperty, I was encouraged.

Dryden.

IMPRO'PERTY.* See IMPROPRIETY.

IMPROPI'TIOUS.* adj. [in and propitious.]
Unfavourable; not propitious.
I am sorry to hear in the mean time, that your

I am sorry to hear in the mean time, that your dreams were *impropitious*.

Woiton, Lett. (1638,) Rem. p. 574. IMPROPO'RTIONABLE.* adj. [in and proportionable.] Unfit; not proportion-

I am a rhinoceros, if I had thought a creature of her symmetry could have dared so improportionable and abrupt a digression.

B. Jonson, Cynthia's Revels.

IMPROPO'RTIONATE.** adj. [in and proportionate.] Not adjusted to.

The cavity is improportionate to the head.

To IMPRO'PRIATE.† v. a. [in and proprius, Lat.]

1. To convert to private use; to seize to himself.

For the pardon of the rest, the king thought it not fit it should pass by parliament; the better, being matter of grace, to impropriate the thanks to himself.

Bacon, Hen. VII.
A supercilious tyranny, impropriating the spirit

of God to themselves.

The magistrate is wont to ingross and impropriate this scripture to himself. Hales, Rem. p. 130.

To put the possessions of the church into the hands of laicks.

Those impropriated livings, which have now no stelled endowment, and are therefore called not vicarages, but perpetual or sometimes arbitrary curacies; they are such, as belonged formerly to those orders who could serve the cure of them in their own persons, as the canons regular of the order of St. Austin; which being afterwards devolved into the hands of laymen, they hired poor curates to serve them, at the cheapest rate they could.

**Winstein Specimen of Paramat's Paramat's Tenner (1608) 20 67.

Wharton, Specimen of Burnet's Errors, (1693,) p.67.
IMPRO'PRIATE.* adj. [from the verb.] Devolved into the hands of laick.

Mrs. Gulston being possessed of the *impropriate* parsonage of Bardwell in Suffolk, did procure

parsonage of Bardwell in Suffolk, did procure from the king leave to annex the same to the vicarage.

MPROPRIATION 1. 1. 5. [from impropriate.]

IMPROPRIA'TION.† n. s. [from impropriate.]
1. Exclusive possession.

The Gnosticks had, as they deemed, the impropriation of all divine knowledge.

Loe, Bliss of Br. Beauty, (1614,) p. 29.
2. Alienation of the possessions of the church.

An impropriation is properly so called when the church land is in the hands of a layman; and an appropriation is when it is in the hands of a bishop, college, or religious house, though sometimes these terms are confounded.

Apliffe, Parergon.

terms are confounded.

Having an impropriation in his estate, he took a course to dispose of it for the augmentation of the vicarage.

Spelman.

IMPRO'PRIATOR. † n. s. [from impropriate.]

1. One who seizes to himself.

I should condemn any man for a most unconscionable incloser and impropriator, that should take upon himself to give another leave to speak or write this or the like, which is as common for every one

as the air which we breathe.

Dean Martin's Letters, (1662,) p. 23.

2. A layman that has the possession of the

lands of the church.

Where the vicar leases his glebe, the tenant must pay the great tythes to the rector or impropriator.

Ayliffe, Parergon.

IMPROPRI'ETY.† n. s. [improprieté, Fr. from improprius, Lat. Anciently our word was improperty; as property was also used for propriety. "Improperty, when a word is brought into the talke having nothyng at al his owne proper signification." Sherrye, &c. fol. vi. b.] Unfitness; unsuitableness; inaccuracy; want of justness.

These mighty ones, whose ambition could suffer them to be called gods, would never be flattered into immortality; but the proudest have been convinced of the impropriety of that appellation.

Brown, Vulg. Err.
Many gross improprieties, however authorised
by practice, ought to be discarded. Suift.
IMPROSPE'RITY.** n. s. [in and prosperity.]

Unhappiness.

Some relicks of this feud — were long after the causes of the one family's almost utter extinction, and of the other's improsperity.

Naunton, Fragment. Regal. Knowles.
IMPRO'SPEROUS. adj. [in and prosperous.] Unhappy; unfortunate; not successful.

This method is in the design probable, how improsperous soever the wickedness of men hath rendered the success of it.

Hammond on Fundamentals.
Our pride seduces us at once into the guilt of bold, and punishment of improsperous rebels.

Decay of Chr. Piety.

Seven revolving years are wholly run,

Since the improsperous voyage we begun.

Dryden, Æn.

Those impropriated livings, which have now no IMPRO'SPEROUSLY.† adv. [from improspettled endowment, and are therefore called not carages, but perpetual or sometimes arbitrary racine; they are such as belonged formerly to cessfully; with ill fortune.

Thus like a rose by some unkindly blast, 'Mongst many buds that round about it grow, The withering leaves improsperously doth cast, Whilst all the rest their sovereign beauties shew: Amidst this goodly sisterhood even so, Nipt with cold death untimely did I fade.

This experiment has been but very improsperously attempted.

Boyle.

Impro'sperousness.* n. s. [from improsperous.] Unhappiness; ill fortune.

That the improsperousness, ruin, perhaps of a whole kingdom, should be imputable to one such sin.

Hammond, Works, iv. 513.

The effect of these threatenings of God we daily see in the strange improsperousness of ill gotten estates. Whole Duty of Man, xii. § 19.

IMPROVABI'LITY.* n. s. [from improvable.]
Capability of improvement.

IMPRO'VABLE. adj. [from improve.] Capable of being advanced from a good to a better state; capable of melioration.
Adventures in knowledge are laudable, and the

essays of weaker heads afford improvable hints unto better.

Brown.

We have stock enough, and that too of so im-

provable a nature, that is, capable of infinite advancement.

Decay of Piety.

Man is accommodated with moral principles,

improvable by the exercise of his faculties.

Hale, Orig, of Mankind.

Animals are not improvable beyond their proper genius: a dog will never learn to mew, nor a cat to bark.

Grew.

I have a fine spread of improvable lands, and am already planting woods and draining marshes. Addison, Spect.

IMPRO'VABLENESS.† n. s. [from improvable.] Capableness of being made better. Of the improvableness of attrition into contrition. Hammond, Works, i. 479.

IMPRO'VABLY. adv. [from improvable.] In a manner that admits of melioration.

To IMPROVE. v. a. [in and probus: "Quasi probum facere." Skinner.]

To advance any thing nearer to perfection; to raise from good to better.
We amend a bad, but improve a good thing. Dr. Johnson.— But it is also used in the general meaning of augmentation, without any reference to perfection. See the next sense.

I love not to improve the honour of the living by impairing that of the dead. Denham. Heaven seems improv'd with a superior ray, And the bright arch reflects a double day. Pope.

2. To augment; to encrease. Not noticed

by any of our lexicographers.

Some unhappy suits in law, and waste of his fortune in those suits, made some impression upon his mind, which being improved by domestick affictions, and those indulgences to himself which naturally attend those afflictions, rendered his age

less reverenced than his youth had been.

Ld. Clarendon, Life, i. 32.

This ill principle, which being thus habitually improved, and from personal corruptions spreading into general and national, is the cause of all the mischiefs and disorders, publick and private, which trouble and infest the world, is to be altered and corrected only by discipline. South, Serm. v, 17,

 [In and prove; improver, Fr. improbo, Latin.] To disprove; to censure. Now disused. Though the prophet Jeremy was unjustly accused, yet doth not that improve any thing that I have said.

Whiteift.

To IMPRO'VE. v. n. To advance in good-

We take care to improve in our frugality and diligence; virtues which become us, particularly in times of war.

Atterburg.

in times of war.

IMPRO'VEMENT: n. s. [from improve.

Norm. Fr. improwment.]

1. Melioration; advancement of any thing from good to better.

Some virtues tend to the preservation of health, and others to the *improvement* and security of estates.

2. Act of improving; something added or changed for the better: sometimes with on.

The parts of Sinon, Camilla, and some few others, are improvements on the Greek poet.

Addison, Spect.

3. Progress from good to better.

There is a design of publishing the history of architecture, with its several improvements and decays.

Addison.

4. Progress in any respect; encrease. When the corruption of men's manners, by the habitual improvement of this vicious principle, comes from personal to be general and universal, so as to diffuse and spread itself over a whole community; it naturally and directly tends to the ruin

prevails. South, Serm. v. 17. 5. Instruction; edification.

I look upon your city as the best place of improvement: from the school we go to the university, but from the universities to London.

South.

and subversion of the government, where it so

6. Effect of melioration.

Love is the greatest of human affections, and friendship the noblest and most refined improvement of love.

South.

IMPRO'VER. n. s. [from improve.]

1. One that makes himself or any thing else better.

They were the greatest improvers of those qualifications with which courts used to be adorned.

Clarendon.

The first started ideas have been examined, and

many effectually confuted by the late improvers of this way.

Locke.

Homer is like a skilful improver, who places a

beautiful statue so as to answer several vistas.

2. Any thing that meliorates.

Chalk is a very great improver of most lands.

Improvi'ded. adj. [improvisus, Lat. imprevu, Fr.] Unforeseen; unexpected; unprovided against.

She suborned hath This crafty messenger with letters vain,

To work new woe, and improvided scath, By breaking off the band betwixt us twain.

Snenser.

IMPRO'VIDENCE. n. s. [from improvident.]
Want of forethought; want of caution.
Men would escape floods by running up to
mountains; and though some might perish through

mountains; and though some might perish through improvidence, many would escape. Hale. The improvidence of my neighbour must not make me inhuman. L'Estrange.

IMPRO'VIDENT. adj. [improvidus, Lat.]
Wanting forecast; wanting care to provide.

Improvident soldiers, had your watch been good, This sudden mischief never could have fall'n.

When men well have fed, the blood being warm, Then are they most improvident of harm. Daniel. I shall conclude this digression, and return to the time when that brisk and improvident resolution was taken.

Clarendon.

This were an improvident revenge in the young ones, whereby they must destroy themselves.

Impro'vidently.† adv. [from improvident.] Without forethought; without care.

Distracted in her course, improvidently rash.

Drayton, Polyolb. S. 12.

Now we are in the street, he first of all, Improvidently proud, creeps to the wall; And so imprison'd, and hemm'd in by me,

Sells for a little state his liberty.

Donne, Poems, p. 120.

We, in the stupidity of atheistical hearts, are so improvidently covetous. Hammond, Works, iv.674.

IMPROVI'SION. n. s. [in and provision.]

Want of forethought.

Her improvision would be justly accusable.

IMPRU'DENCE.† n. s. [imprudence, French, imprudentia, Lat.] Want of prudence; indiscretion; negligence; inattention to interest.

Where good with bad were match'd, who of themselves

Abhor to join; and, by imprudence mix'd, Produce prodigious births of body or mind.

IMPRU'DENT. adj. [imprudent, French, imprudens, Lat.] Wanting prudence; injudicious; indiscreet; negligent.

There is no such imprudent person as he that neglects God and his soul.

Tillotson.

IMPRU'DENTLY.* adv. [from imprudent.]
Without prudence; indiscreetly.

I'MPUDENCE.† n. s. [impudence, French, I'MPUDENCY.] impudentia, Lat. "Impudence in an Englishman is sullen and insolent; in a Scotchman it is untractable and rapacious; in an Irishman, absurd and fawning." Spect. No. 20.] Shamelessness; immodesty.

I ne'er heard yet
That any of these bolder vices wanted
Less impudence to gainsay what they did,

Than to perform it first. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

A woman, if she maintain her husband, is full of anger, impudency, and much reproach.

Ecclus. xxv. 22.

Nor did Noah's infirmity justify Cham's impudency, or exempt him for that curse of being servant of servants.

King Charles.

Those clear truths, that either their own evi-

dence forces us to admit, or common experience makes it impudence to deny.

Locke.

I'MPUDENT. adj. [impudent, Fr. impudents, Lat.]

1. Shameless; wanting modesty.

It is not a confident brow, nor the throng of words that come with such more than impudent sawciness from you, can thrust me from a level consideration.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

When we behold an angel, not to fear,

Is to be impudent. Dryden, Span. Friar.

2. Unchaste; immodest.

I'MPUDENTLY. adv. [from impudent.] Shamelessly; without modesty.

At once assail
With open mouths, and impudently rail. Sundys,
Why should soft Fabius impudently bear
Names gain'd by conquest in the Gallick war?
Why lays he claim to Hercules his strain,

Yet dares be base, effeminate, and vain? Dryden. IMPUDI'CITY.* n.s. [impudicité, Fr. impudicitia, Lat.] Immodesty.

They are so unacquainted with Rome's impurities and impudicities.

Sheldon, Mir. of Antichr. (1616,) p. 18.
That usual pride, levity, or impudicity, which
they observed or suspected in many.

Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 115.
To IMPU'GN.† v. a. [impugner, Fr. impugno, Lat.] To attack; to assault by law or argument: to oppose; to resist.
You say, that in the olde church the truth of

this mistery was never impugned openly.

Also, Cranmer, Answ. to Bp. Gardiner, p. 203.

To knights of great emprise

The charge of Justice given was in trust, That they might execute her judgments wise, And with their might beat downe licentious Lust, Which proudly did impugne her sentence just.

Spenser, F. Q. Of a strange nature is the suit you follow; Yet in such rule, that the Venetian law

Cannot impugn you. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven.
Wise and careful commanders do not only cast
how to impugne, oppress, and annoy an enemy,
but also how to remove those helps which might
be advantageous to him in his siege.

Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 248.
St. Hierom reporteth, that he saw one of these in his time; but the truth hereof I will not rashly impugn, or over-boldly affirm.

I cannot think myself engaged to discourse of lots, as to their nature, use, and allowableness; and that not only in matters of moment and business, but also of recreation, which is impugned by some, though better defended by others. South. IMPUGNA'TION.* n. s. [from impugn. Fr. impugnation.] Opposition; resistance.

The fifth is a perpetual impugnation, and self-conflict; either part labouring to oppose and vanquish the other. Bp. Hall, Of Contentation, §18.

IMPU'GNER.† n. s. [from impugn.] One

that attacks or invades.

To defend them from the pretended slanders of their impugners. Fulke against Allen, (1586,) p.354. The impugners of our English church.

Bp. Morton, Episcop. Asserted, p. 2.
Leaving excuseless those his wilful impugners.
Milton, Apol. for Smectymnuus.

IMPUI'SSANCE. n. s. [French.] Impotence; inability; weakness; feebleness. As he would not trust Ferdinando and Max-

As he would not trust Ferdinando and Maximilian for supports of war, so the impulsance of the one, and the double proceeding of the other, lay fair for him for occasions to accept of peace. Bacon, Hen. VII.

PMPULSE.† n. s. [impulsus, Lat. Formerly the accent was on the last syllable; it is now constantly on the first.]
1. Communicated force; the effect of one

body acting upon another.

If these little *impulses* set the great wheels of devotion on work, the largeness and height of that shall not at all be prejudiced by the smallness of its occasion.

South.

Bodies produce ideas in us manifestly by imulse. Locke. Bodies, from the impulse of a fluid, can only ravitate in proportion to their surfaces, and not

gravitate in proportion to their surfaces, and not according to their quantity of matter, which is contrary to experience.

Cheyne.

2. Influence acting upon the mind; motive; idea impressed.

Mean time, by Jove's impulse, Mezentius arm'd, Succeeded Turnus.

Dryden.
These were my natural impulses for the under-

taking; but there was an accidental motive, which was full as forcible.

Dryden.

Moses saw the bush burn without being consumed, and heard a voice out of it: this was something, besides finding an *impulse* upon his mind to go to Pharaoh, that he might bring his brethren out of Egypt.

Locke.

3. Hostile impression.

Like two great rocks against the raging tide, Unmov'd the two united chiefs abide,

Sustain th' impulse, and receive the war. IMPU'LSION. 7 n. s. simpulsion, French, im- 2. Contrary to sanctity; unhallowed; unpulsus, Lat.]

The agency of body in motion upon

body.

The motion in the minute parts of any solid body passeth without sound; for that sound that is heard sometimes is produced only by the breaking of the air, and not by the impulsion of Bacon, Nat. Hist. the air.

To the impulsion there is requisite the force of the body that moveth, and the resistance of the body that is moved; and if the body be too great, it yieldeth too little; and if it be too small, it resisteth too little. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

The first beginning of all those motions, so moved by others, can be nothing else but only the impulsion of that one first Mover, which moveth of Fotherby, Atheom. p. 225. himself.

Influences, impulsions, or inclinations, — from e lights above.

Brown, Chr. Mor. iii. 7. the lights above. 2. Influence operating upon the mind.

My keeper with compassion mov'd to see, How grief's impulsions in my breast did beate, Thus silence broke. Mir. for Mag. p. 652.

But thou didst plead Divine impulsion, prompting how thou might'st Find some occasion to infest our foes. Milt. S. A. He always opposed, upon the impulsion of con-

science, all mutations in the church. Ld. Clarendon, Life, i. 97.

IMPU'LSIVE. adj. [impulsif, Fr. from impulse.] Having the power of impulse; moving; impellant.

Nature and duty bind him to obedience; But those being placed in a lower sphere, His fierce ambition, like the highest mover, Has hurried with a strong impulsive motion

Against their proper course. Denham, Sophy.
What is the fountain or impulsive cause of this prevention of sin? It is perfectly free grace.

Poor men! poor papers! we and they Do some impulsive force obey,

And are but play'd with, do not play. Prior. IMPU'LSIVE.* n. s. Impellant cause or

reason. Notwithstanding all which motives and impulsives, Sir Thomas Overbury refused to be sent

abroad. Wotton, Rem. p. 409. IMPU'LSIVELY.* adv. [from impulsive.] By

The two ladies seemed much affected, and impulsively at the same time they both put their hands into their pockets.

IMPU'NIBLY.* adv. [from impunity.] Without punishment.

Xenophon represents the opinion of Socrates, that - no man impunibly violates a law established by the gods.

Ellis, Knowledge of Divine Things, p. 65.

IMPU'NITY. n. s. [impunité, Fr. impunitas, Lat.] Freedom from punishment; exemption from punishment.

In the condition of subjects they will gladly continue, as long as they may be protected and justly governed, without oppression on the one side, or impunity on the other.

A general impunity would confirm them; for the vulgar will never believe, that there is a crime where they see no penalty. Addison, Freeholder.

Men, potent in the commonwealth, will employ

their illgotten influence towards procuring impunity, or extorting undue favours for themselves or dependents.

IMPU'RE. adj. [impur, Fr. impurus, Lat.] 1. Defiled with guilt; unholy: of men.

No more can impure man retain and move In that pure region of a worthy love, Than earthly substance can unforc'd aspire, And leave his nature to converse with fire. Donne.

holy : of things.

Hypocrites austerely talk, Condemning as impure what God has made Pure, and commands to some, leaves free to all. Milton, P. L.

3. Unchaste.

If black scandal, or foul fac'd reproach, Attend the sequel of your imposition, Your meer enforcement shall acquittance me

From all the impure blots and stains thereof. Shaksneare. One could not devise a more proper hell for an impure spirit, than that which Plato has touched

4. Feculent: foul with extraneous mix-

tures; drossy. To IMPU'RE.* v. a. [from the adjective.]

To render foul or impure; to defile. That other imundation scoured the world, this impures it. Bp. Hall, Serm. Works, ii. 269.

IMPU'RELY. adv. [from impure.] With impurity.

Impu'reness.† 7 n. s. [impureté, Fr. impuritas, Lat. from im-IMPU'RITY.

Want of sanctity; want of holiness. The soul of a man grown to an inward and real

impurity. Milton, Doct. and Disc. of Div. B. 2. ch. 6. The act of a substantial impureness committed.

2. Act of unchastity. Foul impurities reigned among the monkish

clergy. Atterbury, Serm. 3. Base admixture. The impureness of mixed posterity.

Feltham, Res. i. 85. 4. Feculent admixture.

Cleanse the alimentary duct by vomiting and clysters; the impurities of which will be carried into the blood.

To Impu'rple. v. a. [imporporare, Ital. empourprer, Fr. See To EMPURPLE. But our old lexicography writes it impurple. See Sherwood's Dict. 7 make red; to colour as with purple.

Now in loose garlands, thick thrown off, the bright

Pavement, that like a sea of jasper shone, Impurpled with celestial roses smil'd. Milt. P. L. Impu'table.† adj. [from impute.]

 Chargeable upon any one; that of which one may be accused.

It is rather imputable to that prudent modesty which so much becomes every sober woman.

Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 168. That first sort of foolishness is imputable to

2. Accusable; chargeable with a fault. Not proper.

If the wife departs from her husband, through any default of his, as on the account of cruelty, then he shall be compelled to allow her alimony; for the law deems her to be a dutiful wife as long as the fault lies at his door, and she is in nowise Ayliffe, Parergon.

IMPU'TABLENESS. n. s. [from imputable.] The quality of being imputable.

'Tis necessary to the imputableness of an action, that it be avoidable.

IMPUTA'TION. n. s. [imputation, Fr. from impute.]

11. Attribution of any thing; generally of

Trust to me, Ulysses; Our imputation shall be oddly pois'd

In this wild action. Shakspeare, Tr. and Cress. If a son that is sent by his father about merchandize, do fall into some lewd action, the imputation of his wickedness, by your rule, should be imposed upon his father. Shakspeare.

To use intellections and volitions in the infinite essence, as hypotheses, is allowable; but a rigorous imputation is derogatory to him, and arrogant Glanville, Scepsis.

I have formerly said that I could distinguish your writings from those of any others; 'tis now time to clear myself from any imputation of selfconceit on that subject.

2. Sometimes of good.

If I had a suit to master Shallow, I would humour his men with the imputation of being near their master. Shakspeare.

3. Censure; reproach.

Whatsoever happens, they also the least feel that scourge of vulgar imputation, which notwithstanding they deserve. Hooker.

Let us be careful to guard ourselves against these groundless imputations of our enomies, and to rise above them. Addison. Neither do I reflect upon the memory of his

late majesty, whom I entirely acquit of any imputation upon this matter.

4. Hint; slight notice. Antonio is a good man.

- Have you heard any imputation to the contrary?

- No, no; my meaning is to have you understand me that he is sufficient. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven.

IMPU'TATIVE. † adj. [from impute.] That may impute.

In all things righteousness, acceptation, or sanctification, is free and imputative.

Tr. of Bullinger's Serm. p. 1052. The fourth is the imputative righteousness of Christ, either exploded or not rightly understood.

Nelson, Life of Bp. Bull. IMPU'TATIVELY. * adv. [from imputative.]

By imputation; attributively. Sarah made choice of a slave, rather than a free

woman, to bring to her husband's bed, that the child, which the slave might happen to bear, might imputatively, at least, be accounted hers

Stackhouse, Hist. of the Bib. B. 3. ch. 1.

To IMPU'TE. v. a. [imputer, Fr. imputo, Lat.]

1. To charge upon; to attribute: generally ill; sometimes good.

It was imputed to him for righteousness.

Rom. iv. 22. Men in their innovations should follow the example of time, which innovateth but quietly, and by degrees scarce to be perceived, for otherwise whatsoever is new and unlooked for, ever mends some, and impairs others; and he that is holpen takes it for a fortune, and thanks the time; and he that is hurt for a wrong, imputeth it to the au-Bacon, Essays. thor.

I made it by your persuasion, to satisfy those who imputed it to folly.

Impute your dangers to our ignorance. Dryd. This obscurity cannot be imputed to want of language in so great a master of stile. Locke. I have read a book imputed to Lord Bathurst, called a Dissertation on Parties.

Swift. 2. To reckon to one what does not pro-

perly belong to him. Thy merit

Imputed shall absolve them who renounce Their own both righteous and unrighteous deeds. Milton, P. L. IMPU'TER. † n. s. [from impute.] One that imputes. Sherwood.

IN. † prep. [in, Lat. in, Sax. in, Gothick.] 1. Noting the place where any thing is present; not without.

In school of love are all things taught we see ; There learn'd this maid of arms the ireful guise.

Is this place here not sufficient strong To guard us in? Daniel, Civil Wars.

2. Noting the state or thing present at any time.

The other is only by errour and misconceit named the ordinance of Jesus Christ: no one proof is yet brought forth, whereby it may clearly appear to be so in very deed. Hooker.

Like one of two contending in a prize, That thinks he hath done well in people's eyes.

Shakspeare. Sir Edmond Courtney, and the haughty pre-

With many more confederates, are in arms.

Danger before, and in, and after the act, You needs must grant, is great. Daniel, Civil Wars. However it be in knowledge, I may truly say it is of no use at all in probabilities; for the assent there, being to be determined by the preponderancy, after a due weighing of all the proofs on both sides, nothing is so unfit to assist the mind

in that as syllogism. Locke. God hath made our eternal and temporal interests, in most cases, very consistent.

Smalridge, Serm. None was so little in their friendships, or so much in that of those whom they had most abused. Dunciad.

3. Noting the time.

When we would consider eternity a parte ante, what do we but, beginning from ourselves and the present time we are in, repeat in our minds the ideas of years or ages past? Locke.

4. Noting power. To feed men's souls, quoth he, is not in man. Spenser, Hubb. Tale.

5. Noting proportion.

Let usury in general be reduced to five in the hundred, and let that rate be proclaimed to be free and current. Bacon.

I cannot but lament the common course, which, at least, nine in ten of those who enter into the ministry are obliged to enter.

6. According to.

In all likelihood I brought all my limbs out of the bed, which, 'tis probable, he has not done off the breach.

7. Concerning.

I only consider what he, who is allowed to have carried this argument farthest, has said in it.

8. For the sake. A solemn phrase. Now in the names of all the gods at once, Upon what meat does this our Cæsar feed, That he is grown so great? Shaks. Jul. Cas. In the name of the people, And in the power of us the tribunes, we

Banish him our city. Shakspeare, Co Now in the name of honour, sir, I beg you Shakspeare, Coriol. That I may see your father's death revenged.

Dryden.

9. Noting cause.

King Henry, be thy title right or wrong, Lord Clifford vows to fight in thy defence.

10. Formerly in the sense of on; which was a common usage, and continued in Milton's time. Wicliffe and Chaucer so use it.

But she againe him in the shield did smite. Spenser, F. Q. iii. iv. 16. And in his necke

Her proud foot setting. Spenser, F. Q. v. iv. 40.
All who in vain things Built their fond hopes of glory.

Milton, P. L. iii. 448.

11. In that. Because.

Some things they do in that they are men; in that they are wise men and christian men, some things; some things in that they are men misled, and blinded with errour.

He cannot brook such disgrace well, as he shall run into; in that it is a thing of his own search.

12. In as much. Since; seeing that. Those things are done voluntarily by us, which

other creatures do naturally, in as much as we might stay our doing of them if we would. Hooker.

1. Within some place; not out.

How infamous is the false, fraudulent, and unconscionable person; especially if he be arrived at that consummate and robust degree of falsehood as to play in and out, and show tricks with oaths, the sacredest bonds which the conscience of man can be bound with.

I fear me, you'll be in till then. Shakspeare.

2. Engaged to any affair.

We know the worst can come: 'tis thought

We cannot shift being in, we must go on. Daniel.

These pragmatical flies value themselves for being in at every thing, and are found at last to be just good for nothing. L'Estrange.

3. Placed in some state.

Poor rogues talk of court news, Who loses and who wins; who's in, who's out, Shakspeare.

Must never patriot then declaim at gin, Unless, good man, he has been fairly in?

4. Noting immediate entrance.

Go to thy fellows; bid them cover the table, serve in the meat, and we will come in to dinner.

He's too big to go in there: what shall I do?
- Let me see't; I'll in, I'll in; follow your friend's advice, I'll in.

Shakspeare, M. Wives of Winds.

5. Into any place.

Next fill the hole with its own earth again, And trample with thy feet, and tread it in.

Is it not more eligible to come in with a smooth gale, than to be tossed at sea with a storm?

In the said cavity lies loose the shell of some sort of bivalve larger than could be introduced in at those holes. Woodward.

6. Close; home.

The posture of left-handed fencers is so different from that of the right-handed, that you run upon their swords if you push forward; and they are in with you, if you offer to fall back without keeping your guard.

7. In has commonly in composition a negative or privative sense, as in the Latin: so, active denotes that which acts, inactive that which does not act. In before r is changed into r; as irregular; before l into l; as illative: and into m before some other consonants; as improbable.

INABI'LITY. n. s. [in and ability.] Impuissance; impotence; want of power.

If no natural nor casual inability cross their desires, they always delighting to inure themselves with actions most beneficial to others, cannot but gather great experience, and through experience the more wisdom.

Neither ignorance nor inability can be pretended, and what plea can we offer to divine justice to prevent condemnation?

INA'BSTINENCE. n. s. [in and abstinence.] Intemperance; want of power to ab-

stain; prevalence of appetite. Diseases dire; of which a monstrous crew

Before thee shall appear, that thou may'st know What misery the inabstinence of Eve Shall bring on man.

Milton, P. L. INABU'SIVELY.* adv. [in and abusively.] Without abuse.

A state of mortality shall always want that infinite wisdom, and purity of intention which resideth in the Deity, and which makes power to consist inabusively only there, as in its proper

Ld. North, Light in the Way to Paradise, (1682,) p. 91. INACCESSIBI'LITY.* n. s. [from inaccessible.] State of being inaccessible.

That side, which flanks on the sea and haven, needs no art to fortify it, nature having supplied that with the inaccessibility of the precipice.

Butler, Rem. i. 417. INACCE'SSIBLE. adj. [inaccessible, Fr.
in and accessible.] Not to be reached; not to be approached.

Whate'er you are, That in this desart inaccessible, Under the shade of melancholy boughs,

Lose and neglect the creeping hours of time.

Shakspeare. Many other hidden parts of nature, even of a far lower form, are inaccessible to us.

Hale, Orig. of Mankind. There shall we see the ends and uses of these things, which here were either too subtile for us to penetrate, or too remote and inaccessible for us to come to any distinct view of.

This part, which is so noble, is not altogether inaccessible; and that an easy way may be found to it, 'tis to consider nature and to copy her.

INACCE'SSIBLY.* adv. [from inaccessible.] So as not to be approached.

Mr. Bryant supposes that this piece of recondite northern mythology was inaccessibly shut up in Spelman, Asser, &c.

Warton, Rowley, Enq. p. 61. INA'CCURACY. † n. s. [from inaccurate.]

Want of exactness.

It does not then proceed from any peculiar irregularity, or difficulty of our language, that the general practice, both of speaking and writing it, [There are] two small inaccuracies in this sen-

Hurd on Addison's Spect. No. 512.

INA'CCURATE.† adj. [in and accurate.] Not exact; not accurate. It is used sometimes of persons, but more frequently of performances.

The expression is plainly inaccurate.

Hurd on Addison's Spect. No. 315. Leland is also inaccurate at least, in representing the edition by Thynne as coming next after that by Caxton. Tyrwhitt on Chaucer. INA'CCURATELY.* adv. [from inaccurate.]

Not correctly.

What may be used as an argument? Why, either the allegorical persons, or the beauty they have in such compositions. Very inaccurately expressed, take it which way you will.

Hurd on Addison's Spect. No. 273.

INA'CTION. † n. s. [inaction, Fr. in and action.] Cessation from labour; forbearance of labour.

The times and amusements past are not more like a dream to me, than those which are present: I lie in a refreshing kind of inaction.

Ferments of the worst kind succeed to perfect | INADVE'RTENCE.] n. s. [inadvertence, Fr. | INAMI'SSIBLE. † adj. [inamissible, Fr.; Bp. Berkeley, Maxims, § 38. INA'CTIVE. + adj. [in and active.]

1. Not busy; not diligent; idle; indolent; sluggish.

His [Rowe's] plays are musical and pleasing poems; but inactive and unmoving tragedies.

Dr. Warton, Ess. on Pope. Others are - doomed to lose four months in inactive obscurity. Johnson, Rambler, No. 124.

2. Unfavourable to activity.

Not the vain visions of inactive schools, Not fancy's maxims, not opinion's rules, E'er form'd the man, whose gen'rous warmth

extends T' enrich his country.

Shenstone.

INA'CTIVELY. adv. [from inactive.]. Idly: without labour; without motion; slug-

In seasons of perfect freedom, mark how your son spends his time; whether he inactively loiters it away, when left to his own inclination. Locke.

INACTI'VITY. n. s. [in and activity.] Idleness; rest; sluggishness.

A doctrine which manifestly tends to discourage the endeavours of men, to introduce a lazy inactivity, and neglect of the ordinary means of Rogers.

Virtue, conceal'd within our breast, Is inactivity at best

Swift. To INA'CTUATE.* v. a. [from actuate.] To put into action.

The plastick in them is too highly awakened, to inactuate only an aerial body.

Glanville, Pre-exist. of Souls, p. 125.

INACTUA'TION.* n. s. [from inactuate.] Operation.

They [the creatures] were then constituted in the inactuation and exercise of their noblest and most perfect powers. Glanville, Pre-exist. p. 113.

INA DEQUATE. adj. [in and adæquatus, Latin.] Not equal to the purpose : defective; falling below the due proportion.

Remorse for vice Not paid, or paid inadequate in price, What farther means can reason now direct?

Inadequate ideas are such, which are but a partial or incomplete representation of those archetypes to which they are referred. Locke.

INA'DEQUATELY. adv. [from inadequate.]

Defectively; not completely. These pores they may either exactly fill, or but

inadequately. Boyle. INA'DEQUATENESS.* n.s. [from inadequate.]

Defect of proportion.

That may be collected generally from the in-adequateness of the visible means to most notable productions. Goodman, Wint. Ev. Conf. P. ii. INADEQUA'TION.* n.s. [in and adequation.]

Want of exact correspondence. The difference only arising from inadequation of languages

Cit. in Puller's Moderat. of the Ch. of Eng. p. 418. INADMI'SSIBLE.* adj. [Fr. inadmissible; an old word in that language; but, in ours, of modern date. Mr. Malone attributes the introduction of it to William Pitt, first Earl of Chatham. 7 Not to be allowed, or admitted.

It must always be remembered, that bishop Lowth's version is designed for the learned: in one for vulgar use "sorec" for "choice vine. "ilex" for "green oak," &c. would be clearly inadmissible.

Abp. Newcome, Ess. on Bibl. Transl. p. 303.

INADVE'RTENCY. from inadvertent.]

1. Carelessness; negligence; inattention. There is a difference between them, as between inadvertency and deliberation, between surprise and set purpose.

From an habitual heedless inadvertency, men are so intent upon the present, that they mind

2. Act or effect of negligence.

Many persons have lain under great and heavy scandals, which have taken their first rise only from some inadvertence or indiscretion.

Gov. of the Tongue. The productions of a great genius, with many lapses and inadvertencies, are infinitely preferable to the works of an inferior kind of author, which are scrupulously exact.

INADVE'RTENT. adj. [in and advertens, Latin. Negligent; careless.

INADVE'RTENTLY. adv. [from inadvertent.] Carelessly; negligently.

Aristotle mentions Telegonus as the son of

Circe and Ulyssus, who afterwards slew his father with the bone of a fish inadvertently.

Broome, Notes on the Odyssey. Worthy persons, if inadvertently drawn into a deviation, will endeavour instantly to recover their lost ground. Richardson, Clarissa. INADVE'RTISEMENT.* n. s. [in and adver-

tisement.] Inadvertence.

Constant objects lose their hints, and steal an inadvertisement, upon us. Brown, Chr. Mor. iii. 10. INAFFABI'LITY.* n. s. [from inaffable.]

Reservedness in conversation. INA'FFABLE.* adj. [in and affable.] Reserved; sour; uncourteous; unpleasant

in conversation. See Affable. Scott. INAFFECTA'TION.* n.s. [in and affectation.] The state of being void of affectation.

INAFFE'CTEDLY.* adv. [from inaffected.] Without affectation; "inaffectedly, done carelessly." Not in use. Cockeram.

INA'IDABLE.* adj. [from in and aid.] Not to be assisted.

Labouring art can never answer nature From her inaidable estate.

Shaks. All's Well. INA'LIENABLE.† adj. [inalienable, old Fr.1 That cannot be alienated, or granted to another.

This grant or concession was made originally upon condition that the said lands should be inalienable.

Hist. Desc. of the Kingd. of Macasar, (1701,) p. 88. It [the land] was not originally inalienable.

Burke, Speech in Parl. (1772.) INA'LIENABLENESS.* n. s. [from the adjective.] The state of being inalienable.

Scott. INALIME'NTAL. adj. [in and alimental.] Affording no nourishment.

Dulcoration importeth a degree to nourishment; and the making of things inalimental to become alimental, may be an experiment of great profit for making new victual.

INA'LTERABLE.* adj. [in and alterable.] Not to be changed or altered.

The heavens - being made of an incorruptible

and inalterable quintessence. Hakewill on Providence, p. 75. INA'MIABLE.* adj. [in and amiable.] Unpleasant; not to be beloved.

Cockeram. INA'MIABLENESS.* n. s. [from inamiable.] Unloveliness; the want of amiable quain and amissus, Lat.] Not to be lost.
These advantages are inamissible. Hammon Hammond.

Fixed in an inamissible happiness.

Glanville, Pre-exist. p. 68. INAMI'SSIBLENESS.* n.s. [from inamissible.] The state of being inamissible.

INAMORA'TO.* n. s. [Ital. innamorato.]
One in love. See Enamorado. It appears to have once had the English form of inamorate; for thus Cockeram gives it, in his old vocabulary, "inamorates, lovers." But inamorato has kept its ground down to our own times. It is usually a contemptuous expression. Perfum'd inamoratoes!

Marston, Scourge of Villany, (1599,) iii. 10. All pretty fellows are also excluded to a man, as well as all inamoratoes. Tatler, No. 27.

Distracted inamoratos, or spiritual or sensual.

Bp. Lavington, Enth. of Methodists, vol. i. p. 57. We are both worshippers and inamoratos of this mother of the gods, antiquity.

Warburton to Hurd, Lett. 199. INA'NE. adj. [inanis, Latin.] Empty; void. It is used licentiously for a substantive.

We sometimes speak of place in the great inane, beyond the confines of the world. To INA'NIMATE. + v. a. [in and animo,

Latin.] To animate; to quicken. This word is not in use, Dr. Johnson says, citing only the poetical passage from Donne, however, was fond of the word.

There's a kind of world remaining still; Though she, which did inanimate and fill The world, be gone, yet in this last long night

Her ghost doth walk, that is, a glimmering light. Donne, Poems, p. 204. This child of mine, inanimated by your gracious ceptation.

Donne, Devot. Epist. Dedic.

Youth is their critical day, that judges them, that denominates them, that inanimates and in-Donne, Devot. p. 338. forms them.

INA'NIMATE. } adj. [inanimatus, Latin; INA'NIMATED. } inanimé, French.] Void of life; without animation.

The spirits of animate bodies are all in some degree kindled; but inanimate bodies have spirits no whit inflamed.

The golden goddess, present at the prayer, Well knew he meant th' inanimated fair,

And gave the sign of granting.

Dryden.

All the ideas of sensible qualities are not inherent in the inanimate bodies; but are the effects of their motion upon our nerves. Bentley.

Both require the constant influence of a principle different from that which governs the inanimated part of the universe.

Cheyne, Philos. Princip. From roofs when Verrio's colours fall. And leave inanimate the naked wall

Still in thy song should vanquish'd France appear.

INANIMA'TION.* n.s. [from To inanimate.] Animation. Not usual.

We may well consider the body, before the soul came, before inanimation, to be without sin. Donne, Devot. p. 581.

INANI'TION. † n. s. [inanition, Fr. inanis, Lat. | Emptiness of body; want of fullness in the vessels of the animal.

Repletion and inanition may both do harm in two contrary extremes.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 235. Weakness which attends fevers proceeds from too great fulness in the beginning, and too great inanition in the latter end of the disease.

Arbuthnot on Diet.

INA'NITY. † n. s. [inanité, Fr. inaninis, Lat.]

1. Emptiness; void space.

This opinion excludes all such inanity, and admits no vacuities, but so little ones as nobody whatever can come to, but will be bigger than they, and must touch the corporal parts which those vacuities Digby on Bodies. 2. Vanity.

These fopperies are the chief of the effect. -Their inanity gives them weight and credit. Florio, Tr. of Montaigne, (1613,) p. 42.

INA'PPETENCE.* n. s. [in and appetence.] Want of appetite.

Some squeamish and disrelished person takes a long walk to the physician's lodging to beg some remedy for his inappetence.

Boyle against Custom. Swear. p. 106. INA'PPETENCY. 7 n. s. [in and appetentia, Lat.] Want of stomach or appetite. Sherwood.

INA'PPLICABLE. adj. [in and applicable.] Not to be put to a particular use.

INAPPLICABI'LITY. n. s. [from inapplicable.] Unfitness for the particular purpose.

INAPPLICA'TION. n. s. [inapplication, Fr. in and application.] Indolence; negligence. INA'PPOSITE.* adj. [in and apposite.] Ill placed; ill timed; not to the purpose.

INAPPREHE'NSIBLE.* adj. \(\(\text{in}\) and apprehensible.] Not intelligible.
Those celestial songs to others inapprehensible, but not to those who were not defiled with

Milton, Apol. for Smectymnuus. INAPPREHE'NSIVE.* adj. [in and appre-

hensive.] Not noticing; regardless. By faring deliciously every day men become senseless of the evils of mankind, inapprehensive of the troubles of their brethren, unconcerned in the changes of the world, and the cries of the poor, the hunger of the fatherless, and the thirst of widows. Bp. Taylor, Serm. (1653,) p. 206.

INA'PTITUDE.* n. s. [in and aptitude.] Unfitness.

Hereby one may give a strong conjecture of the aptness or inaptitude of one's capacity to that Howell, Lett. (dat. 1619,) i. i. 9.

INA'QUATE.* adj. [in and aquatus, Lat.] Embodied in water. Not in use.

For as muche as he is joyned to the bread but sacramentally, there followeth no impanation thereof, no more than the Holy Ghost is inaquate, that is to say, made water, beying sacramentally joyned to the water in baptisme.

Abp. Cranmer, Answ. to Bp. Gardiner, p. 368. INAQUA'TION.* n. s. [from inaquate.] The

state of being inaquate.

The second reason is almost as fondly handled, alluding from impanation to inaquation,

Bp. Gardiner, Repl. to Abp. Cranmer, p. 369. INA'RABLE. adj. [in and arabilis, Latin.] Not capable of tillage. Dict.

To INA'RCH. v. a. [in and arch.]

Inarching is a method of grafting which is commonly called grafting by approach. This method of grafting is used when the stock and the tree may be joined: take the branch you would inarch, and, having fitted it to that part of the stock where you intend to join it, pare away the rind and wood on one side about three inches in length: after the same manner cut the stock or branch in the place where the graft is to be united, so that they may join equally together that the sap may meet: then cut a VOL. II.

little tongue upwards in the graft, and make a notch in the stock to admit it; so that when they are joined, the tongue will prevent their slipping, and the graft will more closely unite with the stock. Having thus placed them exactly together, tie them; then cover the place with grafting clay, to prevent the air from entering to dry the wound, or the wet from getting in to rot the stock: you should fix a stake into the ground, to which that part of the stock, as also the graft, should be fastened, to prevent the wind from breaking them asunder. In this manner they are to remain about four months, in which time they will be sufficiently united; and the graft may then be cut from the mothertree, observing to slope it off close to the stock, and cover the joined parts with fresh grafting clay. The operation is always performed in April or May, and is commonly practised upon oranges, myrtles, jasmines, walnuts, firs, and pines, which will not succeed by common grafting or budding. Miller.

INARTI CULATE. adj. [inarticulé, Fr. in and articulate.] Not uttered with distinctness like that of the syllables of

human speech.

Observe what inarticulate sounds resemble any of the particular letters. Wilkins, Math. Magick By the harmony of words we elevate the mind to a sense of devotion; as our solemn musick, which is inarticulate poesy, does in churches.

Druden.

INARTI'CULATELY.† adv. | from inarticulate. Not distinctly.

Whispered inarticulately in our hearts.

Hammond, Works, iv. 497.

INARTI'CULATENESS. n. s. [from inarticulate.] Confusion of sounds; want of distinctness in pronouncing.

INARTICULA'TION.* n. s. [from inarticulate.] Confusion of sounds; indistinctness in pronouncing.

The oracles meaned to be obscure: but then it was by the ambiguity of the expression, and not INAU'GURATE.* part. adj. [from the verb.] by the inarticulation of the words.

Ld. Chesterfield.

INARTIFI'CIAL. † adj. [in and artificial.]

Contrary to art.

I have ranked this among the effects; and it may be thought inartificial to make it the cause also. Decay of Piety. 2. Not made by art; plain; simple; art-

less; rude. It was the inartificial process of the experiment,

and not the acuteness of any commentary upon it, which they have had in veneration.

Sprat, Hist. of the R. Soc. p. 91. Words of such amazing force and comprehension, [St. Matt. vi. 6-9.] and at the same time of such a wonderful and inartificial simplicity, as must convince the most hardened infidel, would he give himself leave thoroughly to attend to them, of that divine spirit and wisdom, by which the author of them most unquestionably spake.

Coventry, Phil. to Hyd. Conv. 1. If poetry be compared with painting, in respect of this its merely natural and inartificial resem-Harris on Musick, Poetry, &c. iii. § 2.

Petty barbarian states, intent only on repelling their neighbours or enlarging their territories, unfurnished with arts or letters, and, from their

natural ferocity, cherishing the most violent jealousies, and destitute of the principles of mutual confidence, possessed no other mode of adjusting their differences, and securing their frontiers, than to construct these inartificial bulwarks, serving at once for division and defence, planned on the simplest mechanism, and executed by the mere strength of tumultuary multitudes.

Warton, Hist. of Kiddington, p. 64. INARTIFI'CIALLY. adv. [from inartificial.] Without art; in a manner contrary to

the rules of art.

This lofty humour is clumsily and inartificially managed, when it is affected by those of a self-

INATTÉ NTION. n. s. [inattention, Fr. in and attention.] Disregard; negligence; neglect; heedlessness.

Persons keep out of the reach of the reproofs of the ministry, or hear with such inattention or contempt as renders them of little effect. Rogers.

We see a strange inattention to this most important prospect. Rogers.

Novel lays attract our ravish'd ears; But old, the mind with inattention hears.

INATTE'NTIVE. adj. [in and attentive.] Heedless; careless; negligent; regard-

If we indulge the frequent roving of passions, we shall procure an unsteady and inattentive

INATTE'NTIVELY.* adv. [from inattentive.] Without attention; heedlessly.

INAU'DIBLE. adj. [in and audible.] Not to be heard; void of sound.

Let's take the instant by the forward top; For we are old, and on our quick'st decrees

Th' inaudible and noiseless foot of time Steals, ere we can effect them. Shakspeare.

To INAU'GURATE. † v. a. [inauguro, Latin. To consecrate; to invest with a new office by solemn rites; to begin with good omens; to begin.

Those beginnings of years were very propitious unto him, as if kings did chuse remarkable days to inaugurate their favours, that they may appear acts as well of the times as of the will.

Wotton, Life of D. of Buck. He had taken with him Alfred, his youngest son, to be there inaugurated.

Milton, Hist. of Eng. B. 5.

Invested with office.

Edmond -

At London caus'd himself inaugurate to be.

Drayton, Polyolb. S. 12. The new state, to which Christ was inaugurate Hammond, Works, iv. 529. at his resurrection.

INAUGURA'TION. n. s. [inauguration, Fr.; inauguro, Latin.] Investiture by solemn rites.

The royal olive was solemnly sworn at his inauguration, to observe these things inviolable. Howell, Voc. For.

At his regal inauguration his old father resigned the kingdom to him. Brown, Vulg. Err.

INAU'GURATORY.* adj. [from inaugurate.] Respecting inauguration.

After so many inauguratory gratulations, nuptial hymns, and funeral dirges, he must be highly favoured by nature, or by fortune, who says any thing not said before. Johnson, Life of Dryden.

INAURA'TION. n. s. [inauro, Latin.] The act of gilding or covering with gold.

The Romans had the art of gilding after our manner; but some sort of their inauration, or gilding, must have been much dearer than ours. Arbuthnot on Coins.

INAU'SPICATE.* adj. [in and auspicate. See To Auspicate.] Ill omened.

.Though it bore an inauspicate face, it proved of a friendly event.

Sir G. Buck, Hist. Rich. III. p. 43.

INAUSPI'CIOUS. adj. [in and auspicious. Ill omened; unlucky; unfortunate.

Oh here I will set up my everlasting rest; And shake the yoke of inauspicious stars From this world-wearied flesh, Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul.

Though Heaven's inauspicious eye Lay black on love's nativity, Her eye a strong appeal can give :

Beauty, smiles, and love shall live. Crasham. The stars feel not the diseases their inauspicious influence produces.

With inauspicious love a wretched swain Pursu'd the fairest nymph of all the plain; She plung'd him hopeless in a deep despair.

Dryden. INAUSPI'CIOUSLY.* adv. [from inauspicious.] With ill omens; with bad forfine.

INAUSPI'CIOUSNESS.* n. s. [from inauspicious.] The state or quality of being inauspicious. Scott.

INBE'ING. n. s. [in and being.] Inherence; inseparableness.

When we say the bowl is round, the boy is witty, these are proper or inherent modes; for they have a sort of inbeing in the substance itself, and do not arise from the addition of any other substance to it. Watts.

I'NBORN. † adj. [in and born.] Innate; implanted by nature.

These not ingrav'd, but inborn dignities, Caskets of souls. Donne, Poems, p. 160. Led by sense of good,

Inborn to all, I sought my needful food. Dryden. All passions being inborn with us, we are almost equally judges of them. Dryden. Some Carolina, to Heaven's dictates true,

Thy inborn worth with conscious eyes shall see, And slight th' imperial diadem for thee. Addison.

INBRE'ATHED. adj. [in and breath.] Inspired; infused by inspiration.

Blest pair of syrens, pledges of Heav'n's joy, Sphere-born harmonious sisters, Voice and Verse, Wed your divine sounds, and mixt power employ, Dead things with inbreath'd sense able to pierce. Milton, Ode.

I'NBRED. † adj. [in and bred.] Produced within; hatched or generated within.

That other inward inbred cause of melancholy, is our temperature, in whole or part, which we receive from our parents.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 60. The inbred delight or pleasure in secular vanities. Dr. Jackson, Works, iii. 542. My inbred enemy

Forth issu'd. A man thinks better of his children than they deserve; but there is an impulse of tenderness, and there must be some esteem for the setting of that inbred affection at work,

L'Estrange. But he unmov'd contemns their idle threat; And inbred worth doth boasting valour slight.

Dryden. To INBRE'ED.* v. a. [from breed.] produce; to raise.

It is inbred, and an impressed belief in all, that our souls have a divine original.

Bp. Reynolds on the Passions, ch. 32. These abilities — are of power, beside the office of a pulpit, to inbreed and cherish in a great people the seeds of virtue and publick civility.

Milton, Reas. of Ch. Gov. B. 2.

reverence one of another.

Milton, Reas. of Ch. Gov. B. 2. To INCA'GE. v. a. [in and cage. Fr. encager. See To Encage. To coop up; to shut up; to confine in a cage, or any narrow space.

In a tavern neighbouring by He hath incaged the silly gentleman.

Middleton, Micro-Cynicon, 1599. And yet incaged in so small a verge,

Thy waist is no whit lesser than thy lord's Shakspeare, Rich. II.

It made my imprisonment a pleasure; Ay, such a pleasure as incaged birds

Conceive. Shakspeare, Hen. VI. Don Quixote saw himself to be incaged, and placed in the cart. Shelton, Tr. of D. Quix. iv. 20.

INCA'GEMENT.* n. s. [from incage.] Confinement in a cage.

Since your incagement, and as you imagine inchantment, in that coop.

Shelton, Tr. of D. Quix. iv. 21. Incale'scence. \ n. s. [incalesco, Latin.]
Incale'scency. \ The state of growing warm; warmth; incipient heat.

Averroes restrained his hilarity, making no more thereof than Seneca commendeth, and was allowable in Cato; that is, a sober incalescence, and regulated estuation from wine.

The oil preserves the ends of the bones from incalescency, which they, being solid bodies, would necessarily contract from a swift motion. Ray on the Creation.

INCA'LCULABLE.* adj. [in and calculable.] Beyond calculation; not to be reckoned. A very modern word; "his loss is incalculable; the advantages are in-

INCANTA'TION. n. s. [incantation, Fr.; incanto, Lat.] Charms uttered by singing; enchantment.

My ancient incantations are too weak,

And hell too strong. Shakspeare, Hen. VI. By Adam's hearkening to his wife, mankind, by that her incantation, became the subject of labour, sorrow, and death. Ralegh, Hist. of the World.

The great wonders of witches, their carrying in the air, and transforming themselves into other bodies, are reported to be wrought, not by incantations or ceremonies, but by anointing themselves all over, move a man to think that these fables are the effects of imagination; for ointments, if laid on any thing thick, by stopping of the pores, shut in the vapours, and send them to the head extremely. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

The name of a city being discovered unto their enemies, their penates and patronal gods might be called forth by charms and incantations.

Brown, Vulg. Err. The nuptial rights his outrage strait attends; The dow'r desir'd is his transfigur'd friends:

The incantation backward she repeats

Inverts her rod, and what she did, defeats. Garth. The commands which our religion hath imposed on its followers are not like the absurd ceremonies of pagan idolatry, that might look like incantations and magick, but had no tendency to make mankind the happier.

INCA'NTATORY. adj. [from incanto, Lat.] Dealing by enchantment: magical.

Fortune-tellers, jugglers, geomancers, and the like incantatory impostors, daily delude them.

INCA'NTING.* part. adj. [incanto, low Lat. to enchant.] Enchanting, as it were; delightful.

Incanting voices, - poesy, mirth, and wine, raising the sport commonly to admiration.

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 306.

To inbreed in us this generous and christianly | To INCA'NTON. v. a. [in and canton.] To unite to a canton or separate community.

> When the cantons of Bern and Zurich proposed the incorporating Geneva in the cantons, the Roman catholics, fearing the protestant interest, proposed the incantoning of Constance as a coun-

> terpoise. Addison, on Italy. Incapabl'Lity.] n. s. [from incapable.] Inca'pableness.] Inability natural; disqualification legal.

You have nothing to urge but a kind of incapability in yourself to the service. Suckling.

INCA'PABLE. adj. [incapable, Fr.; in and capable.

1. Wanting room to hold or contain: with of before the thing to be contained.

2. Wanting power; wanting understanding; unable to comprehend, learn, or understand.

Incapable and shallow innocents! You cannot guess who caus'd your father's death. Shakspeare.

3. Not able to admit or have any thing. Wilmot, when he saw Goring put in the com-

mand, thought himself incapable of reparation. Clar. 4. Unable; not equal to any thing.

Is not your father grown incapable
Of reasonable affairs? Is be not stupid With age? Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

5. Disqualified by law.

Their lands are almost entirely taken from them, and they are rendered incapable of purchasing any

6. In conversation it is usual to say a man is incapable of falsehood, or incapable of generosity, or of any thing good or bad.

INCAPA'CIOUS.† adj. [in and capacious.]

1. Narrow: of small content.

Souls that are made little and incapacious cannot enlarge their thoughts to take in any great compass of times or things.

2. Wanting power to contain or comprehend.

Buzzing them [questions of speculation] into popular ears and capacities, incapacious of them, unable to comprehend them.

Mountagu, App. to Cas. (1625,) p. 80. INCAPA'CIOUSNESS. n. s. [from incapa-

cious.] Narrowness; want of containing

To INCAPA'CITATE. v. a. [in and capacitate.]

1. To disable; to weaken.

Nothing of consequence should be left to be done in the last incapacitating hours of life.

Richardson, Clarissa. 2. To disqualify.

Monstrosity could not incapacitate from marriage. Arbuthnot. INCAPACITA'TION.* n. s. [from incapaci-

tate. Disqualification. The power of incapacitation is a legislative

Burke, Speech in Parl. (1771.)

INCAPA'CITY. n. s. [incapacité, Fr.; in and capacity.] Inability; want of natural power; want of power of body; want of comprehensiveness of mind.

It chiefly proceedeth from natural incapacity, Brown, Vulg. Err. and genial indisposition. Admonition he imputes either to envy, or else ignorance and incapacity of estimating his worth.

Gov. of the Tongue.

The inactivity of the soul is its incapacity to be moved with any thing common. Arbuthnot.

To INCA RCERATE. + v. a. [incarcero, Lat.] To imprison; to confine. It is used in the Scots law to denote imprisoning or confining in a gaol; otherwise it is seldom found, Dr. Johnson says: and he cites only the example from Harvey. But see the participial adjective INCARCERATE, which he has not noticed; and Incarceration, of which he has given no example. The writers, who use these words, are of high reputation.

Contagion may be propagated by bodies, that easily incarcerate the infected air; as woollen clothes.

INCA'RCERATE.* part. adj. [from the verb.] Imprisoned; confined.

When they no longer be incarcerate In this dark dungeon.

More, Song of the Soul, (1647,) i. ii. 20.

INCARCERA'TION. † n. s. [from incarcerate; old Fr. incarceration.] Imprisonment: confinement.

A state of incarceration for former delinquen-Glanville, Pre-exist. p. 30.

To INCA'RN. v. a. [incarno, Latin.] To cover with flesh.

The flesh will soon arise in that cut of the bone, and make exfoliation of what is necessary, and incarn it. Wiseman.

To Inca'rn. v. n. To breed flesh. The slough came off, and the ulcer happily incarned.

To INCA'RNADINE. + v. a. [incarnadin, Fr.; incarnadino, pale red, Italian.] To dye red. This word I find only once, Dr. Johnson says, citing the example from Shakspeare. A writer, soon after Shakspeare, uses it as a verb; and another, as an adjective.

Will all great Neptune's ocean wash this blood clean from my hand? No, this my hand will

rather

The multitudinous sea incarnadine,

Making the green one red. Shakspeare, Mach. One shall ensphere thine eyes, another shall Impearl thy teeth, a third thy white and small

Hand shall besnow, a fourth incarnadine Thy rosie cheek.

Carew's Poems, p. 95. INCA'RNADINE.* adj. [incarnadino, Ital.]

Of a red colour. Such whose white-sattin upper coat of skin, Cut upon velvet rich incarnadin,

Has yet a body (and of flesh) within.

Lovelace, Luc. p. 128.

To INCA'RNATE. + v. a. [incarner, Fr.; . incarno, Latin. To clothe with flesh : to embody with flesh.

He was not yet born, nor incarnated. Abp. Cranmer, Answ. to Bp. Gardiner, p. 83.

I, who erst contended With gods to sit the highest, am now constrain'd

Into a beast, and mix with bestial slime, This essence to incarnate and imbrute

Milton, P. L. If quick conception, true discrimination, and the happy faculty of incarnating the idea of his poet, are properties essential in the almost undefinable composition of a great and perfect actor, these and many more will be found in Mr. Dowton.

Cumberland's Life of Himself. INCA'RNATE. † part. adj. [incarnat, Fr.;

from the verb.

1. Clothed with flesh; embodied in flesh.

the person of the Son, is incarnate, and hath taken to itself flesh. Hooker.

A most wise sufficient means of redemption and salvation, by the satisfactory death and obedience of the incarnate Son of God, Jesus Christ, God blessed for ever. Here shalt thou sit incarnate, here shalt reign, Both God and man. Milton, P. L.

2. It may be doubted whether Swift understood this word.

But he's possest,

Incarnate with a thousand imps. Swift. 3. In Scotland, incarnate is applied to any thing tinged of a deep red colour, from its resemblance to a flesh colour. Dr. Johnson. - He might have added, that

it was so used in this country. Yelowe, pale, redde, blue, whyte, graye, and carnate. Questions of Love, (1566.)
For repairing, with some additions, of the rich incarnate. incarnate velvet bed, being for the reception of

his majesty, [1660].

Parliament. Hist. vol. xxii. p. 306.

INCARNA'TION.† n. s. [incarnation, Fr.; from incarnate.

1. The act of assuming body.

We must beware we exclude not the nature of God from incarnation, and so make the Son of God incarnate not to be very God. Hooker. Upon the Annunciation, or our Lady-day, meditate on the incarnation of our blessed Saviour.

Bp. Taylor, Guide to Devotion. 2. The state of breeding flesh.

The pulsation under the cicatrix proceeded from the too lax incarnation of the wound. Wiseman, Surg.

3. Colour of flesh. See the third sense of the adjective INCARNATE.

The other sort of flower was of a deep incarnation, not unlike the gilliflowers of Spain.

Hist. of Peru, p. 230. INCA'RNATIVE. + n. s. [incarnatif, Fr.; from incarn. A medicine that generates flesh.

Such are these caustick plasters, preparatory to the incarnative, the knife, and the lance.

Hammond, Works, iv. 484. I deterged the abscess, and incarned by the common incarnative. Wiseman, Surgery. To Inca'se. v. a. [in and case.] To cover;

to enclose; to enwrap. Rich plates of gold the folding doors incase, The pillars silver.

To INCA'SK.* v. a. [in and cask.] To put into a cask. Sherwood. INCA'STELLATED.* adj. Enclosed in a

castle. Sherwood. See CASTELLATED. INCAU'TIOUS. adj. [in and cautious.]
Unwary; negligent; heedless.

His rhetorical expressions may easily captivate any incautious reader. Keil against Burnet. INCAU'TIOUSLY. adv. [from incautious.]

Unwarily; heedlessly; negligently. A species of palsy invades such as incautiously expose themselves to the morning air.

Arbuthnot on Air. INCAU'TIOUSNESS.* n. s. [from incautious.] Want of caution; heedlessness.

To INCE'ND.* v. a. [incendo, Lat.] To stir up; to inflame. Not now in use. Oh! there's a line inscends his lustful blood.

Marston, Scourge of Vill. (1599,) ii. 6. With the heat, brought with them, they incend the brain beyond measure.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 207.

INCE'NDIARY. † n. s. [incendiarius, from incendo, Lat.; incendiare, French.]

Undoubtedly even the nature of God itself, in] 1. One who sets houses or towns on fire in malice or for robbery.

Fire too frequently involves in the common calamity persons unknown to the incendiary,

Blackstone.

Addison.

2. One who inflames factions or promotes quarrels.

Nor could any order be obtained impartially to examine impudent incendiaries. King Charles. Incendiaries of figure and distinction, who are the inventors and publishers of gross falsehoods, cannot be regarded but with the utmost detestation.

Several cities of Greece drove them out as incendiaries, and pests of common weals. Bentley. 3. Simply, an exciter; whatever stirs up.

To these two abovenamed causes, or incendiaries, of this rage, I may very well annex time, place, &c. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 606.

INCE'NDIARY.* adj. Inflaming faction; promoting quarrel.

With this menace the incendiary informer left De l'Isle, in order to carry his threats into exe-Hist. of Duelling, (1770,) p. 146.

I'NCENSE. n. s. [incensum, Latin, a thing burnt; encens, French.] Perfumes exhaled by fire in honour of some god or goddess.

Upon such sacrifices, my Cordelia, The gods themselves throw incense.

Shakspeare, K. Lear. Numa the rites of strict religion knew;

On ev'ry altar laid the incense due. To I'ncense. v. a. [from the noun.] To perfume with incense.

The prayers of the saints, incensed by his [Christ's] mediation and merits.

Barrow, Works, i. 440.

To INCE'NSE. v. a. [incensus, Lat.] To enkindle to rage; to inflame with anger; to enrage; to provoke; to irritate to anger; to heat; to fire; to make furious; to exasperate.

The world, too saucy with the gods, Incenses them to send destruction.

Shaksveare, Jul. Cas. If 'gainst yourself you be incens'd, we'll put you, Like one that means his proper harm, in manacles.

He is attended with a desp'rate train, And what they may incense him to, being apt

To have his ear abus'd, wisdom bids fear, Shakspeare, K. Lear. Tractable obedience is a slave

To each incensed will. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. Foul idolatries and other faults, Heap'd to the popular sum, will so incense

God as to leave them. Milton, P. L. How could my pious son thy pow'r incense?

Or what, alas! is vanquish'd Troy's offence? Dryden, Æn.

INCE'NSEMENT. n. s. [from incense.] Rage: heat; fury.

His incensement at this moment is so implacable, that satisfaction can be none but by pangs of death. Shakspeare.

Ince'nsion. n. s. [incensio, Lat.] The act of kindling; the state of being on

Sena loseth its windiness by decocting; and subtile or windy spirits are taken off by incension or evaporation. Bacon.

Ince'nsive.* adj. [from the verb.] That incites; that inflames.

To be extremely hated, and inhumanely persecuted, without any fault committed, or just occasion offered, is greatly incensive of human passions. Barrow, Works, iii, 118.

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INCE'NSOR. n. s. [Latin.] A kindler of INCE'RTAINLY.* adv. [from incertain.] anger; an inflamer of passions.

Many priests were impetuous and importunate incensors of the rage. Hayward.

INCE'NSORY. n. s. [from incense.] vessel in which incense is burnt and of-Ainsworth.

INCE'NTIVE. n. s. [incentivum, Latin.]

1. That which kindles.

Their unreasonable severity was not the least incentive, that blew up into those flames the sparks King Charles. of discontent.

2. That which provokes; that which encourages; incitement; motive; encouragement; spur. It is used of that which incites, whether to good or ill; with to.

Congruity of opinions, to our natural constitution, is one great incentive to their reception.

Glanville, Scepsis. Even the wisdom of God hath not suggested more pressing motives, more powerful incentives to charity, than these, that we shall be judged by it at the last dreadful day. Atterbury.

It encourages speculative persons, with all the incentives of place, profit, and preferment.

Addison, Freeholder.

INCE'NTIVE. adj. Inciting; encouraging; with to.

Competency is the most incentive to industry: too little makes men desperate, and too much careless. Decay of Piety.

INCE'PTION. † n. s. [inceptio, Lat.] Be-Bullokar.

The inception of putrefaction hath in it a maturation. Bacon.

Many inceptions are but, as Epicurus termeth them, "tentamina," that is, imperfect offers and assays, which vanish, and come to no substance, without iteration.

Bacon, Of the Colours of Good and Evil.

INCE'PTIVE. adj. [inceptivus, Lat.] Noting beginning.

An inceptive and desitive proposition, as, the fogs vanish as the sun rises; but the fogs have not yet begun to vanish, therefore the sun is not yet Locke.

INCE PTOR. † n. s. [Latin.]

1. A beginner; one who is in his rudi-

2. An academical term, denoting that the person is admitted to a degree which is not completed. In the old dictionary of Huloet, "inceptors or regent masters in the universities, candidati.

In the year 1576, Mr. Hooker's grace was given him for inceptor of arts: Dr. Herbert Westphaling, a man of noted learning, being then vicechancellor; and, the act following, he was completed master. Walton, Life of Hooker.

There were only ten inceptors in arts, and three in theology and jurisprudence.

Warton, Hist. E. P. ii. 449.

INCERA'TION. n. s. [incero, Lat.] The act of covering with wax.

INCE'RATIVE.* adj. [inceratif, French; from incero, Lat.] Cleaving or sticking to, like wax. Cotgrave, and Sherwood. INCE'RTAIN.* adj. [incertus, Latin.]

Uncertain; doubtful; unsteady. The matter is incertain. Huloet.

Lawless and incertain thoughts. Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas. Willing misery

Shaksp. Tim. of Ath. Outlives incertain pomp. With words confus'd incertain tales they told. Fairfax, Tasso. Doubtfully: without certainty.

Amswer incertainly and ambiguously. Huloet. INCE'RTAINTY.* n. s. [from incertain.] Un- INCE'STUOUS. adj. [incestueux, French.]

certainty.

The certain bazard

Of all incertainties.

Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. Shewing the corruptions, incertainties, and disagreements of those volumes. Milton, Animadv. Rem. Def.

INCE'RTITUDE. n. s. \(\Gamma\) incertitude, Fr.; incertitudo, Lat.] Uncertainty; doubt-

Under this incertitude, let us see what the count advanceth more distinctly concerning the

Persons in the Deity. Bp. Lavington, Moravians compared, &c. p. 9. Differences arose upon the sense and interpret-

ation of these laws. Thus we were brought back to our old incertitude. Burke, Vindic. of Nat. Society.

INCE'SSABLE.* adj. [in and cessans.] Unceasing; continual.

The incessable blows which still do wound our Shelton, Tr. of Don Quixote, iii. 6.

INCE'SSANT. adj. [in and cessans, Latin.] Unceasing; unintermitted; continual; uninterrupted.

Raging wind blows up incessant show'rs. Shakspeare.

The incessant weeping of my wife, Forc'd me to seek delays. Shakspeare.

If, by prayer Incessant, I could hope to change the will Of Him who all things can, I would not cease To weary him with my assiduous cries. Milt. P. L.

In form, a herald of the king she flies, From peer to peer, and thus incessant cries. Pope, Odyssey.

INCE'SSANTLY. adv. [from incessant.] Without intermission; continually.

Both his hands most filthy feculent, Above the water were on high extent, And fain'd to wash themselves incessantly.

Spenser, F. Q. Who reads

Incessantly, and to his reading brings not A spirit and judgement equal or superior.

Milton, P. R. The Christians, who carried their religion through so many persecutions, were incessantly comforting one another with the example and history of our Saviour and his apostles.

I'NCEST. + n. s. \(\text{inceste}\), French; incestum, Latin. "They call incest an unlawfull meddling of a man with a woman, against the honour of bloud and affinitie. For cestus signifieth the marriage girdle, which the bride did weare, to shewe that the marriage was just and lawfull." Transl. of Bullinger's Sermons, p. 236. The etymology, which has been assigned to the Latin word, is more simple, viz. in and castus. And the Latin word, as well as the Italian, means also any for- INCHA'RITABLE.* adj. [in and charitable.] bidden union between the sexes. See Baldelli's Life of Boccaccio, note, p. 161. "Per incesto il Boccaccio non intendeva soltanto la culpa che macchia il consanguineo letto, ma ogni illegitimo commercio."] Unnatural and criminal conjunction of persons within degrees prohibited.

Is't not a kind of incest to take life From thine own sister's shame?

Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas.

He who entered in the first act, a young man like Pericles, prince of Tyre, must not be in danger in the fifth act of committing incest with his daughter. Dryden, Dufresnoy.

Guilty of incest; guilty of unnatural cohabitation.

Hide thee, thou bloody hand,

Thou perjur'd, and thou simular man of virtue, That art incestuous. Shakspeare, K. Lear. We may easily guess with what impatience the world would have heard an incestuous Herod discoursing of chastity.

Ere you reach to this incestuous love, You must divine and human rights remove.

Dryden. INCE'STUOUSLY. adv. [from incestuous.] With unnatural love.

Macareus and Canace, son and daughter to Æolus, god of the winds, loved each other incestuouslii. Druden.

INCE'STUOUSNESS.* n. s. [from incestuous.] State of incest.

The horrible incestuousness of this match.

By. Hall, Cases of Consc. Add. INCH. n. s. [ince, Sax.; uncia, Lat.]

1. A measure of length supposed equal to three grains of barley laid end to end: the twelfth part of a foot.

A foot is the sixth part of the stature of man, a span one eighth of it, and a thumb's breadth or inch one seventy-second. Holder on Time. The sun should never miss, in all his race,

Of time one minute, or one inch of space. Blackmore.

2. A proverbial name for a small quantity. The plebeians have got your fellow tribune; They'll give him death by inches. Shaksp. Coriol. As in lasting, so in length is man,

Contracted to an inch, who was a span. Is it so desirable a condition to consume by inches, and lose one's blood by drops?

The commons were growing by degrees into power and property, gained ground upon the patricians inch by inch. 3. A nice point of time.

Beldame, I think, we watch'd you at an inch. Shakspeare.

To Inch. v. a. [from the noun.] 1. To drive by inches.

Valiant they say, but very popular; He gets too far into the soldiers' graces,

And inches out my master. Dryden, Cleom. 2. To deal out by inches; to give sparingly. Ainsworth.

The rest are commonly too sparing, in the inching out of the possibility of our assurance by nice distinctions. Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 267.

To Inch. † v. n. To advance or retire a little at a time.

Now Turnus doubts, and yet disdains to yield, But with slow paces measures back the field. And inches to the walls.

Dryden, En. To Incha'mber. * v. a. [enchambrer, Fr.] To lodge in a chamber. Sherwood.

To INCHA'NT.* See To ENCHANT, and its derivatives.

Wanting charity.

You bawling, blasphemous, incharitable dog!

Shakspeare, Tempest.

To Incha'se.* See To Enchase. Incha'stity.* n. s. [in and chastity.] Want or loss of chastity.

On those women, who pretend that poverty provoketh to inchastity. Jordan's Poems, §§§ 2. I'NCHED. adj. [with a word of number before it.] Containing inches in length or breadth.

Poor Tom, proud of heart to ride on a bay 1. The direction with which one body trotting horse over four inched bridges.

To INCHE'ST.* v. a. fin and chest; Fr. encaisser.] To put into a case or chest. Sherwood.

I'NCHIPIN. n. s. Some of the inside of a Ainsworth.

I'NCHMEAL. n. s. [inch and meal.] A piece an inch long.

All the infections that the sun sucks up

From bogs, fens, flats, on Prospero fall, and make him

By inchmeal a disease! Shakspeare, Tempest.

To I'NCHOATE. + v. a. [inchoo, Lat.] To begin; to commence.

Plato mentions, that the great soul of this world does at least inchoate, and rudely delineate, the fabrick of our body at first.

More, Song of the Soul, Notes, (1647,) p. 383. The higher congruity of life being yet but im-Glanville, Pre-exist. p. 139. perfectly inchoated.

I'NCHOATE.* adj. [from the verb.] Begun; entered upon.

Oh, that all the saints of God, in a comfortable sense of their inchoate blessedness could sing for Bp. Hall, Christ Mystical, § 8. Lingering sickness hath its acceptable handle. by preparing; and inchoate misfortunes lessening

the horrour of (that must-be-done) dying.

Whitlock, Mann. of the Engl. p. 25. The proportion of the imperfect, inchoate, very moderate state of the Christian in this life.

Hammond, Works, iv. 505.

I'NCHOATELY.* adv. [from inchoate.] In an incipient degree. Whether as fully just by thy gracious imputa-

tion, or as inchoately just by thy gracious inopera-tion. Bp. Hall, Works, ii. 305.

Inchoa'Tion. † n. s. [inchoatus, Lat.] In-

ception; beginning.
It discerneth of four kinds of causes; forces, frauds, crimes, various of stellionate, and the inchoations or middle acts towards crimes capital, not actually perpetrated. Bacon

The setting on foot some of those arts in those parts would be looked upon as the first inchoation of them, which yet would be but their reviving.

Hale, Orig. of Mankind. I consider a double estate of the learned; in-

choation, and progress. Bp. Reynolds on the Passions, ch. 38.

I take much contentment in this inchoation of friendship. Howell, Lett. ii. 32. There is another life, in which those divine in-

choations shall be completed.

Glanville, Serm. p. 281. I'NCHOATIVE. † adj. [inchoative, Fr. inchoativus, Lat.] Inceptive; noting inchoation or beginning.

These acts of our intellect seem to be some inchoative or imperfect rays.

W. Mountague, Div. Ess. P. i. (1648,) p. 387.
To INCI'DE. v. a. [from incido, to cut, Latin.

Medicines are said to incide which consist of pointed and sharp particles; as acids, and most salts; by which the particles of other bodies are divided from one another: thus expectorating medicines are said to incide or cut the phlegm. Quincy.

The menses are promoted by all saponaceous substances, which incide the mucus in the first Arbuthnot.

I'NCIDENCE. 7 n. s. [incido, to fall, Latin, [INCIDE'NTALLY. adv. [from incidental.] I'NCIDENCY. [incidence, Fr.]

strikes upon another, and the angle made by that line, and the plane struck upon, is called the angle of incidence. In the occursions of two moving bodies, their incidence is said to be perpendicular or oblique, as their directions or lines of motion make a straight line or an oblique angle at the point of contact.

In mirrours there is the like angle of incidence, from the object to the glass, and from the glass to

He enjoys his happy state most when he communicates it, and receives a more vigorous joy from the reflexion than from the direct incidency of his

In equal incidences there is a considerable inequality of refractions, whether it be that some of the incident rays are refracted more and others less constantly, or one and the same ray is by refraction disturbed. Newton, Opticks.

incidences of the rays there is no such separation of the emerging rays.

2. [Incidens, Lat.] Accident; hap; casualty.

What incidency thou do'st guess of harm declare, Is creeping towards me. Shahspeare, Wint. Tale.

I'NCIDENT. adj. [incident, Fr. incidens, Latin.

1. Casual: fortuitous; occasional; happening accidentally; issuing in beside the main design; happening beside expectation.

As the ordinary course of common affairs is disposed of by general laws, so likewise men's rarer incident necessities and utilities should be with special equity considered. Hooker.

I would note in children not only their articulate answers, but likewise smiles and frowns upon incident occasions.

In a complex proposition the predicate or subject is sometimes made complex by the pronouns who, which, whose, whom, &c. which make another proposition: as, every man, who is pious, shall be saved: Julius, whose surname was Cæsar, overcame Pompey: bodies, which are transparent, have many pores. Here the whole proposition is called the primary or chief, and the additional proposition is called an incident proposition. Watts.

2. Happening; apt to happen.

Constancy is such a firmness of friendship as overlooks all those failures of kindness, that through passion, incident to human nature, a man may be guilty of.

I'NCIDENT. n. s. [incident, Fr. from the adjective.] Something happening beside the main design; casualty.

His wisdom will fall into it as an incident to the point of lawfulness. Bacon, Holy War. No person, no incident in the play, but must be of use to carry on the main design.

Dryden, Dufresnoy.

INCIDE'NTAL. adj. Incident; casual; happening by chance; not intended; not deliberate; not necessary to the chief

The satisfaction you received from those incidental discourses which we have wandered into.

By some religious duties scarce appear to be regarded at all, and by others only as an incidental business, to be done when they have nothing else

Beside the main design: occasionally.

These general rules are but occasionally and incidentally mentioned in Scripture, rather to manifest unto us a former, than to lay upon us a new obligation. Sanderson.

I treat either purposely or incidentally of colours.

I'NCIDENTLY. adv. [from incident.] Occasionally; by the bye; by the way.

It was incidently moved amongst the judges what should be done for the king himself, who was attainted; but resolved that the crown takes away defects. Bacon, Hen. VII.

To INCI'NERATE. + v. a. [in and cineres, Lat. 7 To burn to ashes.

By baking, without melting, the heat indurateth, then maketh fragile; lastly, it doth incinerate and

That power which is requisite to raise a body now putrified and incinerated.

Farindon's Serm. (1647,) p. 55. These dregs are soon incinerated and calcined into such salts which produce coughs.

Harvey on Consumptions. The permanent whiteness argues, that in like INCI'NERATE.* adj. [from the verb.] Burnt to ashes.

Fire burneth wood, making it first luminous, then black and brittle, and lastly broken and in-

INCINERA'TION. 7 n. s. [incineration, Fr. from incinerate.] The act of burning any thing to ashes.

The phenix kinde, Of whose incineration,

There riseth a new creation. Skelton, Poems, p. 230. Those quartans are of all the most obstinate, which arise out of the incineration of a former ague. Wotton, Rem. p. 470.

I observed in the fixt salt of urine, brought by depuration to be very white, a taste not unlike common salt, and very different from the caustick lixiviate taste of other salts made by incineration.

INCI'PIENCY.* n. s. [from incipient.] Be-

ginning; commencement, INCI'PIENT.* adj. [incipiens, Lat.] Commencing.

Certainly in any sense, a second or third fluxion seems an obscure mystery. The incipient celerity of an incipient celerity, the nascent argument of a nascent argument, i. e. of a thing which hath no Bp. Berkeley, Analyst, § 4. magnitude, &c. In their incipient state all are upon a footing,

Goldsmith, Hist. of the Earth.

To INCI'RCLE.* See To ENCIRCLE.

Sherwood,

INCI'RCLET.* n. s. [from incircle.] A small

In whose incirclets if ye gaze,

Your eyes may tread a lover's maze.

Sidney, Arc. b. 2.

INCIRCUMSCRI'PTIBLE.* adj. [in and circumscriptible.] Not to be bound or confined.

When thou speakest of God, thou muste consyder a thynge that in nature is single, without composition, without convertion; that is invisible, immortall, incircumscriptible, incomprehensible

Abp. Cranmer, Answer to Bp. Gardiner, p. 343.

INCIRCUMSPE'CTION. n. s. [in and circumspection.] Want of caution; want of heed.

An unexpected way of delusion, whereby he more easily led away the incircumspection of their Brown, Vulg. Err.

To INCI'SE.* v. a. [inciser, Fr. incisus, To cut; to engrave; to carve. Lat.] If Truth's hand

Incise the story of our land,

Posterity shall see a fair

Structure. Carew's Poems, p. 79. Let others carve the rest; it shall suffice,

I on thy grave this epitaph incise. Ibid. p. 104. Nor had his love to any (had not stone And stocks discover'd it,) been ever known; Which, (for on them he us'd his plaints t' incise,)

By chance presented it to Sylvia's eyes. Sherburn, Transl. from St. Amant. INCI'SED. adj. [inciser, Fr. incisus, Latin.] Cut; made by cutting: as, an incised

wound.

I brought the incised lips together.

Wiseman, Surgery. INCI'SION. n. s. [incision, Fr. incisio, Lat.] 1. A cut; a wound made with a sharp instrument. Generally used for wounds made by a chirurgeon.

Let us make incision for your love, To prove whose blood is reddest, his or mine.

God help thee, shallow man : God make incision in thee, thou art raw. Shakspeare, As you like it.

The reception of one is as different from the admission of the other, as when the earth falls open under the incisions of the plough, and when it gapes to drink in the dew of heaven, or the refreshments of a shower.

A small incision knife is more handy than a larger for opening the bag. Sharp, Surgery. 2. Division of viscosities by medicines.

Abstersion is a scouring off, or incision of viscous humours, and making them fluid, and cutting between them and the part; as in nitrous water, which scoureth linen. Bacon

INCI'SIVE. adj. [incisif, Fr. from incisus, Lat.] Having the quality of cutting or dividing.

The colour of many corpuscles will cohere by being precipitated together, and be destroyed by the effusion of very piercing and incisive liquors.

INCI'SOR. n. s. [incisor, Lat.] Cutter; tooth in the forepart of the mouth.

The incisors of the upper jaw are larger and broader than those of the lower.

.Berdmore on the Teeth. INCI'SORY. adj. [incisoire, Fr.] Having the quality of cutting.

INCI'SURE. n. s. [incisura, Lat.] A cut; an aperture.

In some creatures it is wide, in some narrow, in some with a deep incisure up into the head, for the better catching and holding of prey, and comminuting of hard food. Derham.

INCITA'TION. 7 n. s. [incitatio, Lat.] Incitement; incentive; motive; impulse; the act of inciting; the power of inciting.

After that Dionise, by their incitation, had expelled Plato out of Sicily, they abandoned their habite and severity. Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 139.

He was satisfied, that Sarah's motion proceeded

not merely from her anger, but from a divine in-Patrick on Genes. xxi. 12.

Dr. Ridley defines magnetical attraction to be a natural incitation and disposition conforming unto contiguity, an union of one magnetical body unto another. Brown, Vulg. Err.

The multitude of objects do proportionably multiply both the possibilities and incitations.

Gov. of the Tongue.

The mind gives not only licence, but incitation to the other passions to act with the utmost impe-Decay of Piety.

To INCITE. v. a. [incito, Lat. inciter, Fr.] To stir up; to push forward in a purpose; to animate; to spur; to urge How many now in health

Shall drop their blood, in approbation Of what your reverence shall incite us to? Shaks. No blown ambition doth our arms incite;

But love, dear love, and our ag'd father's right.

Antiochus, when he incited Prusias to join in war, set before him the greatness of the Romans, comparing it to a fire, that took and spread from kingdom to kingdom.

Nature and common reason, in all difficulties, where prudence or courage are required, do rather incite us to fly for assistance to a single person than a multitude. Swift.

INCI'TEMENT. 7 n. s. [old French, incitement. Motive; incentive; impulse; inciting cause.

A marvel it were, if a man of great capacity, having such incitements to make him desirous of all furtherances unto his cause, could espy in the whole scripture of God nothing which might breed at the least a probable opinion of likelihood, that divine authority was the same way inclinable.

Let his actions speak him; and this shield, Let down from heaven, that to his youth will yield Such copy of incitement. B. Jonson, Masq. at Court.

Hartlib seems sent hither by some good providence, to be the occasion and incitement of great good to this island.

If thou must reform the stubborn times, From the long records of distant age

Derive incitements to renew thy rage. Pope, Stat. INCI'TER.* n. s. [from incite.] An in-

citing cause; that which encourages. They held it as an inciter of lust.

Feltham, Res. ii. 36. All this which I have depainted to thee, are inciters and rousers of my mind.

Shelton, Tr. of D. Quir. iii. 6. INCI'VIL. adj. [incivil, Fr.] Unpolished. See Uncivil.

INCIVI'LITY. n. s. [incivilité, Fr.; in and civility.]

1. Want of courtesy; rudeness.

He does offend against that reverence which is due to the common apprehensions of mankind, whether true or not, which is the greatest incivility. Tillotson.

2. Act of rudeness. In this sense it has a plural.

Abstain from dissolute laughter, uncomely jests, loud talking and jeering, which, in civil account, are called indecencies and incivilities.

Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy. Inci'villy.* adv. [from incivil.] Rudely. See Uncivilly.

To Incla'sp.* v. a. [from clasp.] To hold fast; to clasp.

He incluspeth the whole world within his outstretched arms; his soul is as wide as the whole Cudworth, Serm. p. 65.

I'NCLAVATED.* adj. [in and clavatus, Lat.] Set: fast fixed.

These [teeth] are more firmly inclavated, and infixed into the jaw bones, by treble or quadruple roots.

Smith on Old Age, (1666,) p. 81. roots.

cruelty; severity; harshness; roughness.

And though by tempests of the prize bereft, In heaven's inclemency some ease we find : Our foes we vanquish'd by our valour left. Dryd.

INCLE'MENT. adj. [in and clemens, Lat.] Unmerciful; unpitying; void of tenderness; harsh. I is used of tener of things than of men.

Teach us further by what means to shun The inclement seasons, rain, ice, hail, and snow. Milton, P. L.

I stand

Naked, defenceless, on a foreign land: Propitious to my wants, a vest supply, To guard the wretched from th' inclement sky.

Incli'nable. adj. [inclinabilis, Lat.] 1. Having a propension of will; favourably disposed; willing; tending by dispo-

sition: with to. People are not always inclinable to the best.

A marvel it were, if a man of capacity could espy in the whole scripture nothing which might breed a probable opinion, that divine authority was the same way inclinable.

The gall and bitterness of certain men's writings, who spared him little, made him, for their sakes, the less inclinable to that truth which he himself should have honoured. Desire,

Inclinable now grown to touch or taste, Solicited her longing eye. Milton, P. L.

2. Having a tendency.

If such a crust naturally fell, then it was more likely and inclinable to fall this thousand years than the last; but if the crust was always gradually nearer and nearer to falling, that plainly evinces that it had not endured eternally. Bentley.

INCLINA'TION. n. s. [inclinaison, inclination, Fr.; inclinatio, Lat.]

1. Tendency towards any point: with to. The two rays, being equally refracted, have

the same inclination to one another after refraction which they had before; that is, the inclination of half a degree answering to the sun's diameter. Newton, Opticks.

2. Natural aptness.

Though most of the thick woods are grubbed up since the promontory has been cultivated, there are still many spots of it which shew the natural inclination of the soil leans that way

3. Propension of mind; favourable disposition; incipient desire.

The king was wonderfully disquieted, when he found that the prince was totally aliened from all thoughts of or inclination to the marriage.

Clarendon.

A mere inclination to a thing is not properly a willing of that thing; and yet, in matters of duty, men frequently reckon it for such: for otherwise how should they so often plead and rest in the honest and well inclined disposition of their minds, when they are justly charged with an actual non-performance of the law. South.

4. Love; affection; regard. In this sense it admits for.

We have had few knowing painters, because of the little inclination which princes have for painting.

5. Disposition of mind. Bid him

Report the features of Octavia, her years, Her inclination. Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop.

INCLEMENCY. n. s. [inclemence, Fr.; inclementia, Latin.] Unmercifulness; 6. Flexion; the act of bowing. Not noticed by Dr. Johnson. noticed by Dr. Johnson.

> There was a pleasaunt arber, not by art But of the trees owne inclination made.

Spenser, F. Q. iii. vi. 44.

To sit, doth not [here] signify any peculiar inclination or flexion, any determinate location or position, of the body.

Pearson on the Creed, Art. 6.

7. The tendency of the magnetical needle to the east or west.

It was found to be this very inclination to the axis of the earth; and proportionably, though not equally, answering to the degrees of latitude. Gregory, Posthum. (1650,) p. 282.

8. [In pharmacy.] The act by which a clear liquor is poured off from some fæces or sediment by only stooping the vessel, which is also called decantation.

INCLI'NATORY. † adj. [from incline.] 1. Having a quality of inclining to one or

If that inclinatory virtue be destroyed by a touch from the contrary pole, that end which before was elevated will then decline.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

2. Applied to the magnetical needle. See the seventh sense of Inclination.

This needle, touched with the stone, and directing towards the north and south, the mariners, as the magnetical philosophers call their directory needle; not only for the reason intimated, but to distinguish it also from their other, called the inclinatory needle. Gregory, Posthum. p. 281.

INCLI'NATORILY. adv. [from inclinatory.] Obliquely; with inclination to one side or the other; with some deviation from North and South.

Whether they be refrigerated inclinatorily, or somewhat equinoxially, that is, toward the eastern or western points, they discover some verticity. Brown, Vulg. Err.

1. To bend; to lean; to tend towards any part; with to or towards. Her house inclineth unto death, and her paths

unto the dead. Prov. ii. 18. Still to this place

My heart inclines, still hither turn my eyes; Hither my feet unbidden find their way. Rowe.

2. To bend the body; to bow.

The winged warriour low inclin'd At his Creator's feet with reverence due.

Fairfax, Tass. ix. 60. He, kingly, from his state

Milton, P. L.

3. To be favourably disposed to; to feel desire beginning.

Doth his majesty Incline to it, or no?

- He seems indifferent ;

Or rather swaying more upon our part. Shakspeare. Their hearts inclined to follow Abimelech.

Judges.

To INCLI'NE. + v. a.

1. To give a tendency or direction to any place or state.

The timely dew of sleep,

Now falling with soft slumberous weight, inclines Milton, P. L.

Thus far both armies to Belinda yield; Now to the baron fate inclines the field. A towering structure to the palace join'd; To this his steps the thoughtful prince inclin'd.

2. To turn towards any thing, as desirous or attentive.

Incline our hearts to keep this law.

Common Prayer. Ye have not inclined your ear unto me. Jerem. But that from us aught should ascend to heaven So prevalent, as to concern the mind Of God high-blest, or to incline his will,

Hard to belief may seem, yet this will prayer. Milton, P. L.

3. To bend; to incurvate.

An embracing vine, Whose bunches hanging down seem'd to entice All passers-by to taste their luscious wine, And did themselves into their hands incline, As freely offering to be gathered.

Spenser, F. Q. ii. xii. 54. With due respect my body I inclin'd, As to some being of superiour kind.

Incli'ner.* n. s. [from incline.] dialling, an inclined dial. Dict. of Arts. To INCLI'P. v. a. [in and clip.] To grasp; to enclose; to surround.

Whate'er the ocean pales, or sky inclips, Is thine, if thou wilt have't.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop.

Lovelace's Luc. p. 47.

To Inclo'ister. † v. a. [enclostrer, Fr. See To Encloster.] To shut up in a cloister.

Such a beatifick face Incloysters here this narrow floor, That possest all hearts before.

To INCLO'SE.* v. a. [Dr. Johnson takes no notice of this way of writing enclose; which, however, is very common; and which he has often used himself; though certainly enclose is more correct, from its French origin, enclos.] To part from things or grounds common by a fence; to surround; to shut in. See To ENCLOSE.

A garden inclosed is my sister. Cantic. iv. 12. To INCLI'NE. † v. n. [inclino, Lat.; INCLO'SER.* n. s. [from inclose.] One incliner, Fr.]

A most unconscionable incloser and impropriator. Dean Martin, Lett. (1662,) p. 23.

Inclo'sure.* See Enclosure.

To Inclo'up. v. a. [in and cloud.] To darken; to obscure.

The heavens on everie side enclowded be. Spenser, Virgil's Gnat.

In their thick breaths, Rank of gross diet, shall we be inclouded,

And forc'd to drink their vapour. Shakspeare. To INCLU'DE. v. a. [includo, Lat.]

1. To inclose; to shut in: as, the shell includes a pearl.

2. To comprise; to comprehend.

This desire being recommended to her majesty, it liked her to include the same within one intire

The marvellous fable includes whatever is supernatural, and especially the machines of the gods.

Instead of enquiring whether he be a man of virtue, the question is only whether he be a whig or a tory; under which terms all good and ill qualities are included. Swift.

Inclu'sion.* n. s. [inclusio, Lat.] The act of including.

INCLU'SIVE. adj. [inclusif, Fr.]

1. Inclosing; encircling.

O, would that the inclusive verge Of golden metal, that must round my brow, Were red-hot steel, to sear me to the brain. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

2. Comprehended in the sum or number: as, from Wednesday to Saturday inclusive; that is, both Wednesday and Saturday taken into the number.

I'll search where ev'ry virtue dwells, From courts inclusive down to cells.

INCLU'SIVELY. adv. [from inclusive.] The thing mentioned reckoned into the account. See Inclusive.

Thus much shall serve for the several periods or growth of the common law, until the time of Edward I. inclusively.

All articulation is made within the mouth, from the throat to the lips inclusively; and is differenced partly by the organs used in it, and partly by the manner and degree of articulating.

Holder, Elem. of Speech. To Inco'ach.* See To Encoach.

INCOA'CT.* 7 adj. [incoactus, Lat.] Un-INCOA'CTED. constrained. See Co-Bullokar, and Coles.

INCOA'GULABLE. adj. [in and coagulable.] Incapable of concretion.

INCOEXI'STENCE. n. s. [in and coexistence.] The quality of not existing together; non-association of existence. An unusual word.

Another more incurable part of ignorance, which sets us more remote from a certain knowledge of the coexistence or incoexistence of different ideas in the same subject, is, that there is no discoverable connection between any secondary quality and those primary qualities it depends on.

Inco'c. + adv. [corrupted by mutilation from incognito, Lat. Dr. Johnson. -" Some words are hitherto but fairly split, and therefore only in their way to perfection; as incog, and plenipo: but in a short time, it is to be hoped, they will be further docked to inc, and plen. Tatler, No. 230.] Unknown; in pri-

But if you're rough, and use him like a dog, Depend upon it, he'll remain incog. INCO GITABLE.* adj. [Lat. incogitabilis.] Unthought of.

The most flagitious, incogitable fact.

Dean King, Serm. 5 Nov. 1608, p. 31. Inco'gitancy. † n. s. [incogitantia, Lat.] Want of thought.

It cannot argue any want of judgement in the author, but meer incogitancy only.

Ferrand on Love Melanch. (1640,) p. 112. Which action, done out of a sudden incogitancy, might pass for but a weakness.

South, Serm. vii. 211. One man's fancies are laws to succeeders, who afterwards misname all unobsequiousness to their incogitancy presumption.

Next to the stupid and meerly vegetable state of incogitancy, we may rank partial and piece-meal consideration Decay of Piety.

Inco'gitant.* adj. [incogitans, Latin.] Thoughtless; inconsiderate.

His first example saith, "It is a just law that every one shall peaceably enjoy his estate in lands or otherwise." Does this law attain to no good end? The bar will blush at this most incogitant Milton, Colasterion. woodcock.

Men are careless and incogitant, and slip into the pit of destruction before they are aware. Goodman, Wint. Ev. Conf. P. ii.

Inco'gitantly.* adv. [from incogitant.]

Without consideration. Some - do not imprudently or incogitantly refer the prayers and fasting to the valediction

of Paul and Barnabas. Knatchbull's Annot. Tr. p. 146.

Men almost as often speak incogitantly, as they think silently. Barrow, Serm. on St. James iii. 2.

INCO'GITATIVE. adj. [in and cogitative.] Wanting the power of thought.

Purely material beings, as clippings of our beards, and sensible, thinking, perceiving beings, such as we find ourselves, we will call cogitative and incogitative beings.

NCO'GNITO.† adv. [incognitus, Lat. Dr. Johnson. — We borrow the term from the Italian incognito; the great men of which country were fond of travelling, or walking about, in disguise.] In a state of concealment.

'Twas long ago
Since gods come down incognito.

The prince royal of Prussia came thither incognito.

Tatler, No. 17.

He designs to stay there incognito a few days.

Bp. Berkeley, Lett. to T. Prior, (1713.)

INCOHE'RENCE. \ n. s. [in and coherence.]

1. Want of cohesion; looseness of material

parts.

If plaister be beaten into an impalpable powder, when poured out it will emulate a liquor, by reason that the smallness and incoherence of the parts do both make them easy to be put into motion, and makes the pores they intercept so small, that they interrupt not the unity or continuity of the mass.

2. Want of connection; incongruity; inconsequence of argument; want of dependence of one part upon another.

I find that laying the intermediate ideas naked in their due order, shews the incoherence of the argumentations better than syllogisms. Locke.

Incoherences in matter, and suppositions without proofs, put handsomely together, are apt to pass for strong reason.

Locke.

INCOHE'RENT.† adj. [in and coherent.]
1. Wanting cohesion; loose; not fixed to each other.

Had the strata of stone become solid, but the matter whereof they consist continued lax and incoherent, they had consequently been as pervious as those of marle or gravel.

Woodward.

 Inconsequential; inconsistent; having no dependence of one part upon another.

We have instances of perception whilst we are asleep, and retain the memory of them; but how extrayagant and incoherent are they, and how little conformable to the perfection of a rational being!

Locke.

3. Not suitable to; not agreeing.

Two incoherent and incombining dispositions.

Milton, Doct. and Disc. of Div. i. 10.

INCOHE'RENTLY. adv. [from incoherent.]
Inconsistently; inconsequentially.
The character of Eurylochus is the imitation of

The character of Eurylochus is the imitation of a person confounded with fears, speaking irrationally and incoherently.

Broome, Notes on the Odyssey.

INCOLU'MITY.† n. s. [incolumité, Fr. incolumitas, Lat.] Safety; security. A word very little in use.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood.

The parliament is necessary to assert and preserve the national rights of a people, with the incolumity and welfare of a country.

Howell.

To Incomber.* See To Encumber, and To Incumber. Barret and Sherwood write it incomber.

To Incombl'ne,* v.n. [in and combine.]
To differ; not to agree.

To sow the sorrow of man's nativity with seed of two incoherent and incombining dispositions.

Milton, Doct. and Disc. of Div. i. 10.

INCOMBUSTIBL'LITY. n. s. [from incombustible.] The quality of resisting fire so that it cannot consume.

The stone in the Appennines is remarkable for its shining quality, and the amianthus for its incombustibility.

Ray.

Inco'gnito.† adv. [incognitus, Lat. Dr. Johnson. — We borrow the term from the Italian incognito: the great men of sumed by fire.] Not to be consumed by fire.

It agrees in this common quality ascribed unto both, of being incombustible, and not consumable by fire.

Wilkins.

Incombu'stibleness. n. s. [from incombustible.] The quality of not being wasted by fire.

I'NCOME.† n. s. [in and come. Sax. incuman, to come in, to enter.]

1. Revenue; produce of any thing.

Thou who repinest at the plenty of thy neighbour, and the greatness of his *incomes*, consider what are frequently the dismal consequences of all this.

South.

No fields afford

So large an income to the village lord.

St. Gaul has scarce any lands belonging to it, and little or no income but what arises from its trade: the great support of this little state is its linen manufacture.

Addison on Italy.

Notwithstanding the large incomes annexed to some few of her preferments, this church hath in the whole little to subsist on.

Atterbury.

Coming-in; admission; introduction. Not now in use. It was a favourite expression in Cromwell's time.

He that walks up unto that light, and improves that strength, which God hath already communicated unto him, shall have more abundant incomes of light and strength from God.

Bp. Rust, Disc. of Truth. § 17.
Every humour and fantastick unaccountable
motion was, by some, represented as the work of
that Spirit to which they were most opposite: thus
when warm and brisk sanguine presented a cheerful scene, and filled the imagination with pleasant
dreams; these were divine illapses, the joys and
incomes of the Holy Ghost!

Glanville, Serm. iii. p. 179.
This hath been commonly experimented by the devotos of all religions: for even among the devouter Turks and Heathens we may find as notorious instances of those incomes and enlargements, as in any of our modern histories of Christian experiences.

Scott, Works, ii. 129. (edit. 1718.)
Inco'ming.* adj. [from income; incuman,

Sax.] Coming in.

It is the first and fundamental interest of the labourer, that the farmer should have a full incoming profit on the product of his labour.

Burke, Thoughts and Details on Scarcity.

INCOMMENSURABI'LITY. † n. s. [from incommensurable.] The state of one thing with respect to another, when they cannot be compared by any common measure.

Mr. W. Warner made an inverted logarithmicall table, whereas Briggs's table fills his margin with numbers, encreasing by unites, and overagainst them setts their logarithms, which, because of incommensurability, must needs be either abundant or deficient. Aubrey, Anecd. ii. 579.

INCOMME'NSURABLE. adj. [French, from in, con, and mensurabilis, Latin.] Not to be reduced to any measure common to both; not to be measured together, such as that the proportion of one to the other can be told.

Our disputations about vacuum or space, incommensurable quantities, the infinite divisibility of matter, and eternal duration, will lead us to see the weakness of our nature. Wats.

Incomme'nsurate. adj. [in, con, and mensura, Lat.] Not admitting one common measure.

The diagonal line and side of a quadrate, which, to our apprehension, are incommensurate, are yet commensurable to the infinite comprehension of the divine intellect.

As all other measures of time are reducible to these three; so we labour to reduce these three, though strictly of themselves incommensurate to one another, for civil use, measuring the greater by the less.

Holder on Time.

If the year comprehend days, it is but as any greater space of time may be said to comprehend a less, though the less space be incommensurate to the greater.

Holder on Time.

Incommi'xture.* n. s. [in and commixture.] The state of being unmixed.

In what parity and incommixture the language of that people stood, which were casually discovered in the heart of Spain, between the mountains of Castile, no longer ago than in the time of Duke D'Alva, we have not met with a good account farther than that their words were Basquish or Cantabrian.

Sir T. Brown, Miscell. p. 135.

To INCO'MMODATE.† \ v. a. [incomTo INCOMMO'DE. \ modo, Lat.
incommoder, Fr.] To be inconvenient
to:to hinder or embarrass without very
great injury.

Neither know I whether is more hard to manage of the two; a dejected estate, or prosperous; whether we may be more incommodated with a resty horse, or with a tired one.

Bp. Hall of Contentation, § 2.

Temporal pressures and adversities—may sometimes incommode the man, yet can never reach the saint; and, though they break the casket, can never come at the jewel. South, Sorm. vi. 134.

A gnat planted upon the horn of a bull, begged the bull's pardon; but rather than incommode ye, says he, PI remove.

L'Estrange.
Although they sometimes molest and incommode

Attnough they sometimes motest and incommode the inhabitants, yet the agent, whereby both the one and the other is effected, is of that indispensable necessity to the earth and to mankind, that they could not subsist without it. Woodward.

INCOMMODA'TION.* n. s. [from incom-modate.] Inconvenience.

What incommodation is that, after the brisk active heat of the sun in the day-time, to have the variety of the more mild beams of the moon.

Annot. on Glavville, &c. (1682,) p. 115.

Incommo'dement.* n. s. [from incom-mode.] Inconvenience.

I persisted in my ordinary course of living and business, though with severe incommodement. Cheyne, Eng. Malady, (1733,) p. 315.

Incommo'dious. adj. [incommodus, Lat.]
Inconvenient; vexatious without great mischief.

Things of general benefit, for in this world what is so perfect that no inconvenience doth ever follow it? may by some accident be incommodious to a few.

Hooker.

Men's intentions in speaking are to be understood, without frequent explanations and incommodious interruptions.

Locke.

INCOMMO'DIOUSLY.† adv. [from incommodious.] Inconveniently; not at ease. I told how myself had stood so incommodiously by means of the great press, as I heard it not well.

Harington, Br. View of the Ch. (1658,) p. 190.
INCOMMO'DIOUSNESS. n. s. [from incom-

modious.] Inconvenience.

Diseases, disorders, and the incommodiousness of

Diseases, disorders, and the incommodiousness of external nature, are inconsistent with happiness.

Incommodite, n. s. [incommodite, Fr. incommoditas, Lat.] Inconvenience; trouble.

Declare your opinion, what incommodity you have conceived to be in the common law, which I would have thought most free from all such dislike. Spenser on Ireland.

If iron can be incorporated with flint or stone, without over great charge, or other incom modity, the cheapness doth make the compound stuff profitable.

By considering the region and the winds, one might so cast the rooms, which shall most need fire, that he should little fear the incommodity of Wotton, Architecture.

INCOMMUNICABI'LITY. + n. s. [from incommunicable.] The quality of not being impartible.

The incommunicability of this peace with many out of his church. Hales, Rem. p. 181.

INCOMMU'NICABLE. adj. [incommunicable, Fr. in and communicable.]

1. Not impartible; not to be made the common right, property, or quality of more than one.

They cannot ask more than I can give, may I but reserve to myself the incommunicable jewel of King Charles. my conscience.

Light without darkness is the incommunicable claim of him that dwells in light inaccessible.

It was agreed on both sides, that there was one supreme excellency, which was incommunicable to Stilling fleet. any creature.

2. Not to be expressed; not to be told.

Neither did he treat them with these peculiarities of favour in the extraordinary discoveries of the gospel only, but also of those incommumicable revelations of the divine love, in reverence to their own personal interest in it.

INCOMMU'NICABLENESS.* n. s. [from incommunicable.] The state or quality of not being impartible.

As by honouring him, we acknowledge him God, so by the incommunicableness of honour we acknowledge him one God,

Mede, Apost. of the Lat. Times, p. 33.

INCOMMU'NICABLY. adv. | from incommunicable.] In a manner not to be imparted or communicated.

To annihilate is both in reason, and by the consent of divines, as incommunicably the effect of a power divine, and above nature, as is creation itself.

Hakewill on Providence.

INCOMMU'NICATED.* adj. [in and communicated.] Not imparted.

Excellencies, so far as we know, incommunicated to any creature. More, Antid. against Idol. ch. 2.

INCOMMU'NICATING. adj. [in and communicating.] Having no intercourse with each other.

The judgements and administrations of common justice are preserved from that confusion that would ensue, if the administration was by several incommunicating hands, or by provincial establishments.

Hale, Common Law.

INCOMMU'TABLE.* adj. [in and commutable.] Unchangeable; not subject to change. Bullokar.

INCOMMUTABI'LITY.* n. s. [from incommutable. The state or quality of being unchangeable.

This order, by its own incommutability, keeps all things mutable within their several ranks and conditions, which otherwise would run into confusion. Transl. of Boethius, (Oxf. 1674,) p. 187. INCOMPA'CT. INCOMPA'CT. [adj. [in and compact.] INCOMPA'CTED. [Not joined; not cohering.

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Salt, say they, is the basis of solidity and permanency in compound bodies, without which the other four elements might be variously blended, but would remain incompacted.

INCO'MPARABLE. adj. [incomparable, Fr. in and comparable.] Excellent above compare; excellent beyond all competition.

My heart would not suffer me to omit any occasion, whereby I might make the incomparable Pamela see how much extraordinary devotion I bore to her service.

A most incomparable man, breath'd as it were To an untirable and continuate goodness.

Shakspeare, Timon. Her words do shew her wit incomparable. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

Now this mask

Was cried incomparable, and th' ensuing night Made it a fool and beggar. Shaksp. Hen. VIII.

If I could leave this argument of your incom-parable beauty, I might turn to one which would equally oppress me with its greatness. Dryden.

Inco'mparableness.* n. s. [from incomparable.] Excellence beyond comparison; the state or quality of being incomparable. Scott.

Inco'mparably. adv. [from incomparable.] 1. Beyond comparison; without compe-

A founder it had, whom I think incomparably the wisest man that ever the French church did enjoy, since the hour it enjoyed him. Hooker.

Self-preservation will oblige a man voluntarily to undergo any less evil, to secure himself but from the probability of an evil incomparably greater.

2. Excellently; to the highest degree. A low phrase.

There are the heads of Antoninus Pius, the Faustinas, and Marcus Aurelius, all incomparably well cut. Addison on Italy

INCOMPA'RED.* adj. [in and compared.] Unmatched; peerless.

That Mantuan poet's incompared spirit, Whose girland now is set in highest place.

Spenser, Sonn. to Sir F. Walsingham.

Incompa'ssion.* n. s. [in and compassion.] Want of compassion or pity. We are full of incompassion : - we have little

fellow-feeling of their griefs. Bp. Sanderson's Serm. (1681,) p. 148.

INCOMPA'SSIONATE. + adj. \(\text{in}\) and compassionate.] Void of pity; void of tenderness. Sherwood.

Perhaps the sea to my afflicted state Will prove than her less incompassionate.

Sherburne's Lydia, (Poems, 1651.) Incompa'ssionately.* adv. [from incompassionate.] Without pity or compassion. Incompa'ssionateness.* n. s. [from incompassionate.] Want of tenderness or

The incompassionateness of other great men which were merciless, cruel, and hard-hearted. Granger on Eccles. (1621,) p. 94,

Incompatibilité, n. s. [incompatibilité, Fr. properly incompetibility, in and competo, Lat. And accordingly Hammond writes it incompetibility.] Inconsistency of one thing with another.

He overcame that natural incompatibility, which hath been noted between the vulgar and the sovereign favour. Wotton.

The reason of the stress rests not upon the incompetibility of excess of one infinitude above another, either in intension or extension: but the incompetibility of any multitude to be infinite.

The incompetibility of true faith with carnal de-Hammond, Works, iv. 604. INCOMPA'TIBLE. adj. [incompatible, Fr. rather incompetible, as it is sometimes

written; in and competo, Lat.] 1. Inconsistent with something else; such as cannot subsist or cannot be possessed together with something else: it is fol-

lowed by with. Fortune and love have ever been so incompatible, that it is no wonder, madam, if, having had so much of the one for you, I have ever found so little of the other for myself.

May not the outward expressions of love in many good Christians be greater to some other object than to God? Or is this incompetible with the sincerity of the love of God? Hammond.

We know those colours which have a friendship with each other, and those which are incompatible, by mixing together those colours of which we would make trial. Dryden.

Sense I have proved to be incompatible with mere bodies, even those of the most compound and elaborate textures.

2. It is used sometimes with to.

The repugnancy of infinitude is equally incompetible to continued or successive motion, and depends upon the incompossibility of things successive with infinitude.

INCOMPA'TIBLY, adv. [for incompetibly, from incompatible.] Inconsistently.

INC'OMPETENCY. n. s. [incompetence, Fr. from incompetent.] Inability; want of adequate ability or qualification.

Our not being able to discern the motion of a shadow of a dial-plate, or that of the index upon a clock, ought to make us sensible of the incompetency of our eyes to discern some motions of natural bodies incomparably slower than these.

INCO MPETENT. adj. [in and competent.] Not suitable; not adequate; not propor-

tionate. In the civil law it denotes some defect of right to do any thing. Richard III. had a resolution, out of hatred to his brethren, to disable their issues, upon false and

incompetent pretexts, the one of attainder, the other of illegitimation. Every speck does not blind a man, nor does every infirmity make one unable to discern, or incompetent to reprove the grosser faults of others.

Gov. of the Tongue. I thank you for the commission you have given me: how I have acquitted myself of it, must be left to the opinion of the world, in spight of any

protestation which I can enter against the present age, as incompetent or corrupt judges. Dryden. Laymen, with equal advantages of parts, are not the most incompetent judges of sacred things. Dryd.

An equal attraction on all sides of all matter, is just equal to no attraction at all; and by this means all the motion in the universe must proceed from external impulse alone, which is an incompetent cause for the formation of a world. Bentley.

INCO'MPETENTLY. adv. [from incompetent.]

Unsuitably; unduly.
INCOMPLE'TE. adj. [in and complete.] Not perfect; not finished.

It pleaseth him in mercy to account himself incomplete, and maimed without us.

In incomplete ideas we are apt to impose on ourselves, and wrangle with others, especially where they have particular and familiar names.

INCOMPLE'TENESS. † n. s. [from incomplete.] Imperfection; unfinished state.

He - supplies what her incompleteness went

Milton, Doct. and Disc. of Div. To the Parl. The incompleteness of our seraphick lover's happiness, in his fruitions, proceeds not from their want of satisfactoriness, but of an intire possession.

INCOMPLE'X.* adj. [in and complex; incomplexe. Fr.] Complicated: opposed to simple.

Otherwise it is unintelligible, how any incomplex thing (as they speak) can be the complete or immediate object of belief. Barrow, Works. ii. 55. Incompliance. n. s. [in and compliance.]

1. Untractableness; impracticableness; contradictious temper.

Self-conceit produces peevishness and incompliance of humour in things lawful and indifferent. Tillotson.

2. Refusal of compliance.

Consider the vast disproportion between the worst inconveniences that can attend our incompliance with men, and the eternal displeasure of an offended God.

INCOMPO'SED. † adj. [in and composed.] Disturbed; discomposed; disordered. Not much used, Dr. Johnson says, citing only the example from Howell. Two of our best poets have finely employed the word.

Somewhat incomposed they are in their trimming, and extraordinary tender of their young

Thus Satan; and him thus the anarch old, With faltering speech and visage incompos'd, Answer'd. Milton, P. L. ii. 989. In the middle droops

The strong laborious ox, of honest front, Which incompos'd he shakes. Thomson, Summer.

Incompossibl'Lity. n.s. [from incompossible.] Quality of being not possible but by the negation or destruction of something; inconsistency with some-

The manifold incompossibilities and lubricities of matter cannot have the same fitness in any modi-

Though the repugnancy of infinitude be equally incompetible to continued or successive motion, and depends upon the incompossibility of the very nature of things successive or extensive with infinitude, yet that incompossibility is more conspicuous in discrete quantity, that ariseth from individuals already actually distinguished. Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

INCOMPO'SSIBLE. adj. [in, con, and possible.] Not possible together; not possible but by the negation of something else.

INCOMPREHENSIBI'LITY. † n. s. [incomprehensibilité, Fr. from incomprehensible. Unconceivableness; superiority to human understanding.

The constant, universal sense of all antiquity unanimously confessing an incomprehensibility in many of the articles of the Christian faith.

South, Serm. iii. 217. The plea of difficulty, and even incomprehensibility, may be urged.

Professor White's Serm. Notes, p. x. INCOMPREHE'NSIBLE. adj. [incomprehensible, Fr. in and comprehensible.]

1. Not to be conceived; not to be fully understood.

His precepts tend to the improving and perfecting the most valuable part of us, and annexing incomprehensible rewards as an eternal weight of Hammond. glory.

Stars that seem to roll

Milton, P. L. Spaces incomprehensible. One thing more is incomprehensible in this mat-T.ocke.

The laws of vegetation, and propagation are the arbitrary pleasure of God, and may vary in manners incomprehensible to our imaginations. Bentley. 2. Not to be contained. Not now used.

Presence every where is the sequel of an infinite and incomprehensible substance; for what can be every where but that which can no where be comprehended?

Incomprehe'nsibleness. n. s. [from incomprehensible.] Unconceivableness.

I might argue from God's incomprehensibleness: if we could believe nothing but what we have ideas of, it would be impossible for us to believe God is incomprehensible.

Incomprehe'nsibly. adv. [from incomprehensible.] In a manner not to be conceived.

We cannot but be assured that the God, of whom and from whom are all things, is incomprehensibly infinite.

INCOMPREHE'NSION.* n. s. Fin and comprehension.] Want of comprehension. These mazes and incomprehensions.

Bacon, Adv. of Learn. B. 2. INCOMPREHE'NSIVE.* adj. [in and compre-

hensive.] Not extensive.

A most incomprehensive and inaccurate title: for this edition, the last and the best, contains the three first as well as the three last books.

Warton, Hist. Eng. Poet. iv. 4. INCOMPRE'SSIBLE. adj. [incompressible, Fr. in and compressible.] Not capable of being compressed into less space.

Hardness is the reason why water is incompressible, when the air lodged in it is exhausted.

INCOMPRESSIBI'LITY. n. s. [from incompressible.] Incapacity to be squeezed into less room.

Inconcu'rring. adj. [in and concur.] Not concurring.

They derive effects not only from inconcurring causes, but things devoid of all efficiency. Brown, Vulg. Err.

INCONCE'ALABLE. adj. [in and conceal.] Not to be hid; not to be kept secret.

The inconcealable imperfections of ourselves will hourly prompt us our corruption, and loudly tell us we are sons of earth. Brown, Vulg. Er.

INCONCE TVABLE. adj. [inconcevable, Fr. in and conceivable.] Incomprehensible; not to be conceived by the mind. Such are Christ's promises, divine inconceivable promises; a bliss to be enjoyed to all eternity,

and that by way of return for a weak obedience of some few years. Hammond. It is inconceivable to me, that a spiritual sub-

stance should represent an extended figure. Locke. How two ethers can be diffused through all space, one of which acts upon the other, and by consequence is reacted upon without retarding, shattering, dispersing, and confounding one an other's motions, is inconceivable. Newton, Opticks.

Inconce'ivableness.* n. s. [from inconceivable.] The quality or state of being inconceivable.

If any of these ways of attaining salvation seem to some men inconceivable, this very inconceivable-ness is thought by others a proper character to set out all for mysteries.

Brevint, Saul and Sam. at Endor, p. 6. When once this method is known, there is no difficulty or inconceivableness in it, as can reasonably make a wise and considerate man call in question the truth of a well attested revelation, merely upon that account.

Clarke, Evid. of Natural and Rev. Religion. INCONCE'IVABLY. adv. [from inconceivable.] In a manner beyond comprehension; to a degree beyond human comprehension.

Does that man take a rational course to preserve himself, who refuses the endurance of those lesser troubles, to secure himself from a condition inconceivably more miserable?

INCONCE'PTIBLE. adj. [in and conceptible; conceptus, Lat. 7 Not to be conceived: incomprehensible; inconceivable. A word not used.

It is inconceptible how any such man, that hath stood the shock of an eternal duration without corruption, should after be corrupted.

Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

Inconci'nnity.* n. s. [Lat. inconcinnitas.] Unaptness; unsuitableness; dispropor-Bullokar.

Such is the inconcinnity and insignificancy of Grotius's interpreting of the six seals; which is quite otherwise in Mr. Mede.

More, Myst. of Godl. (1660,) p. 184. INCONCLU'DENT. adj. [in and concludens, Lat.] Inferring no consequence.

The depositions of witnesses themselves, as being false, various, contrariant, single, inconcludent. Ayliffe, Parergon.

INCONCLU'DING.* part. adj. [in and conclude.] Exhibiting no powerful argument; inferring no consequence.

Those, which in after ages first denied it, Ithe creation of the world,] made use of very frivolous and inconcluding arguments, grounding their new opinion upon weak foundations.

Pearson on the Creed, Art. i.

Inconclu'sive. † adj. [in and conclusive.] Not enforcing any determination of the mind; not exhibiting cogent evidence. The lines in which Lucretius [B. 5. 223.] pro-

poses this objection, are as unphilosophical and inconclusive, as they are highly pathetic and poeti-cal. Dr. Warton, Ess. on Pope.

INCONCLU'SIVELY. adv. [from inconclusive.] Without any outside mines the understanding. [from inconclu-

Inconclu'siveness. n. s. sive.] Want of rational cogency.

A man, unskilful in syllogism, at first hearing, could perceive the weakness and inconclusiveness of a long, artificial, and plausible discourse, wherewith some others, better skilled in syllogism, have been misled.

INCONCO'CT. adj. [in and concoct.] INCONCO'CTED. | Unripened; immature; not fully digested.

While the body, to be converted and altered, is too strong for the efficient that should convert it. it is all that while crude and inconcoct; and the process is to be called crudity and inconcoction.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. I understand, remember, and reason better in my riper years than when I was a child, and had my organical parts less digested and inconcocted. Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

INCONCO'CTION. n. s. [from inconcoct.] The state of being indigested; unripeness;

immaturity. The middle action, which produceth such imperfect bodies, is fitly called inquination, or inconcoction, which is a kind of putrefaction.

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Bacon, Nat. Hist. Inconcu'ssible.* adj. [inconcussus, Lat.] Incapable of being shaken.

Peace consummated in immutable, inconcussible,

and indeficient delectation,

Bp. Reynold's Works, p. 1107. INCO'NDITE. † adj. [inconditus, Lat.] Ir-

regular; rude; unpolished. They - use inarticulate, incondite voices,

speeches, obsolete gestures, &c. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 196.

Now sportive youth

Carol incondite rhymes with suiting notes,

Philips. And quaver inharmonious,

INCONDITIONAL. adj. [in and conditional.] Having no exception, limitation, or sti-

From that which is but true in a qualified sense, an inconditional and absolute verity is inferred.

INCONDI'TIONATE. adj. [in and condition.] Not limited; not restrained by any con-

ditions; absolute. They ascribe to God, in relation to every man, an eternal, unchangeable, and inconditionate decree

of election or reprobation. INCONFO'RMABLE.* adj. [in and conform.]

Not complying with the practice of others, or with established rules.

Two lecturers they found obstinately inconform-

able to the king's directions. Heylin's Life of Abp. Laud, 1671, p. 190. INCONFO'RMITY. † n. s. [in and conformity.]

1. In compliance with the practice of others. We have thought their opinion to be, that utter

inconformity with the church of Rome was not an extremity whereunto we should be drawn for a time, but the very mediocrity itself, wherein they Hooker meant we should ever continue.

2. Refusal to join in the established reli-

Mr. Buckley is sent to the high commission for inconformity. Abp. Laud to K. Ch. I. Hist. p. 531.

INCONFU'SED.* adj. [inconfusus, Lat.] Not confused; distinct.

All the curious diversity of articulate sounds of the voice of man, or birds, will enter into a small Bacon, Nat. Hist. ii. 192. cranny inconfused.

INCONFU'SION. n. s. [in and confusion.] Distinctness. Not used.

The cause of the confusion in sounds, and the inconfusion in species visible, is, for that the sight worketh in right lines, and so there can be no coincidence in the eye; but sounds that move in oblique and arcuate lines, must needs encounter and disturb the one the other.

Inconge'LABLE.* adj. [in and congelable.] Not to be frozen. Cockeram.

INCO'NGRUENCE. n. s. \in and congruence.] Unsuitableness; want of adaptation.

Humidity is but relative, and depends upon the ticles of the liquor to the pores of the bodies it touches.

INCO'NGRUENT.* adj. [in and congruent.] Unsuitable; unfit; inconsistent.

It will be not incongruent to our matter, to shewe what profite may be taken by the diligente readinge of auncient poets. Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 42.

As Christ's spirit and grace gives such power to go beyond the precepts; so it is not incongruent that it should so modify sins in his members to make them venial and not killing, in regard they are not done with a full consent, but with a desire

of doing the contrary; of which the Apostle saith thus, Rom. vii. 20. "But if I do that I would not, it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me." Shelford's Learned Discourses, p. 130. Incongru'ity. n. s. [incongruité, Fr. from incongruous.]

1. Unsuitableness of one thing to another. The fathers make use of this acknowledgment of the incongruity of images to the Deity, from thence to prove the incongruity of the worship of Stilling fleet.

2. Inconsistency; inconsequence; absurdity; impropriety.

To avoid absurdities and incongruities, is the same law established for both arts: the painter is not to paint a cloud at the bottom of a picture, nor the poet to place what is proper to the end in the beginning of a poem. Dryden.

3. Disagreement of parts; want of symmetry.

She, whom after what form soe'er we see, Is discord and rude incongruity;

She, she is dead, she's dead.

Inco'ngruous. adj. [incongru, Fr.; in and congruous.]

1. Unsuitable; not fitting.

Wiser heathens condemned the worship of God, as incongruous to a divine nature, and a disparage-Stilling fleet. ment to the Deity.

2. Inconsistent; absurd.

Inco'ngruously. + adv. [from incongruous. Improperly; unfitly.

Having little to salve the irregularity of the construction, but by saying, that Luke varied his form of speech; that is, in plain terms, he writ incongruously; when, in truth, he is acknowledged by all expositors too knowing in the Greek to commit such a solecism. Knatchbull, Annot. Tr. p. 56.

Inconne'xedly. adv. [in and connex.] Without any connexion or dependance.

Little used. Others ascribed hereto, as a cause, what perhaps but casually or inconnexedly succeeds.

Brown, Vulg. Err. INCONNE'XION.* n. s. [in and connexion.] Want of connexion, or just relation.

Neither need we any better or other proof of the inconnexion of this vow with holy orders, than that of their own Dominicus à Soto.

Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Marr. Clergy, p. 10. INCO'NSCIONABLE. adj. [in and conscionable.] Void of the sense of good and evil; without influence of conscience. Not used.

So inconscionable are these common people, and so little feeling have they of God, or their own souls' good. Spenser on Ireland.

INCO'NSEQUENCE. n. s. [inconsequence, Fr.; inconsequentia, Lat.] Inconclusiveness; want of just inference.

This he bestows the name of many fallacies upon; and runs on with showing the inconsequence of it, as though he did in earnest believe it were an impertinent answer. Stilling fleet.

congruity, or incongruence of the component par- INCO'NSEQUENT. adj. [in and consequens, Lat.] Without just conclusion; without regular inference.

The ground he assumes is unsound, and his illation from thence deduced inconsequent.

Hakewill on Providence. Men rest not in false apprehensions, without absurd and inconsequent deductions from fallacious foundations, and misapprehended mediums, erecting conclusions no way inferrible from their pre-Brown, Vulg. Err.

INCONSEQUE'NTIAL.* adj. [from inconsequent.] Not leading to consequences.

She has sense and ambition; but it is still the sense and ambition of a woman, that is, inconsequential. Ld. Chesterfield.

INCONSI'DERABLE. adj. [in and considerable.] Unworthy of notice; unimportant; mean; of little value.

I am an inconsiderable fellow, and know nothing.

The most inconsiderable of creatures may at some time or other come to revenge itself upon the greatest.

Casting my eyes upon the ants, continually taken up with a thousand cares, very inconsiderable with respect to us, but of the greatest importance for them, they appeared to me worthy of my curiosity. Addison.

May not planets and comets perform their motions more freely, and with less resistance, in this ethereal medium than in any fluid, which fills all space adequately without leaving any pores, and by consequence is much denser than quicksilver or gold? And may not its resistance be so small as to be inconsiderable? Newton, Opticks. If we were under any real fear of the papists, it

would be hard to think us so stupid not to be equally apprehensive with others, since we are likely to be the greatest sufferers; but we look upon them to be altogether as inconsiderable as the women and children.

Let no sin appear small or inconsiderable by which an almighty God is offended, and eternal salvation endangered.

Inconsiderableness. n. s. [from inconsiderable. Small importance.

To those who are thoroughly convinced of the inconsiderableness of this short dying life, in comparison of that eternal state which remains for us in another life, the consideration of a future happiness is the most powerful motive. Tillotson.

From the consideration of our own smalness and inconsiderableness, in respect of the greatness and splendour of heavenly bodies, let us with the holy psalmist raise up our hearts.

Ray on the Creation.

Inconsi'deracy.* n. s. [from inconsiderate.] Thoughtlessness. This word is modern; the old word was inconsiderancy, as in Cockeram's vocabulary, from considerance.

This is the common effect of the inconsideracy Ld. Chesterfield. of youth.

Inconsi'derance.* See Inconsideracy. INCONSI'DERATE. adj. [inconsidere, Fr.; inconsideratus, Lat.

1. Careless; thoughtless; negligent; inattentive; inadvertent; used both of men and things.

When thy inconsiderate hand Flings ope this casement with my trembling name, Then think this name alive, and that thou thus In it offend'st my genius.

If you lament it, That which now looks like justice will be thought An inconsiderate rashness. Denham, Sophy. It is a very unhappy token of our corruption,

that there should be any so inconsiderate among us as to sacrifice morality to politicks. Addison, Freeholder.

2. Wanting due regard; with of before the

He who laid down his life for the redemption of the transgressions which were under the first Testament, cannot be so inconsiderate of our frailties. Decay of Piety.

INCONSI'DERATELY. adv. [from inconsiderate.] Negligently; thoughtlessly; inattentively.

The king, transported with just wrath inconsiderately fighting and precipitating the charge, be-3 M 2

fore his whole numbers came up, was slain in the INCONSI'STING. adj. [in and consist.] Not INCONSU'MPTIBLE:† adj. [in and consump-

Joseph was delighted with Mariamne's conversation, and endeavoured with all his art to set out the excess of Herod's passion for her; but when he still found her cold and incredulous, he inconsiderately told her to rivate orders he left behind. Addison, Spectator.

INCONSI'DERATENESS. n. s. [from inconsiderate. Carelessness; thoughtlessness; negligence; want of thought; inadvertence; inattention.

If men do know and believe that there is such a being as God, not to demean ourselves towards him, as becomes our relation to him, is great stupidity and inconsiderateness.

Inconsideration. † n. s. [inconsideration, Fr.; in and consideration.] Want of thought; inattention; inadvertence.

Let thy merciful providence so govern all in this sickness, that I never fall into utter darkness, ignorance of Thee, or inconsideration of myself.

Donne, Devot. (1625,) p. 363. I am moved to reflect upon two principal inconsiderations; the singularity of some, and the irreverence of almost all. Gregory, Notes on Script. p. 141.

S. Gregory reckons uncleanness to be the parent of blindness of mind, inconsideration, precipitancy or giddiness in actions, and self-love.

INCONSI'STENCY. \{ n. s. [from inconsistent.]

1. Such opposition as that one proposition infers the negation of the other; such contrariety that both cannot be together. There is a perfect inconsistency between that which

is of debt, and that which is of free gift. South. 2. Absurdity in argument or narration; argument or narrative where one part destroys the other; self-contradiction.

3. Incongruity.

Mutability of temper, and inconsistency with ourselves, is the greatest weakness of human nature.

If a man would register all his opinions upon love, politicks, religion, and learning, what a bun-dle of inconsistencies and contradictions would appear at last?

4. Unsteadiness; changeableness. INCONSI'STENT. adj. [in and consist-

 Incompatable; not suitable; incongruous; followed by with.

Finding no kind of compliance, but sharp protestations, against the demands, as inconsistent with conscience, justice, or religion, the conference broke off.

Compositions of this nature, when thus restrained, shew that wisdom and virtue are far from being inconsistent with politeness and good humour. Addison, Freeholder.

2. Contrary, so that one infers the negation or destruction of the other.

The idea of an infinite space or duration is very obscure and confused, because it is made up of two parts very different, if not inconsistent. Locke.

3. Absurd; having parts of which one destroys the other.

Inconsi's Tently. + adv. [from inconsistent.] Absurdly; incongruously; with selfcontradiction.

A melancholy kind of madness - made him speak distractedly and inconsistently.

Spenser on Vulg. Proph. (1665,) p. 109. Inconsi's tentness. * n. s. [from inconsist-

ent.] Want of consistency. No contradictious inconsistentness.

More, Song of the Soul, Infin. st. 49.

consistent; incompatable with. used.

The persons and actions of a farce are all unnatural, and the manners false; that is, inconsisting with the characters of mankind.

Dryden, Dufresnoy.

Inconso'Lable.† adj. [inconsolable, Fr.;
in and console.] Not to be comforted; sorrowful beyond susceptibility or com-Bullokar.

Her women will represent to me that she is inconsolable, by reason of my unkindness. Addison. They take pleasure in an obstinate grief, in rendering themselves inconsolable. Fiddes, Serm.

Inco'nsonancy. t n. s. [in and consonancy.

1. Disagreement with itself.

2. [In musick.] Disagreeableness in a sound; a discordance.

Inconspicuous. adj. [in and conspicuous.] Indiscernible; not perceptible by the

sight.

When an excellent experimenter had taken pains in accurately filling up a tube of mercury, we found that yet there remained store of inconspicuous bubbles.

Bp. Taylor. INCO'NSTANCY. n. s. [inconstantia, Lat.; inconstance, Fr. from inconstant.

Unsteadiness; want of steady adherence; mutability of temper or affec-

I have suffered more for their sakes, more than the villainous inconstancy of man is able to bear. Shaksneare.

Be made the mark For all the people's hate, the princess' curses, And his son's rage, or the old king's inconstancy.

Irresolution on the schemes of life which offer to our choice, and inconstancy in pursuing them, are the greatest causes of all our unhappiness. Addison, Spect.

2. Diversity; dissimilitude.

As much inconstancy and confusion is there in their mixtures or combinations; for it is rare to find any of them pure and unmixt. Woodward, Nat. Hist.

INCO'NSTANT. adj. [inconstant, Fr.; in-

constans, Lat.]

1. Not firm in resolution; not steady in affection; various of inclination; wanting perseverance: of persons.

He is so naturally inconstant, that I marvel his soul finds not some way to kill his body. Sidney. 2. Changeable; mutable; variable: of

O swear not by the moon, th' inconstant moon, That monthly changes in her circled orb,

Lest that thy love prove likewise variable.

INCO'NSTANTLY.* adv. [from inconstant.] Irresolutely; unsteadily; changeably.

INCONSU'MABLE. † adj. [in and consume.] Not to be wasted. See Inconsumptible. Other authors say, inconsumable cloth and the wicks of perpetual lamps were made of the stones magnesia, alumen sciscile, and the like.

Greenhill, Art of Embalming, p. 362.

INCONSU'MMATE.* adj. \(\text{in}\) and consummate.] Not completed. There is great diversity of opinions among

learned men, how far the privilege of an ambassador exempts him from penal prosecution for such conspiracies and inconsummate attempts. Hale, H. P. C. ch.13. tus, Lat.] Not to be spent; not to be brought to an end; not to be destroyed by fire. This seems a more elegant word than inconsumable, Dr. Johnson says. The French, he might have added, have also possession of the word. V. Cotgrave in V. INCONSUMPTIBLE.

Before I give any answer to this objection of pretended inconsumptible lights, I would gladly see the effect undoubtedly proved.

Digby on Bodies. By art were weaved napkins, shirts, and coats, Brown, Vulg. Err. inconsumptible by fire. INCONTA'MINATE.* adj. [in and contaminate.] Not contaminated; not adulterated; genuine.

The bishop of Winton was a strong upholder of

incontaminate antiquity.

Hacket's Life of Abp. Williams, (1693,) p.67. INCONTE'STABLE. † adj. [incontestable,

Fr.; in and contest. Not to be disputed; not admitting debate; uncontrovertible. Our own being furnishes us with an evident

and incontestable proof of a deity; and I believe no body can avoid the cogency of it, who will carefully attend to it. These are incontestable proofs of a divine power.

Fleetwood, Ess. on Miracles, p. 140.

INCONTE'STABLY. + adv. | from incontestable. Indisputably: uncontrovertibly.

The main substance and groundwork of the language of the Gospels and Epistles, is incontestably the same with that of the old authentic Blackwall, Sacr. Class. 1. 201.

The exalted prophecy of Isaiah, which Pope has so successfully versified in an eclogue, that incontestably surpasses the Pollio of Virgil.

Dr. Warton, Essay on Pope. Inconti'guous. adj. [in and contiguous.] Not touching each other; not joined

They seemed part of small bracelets, consisting of equally little incontiguous beads.

INCO'NTINENCE. \(\) n. s. [incontinentia, Lat. INCO'NTINENCY. in and continence. Inability to restrain the appetites; un-

The cognizance of her incontinency
Is this: she hath bought the name of whore thus dearly. Shakspeare.

But beauty, like the fair Hesperian tree, Laden with blooming gold, had need the guard Of dragon watch with unenchanted eye,

To save her blossoms, and defend her fruit From the rash hand of bold incontinence.

Milton, Comus. This is my defence;

I pleas'd myself, I shunn'd incontinence, And, urg'd by strong desires, indulg'd my sense.

The words sine veste Dianem agree better with Livia, who had the fame of chastity, than with either of the Julias, who were both noted of in-

INCO'NTINENT. adj [incontinens, Lat.; in and continent.] Unchaste; indulging unlawful pleasure.

In these degrees have they made a pair of stairs to marriage, which they will climb incontinent, or else be incontinent before marriage.

Shakspeare, As you like it.
Men shall be lovers of their own selves, false 2 Tim. iii. 3. accusers, incontinent, fierce.

Inco'ntinent.* n. s. One who is unchaste.

O, old incontinent, dost thou not shame, When all thy powers in chastity are spent, To have a mind so hot.

B. Jonson, Every Man in his Humour. INCO'NTINENT. † adv. Without delay; immediately. Obsolete.

They ran towards the far rebounded noise To weet what wight so loudly did lament; Unto the place they came incontinent. Spen. F.Q. Come, mourn with me for what I do lament,

And put on sullen black incontinent. Shakspeare, Rich. II.

He says he will return incontinent. Shakspeare, Othello.

INCO'NTINENTLY. † adv. [from incontinent.] 1. Unchastely; without restraint of the appetites.

Not wantonly, not immodestly, not incontinently. Woolton, Chr. Manual, (1576,) L. iii. b. 2. Immediately; at once. An obsolete

sense.

The cause of this war is no other than that we will not incontinently submit ourselves to our neighbours. Hayward. Incontinently I left Madrid, and have been

dogged and waylaid through several nations. Arbuthnot and Pope.

INCONTRA'CTED.* adj. [in and contracted.] Not contracted; not shortened.

This dialect uses the incontracted termination both in nouns and verbs.

Blackwall, Sacr. Class. i. 228. INCONTRO'LLABLE.* adj. [in and controllable.] Not to be controlled, or

Their not erring and incontrollable lord of Rome was no other than that imperious bewitching lady of Babylon. Sir E. Sandys, State of Religion. INCONTRO'LLABLY.* adv. [from incontrol-

lable. Without control. As a man thinks or desires in his heart, such indeed he is; for then most truly, because most incontroulably, he acts himself.

South, Serm. viii. 24.

INCONTROVE'RTIBLE. adj. [in and controvertible.] Indisputable; not to be disputed.

INCONTROVE'RTIBLY. adv. [from incontrovertible.] To a degree beyond contro-

versy or dispute.

The Hebrew is incontrovertibly the primitive and surest text to rely upon; and to preserve the caution humanity could invent.

Brown, Vulg. Err. INCONVE'NIENCE.] n. s. [inconvenient, INCONVE'NIENCY.] French.]

1. Unfitness; inexpedience.

They plead against the inconvenience, not the unlawfulness of popish apparel; and against the inconvenience, not the unlawfulness, of ceremonies

2. Disadvantage; cause of uneasiness; difficulty.

There is a place upon the top of mount Athos above all clouds of rain, or other inconvenience. Ralegh, Hist.

Man is liable to a great many inconveniences every moment, and is continually unsecure even of life itself. Tillotson.

The inconvenience of old age makes him incapable of corporal pleasures. Dryden. Would not quickness of sensation be an incon-

venience to an animal, that must lie still where chance has once placed it? Consider the disproportion between the worst

inconveniences that attends incompliance with men, and the eternal displeasure of God. Rogers

We are freed from many inconveniences, and we enjoy several advantages. Atterbury.

The things of another world, being distant, operate but faintly upon us: to remedy this inconveniency, we must frequently revolve their certainty and importance. Atterbury.

To Inconve'nience.* v. a. [from the noun. To trouble; to put to inconve-

It is not the variety of opinions, but our own perverse wills, who think it meet that all should be conceited as ourselves are, which hath so inconvenienced the church. Hales, Rem. p. 49. INCONVE'NIENT. adj. [inconvenient, Fr.; in

and conveniens, Lat.]

1. Incommodious; disadvantageous.

They lean to their old customs, though they be more unjust, and more inconvenient for the com-Spenser on Ireland. mon people.

He knows that to be inconvenient, which we falsely think convenient for us. Smalridge.

2. Unfit; inexpedient.

We are not to look that the church should change her publick laws, although it chance that for some particular men the same be found inconvenient, especially when there may be other remedy 2. against particular inconveniences. Hooker. INCONVE'NIENTLY. adv. [from inconvenient.]

1. Unfitly; incommodiously.

2. Unseasonably. INCONVE'RSABLE. adj. [in and conversable.] Incommunicative; ill qualified by temper for conversation; unsocial.

He is a person very inconversable. INCONVE'RTIBLE. adj. [in and convertible.] Not transmutable; incapable of change. It entereth not the veins, but taketh leave of

the permeant parts, and accompanieth the inconvertible portion unto the siege. Brown, Vulg. Err. INCONVI'NCIBLE. † adj. [in and convincible.] Not to be convinced; not capable of conviction.

None are so inconvincible as your half-witted people. Gov. of the Tongue, p. 195. INCONVI'NCIBILY. adv. [from inconvincible.]

Without admitting conviction. inconvincibly to side with any one.

Brown, Vulg. Err. Inco'ny. † adj. [perhaps from in and conn, to know.]

1. Unlearned; artless. This sense is uncertain.

same uncorrupt, there hath been used the highest 2. In Scotland it denotes mischievously unlucky: as, he's an incony fellow. This seems to be the meaning in Shakspeare. Dr. Johnson. - There is no such expression in the north of England as incony, as Mr. Ritson observes; or in Scotland, as we may gather from Dr. Jamieson's not noticing the word in his Scottish Dictionary. It is a cant expression, frequent in our old plays, denoting not a mischievously unlucky person, but an accomplished one, in a sneering sense; as we say, a fine fellow! O' my troth, most sweet jests, most incony

vulgar wit, when it comes so smoothly off.

Shakspeare. O superdainty canon, vicar inconey!

B. Jonson, Tale of a Tub. A cockscomb incony, but that he wants money. Comedy of Doct. Dodypoll, (1600.)

INCO'RPORAL.† adj. [in and corporal, old Fr.; incorporel.] Immaterial; distinct from matter; distinct from body.

The soule of man hath his ende and terme a spirituall alteration incorporall.

Why dost thou bend thine eye on vacancy, And with the incorporal air dost hold discourse?

Learned men have not resolved us whether light be corporal or incorporal: corporal they say it cannot be, because then it would neither pierce the air, nor solid diaphonus bodies, and yet every day we see the air illightened: incorporal it cannot be, because sometimes it affecteth the sight with of-

Incorpora'Lity. n. s. [incorporalité, Fr.; from incorporal. Immaterialness: distinctness from body.

INCORPORALLY. adv. [from incorporal.] Without matter; immaterially.

To INCO'RPORATE. v. a. [incorporer,

1. To mingle different ingredients so as they shall make one mass.

Who the swelling clouds in bladders ties. To mollify the stubborn clods with rain,

And scatter'd dust incorporate again ? To conjoin inseparably, as one body.

By your leaves, you shall not stay alone, Till holy church incorporate two in one. Shaksp. Upon my knees

I charm you, by that great vow

Which did incorporate and make us one. Shaksp.

To form into a corporation, or body politick. In this sense they say in Scotland the incorporate trades in any community.

The apostle affirmeth plainly, of all men christian, that be they Jews or Gentiles, bond or free. they are all incorporated into one company, they all make but one body.

The same is incorporated with a majoralty, and nameth burgesses to parliament. Carew, Surv. of Cornwall.

4. To unite; to associate.

The Romans did not subdue a country to put the inhabitants to fire and sword, but to incorporate them into their own community.

Addison, Freeholder.

It is injurious unto knowledge obstinately and 5. To work into another mass. See In-CORPORATE, adj.

6. To embody; to give a material form. Courtesy, that seemed incorporated in his heart, would not be persuaded by danger to offer any

The idolaters, who worshipped their images as gods, supposed some spirit to be incorporated therein, and so to make together with it a person fit to receive worship. Stillingfleet.

To INCO'RPORATE. v. n.

1. To unite with something else, It is commonly followed by with.

Painters colours and ashes do better incorporate Bacon, Nat. Hist.

It is not universally true, that acid salts and oils will not incorporate or mingle. Boyle. Thy soul

In real darkness of the body dwells, Shut out from outward light,

To incorporate with gloomy night. Milton, S. A.

2. Sometimes it has into.

It finds the mind unprepossessed with any former notions, and so easily gains upon the assent, grows up with it, and incorporates into it. South.

INCO'RPORATE. + participial adj. [from the verb.

1. Mixed together.

A fifteenth part of silver incorporate with gold, will not be recovered, except you put a greater quantity of silver to draw to it the less.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Bp. Gard. Expl. of Cath. Faith, (1551,) fol. 109. 2. Conjoined inseparably, as one body.

Villainous thoughts, Roderigo, when these mutualities so marshal the way, hard at hand comes the master and main exercise, the incorporate conclusion. "Shakspeare, Othello."

Thou art then estranged from thyself:
Thyself I call it, being strange to me,
That undividable incorporate,

Am better than thy dear self's better part.

Shakspeare, Com. of Err. Death and I

Am found eternal, and incorporate both.

Milton, P. L.

3. Associated.

It is Casca, one incorporate

To our attempts. Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs. True is it, my incorporate friends.

Shakspeare, Coriol.

4. Worked into another mass.

All this learning is ignoble and mechanical among them, and the Confucian only essential and incorporate in their government. Temple.

 Unbodied; immaterial. Now disused, in order to avoid confusion; incorporate being, as before stated, used of things mingled.

Moses forbore to speak of angels, and things invisible and incorporate. Ralegh.

INCORPORA'TION. † n. s. [incorporation, Fr.

from incorporate.]

1. Union of divers ingredients in one mass.

Make proof of the incorporation of iron with flint; for if it can be incorporated without over great charge, the cheapness of the flint doth make the compound stuff profitable.

Bacon.

This, with some little additional, may further the intrinsick incorporation. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

2. Formation of a body politick.

3. Adoption; union; association: with into.

In him we actually are, by our actual incorporation into that society which hath him for their head.

Hooker.

4. Without into.

He does not only invite us to come to him, but to come within him; not only to an embrace, but to an union; and by ineffable and seraphick incorporations for "us to be in him," and for "him to be in us."

South, Serm. v. 141.

INCORFO'REAL. adj. [incorporalis, Lat. incorporel, Fr. in and corporeal.] Immaterial; unbodied.

It is a virtue which may be called incorporeal and immateriate, whereof there be in nature but

tew. Bacon. Thus incorporeal spirits to smallest forms Reduc'd their shapes immense. Millon, P. L. Sense and perception must necessarily proceed from some incorporeal substance within us.

Bentley

INCORPO'REALLY. adv. [from incorporeal.]
Immaterially; without body.

Hearing striketh the spirits more immediately than the other senses, and more incorporeally than the smelling.

Bacon.

Incorpore'ity.† n. s. [in and corporeity.]
Immateriality; distinctness from body.
Still new mists he casts before our eyes,

And now derides our prov'd incorporeities.

More, Song of the Soul, iii. i. 3.
Incommunicable attributes of the Deity appeared to agree thereto; such as, infinity, immutability, indivisibility, incorporally.

Bp. Berkeley, Siris, § 270.

The first stumbling-block to the ancient philosophers, and what no one could get over, was, to conceive an incorporeity, any thing entirely void of matter.

Ellis, Knowledge of Divine Things, p. 394,

To Incorrese, v. a. [in and correse.] To incorporate; to unite into one body. Not used.

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He grew unto his seat,

As he had been incorps'd and demy-natur'd With the brave horse. Shakspeare, Hamlet. INCORRECT.† adj. [in and correct.]

 Not nicely finished; not exact; inaccurate; full of faults. The present usage.

The piece you think is incorrect: why take it; I'm all submission; what you'd have it, make it.

2. Not duly regulated; not corrected into proper obedience. See Incorrection. Not now in use.

'Tis unmanly grief:
It shews a will most incorrect to heaven;
A heart unfortified, or mind impatient;
An understanding simple and unschool'd.

Shakspeare, Hamlet.
INCORRE'CTION.* n. s. [from incorrect.]

Want of correction.

The unbridled swing or incorrection of ill nature maketh one odious.

Archdeacon Arnway, Tab. of Moderat. (1661,) p. 9. INCORRE'CTLY.† adv. [from incorrect.] In-

accurately; not exactly.

And if they had not had the Gospel in their hands, they would have wrote as loosely and incorrectly as the philosophers before them.

Ellis, Knowledge of Div. Things, p. 16.

Incorrectness.† n. s. [in and correctness.]
Inaccuracy; want of exactness.

Many of these petty incorrectnesses are not, however, to be imputed to Froissart.

Warton, Hist. E. P. iii. Dissert. p. lxxvii. INCO'RRIGIBLE. adj. [incorrigible, Fr.

in and corrigible.]

 Bad beyond correction; depraved beyond amendment by any means; erroneous beyond hope of instruction: of persons.

Provok'd by those incorrigible fools,

I left declaiming in pedantick schools. Dryd. Juv.
Whilst we are incorrigible, God may in vengeance continue to chastise us with the judgement
of war.

Smalridge.

The most violent party-men are such as have discovered least sense of religion or morality; and when such are laid aside, as shall be found incorrigible, it will be no difficulty to reconcile the rest.

Swift.

2. Not capable of amendment: of things.

The loss is many times irrecoverable, and the inconvenience incorrigible. More, Divine Dialogues.

What are their thoughts of things, but variety of incorrigible errour?

L'Estrange.

INCORRIGIBI'(LITY.* n. s. [from incorrigible.] Depravity beyond amendment. To see so plainly, to feel so thoroughly, the trouble, the blindness, the folly, the imbecility, the ingratitude, the incorrigibility, the strange perverseness, perfidiousness, malice, and cruelty of mankind in so many instances—would it not astone a mind so pure? Barrou, Works, i. 474.

Inco'rrigibleness. n. s. [from incorrigible.] Hopeless depravity; badness beyond all means of amendment.

What we call penitence becomes a sad attestation of our incorrigibleness. Decay of Piety. I would not have chiding used, much less blows, till obstinacy and incorrigibleness make it absolutely necessary.

Locke.

INCO'RRIGIBLY. adv. [from incorrigible.] To a degree of depravity beyond all means of amendment. Some men appear incorrigibly mad;
They cleanliness and company renounce.

Roscommon.

INCORRUPT.† \ adj. [in and corrup-INCORRUPTED. \ tus, Latin; incorrompu, French.]

1. Free from foulness or depravation.

The first church of the apostles was most puse and incorrupt; but the papists have clearly varied from the usage and example of that church. Abp. Cranmer, Def. of the Sacr. (1550,) fol. 116.

Sin, that first
Distemper'd all things, and, of incorrupt,
Corrupted.

Milton, P. L.

2. Pure of manners; honest; good. It is particularly applied to a mind above the power of bribes.

Where the multitude is incorrupt and religious, all things are done justly, and without compulsion.

Ralegh, Arts of Empire, ch. 26.

Incorruptibli't. IT. n. s. [incorruptiblité, Fr. from incorruptible.] Insusceptibility of corruption; incapacity of decay.

Philo, in his book of the world's incorruptibility, allegeth the verses of a Greek tragick poet.

Hakewill on Providence.

A testification of our faith in the resurrection of bodies, and a symbol of future incorruptibility.

Greenhill, Art of Embalming, p. 64.

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INCORRU'PTIBLE. adj. [incorruptible, Fr. in and corruptible.] Not capable of corruption; not admitting decay.

In such abundance lies our choice, As leaves a great store of fruit untouch'd,

Still hanging incorruptible. Milton, P. L.
Our bodies shall be changed into incorruptible
and immortal substances, our souls be entertained
with the most ravishing objects, and both continue
happy throughout all eternity. Wake.

INCORRU'PTION. n. s. [incorruption, Fr. inand corruption.] Incapacity of corruption.

So also is the resurrection of the dead: it is sown in corruption, it is raised in incorruption.

1 Cor. xv. 42.

Incorru'etness. n. s. [in and corrupt.]

Purity of manners; honesty; integrity.
 Probity of mind, integrity, and incorruptness of
 manners, is preferable to fine parts and subtile
 speculations. Woodward.

2. Freedom from decay or degeneration. INCORRU'PTIVE.* adj. [from incorrupt.] Free from decay or corruption.

The wreath of incorruptive praise.

Akenside, Pleas. of Imag. B. 1.

To INCRA'SSATE. v. a. [in and crassus, Lat.] To thicken; the contrary to attenuate.

If the cork be too light to sink under the surface, the body of water may be attenuated with spirits of wine; if too heavy, it may be increasated with salt.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

Acids dissolve or attenuate alcalise precipitate.

Acids dissolve or attenuate, alcalies precipitate or incrassate. Newton, Opticks.

Acids, such as are austere, as unripe fruits, produce too great a stricture of the fibres, incras-

Actors, such as are austere, as unities truits, produce too great a stricture of the fibres, incrassate and coagulate the fluids; from whence pains and rheumatism.

Arbuthnot.

To Incra'ssate.* v. n. To become thick; to grow fat.

Their spirits fattened and incrassated within them. Hammond, Works, iv. 651.
INCRA'SSATE.** part. adj. [from the verb.]

Fattened; filled. Sherwood.

Their understandings were so gross within them, being fattened and incrassate with magical phantasms,

Hammond, Works, iv. 657.

INCRASSA'TION. n.s. [from incrassate.]

1. The act of thickening.

2. The state of growing thick.

Nothing doth conglaciate but water; for the determination of quicksilver is fixation, that of milk coagulation, and that of oil incrassation.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

INCRA'SSATIVE. n. s. [from incrassate.] That which has the quality of thicken- 6. The state of waxing, or growing full

The two latter indicate restringents to stench, and incrassatives to thicken the blood.

To INCRE'ASE. † v. n. [incresco, Lat. encresser, old Fr. See To ENCREASE.]

1. To grow more in number, or greater in bulk; to advance in quantity or value, or in any quality capable of being more INCRE'ASER. n. s. [from increase.] He

Hear and observe to do it, that it may be well with thee, and that ye may increase mightily. Deut. vi. 3.

Profane and vain babbling will increase unto ungodliness. 2 Tim. ii. 16.

From fifty to threescore he loses not much in fancy, and judgement, the effect of observation, still increases. Dryden.

Henry, in knots, involv'd his Emma's name Upon this tree; and, as the tender mark, Grew with the year, and widen'd with the bark : Venus had heard the virgin's soft address, That as the wound the passion might increase.

2. To be fertile.

Fishes are more numerous or increasing than beasts or birds, as appears by their numerous spawn.

To Incre'ase. v. a. [See To Encrease.]

To make more or greater.

Hye thee from this slaughter-house, Lest thou increase the number of the dead.

Shakspeare. He hath increased in Judah mourning and la-

mentation. Sam. I will increase the famine. Ezek. v. 16. I will increase them with men like a flock.

Ezek, xxxvi. It serves to increase that treasure, or to preserve

INCRE'ASE. † n. s. [from the verb. Though, in the poetical examples, the accent falls on the last syllable of this word, and Dr. Johnson accordingly so marks it; it has, in modern times, been often placed on the first; by way of so distinguishing the substantive from the verb.

1. Augmentation; the state of growing more or greater.

For three years he liv'd with large increase In arms of honour, and esteem in peace. Dryden. Hail, bards triumphant! born in happier days, Whose honours with increase of ages grow, As streams roll down, enlarging as they flow,

2. Increment; that which is added to the original stock.

Take thou no usury of him nor increase. Levit, xxv. 36.

3. Produce.

The increase of the threshing-floor, and the increase of the wine-press. Num. xviii. 30 As Hesiod sings, spread waters o'er thy field, And a most just and glad increase 'twill yield. Denham.

Those grains which grew produced an increase beyond expectation. Mortimer, Husbandry.

4 Generation.

Into her womb convey sterility; Dry up in her the organs of increase, And from her derogate body never spring a babe.

5. Progeny.

All the increase of thy house shall die in the flower of their age. 1 Sam. ii. 33. Him young Thoasa bore, the bright increase Of Phorcys. Pope, Odyssey

orbed. Used of the moon.

Seeds, hair, nails, hedges, and herbs, will grow soonest, if set or cut in the increase of the moon.

Bacon, Nat. Hist INCRE'ASEFUL.* adj. [increase and full.]

Abundant of produce. To cheer the ploughman with increaseful crops. Shakspeare, Rape of Lucrece.

who increases.

A lover and increaser of his people.

Beaum. and Fl. Valentinian. Though melancholy persons love to be dark and alone, yet darkness is a great encreaser of the hu-Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 261.

INCRE'ASIBLE.* adj. [from increase.] That may be increased. Sherwood.

INCREA'TE.* adj. [in and creatus, Lat.] Not created. Bullokar. Bright effluence of bright essence increate.

The alcoran was not the increate word of God. L. Addison, Life of Mahumed, p. 48.

INCREA'TED. adj. Not created.

Since the desire is infinite, nothing but the absolute and increated Infinite can adequately fill it.

INCREDIBI'LITY. n. s. [incredibilité, Fr.] To INCRO'ACH.* See To ENCROACH. The quality of surpassing belief.

For objects of incredibility, none are so removed from all appearance of truth as those of Corneille's

INCRE'DIBLE. adj. [incredibilis, Lat.] Surpassing belief; not to be credited. The ship Argo, that there might want no in-

credible thing in this fable, spoke to them. Ralegh. Presenting things impossible to view, They wander through incredible to true. Granville.

Incre'dibleness.† n. s. [from incredible.] Quality of being incredible.

The very strangeness, or incredibleness, of the

M. Casaubon, Of Credulity, &c. (1668,) p. 180. INCRE'DIBLY. † adv. [from incredible.] In a manner not to be believed.

The arts are incredibly improved.

Hakewill on Providence, p. 245. Incredu'lity. † n. s. [incredulité, Fr.] Quality of not believing; hardness of belief.

Let not the incredulity of them trouble thee, that speak against thee. 2 Esdr. xv. 3. He was more large in the description of Para-

dise, to take away all scruple from the incredulity of future ages.

INCRE/DULOUS. adj. [incredule, Fr. incredulus, Lat.] Hard of belief; refusing credit.

I am not altogether incredulous but there may be such candles as are made of salamander's wool, being a kind of mineral which whiteneth in the burning, and consumeth not.

INCRE'DULOUSNSS. n. s. [from incredulous.] Hardness of belief; incredulity.

INCRE'MABLE adj. [in and cremo, Lat.] Not consumable by fire.

If from the skin of the salamander these incremable pieces are composed. Brown, Vulg. Err.

I'NCREMENT. n. s. [incrementum, Lat.] 1. Act of growing greater.

Divers conceptions are concerning the Nile's increment, or inundation ... Brown's Vul. Err.

2. Increase; matter added.

This stratum is expanded at top, serving as the seminary that furnisheth matter for the formation and increment of animal and vegetable bodies.

Woodward.

3. Produce.

The orchat loves to wave With winter wind before the gems exert

Their feeble heads: the loosen'd roots then drink Large increment, earnest of happy years. Philips, Cider, B. 2.

To I'NCREPATE. † v. a. [increpo, Lat.] To chide; to reprehend. Cockeram.

INCREPA'TION.† n. s. [increpatio, Lat. increpation, Fr.] Reprehension; chiding. His answer was a kind of soft increpation to

them, and a strong instruction to all times. W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. P. i. (1648,) p. 311. Here we have David's increpation of Doeg.

Bp. Richardson on the Old Test. p. 226. Whosoever shall in the sincerity of his heart acquit himself as to all the foregoing duties, and thereby prepare and adorn himself to meet and converse with his Saviour at this divine feast, shall never be accosted with the thunder of that dreadful increpation from him, " Friend, how camest thou in hither, not having a weddinggarment?" South, Serm. ii. 308. The admonitions, fraternal or paternal, of his

fellow Christians, or of the governors of the church; then, more publick reprehensions and increpations.

INCRU'ENTAL.* adj. [Lat. incruentus.] Unbloody; without bloodshed.

He musters out as many places as he can find, that make any mention of liturgy, oblation, holy victim, incruental sacrifice.

Brevint, Saul and Sam. at Endor, (1674,) p. 408. To INCRU'ST. v. a. [incrusto, Lat.

To INCRU'STATE. incruster, Fr.] To cover with an additional coat adhering to the internal matter.

The finer part of the wood will be turned into air, and the grosser stick baked and incrustate upon the sides of the vessel. Bacon, Nat. Hist. Some rivers bring forth spars, and other mineral matter, so as to cover and incrust the stones. Woodward.

Save but our army; and let Jove incrust Swords, pikes, and guns, with everlasting rust.

Any of these sun-like bodies in the centres of the several vortices, are so incrustated and weakened as to be carried about in the vortex of the

The shield was purchased by Woodward, who incrusted it with a new rust. Arbuthnot and Pope.

INCRUSTA'TION. n. s. [incrustation, Fr. from incrusto, Lat.] An adherent covering; something superinduced.

Having such a prodigious stock of marble, their chapels are laid over with such a rich variety of incrustations as cannot be found in any other Addison on Italy.

To I'NCUBATE. v. n. [incubo, Lat.] To sit upon eggs.

INCUBA'TION. n. s. [incubation, Fr. incubatio, Lat.] The act of sitting upon

eggs to hatch them. Whether that vitality was by incubation, or how else, is only known to God. Ralegh, Hist.

Birds have eggs enough at first conceived in them to serve them, allowing such a proportion for every year as will serve for one or two incu-Ray on the Creation.

When the whole tribe of birds by incubation produce their young, it is a wonderful deviation, that some few families should do it in a more no-Derham. vercal way.

As the white of an egg by incubation, so can the serum by the action of the fibres be attenuated. Arbuthnot.

INCU'BITURE.* n. s. [incubitus, Lat.] Incubation.

If you go on and describe it, [the Manucodiata,] as Cardan, Hernandes, Scaliger, and others have done, that it is a bird which lives in the air, without ever coming near the earth till it falls down dead upon it, that its food is the dew of heaven, and the incubiture of the female on the back of the male, their ideas will be enlarged according to the degrees of information; but no fecundity of the mind can make them perceive one single property, farther than they are instructed.

Ellis, Knowledge of Div. Things, p. 153.

I'NCUBUS.† n. s. [Lat. incube, Fr. We use sometimes the Latin plural incubi; and sometimes incubusses. Dr. Johnson has given only the solitary medical citation from Floyer. The incubus of the older time was a fairy: he succeeded, as Mr. Tyrwhitt observes, to the ancient Fauni, and like them was supposed to inflict that oppression, which goes under the name of the ephialtes, or night-mare. So Bullokar: "The vulgar think it Tthe incubus] some spirit, but the physicians affirm it to be a natural disease. The incubus had the character also of being a great lover of women.

1. A pretended fairy or demon.

A legendary fable, that Luther was begotten by an incubus.

Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Marr. Clergy, p. 136. Stories - of hags, of incubi.

More, Preexist. st. 43. That old fabulous fancy, which they say some of the fathers had from the Jews, of devils being incubusses, and that in their courtships to women they gratified them with these inventions, which might help their decaying beauties.

Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 124. Belial, the dissolutest spirit that fell,

The sensuallest, and, after Asmodai, Milton, P. R. ii. 152. The fleshliest incubus.

2. The night-mare.

The incubus is an inflation of the membranes of the stomach, which hinders the motion of the diaphragma, lungs, and pulse, with a sense of a weight oppressing the breast. Floyer.

Such as are troubled with incubus, or witchridden, as we call it.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 91. To INCU'LCATE. † v. a. [inculco, Lat. inculquer, Fr. We had formerly the pedantick word inculk; but inculcate is also a very old word, although Dr. Johnson could find no earlier example of it than that from Atterbury. It existed a century and a half before his time. Inculk, though not to be used, has publick authority for it; as it occurs in the "Injunctions given by the Queenes Majestie, 1559." Sign. B. ii. b. "The same minister shall inculke these or such sentences." To impress by frequent admonitions; to enforce by INCU'MBENCY. † n. s. [from incumbent.] constant repetition.

The apostles of Christ the Lord - very often inculcate, that men are justified before God by

Woolton, Chr. Manual, (1576,) E. vii. b. Manifest truth may deserve sometimes to be inculcated, because we are too apt to forget it.

Atterbury. Homer continually inculcates morality and piety to the gods.

Broome, Notes to Pope's Odyssey. Inculca'tion. † n. s. [from inculcate. Fr. inculcation.] The act of impressing by frequent admonition; admonitory repetition.

Industry in action being as importunity in speech, by continual inculcation forcing a yielding

beyond the strength of reason.

Fuller, Holy War, p. 154. Often inculcation of warning necessarily implies danger. Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 5. It requires the helps and assistances of frequent a danger. inculcation. South. Serm. vii. 32.

INCU'LPABLE. † adj. [incoulpable, old Fr. in and culpabilis, Lat. | Unblamable; not reprehensible.

Ignorance, so far as it may be resolved into natural inability, is as to men, at least inculpable, and consequently not the object of scorn, but pity. South.

It was an innocent and inculpable piece of igno-Killingbeck, Serm. p. 140.

NCU'LPABLENESS.* n. s. [from inculpable.] Unblamableness.

Since the inculpableness of their meerly natural imbecility abates to them the shame of owning it, let them not at least voluntarily surcharge themselves with such imperfections, as want that excuse and extenuation.

W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. P. ii. (1654,) p. 120. INCU'LPABLY. adv. [in and culpabilis, Lat.]

Unblamably; without blame.

As to errors or infirmities, the frailty of man's condition has invincibly, and therefore inculpably, exposed him.

INCU'LT. † adj. [inculte, French incultus, Lat.] Uncultivated; untilled. This word is not the coinage of Thomson, as the solitary citation from his Autumn by Dr. Johnson might lead the reader to suppose. It was in use a century before his time.

Germany then, saith Tacitus, was incult and horrid; now full of magnificent cities.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 332. Her forests huge,

Incult, robust, and tall, by Nature's hand Planted of old. Thomson, Autumn.

INCU'LTIVATED.* adj. [in and cultivated.] Not cultivated; not improved by til-

The soil, though incultivated, so full of vigour, that it procreates without seed.

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 380. INCULTIVA'TION.* n.s. [in and cultivation.]

Want or neglect of cultivation. Inhabited by wild beasts, and in that state of

incultivation which nature in her luxuriant fancies loves to form, the wilderness was of no value to its proprietors.

Berington, Hist. of Abeillard, p. 108. INCU'LTURE.* n. s. [in and culture.] Want or neglect of cultivation.

The inculture of the world would perish it into a wilderness, should not the activeness of commerce make it an universal city.

Feltham, Res. ii. 49.

1. The act or state of lying upon another. We find them more fragile, and not so well qualified to support great incumbencies and weights. Evelyn, B. i. ch. 3. sect. 17.

2. Imposition as a duty.

The duties of a man, of a friend, of a husband, of a father; and all the incumbencies of a family. Donne, Lett. to Sir H. G. Poems, p. 288.

3. The state of keeping a benefice. These fines are only to be paid to the bishop. during his incumbency in the same see.

INCU'MBENT. adj. [incumbens, Latin.]

1. Resting upon; lying upon.

Then with expanded wings he steers his flight Aloft, incumbent on the dusky air,

Milton, P. L. That felt unusual weight. The ascending parcels of air, having now little more than the weight of the incumbent water to surmount, were able both so to expand themselves as to fill up that part of the pipe which they pervaded, and, by pressing every way against the sides of it; to lift upwards with them what water they found above them. Boyle.

With wings expanded wide ourselves we'll rear, And fly incumbent on the dusky air. Dryden. Here the rebel giants lye

And when to move th' incumbent load they try, Ascending vapours on the day prevail. Addison. Man is the destin'd prey of pestilence,

And o'er his guilty domes She draws a close incumbent cloud of death.

Thomson.

2. Imposed as a duty.

All men, truly zealous, will perform those good works that are incumbent on all Christians. Sprat, Serm.

There is a double duty incumbent upon us in the exercise of our powers. L'Estrange. Thus, if we think and act, we shall shew ourselves duly mindful not only of the advantages we receive from thence, but of the obligations also which are incumbent upon us.

INCU'MBENT. † n. s. [incumbens, Latin; old French, incumbent, " pourvu d'un bénéfice, celui qui l'occupe. Lacombe. He who is in present possession of a benefice.

In many places the whole ecclesiastical dues are in lay hands, and the incumbent lieth at the mercy of his patron.

To INCU'MBER. + v. a. [encombrer, Fr.; ingombrare, Ital.] To embarrass. See To ENCUMBER.

So huge a rout Incumber'd him with run. Milton, P. L. My cause is call'd, and that long look'd-for

Is still incumber'd with some new delay. Dryden, Juv.

INCU'MBRANCE.* See ENCOMBRANCE. INCU'MBROUS.* adj. [from incumber.]

Cumbersome; troublesome. Harde language, and harde matere,

Is incumbrous for thee to here. Chaucer, House of Fame, ii. 354.

To INCU'R. v. a. [incurro, Latin.]

1. To become liable to a punishment or

reprehension. I have incurred displeasure from inferiors for

giving way to the faults of others.
They, not obeying, Hayward.

Incurr'd what could they less? the penalty: And, manifold in sin, deserv'd to fall.

Milton, P. L. So judge thou still, presumptuous! till the

Which thou incurr'st by flying, meet thy flight Sev'nfold, and scourge that wisdom back to hell. Milton, P. L.

They had a full persuasive that not to do it were to desert God, and consequently to incur dam-

2. To occur; to press on the senses; with to or into.

The motions of the minute parts of bodies are invisible, and incur not to the eye: but yet they are to be deprehended by experience.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. The mind of man, even in spirituals, acts with corporeal dependence; and so is he helped or hindered in its operations, according to the different quality of external objects that incur into the senses.

INCURABI'LITY. n. s. [incurabilité, Fr. from incurable.] Impossibility of cure; utter insusceptibility of remedy.

We'll instantly open a door to the manner of a proper and improper consumption, together with the reason of the incurability of the former, and facile cure of the other. Harvey.

INCU'RABLE. adj. \(\(\text{incurable}\), \(\text{Fr. in}\) and curable.] Not admitting remedy; not to be removed by medicine; irremediable; hopeless.

Pause not; for the present time's so sick, That present medicine must be ministered, Or overthrow incurable ensues. Shakspeare.

Stop the rage betime, Before the wound do grow incurable; For being green, there is great hope of help.

A schirrus is not absolutely incurable, because it has been known that fresh pasture has cured it in cattle. Arbuthnot.

If idiots and lunaticks cannot be found, incurables may be taken into the hospital. Swift.

INCU'RABLÉNESS.† n. s. [from incurable.] State of not admitting any cure.

This incurableness in every sickness - is indeed the very soul of the sickness, whereby it liveth, though the patient dieth.

Fotherby, Atheom. (1622,) p. 242. INCU'RABLY. adv. [from incurable.] Without remedy.

We cannot know it is or is not, being incurably ignorant.

Incurio'sity.* n. s. [incuriosité, French, Cotgrave.] - Want of curiosity; inattentiveness; negligence.

That you may not charge me with incuriosity. Wotton, Lett. (1611.)

Thinking all things become a good man; even his gestures and little incuriosities

Bp. Taylor, Serm. (1651,) p. 195. His incuriosity or indifference, when truth was offered to be laid before him as a private man, and by one who, he knew, had the repute of exercising every spiritual power necessare to inforce it, shews him [Pilate] in a light much less excusable. Warburton, Serm. i. p. 1.

INCU'RIOUS.† adj. [in and curious. Pronounced by Heylin, in 1656, an uncouth and unusual word. But it had been in use many years before. See also Incuriously, and Incuriousness.] Negligent: inattentive.

Can we think that the Providence, which is so precisely curious as to mark and observe the falling of sparrows, should be so supinely incurious as to slight and neglect the falling of king-Fotherby, Atheom. (1622,) p. 270.

The Creator did not bestow so much skill upon his creatures, to be looked upon with a careless incurious eye. Derham.

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He seldom at the Park appear'd; Yet, not incurious, was inclin'd To know the converse of mankind.

INCU'RIOUSLY.* adv. [from incurious.] Without nice examination; without inquisitiveness.

It is enough for me to rest in the hope, that I shall once see them; in the mean time, let me be learnedly ignorant, and incuriously devout, silently blessing the power and wisdom of my infinite Creator, who knows how to honour himself by all these glorious and unrevealed subordinations.

Bp. Hall, Invisible World, i. § 7. In such an age publick money will be easily granted, and publick accounts rarely or incuriously inspected.

Bolingbroke on Parties, Lett. 19.

Swift.

Incu'riousness.* n. s. [from incurious.] Negligence; inattentiveness; careless-

Our reverential fear of the God of heaven calls us to eschew in the other extreme all sordid incuriousness, and slovenly neglect, in his immediate Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 258.

Tell me, have you gone away currently with this incuriousness or unconcernedness for religion? Goodman, Wint. Ev. Conf. P. iii.

INCU'RSION. n. s. [from incurro, Latin.]

1. Attack; mischievous occurrence. Sins of daily incursion, and such as human frailty is unavoidably liable to.

2. [Incursion, Fr.] Invasion without con-

quest; inroad; ravage. Spain is very weak at home, or very slow to move, when they suffered a small fleet of English to make an hostile invasion, or incursion, upon

their havens and roads. Now the Parthian king hath gather'd all his host

Against the Scythian, whose incursions wild Have wasted Sogdiana.

Milton, P. R. The incursions of the Goths disordered the affairs of the Roman empire. Arbuthnot on Coins.

To INCU'RVATE. v. a. [incurvo, Lat.]

To bend; to crook. Sir Isaac Newton has shewn, by several ex-

periments of rays passing by the edges of bodies, that they are incurvated by the action of these bodies. Cheune

To INCU'RVE.* v. a. [incurvo, Lat.] To bow; to bend. Cockeram.

Incurva'tion. † n. s. [from incurvo, Lat.] 1. The act of bending or making crooked. Religious incurvation towards a crucifix, or the host, as to an object, and not a mere unconsidered accidental circumstance, is idolatry,

More, Antid. against Atheism, ch. 1. They bow down the dead man's thumb into the hollow of the hand; and by that incurvation they fancy to express the Name of God.

L. Addison, State of the Jews, p. 223. 2. State of being bent; curvity; crooked-

ness. One part moving while the other rests, one would think, should cause an incurvation in the

3. Flexion of the body in token of re-

He made use of acts of worship which God hath appropriated; as incurvation, and sacrifice. Stilling fleet.

INCU'RVITY. n. s. [from incurvus, Latin.] [INDE'BTMENT.* n. s. [from indebt.] The Crookedness; the state of bending inward.

The incurvity of a dolphin must be taken not really, but in appearance, when they leap above water, and suddenly shoot down again; strait bodies, in a sudden motion, protruded obliquely downward, appear crooked.

To I'NDAGATE. † v. a. [indago, Latin.] To search; to beat out. Cockeram. INDAGA'TION. † n. s. [from indagate.]

Search; enquiry; examination. In her indugations oft-times new scents put her [the soul] by; and she takes in errours into her by

the same conduits she doth truths. B. Jonson, Discoveries. Paracelsus directs us, in the indagation of colours, to have an eye principally upon salts.

Boyle. Part hath been discovered by himself, and some by human indagation. Brown, Vulg. Err.

I'NDAGATOR.† n. s. [indagator, Latin.] A searcher; an enquirer; an examiner.

For men to make nothing of this royal law of Christ, and yet to pretend to be more accurate indagators into matters of religion, and more affectionate lovers of piety than ordinary, is either to be abominably hypocritical, or grossly ignorant in the most precious and necessary parts of Christianity. More, Conj. Cabb. (1653,) p. 200.

The number of the elements of bodies requires to be searched into by such skilful indagators of nature.

To INDA'MAGE.* See To ENDAMAGE. To INDE'AR.* See To ENDEAR.

INDE'ARMENT.* n. s. [from indear.] Cause of love. See Endearment.

Likeness is the greatest indearment of love, and the most natural foundation of light and compla-Norris on the Beatitudes, p. 172.

To INDA'RT. v. a. [in and dart.] To dart in; to strike in.

I'll look to like, if looking liking move; But no more deep will I indart mine eye, Than your consent gives strength to make it fly. Shakspeare.

To INDE'BT, v. a.

1. To put into debt.

2. To oblige; to put under obligation. Forgive us our sins; for we forgive every one that is indebted to us. St. Luke, zi. 4.

He Atonement for himself, or offering meet, Indebted and undone, has none to bring.

Milton, P. L. This blest alliance may

The indebted nation bounteously repay. Granville. INDE'BTED. participial adj. [in and debt.]

Obliged by something received; bound to restitution; having incurred a debt. It has to before the person to whom the debt is due, and for before the thing received.

If the course of politick affairs cannot in any good course go forward without fit instruments, and that which fitteth them be their virtues, let polity acknowledge itself indebted to religion, godliness being the chiefest top and well-spring of all true virtues, even as God is of all good things.

Few consider how much we are indebted to government, because few can represent how wretched mankind would be without it. Atterbury

Let us represent to our souls the love and beneficence for which we daily stand indebted to Rogers.

We are wholly indebted for them to our an-Swift.

state of being in debt. Fear thou a worse prison, if thou wilt needs

wilfully live and die in a just indebtment, when thou mayest be at once free and honest.

By. Hall, Balm of Gilead.

Any thing unbecoming; any thing contrary to good manners; something wrong, but scarcely criminal.

He will in vain endeavour to reform indecency in his pupil, which he allows in himself. Locke.

INDE'CENT. adj. [indecent, French, in and decent.] Unbecoming; unfit for the eyes

Characters, where obscene words were proper in their mouths, but very indecent to be heard.

Till these men can prove these things, ordered by our church, to be either intrinsically unlawful or indecent, the use of them, as established amongst us, is necessary.

[from indecent.] INDE'CENTLY. † adv. Without decency; in a manner contrary to decency.

His behaviour had been very indecently partial

and violent.

Burnet, Hist. of his Own Time, (an. 1679.) He was the easy and profuse dupe of women, and in some instances indecently so.

Ld. Chesterfield, Charact. INDECI'DUOUS. adj. [in and deciduous.] Not falling; not shed; not liable to a yearly fall of the leaf; evergreen.

We find the statute of the sun framed with rays about the head, which were the indeciduous and unshaken locks of Apollo.

Brown, Vulg. Err. INDE'CIMABLE.* adj. [in and decimable.]

Not tithable; that ought not to pay tithe. Cowel.

INDECI'SION.* n. s. [in and decision.] Want of determination.

The term indecision in a man's character implies an idea very nicely different from irresolution; yet it has a tendency to produce it.

Shenstone. Indecision is the natural accomplice of violence.

Burke. INDECI'SIVE.* adj. [in and decisive.] Not

determining; inconclusive. A thousand such criticisms are altogether indecisive as to his general merit. Blair.

INDECI'SIVENESS.* n. s. [from indecisive.] Inability to terminate any difference, or settle an event.

INDECLI'NABLE. † adj. [indeclinable, Fr. indeclinabilis, Lat.]

1. Not variable; constant. Cockeram.

2. Not varied by terminations.

Pondo is an indeclinable word, and when it is joined to numbers it signifies libra. Arbuthnot. INDECLI'NABLY. * adv. [from indeclinable.] Without variation: constantly.

I have been born, and bred, and brought up, in the confession of the Church of England: I have learned, loved, admired, and proposed unto myself to follow indeclinably, not only the discipline of the Church of England, but the whole and entire doctrine of that Church.

Mountagu, App. to Cæs. (1625,) p. 111. INDECO'ROUS. adj. [indecorus, Lat.]

Indecent; unbecoming.

What can be more indecorous than for a creature to violate the commands, and trample upon the authority of that awful Excellence to whom he owes his life?

INDECO'ROUSLY.* adv. [from indecorous.] In an unbecoming manner; without decorum.

INDECO'ROUSNESS.* n. s. [from indecorous.] Impropriety of conduct; indecency. Scott.

cency: something unbecoming.

They - commit many absurdities, many indecorums, unbelitting their gravity and persons. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 523.

As if a herald, in the achievement of a king, should commit the indecorum to set his helmet sideways and close, not fullfaced and open in the posture of direction and command.

Milton, Tetrachordon. As I design to have notices from all publick assemblies, I shall take upon me only indecorums, improprieties, and negligencies, in such as should give us better examples. Tatler, No. 3.

The soft address, the castigated grace, Are indecorums in the modern maid.

INDE'ED. adv. [in and deed.]

1. In reality; in truth; in verity. Yet loving indeed, and therefore constant.

Sidney. Though such assemblies be had indeed for religion's sake, hurtful nevertheless they may prove, as well in regard of their fitness to serve the turn of hereticks, and such as privily will venture to instil their poison into new minds.

Hooker. Some, who have not deserved judgement of death, have been for their goods sake caught up and carried streight to the bough: a thing indeed very pitiful and horrible. Spenser.

2. Above common rate. This use is emphatical. Then didst thou utter, I am yours for ever;

'Tis grace indeed. Shakspeare. Borrows, in mean affairs, his subjects pains;

But things of weight and consequence indeed, Himself doth in his chamber them debate. Davies.

Such sons of Abraham, how highly soever they may have the luck to be thought of, are far from being Israelites indeed. I were a beast, indeed, to do you wrong,

I who have lov'd and honour'd you so long Druden.

3. This is to be granted that. A particle of connection.

This imitation, indeed, of our author, will save those the labour who would look for Adam's heir amongst the race of brutes; but will very little contribute to the discovery of one next heir amongst men.

Some sons indeed, some very few we see, Who keep themselves from this infection free.

There is nothing in the world more generally dreaded, and yet less to be feared, than death: indeed, for those unhappy men whose hopes ter-minate in this life, no wonder if the prospect of another seems terrible and amazing.

4. It is used sometimes as a slight assertion or recapitulation in a sense hardly perceptible or explicable, and though some degree of obscure power is perceived, might, even where it is properly enough inserted, be omitted without miss.

I said I thought it was confederacy between the juggler and the two servants; tho' indeed I had no reason so to think. Bacon.

There is indeed no great pleasure in visiting these magazines of war, after one has seen two or three of them.

5. It is used to note concession in comparisons.

Against these forces were prepared to the number of near one hundred ships; not so great of bulk indeed, but of a more nimble motion.

Bacon, War with Spain. INDEFATIGABI'LITY.* n. s. [from indefa-

tigable.] Unweariness. His indefatigability of study cannot be paralleled. Life of Bp. Andrewes, (1650.)

INDE'CENCY. n. s. [indecence, French.] INDECO'R UM. † n. s. [Latin.] Inde-[INDEFA'TIGABLE. † adj. [indefatigable, old Fr. indefatigabilis, in and defatigo, Lat.] Unwearied; not tired; not exhausted by labour.

Who shall spread his aery flight, Upborne with indefatigable wings,

Over the vast abrupt. Milton, P. L. The ambitious person must rise early and sit up late, and pursue his design with a constant indefatigable attendance: he must be infinitely patient and servile.

INDEFA'TIGABLY. + ad. [from indefatigable.] Without weariness.

Fight zealously; fight indefatigably, and prevail. Bp. Hall, St. Paul's Combat. A man indefatigably zealous in the service of the church and state, and whose writings have highly

INDEFA'TIGABLENESS.* n. s. [from indefatigable.] Unweariness. Bullokar. Dost thou thus repay thy teachers for their pains, care, study, indefatigableness?

Waterhouse, Apol. for Learn. (1653,) p. 231. The devotion of St. Gregory, the indefatigableness of St. Austin, the courage of St. Ambrose.

Bp. Gauden, Hierasp. p. 274. INDEFATIGA'TION.* n. s. [in and defati-

Dryden.

gatio, Lat.] Unweariness.

deserved of both.

Holding themselves to be not inferiour (as indeed they were not) either to the indefatigation or skill of the Greek geographers.

Gregory, Posthum. (1650,) p. 267.

Indefe'Asible.* adj. See Indefeisible. Incapable of being defeated.

The last kind of activity, and the perceptivity resulting from it, is much more noble, more indesinent, and indefeasible than the first.

Baxter on the Soul, i. 351.

INDEFECTIBI'LITY. † n. s. [from indefectible. The quality of suffering no decay: of being subject to no defect.

God's unity, eternity, and indefectibility. Barrow, Works, ii, 123. I know of no promise of indefectibility from the

faith made to any particular church, no, not to the church of Rome itself. Bp. Bull, Corrupt. of the Ch. of Rome.

INDEFE'CTIBLE. † adj. [in and defectus, Latin. | Unfailing; not liable to defect or decay.

I believe this infinite and eternal Spirit to be not only of perfect and indefectible holiness in himself, but also to be the immediate cause of all holiness Pearson on the Creed, Art. 8.

The eternal, indefectible happiness of heaven. Clarke, Lett. to Dodwell, p. 55.

INDEFE'CTIVE.* adj. [in and defective.] Not defective; sufficient; perfect.

The moral law as a covenant promising life upon condition of absolute indefective obedience.

South, Serm. iii, 95. Our wills shall be perfected with absolute and indefective holiness, with exact conformity to the will of God, and perfect liberty from all servitude Pearson on the Creed, Art. 12.

INDEFE'ISIBLE. adj. [indefaisible, French.] Not to be cut off; not to be vacated; irrevocable.

So indefcisible is our estate in those joys, that, if we do not sell it in reversion, we shall, when once invested, be beyond the possibility of ill husbandry. . Decay of Piety.

INDEFE'NSIBLE. adj. [in and defensus, Latin.] That cannot be defended or maintained.

As they extend the rule of consulting Scripture to all the actions of common life, even so far as to

the taking up of a straw, so it is altogether false and indefensible. Sanderson. INDEFE'NSIVE.* adj. [in and defensive.]

Having no defence.

The sword awes the indefensive villager. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 337.

INDEFI'CIENCY.* n. s. [in and deficiency.]

The quality of suffering no decay. God took care of their meat and drink, and indeficiency of their clothing.

Stackhouse, Hist. of the Bib. B. 4. ch. 1.

INDEFI'CIENT.* adj. [in and deficient.] Not failing; perfect; complete.

Faith heightened into vision, hope satisfied in possession, love completed in fruition, peace consummated in immutable, inconcussible, and indeficient delectation: In these four things seem to consist the endowments of glorified souls, so far as we can here frame any judgement of the glory to Bp. Reynold's Works, p. 1107:

INDEFI'NABLE.* adj. [in and definable.]

Not to be defined.

INDE'FINITE. adj. [indefinitus, Latin; indefinit, Fr.]

1. Not determined; not limited; not

Though a position should be wholly rejected, yet that negative is more pregnant of direction than an indefinite; as ashes are more generative Bacon, Essays.

Her advancement was left indefinite; but thus, that it should be as great as ever any former queen of England had.

Tragedy and picture are more narrowly circumscribed by place and time than the epick poem: the time of this last is left indefinite.

Dryden, Dufresnoy.

2. Large beyond the comprehension of man, though not absolutely without limits.

Though it is not infinite, it may be indefinite; though it is not boundless in itself, it may be so to human comprehension.

INDE'FINITELY. adv. [from indefinite.] 1. Without any settled or determinate li-

mitation.

We observe that custom, whereunto St. Paul alludeth, and whereof the fathers of the church in their writings make often mention, to shew indefinitely what was done; but not universally to bind for ever all prayers unto one only fashion of

We conceive no more than the letter beareth, that is, four times, or indefinitely more than thrice.

A duty to which all are indefinitely obliged, upon some occasions, by the express command of Smalridge.

2. To a degree indefinite.

If the world be indefinitely extended, that is, so far as no human intellect can fancy any bounds of it, then what we see must be the least part.

Ray on the Creation.

INDE'FINITENESS.* n. s. [from indefinite.] The state or quality of being indefinite.

INDEFI'NITUDE. n. s. [from indefinite.] Quantity not limited by our understanding, though yet finite.

They arise to a strange and prodigious multitude, if not indefinitude, by their various positions, combinations, and conjunctions.

Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

INDELI'BERATE. adj. [indeliberé, Fr.; in INDELI'BERATED. and deliberate.] Unpremeditated; done without consideration.

Actions proceeding from blandishments, or | 2. Reimbursement of loss or penalty. sweet persuasions, if they be indeliberated, as in children, who want the use of reason, are not presently free actions. Bp. Bramhall.

I distinguish between free acts and voluntary acts: the former are always deliberate, the latter

may be indeliberate.

Bp. Bramhall against Hobbes, p. 37. The love of God better can consist with the indeliberate commissions of many sins, than with an allowed persistence in any one. Gov. of the Tongue.

INDELIBI'LITY.* n. s. [from indelible.] The quality of being indelible.

Truth hath champions that will utterly raise his

so seeming indelibility. Icon Aleth. the Portraiture, &c. (1649,) Ded. A.i.b. When this question of the indelibility of the

sacred character came to be much agitated in this House, it was argued, &c.

Bp. Horsley, Speeches in Parliament, p. 421.

INDE'LIBLE. † adj. [indeleble, Fr.; indelebilis, Lat. in and delible. It should be written indeleble. Dr. Johnson. -In fact, our old and good authors usually write the word indeleble; and so Cockeram gives it in his old vocabulary. have brought Bacon and bishop Hall, to shew this orthography; and could have added numbers, so writing it, about their time. Bentley, in more modern times, INDENIZA'TION.* n. s. [from indenize.] observed it; and is also now adduced.]

1. Not to be blotted out or effaced.

Their character was yet, by confession, indeleble. Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Marr. Clergy, p. 94. Any point which was irreparable, or - might fix any character indeleble of disgrace upon you.

Bacon, Letters, (ed. 1657,) p. 13. Wilful perpetration of unworthy actions brands with indelible characters the name and memory. King Charles.

He would have left upon our minds a native and indeleble inscription of himself.

Bentley, Serm. (ed. 1724,) p. 87. Thy heedless sleeve will drink the colour'd oil, And spot indelible thy pocket soil. Gay, Trivia.

2. Not to be annulled.

They are endued with indelible power from above to feed, to govern this household, and to consecrate pastors and stewards of it to the world's end. Sprat.

INDE'LIBLY.* adv. [from indelible.] So as not to be effaced.

Let the characters of good things stand indelibly in thy mind. Brown, Chr. Mor. iii. 10. This, as a Cain's mark set upon them by the hand of God, indelibly sticks by them, and follows them to their graves.

Goodman, Wint. Ev. Conf. P. ii. Some primary notions and general principles of the law of nature, so indelibly stamped and impressed on the soul of man.

Ellis, Knowledge of Div. Things, p. 59.

INDE'LICACY. n. s. [in and delicacy.] Want of delicacy; want of elegant de-

Your papers would be chargeable with worse than indelicacy, they would be immoral, did you treat detestable uncleanness as you rally an impertinent self-love.

INDE'LICATE. † adj. [in and delicate.] Wanting decency; void of a quick sense of decency.

Their luxury was inelegant, their pleasures in-

INDEMNIFICA'TION. † n. s. [from indemnify.

1. Security against loss or penalty.

The Franciscans enjoyed from the popes the privilege of distributing indulgences; a valuable indemnification for their voluntary poverty.

Warton, Hist. E. P. i. 294.

To INDE MNIFY. † v. a. [in and damnify. Old Fr. dampnifier. Our old lexicography gives "indempned, without damage, or exempt from harm." Huloet.]

1. To secure against loss or penalty.

2. To maintain unhurt.

Insolent signifies rude and haughty, indemnify

INDE'MNITY. n. s. [indemnité, Fr.] Security from punishment; exemption from punishment.

I will use all means, in the ways of amnesty and indemnity which may most fully remove all fears, and bury all jealousies in forgetfulness.

King Charles.

Bullokar.

INDEMO'NSTRABLE.* adj. [in and demonstrable. Not to be shewn: not capable of demonstration; not evident. In their art they have certain assertions, which

as indemonstrable principles they urge all to re-Sir E. Sandys, State of Religion. The affirmatives are indemonstrable.

Stilling fleet, Orig. Sac. ii. 1.

The act, or patent, by which one is made Bullokar.

To INDE'NIZE.* v. a. [from denizen.] To make free. See To Endenize.

All sorts of people, foreign-bred,

As natives there indenized.

Sandys, Ps. (ed. 1636,) p. 142. To Inde'nizen.* v. a. [from denizen.] To

make free; to naturalize. See to En-DENIZEN.

Grammar he hath enough to make terminations of those words, which his authority hath indenizen'd. Overbury, Charact. sign. H. 7.

To INDE NT. v. a. [in and dens, a tooth, Latin.] To mark any thing with inequalities like a row of teeth; to cut in and out; to make to wave or undulate. About his neck

A green and gilded snake had wreath'd itself, Who with her head, nimble in threats, approach'd The opening of his mouth; but suddenly, Seeing Orlando, it unlink'd itself,

And with indented glides did slip away Into a bush. Shakspeare, As you like it.

The serpent then, not with indented wave, Prone on the ground, as since; but on his rear Circular base of rising folds, that tower'd Fold above fold, a surging maze! Milton, P. L.

Trent, who, like some earth-born giant, spreads His thirty arms along the indented meads. Milton, Vac. Ex.

The margins on each side do not terminate in a straight line, but are indented. Woodward.

To INDE'NT. v. n. [from the method of cutting counterparts of a contract together, that, laid on each other, they may fit, and any want of conformity may discover a fraud.]

1. To contract; to bargain; to make a

Shall we buy treason, and indent with fears, When they have lost and forfeited themselves?

I do indent, you shall return the money.

B. Jonson, Staple of News.

He descends to the solemnity of a pact and covenant, and has indented with us.

Decay of Piety.

2. To run in and out.

Then shalt thou see the dew-bedabbled wretch [the hare]

Turn, and return, indenting with the way. Shakspeare, Ven. and Adon.

INDE'NT. † n. s. [from the verb.]

1. Inequality; incisure; indentation. This is little used.

Trent shall not wind, with such a deep indent, To rob me of so rich a bottom here.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

2. Stamp.

Only an indent or impression.

Philos. Transact. vol. li. p. 376.

INDENTA'TION. n. s. [in and dens, Latin.] An indenture; waving in any figure.

The margins do not terminate in a streight line, but are indented; each indentation being continued in a small ridge, to the indentation that answers it on the opposite margin. Woodward.

INDE'NTMENT.* n. s. [from indent.] indenture. Not in use.

The brabbling neighbours on him call For counsel in some crabbed case of law, Or some indentments, or some bond to draw. Bp. Hall, Sat. iv. 2.

INDE'NTURE. † n. s. [low Lat. indentura ; Fr. endenture.] A covenant, so named because the counterparts are indented

or cut one by the other; a contract, of which there is a counterpart. The promises and engagements of an higher in-

denture, those of the Christian. Hammond, Works, iv. 497. The Books of the Old and New Testament (as they are usually distinguished) do, like a pair of indentures, justify one another, and assure us that there can be no fraud or forgery in either of them.

Goodman, Winter Ev. Conf. P. iii. The law is the best expositor of the gospel; they are like a pair of indentures; they answer in every part.

Leslie, Short Method with the Jews.

The critick to his grief will find How firmly these indentures bind.

To INDE'NTURE. * v. n. To run in and out; to indent. See the second sense of the verb Indent.

They took

Their staves in hand, and at the good man strook: But, by indenturing, still the good man 'scap'd. Heywood's Hier. of Angels, (1635,) p. 134.

To INDE'NTURE.* v. a. [from indent.] To INDEPREHE'NSIBLE.* adj. [indeprehensiindent; to wrinkle.

Though age may creep on, and indenture the brow.

Still then shall our constancy last.

Woty, Autumnal Song. INDEPE'NDENCE. 1 n. s. [independance, Fr. INDEPE'NDENCY. | in and dependence.]

1. Freedom; exemption from reliance or control; state over which none has

power. Dreams may give us some idea of the great excellency of a human soul, and some intimations of

its independency on matter. Addison, Spect. Let fortune do her worst, whatever she makes us lose, as long as she never makes us lose our honesty and our independence.

Give me, I cry'd, enough for me,

My bread and independency: So bought an annual rent or two. And liv'd just as you see I do.

Pope.

2. The state of those, called independents. See Independent, n. s.

Pagitt's Heresiography, p. 79.

O God, put it into the heart of our king and Parliament to take speedy order for the suppression of this wild variety of sects, and lawless independencies, ere it be too late.

INDEPE'NDENT.† adj. [independent,

Fr.; in and dependent.]

1. Not depending; not supported by any other; not relying on another; not controlled. It is used with on, of, or from before the object: of which on seems most proper, since we say to depend on, and consequently dependent on.

Creation must needs infer providence, and God's making the world irrefragably proves that he governs it too; or that a being of dependent nature remains nevertheless independent upon him in that respect. South.

Since all princes of independent governments are in a state of nature, the world never was without men in that state. Locke.

The town of St. Gaul is a protestant republick, independent of the abbot, and under the protection Addison. of the cantons.

2. Not relating to any thing else, as to a superiour cause or power.

The consideration of our understanding, which is an incorporeal substance independent from matter; and the contemplation of our own bodies, which have all the stamps and characters of excellent contrivance; these alone do very easily guide us to the wise Author of all things. Bentley.

3. Belonging to the independents.

A very famous independent minister was head of a college in those times. Addison, Spect.

INDEPE'NDENT. n. s. One who in religious affairs holds that every congregation is a complete church, subject to no superiour authority.

We shall, in our sermons, take occasion to justify such passages in our liturgy as have been unjustly quarrelled at by presbyterians, independents, or other puritan sectaries.

INDEPE'NDENTLY. adv. [from independent.]

Without reference to other things. Dispose lights and shadows, without finishing every thing independently the one of the other.

Dryden.

INDE'PRECABLE.* adj. [indeprecabilis, Lat.] That cannot be entreated. Cockeram.

bilis, Lat.] That cannot be found out. Calling the second a case perplexed and indeprehensible.

Bp. Morton, Discharge, &c. (1633,) p. 174. INDEPRI'VABLE.* adj. [in and deprivable.]

That cannot be taken away.

It [the sovereign good] should not be transient, nor derived from the will of others, nor in their power to take away; but be durable, self-derived, and (if I may use the expression) indeprivable. Harris, Dial. concerning Happiness, P. i.

INDESCRI'BABLE.* adj. [in and describable.] That cannot be described.

INDESE'RT. 7 n. s. [in and desert.] Want of merit. This is an useful word, but not much received.

Universal contempt is a shrewd, not infallible, sign of an universal indesert.

Phillips, Theatr. Poet. (1675,) Pref. Those who were once looked on as his equals, are apt to think the fame of his merit a reflection on their own indeserts. Addison, Spect. 13

Independence is much more dangerous than INDE'SINENT.* adj. [in and desinens, Lat. Incessant.

The last kind of activity, and the perceptivity resulting from it, is much more noble, more indesinent, and indefeasible, than the first.

Baxter on the Soul, i. 351. Seasonable Serm. (1644,) p. 24. INDE'SINENTLY. adv. [indesinenter, Lat.]

Without cessation.

They continue a month indesinently.

Ray on the Creation. INDESTRU'CTIBLE. adj. [in and destructible. 1 Not to be destroyed.

Glass is so compact and firm a body, that it is indestructible by art or nature.

INDETE'RMINABLE. adj. [in and determinable. Not to be fixed; not to be defined or settled.

There is not only obscurity in the end, but beginning of the world; that, as its period is inscrutable, so is its nativity indeterminable.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

INDETE'RMINATE. adj. [indeterminé, Fr.; in and determinate.] Unfixed; not defined: indefinite.

The rays of the same colour were by turns transmitted at one thickness, and reflected at another thickness, for an indeterminate number of Newton, Opticks.

INDETE'RMINATELY. adv. [in and determinately. Indefinitely; not in any settled manner.

His perspicacity discerned the loadstone to respect the North, when ours beheld it indetermin-

The depth of the hold is indeterminately expressed in the description. Arbuthnot on Coins.

Indeterminal Your of determination. Want of determination; want of fixed or stated direction.

By contingents I understand all things which may be done, and may not be done, may happen. or may not happen, by reason of the indetermination or accidental concurrence of the cause. Bp. Bramhall against Hobbes.

INDETE'RMINED. adj. [in and determined.] Unsettled; unfixed.

We should not amuse ourselves with floating words of indetermined signification, which we can use in several senses to serve a turn. Locke.

INDEVO'TE.* adj. [indevot, Fr.] Coldly devoted; little affected. Cotgrave.

Mr. Wotton tells me he has disposed of all the Tabulæ, and Mr. Mortlock says the same, and you will have your money by Dr. Mills or me; but they give no good account of the other little book. There are so many of the same arguments, and so indevote an age. But you must have a little patience.

Bentley, Lett. p. 181.

INDEVO'TED.* part. adj. [in and devote.] Not attached; disaffected.

It grieved him to find persons of the best condition, and who loved both king and church, exceedingly indevoted to him, [Laud].

Ld. Clarendon, Life, i. 63.

Mr. Cowley's connexions with some persons indevoted to the excellent chancellor, kept him at a distance from a man so congenial to himself.

INDEVO'TION. † n. s. [indevotion, Fr.; in and devotion.] Want of devotion; irreligion.

That, that was licentiousness, grows ambition; and that comes to indevotion, and spiritual coldness.

Donne, Devot. (1624,) p. 611. Look on your indevotion, that heartless, zealless behaviour in the house of God.

Hammond, Works, iv. 514.

God's displeasure.

Let us make the church the scene of our penitence, as of our faults; deprecate our former indevotion, and, by an exemplary reverence, redress the scandal of profaneness

Decay of Chr. Piety.

INDEVOU'T. + adj. [indevot, Fr.; in and devout.] Not devout; not religious; irreligious.

They are only our prayers, that must stay us from being carried away with the violent assaults of discontentment; under which a praying soul can no more miscarry, than an indevout soul can Bp. Hall, Of Contentation, § 25. enjoy safety. A wretchless, careless, indevout spirit.

Bp. Taylor, Serm. (1653.) He prays much, yet curses more; whilst he is meek, but indevout. Decay of Chr. Piety.

INDEVOU'TLY. * adv. [from indevout.] Without devotion.

I'NDEX. + n. s. [Lat. Our word has sometimes the apparently Latin plural indices. But we have also the singular indice, though hitherto unnoticed. See therefore INDICE.

1. The discoverer; the pointer out.

Tastes are the indexes of the different qualities of plants, as well as of all sorts of aliment.

Arbuthnot on Aliments.

That which was once the index to point out all virtues, does now mark out that part of the world where least of them resides. Decay of Piety.

2. The hand that points to any thing, as to the hour or way.

what they do or suffer, than the index of a watch, of the hour it points to.

3. The table of confents to a book. Formerly prefixed to the book, as the first citation from Shakspeare shews; "indexes to their subsequent volumes." Hence it was used generally for prelude, any thing preparatory to.

In such indexes, although small pricks To their subsequent volumes there is seen The baby figure of the giant mass

Of things to come, at large.

Shakspeare, Troil. and Cress. Ah me, what act,

That roars so loud, and thunders in the index.

Shakspeare, Hamlet. An index and obscure prologue to the history of Shakspeare, Othello.

lust and foul thoughts. If a book has no index, or good table of contents, 'tis very useful to make one as you are reading it; and in your index to take notice only of parts new to you.

INDEXTE'RITY. n. s. [in and dexterity.] Want of dexterity; want of readiness; want of handiness; clumsiness; awkwardness.

The indexterity of our consumption-curers demonstrates their dimness in beholding its causes. Harvey on Consumptions.

I'NDIAN Arrow-root. n. s. [marcanta, Lat.] A root.

A sovereign remedy for the bite of wasps, and the poison of the manchineel tree. This root the Indians apply to extract the venom of their arrows.

Miller.

I'NDIAN Cress. n. s. [acriviola, Lat.] Miller. plant.

Their profaneness and indevotion do incense | I'NDIAN Fig.† n. s. [opuntia, Lat.] A od's displeasure. Barrow, Works, i. 90. plant. Miller. Rather fig-tree. Mason. The Indian fig-tree next did much surprise With her strange figure all our deities.

I'NDIAN Ink.* n. s. A species of ink, not fluid, but solid, which is brought from China, and other parts of the East

I'NDIAN Red. n. s. Is a species of ochre; a very fine purple earth, of firm compact texture, and great weight.

Hill on Fossils.

I'NDICANT. adj. [indicans, Lat.] Showing; pointing out; that which directs what is to be done in any disease.

To I'NDICATE. + v. a. [indico, Lat.]

1. To show; to point out.

Mentioned in a manner that seems to indicate some connexion between them.

Malone, Note on Boswell's Life of Johnson.

2. [In physick.] To point out a remedy. See Indication.

The nature of the disease is to indicate the re-

Indication. r. s. [indication, Fr.; indicatio, from indico, Lat.]

I. Mark; token; sign; note; symptom. The frequent stops they make in the most convenient places, are a plain indication of their wea-

We think that our successes are a plain indication of the divine favour towards us. Atterb.

They have no more inward self-consciousness of | 2. [In physick.] Indication is of four kinds: vital, preservative, curative, and palliative, as it directs what is to be done to continue life, cutting off the cause of an approaching distemper, curing it whilst it is actually present, or lessening its effects, or taking off some of its symptoms before it can be wholly removed.

> The depravation of the instruments of mastication is a natural indication of a liquid diet. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

3. Discovery made; intelligence given.

If a person, that had a fair estate in reversion, should be assured by some skilful physician, that he would inevitably fall into a disease that would totally deprive him of his understanding and memory; if, I say, upon a certain belief of this indication, the man should appear overjoyed at the news, would not all that saw him conclude that the distemper had seized him?

4. Explanation; display.

These be the things that govern nature princi-pally, and without which you cannot make any true analysis, and indication of the proceedings of Bacon, Nat. Hist.

INDI'CATIVE † adj. [indicativus, Latin.]

1. Showing; informing; pointing out.

The first sight of a fiery sword was but an indicative sign, an hieroglyphick and obscure image of Spencer on Prod. p. 294.

Ridicule, with ever-pointing hand Conscious of every shift, of every shift

Indicative, his inmost plot betrays.

Shenstone, Econ. P. iii.

2. [In grammar.] A certain modification of a verb, expressing affirmation or indication.

The verb is formed in a certain manner to affirm, deny, or interrogate; which formation, from the principal use of it, is called the indicative Clarke, Latin Grammar.

INDI'CATIVELY. adv. [from indicative.] In such a manner as shows or betokens. These images, formed in the brain, are indicatively of the same species with those of sense.

I'NDICATOR.* n. s. [from indicate.] That which shows or points out.

In decrepit age, all the before mentioned indicatours of strength and perfect concoction must be depraved, diminished, or abolished.

Smith on Old Age, (1666,) p. 118.

I'NDICATORY.* adj. [from indicate.] Demonstrative; clearly pointing out.

The Pharisees pretended, that if they had been in their fathers' days, (those indicatory and judicatory, those critical days) they would not have been partakers of the blood of the prophets.

Donne, Devot. p. 347. I'NDICE.* n. s. [indice, Fr. "an index, hand, mark, plain argument, great presumption, &c." Cotgrave; index, indicis, Lat.7

1. Signification; sign.

Too much talking is ever the indice of a fool. B Jonson, Discoveries.

2. Table of contents to a book.

God hath appointed all tumors and swellings, all the labours of nature, as a kind of indices to this great volume of the world, to declare what desolations and plagues are to be expected therein. Spencer on Prod. p. 71.

Artificial indices, tables, or other helps, for the ready finding, remembering, and well under-standing all things contained in these books.

Sir W. Petty, Advice to Hartlib, p. 3. You know, without my flattering you, too much For me to be your indice. B. Jonson, Underwoods.

To INDI'CT.† \(\psi\) v. a. [endict, old French, To INDITE. "convaincu, jugé, &c." Lacombe. See To Endict.]

1. To charge any person by a written accusation before a court of justice. Usually written in this sense indict; but endict, according to the derivation, is right. He was a second time indicted,

For that by evil zeal excited, -In letter to one Gilbert West, He the said Selim did attest, &c.

Moore, Trial of Selim the Persian.

2. To compose; to write. See To En-DITE.

3. To proclaim. [indictus, Lat.]

There be diverse instances of popes applying themselves to the emperors to indict synods Barrow on the Pope's Supremacy.

INDI'CTABLE.* adj. [from indict.] Liable to be indicted.

Anciently where a man was wounded in one county and died in another, the offender was indictable in neither. Blackstone.

INDI'CTER.* n. s. [from indict or in-INDI'TER. dite.]

1. One who endicts or accuses. [endicteur, Fr. "an indicter." Sherwood. See

A clear and real distinction between enditors, triers, and judges.

Sadler, Rights of the Kingdom, (1649,) p. 182. 2. A writer.

He that wilfully strives to fasten some sense of his own upon it, other than the very nature of the place will bear, must needs take upon him the person of God, and become a new inditer of scrip. ture: - If he then that abases the prince's coin deserves to die, what is his desert, that, instead of ; the tried silver of God's word, stamps the name and character of God upon Nehushtan, upon base brazen stuff of his own. Hales, Rem. p.14.

INDI'CTION. † n. s. [indiction, Fr.; indico,

1. Declaration; proclamation.

After a legation ad res repetendas, and a refusal, and a denunciation, and indiction of a war, the war is left at large.

There is a solemn mourning, and there is a private and domestical; the solemn is by publick indiction of authority. Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 166.

2. [In chronology.] The indiction, instituted by Constantine the Great, is properly a cycle of tributes, orderly disposed, for fifteen years, and by it accounts of that kind were kept. Afterwards, in memory of the great victory obtained by Constantine over Mezentius, 8 Cal. Oct. 312, by which an entire freedom was given to Christianity, the council of Nice, for the honour of Constantine, ordained that the accounts of years should be no longer kept by the Olympiads, which till that time had been done; but that, instead thereof, the indiction should be made use of, by which to reckon and date their years, which hath its epocha A. D. 313, Jan. 1.

The emperor Justinian made a law, that no writing should pass without the date of the indic-Gregory, Posthum. p.140.

INDI'CTIVE.* adj. [indictivus, Lat.] Proclaimed; declared.

In all the funerals of note, especially in the publick or indictive, the corpse was first brought with a vast train of followers, into the forum,

Kennet, Rom. Antig. ii. 5.

INDI'CTMENT.* n. s. See ENDICTMENT. In the legal sense, usually written indictment.

Read the indictment. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

INDI'FFERENCE. 7 n. s. [indifference, Fr.; INDI'FFERENCY. indifferentia, Latin.] 1. Neutrality; suspension; equipoise or freedom from motives on either side.

In choice of committees it is better to chuse indifferent persons, than to make an indifferency by putting in those that are strong on both sides.

Bacon, Ess. By an equal indifferency for all truth, I mean, not loving it as such, before we know it to be true.

A perfect indifferency in the mind, not determinable by its last judgement, would be as great an imperfection as the want of indifferency to act, or not to act till determined by the will.

Those who would borrow light from expositors, either consult only those who have the good luck to be thought sound and orthodox, avoiding those of different sentiments; or else with indifferency look into the notes of all commentators. Locke. 2. Impartiality.

Read the book with indifferency and judgement, and thou canst not but greatly commend it.

Whitgift. 3. Negligence; want of affection; unconcernedness.

Indifference cannot but be criminal, when it is conversant about objects which are so far from being of an indifferent nature, that they are of the highest importance. Addison.

A place which we must pass through, not only with the indifference of strangers, but with the vigilance of those who travel through the country of an enemy. Rogers.

Indifference, clad in wisdom's guise, All fortitude of mind supplies; For how can stony bowels melt,

In those who never pity felt? He will let you know he has got a clap with as much indifferency as he would a piece of publick

The people of England should be frighted with the French king and the pretender once a year: the want of observing this necessary precept, has produced great indifference in the vulgar. Arbuthnot.

4. State in which no moral or physical reason preponderates; state in which there is no difference.

The choice is left to our discretion, except a principal bond of some higher duty remove the indifference that such things have in themselves: their indifference is removed, if we take away our own liberty. Hooker.

INDI'FFERENT. adj. [indifferent, Fr.; indifferens, Lat.]

1. Neutral; not determined to either

Doth his majesty Incline to it or no?

- He seems indifferent. Shakspeare, Hen. V. Being indifferent, we should receive and embrace opinions according as evidence gives the attestation of truth.

Let guilt or fear Disturb man's rest; Cato knows neither of them; Indifferent in his choice to sleep or die.

Addison, Cato.

2. Unconcerned; inattentive; regardless. One thing was all to you, and your fondness made you indifferent to every thing else. Temple.

It was a law of Solon, that any person who, in the civil commotions of the republick, remained neuter, or an indifferent spectator of the contending parties, should be condemned to perpetual banish-Addison, Freeholder.

But how indifferent soever man may be to eternal happiness, yet surely to eternal misery none can be indifferent. Rogers.

Not to have such difference as that the one is for its own sake preferable to the other.

The nature of things indifferent is neither to be commanded nor forbidden, but left free and

Customs, which of themselves are indifferent in other kingdoms, became exceeding evil in this realm, by reason of the inconveniences which followed thereupon.

Though at first it was free, and in my choice whether or no I should publish these discourses; yet, the publication being once resolved, the dedication was not so indifferent.

This I mention only as my conjecture, it being indifferent to the matter which way the learned shall determine.

Impartial; disinterested.

Metcalf was partial to none, but indifferent to all; a master for the whole, and a father to every

I am a most poor woman and a stranger, Born out of your dominions; having here No judge indifferent, and no more assurance Of equal friendship and proceeding.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. There can hardly be an indifferent trial had between the king and the subject, or between party and party, by reason of this general kindred and consanguinity.

Passable; having mediocrity; of a middling state; neither good nor worst. This is an improper and a colloquial use, especially when applied to per-

Some things admit of mediocrity: A counsellor or pleader at the bar, May want Messala's pow'rful eloquence, Or be less read than deep Casselius ;

Yet this indifferent lawyer is esteem'd. Bascon Who would excel, when few can make a test, Betwixt indifferent writing and the best? Dryden, This has obliged me to publish an indifferent

collection of poems, for fear of being thought the author of a worse. There is not one of these subjects that would not sell a very indifferent paper, could I think of

gratifying the publick by such mean and base 6. In the same sense it has the force of an

adverb.

I am myself indifferent honest; but yet I could accuse me of such things, that it were better that my mother had not born me. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

This will raise a great scum on it, and leave your wine indifferent clear.

Indi'fferently. adv. [indifferenter, Lat.] 1. Without distinction; without prefer-

Whiteness is a mean between all colours. having itself indifferently to them all, so as with equal facility to be tinged with any of them.

Newton, Opticks. Were pardon extended indifferently to all, which of them would think himself under any particular obligation? Addison.

Though a church of England-man thinks every species of government equally lawful, he does not think them equally expedient, or for every country indifferently.

2. Equally; impartially. That they may truly and indifferently minister justice. Common Prayer.

3. In a neutral state; without wish or aversion. Set honour in one eye, and death i' the other,

And I will look on death indifferently. Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs.

4. Not well; tolerably; passably; middlingly.

A moyle will draw indifferently well, and carry great burthens.

I hope it may indifferently entertain your lord-ship at an unbending hour. Rowe.

An hundred and fifty of their beds, sown to-

gether, kept me but very indifferently from the Swift, Gulliv. Trav.

I'NDIGENCE.† n. s. [indigence, Fr.; in-I'NDIGENCY.] digentia, Lat.] Want; penury; poverty.

The chiefest tie and bond of all human society is neither reason, nor speech, nor indigency; but religion and piety.

Fotherby, Atheom. (1622,) p. 38. Such indigencies as by the curse of God, and restraint of his blessings, [were] on the fruits of their land. Pococke on Isaiah, p. 66.

Where there is happiness, there must not be indigency, or want of any due comforts of life.

Burnet, Theory. For ev'n that indigence, that brings me low, Makes me myself, and him above to know. Dryd.

Athens worshipped God with temples and sacrifices, as if he needed habitation and sustenance; and that the heathens had such a mean apprehension about the indigency of their gods, appears from Aristophanes and Lucian. Bentley.

I'NDIGENE.* n. s. [indigene, Fr.; indigena, Lat.] A native.

The alaternus, which we have lately received from the hottest parts of Languedoc, thrives with us, as if it were an indigene. Evelyn.

Indi'genous. adj. [indigene, Fr.; indi-gena, Latin.] Native to a country; 3. Want of concoction. originally produced or born in a region.

Negroes were all transported from Africa, and are not indigenous or proper natives of America.

It is wonderful to observe one creature, that is, mankind, indigenous to so many different climates. Arbuthnot.

I'NDIGENT. adj. [indigent, Fr.; indigens, Lat.

1. Poor; needy; necessitous.

Charity consists in relieving the indigent. Addis.

2. In want; wanting; with of. Rejoice, O Albion, sever'd from the world By nature's wise indulgence; indigent Of nothing from without.

3. Void; empty. Such bodies have the tangible parts indigent of moisture. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

INDIGE'ST.† adj. [indigeste, Fr.; INDIGE'STED.] indigestus, Lat.]

1. Not separated into distinct orders; not regularly disposed.

This mass, or indigested matter, or chaos, created in the beginning, was without the proper form, which it afterwards acquired.

Ralegh, Hist. of the World. Before the seas, and this terrestrial ball, One was the face of nature, if a face; Rather a rude and indigested mass. Dryd. Ovid.

2. Not formed or shaped. Indigest is not

now in use. Monsters and things indigest. Shaks. Sonn. 114.

Hence, heap of wrath, foul indigested lump; As crooked in thy manners as thy shape. Shaksp.

3. Not well considered and methodised. By irksome deformities, through endless and

senseless effusions of indigested prayers, they oftentimes disgrace the worthiest part of Christian duty towards God. The political creed of the high-principled men

sets the protestant succession upon a firmer foundation than all the indigested schemes of those who profess revolution principles.

4. Not concocted in the stomach. Dreams are bred

From rising fumes of indigested food.

5. Not purified or sublimed by heat, That it [the air] be not too gross, nor too penetrative; - not indigested, for want of sun; not unexercised, for want of wind.

Wolton on Architecture, P. i.

6. Not brought to suppuration.

His wound was indigested and inflamed.

INDIGE'STIBLE. † adj. [from in and digestible.

1. Not conquerable in the stomach; not convertible to nutriment.

Eggs are the most nourishing and exalted of all animal food, and most indigestible: no body can digest the same quantity of them as of other Arbuthnot on Diet.

2. Not capable of being received.

Who but a boy, fond of the florid and the descriptive, could have poured forth such a torrent of indigestible similies? Warton, Rowley Eng. p. 79.

from in and digestion.]

A morbid Indige'stion. † n. s.

1. A morbid weakness of the stomach; want of concoctive power.

2. The state of meats unconcocted.

The fumes of indigestion may indispose men to thought, as well as to diseases of danger and pain.

Those things which, whether in nature or art, are wont to pass for the carriages of light, have in them sometimes, at least in respect of our sight, some kind of dimness and opacity. The candle hath his snuff, the fire his smoke and blackness of indigestion, the moon her spots, and the very sun itself his eclipses.

To INDI'GITATE. v. a. [indigito, Lat.] To point out; to show by the fingers.

Antiquity expressed numbers by the fingers: the depressing this finger, which in the left hand implied but six, in the right hand indigitated six Brown, Vulg. Err.

As though there were a seminality of urine, we foolishly conceive we behold therein the anatomy of every particle, and can thereby indigitate their affections.

We are not to indigitate the parts transmitted. Harvey.

INDIGITA'TION. n. s. [from indigitate.] The act of pointing out or shewing, as by the finger.

Which things I conceive no obscure indigitation of providence. More against Atheism.

INDI'GN.† adj. [indigne, Fr.; indignus, Lat. This is one of our oldest words.] 1. Unworthy; undeserving.

Indigne and unworthy

Am I to thilke honour. Chaucer, Clerk's Tale. She herselfe was of his grace indigne

Spenser, F. Q. iv. i. 30. Where there is a kingdom that is altogether unable or indign to govern, is it just for another nation, that is civil or policed, to subdue them Bacon, Holy War.

2. Bringing indignity; disgraceful. is a word not in use.

And all indign and base adversities Make head against my estimation.

Shakspeare, Othello. Indi'GNLY.* adv. [from indign.] worthily; not according to desert.

O Saviour, didst thou take flesh for our redemption to be thus indignly used, thus mangled, thus Bp. Hall, Cont. The Crucifixion.

INDI'GNANCE.* \ n. s. [from indignant.] Indi'GNANCY. \ Indignation. Indignation. With great indignaunce he that sight forsook.

Spenser, F. Q. iii. xi. 13. INDI'GNANT. adj. [indignans, Lat.]

Angry; raging; inflamed at once with anger and disdain.

He scourg'd with many a stroke the indignant waves. Milton, P. L. The lustful monster fled, pursued by the valorous and indignant Martin. Arbuthnot and Pope. What rage that hour did Albion's soul possess,

Let chiefs imagine, and let lovers guess! He strides indignant, and with haughty cries To single fight the fairy prince defies.

INDI'GNANTLY.* adv. [from indignant.] With indignation.

INDIGNA'TION. n. s. [indignation, Fr.; indignatio, Lat.]

1. Anger mingled with contempt or disgust.

Suspend your indignation against my brother, till you derive better testimony of his intent. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

From those officers, warm with indignation at the insolences of that vile rabble, came words of great contempt.

But keep this swelling indignation down, And let your cooler reason now prevail,

2. The anger of a superiour.

There was great indignation against Israel. 2 Kings, iii. 27. 3. The effect of anger.

If heav'ns have any grievous plague in store, Let them hurl down their indignation On thee, thou troubler of the world.

Shakspeare, Rich. III.

To Indi'GNIFY.* v. a. [from indign.]

Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 37. 1. To treat disdainfully.

That discourteous dame with scornfull pryde, And foule entreaty him indignifyde Spenser, F. Q. vi. i. 30.

2. To treat unbecomingly.

Therefore in closure of a thankful mind. I deem it best to hold eternally

Their bounteous deeds and noble favour's shrin'd, Than by discourse them to indignify.

Spenser, Colin Clout.

Brown, Vulg. Err. INDI'GNITY. n. s. [indignitas, from indignus, Lat.; indignité, Fr.] Contumely; contemptuous injury; violation of right, accompanied with insult.

Bishops and prelates could not but have bleeding hearts to behold a person of so great place and worth constrained to endure so foul indignities.

No emotion of passion transported me, by the indignity of his carriage, to any thing unbeseeming myself. King Charles. Man he made, and for him built

Magnificent this world, and earth his seat, Him lord pronounc'd; and, O indignity ! Subjected to his service angel-wings And flaming ministers, to watch and tend Their earthly charge. Milton, P. L.

He does not see how that mighty passion for the church can well consist with those indignities and that contempt men bestow on the clergy. Swift. To more exalted glories born

Thy mean indignities I scorn. Pattison.

I'ndigo. n. s. [indicum, Lat.] A plant, by the Americans called anil. In the middle of the flower is the style, which afterwards becomes a jointed pod, containing one cylindrical seed in one partition, from which indigo is made, which is used in dying for a blue colour.

Milber.

INDI'LATORY.* adj. [in and dilatory.] Not slow; not delaying.

Since you have firmed - new orders, - you would be pleased in like manner to give them a a new form of indilatory execution.

Cornwallis to Sp. King, Suppl. to Cabala, (1654,) p. 105. INDI'LIGENCE.* n. s. [in and diligence.] Slothfulness; carelessness.

Is it not as great an indignity, that an excellent conceit and capacity, by the indiligence of an idle

tongue, should be disgraced? B. Jonson, Discoveries. He that is bound to use all diligence to subdue

his corruptions, at least to repress them; if he do not so, this indiligence of his bath some of his con-Hammond, Works, i. 191. He taxeth them not only with indiligence and

ignorance, but with folly also. Bp. Cosin, Can. of Scripture, p. 194.

INDI'LIGENT.* adj. \(\text{indiligent}, \text{Fr. Cot-} \) grave.] Not diligent; careless.

Neither are they [wisdom and knowledge] so casual - as to fall upon the indiligent and unde-Feltham, Serm. on Eccl. ii. 11.

INDI'LIGENTLY.* adv. [from indiligent.] Without diligence.

I had spent some years, not altogether indiligently, under the ferule of such masters as the place afforded. Bp. Hall, Specialties of his Life. INDIMI'NISHABLE.* adj. [in and diminishable.] Not to be diminished.

Have they not been bold of late to check the common law, to slight and brave the indiminishable majesty of our highest court, the lawgiving and sacred parliament? Milton, Of Ref. in Eng. B. ii.

INDIRE'CT. adj. Findirect, Fr.; indirectus, Lat.

1. Not strait, rectilinear.

2. Not tending otherwise than obliquely or consequentially to a purpose; as, an indirect accusation.

3. Wrong; improper.

The tender prince Would fain have come with me to meet your grace; But by his mother was perforce with-held. - Fy, what an indirect and peevish course

Is this of hers? Shakspeare, Rich. III.

4. Not fair; not honest.

Think you, that any means under the sun Can as secure so indirect a course?

Daniel, Civil Wars. Those things which they do know they may, upon sundry indirect considerations, let pass; and although themselves do not err, yet may they deceive others.

O pity and shame! that they who to live well Enter'd so fair, should turn aside, to tread

Paths indirect. Milton, P. L. Indirect dealing will be discovered one time or other, and then he loses his reputation.

INDIRE'CTION. † n. s. [in and direction.]

1. Oblique means; tendency not in a straight line. And thus do we, of wisdom and of reach,

With windlasses, and with essays of bias, By indirections find directions out. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

2. Dishonest practice.

I had rather coin my heart than wring From the hard hands of peasants their vile trash, By any indirections. Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs.

Most of the indirection and artifice, which is used among men, does not proceed so much from a degeneracy in nature, as an affectation of appearing men of consequence by such practices. Tatler, N . 191.

INDIRECTLY. adv. [from indirect.] 1. Not in a right line; obliquely.

2. Not in express terms.

Still she suppresses the name, which continues his doubts and hopes; and at last she indirectly mentions it.

3. Unfairly; not rightly.

He bids you then resign Your crown and kingdom indirectly held

From him the true challenger. Shakspeare, Hen. V. He that takes any thing from his neighbour, which was justly forfeited, to satisfy his own revenge or avarice, is tied to repentance, but not to restitution : because I took the forfeiture indirectly, I am answerable to God for my unhandsome,

unjust, or uncharitable circumstances. Bp. Taylor. INDIRE'CTNESS. † n. s. [in and directness.]

2. Unfairness; dishonesty; fraudulent art. The maligners of this doctrine of purgatory have, methinks, used a worse kind of indirectness in their exposure of it.

W. Mountagu, Div. Ess. P. ii. (1654.) p. 142.

INDISCE'RNIBLE. † adj. [in and discernible. Not perceptible; not discover-

Speculation, which, to my dark soul, Depriv'd of reason, is as indiscernible As colours to my body, wanting sight.

Denham, Sophy. A motion that was almost instantaneous, and so indiscernible. South, Serm, vii. 17.

These small and almost indiscernible beginnings and seeds of ill humour, have ever since gone on in a very visible encrease and progress.

Burnet, Hist. of his own Time, an. 1680. Although the ministry of argels be now for the most part invisible, yet to the observant it is not altogether indiscernible. By. Bull, Works, ii. 494.

INDISCE'RNIBLENESS.* n. s. [from indiscernible.] Incapability of discernment. I should have shew'd you also the indiscernibleness, to the eye of man, of the different states, till

God by his promulgate sentence have made the se-Hammond, Works, iv. 494. paration.

Indisce'rnibly.† adv. | from indiscernible. In a manner not to be perceived. Much guile often lurks indiscernibly under the Lively Oracles, p. 21. fairest appearances.

INDISCERPIBI'LITY.* n. s. | from indiscerpible. Incapability of dissolution or se-

To such a being (God) belongs spirituality, which implies indiscerpibility: and who but a madman can imagine the Divine essence discerpible into parts? Annot. on Glanville, &c. (1682,) p.181.

INDISCE'RPIBLE.* adj. [in and discerpible. See Discerpible.] Incapable of being broken or destroyed by dissolution of

A soul-is a spirit, and therefore of an indivisible, that is of an indiscerpible essence.

More, Immortality of the Soul, p. 113. The nature of the soul, which is immortal and indiscerpible. Glanville, Pre-exist. p.35.

INDISCE'RPIBLENESS.* n. s. [from indiscerpible.] The quality or state of being indiscerpible.

He must understand the term of an indiscerpibleness not arising from thinner and thinner parts of matter, as he imagines air to be more hardly discerpible than earth or water. Annot. on Glanville, &c. pp. 221, 222.

INDISCE'RPTIBLE. + adj. [in and discerptible. Not to be separated; incapable of being broken or destroyed by

dissolution of parts.

We have no way of determining, by experience, what is the certain bulk of the living being each man calls himself: and yet, till it be determined that it is larger in bulk than the solid elementary particles of matter, which there is no ground to think any natural power can dissolve, there is no sort of reason to think death to be the dissolution of it, of the living being, even though it should not be absolutely indiscerptible.

Bp. Butler, Analogy of Religion, p. i. ch. i.

INDISCERPTIBI'LITY. n. s. [from indiscerptible.] Incapability of dissolution.

INDI'SCIPLINABLE.* adj. [in and disciplinable.] Incapable of improvement by dis-

Necessity renders men of phlegmatick and dull natures stupid and indisciplinable Hule, Prov. for the Poor, Pref.

INDISCO VERABLE. adj. [in and discoverable.] Not to be discovered.

Nothing can be to us a law, which is by us in-Conybeare, Serm. ii. 166.

INDISCO'VERY. n. s. [in and discovery.] The state of being hidden. An unusual word. The ground of this assertion was the magnifying esteem of the ancients, arising from the indiscovery of its head.

INDISCREE'T adj. [indiscret, Fr.; in and discreet.] Imprudent; incautious; inconsiderate: injudicious.

Why then Are mortal men so fond and indiscreet, So evil gold to seek unto their aid;

And having not complain, and having it upbraid?

If thou be among the indiscreet, observe the time; but be continually among men of understanding. Ecclus, xxvii. 12.

Indiscree'tly. adv. [from indiscreet.] Without prudence; without consideration; without judgment.

Job on justice hath aspersions flung,

And spoken indiscreetly with his tongue. Sandys. Let a great personage undertake an action passionately, let him manage it indiscreetly, and be shall have enough to flatter him. Bp. Taylor, Rule of living holy.

INDISCRE'TE.* adj. [indiscretus, Lat.] Not

separated or distinguished. A chaos, in which the terrestrial elements were

all in an indiscrete mass of confused matter. Pownall on Antiq. p. 132.

INDISCRE'TION. n. s. [indiscretion, Fr.; in and discretion.] Imprudence; rashness; inconsideration.

Indiscretion sometimes serves us well,

When our deep plots do fail. Shakspeare, Hamlet. His offences did proceed rather from negligence, rashness, or other indiscretion, than from any malicious thought.

Loose papers have been obtained from us by the importunity and divulged by the indiscretion of friends, although restrained by promises. Swift.

INDISCRI'MINATE † adj. [indiscriminatus, Latin.] Undistinguishable; not marked with any note of distinction. Could ever wise man wish, in good estate,

The use of all things indiscriminate? Bp. Hall, Sat. v. 3.

INDISCRI'MINATELY. adv. [from indiscriminate.] Without distinction.

Others use defamatory discourse purely for love of talk, whose speech, like a flowing current, bears away indiscriminately whatever lies in Gov. of the Tongue. its way.

Liquors, strong of acid salts, destroy the blueness of the infusion of our wood; and liquors indiscriminately, that abound with sulphureous salts, restore it.

Indiscri'minating.* adj. [from indiscriminate. Making no distinction.

We should be cautious of asserting in general and indiscriminating terms.

INDISCRIMINA'TION.* n. s. [from indiscriminate.] Want of discrimination. The like indiscrimination may obtain in higher

Bp. Horsley, Serm. (1796). Indiscu'ssed.* adj. [in and discussed.] Not discussed: not examined.

Reasons light in themselves, or indiscussed in Donne, Lett. to Sir H. G. Poems, p. 279.

INDISPENSABI'LITY.* n. s. [from indispensable.] Incapability of being dispensed with.

Contrary to all their notions, about the eternity and indispensability of the natural law. Skelton, Deism Revealed, Dial. 3.

INDISPE'NSABLE. † adj. [French.]

1. Not to be remitted; not to be spared; necessary.

The indispensable dictates of the divine light. More, Conj. Cabb. p. 212.

Rocks, mountains, and caverns, against which these exceptions are made, are of indispensable use and necessity, as well to the earth as to man. Woodward, Nat. Hist.

2. Not to be allowed.

Zanchius - absolutely condemns this marriage 12. Disinclination; dislike: with to or toas incestuous and indispensable,

Bp. Hall, Cases of Consc. Add.

Indispe'nsableness.† n. s. [from indispensable.] State of not being to be spared; necessity.

Though the necessity and indispensableness of all the great and moral obligations of natural religion, and also the certainty of a future state of rewards and punishments, he thus in general deducible even demonstrably, by a chain of clear and undeniable reasoning, yet — very few are able, in reality and effect, to discover these things clearly and plainly for themselves.

Clarke, Evid. of Nat. and Rev. Religion.

INDISPE'NSABLY. adv. [from indispensable.] Without dispensation; without remission; necessarily.

Every one must look upon himself as indispensably obliged to the practice of duty.

Addison, Freeholder. Indispe'rsed.* adj. [in and dispersed.] Not dispersed.

Indispers'd is this bright majesty, Yet every where outshining in infinity.

More, Song of the Soul, iii. ii. 35.
To INDISPO'SE. v. a. [indisposer, Fr.]

1. To make unfit: with for.

Nothing can be reckoned good or bad to us in this life, any farther than it prepares or indisposes us for the enjoyments of another. Atterbury. 2. To disincline; to make averse: with

It has a strange efficacy to indispose the heart to Religion. South, Serm.

3. To disorder; to disqualify for its proper functions.

The soul is not now hindered in its actings by the distemperature of indisposed organs. Glanville.

4. To disorder slightly with regard to health.

Though it weakenened, yet it made him rather indisposed than sick, and did no ways disable him from studying.

5. To make unfavourable: with towards. The king was sufficiently indisposed towards the persons or the principles of Calvin's disciples.

INDISPO'SEDNESS. † n. s. [from indisposed.] State of unfitness or disinclination; disordered state.

A sensible indisposedness of heart.

Bp. Hall, Solilog. 73. The quantity we take in, more than agreeth with nature, whose burden appeareth by too much dulness, drowsiness, or indisposedness of head or Whitlock, Mann. of the Eng. p. 500.

It is not any innate harshness in piety that renders the first essays of it unpleasant; that is owing only to the indisposedness of our own hearts. Decay of Chr. Piety.

Indisposition. n. s. [indisposition, Fr. from indispose.

1. Disorder of health; tendency to sickness; slight disease.

The king did complain of a continual infirmity of body, yet rather as an indisposition in health than any set sickness. Hayward.

I have known a great fleet lose great occasions, by an indisposition of the admiral, while he was neither well enough to exercise, nor ill enough to leave the command.

Wisdom is still looking forward, from the first indispositions, into the progress of the disease.

His life seems to have been prolonged beyond its natural term, under those indispositions which hung upon the latter part of it.

Addison, Freeholder.

wards.

The indisposition of the church of Rome to reform herself, must be no stay unto us from performing our duty to God.

The mind, by every degree of affected unbelief, contracts more and more of a general indisposition towards believing. Atterbury.

INDISPU'TABLE. adj. [in and disputable.] Uncontrovertible; incontestable; evident; certain.

There is no maxim in politicks more indisputable, than that a nation should have many honours to reserve for those who do national Addison.

The apostle asserts a clear indisputable conclusion, which could admit of no question. Rogers.

INDISPU'TABLENESS. n. s. from indisputable.] The state of being indisputable; certainty; evidence.
INDISPU'TABLY. adv. [from indisputable.]

1. Without controversy; certainly; evi-

dently.

The thing itself is questionable, nor is it indisputably certain what death she died.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

2. Without opposition.

They questioned a duty that had been indisputably granted to so many preceding kings. Howell, Voc. For.

[Indisso'LVABLE. † adj. [in and dissolvable.]

1. Indissoluble; not separable as to its

Metals, corroded with a little acid, turn into rust, which is an earth tasteless and indissolvable in water; and this earth, imbibed with more acid becomes a metallick salt.

2. Subsisting for ever; not to be loosed. O invincible, indissolvable, and divine power. Ricaut, State of the Greek Ch. p. 336.

The union between these two natures is only by intimate indissolvable relation one to the other. South, Serm. vii. 21.

3. Obligatory; not to be broken; binding for ever.

Deposition and degradation are without hope of any remission, and therefore the law stiles them an indissolvable bond; but a censure, a dissolvable bond. Ayliffe, Parergon.

Indissolubilité], Fr. from indissoluble.]

1. Resistance to a dissolving power; firmness; stableness.

What hoops hold this mass of matter in so close a pressure together, from whence steel has its firmness, and the parts of a diamond their hardness and indissolubility Locke.

2. Perpetuity of obligation.

To give this contract its most essential quality, Warburton, Serm. 17 namely, indissolubility.

INDI'SSOLUBLE. adj. [indissoluble, Fr. endissolubilis, Lat. in and dissoluble.]

1. Resisting all separation of its parts; firm; stable.

When common gold and lead are mingled, the lead may be severed almost unaltered; yet if, instead of the gold, a tantillum of the red elixir be mingled with the saturn, their union will be so indissoluble, that there is no possible way of separating the diffused elixir from the fixed lead. Boule.

2. Binding for ever; subsisting for ever; not to be loosed.

Far more comfort it were for us to be joined with you in bands of indissoluble love and amity, to live as if our persons being many, our souls were but one.

There is the supreme and indissoluble con-sanguinity between men, of which the heathen poet saith we are all his generation.

Bacon, Holy War. They might justly wonder, that men so taught, so obliged to be kind to all, should behave themselves so contrary to such heavenly instructions, such indissoluble obligations.

INDI'SSOLUBLENESS. n. s. [from indissoluble.] Indissolubility; resistance to separation of parts.

Adam, though consisting of a composition intrinsically dissolvable, might have held, by the Divine Will, a state of immortality and indissolubleness of his composition.

Indi'ssolubly. adv. [from indissoluble.]

1. In a manner resisting all separation.

On they move Indissolubly firm; nor obvious hill,

Nor strait ning vale, nor wood, nor stream divide Their perfect ranks. Milton, P. L.

The remaining ashes, by a further degree of fire, may be indissolubly united into glass. Boyle. They willingly unite

Indissolubly firm ; from Dubris south To northern Orcades.

2. For ever obligatorily.

INDI'STANCY. * n. s. [in and distance.] State of inseparation.

The soul thus existing after death, and separated from the body, though of a nature spiritual, is really and truly in some place; if not by way of circumscription, as proper bodies are, yet by way of determination and indistancy; so that it is true to say, this is really and truly present here, and not elsewhere. Pearson on the Creed, Art. 5.

NDISTI'NCT. adj. [indistinct, Fr. in and distinctus, Latin.]

1. Not plainly marked; confused.

That which is now a horse, even with a thought, The rack dislimns, and makes it indistinct As water is in water. Shakspeare.

She warbled in her throat, And tun'd her voice to many a merry note;

But indistinct, and neither sweet nor clear.

Philips.

When we speak of the infinite divisibility of matter, we keep a very clear and distinct idea of division and divisibility; but when we come to parts too small for our senses, our ideas of these little bodies become obscure and indistinct. Watts.

2. Not exactly discerning.

We throw out our eyes for brave Othello, Ev'n till we make the main and th' aerial blue An indistinct regard. Shakspeare.

INDISTI'NCTIBLE.* adj. [from indistinct.] Undistinguishable.

A favourite old romance is founded on the indistinctible likeness of two of Charlemagne's knights, Amys and Amelion.

Warton, Hist. E. P. iii, liv.

INDISTI'NCTION. n. s. [from indistinct.] 1. Confusion; uncertainty.

The indistinction of many of the same name, or the misapplication of the act of one unto another, hath made some doubt. Brown, Vulg. Err.

2. Omission of discrimination; indiscrimination.

An indistinction of all persons, or equality of all orders, is far from being agreeable to the will of God.

INDISTI'NCTLY. adv. [from indistinct.]

1. Confusedly; uncertainly; without definiteness or discrimination.

In its sides it was bounded distinctly, but on its ends confusedly and indistinctly, the light there vanishing by degrees.

Newton, Opticks. 2. Without being distinguished.

Making trial thereof, both the liquors soaked indistinctly through the bowl. Brown, Vulg. Err.

INDISTI'NCTNESS. n.s. [from indistinct.] Confusion; uncertainty; obscurity.

There is unevenness or indistinctness in the style of these places, concerning the origin and form of Burnet, Theory. the earth.

Old age makes the cornea and coat of the crystaline humour grow flatter; so that the light, for want of a sufficient refraction, will not converge to the bottom of the eye, but beyond it, and by consequence paint in the bottom of the eye a confused picture; and according to the indistinctness of this picture, the object will appear

INDISTI'NGUISHABLE.* adj. [in and distinguishable.] Not plainly marked; undeterminate.

Do I curse thee? -

- Why no, you ruinous butt; you whoreson indistinguishable cur. Shakspeare, Tr. and Cress.

INDISTU'RBANCE. † n. s. [in and disturb.] Calmness; freedom from disturbance.

The notion of sitting implieth rest, quietness, and indisturbance. Pearson on the Creed, Art. 6. What is called by the Stoicks apathy, and by the Scepticks indisturbance, seems all but to mean Temple. great tranquillity of mind.

To Indi'tch.* v.a. [from ditch.] To

bury in a ditch.

Well were thy name and thee, Were thou inditched in great secrecie, Where as no passenger might curse thy dust.

Bp. Hall, Sat. iii. 2.

To Indi'te.* See To Indict. INDI'TER.* See INDICTER. INDIVI'DABLE.* adj. [in and divi-

dable. Not to be divided. Scene individable, or poem unlimited.

Shakspeare, Hamlet.

INDIVI'DED.* adj. [in and divided.] Undivided.

St. Cyril, in his first book against Julian, thinks there was a representation of the blessed, Patrick on Gen. xviii. 2. individed Trinity.

INDIVI'DUAL. † adj. [individu, individuel, Fr. individuus, Lat.

1. Separate from others of the same species; single; numerically one. Must the whole man, amazing thought ! return

To the cold marble, or contracted urn ! And never shall those particles agree,

That were in life this individual he? It would be wise in them, as individual and private mortals, to look back a little upon the storms they have raised, as well as those they have

escaped. The object of any particular idea is called an individual: so Peter is an individual man, London an individual city.

2. Undivided; not to be parted or dis-

Aracreon, My individual companion.

Holiday, Marriages of the Arts, (1618,) ii. 6. Long eternity shall greet our bliss With an individual kiss. Milton, Ode on Time.

To give thee being, I lent

Out of my side to thee, nearest my heart, Substantial life, to have thee by my side Henceforth an individual solace dear.

Milton, P. L. Under his great vicegerent reign abide United, as one individual soul,

Milton, P. L. For ever happy.

single person.

Neither is it enough to consult, secundum (genera, what the kind and character of the person should be; for the most judgement is shewn in Racon. the choice of individuals.

They present us with images more perfect than the life in any individual. Dryden, Dufresnoy. Know, all the good that individuals find,

Lie in three words : health, peace, and competence.

We see each circumstance of art and individual of nature summoned together by the extent and fecundity of his imagination.

Pope, Pref. to the Iliad.

INDIVIDUA'LITY. n. s. [from individual.] Separate or distinct existence.

He would tell his instructor, that all men were not singular; that individuality could hardly be predicated of any man; for it is commonly said that a man is not the same he was, and that mad men are beside themselves. Arbuthnot.

INDIVI'DUALLY. adv. [from individual.] 1. With separate or distinct existence; numerically.

How should that subsist solitarily by itself, which hath no substance, but individually the very Hooker. same whereby others subsist with it.

2. Not separably; incommunicably.

I dare not pronounce him omniscious, that heing an attribute individually proper to the godhead, and incommunicable to any created sub-Hakewill on Providence.

To Individuate. v. a. [from individuus, Lat.] To distinguish from others of the same species; to make single.

Life is individuated into infinite numbers that have their distinct sense and pleasure.

More against Atheism. No man is capable of translating poetry, who, besides a genius to that art, is not a master both of his author's language and of his own; nor must we understand the language only of the poet, but his particular turn of thoughts and expression, which are the characters that distinguish and inviduate him from all other writers.

INDIVI'DUATE.* adj. [from the verb.] Undivided.

O Thou, the third in that eternal trine, In individuate unity divine!

The Student, ii. 311. (1751.) INDIVIDUA'TION. † n. s. [from individuate.]

That which makes an individual. A philosophical empire, when individuation shall be royalty! Holiday Serm. (Oxf. 1661,) p. 63.

The sole point of individuation between Alexander the Great, Jack of Leyden, and Monsieur es Cartes. Swift, Tale of a Tub, § 9.
What is the principle of individuation? Or Des Cartes.

what is it that makes any one thing the same as it was before?

INDIVIDU'ITY. n. s. [from individuus, Lat.] The state of being an individual: separate existence.

Indivi'nity. n. s. [in and divinity.] Want of divine power. Not in use.

How openly did the oracle betray his indivinity unto Crœsus, who being ruined by his amphibology, and expostulating with him, received no higher answer than the excuse of his impotency! Brown, Vulg. Err.

INDIVISIBI'LITY.] n. s. [from indivisible.]

INDIVI'SIBLENESS. } State in which no more division can be made.

A pestle and mortar will as soon bring any particle of matter to indivisibility as the acutest thought of a mathematician.

IDVI'DUAL.* n. s. A single thing; a INDIVI'SIBLE. adj. [indivisible, Fr. in That cannot be broken and divisible.]

into parts; so small as that it cannot be smaller; having reached the last degree of divisibility.

By atom, no body will imagine we intend to express a perfect indivisible, but only the least sort of natural bodies.

Here is but one indivisible point of time observed, but one action performed; yet the eye cannot comprehend at once the whole object.

Dryden, Dufresnoy. INDIVI'SIBLE.* n. s. That which is incapable of division.

If quantity consists of indivisibles or atoms, it will follow that a scalenum is all one with an isosceles, &c.

More, Song of the Soul, Notes, p. 376. INDIVI'SIBLY. † adv. [from indivisible.] So as it cannot be divided.

Their act of allowance to the Greek church implies a fair independency of these two, which some of their clamorous clients appear to have indivisibly coupled.

Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Mar. Clergy, p. 11. INDO'CIBLE. † adj. [in and docible.] Unteachable; insusceptible of instruction. Contracted and clung together with sensual

delights, now he becomes utterly indocible. Bp. Hall, Occas. Medit. 106. They are as ignorant and indocible as any fool.

Dr. Griffith, Fear of God and the King, p. 72. INDO'CILE. † adj. [indocile, Fr. indocilis, Lat. Dr. Johnson gives our word without the e final, indocil; though he writes docile with it. The solitary instance of the present word, which he brings from Bentley's Sermons, is certainly indocil; but indocile is the elder and preferable way of writing it.] Unteachable; incapable of being instructed.

Hogs and more indocile beasts shall be taught to labour.

Sir W. Petty, Adv. to Hartlib, (1648,) p. 23. These certainly are the fools in the text, indocil, intractable fools, whose stolidity can baffle all arguments, and be proof against demonstration Bentley, Serm. i.

Indoci'lity.† n. s. [indocilité, Fr. in and docility.] Unteachableness; refusal of instruction.

To have left us in their miserable darkness and locility. Bp. Hall, St. Paul's Combat.
The stiffness and indocility of the Pharisees. indocilitu.

W. Mountague, Dev. Ess, P. I. Pref. to the Court. To INDO'CTRINATE. v. a. [endoctriner, old French.] To instruct; to tincture

with any science, or opinion. Under a master that discoursed excellently,

and took much delight in indoctrinating his young unexperienced favourite, Buckingham had obtained a quick conception of speaking very gracefully and pertinently. Clarendon.

They that never peept beyond the common belief, in which their easy understandings were at first indoctrinated, are strongly assured of the Glanville. truth of their receptions.

INDOCTRINA'TION. n. s. [from indoctrinate.] Instruction; information.

Although postulates are very accommodable unto junior indoctrinations, yet are these authorities not to be embraced beyond the minority of our intel-

Brown. lectuals. I'NDOLENCE. \ n.s. [in and doleo, Latin; indolence, French.]

1. Freedom from pain.

As there must be indolency where there is happiness, so there must not be indigency.

Burnet, Theory.

I have ease, if it may not rather be called indo- | INDU'BITABLENESS.* n. s. [from indubit-Hough.

2. Laziness; inattention; listlessness.

Let Epicurus give indolency as an attribute to his gods, and place in it the happiness of the blest : the divinity which we worship has given us not only a precept against it, but his own example to the contrary.

The Spanish nation, roused from their ancient indolence and ignorance, seem now to improve

Bolingbroke.

I'NDOLENT. adj. [French.]

1. Free from pain. So the chirurgeons speak of an indolent tumour.

2. Careless; lazy; inattentive; listless. Ill fits a chief

To waste long nights in indolent repose.

Pope, Iliad.

I'NDOLENTLY. adv. [from indolent.]

1. With freedom from pain.

2. Carelessly; lazily; inattentively; listlessly.

While lull'd by sound, and undisturb'd by wit, Calm and serene you indolently sit. Addison.

INDO'MABLE.* [indomabilis, Lat.] tamable. Cockeram.

INDO'MITABLE.* adj. [indomptable, Fr. indomitus, Lat. | Untamable.

It is so fierce and indomitable.

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 383.

Indo'mite.* adj. [indomitus, Lat.] Untamed; wild; savage.

No tiger so fierce, no fowl so ravening, no whale so monstrous, no not any creature, so indomite, but that it was subject to man's dominion,

while man was subject to his Lord and Maker. Salkeld, Treat. of Paradise, (1617,) p. 122.

To Indo'rse.* See To Endorse, and its derivatives.

To Indo'w. v. a. [indotare, Latin.] To portion; to enrich with gifts, whether of fortune or nature. See Endow. I'NDRAUGHT. n. s. [in and draught.]

1. An opening in the land into which the sea flows.

Ebbs and floods there could be none, when there was no indraughts, bays, or gulphs, to receive a flood.

2. Inlet; passage inwards.

Navigable rivers are indraughts to attain wealth. Racon.

To Indre'nch. † v. a. [from drench. Sax. in-spencan.] To soak; to drown.

My hopes lie drown'd; in many fathoms deep They lie indrench'd. Shakspeare, Troil. and Cress. If in this flesh, where thou indrench'd dost lie, Poore soule, thou canst reare up thy limed wings, Carry my thoughts up to the sacred skie.

Jones's Musicall Dreame, (1609.)

INDU'BIOUS. adj. [in and dubious.] Not

doubtful; not suspecting; certain. Hence appears the vulgar vanity of reposing an

indubious confidence in those antipestilential spirits.

INDU'BITABLE. † adj. [indubitabilis, Lat. indubitable, Fr. in and dubitable. 7 Undoubted; unquestionable; evident; certain in appearance; clear; plain.

The invocation of them is notwithstanding a very presumptuous invasion of the indubitable rights of God. More against Idolatry, ch. 2. When general observations are drawn from so

many particulars as to become certain and indubitable, these are jewels of knowledge.

Watts on the Mind.

able. The state of being indubitable.

INDU'BITABLY. adv. [from indubitable.] Undoubtedly; unquestionably.

If we transport these proportions from audible to visible objects, there will indubitably result from either a graceful and harmonious content-Wotton, Architecture

The patriarchs were indubitably invested with both these authorities.

I appeal to all sober judges, whether our souls may be only a mere echo from clashing atoms; or rather indubitably must proceed from a spiritual Bentley.

INDU'BITATE. adj. [indubitatus, Latin.] Unquestioned; certain; apparent; evident.

If he stood upon his own title of the house of Lancaster, he knew it was condemned by parliament, and tended directly to the disinherison of the line of York, held then the indubitate heirs of the crown. Bacon, Hen. VII.

I have been tempted to wonder how, among the jealousies of state and court, Edgar Atheling could subsist, being then the apparent and indubitate heir of the Saxon line.

To INDU'CE. v. a. [induire, Fr. induco, Latin.

1. To influence to any thing; to persuade: of persons.

The self same argument in this kind, which doth but induce the vulgar sort to light, may constrain the wiser to yield.

This lady, albeit she was furnished with many excellent endowments, both of nature and education, yet would she never be induced to entertain marriage with any. Hayward.

Desire with thee still longer to converse Induc'd me. Milton, P. L. Let not the covetous design of growing rich induce you to ruin your reputation, but rather

satisfy yourself with a moderate fortune; and let your thoughts be wholly taken up with acquiring to yourself a glorious name. Dryden.

2. To produce by persuasion or influence: of things.

Let the vanity of the times be restrained, which the neighbourhood of other nations have induced, and we strive apace to exceed our pattern. Bacon, Adv. to Villiers.

As belief is absolutely necessary to all mankind, the evidence for inducing it must be of that nature as to accommodate itself to all species of men. Forbes.

3. To offer by way of induction, or consequential reasoning.

They play much upon the simile, or illustrative argumentation, to induce their enthymemes unto the people, and take up popular conceits.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

4. To inculcate; to enforce.

This induces a general change of opinion, concerning the person or party like to be obeyed by the greatest or strongest part of the people.

5. To cause extrinsically; to produce; to

Sour things induce a contraction in the nerves, placed in the mouth of the stomach, which is a great cause of appetite.

Acidity, as it is not the natural state of the animal fluids, but induced by aliment, is to be cured by aliment with the contrary qualities.

Arbuthnot on Aliments. 6. To introduce; to bring into view.

To exprobrate their stupidity, he induceth the providence of storks: now, if the bird had been unknown, the illustration had been obscure, and the exprobration not so proper.

The poet may be seen inducing his personages in the first Iliad, where he discovers their humours, interests, and designs.

7. To bring on; to superinduce; to effect

gradually.

Schism is marked out by the apostle as a kind of petrifying crime, which induces that induration to which the fearful expectation of wrath is con-Decay of Chr. Piety.

INDU'CEMENT. n. s. [from induce.] Motive to any thing; that which allures or per-

suades to any thing.

The former inducements do now much more prevail, when the very thing hath ministered farther reason. Many inducements, besides Scripture, may lead

me to that, which if Scripture be against, they are of no value, yet otherwise are strongly effectual to persuade. That mov'd me to't,

Then mark th' inducement. Shaks. Hen. VIII. He lives

Higher degree of life; inducement strong For us. Milton, P. L.

My inducement hither, Was not at present here to find my son.

Milton, S. A. Instances occur of oppression, to which there appears no inducement from the circumstances of the actors.

INDU'CER. † n. s. [from induce.] suader; one that influences.

How can he be a mete perswader or inducer of the people to widowheade, which hath himselfe been often maried?

Martin, Marr. of Priests, (1554,) C. iii. b. As if he were the great impeller and inducer of men to sin. South, Serm. viii. 85.

INDU'CIBLE.* adj. [from induce.] 1. That may be offered by way of induc-

Many things in philosophy [are] confirmable by sense, yet not inducible by reason. Brown, Rel. Medici.

2. That may be caused.

The satisfaction of prosperity, issuing from sense, is subject to all the changes inducible from the restless commotions of outward causes affecting and altering the sense.

Barrow, Works, iii. 99. To INDU'CT. v. a. [inductus, Lat.]

1. To introduce; to bring in.

The ceremonies in the gathering were first inducted by the Venetians. Sandys, Trav.

To put into actual possession of a benefice.

If a person thus instituted, though not inducted, takes a second benefice, it shall make the first void. Ayliffe, Parergon.

INDU'CTION. † n. s. [induction, Fr. inductio,

1. Introduction; entrance; anciently preface, and also something introductory to a play.

This is well knowne to be true, of them, that have anye leisure to read Holy Scripture; who, remembering themselves by this my little induc-

tion, will leave to neglect history. Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 205. b.

These promises are fair, the parties sure,

And our induction full of prosperous hope. Shaks.
Inductions are out of date, and a prologue in verse is as stale as a black velvet cloak.

Beaum. and Fl. Woman-Hater, Prol. This is but an induction; I will draw

The curtains of the tragedy hereafter. Massinger, Guardian.

An induction to those succeeding evils, which pursued that inconsiderate marriage

Sir G. Buck, Hist. Rich. III. p. 118. 302

2. Induction is when, from several particu- 12. It seems sometimes to be, even by good lar propositions, we infer one general: as, the doctrine of the Socinians cannot be proved from the gospels, it cannot be proved from the acts of the apostles, it cannot be proved from the epistles, nor the book of Revelation; therefore it cannot be proved from the New Testament. Watts, Logick.

The inquisition by induction is wonderful hard; for the things reported are full of fables, and new experiments can hardly be made but with extreme

Mathematical things are only capable of clear demonstration: conclusions in natural philosophy are proved by induction of experiments, things moral by moral arguments, and matters of fact by credible testimony.

Although the arguing from experiments and observations by induction be no demonstration of general conclusions, yet it is the best way of arguing which the nature of things admits of, and may be looked upon as so much the stronger by how much the induction is more general; and if no exception occur from phænomena, the conclusion may be general. Newton, Opticks.

He brought in a new way of arguing from induction, and that grounded upon observation and

experiments.

S. The act of giving possession to the person, who has received institution of his church; by virtue of a mandate from the archdeacon, empowering another clergyman to induct him into the real, actual, and corporal possession of his rectory or vicarage; first laying his hand on the key of the church, in the church door; and the incumbent afterwards tolling one of the bells. See In-DUCTOR. Institution is the investiture of the spiritual part of the benefice; induction, of the temporal.

In dignities possession is given by instalment; in rectories and vicarages, by induction.

Blackstone.

INDU'CTIVE. adj. [from induct.] 1. Leading; persuasive: with to.

A brutish vice,

Inductive mainly to the sin of Eve. Milton, P. L.

2. Capable to infer or produce.

Abatements may take away infallible concludency in these evidences of fact, yet they may be probable and inductive of credibility, though not Hale, Orig. of Mankind. of science.

3. Proceeding not by demonstration, but induction.

INDU'CTIVELY.* adv. [from inductive.] By induction; by inference.

This I shall make appear inductively, by recounting the several ends and intents, to which, with any colour of reason, it may be designed.

South, Serm. vii. 197.

INDU'CTOR.* n. s. [from induct.] The person who inducts another into a benefice.

He puts the incumbent into possession of the church, who, when he has tolled a bell, comes forth; and the inductor indorses a certificate of such his induction on the warrant of the archdeacon, attested by those who were present.

Directions, &c. Clergyman's Assist. (2d edit.) p.312. n.

To INDU'E. † v. a. [induo, Lat.]

1. To invest; to clothe.

Diana's shape and habit then indued, He said; My huntress, &c. Sandys, Ovid, B. 2. One first matter all, Indu'd with various forms.

Milton, P. L.

writers, confounded with endow or indow, to furnish or enrich with any quality or excellence. Dr. Johnson. - This, however, is more fully explained under the second sense of To ENDUE.

The angel, by whom God indued the waters of Bethesda with supernatural virtue, was not seen; vet the angel's presence was known by the waters.

His powers, with dreadful strength indu'd. Chavman.

INDU'EMENT.* n. s. [from indue.] En-

dowment. Not now in use. Solomon's experience should disabuse all men in relying upon the virtue of their spirit, when we see that his so singular induement with the Holy Spirit was not security against the danger of this

presumption. W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. P. i. (1648,) p. 170.

To INDU'LGE. † v. a. [indulgeo, Lat.]

1. To encourage by compliance. The lazy glutton safe at home will keep,

Indulge his sloth, and fatten with his sleep. Dryd.

2. To fondle; to favour; to gratify with concession; to foster. If the matter of indulgence be a single thing, it has with before it; if it be a habit, it has in; as, he indulged himself with a draught of wine; and, he indulged himself in shameful drunkenness. It has sometimes, though rarely, to.

By the excess of pleasures, which he indulged to himself, he was indeed without the true delight and relish of any. L. Clarendon, Life, iii. 681. A mother was wont to indulge her daughters with dogs, squirrels, or birds; but then they must

keep them well. To live like those that have their hope in another

life, implies that we indulge ourselves in the gratifications of this life very sparingly. 3. To grant not of right, but favour.

Ancient privileges, indulged by former kings to their people, must not, without high reason, be revoked by their successors.

Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy. The virgin ent'ring bright, indulg'd the day To the brown cave, and brush'd the dreams away. Dryden.

But since among mankind so few there are, Who will conform to philosophick fare, This much I will indulge thee for thy ease, And mingle something of our times to please.

Dryden, Juv. My friend, indulge one labour more, And seek Atrides. Pope, Odyss. Yet, yet a moment, one dim ray of light

Indulge, dread chaos and eternal night! Pone. To Indu'lge. v. n. \[\text{A Latinism not in} \]

use. To be favourable; to give indulgence: with to. He must, by indulging to one sort of reprovable discourse himself, defeat his endeavours against

the rest. Gov. of the Tongue. Indu'LGENCE.† \ n. s. [indulgence, Fr. from

INDU'LGENCY. \ indulge.

 Fondness; fond of kindness. Restraint she will not brook;

And left to herself, if evil thence ensue, She first his weak indulgence will accuse. Milton, P. L.

The glories of our isle Which yet like golden ore, unripe in beds, Expect the warm indulgency of heaven. Dryden.

2. Forbearance; tenderness: opposite to rigour.

Your majesty is still pleased, by the excellency

of your nature, and by the indulgency of your judgement, to accept honest zeal for discretion.

Wotton, Despatch dated 1620, Rem. p. 524. They err, that through indulgence to others, or fondness to any sin in themselves, substitute for repentance any thing less.

Hammond on Fundamentals. In known images of life, I guess

The labour greater, as the indulgence less. Pope. 3. Favour granted; liberality.

If all these gracious indulgences are without any effect on us we must perish in our own folly.

4. Compliance with; gratification of: as, self-indulgence; indulgence in any vice. The loosenesses and indulgences of this age -

bear a proportion with the religion of the Ottomans. Sir R. Tempest, Entert. of Solit. (1649.) p. 5.

5. Grant of the church of Rome, not defined by themselves. Dr. Johnson. -This is a definition of it according to one of that church: " The true meaning and signification of indulgences, and their efficacy, consists in this, viz. that it is a release of the temporal penalty remaining due to sin, after the guilt thereof, and the eternal punishment entailed on it, had been remitted in the sacrament of penance, or through a sincere and unfeigned contrition." Important Inquiry, &c. 2d edit. 1758, p. 227.-The church of Rome makes a distinction also of partial and plenary indulgence. See the example from bishop Jeremy Taylor. The exposition of the present sense of indulgences, in the unanswerable remarks of one of the brightest ornaments of the Protestant church, must also here follow. "The doctrine of indulgences, as it was before the council of Trent, and hath been since taught in the church of Rome, is big with gross errors. It depends on the fiction of purgatory; it supposeth a superfluity of the satisfactions of the saints; which, being jumbled together (horreo referens) with the merits and satisfaction of our Saviour, make up one treasury of the church: that the bishop of Rome keeps the key of it, as having the sole power of granting indulgences, either by himself immediately, or by others commissioned from him. Lastly, it very absurdly extends the effect of the power of the keys, left by Christ in his church, to men in the other world." Bishop Bull, Corrupt. of the Ch. of Rome, in Ans. to the Bishop of Meux's Queries.

Thou, that giv'st whores indulgences to sin, Shakspeare, Hen. VI. I'll canvass thee.

Indulgences dispenses, pardons, bulls, The sport of winds. Milton, P. L.

Your best way is to get a plenary indulgence; and that may be had on reasonable terms; but take heed you do not think yourself secure; for a plenary indulgence does not do all that it may be you require; for there is an indulgence more full, and another most full; and it is not agreed upon among the doctors, whether a plenary indulgence is to be extended beyond the taking off those penances, which were actually enjoined by the confessor, or how far they go further.

Bp. Taylor, Dissuasive from Popery, § 4. In purgatory, indulgences, and supercrogation, the assertors seem to be unanimous in nothing but profit. Decay of Chr. Piety.

Leo X. is deservedly infamous for his base! prostitution of indulgences. Atterbury. INDU'LGENT. adj. [indulgent, Fr. indulgens, Lat.]

1. Kind; gentle; liberal.

God has done all for us that the most indulgent Creator could do for the work of his hands.

2. Mild; favourable.

Hereafter such in thy behalf shall be Th' indulgent censure of posterity.

Waller. 3. Gratifying; favouring; giving way to: with of.

The feeble old, indulgent of their ease.

Dryden, Æn.
INDULGE'NTIAL.* adj. [from indulgent.] Relating to the indulgences of the Romish church.

You are fitted with rare indulgential privileges. Brevint, Saul and Sam. at End. ch. 10.

INDU'LGENTLY. † adv. [from indulgent.] Without severity; without censure; without self-reproach; with indulgence.

He that not only commits some act of sin, but lives indulgently in it, is never to be counted a regenerate man. Hammond.

Ills?-There are none; All-gracious, none from Thee ! -

Whose threats are mercies, whose injunctions guides,

Assisting, not restraining, reason's choice; Whose sanctions, unavoidable results

From nature's course, indulgently reveal'd. Young, Night Th. 9.

INDU'LGER.* n. s. [from indulge.] One who indulges. If, as Saint Peter saith, the severest watchers of

their nature have task hard enough, what shall be hoped of the indulgers of it?

W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. P. i. (1648,) p. 160.

INDU'LT.† \ n.s. [Ital. and Fr.] Privilege or exemption.

It was a tax laid upon the English a great many

years ago, with their own consent, for the privilege of going to Aleppo. - This is a most scandalous Drummond, Trav. (dat. 1746,) p.180. indulto.

To I'NDURATE. v.n. [induro, Lat.] To grow hard; to harden.

Stones within the earth at first are but rude earth or clay; and so minerals come at first of juices concrete, which afterwards indurate.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. That plants and ligneous bodies may indurate under water, without approachment of air, we have experiments in coral-lines. Brown, Vulg. Err.

To I'NDURATE. † v. a.

1. To make hard.

Glass may be so indurated by fire, that it may scorn the force of the hammer.

Gayton on D. Quix. (1654.)

A contracted indurated bladder is a circumstance sometimes attending on the stone, and indeed an extraordinary dangerous one.

Sharp, Surgery.

2. To harden the mind; to sear the con-

Love's and friendship's finely pointed dart Fall blunted from each indurated heart. Goldsmith, Traveller.

I'NDURATE.* adj. [from the verb.] 1. Impenitent; hard of heart; obdurate.

After he hath passed one yere and a half in repentaunce,-then, lest he maie be indurate, let him be admitted to the receiving of the body and bloud of Christ. Martin, Marr. of Priests, (1554.) Thine heart is full hard, indurate, as was the

heart of Pharao.

Fox, Acts, &c. Exam. of W. Thorpe.

O insensible, indurate, and intolerable unthankfulness of the sons of Adam!

Loe, Bliss of Br. Beauty, (1614,) p. 13. 2. Hard; not soft; dried; made hard. Dried, souced, indurate fish.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 70. Avoid at all times indurate, salt, and especially spice and windy meat.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 402. INDURA'TION. n. s. [from indurate.]

1. The state of growing hard.

This is a notable instance of condensation and induration, by burial under earth, in caves, for a long time. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

2. The act of hardening.

3. Obduracy; hardness of heart.

Schism is marked out by the apostle as a kind of petrifying crime, which induces that induration to which the fearful expectation of wrath is conse-Decay of Chr. Piety.

INDU'STRIOUS. adj. [industrieux, Fr. industrius, Lat.]

1. Diligent; laborious; assiduous: opposed to slothful.

Frugal and industrious men are commonly friendly to the established government. Temple. 2. Laborious to a particular end: opposite to remiss.

He himself, being excellently learned, and industrious to seek out the truth of all things concerning the original of his own people, hath set down the testimony of the ancients truly.

Spenser on Ireland.

Let our just censures Attend the true event, and put we on Industrious soldiership.

Shakspeare. His thoughts were low: To vice industrious; but to nobler deeds

Timorous and slothful. Milton, P. L. 3. Designed; done for the purpose.

The industrious perforation of the tendons of the second joints of fingers and toes, draw the tendons of the third joints through.

More, Divine Dialogues. Observe carefully all the events which happen either by an occasional concurrence of various causes, or by the industrious application of knowing men. Watts on the Mind.

INDU'STRIOUSLY. # adv. [from industrious.] 1. With habitual diligence; not idly.

And of myselfe industriously inclin'd. Mir. for Mag. p. 525.

2. Diligently; laboriously; assiduously. Great Britain was never before united under one king, notwithstanding that the uniting had been industriously attempted both by war and peace.

3. For the set purpose; with design. Some friends to vice industriously defend These innocent diversions, and pretend

That I the tricks of youth too roughly blame. Dryden, Juv.

I am not under the necessity of declaring myself, and I industriously conceal my name, which wholly exempts me from any hopes and fears.

I'NDUSTRY.† n. s. [industrie, Fr.; industria, Latin. " Industry hath not bene so long time used in the Englysh tongue, as providence: wherefore, it is the more straunge, and requireth the more plaine exposition. It is a qualitie proceeding of witte and experience, by the which a man perceyveth quicklye, inventeth freshlye, and counseyleth speedily. Wherefore they, that be called industrious, doo moste craftely and deepely understande in all affairs what is expedient, and by what means and wayes

they may soonest exployte them." Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 73.] Diligence; assiduity; habitual or actual laboriousness. The sweat of industry would dry and die,

But for the end it works to. Shakspeare, Cymb. See the laborious bee

For little drops of honey flee, And there with humble sweets content her industry.

Cowley. Providence would only initiate mankind into the useful knowledge of her treasures, leaving the

rest to employ our industry, that we might not live like idle loiterers. INDWE'LLER.* n. s. [in and dwell.]

inhabitant.

Too true that lands indwellers since have found. Spenser, F. Q. vii. vi. 55. Uncapable of any mortal indweller.

An house ready to fall on the head of the indweller. Bp. Hall, Occas. Med. § 110.

To INE BRIATE. v. a. [inebrio, Lat.] To intoxicate; to make drunk.

Wine sugared inebriateth less than wine pure: sops in wine, quantity for quantity, inebriate more than wine of itself.

Fish, entering far in and meeting with the fresh water, as if inebriated, turn up their bellies and are taken. Sandy's.

To INE'BRIATE. † v. n. To grow drunk; to be intoxicated.

At Constantinople fish, that come from the Euxine sea into the fresh water, do inebriate and turn up their bellies, so as you may take them with Thy brains inebriate so,

That thou thy nakedness shall boldly shew.

Sandys, Paraphr. Lament. ch. 4.

INEBRIA'TION. n. s. [from inebriate.] Drunkenness; intoxication.

That cornelians and bloodstones may be of virtue, experience will make us grant; but not that an amethyst prevents inebriation.

INE'DITED.* adj. [ineditus, Lat.] Not published; not put forth. Am inedited coin of queen Sexaburgeo.

Warton, Hist. Eng. Poetry, vol. ii. Add. INEFFABI'LITY. n. s. [from ineffable.] Un-

speakableness. INE FFABLE. adj. [ineffable, Fr.; inef-

fabilis, Lat.] Unspeakable; unutterable; not to be expressed. It is used almost always in a good sense.

To whom the Son, with calm aspect and clear, Lightning divine, ineffable, serene,

Made answer. Milton, P. L. Reflect upon a clear, unblotted, acquitted conscience, and feed upon the ineffable comforts of the memorial of a conquered temptation.

INE'FFABLENESS.* n. s. [from ineffable.] Unspeakableness. Scott.

In EFFABLY. † adv. [from ineffable.] In a manner not to be expressed.

So dyd the divinity ineffably put itselfe into the visible sacrament.

Abp. Cranmer, Answ. to Bp. Gardiner, p. 371. He all his Father full express'd Ineffably into his face receiv'd.

INEFFE'CTIVE. adj. [ineffectif, Fr; in and effective.] That can produce no effect; unactive; inefficient: useless.

As the body, without blood, is a dead and lifeless trunk; so is the word of God, without the spirit, a dead and ineffective letter. Bp. Taylor.

He that assures himself he never errs, will always err; and his presumptions will render all attempts to inform him ineffective.

INEFFE'CTUAL. adj. [in and effectual.] Unable to produce its proper effect;

weak; wanting power.

The publick reading of the Apocrypha they condemn as a thing effectual unto evil: the bare reading even of Scriptures themselves they mislike, as a thing ineffectual to do good.

Hooker.

The death of Patrocles, joined to the offer of Agamemnon, which of itself had proved inef-Pope.

INEFFE'CTUALLY.† adv. [from ineffectual.] Without effect.

In nineteen days' time there were above 1000 great shot spent ineffectually on the brave loyalists, who held out against the menaces of Manchester's Ashmole, Hist. of Berks, ii. 286.

INEFFE'CTUALNESS. n. s. [from ineffectual.] Inefficacy; want of power to perform

the proper effect.

St. James speaks of the ineffectualness of some men's devotion, Ye ask, and receive not, because

ye ask amiss.

INEFFICA'CIOUS. adj. [inefficace, Fr.; inefficax, Latin.] Unable to produce effects; weak; feeble. Ineffectual rather denotes an actual failure; and inefficacious, an habitual impotence to any effect.

Is not that better than always to have the rod in hand, and, by frequent use, misapply and render inefficacious this useful remedy?

INEFFICA'CIOUSNESS.* n. s. [from inefficacious.] Want of power to perform the proper effect.

To this we may probably impute that strange inefficaciousness we see of the word : Alas! men

rarely apply it to the right place. Lively Oracles, &c. p. 194. INE'FFICACY. n. s. [in and efficacie, Lat.]

Want of power; want of effect. INEFFI'CIENCY.* n. s. [in and efficiency.]

Want of power; inactivity.

Venice owes its security to its neutrality and Ld. Chesterfield. inefficiency. INEFFI'CIENT.* adj. [in and efficient.] Unactive; ineffective. See Dr. John-

son's definition of INEFFECTIVE. He is as insipid in his pleasures, as inefficient in

Ld. Chesterfield. every thing else. INELA'BORATE.* [in and elaborate.] Not done with much care. Cockeram.

INE'LEGANCE.] n. s. [from inelegant.] Ab-INE'LEGANCY. | sence of beauty; want of elegance.

INE LEGANT. adj. [inelegans, Lat.] 1. Not becoming; not beautiful; opposite

to elegant.

What order, so contriv'd as not to mix Tastes, not well join'd, inelegant, but bring Taste after taste, upheld with kindliest change. Milton, P. L.

This very variety of sea and land, hill and dale, which is here reputed so inelegant and unbecoming, is indeed extremely charming and agreeable.

2. Wanting ornament of language. Modern criticks, having never read Homer, but in low and inelegant translations, impute the mean-

ness of the translation to the poet. Broome on the Odyssey.

INE'LEGANTLY.* adv. [from inelegant.] 1. Not becomingly; not beautifully. The pediments of the southern transept is pinnacled, not inelegantly, with a flourished cross.

Warton, Hist. of Kiddington, p. 8. 2. Coarsely; without ornament of language.

Nor will he, if he have the least taste or appli- | 1. Difference of comparative quantity. cation: talk inelegantly. Ld. Chesterfield.

In an invocation to rime, while he is not inclegantly illustrating the pleasingness of an easy association of consonant syllables, he artfully intermixes the severities of satire.

Warton, Hist. E. P. iv. 60. INE'LOQUENT.† adj. [in and eloquens, Lat.]

Not persuasive; not oratorical; opposite to eloquent.

Nor are thy lips ungraceful, sire of men, Milton, P. L. Nor tongue ineloquent.

INELU'CTABLE.* adj. [ineluctabilis, Lat.] Not to be avoided or overcome.

Cockeram. As if the damnation of all sinners now were ineluctable and eternal. Pearson on the Creed, Art. 5.

INELU'DIBLE.* adj. [in and eludible.] Not to be defeated.

Most pressing reasons, and ineludible domonstra-Glanville, Pre-Exist. p. 14. tions.

INENARRABLE.* adj. [inenarrable, old French; inenarrabilis, Lat.] Not capable of being told; inexpressible. Cockeram.

INE'PT.+ adj. [inepte, old Fr.; ineptus, Lat.

1. Trifling; foolish.

The works of nature being neither useless nor inept, must be guided by some principle of know. ledge.

After their various unsuccessful ways, Their fruitless labour, and inept essays, No cause of these appearances they'll find, But power exerted by th' Eternal Mind. Blackmore.

2. Unfit for any purpose; useless.

When the upper and vegetative stratum was once washed off by rains, the hills would have become barren, the strata below yielding only mere sterile matter, such as was wholly *inept* and improper for the formation of vegetables. Woodward.

INE'PTITUDE. n. s. [from ineptus, Latin.] Unfitness.

The grating and rubbing of axes against the sockets, wherein they are placed, will cause some ineptitude or resistency to rotation of the cylinder.

An omnipotent agent works infallibly and irresistibly, no ineptitude or stubbornness of the matter being everable to hinder him. Ray on the Creation. There is an ineptitude to motion from too great

laxity, and an ineptitude to motion from too great Arbuthnot.

INE'PTLY. adv. [inepté, Lat.] Triflingly; foolishly; unfitly. None of them are made foolishly or ineptly.

More. All things were at first disposed by an omnis-

cient intellect, that cannot contrive ineptly.

INE'PTNESS.* n. s. [from inept.] Unfitness. The feebleness and miserable ineptness of infancy. More, Pre-exist. of the Soul, (1647,) Pref.

INE'QUAL.* adj. [inegal, Fr. inæqualis, Lat. This is the ancient form of our word unequal, used by Chaucer, and given in the old dictionary of Barret, viz. "an inequal or unjust contention." In modern times, Shenstone often uses it. Welcome all toils the inequal fates decree,

While toils endear thy faithful charge to thee.

Shenstone, Judg. of Hercules. He, not imprudent, at the sight declin'd The inequal conflict. Shenstone, Econ. P. ii.

INEQUA'LITY. n. s. [inegalité, Fr. from inæqualitas, Latin.

There is so great an inequality in the length of our legs and arms, as makes it impossible for us to walk on all four.

2. Unevenness; interchange of higher and lower parts.

The country is cut into so many hills and inequalities as renders it defensible. Addison on Italy. The glass seemed well wrought; yet when it was quick-silvered, the reflexion discovered innumerable inequalities all over the glass.

Newton, Opt. If there were no inequalities in the surface of the earth, nor in the seasons of the year, we should lose a considerable share of the vegetable kingdom.

3. Disproportion to any office or purpose; state of not being adequate; inade-

quateness.

The great inequality of all things to the appetites of a rational soul appears from this, that in all worldly things a man finds not half the pleasure in the actual possession that he proposed in the expectation. 4. Change of state; unlikeness of a thing

to itself; difference of temper or quality. In some places, by the nature of the earth, and by the situation of woods and hills, the air is more unequal than in others; and inequality of air is ever an enemy to health.

5. Difference of rank or station.

If so small inequality between man and man make in them modesty a commendable virtue, who respecting superiors as superiors, can neither speak nor stand before them without fear. INE'QUITABLE,* adj. [in and equitable.]

Not equitable; unjust.

The way of process men take in this affair is so inequitable, as certainly presages the partiality of the sentence. Dec. of Chr. Piety, p. 64. INERRABI'LITY. n. s. [from inerrable.]

Exemption from errour; infallibility. Those hideous novelties of the inerrability of a

Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 402. man of sin. I cannot allow their wisdom such a completeness and inerrability as to exclude myself from judging. King Charles.

INE'RRABLE. adj. [in and err.] Exempt from errour.

We have conviction from reason, or decisions from the inerrable and requisite conditions of sense,

Infallibility and inerrableness is assumed by the Romish church, without any inerrable ground to

INE'RRABLENESS. n. s. [from inerrable.] Exemption from errour.

Infallibility and inerrableness is assumed and inclosed by the Romish church, without any inerrable ground to build it on.

Hammond on Fundamentals. INE'RRABLY. adv. [from inerrable.] With security from errour; infallibly.

INE'RRINGLY. adv. [in and erring.] Without errour; without mistake; without deviation.

That divers limners at a distance, without copy, should draw the same picture, is more conceivable. than that matter should frame itself so inerringly according to the idea of its kind.

INE'RT. adj. [iners, Lat.] Dull; sluggish; motionless.

Body alone, inert and brute you'll find; The cause of all things is by you assigned.

Blackmore. Informer of the planetary train!

Without whose quickening glance their cumbrous orbs Were brute unlively mass, inert and dead.

Thomson.

INE'RTLY. adv. [from inert.] Sluggishly; dully.

Ye powers,

Suspend a while your force inertly strong.

Pope, Dunciad. Want of INE'RTNESS.* n. s. [from inert.] motion.

A state of silence and inertness.

Glanville, Pre-exist. p. 125. Into a state of more stupor and inertness. Ibid. p. 127.

To INE'SCATE.* v. a. [inesco, inescatus, Latin.] To lay a bait for; to allure.

Many such pranks are played by our Jesuits, sometimes in their own habits, sometimes in others, to inescade and beguile young women.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 505.

INESCA'TION. † n. s. [in and esca, Lat.] INE'VITABLENESS. * n. s. [from inevitable.] The act of baiting.

Herein lies true fortitude and courage, in overcoming all the deceitful allurements and inescations of flesh and blood.

Haltywell, Excell. of Moral Virtue, (1692,) p. 107.
INE'STIMABLE. adj. [inestimable, Fr. inestimabilis, Lat.] Too valuable to be out possibility of escape. rated; transcending all price.

I thought I saw a thousand fearful wrecks, A thousand men that fishes knaw'd upon: Wedges of gold, great anchors, heaps of pearl, Inestimable stones, unvalu'd jewels.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. The pope thereupon took advantage, abusing the simplicity of the king to suck out inestimable sums of money, to the intolerable grievance of both

the clergy and temporality. There we shall see a sight worthy dying for, that blessed Saviour, of whom the Scripture does so excellently entertain us, and who does so highly deserve of us, upon the score of his infinite perfections, and his inestimable benefits.

And shall this prize, the inestimable prize, On that rapacious hand for ever blaze!

INE'STIMABLY.* adv. [from inestimable.] So as not to be sufficiently rated. Things inestimably excellent.

More, Sleep of the Soul, iii. iii. 7. Heavenly and instructive volumes, inestimably overvaluing any the earth affords.

Boyle, Style of Holy Script. p. 87.

INE'VIDENCE.* n. s. [in and evidence.] Obscurity; uncertainty.

Charge them, says St. Paul, that they trust not in uncertain riches, that is, in the obscurity or inevidence of riches. Barrow, Works, i. 1449.

INE'VIDENT. † adj. [inevident, Fr. in and evident. Not plain; obscure. Not in use, Dr. Johnson says, citing only the example from Brown. It is a word, however, which boasts better authority than that of Brown; and has been adopted, from them, by a modern author of eminence. See also INEVIDENCE.

Our schoolmen make a distinction of a certainty; evident and inevident. Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 267.

The habit of faith in divinity is an argument of things unseen, and a stable assent unto things inevident, upon authority of the divine revealer.

Brown, Vulg. Err. The object of faith is inevident.

Bp. Barlow, Rem. p. 556. "Faith is the evidence of things not seen;" by which words I conceive we may understand an undoubting assent to those things which are of themselves inevident. Bp. Conybeare, Serm. vol. ii. S. S.

INEVITABI'LITY. † n. s. [from inevitable.] Impossibility to be avoided; certainty. By liberty, I do understand neither a liberty from sin, misery, servitude, nor violence, but from necessity, or rather necessitation: that is, an universal immunity from all inevitability and determination to one. Bp. Bramhall against Hobbes.

The overthrow is described to be given as it were INEXCU'SABLENESS. n. s. [from inexcusby a double blow and a twofold weapon, to shew the certainty and inevitability of it.

Shelford, Learned Discourses, p. 289.

INE'VITABLE. adj. [inevitable, French;
inevitabilis, Lat.] Unavoidable; not to be escaped.

I had a pass with him: - he gives me the stuckin with such a mortal motion, that it is inevitable. Shakspeare, Tw. Night.

Subdues us. Milton, P. L. Since my inevitable death you know,

You safely unavailing pity show.

Dryden, Aurengzebe.

Certainty; inevitability. The inevitableness of the account we are to make,

and the uncertainty of the time we shall be called Bp. Prideaux, Euchol. p. 106.

The day thou eat'st thereof, my sole command Transgrest, inevitably thou shalt die. Milton, P. L. How inevitably does an immoderate laughter end in a sigh?

If they look no further than the next line, it will inevitably follow that they can drive to no certain

Inflammations of the bowels oft inevitably tend to the ruin of the whole. Harvey on Consumptions. If our sense of hearing were exalted, we should have no quiet or sleep in the silentest nights, and

we must inevitably be stricken deaf or dead with a clap of thunder.

INEXECU'TION.* n. s. [in and execution.]

Non-performance. This word has been pronounced an Americanism in a "Vocabulary, or Collection of Words and Phrases which have been supposed to be peculiar to the United States of America, by John Pickering, 8vo. Boston, 1816:" in which it is said, that "English writers use the term non-execution;" and the American example is, "the inexecution of the treaty of peace," from Judge Marshall's Life of Washington, Vocab. p. 113. It happens, however, that this is an old overpassed English word. They not only deferred to his counsels in publick

assemblies, but he was moreover the umpire of domestick matters, and decided quarrels arising between husbands and wives, without there ever being any inexecution or complaint against his decisions and decrees.

Spence, Tr. of Varilla's Hist. of the H. of Medici, (1686,) p. 306.

INEXCU'SABLE. adj. [inexcusable, Fr. inexcusabilis, Latin, in and excusable. Not to be excused; not to be palliated by apology.

It is a temerity and a folly inexcusable, to deliver up ourselves needlessly into another's power.

As we are an island with ports and navigable seas, we should be inexcusable if we did not make 2. State of existing; inherence. So used these blessings turn to account.

Addison, Freeholder. Such a favour could only render them more obdurate, and more inexcusable: it would inhance their guilt.

If learning be not encouraged under your administration, you are the most inexcusable person

A fallen woman is the more inexcusable, as, from the cradle, the sex is warned against the delusions Richardson, Clarissa.

able.] Enormity beyond forgiveness or palliation.

Their inexcusableness is stated upon the supposition of this very thing, that they knew God, but for all that did not glorify him as God.

South, Serm. ii. 263. INEXCU'SABLY. † adv. [from inexcusable.] To a degree of guilt or folly beyond

Behold here wherein Eve, and after her Adam, did fail inexcusably !

Harmar, Tr. of Beza's Serm. (1587,) p. 35. It will inexcusably condemn some men, who having received excellent endowments, yet have frustrated the intention.

INEXHA'LABLE. adj. [in and exhale.] That cannot evaporate.

A new-laid egg, will not so easily be boiled hard, because it contains a great stock of humid parts, which must be evaporated before the heat can bring the inexhalable parts into consistence.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

INEXHA'USTED. † adj. [in and exhausted.] Unemptied; not possible to be emptied.

So wert thou born into a tuneful strain, An early, rich, and inexhausted vein.

Dryden. Let us consider the ample provision of waters, those inexhausted treasures of the ocean.

Bentley, Serm. viii.

INEXHAU'STIBLE. adj. [in and exhaustible.] Not to be drawn all away; not to be

Reflect on the variety of combinations which may be made with number, whose stock is inexhaustible, and truly infinite.

The stock that the mind has in its power, by varying the idea of space, is perfectly inexhaustible, and so it can multiply figures in infinitum. Locke.

INEXHA'USTIBLENESS.* n. s. The state or quality of being inexhaustible. INEXHA'USTIVE.* adj. [in and exhaust.] Not to be all drawn off; inexhaustible. Whose power,

To life approaching, may perfume my lays With that fine oil, those aromatick gales, That inexhaustive flow continual round.

Thomson, Spring.

INEXI'STENT. adj. [in and existent.]

1. Not having being; not to be found in nature.

To express complexed significations they took a liberty to compound and piece together creatures of allowable forms into mixtures inexistent.

2. Existing in something else. This use is rare.

We doubt whether these heterogeneities be much as inexistent in the concrete, whence they are obtained.

INEXI'STENCE. † n. s. [in and existence.]

 Want of being; want of existence. He calls up the heroes of former ages from a

state of inexistence to adorn and diversify his poem.

by South, but improperly.

Concerning these gifts, we must observe also, that there was no small difference amongst them, as to the manner of their inexistence in the persons who had them. South, Serm. iii. 414.

INEXORABI'LITY.* n. s. [from inexorable.] The state or quality of being inexorable. INE'XORABLE. adj. [inexorable, Fr. in-exorabilis, Lat.] Not to be entreated;

not to be moved by entreaty. You are more inhuman, more inexorable, Oh ten times more, than tygers of Hyrcania!

Shakspeare. Inexorable dog. Shakspeare, Merch. of Venice. The scourge

Inexorable calls to penance. Milton, P. L. The guests invited came,

And with the rest th' inexorable dame, Druden. Th' inexorable gates were barr'd,

And nought was seen, and nought was heard,

But dreadful gleams, shrieks of woe. Pope, St. Cecilia. We can be deaf to the words of so sweet a charmer, and inexorable to all his invitations.

INE'XORABLENESS.* n. s. [from inexorable.] The state of being inexorable.

The former aversation, and inexorableness, is taken away. Chillingworth, Serm. on Ron. viii. 34.
INE'XORABLY.* adv. [from inexorable.]
So as not to be moved by entreaty.

Phocion the good, in publick life severe, To virtue still inexorably firm. Thomson, Winter.

INEXPECTA'TION.* n. s. [in and expectation.] State of having no expectation, either with hope or fear; want of fore-

It is therefore fit, we take heed of such things as are like multiplying glasses, and shew fears either more numerous or bigger far, than they are. Such are inexpectation, unacquaintance, want of preparation. Inexpectation: the sudden blow astonishes; but, foreseen, is either warded or avoided. A surprize alone is torture. Feltham, Res. ii. 5.

INEXPE'CTED.* adj. [inexpectatus, Lat.] Not expected.

If the suddenness of an inexpected evil have surprized his thoughts, and infected his cheeks with paleness: he had no sooner digested it in his conceit, than he gathers up himself, and insults over Bp. Hall, Charact. p. 34.

Our greatest ills we least mistrust, my lord, And inexpected harms do hurt us most.

Kyd, Span. Trag. INEXPE'CTEDLY.* adv. [from inexpected.]

Without expectation. Such marvellous light opened itself inexpectedly

Bp. Hall, Specialties of his Life. INEXPE'DIENCE. \ n. s. [in and expe-INEXPE'DIENCY. diency.] Want of fitness; want of propriety; unsuitable-

ness to time or place; inconvenience. It concerneth superiours to look well to the expediency and inexpediency of what they enjoin in indifferent things.

INEXPE'DIENT. adj. [in and expedient.] Inconvenient; unfit; improper; unsuitable to time or place.

It is not inexpedient they should be known to come from a person altogether a stranger to chy-

We should be prepared not only with patience to bear, but to receive with thankfulness a repulse, if God should see them to be inexpedient.

* INEXPE'RIENCE. n. s. [inexperience, Fr. in and experience.] Want of experimental knowledge; want of experience.

Thy words at random Milton, P. L. Argue thine inexperience. Prejudice and self-sufficiency naturally proceed from inexperience of the world, and ignorance of Addison. mankind.

INE Your father's incorrability not only grieves but | INEXPE'RIENCED. # adj. [inexpertus, Lat.] amazes me. Johnson, Letter in Boswell's Life of him. | Not experienced.

They fright all inexperienced young men, from any tolerable compliance in matters of religion. More, Conj. Cabb. (1653,) p. 227.

INEXPE'RT. + adj. [inexpertus, Lat. in and expert.] Unskilful; unskilled.

It must be considered, - whether he be learned or ignorant; whether skilful in languages and arts, or whether inexpert in both.

Bp. Hall, Cases of Conscience. The race elect

Safe towards Canaan from the shore advance Through the wild desert, not the readiest way; Lest, entering on the Canaanite alarm'd,

War terrify them inexpert. Milton, P. L. In letters and in laws Not inexpert.

INE'XPIABLE. † adj. [inexpiable, Fr. inexpiabilis, Latin.]

1. Not to be atoned.

A papist writes it; and then it is well enough. For some of our writers to have said but as much, or scarce so much as these, in this matter and manner, in them is an inexpiable transgression.

Dr. Favour, Antiq. Tr. over Nov. (1619,) p. 223. It is such an inexpiable crime in poets, to tax B. Jonson, Discoveries. vices generally. 2. Not to be mollified by atonement.

Love seeks to have love: My love how could'st thou hope, who took'st the way

Milton, S. A. To raise in me inexpiable hate? INE'XPIABLY. adv. [from inexpiable.] To a degree beyond atonement.

Excursions are inexpiably bad, And 'tis much safer to leave out than add.

Roscommon. INEXPLA'INABLE.* adj. [in and explainable. That cannot be explained.

Cockeram. INE'XPLEABLY. adv. [in and expleo, Lat.] Insatiably. A word not in use.

What were these harpies but flatterers, delators, and the inexpleably covetous? Sandys, Travels.

INE'XPLICABLE. adj. [inexplicable, Fr. in and explico, Lat.] Incapable of being explained; not to be made intelligible; not to be disentangled.

What could such apprehensions breed, but, as their nature is, inexplicable passions of mind, desires abhorring what they embrace, and embracing what they abhor?

To me at least this seems inexplicable, if light be nothing else than pression or motion propagated Newton. through either.

None eludes sagacious reason more, Than this obscure inexplicable power. Blackmore.

INE'XPLICABLENESS.* n. s. [from inexplicable.] The state or quality of being inexplicable.

INE'XPLICABLY. † adv. [from inexplicable.] In a manner not to be explained.

The power of godliness is denied by wicked men. How then? What is their case? Surely inexplicably, unconceivably fearful.

Bp. Hall, The Hypocrite, Works, ii. 302. INEXPLO'RABLE.* adj. [inexploratus, Lat.] Not to be discovered.

It was the king's own immovable and inexplor-

Sir G. Buck, Hist. Rich. III. (1646,) p. 82. INEXPRE'SSIBLE. adj. [in and express.] Not to be told; not to be uttered; unutterable.

Thus when in orbs Of circuit inexpressible they stood, Orb within orb. Milton, P. L.

Nothing can so peculiarly gratify the noble dispositions of human nature, as for one man to see another so much himself as to sigh his griefs, and groan his pains, to sing his joys, and do and feel every thing by sympathy and secret inexpressible communications.

The true God had no certain name given to him; for Father, and God, and Creator, are but titles arising from his works; and God is not a name, but a notion ingrafted in human nature of an inexpressible being. Stilling fleet.

There is an inimitable grace in Virgil's words; and in them principally consists that beauty, which gives so inexpressible a pleasure to him who best understands their force: this diction of his is never to be copied.

INEXPRE'SSIBLY. adv. [from inexpressible.] To a degree or in a manner not to be uttered; unutterably.

God will protect and reward all his faithful servants in a manner and measure inexpressibly Hammond.

He began to play upon it: the sound was exceeding sweet, and wrought into a variety of tunes that were inexpressibly melodious. Addison, Spect.

INEXPRE'SSIVE.* adj. [See UNEXPRES-SIVE.] Ineffable. Dr. Johnson has been publickly blamed for not inserting inexpressive, in his Dictionary, because "Milton makes such fine use of it in his Lycidas." The word in Lycidas is unexpressive; so it is in the same poet's Ode on the Nativity, from which Dr. Johnson has inaccurately cited it, as if it were inexpressive. Nor is it inexpressive in Shakspeare, whose poetry is also miscited. Inexpressive has since been found in the poetry of Akenside by one of those gentlemen who have made additions to Johnson:

The inexpressive strain Diffuses its enchantment.

Pleasures of Imag. B. i. 124.

INEXPU'GNABLE. † adj. [inexpugnable, Fr.; inexpugnabilis, Latin.] Impregnable; not to be taken by assault; not to be subdued.

He may have fortified himself in some inexpugnable castle or fortress.

Shelton, Tr. of Don Quix. iv. 19. Fortified, as it were, with a trench and pallisado, and with inexpugnable endowments.

Donne, Hist. of the Septuagint, p. 95. Philip, king of Macedon, thought of cities. There is none so inexpugnable, but an ass laden with gold may enter them.

Howell, Lett. (dat. 1637,) ii. 4. There is one objection, - which the Smectymnians press thrice, as being inexpugnable.

Bp. Morton, Episcopacy Assert. p. 88. This castle - was accounted inexpugnable. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 89.

INEXTI'NCT.* adj. [inextinctus, Lat.] Not quenched; not put out. Cockeram. INEXTI'NGUISHABLE. † adj. [inextinguible,

Fr.; in and extinguo, Lat Our own word was formerly, like the French, inextinguible. "Perpetual motion, in-extinguible lights." Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 281.] Unquenchable.

Pillars, statues, and other memorials, are a sort of shadow of an endless life, and show an inextinguishable desire which all men have of it.

INEXTI'RPABLE.* adj. [in and extirpable.] Not to be rooted out.

INE'XTRICABLE. adj. [inextricable, | To INFA'ME. v. a. [infamer, Fr.; infamo, | 2. Civil infancy, extended by the English Fr.; inextricabilis, Lat.] Not to be disentangled; not to be cleared; not to be set free from obscurity or perplexity.

He that should tye inextricable knots, only to baffle the industry of those that should attempt to unloose them, would be thought not to have served his generation. Decay of Chr. Piety.

Stopt by awful heights, and gulphs immense Of wisdom, and of vast omnipotence,

She trembling stands, and does in wonder gaze, Lost in the wild inextricable maze. Blackmore. Men are led into inextricable mazes by setting up themselves as judges of the world.

INE'XTRICABLENESS.* n. s. [from inextricable.] The state or quality of being inextricable.

There is no perplexity in thee, my God, no inextricableness in thee.

Donne, Devot. (1625,) p. 122.

INE'XTRICABLY. adv. [from inextricable.] To a degree of perplexity not to be disentangled.

The mechanical atheist, though you grant him his laws of mechanism, is nevertheless inextricably puzzled and baffled with the first formation of

In vain they strive; the intangling snares deny, Inextricably firm, the power to fly. Pope, Odyss.

INEXU'PERABLE.* adj. [inexuperabilis, Lat.] Not to be passed over; not superable; not to be conquered.

Cockeram. To INE'YE. v. n. [in and eye.] To inoculate; to propagate trees by the insition of a bud into a foreign stock. Let sage experience teach thee all the arts

Of grafting and ineying.

INFA'BRICATED.* adj. [infabricatus, Lat.]

Unwrought. Cockeram. Infallibli infalliblité, Fr.; from infalli-

ble.] Inerrability; exemption from Fancy, wherein there must either be vanity or

infallibleness, and so either not to be respected, or not to be prevented. Sidney, Arcad. b. 1. The veracity and infallibleness of the party that firms it, Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 267.

Infallibility is the highest perfection of the knowing faculty, and consequently the firmest degree of assent.

INFA'LLIBLE. adj. [infallible, Fr.; in
 and fallible.] Privilege from errour; incapable of mistake; not to be misled or deceived; certain. Used both of persons and things.

Every cause admitteth not such infallible evidence of proof, as leaveth no possibility of doubt or scruple behind it.

Believe my words;

For they are certain and infallible.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. The success is certain and infallible, and none ever yet miscarried in the attempt.

INFA'LLIBLY. adv. [from infallible.] 1. Without danger from deceit; with se-

curity from errour. We cannot be as God infallibly knowing good and evil. Smalridge, Serm.

2. Certainly.

Our blessed Lord has distinctly opened the scene of futurity to us, and directed us to such a conduct as will infallibly render us happy in it.

Lat.] To represent to disadvantage; to defame; to censure publickly; to make infamous; to brand. To defame

Livia is infamed for the poisoning of her hus-

Hitherto obscur'd, infam'd, And thy fair fruit let hang, as to no end Created. Milton, P. L.

I'NFAMOUS.† adj. [infamé, infamant, Fr.; infamis, Lat. It had the accent formerly on the second syllable.]

1. Publickly branded with guilt; openly censured; of bad report.

Many there she found, which sore accus'd His falsehood, and with foul infamous blot His cruel deeds and wicked wyles did spot.

Spenser, F. Q. iii. vi. 13. Those that be near, and those that be far from thee, shall mock thee which art infamous.

Ezek. xxii. 5. These are as some infamous bawd or whore Should praise a matron; what could hurt her more? After-times will dispute it, whether Hotham were more infamous at Hull or at Tower-hill.

King Charles. Persons infamous, or branded in any publick court of judicature, are forbidden to be advocates. Ayliffe.

2. With for.

The fleet Glides by the Sirens' cliffs, a shelfy coast, Long infamous for ships and navies lost.

Dryden, Æneid. 3. Dismal. A Latinism.

And now he haunts the infamous woods and downs. P. Fletcher, Pisc. Ecl. i.14. Infamous hills, and sandy perilous wilds. Milton, Comus.

I'NFAMOUSLY. † adv. [from infamous.] 1. With open reproach; with publick

notoriety of reproach. He that wrongs me, better I proclaim, He never had assay'd to touch my fame : For he shall weep, and walk with every tongue

Throughout the city, infamously sung. B. Jonson, Poetaster.

2. Shamefully; scandalously. That poem was infamously bad. Dryd. Dufresn.

I'NFAMOUSNESS. n. s. [infamie, Fr.; I'NFAMY. } infamia, Lat.] Publick reproach; notoriety of bad cha-

Ye are taken up in the lips of talkers, and are the infamy of the people. Ezek. XXXV

The noble isle doth want her proper limbs, Ezek. xxxvi. 3.

Her face defac'd with scars of infamy.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. Wilful perpetrations of unworthy actions brand, with most indelible characters of infamy, the name and memory to posterity. King Charles.

I'NFANCY. n. s. [infantia, Lat.]

1. The first part of life. Usually extended

by naturalists to seven years.

Dare we affirm it was ever his meaning, that unto their salvation, who even from their tender infancy never knew any other faith or religion than only Christian, no kind of teaching can be available, saving that which was so needful for the first universal conversion of Gentiles hating Chris-

Pirithous came to attend This worthy Theseus, his familiar friend; Their love in early infancy began,

And rose as childhood ripen'd into man. Dryden. The insensible impressions on our tender infancies have very important and lasting conselaw to one-and-twenty years.

3. First age of any thing; beginning; original; commencement.

In Spain, our springs, like old men's children,

Decay'd and wither'd from their infancy. Dryden. The difference between the riches of Roman citizens in the infancy and in the grandeur of Rome, will appear by comparing the first valuation of estates with the estates afterwards possessed. Arbuthnot on Coins.

INFA'NDOUS.* adj. [infandus, Lat.] So abominable as not to be expressed.

This infandous custom of swearing, I observe, reigns in England lately more than any where else; though a German, in highest puff of passions, swears a hundred thousand sacraments.

Howell, Lett. (dat. 1628,) i. v. 11.

INFA'NGTHEF, or hing fangtheft, or infangtheof, is compounded of three Saxon words: the preposition, in, fang, or fong, to take or catch, and thef. It signifies a privilege or liberty granted unto lords of certain manors to judge any thief taken within their fee.

I'NFANT.† n. s. [enfant, Fr.; infans, Lat. "The common word infant, Latin infans, comes not from in and fari, one who cannot speak, as our herd of lexicographers say; but from fa, to nourish, to feed, whence fari itself is derived.— Lye mentions fauntekin as an old English word, signifying an infant or little boy, which he rightly derives from the Icelandick fante, a young man; whence the Italian fante, a page or servant, and the French fantassin, a soldier who serves on foot, and of those whom we call infantry." Callander, Observ. on Two Anc. Scott. Poems, p. 65. See also INFANTRY.]

1. A child from the birth to the end of the seventh year.

It being a part of their virtuous education, serveth greatly both to nourish in them the fear of God, and to put us in continual remembrance of that powerful grace, which openeth the mouths of infants to sound his praise.

There shall be no more thence an infant of days, nor an old man that hath not filled his days.

Isa. lxv. 20.

Young mothers wildly stare, with fear possest, And strain their helpless infants to their breast Dryden, An.

2. [In law.] A young person to the age of one-and-twenty.

Male or female, till twenty-one years of age, is an infant, and so styled in law. Blackstone. 3. The title of a prince; as the Spaniards

use the word. The infant [Arthur] hearkened - to her tale.

Spenser, F. Q. vi. viii. 25. The noble infant [Rinaldo] stood a space Confused, speechless. Fairfax, Tass. xvi. 34.

I'NFANT. adj. Not mature; in a state of

initial imperfection. Within the infant rind of this small flower

Poison hath residence, and medicine power.

First the shrill sound of a small rural pipe,

Was entertainment for the infant stage.

In their tender nonage, while they spread Their springing leaves and lift their infant head, Indulge their childhood. Dryden, Virg.

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INFA'NTA.† n. s. [Spanish.] A prin- [INFA'TIGABLE.* adj. [infatigabilis, Lat.] cess descended from the royal blood of Spain.

What new-come power can so Transplant a land, and all the people? O Royal infanta, but a child in age, Yet ev'n already as a matron sage,

The virtue of your name, power of your blood, Great Catharina, (now 'tis understood,) Wrought this; from that great house descended,

which New kingdoms daily, and new worlds enrich. Fanshaw, Tr. of Pastor Fido, Prol. INFA'NTICIDE. † n. s. [infanticide, Fr.;

infanticidium, Lat.] The slaughter of the infants by Herod.

2. The act of slaughtering infants.

The madness did not cease to rage till it terminated in infunticide, or in offering up to their grim idols (instead of themselves) the children of their bowels. Warburton, Div. Legat. ix. 2. 3. A slaver of infants.

Christians accounted those to be infanticides -

who did but only expose their own infants. Dr. Potter, Christophalgia, (1680,) p. 52. I'NFANTILE. adj. [infantilis, Lat.] Per-

taining to an infant,

The fly lies all the Winter in these balls in its infantile state, and comes not to its maturity till the following Spring. Derham.

I'NFANTINE.* adj. [infantin, Fr. from infant.] Childish; young; tender. This word is old in our language, though it has escaped the notice of Dr. Johnson, and even of Ash. Cotgrave and Sherwood both give it.

The sole comfort of his declining years, almost

in infantine imbecility.

Burke, Speech on the Marriage Act. It might have been hazardous to expose its tender and infantine form to barbarous critics.

Porson, Lett. to Travis, p. 117.

I'NFANTLIKE.* adj. [infant and like.] Like an infant's.

Your abilities are too infantlike for doing much alone. Shakspeare, Coriol. I'NFANTLY.* adj. [from infant.] Like a child's.

He utters such single matter in so infantly a Beaum. and Fl. Queen of Corinth.

I'NFANTRY. † n. s. [infanterie, Fr.; infanteria, Ital. from fante, a servant; all from the Scandick fantur, a servant, an attendant. Hickes. See also INFANT.] The foot soldiers of an army.

The principal strength of an army consisteth in the infantry or foot; and to make good infantry it requireth men bred in some free and plentiful Bacon, Hen. VII. manner.

That small infantry Warr'd on by cranes, Milton, P. L.

To INFA'RCE.* v. a. [infarcio, Latin.] To stuff; to swell out. Huloet. By fury chaunged into an horrible figure, his

face infarced with rancour. Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 99. b.

INFA'RCTION. n. s. [in and farcio, Lat.] Stuffing; constipation.

An hypochondriack consumption is occasioned by an infarction and obstruction of the spleen. Harvey.

INFA'SHIONABLE.* adj. [in and fashionable.] Not fashionable. His band

May be disorder'd, and transform'd from lace To cutwork; his rich clothes be discomplexion'd With blood, beside the infashionable slashes. Beaum. and Fl. The Coronation, not to be wearied. This is the word of elder times. Bullokar, Cockeram, and Sherwood give it, in their vocabularies. We now say indefatigable.

To INFA'TUATE. † v. a. [infatuo, from in and fatuus, Latin; infatuer, French.] To strike with folly; to deprive of understanding.

He hath many other baits to inveigle and infatuate them farther yet.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 657. He those, who others rule,

Infutuates, and makes the judge a fool.

Sandys, Job, p. 20. It is not so much of a soporiferous quality to 2. To fill with something hurtfully conprocure sleep, as to stupify and infatuate the in-Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 837.

The judgement of God will be very visible in infatuating a people, as ripe and prepared for destruction, into folly and madness, making the weak to contribute to the designs of the wicked; and suffering even those, out of a conscience of their guilt, to grow more wicked.

It is the reforming of the vices and sottishness that had long overspread the infatuated, gentile world; a prime branch of that design of Christ's sending his disciples. Hammond.

The people are so universally infatuated with the notion, that if a cow falls sick, it is ten to one but an old woman is clapt up in prison for it.

Addison on Italy.

INFA'TUATE.* part. adj. [from the verb.] Stupified. May hypocrites,

That slyly speak one thing, another think, Drink on unwarn'd; till, by enchanting cups Infatuate, they their wily thoughts disclose.

The carriage of our atheists or deists is amazing: no dotage so infatuate, no phrenzy so extravagant, as theirs.

INFATUA'TION. n. s. [from infatuate.] The act of striking with folly; deprivation of reason.

Where men give themselves over to the defence of wicked interests and false propositions, it is just with God to smite the greatest abilities with the greatest infatuations.

INFA'USTING. n. s. [from infaustus, Lat.] The act of making unlucky. An odd and inelegant word.

As the king did in some part remove the envy from himself, so he did not observe that he did withal bring a kind of malediction and infausting upon the marriage, as an ill prognostick.

Bacon, Hen. VII. INFE'ASIBLE. adj. [in and feasible.] Impracticable; not to be done.

This is so difficult and infeasible, that it may well drive modesty to despair of science. Glanville INFE'ASIBLENESS.* n. s. [from infeasible.]

Impracticability.

He began the work; and, being disabused in point of the indefeasibleness, pursued his task, and perfected it.

W. Mountagu, Dev. Ess. P. ii. (1654,) p. 117.

To INFE'CT. v. a. [infecter, Fr. infectus, Lat.

1. To act upon by contagion; to affect with communicated qualities; to hurt by contagion; to taint; to poison; to pollute.

One of those fantastical mind infected people, that children and musicians call lovers. Sidney. Thine eyes, sweet lady, have infected mine.

Shakspeare. The nature of bad news infects the teller.

Shakspeare.

Every day
It would infect his speech, that if the king Should without issue die, he'd carry it so Shaksp. Hen. VIII. To make the sceptre his. Infected minds

To their deaf pillows will discharge their secrets. She speaks poniards, and every word stabs; if

her breath were as terrible as her terminations, there were no living near her; she would infect to the north star. I am return'd vour soldier: No more infected with my country's love,

Than when I parted hence. Shaksp. Coriol. The love tale

Infected Sion's daughters with like heat. Milton, P. L.

tagious.

Infected be the air whereon they ride, And damn'd all those that trust them!

Shakspeare, Macbeth. INFE'CT.* part. adj. [from the verb.] Infected; polluted.

Infecte with synne. Bp. Fisher, Ps. p. 11. Are you not she,

For whose infect persuasions, I could scarce

Kneel out my prayers? Tourneur, Revenger's Tragedy.

A blinded eye, a closed ear, A hand with bribe infect.

Harrington, Br. View of the Ch. p. 54. INFE'CTION. n. s. [infection, Fr. infectio, Lat.] Contagion; mischief by commu-

nication; taint; poison. Infection is that manner of communicating a disease by some effluvia, or particles which fly off from distempered

bodies, and mixing with the juices of others, occasion the same disorders as in the bodies they came from. Quincy. What a strange infection

Is fall'n into thy ear! Shakspeare, Cymb. The blessed gods

Purge all infections from our air, whilst you Do climate here. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. Vouchsafe, diffus'd infection of a man,

For these known evils but to give me leave, By circumstance, to curse thy cursed self.

Shakspeare, Rich. III.

Hence, Lest that the infection of his fortune take Like hold on thee. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

The transmission or emission of the thinner and more airy parts of bodies, as in odours and infections, is, of all the rest, the most corporeal; but withal there be a number of those emissions, both wholesome and unwholesome, that give no smell Bacon, Nat. Hist.

INFE'CTIOUS. adj. [from infect.] Contagious; influencing by communicated qualities.

The most infectious pestilence upon thee! Shakspeare.

In a house,

Where the infectious pestilence did reign. Shaksp. Some known diseases are infectious, and others are not: those that are infectious are such as are chiefly in the spirits, and not so much in the humours, and therefore pass easily from body to body; such as pestilences and lippitudes. Bacon.

Smells may have as much power to do good as to do harm, and contribute to health as well as to diseases; which is too much felt by experience in all that are infectious, and by the operations of some poisons, that are received only by the smell.

INFE'CTIOUSLY. adv. [from infectious.]

Contagiously. The will dotes, that is inclinable

To what infectiously itself affects. Shakspeare. Infectiousness. n.s. [from infectious.]
The quality of being infectious; contagiousness.

INFE'CTIVE. † adj. [from infect.] Having the quality of acting by contagion.

True love, well considered, hath an infective power.

Sidney.

There is no stink in the world so infective as they are.

Outred, Tr. of Cope on Proverbs, (1580,) fol. 190. b. Command her, you grave beldam, that know

better
My deadly resolutions; since I drew them

From the infective fountain of your own.

Beaum. and Fl. Bloody Brother.

INFECU'ND. n. s. [infæcundus, Lat.] Unfruitful; infertile.

How safe and agreeable a conservatory the earth is to vegetables, is manifest from their rotting, drying, or being rendered infecund in the waters, or the air; but in the earth their vigour is long preserved.

Derham, Physico-Theol.

INFECU'NDITY.† n. s. [infæcunditas, Lat.]
Want of fertility; barrenness. Bullokar.
To Infe'eble.* See To Enfeeble.

Huloet.

INFELI'CITY. n. s. [infelicité, Fr. infelicitas,
Lat.] Unhappiness; misery; calamity.

Whatever is the ignorance and infelicity of the
present state, we were made wise and happy.

Glanville.

Here is our great infelicity, that, when single words signify complex ideas, one word can never distinctly manifest all the parts of a complex idea.

Infeoda'tion.* See Infeudation. To Infeo'ff.* See To Enfeoff.

To INFE'R. v. a. [inferer, Fr. infero,

 To bring on; to induce. Serena — fled away, afear'd Of villainy to be to her inferr'd.

Spenser, F. Q. vi. viii. 32.
Vomits infer some small detriment to the lungs.

Haven.

2. To infer is nothing but, by virtue of one proposition laid down as true, to draw in another as true, i. e. to see or suppose such a connection of the two ideas of the inferred proposition. Locke.

Yet what thou can'st attain, which best may serve

To glorify the Maker, and infer Thee also happier, shall not be with-held

Thy hearing,

Great

Great

Or bright, infers not excellence: the earth Though in comparison of heaven so small, Nor glistering, may of solid good contain More plenty than the sun, that barren shines.

Milton, P. L.

One would wonder how, from so differing premisses, they should all infer the same conclusion.

Decay of Chr. Piety.

They have more opportunities than other men have of purchasing publick esteem, by deserving well of mankind; and such opportunities always infer obligations.

Atterbury.

3. To offer; to produce. Not in use.
Full well hath Clifford play'd the orator,
Inferring arguments of mighty force.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

PNFERABLE.* adj. [from infer.] Deducible from premised grounds. This is the modern way of writing and pronouncing what was formerly inferible or rather inferrible, with the accent on the second syllable. See INFERIBLE.

A sufficient argument — is inferable from these INFE/RTILE. adj. [infertile, Fr. in and Burke.]

I'NFERENCE. n.s. [inference, Fr. from infer.]
Conclusion drawn from previous arguments.

Though it may chance to be right in the conclusion, it is yet unjust and mistaken in the method of inference.

These inferences or conclusions. Glanville.

These inferences or conclusions are the effects of reasoning, and the three propositions, taken all together, are called syllogism or argument. Watts.

INFE'RIBLE:† adj. [from infer. It should be rather inferrible, as Sir T. Brown certainly wrote it; and as Dr. Johnson himself writes referrible; though in the first of the following examples he has given it inferible.] Deducible from premised grounds.

As simple mistakes commonly beget fallacies, so men from fallacious foundations, and misaprehended mediums, erect conclusions no way inferible from their premisses.

Brown.

That Sodom could not be far from Segor, which was seated under the mountains near the side of the lake, seems inferrible from the sudden arrival of Lot, who, coming from Sodom at day-break, attained to Segor at sun-rising.

Brown, Miscell. p. 164.

INFERIO'RITY. n. s. [inferiorité, Fr. from inferiour.] Lower state of dignity or value.

The language, though not of equal dignity, yet as near approaching to it as our modern barbarism will allow; and therefore we are to rest contented with that only inferiority which is not possibly to be remedied.

Dryden.

INFE'RIOUR. adj. [inferior, Lat. inferieur, Fr.]

1. Lower in place.

2. Lower in station or rank of life; correlative to superiour.

Render me more equal, or perhaps Superiour, for inferiour who is free? Milton, P. L.

3. Lower in value or excellency.

The love of liberty with life is giv'n,

And life itself th' inferiour gift of heav'n, Dryden.

I have added some original more of more former of the second of the second of the second or the second of the second or the second of the

I have added some original papers of my own, which, whether they are equal or inferiour to my other poems, an author is the most improper judge of.

Dryden.

4. Subordinate.

General and fundamental truths in philosophy, religion, and human life, conduct our thoughts into a thousand inferiour and particular propositions.

INFE'RIOUR. n. s. [from the adjective.]

One in a lower rank or station than another.

A great person gets more by obliging his inferiour than by disdaining him. South.

INFE'RNAL.† adj. [infernal, Fr. infernus, Lat.] Hellish; tartarean; detestable. His gigantick limbs, with large embrace,

Infolds nine acres of infernal space, Dryden, En.
The instruments of abettors in such infernal dealings.

Addison, Spect. No. 243.

INFE'RNAL Stone. n. s.

Inferral stone, or the lunar caustick, is prepared from an evaporated solution of silver, or from crystals of silver. It is a very powerful caustick, eating away the flesh and even the bones to which it is applied.

INFE'RNALLY.** adv. [from inferral.] In

a detestable and infernal way.

All this I perceive is infernally false,

Hacket's Life of Abp. Williams, (1693,) p. 211.

INFE'RTILE. adj. [infertile, Fr. in and
 fertile.] Unfruitful; not productive;
 wanting fecundity; infecund.

Ignorance being of itself, like stiff clay, an infertile soil, when pride comes to scorch and harden it, it grows perfectly impenetrable.

INFERTI'LITY. n. s. [infertilité, Fr. from infertile.] Unfruitfulness; want of fertility.

The same distemperature of the air that occasioned the plague, occasioned the infertility or noxiousness of the soil, whereby the fruits of the earth became either very small, or very unwholesome.

Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

To INFE'ST. v. a. [infester, Fr. infesto, Lat.] To harass; to disturb; to plague. Unto my feeble breast

Come gently; but not with that mighty rage Wherewith the martial troops thou dost infest,

And hearts of greatest heroes dost enrage. Spenser,
They ceased not, in the mean while, to
strengthen that part which in heart they favoured,
and to infest by all means, under colour of other
quarrels, their greatest adversaries in this cause.

Although they were a people infested, and mightily hated of all others, yet was there nothing of force to work the ruin of their state, till the time beforementioned was expired.

Hooker.

They were no mean, distressed, calamitous persons that fled to him for refuge; but of so great quality, as it was apparent that they came not thither to protect their own fortune, but to infest and invade his.

Bacon, Hen. VII.

Envy, avarice, superstition, love, with the like cares and passions infest human life.

No disease infests mankind more terrible in its symptoms and effects.

Addison, Spect.

Arbuthnot on Diet.

INFE'ST.* adj. [infestus, Latin.] Mischievous; hurtful; dangerous. Obsolete.

He stayed not t' advise which way were best His foe t' assayle, or how himselfe to gard, But with ferce fury and with force infest, Upon him ran. Spenser, F. Q. vi. iv. 5.

INFESTA'TION.* n. s. [infestation, French,
infestatio, Latin.] Molestation; disturbance; annoyance.

Touching the infestation of pirates, he hath been careful. Bacon, Speech in the Star-Ch. (1617.) They should dwell in safety, free from the infestation of enemies.

Donne, Devot. (1625,) p. 102. These bodily vexations and infestations.

Hallywell, Melampr. (1681,) p. 47. Infe'stered, adj. [in and fester.] Rank-ling; inveterate. Obsolete. Dr. Johnson cites a passage from Spenser's Muiopotmos, where the true word is enfested, ver. 354.; i. e. mischievous. See also the adjective Infest, which Spenser uses in like manner; and Infestuous, so employed by Bacon.

INFE'STIVE.* adj. [in and festive.]
Without mirth or pleasantness.

Cockeram.

INFESTI'VITY. n. s. [in and festivity.]

Mournfulness; want of cheerfulness.

Infe'stuous.* adj. [infestus, Lat. See Infest.] Mischievous; dangerous.

The natural pravity and clownish malignity of the vulgar sort are, unto princes, as infestuous as serpents.

Bacon.

INFEUDA'TION.† n. s. [infeudation, Fr. in and feudum, Lat.] The act of putting one in possession of a fee or estate.

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Another military provision was conventional and by tenure, upon the infeudation of the tenant, and was usually called knight's service.

Hale, Comm. Law. I had composed a large collection of the infeedations of church-lands.

Johnston, Assurance of Abby-Lands, p. 30.

I'NFIDEL. n.s. [infidele, French, infidelis, Lat.] An unbeliever; a miscreant; a pagan; one who rejects Christianity.

Exhorting her, if she did marry, yet not to join herself to an infidel, as in those times some widows christian had done, for the advancement of their estate in this world.

I'NFIDEL.* adj. [infidele, French.] Unbelieving; characteristick of an unbeliever.

You have written what you dreamed in your sleepe, rather than what you learned of any author catholyke or infidele.

Abp. Cranmer, Answ. to Bp. Gardiner, p. 369. Their old infidel invaders.

Hurd on Chivalry and Romance. The parliament [may be] not infidel. They deplore the infidelity of that parliament." Bold

words these, indeed! By. Horne, Letters on Infidelity, L. 15.

INFIDE'LITY. n. s. [infidelité, Fr. infidelitas, Lat.]

1. Want of faith.

The consideration of the divine omnipotence and infinite wisdom, and our own ignorance, are great instruments of silencing the murmurs of infidelity. Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy.

2. Disbelief of Christianity.

One would fancy that infidels would be exempt from that single fault, which seems to grow out of the imprudent fervours of religion; but so it is, that infidelity is propagated with as much fierceness and contention, as if the safety of mankind depended upon it. Addison, Spect.

3. Treachery; deceit; breach of contract

The infidelities on the one part between the two sexes, and the caprices on the other, the vanities and vexations attending even the most refined delights that make up this business of life, render it silly and uncomfortable. Spectator.

I'NFINITE. adj. [infini, French, infinitus,

1. Unbounded; boundless; unlimited; immense; having no boundaries or limits to its nature.

Impossible it is, that God should withdraw his presence from any thing because the very sub-Hooker.

stance of God is *infinite*.

What's time, when on eternity we think?

A thousand ages in that sea must sink: Time's nothing but a word; a million

Is full as far from infinite as one. Thou sov'reign pow'r, whose secret will con-

The inward bent and motion of our souls! Why hast thou plac'd such infinite degrees

Between the cause and cure of my disease? Prior. When we would think of infinite space or duration, we at first make some very large idea; a; perhaps of millions of ages or miles, which

possibly we multiply several times. Locke. Even an angel's comprehensive thought Cannot extend as far as thou hast wrought: Our vast conceptions are by swelling brought, Swallow'd and lost in infinite, to nought. Dennis.

2. It is hyperbolically used for large; great.

I'NFINITELY. adv. [from infinite.]

1. Without limits; without bounds; immensely.

good which indeed is infinite.

2. In a great degree. This is Antonio,

To whom I am so infinitely bound. Shaksneare. The king saw that contrariwise it would follow, that England, though much less in territory, yet should have infinitely more soldiers of their native forces than those other nations have.

Bacon, Hen. VII. Infinitely the greater part of mankind have professed to act under a full persuasion of this great article.

I'NFINITENESS. n. s. [from infinite.] Im-

mensity; boundlessness; infinity. The cunning of his flattery, the readiness of his tears, the infiniteness of his vows, were but among the weakest threads of his net.

Let us always bear about us such impressions of reverence, and fear of God, that we may humble ourselves before his Almightiness, and express that infinite distance between his infiniteness and our weaknesses. Bp. Taylor. INFINITE'SIMAL. adj. [from infinite.] In-

finitely divided.

The notion or idea of an infinitesimal quantity, as it is an object simply apprehended by the mind, hath been already considered.

Bp. Berkeley, Analyst. § 12. INFI'NITIVE. † adj. [infinitif, Fr. infinitivus, Lat. In grammar, the infinitive affirms, or intimates the intention of affirming, which is one use of the indicative; but then it does not do it absolutely.

Clarke, Lat. Grammar. The mode is the manner of representing the being, action, or passion. When it is simply declared, or a question is asked concerning it, it is called the indicative mode. — When it is barely expressed, without any limitation of person or number, it is called the infinitive.

Lowth, Introduct. Eng. Grammar. INFI'NITUDE. n. s. [from infinite.]

1. Infinity; immensity.

Confusion heard his voice, and wild uproar Stood rul'd, stood vast infinitude confin'd.

Milton, P. L.

Though the repugnancy of infinitude be equally incompetible to continued or successive motion, or continued quantity, and depends upon the incompossibility of the very nature of things successive or extensive with infinitude; yet that incompossibility is more conspicuous in discrete quantity, that ariseth from parts actually distinguished.

2. Boundless number.

We see all the good sense of the age cut out, and minced into almost an infinitude of dis-Addison, Spect.

INFI'NITY. n. s. [infinité, French, infinitas,

1. Immensity; boundlessness; unlimited

There cannot be more infinities than one; for one of them would limit the other. Ralegh, Hist.

The better, the more desirable; that therefore must be desirable, wherein there is infinity of goodness; so that if any thing desirable may be infinite, that must needs be the highest of all things that are desired: no good is infinite but only God, therefore he is our felicity and bliss.

2. Endless number. An hyperbolical use of the word.

Homer has concealed faults under an infinity of admirable beauties. Broome, Notes on the Odyssey. The liver, being swelled, compresseth the

stomach, stops the circulation of the juices, and produceth an infinity of bad symptoms.

Arbuthnot on Diet.

Nothing may be infinitely desired, but that | INFI'RM. adj. [infirme, French, infirmus,

1. Weak; feeble; disabled of body. Here stand I your brave : A poor, infirm, weak, and despis'd old man.

2. Weak of mind; irresolute. I am afraid to think what I have done;

Look on't again, I dare not. - Infirm of purpose; Give me the dagger. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

That on my head all might be visited,

Thy frailty, and infirmer sex, forgiven; To me committed, and by me expos'd.

Milton, P. L.

Shakspeure.

3. Not stable; not solid.

He who fixes upon false principles, treads upon infirm ground, and so sinks; and he who fails in his deductions from right principles, stumbles upon firm ground, and falls.

To Infi'rm. v. a. [infirmer, Fr. infirmo, Lat. To weaken; to shake; to enfeeble. Not in use.

Some contrary spirits will object this as a sufficient reason to infirm all those points.

Ralegh, Ess. The spleen is unjustly introduced to invigorate the sinister side, which, being dilated, would rather infirm and debilitate it. Brown, Vulg. Err.

INFI'RMARY. n. s. [infirmerie, Fr.] Lodgings for the sick.

These buildings to be for privy lodgings on both sides, and the end for privy galleries, whereof one should be for an infirmary, if any special person should be sick.

INFI'RMATIVE.* adj. [infirmatif, French.] Weakening; enfeebling; disannulling. Cotgrave, and Sherwood.

Infi'rmity. n. s. [infirmité, Fr.]

1. Weakness of sex, age, or temper. Infirmity,

Which waits upon worn times, hath something seiz'd His wish'd ability.

Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. Discover thine infirmity,

That warranteth by law to be thy privilege: I am with child, ye bloody homicides.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. If he had done or said any thing amiss, he desired their worships to think it was his infirm-Shakspeare, Jul. Cas.

Are the infirmities of the body, pains, and diseases his complaints? His faith reminds him of the day when this corruptible shall put on incorruption, and this mortal immortality. Rogers. 2. Failing; weakness; fault.

A friend should bear a friend's infirmities; But Brutus makes mine greater than they are.

Shakspeare. Many infirmities made it appear more requisite, that a wiser man should have the application of his interest. Clarendon.

How difficult it is to preserve a great name, when he that has acquired it, is so obnoxious to such little weaknesses and infirmities, as are no

small diminution to it. Addison. 3. Disease; malady.

General laws are like general rules of physick, according whereunto, as now, no wise man will desire himself to be cured, if there be joined with his disease some special accident, in regard that thereby others in the same infirmity, but without the like accident, may. Hooker Sometimes the races of man may be depraved

by the infirmities of birth. Temple.

Infi'rmness. n. s. [from infirm.] Weakness; feebleness.

Some experiments may discover the infirmness and insufficiency of the peripatetick doctrine.

To Infi'x. v. a. [infixus, Lat.] To drive | Infla'mmableness. n. s. [from imflamin; to set; to fasten.

And at the point two strings infixed are, Both deadly sharp, that sharpest steel exceeden

I never lov'd myself, Till now, infixed, I behold myself, Drawn in the flattering table of her eye.

Shakspeare. Immovable, infix'd, and frozen round.

Milton, P. L. That sting infix'd, within her haughty mind, And her proud heart with secret sorrow pin'd. Dryden.

Dryden.

The fatal dart a ready passage found, And deep within her heart infix'd the wound.

To INFLA'ME. v. a. [inflammo, Lat.]

1. To kindle; to set on fire; to make to burn.

Love more clear, dedicated to a love more cold, with the clearness lays a night of sorrow upon me, and with the coldness inflames a world of fire Its waves of torrent fire inflam'd with rage.

Milton, P. L. 2. To kindle any passion.

Their lust was inflam'd towards her. Susan. viii.

3. To fire with passion. More inflam'd with lust than rage.

Milton, P. L. Satan, with thoughts inflam'd of highest design, Puts on swift wings. Milton, P. L.

4. To exaggerate; to aggravate. A friend exaggerates a man's virtues, an enemy inflames his crimes. Addison, Spect.

5. To heat the body morbidly with obstructed matter.

6. To provoke; to irritate.

A little vain curiosity weighs so much with us, or the church's peace so little, that we sacrifice the one to the whetting and inflaming of the other. Decay of Piety.

To Infla'me. v. n. To grow hot, angry and painful by obstructed matter.

If the vesiculæ are opprest, they inflame. Wiseman.

INFLA'MER. n. s. [from inflame.] The thing or person that inflames. Interest is a great inflamer, and sets a man on

persecution under the colour of zeal.

Assemblies, who act upon publick principles, proceed upon influence from particular leaders and inflamers.

INFLAMMABI'LITY. n. s. [from inflammable. The quality of catching fire. This it will do, if the ambient air be impregnate

with subtile inflammabilities. Brown, Vulg. Err. Choler is the most inflammable part of the blood; whence, from its inflammability, it is called a sulphur.

INFLA'MMABLE. adj. [French.] Easy to be set on flame; having the quality of

The juices of olives, almonds, nuts, and pine-apples are all inflammable. Bacon, Nat. Hist. Licetus thinks it possib'e to extract an inflam-

mable oil from the stone asbestus.

Wilkins, Math. Magick. Out of water grow all vegetable and animal substances, which consist as well of sulphureous, fat, and inflammable parts as of earthy and alcalizate Newton, Opticks.

Inflammable spirits are subtile volatile liquors, which come over in distillation, miscible with water, and wholly combustible.

Arbuthnot on Aliments.

mable.] The quality of easily catching

We may treat of the inflammableness of bodies.

Inflamma'tion. n. s. [inflammatio, Lat.; inflammation, Fr.]

The act of setting on flame.

Inflammations of air from meteors, may have a powerful effect upon men.

2. The state of being in flame.

The flame extendeth not beyond the inflammable effluence, but closely adheres unto the original of its inflammation.

Some urns have had inscriptions on them, expressing that the lamps within them were burning when they were first buried; whereas the inflammation of fat and viscuous vapours doth presently Wilkins, Dædalus.

3. [In chirurgery.] Inflammation is when the blood is obstructed so as to crowd in a greater quantity into any particular part, and gives it a greater colour and heat than usual. Quincy.

If that bright spot stay in his place, it is an inflammation of the burning. Lev. xiii. 28. 4. The act of exciting fervour of mind.

Prayer kindleth our desire to behold God by speculation, and the mind, delighted with that contemplative sight of God, taketh every where new inflammations to pray the riches of the mysteries of heavenly wisdom, continually stirring up in us correspondent desires towards them.

INFLA'MMATORY. adj. [from inflame.] Having the power of inflaming.

The extremity of pain often creates a coldness in the extremities: such a sensation is very consistent with an inflammatory distemper.

Arbuthnot on Diet. An inflammatory fever hurried him out of this life in three days. Pope to Swift,

To INFLA'TE. † v. a. [inflatus, Lat.] 1. To swell with wind.

That the muscles are inflated in time of rest, appears to the very eye in the faces of children.

Vapours are no other than inflated vesiculæ of

2. To puff up mentally.

Envy Will not admit, that art herself should show By others' fingers; but the mind inflates. Davies, Wit's Pilgr. sign. P. 2.

3. To fill with the breath. With might and main they chas'd the murd'rous

fox, With brazen trumpets and inflated box, To kindle Mars with military sounds,

Nor wanted horns t' inspire sagacious hounds. Dryden.

INFLA'TION. * n. s. [inflatio, Lat. from in-The state of being swelled with wind;

flatulence. Wind coming upwards, inflations and tumours of the belly are signs of a phlegmatick constitu-

Arhuthnot on Diet. 2. The state of being mentally puffed up; conceit.

If they should confidently praise their works, In them it would appear inflation.

B. Jonson, Poetaster.

To INFLE'CT. v. a. [inflecto, Lat.]

1. To bend; to turn.

What makes them this one way their race direct, While they a thousand other ways reject? Why do they never once their course inflect? Blackmore.

Do not the rays of light which fall upon bodies begin to bend before they arrive at the bodies? And are they not reflected, refracted, and inflected by one and the same principle, acting variously in various circumstances? Newton, Onticks.

2. To vary a noun or verb in its termina-

Inflection. n. s. [inflectio, Lat.]

1. The act of bending or turning.

Neither the divine determinations, persuasions, or inflexions of the understanding or will of rational creatures, doth deceive the understanding, pervert the will, or necessitate either to any moral

2. Modulation of the voice.

His virtue, his gesture, his countenance, his zeal, the motion of his body, and the inflection of his voice, who first uttereth them as his own, is that which giveth the very essence of instruments available to eternal life. 3. Variation of a noun or verb.

The same word in the original tongue, by divers inflections and variations, makes divers dialects. Brerewood.

INFLE'CTIVE. † adj. [from inflect.] Having the power of bending.

To manifest the inflective veins of the air.

Sprat, Hist. of the R. Soc. p. 217. This inflective quality of the air is a great incumbrance and confusion of astronomical observa-

INFLE'xED.* adj. [inflexus, Lat.] Bent;

David's right-heartedness became inflexed and crooked. Feltham, Serm. on St. Luke, xiv. 20.

Inflexibi'lity.† \ n. s. [inflexibilité, Fr. Inflexibleness.]

1. Stiffness; quality of resisting flexure. Against the "inertia" of matter, or the inflexibility, of mechanism, Baxter on the Soul, ii. 125.

2. Obstinacy; temper not to be bent; inexorable pertinacity.

The purity and inflexibility of their faith.

Warton, Hist. Eng. Poet. iii. 354. INFLE'XIBLE. adj. [French; inflexibilis, Lat.

1. Not to be bent or incurvated.

Such errours as are but acorns in our younger brows, grow oaks in our older heads, and become inflexible to the powerful arm of reason. Too great rigidity and elasticity of the fibres makes them inflexible to the causes, to which they ought to yield. Arbuthnot

2. Not to be prevailed on; immovable. The man resolv'd and steady to his trust,

Inflexible to ill, and obstinately just. A man of an upright and inflexible temper, in the execution of his country's laws, can overcome all private fear. Addison.

3. Not to be changed or altered.

The nature of things is inflexible, and their natural relations unalterable: we must bring our understandings to things, and not bend things to our fancies.

INFLE'XIBLY. adv. [from inflexible.] In exorably; invariably; without relaxation or remission.

It should be begun early, and inflexibly kept to, till there appears not the least reluctancy. Locke.

To INFLI'CT. v. a. [infligo, inflictus, Lat.; infliger, Fr.] To put in act or impose as a punishment.

I know no pain, they can inflict upon him, Will make him say I mov'd him to those arms.

Shakspeare. Sufficient to such a man is this punishment, 2 Cor. ii, 6. which was inflicted of many. What the potent victor in his rage

Milton, P. L. Can else inflict.

What heart could wish, what hand inflict this dire disgrace? Dryden, Æn.

By luxury we condemn ourselves to greater torments than have been yet invented by anger or revenge, or inflicted by the greatest tyrants upon Temple. the worst of men.

INFLI'CTER. n. s. [from inflict.] One who punishes.

Revenge is commonly not bounded, but extended to the utmost power of the inflicter. Gov. of the Tongue.

INFLI'CTION. n. s. [from inflict.]

1. The act of using punishments. So our decrees.

Dead to infliction, to themselves are dead; And liberty plucks justice by the nose. Shakspeare. Sin ends certainly in death; death not only as to merit, but also as to actual infliction. 2. The punishment imposed.

What, but thy malice, mov'd thee to misdeem Of righteous Job, then cruelly to afflict him With all inflictions? But his patience won.

Milton, P. R. How despicable are the threats of a creature as impotent as ourselves, when compared with the wrath of an Almighty Judge, whose power extends Rogers. to eternal inflictions?

His severest inflictions are in themselves acts of justice and righteousness. Rogers.

INFLI'CTIVE. † adj. [inflictive, Fr. from inflict.] Imposing a punishment. Sherwood. I'NFLUENCE. † n. s. [influence, Fr.; influo, Lat.

1. Power of the celestial aspects operating upon terrestrial bodies and affairs.

Canst thou bind the sweet influences of Pleiades, or loose the bands of Orion? Job, xxxviii. 31. Touching the pretended decay of the heavenly

bodies in regard to their influences.

Hakewill on Providence, p. 103. The sacred influence of light appears.

Milton, P. L. Comets no rule, no righteous order own; Their influence dreaded, as their ways unknown.

2. Ascendant power; power of directing or modifying. It was anciently followed

by into; now, less properly, by upon. Incomparable lady, your commandment doth not only give me the will, but the power to obey you; such influence hath your excellency. Sidney.

God hath his influence into the very essence of all things, without which influence of Deity supporting them, their utter annihilation could not chuse but follow.

A wise man shall over-rule his stars, and have a greater influence upon his own content than all the constellations and planets of the firmament.

Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy. Foreknowledge had no influence on their fault. Milton, P. L.

Religion hath so great an influence upon the felicity of men, that it ought to be upheld, not only out of a dread of the divine vengeance in another world, but out of regard to temporal prosperity.

Our inconsistency in the pursuit of schemes thoroughly digested, has a bad influence on our affairs.

So astonishing a scene would have present influence upon them, but not produce a lasting Atterbury.

Where it ought to have greatest influence, this obvious indisputable truth is little regarded.

Rogers.

To I'NFLUENCE. v. a. [from the noun.] Addison has used the following expression: "To influence the reader with pity and compassion towards them." Spect. No. 357. Upon which bishop Hurd

justly remarks, that it is hard and scarce- INFLU'xIOUS. adj. [from influx.] Influenly allowable: "When we use influence, as a verb," he says, "we use it absolutely; as, such considerations influenced him; that is, had an effect or influence upon him; without specifying the effect produced. He had expressed himself better, if he had said, to fill the reader's mind with; or, to engage the reader's pity." To act upon with directive or impulsive power; to modify to any purpose; to guide or lead to any end. These experiments succeed after the same man-

ner in vacuo as in the open air, and therefore are not influenced by the weight or pressure of the atmosphere. Newton, Opticks:

This standing revelation was attested in the most solemn and credible manner; and is sufficient to influence their faith and practice, if they Atterbury

All the restraint men are under is, by the violation of one law, broken through; and the principle which influenced their obedience has lost its efficacy on them. Rogers.

I'NFLUENT. adj. [influens, Lat.] Flowing

The chief intention of chirurgery, as well as medicine, is keeping a just equilibrium between the influent fluids and vascular solids.

Arbuthnot on Aliments.

INFLUE'NTIAL. adj. [from influence.] Exerting influence or power.

Our now overshadowed souls may be emblemed by those crusted globes, whose influential emissions are interrupted by the interposal of the benighted element.

The inward springs and wheels of the corporal machine, on the most sublimed intellectuals, are dangerously influential.

INFLUE'NTIALLY.* adv. [from influential.] In a manner so as to direct.

Embrace not the opacous and blind side of opinions, but that which looks most luciferously and influentially unto goodness. Brown, Chr. Mor. iii. 3.

I'NFLUX. n. s. [influxus, Lat.]

1. Act of flowing into any thing.

We will enquire whether there be, in the footsteps of nature, any such transmission and influx of immateriate virtues, and what the force of imagination is, either upon the body imaginant, or upon another body. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

If once contracted in a systole, by the influx of the spirits, why, the spirits continually flowing in without let, doth it not always remain so?

Ray on the Creation. An elastic fibre, like a bow, the more extended, it restores itself with the greater force: if the spring be destroyed, it is like a bag, only passive as to the influx of the liquid. Arbuthnot.

2. Infusion; intromission. There is another life after this,; and the influx of the knowledge of God, in relation to this ever-

lasting life, is infinitely of moment. Hale, Orig. of Mankind. 3. Influence; power. In this sense it is

now not used. Adam, in innocence, might have held, by the continued influx of the divine will and power, a state of immortality.

These two do not so much concern sea-fish, yet they have a great influx upon rivers, ponds, and

Influ'xion.* n. s. [influxus, Lat.] sion; intromission.

The retiring of the mind within itself is the state which is most susceptible of divine influxion. Bacon, Adv. of Learning, B. 2.

tial. Not used. The moon bath an influxious power to make

impressions upon their humours.

Howell, Eng. Tears. INFLU'XIVE.* adj. [influxus, Lat.] Having influence. Not now in use.

He is the influxive head, who both governs the whole body, and every member which is any way serviceable to the body.

Holdsworth, Inauguration Serm. (1642,) p. 9. To INFO'LD. v. a. [in and fold.] To in-

volve; to enwrap; to enclose with involutions. For all the crest a dragon did infold With greedy paws, and over all did spread

His golden wings. Spenser, F. Q. Noble Banquo, let me infold thee,

Shakspeare. And hold thee to my heart. But does not nature for the child prepare

The parents' love, the tender nurse's care? Who, for their own forgetful, seek his good, Infold his limbs in bands, and fill his veins with Blackmore.

Wings raise her arms, and wings her feet infold. To INFO'LIATE. v. a. [in and folium, Lat.] To cover with leaves. Not much used,

but elegant. Long may his fruitful vine infoliate and clasp about him with embracements.

To INFO'RM. v. a. [informer, Fr. informo, Lat.]

1. To animate; to actuate by vital powers. All alike inform'd With radiant light, as glowing iron with fire.

Milton, P. L. Let others better mold the running mass

Of metals, and inform the breathing brass; And soften into flesh a marble face.

Dryden, En-As from chaos, huddled and deform'd, The god struck fire, and lighted up the lamps That beautify the sky; so he inform'd

This ill-shap'd body with a daring soul. Dryden and Lee. Prior.

Breath informs this fleeting frame. This sovereign arbitrary soul Informs, and moves, and animates the whole. Blackmore.

While life informs these limbs, the king

reply'd, Well to deserve be all my cares employ'd.

Pope, Odyssey. To instruct; to supply with new knowledge; to acquaint. Before the thing communicated was anciently put with; now generally of; sometimes in, I know not how properly.

The drift is to inform their minds with some method of reducing the laws into their original

I have this present evening from my sister Been well informed of them, and with cautions.

Shakspeare.

Our ruin, by thee inform'd, I learn.

Milton, P. L. The long speeches rather confounded than informed his understanding. Clarendon.

The difficulty arises not from what sense informs us of, but from wrong applying our notions.

Though I may not be able to inform men more than they know, yet I may give them the occa-Temple. sion to consider. The ancients examined in what consists the

beauty of good postures, as their works sufficiently inform us.

He may be ignorant of these truths, who will never take the pains to employ his faculties to inform himself of them. Locke.

To understand the commonwealth, and religion, is enough: few inform themselves in these to the bottom.

narration more informing or beautiful.

Broome, Notes on the Iliad. I think it necessary, for the interest of virtue and religion that the whole kingdom should be informed in some parts of your character. Swift.

3. To offer an accusation to a magistrate. Tertullus informed the governour against Paul. Acts, xxiv. 1.

To Info'rm. v. n. To give intelligence. It is the bloody business which informs Thus to mine eyes. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

INFO'RM.* adj. [informe, Fr. informis, INFO'RMER.† n. s. [from inform.]

Lat. A proper word. See what is I That which is form inform.] said under ENORM.] Shapeless; ugly. Cotgrave, and Sherwood.

Bleak craggs, and naked hills, And the whole prospect so informe and rude.

Cotton, Wonders of the Peake, (1681,) p. 76.

INFO'RMAL. + adj. [in and formal.]

1. Irregular; not competent; out of character; out of the senses. Not in use, Dr. Johnson says; omitting the second application of the word, whence also 3. One who discovers offenders to the Infra'ngible. adj. [in and frangible.]

These poor informal women are no more But instruments of some more mightier member, That sets them on. Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas. 2. Irregular; contrary to established

The clerk, that returns it, shall be fined for his informul return.

Hale, Hist. Pl. Cr. P. ii. ch. 23.

Informa'Lity.* n. s. [from informal.] Want of attention to established forms. I thought the informality was, that since it related to the passing of lands, it was not countersigned by you, as others of that nature are.

Hen. E. of Clarendon to the Ld. Treas. (1686,) Lett. i. 125.

INFO'RMALLY.* adv. [from informal.] Irregularly; without attention to proper form.

INFO'RMATIVE.* adj. [informatus, Lat.] INFO'RMOUS. adj. [informe, Fr. informis, Having power to animate.

Many [souls] put out their force informative,

In their etherial corporeity. More, Song of the Soul, i. ii. 24.

INFO'RMANT. n. s. [French.]

1. One who gives information or instruc- INFO'RTUNATE. adj. [infortune, Fr.

He believes the sentence is true, as it is made up of terms which his informant understands, though the ideas be unknown to him which his informant has under these words.

2. One who exhibits an accusation.

INFORMA'TION. n. s. [informatio, Lat. from inform.

1. Intelligence given; instruction. But reason with the fellow,

Lest you should chance to whip your information, And beat the messenger who bids beware

f what is to be dreaded. Shakspeare, Coriol.

The active informations of the intellect filling INFO'RTUNATELY.* adv. [from infortu-Of what is to be dreaded. the passive reception of the will, like form closing with matter, grew actuate into a third and distinct perfection of practice. South, Serm.

They gave those complex ideas names, that the things they were continually to give and receive information about might be the easier and quicker understood.

He should regard the propriety of his words, and get some information in the subject he intends to handle. Swift. information, and are equally concerned with our-

A more proper opportunity tends to make the 2. Charge or accusation exhibited.

3. The act of informing or accusing.

Info'rmed.* adj. [informé, Fr. "unfashioned," Cotgrave.] Not formed; imperfectly formed.

After Nilus' inundation, Infinite shapes of creatures men doe fynd Informed in the mud on which the sunne bath shyn'd. Spenser, F. Q. iii. vi. 8. Conceptions, whether animate or inanimate,

formed or informed. Bp. Hall, Cases of Conscience, D. 2. C. 3.

1. That which informs or animates. Informer of the planetary train,

Without whose quickening glance their cumbrous

Were brute unlovely mass, inert and dead!

Thomson, (of the Sun,) Summer. 2. One who gives instruction or intelligence.

This writer is either biassed by an inclination to believe the worst, or a want of judgment to choose his informers.

magistrate.

There were spies and informers set at work to watch the company. L'Estrange.

Let no court sycophant pervert my sense, Nor sly informer watch these words to draw Within the reach of treason.

Pope Informers are a detestable race of people, although sometimes necessary.

INFO'RMIDABLE. adj. [in and formidabilis, Lat.] Not to be feared; not to be dreaded.

Of strength, of courage haughty, and of limb Heroick built, though of terrestrial mold; Foe not informidable, exempt from wound.

Milton, P. L. INFO'RMITY. n. s. [from informis, Lat.] Shapelessness.

From this narrow time of gestation may ensue a smallness in the exclusion; but this inferreth no Brown, Vulg. Err.

Lat.] Shapeless; of no regular figure. That a bear brings forth her young informous and unshapen, which she fashioneth after by licking them over, is an opinion delivered by ancient writers. Brown, Vulg. Err.

infortunatus, Lat.] Unhappy. See Un-FORTUNATE, which is commonly used, Dr. Johnson says. Formerly, it may be added, infortunate was the common word. It is in the old vocabulary of Huloet. And Chaucer uses it.

Perkin, destitute of all hopes, having found all either false, faint, or infortunate, did gladly accept of the condition. Bacon, Hen. VII. A most infortunate chance! for had she come safe to port, she had been the richest ship that

ever came into the Thames

Howell, Lett. i. vi. 42. nate.] Unhappily; unluckily. Huloet. Destructive rocks, upon which most of the unseasoned youth — do infortunately split. Memoirs of Sir Edmonbury Godfrey, (1682,) p. 7.

Info'rtune.* n. s. [infortune, Fr.] Misfortune. Not in use.

He concluded to go to Rome, and declare his infortune to his said friend.

These men have had longer opportunities of To INFRA'CT. v. a. [infractus, Lat.] To break. Not used.

Falling fast, from gradual slope to slope, With wild infracted course and lessen'd roar, It gains a safer bed. Thomson, Summer.

INFRA'CTION. n. s. [infraction, Fr. in-fractio, Lat.] The act of breaking; breach; violation of treaty.

By the same gods, the justice of whose wrath Punish'd the infraction of my former faith,

The wolves, pretending an infraction in the abuse of their hostages, fell upon the sheep without their dogs. L'Estrange. INFRA'CTOR.* n. s. [from infract.]

breaker: a violator.

Who shall be depository of the oaths and leagues of princes, or fulminate against the perjured infractors of them?

Ld. Herbert, Hen. VIII. p. 363.

To Infra'nchise.* v. a. To set free from slavery. See To Enfranchise, and its derivatives.

Who were full, now serve for bread; Those who serv'd, infranchised.

Not to be broken.

The primitive atoms are supposed infrangible, extremely compacted and hard, which compactness and hardness is a demonstration that nothing could be produced by them, since they could never cohere.

INFRE'QUENCE.* n. s. [infrequence, old Fr. See Infrequency. Rarity; uncommonness.

Is it solitude and in requence of visitation?

Bp. Hall, Free Prisoner, § 4.

INFRE'QUENCY. † n. s. [infrequence, old Fr. infrequentia, Lat.] Uncommonness; raritv.

Either through desuetude, or infrequency, or meer formality of devotion, he has suffered his mind to grow alienated from God.

Young, Serm. (1678,) p. 18. The absence of the gods, and the infrequency of objects made her yield.

Broome, Notes on the Odyssey.

INFRE'QUENT. † adj. [infrequent, Fr. infrequens, Lat.] Rare; uncommon.

The acte whereof is at this day infrequent or out of use among all sortes of men.

Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fot. 190. b. A sparing and infrequent worshipper of the Deity betrays an habitual disregard of him. Wollaston, Rel. of Nat. § 1. 5.

To Infrequ'ent.* v.a. Not to frequent: to desert.

The streets were infrequented, shop-windows shut up. A. Wood, Ann. Univ. Ox. in 1625.

To INFRIGIDATE. v. a. [in and frigidus, Lat.] To chill; to make cold.

The drops reached little further than the surface of the liquor, whose coldness did not infrigi-Boyle. date those upper parts of the glass.

INFRIGIDA'TION.* N. S. [from To infrigidate.] The act of rendering cold.

Madam de Bourignon - used to boast, that she had not only the spirit of continency in herself, but that she had also the power of communicating it to all who beheld her. This the scoffers of those days called the gift of infrigidation; and took occasion from it to rally her face, rather than admire her virtue. Tatler, No. 126.

To INFRI'NGE. v. a. [infringo, Lat.] Sir T. Eliot, Gov. fol. 131. b. 1. To violate; to break laws or contracts. Those many had not dar'd to do that evil, If the first man that did th' edict infringe, Had answer'd for his deed.

Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas. Having infring'd the law, I wave my right As king, and thus submit myself to fight.

2. To destroy; to hinder.

Homilies, being plain and popular instructions, do not infringe the efficacy, although but read. Hooker.

Bright as the deathless gods and happy, she From all that may infringe delight is free.

INFRI'NGEMENT. n. s. [from infringe.] Breach; violation.

The punishing of this infringement is proper to that jurisdiction against which the contempt is. Clarendon.

INFRI'NGER. n. s. [from infringe.] A breaker; a violator.

A clergyman's habit ought to be without any lace, under a severe penalty to be inflicted on the infringers of the provincial constitution.

Ayliffe, Parergon. INFRU'GAL.* adj. [in and frugal.] Not

frugal: extravagant: careless.

What should betray them to such infrugal expences of time, I can give no account without making severe reflexions on their discretion. Goodman, Wint. Ev. Conference, (1720,) p. 21.

INFU'MED.* adj. [infumatus, from in and fumus, smoke, Lat.] Dried in smoke.

Cockeram.

Let them no more produce their enfumed titles, nor the walls of their churches which time bath covered with ivy and moss: these are but feeble arguments to combat with a faith, which hath been from the beginning. We care not if our walls be new, so that our doctrine be ancient.

Hewyt, Serm. (1658,) p. 177. INFUNDI'BULIFORM. n. s. [infundibulum and forma, Lat.] Of the shape of a funnel or tundish.

INFU'RIATE adj. [in and furia, Lat.]

Enraged; raging. At the other bore, with touch of fire

Dilated and infuriate. Milton, P. L. Fir'd by the torch of noon to tenfold rage,

The infuriate hill forth shoots the pillar'd flame. Thomson.

To Infu'RIATE.* v.a. [from the adjective.] To render insane; to fill with rage or fury.

Like those curls of entangled snakes, with which Erinnys is said to have infuriated Athemas ad Ino. Decay of Chr. Piety, p. 322.

They tore the reputation of the clergy to pieces

by their infuriated declamations and invectives. Burke on a Regicide Peace.

INFUSCA'TION. n. s. [infuscatus, Lat.] The act of darkening or blackening. To INFU'SE. v. a. [infuser, Fr. infusus,

1. To pour in; to instil.

Thou almost mak'st me waver in my faith, To hold opinion with Pythagoras, That souls of animals infuse themselves Into the trunks of men.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. My early mistress, now my ancient muse, That strong Circean liquor cease t' infuse, Wherewith thou didst intoxicate my youth.

Denham. Why should he desire to have qualities infused into his son which himself never possessed?

2. To pour into the mind; to inspire into.

For when God's hand had written in the hearts | 4. The act of steeping any thing in mois-Of our first parents all the rules of good, So that their skill infus'd surpass'd all hearts

That ever were before, or since the flood. Davies. Sublime ideas, and apt words infuse;

The muse instruct my voice, and thou inspire the Roscommon. muse.

He infus'd Bad influence into the unwary breast.

Milton, P. L.

Infuse into their young breasts such a noble ardour as will make them renowned.

Milton on Education.

Meat must be with money bought; She therefore, upon second thought, Infus'd, yet as it were by stealth,

Some small regard for state and wealth.

3. To steep in any liquor with a gentle heat: to macerate so as to extract the virtues of any thing without boiling.

Take violets, and infuse a good pugil of them in a quart of vinegar. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

4. To make an infusion with any ingredient; to supply, to tincture, to saturate with any thing infused. Not used.

Drink, infused with flesh, will nourish faster and easier than meat and drink together. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

5. To inspire with. Not used. Thou didst smile,

Infused with a fortitude from heav'n. Shakspeare, Tempest.

Infuse his breast with magnanimity, And make him, naked, foil a man at arms.

Shakspeare.

INFU'SE.* n. s. [from the verb.] Infusion. Not in use.

Vouchsafe to shed into my barren spright Some little drop of thy celestial dew, That may my rhimes with sweet infuse embrew. Spenser, Hymns.

Infu'ser.* n.s. [from infuse.] He who pours into the mind.

The sole infuser of grace.

Dr. White, Serm. (1615,) p. 33. INFU'SIBLE. adj. [from infuse.]

1. Possible to be infused.

From whom the doctrines being infusible into all, it will be more necessary to forewarn all of the danger of them. 2. Incapable of dissolution; not fusible;

not to be melted. Vitrification is the last work of fire, and a fusion of the salt and earth, wherein the fusible salt draws the earth and infusible part into one

continuum. Brown, Vulg. Err. INFU'SION. n. s. [infusion, French, infusio, Lat.

1. The act of pouring in; instillation.

Our language has received innumerable elegancies and improvements from that infusion of Hebraisms, which are derived to it out of the poetical passages in holy writ. Addison 2. The act of pouring into the mind;

inspiration.

We participate Christ partly by imputation, as when those things which he did and suffered for us are imputed to us for righteousness; partly by habitual and real infusion, as when grace is inwardly bestowed on earth, and afterwards more

fully both our souls and bodies in glory. Hooker. 3. Suggestion; whisper. They found it would be matter of great debate,

and spend much time; during which they did not desire their company, nor to be troubled with their infusions. Here his folly and his wisdom are of his own

growth, not the echo or infusion of other men.

ture without boiling.

Repeat the infusion of the body oftener. Bacon. The liquor made by infusion.

To have the infusion strong, in those bodies which have finer spirits, repeat the infusion of the body oftener.

INFU'SIVE. adj. [from infuse.] Having the power of infusion, or being infused.

A word not authorised. Still let my song a nobler note assume, And sing the infusive force of Spring on man.

ING.* See Inge.

I'NGATE. n. s. [in and gate.] Entrance; passage in. An old word.

One noble person - stoppeth the ingate of all that evil which is looked far, and holdeth in all those which are at his beck. Spenser on Ireland.

INGANNA'TION. n.s. [ingannare, Italian.] Cheat; fraud; deception; juggle; delusion; imposture; trick; slight. A word neither used nor necessary.

Whoever shall resign their reasons, either from the root of deceit in themselves, or inability to resist such trivial ingannations from others, are within the line of vulgarity.

Inga'THERING. n. s. [in and gathering.]
The act of getting in the harvest.

Thou shalt keep the feast of ingathering, when thou hast gathered in thy labours out of the field.

Exod. xxiii. 16.

Thomson.

INGE. † n. s. [ing, Saxon; ing, Danish; eng, Swed.] A common pasture or meadow.

In the names of places, inge signifies a meadow from the Saxon ing, of the same import.

Gibson's Camden.

Bill for dividing and inclosing certain open common fields, ings, common pastures, and other commonable lands, within the manors or manor and township of Hemingby, in the county of Lincoln. Journals of H. of C. (1773,) vol. xxxiv. p. 154.

INGE'LABLE.* adj. [ingelabilis, Latin.] That cannot be frozen. Cockeram. To INGE'MINATE. + v. a. \(\text{fingemino}\),

Latin.] To double; to repeat.

She yet ingeminates

The last of sounds, and what she hears relates.

Sandys, Ovid. B. 3. They ingeminated a doleful requiem to their brother's carcass. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 118.

Which song she takes occasion to ingeminate, in the second chorus, upon the sight of a work of Neptune's. B. Jonson, Masques. He would often ingeminate the word peace,

peace. INGE'MINATE.* part. adj. [from the verb.]

Redoubled. It is an ingeminate expression of helping us in our labours. Bp. Taylor on Extemp. Prayer, § 18.

INGEMINA'THON. † n. s. [in and geminatio, Latin. Repetition; reduplication.

To make it more effectual by ingemination, he saith, Abba, Father.

Walsall, Life of Christ, (1615,) B. 4. b. That sacred ingemination, Amen, Amen.

Featley, Dippers Dipt, p. 160. Happiness is the language of all; and (that

which adds to the contentment) it is happiness with an echo or ingemination. Holdsworth, Inaug. Serm. Camb. p. 2.

To INGE'NDER.* v. a. 'To produce. See To Engender.

High conceits ingendering pride. Milton, P. L. To INGE'NDER.* v. n. To come together; to join.

The council of Trent, and the Spanish inquisition, ingendering together, brought forth those catalogues and expurging indexes.

Milton, Areopagitica. INGE'NDERER.* See ENGENDERER.

INGE'NERABLE. adj. [in and generate.] Not to be produced or brought into being.

Divers naturalists esteem the air, as well as other elements, to be ingenerable and incorruptible.

To INGE'NERATE.* v. a. [ingenero, Lat.] To beget; to produce.

A natural ceremony both to express and ingenerate, or encrease, this lowliness of disposition.

Mede, Disc. xli. Those noble habits are ingenerated in the soul; as religion, gratitude, obedience, and tranquillity.

Hale, Orig. of Mankind. Virtues are ingenerated in our souls, by due submission of this will to the Divine Will.

Spiritual Conflict, (1652,) P. i. p. 51.

INGE'NERATE. INGE'NERATED. | adj. [ingeneratus, Lat.]

1. Inborn; innate; inbred.

Those virtues were rather feigned and affected things to serve his ambition, than true qualities ingenerate in his judgement or nature.

Bacon, Hen. VII. In divers children their ingenerate and seminal powers lie deep, and are of slow disclosure.

Wotton on Education.

2. Unbegotten. Not commonly used. Yet shall we demonstrate the same, from persons presumed as far from us in condition as time;

that is, our first and ingenerated forefathers.

INGE'NIOUS.† adj. [ingenieux, Fr. ingeniosus, Latin. This word, in our old writers, is often improperly used for The complaint was made ingenuous. by Coles in his dictionary, 1677. But the confusion continued till the beginning of the last century. Mr. Reed says, that in the first edition of the Spectator, it occurs: "A parent who forces a child of a liberal and ingenious spirit." No. 437. So Hearne, in Leland's Itinerary, speaks of " Mr. Dodwell's pleasant and ingenious countenance." Pegge, Anonym. vi. 52.] Pegge, Anonym. vi. 52.]

1. Witty; inventive; possessed of genius. 'Tis a per'lous boy,

Bold, quick, ingenious, forward, capable.

Our ingenious friend Cowley not only has employed much eloquence to persuade that truth in his preface, but has in one of his poems given a noble example of it.

The more ingenious men are, the more they are apt to trouble themselves. Temple.

2. Mental; intellectual. Not in use. The king is mad: how stiff is my vile sense, That I stand up, and have ingenious feeling Of my huge sorrows! better I were distract.

Shakspeare. INGE'NIOUSLY. adv. [from ingenious.]

Wittily; subtily.

I will not pretend to judge by common fears, or the schemes of men too ingeniously politick.

INGE'NIOUSNESS. n. s. [from ingenious.] Wittiness; subtilty; strength of genius. The greater appearance of ingeniousness there is in the practice I am disapproving, the more Boyle.

INGE'NITE. adj. [ingenitus, Lat.] Innate; inborn; native: ingenerate.

Aristotle affirms the mind to be at first a mere rasa tabula; and that notions are not ingenite, and imprinted by the finger of Nature, but by the latter and more languid impressions of sense, being only the reports of observation, and the result of so many repeated experiments.

We give them this ingenite, moving force, That makes them always downward take their course. Blackmore.

Ingenu'ity. n. s. [ingenuité, French, from ingenuous.]

1. Openness; fairness; candour; freedom from dissimulation.

Such of high quality, or other of particular note, as shall fall under my pen, I shall not let pass without their due character, being part of my professed ingenuity

My constancy I to the planets give; My truth, to them who at the court do live;

Mine ingenuity and openness

To jesuits; to buffoons my pensiveness. Donne. I know not whether it be more shame or wonder, that men can so put off ingenuity, and the native greatness of their kind, as to descend to so base, so ignoble a vice. Gov. of the Tongue. If a child, when questioned for any thing, directly confess, you must commend his ingenuity, and pardon the fault, be it what it will.

2. [From ingenious.] Wit; invention; genius; subtilty; acuteness.

These are but the frigidities of wit, and become not the genius of manly ingenuities.

Brown, Vulg. Err. The antient atomical hypothesis might have slept for ever, had not the ingenuity of the present age recalled it from its urn and silence. Glanville. Such sots have neither parts nor wit, ingenuity

of discourse, nor fineness of conversation, to entertain or delight any one. A pregnant instance how far virtue surpasses

ingenuity, and how much an honest simplicity is preferable to fine parts and subtile speculations.

INGE'NUOUS. adj. [ingenuus, Latin.] 1. Open ; fair ; candid ; generous ; noble.

Many speeches there are of Job's, whereby his wisdom and other virtues may appear: but the glory of an ingenuous mind he hath purchased by these words only, Behold I will lay mine hand upon my mouth; I have spoken once, yet will I not therefore maintain argument; yea twice, howbeit for that cause further I will not proceed. Hooker.

Infuse into their young breasts such an ingenuous and noble ardour, as would not fail to make many of them renowned.

Milton on Education. If an ingenuous detestation of falsehood be but carefully and early instilled, that is the true and genuine method to obviate dishonesty.

Locke.

2. Freeborn; not of servile extraction.

Subjection, as it preserves property, peace, and safety, so it will never diminish rights nor ingenuous liberties. King Charles.

INGE'NUOUSLY. adv. [from ingenuous.] Openly; fairly; candidly; generously. Ingenuously I speak,

Shakspeare, Timon. No blame belongs to thee. It was a notable observation of a wise father, and no less ingenuously confessed, that those which held and persuaded pressure of consciences were commonly interested

I will ingenuously confess, that the helps were taken from divines of the church of England.

Inge'nuousness. † n. s. [from ingenuous.] Openness; fairness; candour.

There seems to have been no occasion for the equivocal word "ingenuity" to distinguish

between "openness" and "dissimulation," while we have the term ingenuousness to answer the purpose distinctly. Pegge, Anecdot. Eng. Lang. I'NGENY. n. s. [ingenium, Lat.] Genius; wit. Not now in use.

Whatever of the production of his ingeny comes into foreign parts, is highly valued.

To INGE'ST. v. a. [ingestus, Lat.] To throw into the stomach.

Nor will we affirm that iron, ingested, receiveth in the belly of the ostridge no alteration.

Brown, Vulg. Err. Some the long funnel's curious mouth extend. Through which ingested meats with ease descend. Blackmore.

INGE'STION. n. s. [from ingest.] The act of throwing into the stomach.

It has got room enough to grow into its full dimension, which is performed by the daily ingestion of milk and other food, that's in a short time after digested into blood.

I'NGLE.* n. s. [probably from igniculus, dimin. of ignis, Lat. a sparkle of fire. Dr. Jamieson notices the Gael. aingeal, which has been rendered, fire.] Fire, or flame; a blaze. North. Ray, York-shire Glossary, and Grose. "Engle, or Ingle-wood, signifies wood for firing." Ritson, Anc. Popular Poet. Englewood, or Inglewood, is the name of a forest in Cumberland. An ingle of sticks is a common expression in Cumberland.

INGLO'RIOUS.† adj. [inglorius, Lat.]

1. Void of honour; mean; without glory. Lest fear return them back to Egypt, choosing Inglorious life with servitude. Milton, P. L. It was never held inglorious or derogatory for a king to be guided by his great council, nor dishonourable for subjects to yield and bow to their

Yet though our army brought not conquest home

I did not from the fight inglorious come. Dryden. 2. Regardless of glory; insensible to the charms of glory; unambitious.

Great Julius, whom now all the world admires, The more he grew in years, the more inflam'd With glory, wept that he had liv'd so long

Inglorious. Milton, P. R. My next desire is, void of care and strife, To lead a soft, secure, inglorious life.

Dryden, Georg.

Inglo'RIOUSLY. † adv. [from inglorious.] With ignominy; with want of glory.

Herod Archelaus died ingloriously at Vienna in Austria. Loe, Blisse of Br. Beaut. (1614,) p. 58.
Pride and regret broke his heart, and so he [Boniface the eighth] there died ingloriously.

More on the Seven Churches, p. 63. This vase the chief o'ercome,

Replenish'd not ingloriously at home. Their flaming courage being ingloriously extin-ished. 3 Maccab. vi. S1. Bp. Wilson's Bible.

Inglo'RIOUSNESS.* n. s. [from inglorious.]

State of being inglorious. Seeing the outward meanness, poverty, and

ingloriousness of his life and death. Bp. Gauden, Hierasp. (1653,) p. 306.

To Ingo'rge.* See To Engorge.

I'NGOT. † n. s. [lingot, French; or from ingegoten, melted, Dutch. Dr. Johnson. -Ingot, q. d. inguten, from in and Goth. gioeta, Su. giuta, fundere. Serenius. Chaucer uses ingot, repeatedly, for a mould for casting ingots.] A mass of metal.

If thou art rich, thou'rt poor; For like an ass, whose back's with ingots bound, Thou bear'st thy heavy riches but a journey, And death unloadeth thee. Shaksp. Meas. for Meas. Within the circle arms and tripods lie, Ingots of gold and silver heap'd on high.

Dryden, En Every one of his pieces is an ingot of gold, intrinsically and solidly valuable. Prior.

To INGRA'FF. v. a. [in and graff.]

1. To propagate trees by insition.

Nor are the ways alike in all How to ingraff, how to inoculate. May, Virgil. 2. To plant the sprig of one tree in the stock of another; as, he ingrafted an apple upon a crab.

3. To plant or introduce any thing not

native.

All his works on me, Good, or not good, ingraft; my merit those Shall perfect, and for these my death shall pay. Milton, P. L.

As next of kin, Achilles' arms I claim; This fellow would ingraft a foreign name Upon our stock.

4. To fix deep; to settle.

For a spur of diligence, we have a natural thirst after knowledge ingrafted in us.

Tis great pity that the noble Moor Should hazard such a place as his own second, With one of an ingraft infirmity. Shaksp. Othello. Ingrafted love he bears to Cæsar. Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs.

IMGRA'FTMENT. n. s. [from ingraft.]

1. The act of ingrafting.

2. The sprig ingrafted.

INGRA'INED.* adj. [from grain.] Dyed in grain; deeply infixed.

Ingrain'd habits, dy'd with often dips, Are not so soon discoloured.

Marston, Scourge of Vill. i. 4. (1599). 'Tis an ingrained, rational, and judicious sor-Norris, Lett. on his Niece's Death.

INGRA'PPLED.** adj. [from grapple. See
To Engrapple.] Seized on; twisted together.

Two lions-

With their armed paws ingrappled dreadfully. Drayton, Polyolb. S. 12.

INGRA'TE. adj. [ingratus, Lat.; INGRA'TEFUL. ingrat, French. Ingrate is proper, but ingrateful less proper than ungrateful. Dr. Johnson .-Accordingly Dr. Johnson gives but a solitary example of ingrateful, and that under the second definition. Yet no word has been more in use, by our best writers, in both senses, than ingrateful.

1. Ungrateful; unthankful.

That we have been familiar, Ingrate forgetfulness shall poison, rather Than pity note how much. Shakspeare, Coriol. And you degenerate, you ingrate revolts.

Shaksneare. No man could be so impiously ingrate. Younger Brother's Apology, (1635,) p. 55. So will fall

He and his faithless progeny: whose fault? Whose but his own? Ingrate; he had of me All he could have: I made him just and right, Sufficient to have stood, though free to fall.

Is this the love, is this the recompence f mine to thee, ingrateful Eve? Milton, P. L. Of mine to thee, ingrateful Eve? Ingrateful and treacherous guests to their best friends and entertainers.

Milton, Observ. on the Art. of Peace.

He found that city which he had saved so in-Hakewill on Providence, p. 443. He proved extremely false and ingrateful to me. Atterbury, vol. iv. Lett. lxviii.

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Perfidious and ingrate! His stores ye ravage, and usurp his state.

Pone, Odyssey. 2. Unpleasing to the sense.

The causes of that which is unpleasing or ingrate to the hearing, may receive light by that which is pleasing and grateful to the sight.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. How ingrate soever it [assa-fœtida] may seem at first, yet by use it becomes sufficiently pleasant.

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 118. No ingrateful food. Milton, P. L. Few would venture upon the ingrateful office of reproving. Goodman, Wint. Ev. Conf. P. iii.

He was never suspected - in the least degree to dissemble his own opinions or thoughts, how ingrateful soever it often proved.

Ld. Clarendon, Life, i. 68. INGRA'TEFULLY.* adv. [from ingrateful.] Ungratefully; without gratitude.

Sir Robert Carew, her near kinsman, and whose family and himself she [Queen Elizabeth] had raised from the degree of a mean gentleman to high honour in title and place, most ingratefully did catch at her last breath, to carry it to the rising sun then in Scotland.

Sir A. Weldon, Court of King James, p. 2.

INGRA'TEFULNESS.* n.s. [from ingrateful.] Bullokar. Unthankfulness. INGRA'TELY.* adv. [from ingrate.] Un-

gratefully. Nor may we smother or forget, ingrately, The heaven of silver that was sent but lately

From Ferdinando, &c.

Sylvester, Du Bart. 1621, p. 135. To INGRA'TIATE. † v. a. [in and gratia, Lat.

1. To put in favour; to recommend to kindness. It has with before the person whose favour is sought, Dr. Johnson says; and accordingly the examples, which he gives, are only of ingratiate with. Hammond and Scott use it also with to.

They will be fit helves for such hatchets; - to humour them, and ingratiate themselves

Bn. Richardson on the O. Test. (1655,) p. 303. They endeavour, with all manner of address, to render their company acceptable and diverting; and when they have thus ingratiated themselves, if you speak of any of our books or divines, they will with a slighting accent tell you, they are not worth their minding.

The Missionaries' Arts Discovered, (1688,) p.18. Their managers make them see armies in the air, and give them their word, the more to ingratiate themselves with them, that they signify nothing less than future slaughter and desolation.

Politicians, who would rather ingratiate themselves with their sovereign than promote his real service, accommodate his counsels to his inclinations. Spectator.

2. To recommend; to render easy: applied to things.

What difficulty would it not ingratiate to us?

Hammond, Works, iv. 564. When once we come to feel the good effects of those duties in our natures, how fast our lusts do decline, our dispositions mend, and all our graces improve in the use of them, the sense of this will mightily endear and ingratiate them to Scott, Christian Life, i. 4.

INGRA'TIATING.* n. s. [from the verb.] Recommendation; the act of putting in favour.

Those have been far from receiving the rewards of such ingratiatings with the people. King Charles. Which had been a very great indulgence and ingratiating to women of greatest quality.

Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 176. INGRA'TITUDE. † n. s. [ingratitude, French; in and gratitude. It is not often used in the plural. Nor has Dr. Johnson

given an example of it in that number. Shakspeare affords one. Retribution of evil for good; unthankful-

Ingratitude! thou marble-hearted fiend, More hideous, when thou shew'st thee in a child, Shakspeare, K. Lear. Than the sea monster.

Time hath, my lord, a wallet at his back, Wherein he puts alms for oblivion,

A great-siz'd monster of ingratitudes.

Shakspeare, Tr. and Cress.
Ingratitude is abhorred both by God and man. and vengeance attends those that repay evil for good. L'Estrange. Nor was it with ingratitude return'd

In equal fires the blissful couple burn'd; One joy possess'd 'em both, and in one grief they mourn'd. Dryden.

To Ingra've. * v. a. [from grave.] bury. See the fourth sense of To Engrave. -

Thy corps, as in the custome old, With thy forefathers doth not lie ingrav'd. Gamage, Epigr. (1613,) sign. C. 5.

To INGRA'VIDATE.* v. a. [gravidatus, Latin.] To impregnate; to make prolifick.

They may be so pregnant and ingravidated with lustful thoughts, that they may as it were die in travail, because they cannot be delivered.

Fuller, Holy State, p. 35. To INGRE'AT.* v. a. [from great.] To

make great. It appeareth, that there is, in all things, a desire

to dilate and to ingreat themselves. Fotherby, Atheom. (1622,) p. 174.

As some are gentle and benign, so some others, to ingreat themselves, might strain more than the strong will bear.

Abp. Abbot, Speech in Rushworth's Collect. i. 455.

INGRE'DIENT. n. s. [ingredient, French; ingrediens, Latin.]

1. Component part of a body, consisting of different materials. It is commonly used of the simples of a medicine.

The ointment is made of divers ingredients, whereof the hardest to come by is the moss upon the skull of a dead man unburied.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. So deep the power of these ingredients pierc'd, Even to the inmost seat of mental sight, That Adam, now enforc'd to shut his eyes,

Sunk down, and all his spirits became entranc'd. Milton, P. L.

By this way of analysis we may proceed from compounds to ingredients, and from motions to the forces producing them; and in general, from effects to their causes, and from particular causes to more general ones, till the argument end in the

more general. Newton, Opticks. I have often wondered, that learning is not thought a proper ingredient in the education of a

woman of quality or fortune. Addison, Guardian. Parts, knowledge, and experience, are excellent ingredients in a public character. Rogers. Water is the chief ingredient in all the animal

fluids and solids. Arbuthnot on Aliments. 2. It is used by Temple with into, pro-

perly, but not according to custom. Spleen is a bad ingredient into any other distemper. Temple. I'NGRESS. n. s. [ingressus, Latin.] En-| INHABILE. adj. [inhabile, French; | 3. Quantity of inhabitants. trance; power of entrance; intromis-

All putrefactions come from the ambient body; either by ingress of the substance of the ambient body into the body putrefied; or else by excitation of the body putrefied by the body ambient.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. Those air bladders, by a sudden subsidence, meet again by the ingress and egress of the air. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

INGRE'SSION. n. s. [ingression, French;
ingressio, Lat.] The act of entering; entrance.

The fire would strain the pores of the glass too suddenly, and break it all in pieces to get ingres-Digby on Bodies.

I'NGUINAL. adj. [inguinal, French; inguen, Lat.] Belonging to the groin.

The plague seems to be a particular disease, characterised with eruptions in buboes, by the inflammation and suppuration of the axillary, inguinal, and other glands. Arbuthnot.

To Ingu'lf. † v. a. [in and gulf. See To ENGULF.]

1. To swallow up in a vast profundity. Southward through Eden went a river large, Nor chang'd his course, but through the shaggy

Pass'd underneath ingulf'd. Milton, P. L. Him who disobeys,

Me disobeys, breaks union, and that day, Cast out from God and blessed vision, falls Into utter darkness deep ingulf'd. Milton, P. L. The river flows redundant;

Then rowling back, in his capacious lap Ingulfs their whole militia, quick immerst. Philips. 2. To cast into a gulf.

If we adjoin to the lords, whether they prevail or not, we ingulf ourselves into assured danger. Hayward.

That we ingulf not ourselves too deeply in the businesses and pleasures of this life. Bp. Hopkins, Exp. on the Lord's Pr. &c. p. 264.

To INGU'RGITATE. + v. a. [ingurgiter, Fr.; ingurgito, Latin.]

1. To swallow down.

Ingurgitating sometimes whole half glasses. Cleaveland Poems, &c. p.112.

2. To plunge into; to engulf.

If a man do but once set his appetite upon it, [pleasure,] let him ingurgitate himself never so deep into it, yet shall he never be able to fill his desire with it. Fotherby, Atheom. (1622,) p. 206.

To INGU'RGITATE.* v. n. To drink largely; to swig.

Nothing pesters the body and mind sooner, than to be still fed, to eat and ingurgitate beyond all measure, as many do.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 235.

INGURGITA'TION. † n. s. [from ingurgitate. The act of intemperate swallow-

Inconveniences always doe happen by ingurgitations and excessive feedinges

Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 191. Too much abstinence turns vice, and too much ingurgitation is one of the seven, and at once destroys both nature and grace.

Bp. Hall, Of Contentation, § 13.

INGU'STABLE. adj. [in and gusto, Lat.] Not perceptible by the taste.

As for their taste, if the cameleon's nutriment be air, neither can the tongue be an instrument thereof; for the body of the element is ingustable, void of all sapidity, and without any action of the tongue, is, by the rough artery, or wizzen, conducted into the lungs. Brown, Vulg. Err.

inhabilis, Lat.] Unskilful; unready; unfit; unqualified.

INHABI'LITY.* n. s. [inhabilité, French, "disability, insufficiency, weakness, &c." Cotgrave.] Unskilfulness.

Whatever evil blind ignorance, - inhability, unwieldiness, and confusion of thoughts beget, wisdom prevents. Barrow, Serm. i.

To INHA'BIT. v. a. [habito, Lat.] To dwell in; to hold as a dweller.

Not all are partakers of that grace, whereby Christ inhabiteth whom he saveth. Hooker. They shall build houses and inhabit them.

Isaiah, lxv. 21. She shall be inhabited of devils. Baruch, iv. 35. To INHA'BIT. v. n. To dwell; to live.

Learn what creatures there inhabit. Milton, P. L.

They say, wild beasts inhabit here; But grief and wrong secure my fear. INHA'BITABLE.† adj. [from inhabit.] 1. Capable of affording habitation.

All which live In the inhabitable world. Donne, Poems, p. 363. The fixed stars are all of them suns, with systems of inhabitable planets moving about them. Locke.

2. [Inhabitable, French.] Incapable of inhabitants; not habitable; uninhabitable. Not in use, Dr. Johnson says, citing Shakspeare. Formerly this was the sole explanation of the word in our old lexicography. And so Ben Jonson and others used it. The earliest use of the preceding and present sense of the word Dr. Johnson assigns to Locke; but Donne, half a century before him, so employed it.

The frozen ridges of the Alps,

Or any other ground inhabitable. Shaksp. Rich. II. INHA'BITANCE. † n. s. [from inhabit.] Residence of dwellers.

So the ruins yet resting in the wild moors, testify a former inhabitunce. Carew, Surv. of Cornwall. No promise of inhabitance; neither track of beast, nor foot of man. We have searched all

this rocky desart. Beaum. and Fl. Sea-Voyage. INHA'BITANT. n. s. [from inhabit.] Dweller; one that lives or resides in a place.

In this place they report that they saw inhabitants, which were very fair and fat people.

If the fervour of the sun were the sole cause of blackness in any land of negroes, it were also reasonable that inhabitants of the same latitude, subjected unto the same vicinity of the sun, should also partake of the same hue. Brown.

For his supposed love a third Lays greedy hold upon a bird, And stands amaz'd to find his dear

A wild inhabitant o' the air. Waller. What happier natures shrink at with affright, The hard inhabitant contends is right.

INHABITA'TION. † n. s. [from inhabit.]

1. Abode; place of dwelling.

Noise call you it, or universal groan, As if the whole inhabitation perish'd! Milton, S. A. 2. The act of inhabiting, or planting with

dwellings; state of being inhabited. By knowing this place we shall the better judge

of the beginning of nations, and of the world's inhabitation The inhabitation of the Holy Ghost maketh a

temple, as we are informed by the Apostle, " What, know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you?"

Pearson on the Creed, Art. 8.

We shall rather admire how the earth contained its inhabitation than doubt it. Brown, Vulg. Err. INHA'BITER. n. s. [from inhabit.] One that inhabits; a dweller.

Woe to the inhabiters of the earth. Rev. viii. 13. The same name is given unto the inlanders, or midland inhabiters, of this island.

Brown, Vulg. Err. They ought to understand, that there is not only some inhabiter in this divine house, but also some

INHA'BITRESS.* n.s. [from inhabiter.] A female inhabitant.

O inhabitant of the fortress, [in the margin, inhabitress.] Jerem. x. 17. Thou inhabitant of Saphir, [in the margin, inha-

bitress.] Micah, i. 11. The church here called the inhabitress of the

Bp. Richardson on the O. Test. (1655,) p. 350. To INHA'NCE.* See To ENHANCE.

To INHA'LE. v. a. [inhalo, Latin.] To draw in with air; to inspire: opposed to exhale or expire.

Martin was walking forth to inhale the fresh breeze of the evening. Arbuthnot and Pope. But from the breezy deep the blest inhale The fragrant murmurs of the western gale.

Pope, Odyssey. There sits the shepherd on the grassy turf,

Inhaling healthful the descending sun. Thomson.

INHARMO'NICAL.* adj. [in and harmonical.] Discordant. A term in musick. INHARMO'NIOUS. adj. [in and harmonious.]

Unmusical; not sweet of sound.

Catullus, though his lines be rough, and his numbers inharmonious, I could recommend for the softness and delicacy, but must decline for the looseness, of his thoughts.

The identity of sound may appear a little inharmonious, and shock the ear. Broome.

To INHE'RE. v. n. [inhæreo, Latin.] To exist in something else. For, nor in nothing, nor in things

Extreme, and scattering bright, can love inhere. Donne, Poems, p. 17.

They do but inhere in their subject which supports them; their being is a dependence on a Digby on Bodies.

INHE'RENCE.* \ n. s. [from inherent.] Ex-INHE'RENCY. \ istence in something else, so as to be inseparable from it; conjunction.

The gift of tongues, after its first infusion by the Spirit, might be in a man by habitual inherence, as a standing principle or power residing in the soul, and enabling it, upon any occasion, to express itself in several languages.

South, Serm. iii. 415. The immanency and inherency of this power in Jesus, is evident in this, that he was able to com-

municate it to whom he pleased. Pearson on the Creed, Art. 2. It is I that am pleased with beholding his gayety, and the gay man in his greatest bravery is only

pleased because I am pleased with the sight; so borrowing his little and imaginary complacency from the delight that I have, not from any inherency of his own possession. Bp. Taylor, Serm. xviii.

INHE'RENT. adj. [inherent, Fr. inherens, Lat.

1. Existing in something else; so as to be inseparable from it.

I will not do't, Lest I surcease to honour mine own truth : And by my body's action teach my mind A most inherent baseness. Shakspeare, Coriol.

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2. Naturally conjoined; innate; inborn. |2. The reception of possession by here-I mean not the authority which is annexed to your office: I speak of that only which is inborn Druden, Juv.

and inherent to your person. The power of drawing iron is one of the ideas of a load-stone; and a power to be so drawn is a part of the complex one of iron; which powers pass for inherent qualities.

Animal oil is various according to principles Arbuthnot on Aliments. inherent in it.

They will be sure to decide in favour of themselves, and talk much of their inherent right.

Swift. The ideas of such modes can no more be subsistent, than the idea of redness was just now found to be inherent in the blood, or that of whiteness in

The obligations we are under of distinguishing ourselves as much by an inherent and habitual, as we are already distinguished by an external and Rentley. relative holiness.

INHE'RENTLY.* adv. [from inherent.] By inherence.

They may assert, that matter hath inherently and essentially such an internal energy. Bentley, Serm. vii.

To INHE'RIT. † v. a. [enheriter, French.]

1. To receive or possess by inheritance.

Treason is not inherited, my lord. Shakspeare. Why all delights are vain; but that most vain, Which, with pain purchas'd, doth inherit pain.

Prince Harry is valiant; for the cold blood he did naturally inherit of his father he hath, like lean, steril land, manured with excellent good store of fertile sherris. Shakspeare. Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the

The son can receive from his father good things, without empire, that was vested in him for the good of others; and therefore the son cannot claim or inherit it, by a title, which is founded wholly on

St. Matt. v. 5.

his own private good. We must know how the first ruler, from whom any one claims, came by his authority, before we can know who has a right to succeed him in it,

and inherit it from him. Locke. Unwilling to sell an estate he had some prospect of inheriting, he formed delays. Addison.

2. To possess; to obtain possession of: in Shakspeare. Not used.

This, or else nothing, will inherit her.

Shakspeare, Two Gent. of Ver. He, that had wit, would think that I had none, To bury so much gold under a tree,

And never after to inherit it. Titus Andronicus. INHE'RITABLE. adj. [from inherit.] Trans-

missible by inheritance; obtainable by succession.

A kind of inheritable estate accrued unto them.

By the ancient laws of the realm, they were not Hayward. inheritable to him by descent. Was the power the same, and from the same original in Moses as it was in David? And was it inheritable in one and not in the other? Locke.

INHE'RITABLY. * adv. [from inheritable.] Sherwood. By inheritance.

INHE'RITANCE. n. s. [from inherit.]

1. Patrimony; hereditary possession. When the son dies, let the inheritance

Descend unto the daughter. Shakspeare, Hen. V. Is there yet any portion or inheritance for us in our father's house? Gen. xxxi. 14.

Claim our just inheritance of old. Milton, P. L. Oh dear, unhappy babe! must I bequeath thee

Only a sad inheritance of woe? Gods! cruel gods! can't all my pains atone, Unless they reach my infant's guiltless head? Smith.

ditary right.

Men are not proprietors of what they have merely for themselves, their children have a title to part of it, which comes to be wholly theirs, when death has put an end to their parents' use of it; and this we call inheritance.

3. In Shakspeare, possession. You will rather shew our general lowts

How you can frown, than spend a fawn upon them, For the inheritance of their loves, and safeguard Of what that want might ruin. Shakspeare, Coriol.

INHE'RITOR. n. s. [from inherit.] An heir; one who receives any thing by succession. You, like a letcher, out of whorish loins,

Are pleas'd to breed out your inheritors. Shaksp. The very conveyances of his lands will hardly lie in this box; and must the inheritor himself Shaksneare. have no more?

Marriage, without consent of parents they do not make void, but they mulct it in the inheritors, for the children of such marriages are not admitted to inherit above a third part of their parents, inhe-Bacon, New Atlantis.

INHE'RITRESS. n. s. [from inheritor.] An heiress; a woman that inherits.

He had given artificially some hopes to marry Anne, inheritress to the duchy of Bretagne.

INHE'RITRIX. † n. s. [from inheritor.] An heiress. This is now more commonly used, though inheritress be a word more analogically English. Dr. Johnson. -The word had formerly also a kind of form between both, viz. inheritrice: "Both queens of Scotland, regent and inheritrice in our dayes." Proceedings against Garnet and the late traitors, 1606, sign. E e. 4. b. No female

Should be inheretrix in Salique land.

Shakspeare, Hen. V. The foul inheretrix of the dregs of wrath.

Beaumont, Psyche, ix. 53. To INHE'RSE. v. a. [in and herse.] To enclose in a funeral monument.

See, where he lies, inhersed in the arms Of the most bloody nurser of his harms. Shaksp.

INHE'SION.† n. s. [inhæsio, Latin.] Inherence; the state of existing in some-

thing else. Neither was this the [gift of prophecy and fore-

telling future events,] in the soul by constant inhesion and habitual abode; but, as we may not unfitly express it, only by sudden strictures, by transient immissions, and representations of the ideas of things future, to the imagination. In a word, it was in the mind not as an inhabitant, but South, Serm. iii. 416.

And for a like reason, activity and perceptivity, by which powers alone we discover that there is a substance different from matter, and which is the necessary subject of their inhesion, must be in the Baxter on the Soul, i. 328.

Inhia'tion.* n. s. [inhiatio, Latin.] gaping after; a great desire. An inhiation after obscene lusts.

Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Marr. Cler. p. 24.

To INHI'BIT. v. a. [inhibeo, Lat. inhiber, French.

1. To restrain; to hinder; to repress; to

Holding of the breath doth help somewhat to cease the hiccough; and vinegar put to the nostrils or gargerised, doth it also, for that it is astringent, and inhibiteth the motion of the spirits.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

The stars and planets being whirled about with great velocity, would suddenly, did nothing inhibit it, be shattered in pieces. Ray on the Creation.

Their motions also are excited and inhibited, are moderated and managed by the objects without Bentley, Serm. ii.

2. To prohibit; to forbid.

All men were inhibited by proclamation, at the dissolution, so much as to mention a parliament. Clarendon.

Burial may not be inhibited or denied to any Ayliffe.

INHIBI'TION. † n. s. [inhibition, Fr. inhibitio, Lat.]

1. Restraint; hindrance.

This ligation of senses proceeds from an inhibition of spirits, the way being stopped up by which they should come. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 24.

2. Prohibition; embargo.

He might be judged to have imposed an envious inhibition on it, because himself has not stock enough to maintain the trade. Gov. of the Tongue.

3. [In law.] Inhibition is a writ to inhibit or forbid a judge from farther proceeding in the cause depending before him. Inhibition is most commonly a writ issuing out of a higher court Christian to a lower and inferiour, upon an appeal; and prohibition out of the king's court to a court Christian, or to an inferiour temporal court. Cowel. The decrees and inhybycyons of my lorde or-

dynarye of London.

Bale, Yet a Course, &c. (1543,) fol. 19. b. No inhibition shall be granted out of any court belonging to the archbishop of Canterbury, at the instance of any party, unless it be subscribed by an advocate practising in the said court. Const. and Canons Eccl. 96.

To Inhi've. * v. a. [from hive.] To put Cotgrave, and Sherwood. into a hive. To Inho'LD. v. a. [in and hold.] To have inherent; to contain in itself.

It is disputed, whether this light first created be the same which the sun inholdeth and casteth forth, or whether it had continuance any longer than till Ralegh. the sun's creation.

To Inhoo'r.* v. a. [in and hoop.] confine in an enclosure.

His quails ever Beat mine inhoop'd at odds.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cloop.

INHO'SPITABLE. adj. [in and hospitable. Affording no kindness nor entertainment to strangers.

All places else

Inhospitable appear, and desolate; Nor knowing us, nor known. Milton, P. L. Since toss'd from shores to shores, from lands to

lands, Inhaspitable rocks, and barren sands.

Dryden, Virg.

INHO'SPITABLY. adv. [from inhospitable.] Unkindly to strangers. Of guests, he makes them slaves

Inhospitably, and kill their infant males.

Milton, P. L.

INHO'SPITABLENESS.† n. s. [in and hospi-INHOSPITA'LITY. fality; inhospitalité, Fr.] Want of hospitality; want of courtesy to strangers.

Their inhospitality is punishment enough to itself: they have lost the honour and happiness of being host to their God.

Bp. Hall, Contempl. Birth of Christ.

Those rude heaps have had the dust of his feet shaken against them for their inhospitableness.

Hewyt, Serm. p. 79. (1658).

INHU'MAN.† adj. [inhumain, Fr.; inhumanus, Lat. There is now no distinction observed between inhuman and inhumane. Formerly it was inhumane, with the accent on the last syllable. See the citations from Marston and Goodman, under Inhumanly.] Barbarous; savage; cruel; uncompassionate.

A just war may be prosecuted after a very unjust manner; by perfidious breaches of our word, by inhuman cruelties, and by assassinations.

Atterbury. The more these praises were enlarged, the more inhuman was the punishment, and the sufferer more innocent.

Princes and peers attend! while we impart To you the thoughts of no inhuman heart.

Pope, Odyssey.

INHUMA'NITY. n. s. [inhumanité, Fr.; from inhuman.] Cruelty; savageness; barbarity.

Love which lover hurts is inhumanity. Sidney. The rudeness of those who must make up their want of justice with inhumanity and impudence. King Charles.

Each social feeling fell,

And joyless inhumanity pervades And petrifies the heart. Thomson, Spring.

INHU'MANLY. † adv. [from inhuman.] Savagely; cruelly; barbarously.

No Jew, no Turke would use a Christian So inhumanely as this Puritan.

Marston, Sat. ii. (1598).

O what are these Death's ministers, not men: who thus deal death

Inhumanly to men; and multiply

Ten thousand fold the sin of him who slew His brother! Milton, P. L.

We may assure ourselves, that whatsoever pretends to be a divine law, and can be made to appear to be inhumanely rigorous, or intolerably difficult to be observed, is either no law of his, or at the least is not rightly interpreted.

Goodman, Wint. Ev. Conf. P. iii. (ed. 1720,) p. 317. I, who have established the whole system of all true politeness and refinement in conversation, think myself most inhumanly treated by my country-

INHUMA'TION.* n. s. [inhumation, Fr.; inhumatio, Lat. from inhumo.] A burying; sepulture.

The soldiery prize that which is the proper possession of the dead, a good name, and hope to be

famous after their inhumation.

Waterhouse, Apology for Learning, (1653,) p. 194. It [Rolbright Stones] is probably not funereal; for some years ago its area, which is without tumulus, was examined to a considerable depth by digging, and no marks of inhumation appeared.

Warton, Hist. of Kiddington, p. 61. To I'NHUMATE. † v. a. [inhumer, Fr.; To INHU'ME. inhumo, Lat.] To

bury; to inter.

We took notice of an old-conceited tomb, which

inhumed a harmless shepherd. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 126. Weeping they bear the mangled heaps of slain,

Inhume the natives in their native plain.

Pope, Odysszy. To INJE CT. + v. a. [injectus, Lat.]

1. To throw in; to dart in.

Good thoughts are injected into us by the Holy Spirit, Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 147.

Angels inject thoughts into our minds, and know our cogitations. Glanville.

2. To throw up; to cast up.

Though bold in open field, they yet surround The town with walls, and mound inject on mound. Pope, Odyssey.

INJE'CTION. † n. s. [injection, Fr.; injectio,

1. The act of casting in.

Those good injections must be received, embraced, delighted in, and followed home in a constant and habitual practice.

Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 147. If we be watchful presently to abhor and reject these injections of Satan, and to cast back into his face these his fiery darts which he shoots into our souls; they are not our sins, though they are our troubles. Bp. Hopkins, Expos. on the Lord's Prayer, p. 129.

This salt powdered was, by the repeated injection of well kindled charcoal, made to flash like melted nitre.

2. Any medicine made to be injected by a 2. In Shakspeare, to join. Not used. syringe, or any other instrument, into any part of the body.

3. The act of filling the vessels with wax, shapes and ramifications, often done by anatomists.

INIMA'GINABLE.* adj. [inimaginable, Fr. Cotgrave. Inconceivable.

In this sense two prime causes are inimaginable; and for all things to depend of one, and to be more independent beings than one, is a clear con-Pearson on the Creed, Art. 1.

INIMI'CAL. † adj. [inimicus, Lat.] Unfriendly; unkind; hurtful; hostile; adverse. A modern word; and one of the few inserted into Dr. Johnson's Dictionary after his death. I think he has somewhere used the word himself.

Associations in defence of the exisiting power of the sovereign, are not in their spirit, inimical to the

Brand, Ess. on Polit. Associations, (1796).

INIMITABI'LITY. n. s. [from inimitable.] Incapacity to be imitated.

Truths must have an eternal existence in some understanding; or rather they are the same with that understanding itself, considered as variously representative, according to the various modes of inimitability or participation.

INI'MITABLE.† adj. [inimitabilis, Lat.; inimitable, Fr.] Above imitation; not to be copied. Dr. Johnson's earliest example is from Milton. Drayton, long before Milton, has employed it; and the passage evidently attracted the notice, as indeed it well deserves, of Dryden, who has used the remarkable expression of "imitate, inimitable," which it pre-

[He] sitting in the silent shade, When his fair flock to rest themselves were laid On his lyre tuned such harmonious lays, That the birds perch'd upon the tender sprays, Mad at his musick, strain themselves so much To imitate the inimitable touch, Breaking their hearts; that they have dropt to

ground, And died for grief, in malicing the sound. Drayton, David and Goliath.

The portal shone, inimitable on earth By model, or by shading pencil, drawn.

Milton, P. L. What is most excellent is most inimitable.

Denham. And imitate the inimitable force. Dryden. Virgil copied the ancient sculptors, in that inimitable description of military fury in the temple Addison, on Anc. Medals.

INI'MITABLY. adv. [from inimitable.] In a manner not to be imitated; to a degree of excellence above imitation.

A man could not have been always blind who thus inimitably copies nature.

Pope, Ess. on Homer. Thus terribly adorn'd the figures shine, Inimitably wrought with skill divine.

Charms such as thine, inimitably great. Broome. To Injo'in. v. a. [enjoindre, Fr.; injungo,

1. To command; to enforce by authority. See To Enjoin.

Laws do not only teach what is good, but they injoin it; they have in them a certain constraining This garden tend, our pleasant task injoin'd.

Milton, P. L.

The Ottomites

Steering with due course towards the isle of Rhodes,

Have there injoin'd them with a fleet. Shakspeare. or any other proper matter, to shew their INI'QUITOUS. adj. [inique, Fr.; from iniquity.] Unjust; wicked.

Ini'QUITY. n. s. [iniquitas, Lat.; iniquité,

1. Injustice; unrighteousness.

There is a greater or less probability of an happy issue to a tedious war, according to the righteousness or iniquity of the cause for which it was commenced. Smalridge.

2. Wickedness; crime. Want of the knowledge of God is the cause of all iniquity amongst men. Till God at last

Wearied with their iniquities, withdraw

His presence from among them. Milton, P. L. Ini'quous.* adj. [iniquus, Lat.] Unjust.

Be not stoically mistaken in the equality of sins, nor commutatively iniquous in the value of transgressions; but weigh them in the scales of heaven, and by the weights of righteous reason.

Brown, Chr. Mor. iii. 12. Whatever is done through unequal affection is iniquous, wicked, and wrong.

Shaftesbury, Enq. concerning Virtue.
To INI'SLE.* v. a. [from isle.] To encircle; to surround. An old word, which Dyer revived.

Inisled in his arms, he clips her for his own. Drayton, of the Isle of Oxney and the River Rother, Pol. S. 18.

Gambia's wave inisles

An oozy coast, and pestilential ill Diffuses wide.

Dyer. INI'TIAL. adj. [initial, Fr.; initialis, from initium, Lat.]

1. Placed at the beginning.

In the editions, which had no more than the initial letters of names, he was made by Keys to hurt the inoffensive.

2. Incipient; not complete.

Moderate labour of the body conduces to the preservation of health, and cures many initial diseases; but the toil of the mind destroys health, and generates maladies. Harvey. The schools have used a middle term to express

this affection, and have called it the initial fear of God. Rogers.

INI'TIALLY.* adv. [from initial.] In an incipient degree.

Our Lord did initially and in part exercise those functions upon earth. Barrow, vol. ii. S. 31.

To Ini'tiate. + v. a. [initier, Fr.; initio, Lat.]

1. To enter; to instruct in the rudiments of an art; to place in a new state; to put into a new society.

Providence would only initiate mankind into | the useful knowledge of her treasures, leaving the rest to employ our industry.

More, Antid. against Atheism. To initiate his pupil in any part of learning, an ordinary skill in the governour is enough.

Locke on Education. He was initiated into half a dozen clubs before he was one and twenty.

No sooner was a convert initiated, but, by an easy figure, he became a new man. Addison.

2. To begin upon. Many secret designs only initiated then, and not

executed till long after. Ld. Clarendon, Life, iii, 554.

To INI'TIATE. v. n. To do the first part; to perform the first rite. The king himself initiates to the pow'r,

Scatters with quiv'ring hand the sacred flour, Pope, Odyssey. And the stream sprinkles.

INI'TIATE. † adj. [initié, Fr.; initiatus, Lat.

1. Unpractised.

My strange and self-abuse Is the initiate fear, that wants hard use :-We are yet but young indeed.

Shakspeare, Macbeth.

2. Newly admitted; fresh, like a novice. To rise in science, as in bliss, Initiate in the secrets of the skies!

Young, Night Th. 6. Initia'tion. † n. s. [initiatio, Lat. from initiate. Initiation was reckoned a new and uncouth word, in 1656, according to Heylin. The reception, admission, or entrance of a new comer into any art

The ground of initiating or entering men into Christian life, is more summarily comprised in the form of baptism, the ceremony of this initiation instituted by Christ.

Silence is the first thing that is taught us at our initiation into sacred mysteries.

Broome, Notes to the Odyssey. INI'TIATORY. * adj. [from initiate.] Intro-

He hath gotten to himself some insight in things ordinarily incident, and controverted, by experience, by reading some initiatory treatises in the Herbert, Country Parson, ch. 23.

It being the initiatory rite of their religion. Young on Idolatr. Corrupt. i. 46.

INI'TIATORY.* n. s. [from initiate.] Introductory rite.

Baptism is a constant initiatory of the proselvte. L. Addison, State of the Jews, p. 67. INI'TION.* n. s. [old French, inition; Lat. initium.] Beginning.

Here I note the inition of my lord's friendship with Mountjoy

Naunton, Fragm. Regal. Ld. Essex. INJUCU'NDITY. † n. s. [in and jucundity.] Unpleasantness. INJU'DICABLE. adj. [in and judico, Lat.]

Not cognizable by a judge. INJUDI'CIAL. adj. [in and judicial.] Not

according to form of law. Dict.

INJUDI'CIOUS. adj. [in and judicious.] Void of judgment; without judgement. Used both of persons and things.

A philosopher would either think me in jest, or very injudicious, if I took the earth for a body regular in itself, if compared with the rest of the universe. Burnet.

A sharp wit may find something in the wisest man, whereby to expose him to the contempt of Tillotson. injudicious people.

INJUDI'CIOUSLY. adv. [from injudicious.] With ill judgement; not wisely.

Scaliger injudiciously condemns this description.

Injudi'ciousness.* n. s. from injudicious.] Want of judgement.

In the sisterhood of fancy, Musick may justly challenge a birthright, she and Painting being but younger sisters to Poetry; a ternary of sisters, whether rich, or poor, that stoop not to inferiour souls, whose dulness deafs their delight in this second, and injudiciousness blinds their wonder or liking of the third,

Whitlock, Mann. of the Engl. p. 480. INJU'NCTION. n. s. [from injoin; injunctus, injunctio, Latin.

1. Command; order; precept.

The institution of God's law is described as being established by solemn injunction. My duty cannot suffer

T' obey in all your daughter's hard commands; Though the injunction be to bar my doors.

And let this tyrannous night take hold upon you. Shakspeare.

For, still they knew; and ought to have still re-The high injunction, not to taste that fruit, Whoever tempted.

Milton, P. L. The ceremonies of the church are necessary as the injunctions of lawful authority, the practice of the primitive church, and the general rules of de-

2. [In law.] Injunction is an interlocutory decree out of the chancery, sometimes to give possession unto the plaintiff for want of appearance in the defendants, sometimes to the king's ordinary court, and sometimes to the court-christian, to stay proceeding.

To I'NJURE. v. a. [injurier, Fr. injuria,

Latin.

1. To hurt unjustly; to mischief undeservedly; to wrong.

They injure by chance in a crowd, and without a design; then hate always whom they have once Temple.

Forgiveness to the injur'd does belong; But they ne'er pardon who commit the wrong.

2. To annoy; to affect with any inconvenience.

Lest heat should injure us, his timely care Hath unbesought provided.

I'NJURER. n. s. [from injure.] One that hurts another unjustly; one who wrongs

Ill deeds are well turn'd back upon their authors; And 'gainst an injurer, the revenge is just.

The upright judge will countenance right, and discountenance wrong, whoever be the injurer or the sufferer. Atterbury. INJU'RIOUS. adj. [from injury; injurius,

Lat. injurieux, Fr.

1. Unjust; invasive of another's rights. Till the injurious Roman did extort

This tribute from us, we were free. Shaks. Cymb. Injurious strength would rapine still excuse, By off'ring terms the weaker must refuse. Dryden.

2. Guilty of wrong or injury. Yet beauty, though injurious, hath strange

power. After offence returning, to regain

Milton, S. A. Love once possest. 3. Mischievous; unjustly hurtful.

Our repentance is not real, because we have not done what we can to undo our faults, or at least to hinder the injurious consequences of it from pro-Tillotson. ceeding.

4. Detractory; contumelious; reproachful; wrongful.

A prison, indeed injurious, because a prison, but else well testifying affection, because in all respects as commodious as a prison can be.

It is natural for a man, by directing his prayers to an image, to suppose the being he prays to represented by that image; which how injurious, how contumelious must it be to the glorious nature

If injurious appellations were of any advantage to a cause, what appellations would those deserve who endeavour to sow the seeds of sedition? Swift.

INJU'RIOUSLY. adv. [from injurious.] Wrongfully; hurtfully with injustice, with contumely.

Nor ought he to neglect the vindication of his character, when it is injuriously attacked.

Pope and Gay. Inju'riousness. n. s. [from injurious.] Quality of being injurious.

Some miscarriages might escape, rather through sudden necessities of state, than any propensity either to injuriousness or oppression. King Charles.

I'NJURY. n. s. [injuria, Lat. injure, Fr.] 1. Hurt without justice.

The places were acquired by just title of victory, and therefore in keeping of them no injury was Riot ascends above their loftiest towers,

And injury and outrage. Milton, P. L.

2. Mischief; detriment.

Many times we do injury to a cause, by dwelling upon trifling arguments. Watts, Logick. 3. Annovance.

Great injuries mice and rats do in the fields.

4. Contumelious language; reproachful appellation. A French mode of speech. Not now in use.

Casting off the respects fit to be continued between great kings, he fell to bitter invectives against the French king; and spake all the injuries he could devise of Charles.

Inju'stice. n. s. [injustice, Fr. injustitia, Lat.] Iniquity; wrong.

Cunning men can be guilty of a thousand injustices without being discovered, or at least without being punished.

INK. n. s. [encre, Fr. inchiostro, Italian.] 1. The black liquor with which men write.

Mourn boldly my inh; for while she looks upon you, your blackness will shine. Sidney. O! she's fallen

Into a pit of ink, that the wide sea Hath drops too few to wash her clean again. Shaks.

Like madmen they hurl'd stones and ink. B. Jonson.

Intending to have try'd The silver favour which you gave, In ink the shining point I dy'd,

And drench'd it in the sable wave. Waller. Vitriol is the active or chief ingredient in ink, and no other salt will strike the colour with galls.

I have found pens blacked almost all over when I had a while carried them about me in a silver ink Boule.

case. The secretary poured the ink box all over the writings, and so defaced them. Howell, Voc. For.

He that would live clear of envy must lay his finger upon his mouth, and keep his hand out of the ink pot. L'Estrange. I could hardly restrain them from throwing the

ink bottle at one another's heads Arbuthnot, Hist. of John Bull.

2. Ink is used for any liquor with which

they write: as, red ink; green ink. To INK. v. a. [from the noun.] To black

or daub with ink: as, his face is all over

I'NKHORN. † n. s. [ink and horn, Dr. John- | To INKNO'T. * v. a. [from knot.] To bind son; who also, in his definition of the word, says that it is a case commonly made of horn. But "words ending in erne, eron, are derived from the Saxon epn, eapn, a secret place to put any thing in. Hence comes ink-ern, i. e. a little vessel into which we put ink, for which we corruptly write ink-horn, as bishop Gibson has very justly remark- I'NKY. adj. [from ink.] ed." Greenwood, Eng. Gr. 2d edit. 1722, p. 212.] A portable case for the instruments of writing.

Bid him bring his pen and inkhorn to the jail; we are now to examine those men. One man among them was clothed with linen, with a writer's inkhorn by his side. Ezek. ix. 2. What is more frequent than to say a silver ink-

I'NKHORN.* adj. A reproachful epithet of elder times, meaning affected, pedantick, or pompous. Bishop Hall adopted inkhornisms to denote expressions of such a character.

Such are your ynkehorne termes.

Bale, Yet a Course, &c. (1543,) fol. 59. b. I would wish that such usual words as we English be acquainted with might still remain in their form and sound, so far forth as the Hebrew will bear; inkhorn terms to be avoided.

Bp. Cox, to Abp. Parker, Strype's Parker, p. 208. Ere that we will suffer such a prince, —

To be disgraced by an inkhorn mate, We, and our wives, and children, all will fight. Shakspeare, Hen. VI. P. I.

I'NKINESS.* n. s. [from inky.] Blackness. Sherwood.

I'NKLE. n. s. A kind of narrow fillet; a

Inkles, caddisses, cambricks, lawns: why he songs them over as they were gods and goddesses. Shakspeare.

I twitch'd his dangling garter from his knee: He wist not when the hempen string I drew, Now mine I quickly doff of inkle blue,

I'NKLING. † n. s. | This word is derived by Skinner from inklincken, Teut. to sound within. This sense is still retained in Scotland: as, I heard not an inkling. Dr. Johnson. - Serenius derives it from the Icel. inna, intime impendere; but, as the Su. Goth. wink is synon. Dr. Jamieson says, it is perhaps rather from winka, to beckon.

1. Hint; whisper; intimation.

He had a lytle ynklinge, that it was a speciall friend of his that kylled the deer.

Abp. Cranmer, Answ. to Rp. Gardiner, p. 198. Our business is not unknown to the senate: they have had inkling what we intend to do, which now we'll shew them in deeds. Shakspeare, Coriol.

We in Europe, notwithstanding all the remote discoveries and navigations of this last age, never heard of any of the least inkling or glimpse of this Bacon, New Atlantis.

They had some inkling of secret messages be-tween the marquis of Newcastle and young Clarendon.

Aboard a Corinthian vessel he got an inkling among the ship's crew of a conspiracy. L'Estrange.

2. In some places, a colloquial expression for desire, inclination. Gross confines this meaning to the north.

I'NKMAKER. n. s. [ink and maker.] He who makes ink.

as with a knot.

John Stafford, archbishop of Canterbury, when the land was more replenished with silver, inknotteth that priest in the greater excommunication that should consecrate "poculum stanneum."

Fuller, Holy War, p. 131. I'NKSTAND.* n. s. An utensil for holding the instruments of writing. See inkcase, inkpot, &c. in INK.

1. Consisting of ink.

England bound in with the triumphant sea, Whose rocky shore beats back the envious siege Of watery Neptune, is bound in with shame, With inky blots, and rotten parchment bonds.

2. Resembling ink.

Into the main of waters.

The liquor presently began to grow pretty clear and transparent, losing its inky blackness. Boyle on Colours.

3. Black as ink.

'Tis not alone my inky cloak, good mother, Nor customary suits of solemn black,

That can denote me truly. Shakspeare, Hamlet. To Inla'ce.* v. a. [from lace.] To embellish with variegations. See To Lace.

Ropes of pearl her neck and breast inlace. P. Fletcher, Pisc. Ecl. vii. 10. I'NLAND. † adj. [in and land.]

1. Interiour; lying remote from the sea. In this wide inland sea, that hight by name, The idle lake, my wandering ship I row.

Goodly laws, like little inland seas, will carry even ships upon their waters. Spenser on Ireland. A substitute shines brightly as a king, Until a king be by, and then his state Empties itself as doth an inland brook

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. This person did publish a pamphlet printed in England for a general excise or inland duty. Swift. 2. Civilised. Opposed to rustick, or upland, the old expression for rustick. Not now in use.

Orl. Your accent is something finer than you could purchase in so removed a dwelling.

Ros. I have been told so of many: but, indeed, an old religious uncle of mine taught me to speak, who was in his youth an inland man. Shakspeare, As you like it.

I'NLAND.† n. s. [Milton has placed the accent on the last syllable of this word.] Interiour or midland parts.

Out of these small beginnings, gotten near to the mountains, did they spread themselves into the inland.

They of those marches shall defend Our inland from the pilfering horderers. Shaks. The maritime parts of countries were inhabited before the inlands that lie farthest from the sea,

Verstegan, Rest. of Dec. Intell. ch. 7. The rest were all

Far to the inland retir'd, about the walls

Of Pandæmonium. Milton, P. L. I'NLANDER. n. s. [from inland.] Dweller remote from the sea.

The same name is given unto the inlanders, or midland inhabiters of this island.

Brown, Vulg. Err. I'NLANDISH.* adj. [from inland.] Native. Opposed to outlandish. Not in use.

Thou art all for inlandish meat, and outlandish sawces. Reeve, God's Plea for Nineveh, (1657.) To INLA PIDATE. v. a. [in and lapido.] To make stony; to turn to stone.

Some natural spring waters will inlapidate wood; so that you shall see one piece of wood, whereof

the part above the water shall continue wood, and the part under the water shall be turned into a kind of gravelly stone.

To INLA'RD.* See to ENLARD. To INLAY. v. a. [in and lay.]

1. To diversify with different bodies inserted into the ground or substratum. They are worthy

To inlay heaven with stars. Shakspeare, Cymb. Look, how the floor of heaven

Is thick inlaid with patens of bright gold. Shaks. A saphire throne, inlaid with pure Amber, and colours of the showery arch.

Milton, P. L. The timber bears a great price with the cabinet makers, when large, for inlaying. Mortimer, Husb. Here clouded canes midst heaps of toys are found,

And inlaid tweezer cases strow the ground. Gay. 2. To make variety by being inserted into bodies; to variegate.

Sea-girt isles,

That like to rich and various gems inlay
The unadorned bosom of the deep. Milton, Comus.

Inla'y. n. s. [from the verb.] Matter inlaid; matter cut to be inlaid. Under foot the violet,

Crocus and hyacinth with rich inlay,

Milton, P. L.

INLA'YER.* n. s. [from inlay.] One that

The swelling bunches, which are now and then found on the old trees, afford the inlayer pieces curiously chombletted. Evelyn, b. i. ch. 18. § 5.

To INLA'w.† v. a. [in and law; Saxon, inlagian; whence also our old word inlagation, the restoration of an outlaw to the benefit of the law.] To clear of outlawry or attainder.

It should be a great incongruity to have them to make laws who themselves were not inlawed.

I'NLET. n. s. [in and let.] Passage; place of ingress; entrance. Doors and windows, inlets of men and of light,

I couple together; I find their dimensions brought Wotton.

And through the porch and inlet of each sense Dropt in ambrosial oils till she reviv'd. Milton, Comus.

I desire any one to assign any simple idea, which is not received from one of these inlets.

A fine bargain indeed, to part with all our commodious ports, which the greater the inlet is are so much the better, for the imaginary pleasure of a streight shore.

Inlets, amongst broken lands and islands. Ellis's Voyage

To Inli'GHTEN.* [inlihtan, Sax.] See To ENLIGHTEN. To Inlo'ck. * v. a. [from lock.] To close:

to lock, set or shut one thing within another. Cotgrave, and Sherwood. To INLU'MINE.* See To ENLUMINE.

I'NLY. adj. [from in.] Interiour; internal:

Didst thou but know the inly touch of love, Thou would'st as soon go kindle fire with snow, As seek to quench the fire of love with words.

I'NLY. adv. [inlice, Saxon.] Internally; within; secretly; in the heart.

Her heart with joy unwonted inly swell'd, As feeling wondrous comfort in her weaker eld. Spenser, F. Q.

I've inly wept, Or should have spoke ere this. Shaksp. Tempest.

Whereat he inly rag'd, and as they talk'd, Smote him into the midriff with a stone, Milton, P. L. That beat out life. These growing thoughts my mother soon per-

ceiving

By words at times cast forth, inly rejoiced. Milton, P. R.

The soldiers shout around with generous rage; He prais'd their ardor: inly pleas'd to see Dryden, Kn. Tale. His host.

I'NMATE. + n. s. [in and mate.]

Inmates are those that be admitted to dwell for their money jointly with another man, though in several rooms of his mansion-house, passing in and out Cowel. by one door.

All other thoughts being inmates.

So spake the enemy of mankind, inclos'd In serpent, inmate bad! and toward Eve Address'd his way.

I'NMATE.* adj. Admitted as an inmate. There he dies, and leaves his race Growing into a nation; and now grown, Suspected to a sequent king, who seeks To stop their overgrowth, as inmate guests Milton, P. L. Too numerous.

Home is the sacred refuge of our life, Secur'd from all approaches but a wife : If thence we fly, the cause admits no doubt,

None but an inmate foe could force us out. Dryden, Aurengzebe.

I'nmost. † adj. [from in and most. Sax. innemert.] Deepest within; remotest from the surface.

'Tis you must dig with mattock and with spade,

And pierce the inmost centre of the earth. Shakspeare.

Rising sighs and falling tears, That show too well the warm desires, The silent, slow, consuming fires,

Which on my inmost vitals prey,
And melt my very soul away. Addison on Italy.
Comparing the quantity of light reflected from
the several rings, I found that it was most copious from the first or inmost, and in the exterior rings became less and less. Newton.

He sends a dreadful groan: the rocks around Through all their inmost hollow caves resound.

Pope. I got into the inmost court. Swift, Gull. Trav.

INN.† n. s. [mn, mne, Saxon, a chamber, and also in the present sense an inn; inni, Goth. an abode, a sojourning place. " Inn enim veteribus hospitium publicum, cauponam, significabat." Keysler, Antiq. Septentrion. p. 350. Yet, originally, inn meant merely a house or habitation; and not a place of publick entertainment; to which latter meaning our old lexicography has well affixed the description of "a house of common ingoing."

1. A chamber; a lodging; a house; a dwelling.

Get us fast into this inn A kneding trough or elles a kemelyn.

Chaucer, Mill. Tale. Phœbus with his fiery waine,

Unto his inne began to draw apace, Spenser, F. Q.

As they [the palm-tree and phenix] sympathize much, the phenix will lightly take up his inne no Partheneia Sacra, (1633,) p. 151.

2. A house of entertainment for travellers. How all this is but a fair inn, Of fairer guests which dwell within.

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Palmer, quoth he, death is an equal doom To good and bad, the common inn of rest; But, after death, the trial is to come,

When best shall be to them that lived best. Spenser, F. Q.

Now day is spent, Therefore with me you may take up your inn. Spenser, F. Q

The west, that glimmers with some streaks of day,

Now spurs the lated traveller apace

o gain the timely inn. Shakspeare, Macbeth. Like pilgrims to the appointed place we tend; To gain the timely inn. The world's an inn, and death the journey's end. Dryden.

One may learn more here in one day, than in a year's rambling from one inn to another.

Donne, Poems, p. 18. 3. A house where students were boarded and taught: whence we still call the colleges of common law inns of court.

Go some and pull down the Savoy; others to the inns of courts: down with them all.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

4. It was anciently used for the town houses in which great men resided when they attended the court.

To INN. + v. n. [from the noun.] To take up temporary lodging.

Pontus, - travelling toward Lyn, Grew wondrous weary, and of force would inne,

Where he an hostler calls. Parrot, Springes for Woodcocks, (1613,) Epigr. 197. B. 1.

In thyself dwell;

Inn any where: continuance maketh hell. Donne.

To Inn. v.a.

1. To house; to put under cover. [Teut. innen.

He that ears my land, spares my teem, and gives me leave to inn the crop. Shaks. All's Well. Howsoever the laws made in that parliament did bear good fruit, yet the subsidy bare a fruit that proved harsh and bitter: all was inned at last into the king's barn. Bacon, Hen. VII.

Mow clover or rye-grass, and make it fit to Mortimer.

2. To lodge. [from the noun.] This worthy knight,

When he had brought hem into his citee, And inned hem, everich at his degree, Chaucer, Kn. Tale. He feasteth hem.

A firie beam And pleasing heat, such as in first of spring From Sol, inn'd in the Bull, do kindly stream. P. Fletcher, Pisc. Ecl. vi. 15.

INNA'TE.† } adj. [inné, Fr. innatus, INNA'TED. } Lat.]

1. Inborn; ingenerate: natural; not superadded; not adscititious. Innated is not proper, Dr. Johnson observes, citing a passage from Howell; who indeed repeatedly uses it, in his Letters and in his Instructions for Foreign Travel. It is used also by the author of Partheneia Sacra, p. 156. 1633. The word innating also, for ingenerating or producing, was once in use; and in a passage of such forcible description, as induces me to give it; though the word will hardly be adopted.

Studious contemplation sucks the juice From wisards' cheeks, who making curious search For nature's secrets, the First Innating Cause Laughs them to scorn, as man doth busy apes When they will zany men.

Marston, Antonio's Revenge.

Innate idleness, - and great wealth, and little wit, go commonly together

Burton, Anat. of Mel. To the Reader. The Druinian hath been cried up for an innoted integrity, and accounted the uprightest dealer on

With eloquence innate his tongue was arm'd; Though harsh the precept, yet the people charm'd.

2. Innate is used in the following passage for inherent. Innate in persons, inherent in things.

Mutual gravitation, or spontaneous attraction. cannot possibly be innate and essential to matter. Bentley.

INNA'TELY.* adv. [from innate.] Naturally.

INNA'TENESS. n. s. [from innate.] The

quality of being innate.

INNA'VIGABLE. † adj. [innavigable, French: Cotgrave: by whom also the English word is used, as it is by Cockeram and Bullokar; innavigabilis, Lat. 7 Not to be passed by sailing.

If you so hard a toil will undertake,

As twice to pass th' innavigable lake.

Dryden, Æn. I'NNER.+ adj. [from in. Saxon innon. Formerly the superlative innerest, from this word, for inmost, was used. "Thilke circle that is innerest or most within." Chaucer, Boeth. iv. pros. 6.] Interiour: not outward. But th' elfin knight with wonder all the way

Did feed his eyes, and fill'd his inner thought Spenser, F. Q.

This attracts the soul. Governs the inner man, the nobler part; That other o'er the body only reigns.

Many families are established in the West Indies, and some discovered in the inner parts of Addison, Spect.

The kidney is a conglomerated gland, which is to be understood only of the outer part; for the inner part, whereof the papillæ are composed, is muscular. Grew.

Thus, seiz'd with sacred fear, the monarch pray'd; Then to his inner court the guests convey'd.

I'NNERLY. * adv. [from inner.] More within. Not in use. Barret. I'nnermost. † adj. [from inner. It seems less proper than inmost.]

1. Inmost; deepest within.

The words of a talebearer are as wounds, and they go down into the innermost parts of the belly.

2. Remotest from the outward part.

The reflected beam of light would be so broad at the distance of six feet from the speculum, where the rings appeared, as to obscure one or two of the innermost rings. Newton. Newton.

INNHO'LDER.† n. s. [inn and hold.]

1. An inhabitant. See the primary sense of INN.

I doe possesse the world's most regiment, As, if ye please it into parts divide,

And every part's innholders to convent, Shall to your eyes appear incontinent.

Spenser, F. Q.

2. A man who keeps an inn; an inn-

You shall enquire whether bakers and brewers keep their assize, and whether as well they as butchers, inn-holders, and victuallers, do sell that which is wholesome. Bacon, Charge, &c. p. 19. I'nning. + n. s. [innung, Sax.]

1. Ingathering of corn. A good supper must be provided, and every one that did any thing towards the inning must now have some reward.

Tusser, Redivivus, (1744,) p. 104. 2. In the plural, lands recovered from the sea. Ainsworth.

3. A term in the game of cricket; the turn for using the bat.

For why, my inning's at an end;

The earl has caught my ball. Duncombe. INNKE EPER. n. s. [inn and keeper.] One who keeps lodgings and provisions for the entertainment of travellers.

Clergymen must not keep a tavern, nor a judge be an innkeeper.

Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy. A factious innkeeper was hanged, drawn, and quartered. Addison, Freeholder.

We were not so inquisitive about the inn as the innkeeper; and provided our landlord's principles were sound, did not take any notice of the staleness of his provisions.

I'NNOCENCE. \ n. s. [innocence, Fr. inno-I'NNOCENCY. | centia, Lat.]

1. Purity from injurious action; untainted

integrity.

Simplicity and spotless innocence. Milton, P. L. What comfort does overflow the devout soul, from a conscience of its own innocence and inte-

2. Freedom from guilt imputed.

It will help me nothing To plead mine innocence; for that die is on me Which makes my whit'st part black.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. If truth and upright innocency fail me,

I'll to the king my master. Shaksp. Hen. IV. 3. Harmlessness; innoxiousness.

The air was calm and serene; none of those tumultuary motions and conflicts of vapours, which the mountains and the winds cause in ours 'twas suited to a golden age, and to the first innocency of nature. Burnet, Theory.

4. Simplicity of heart, perhaps with some degree of weakness.

I urge this childhood proof,

Because what follows is pure innocence.

Shakspeare. We laugh at the malice of apes, as well as at the innocence of children. I'NNOCENT. † adj. [innocent, Fr. innocens, Lat.]

1. Pure from mischief.

Something You may deserve of him through me and wisdom To offer up a weak, poor, innocent lamb,

T' appease an angry god. Shakspeare, Macbeth. I have sinned in that I have betrayed the in-St. Matt. xxvii. 4. To wreak on innocent frail man his loss.

Milton, P. L. 2. Free from any particular guilt.

Good madam, keep yourself within yourself; The man is innocent. Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. I am innocent of the blood of this just person. St. Matt. xxvii. 24. The peasant, innocent of all these ills,

With crooked ploughs the fertile fallows tills, And the round year with daily labour fills.

Dryden. 3. Unhurtful; harmless in effects.

The spear Sung innocent, and spent its force in air.

4. Ignorant. Obsolete.

Grisilde of this ful innocent. That for her shapen was all this aray, To fetchen water at a well is went.

Chaucer, Cl. Tale.

I'NNOCENT. † n. s.

Sherwood. 1. One free from guilt or harm. This ladie herde all that he saide.

Howe he swore, and how he praide, Which, was an enchantment To hir that was an innocent.

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 4. But antique Age, yet in the infancie Of time, did live then, like an innocent,

In simple truth and blameless chastitie.

Spenser, F. Q. Thou hast kill'd the sweetest innocent, That e'er did lift up eye. Shakspeare, Othello.

If murthering innocents be executing, Why, then thou art an executioner.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. Pilate's heart tells him, he hath done too much already in sentencing an innocent to death.

Bp. Hall, Contempl. B. 4. 2. A natural; an idiot.

Innocents are excluded by natural defects.

I ask'd her questions, and she answer'd me So far from what she was, so childishly, So sillily, as if she were a fool,

An innocent. Beaum. & Fl. Two Noble Kinsmen. See one man vilify and insult over his brother, as if he were an innocent or a block.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 437. I'NNOCENTLY. adv. [from innocent.]

1. Without guilt.

The humble and contented man pleases himself innocently and easily, while the ambitious man attempts to please others sinfully and difficultly. South.

2. With simplicity; with silliness or imprudence.

3. Without hurt.

Balls at his feet lay innocently dead. INNO'CUOUS.† adj. [innocuus, Lat.] 1. Harmless in effects.

Pure, pervious, immixt, innocuous, mild.

More, Song of the Soul, i. ii. 22. Speculative misapprehension may be innocuous, but immorality pernicious.

Brown, Chr. Mor. i. 17. The most dangerous poisons, skilfully managed, may be made not only innocuous, but of all other medicines the most effectual.

2. Doing no harm.

A generous lion will not hurt a beast that lies prostrate, nor an elephant an innocuous creature. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 358.

A patient, innocuous, innocent man. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 437.

Inno'cuously. adv. [from innocuous.] Without mischievous effects.

Whether quails, from any peculiarity of constitution, do innocuously feed upon hellebore, or rather sometimes but medically use the same. Brown, Vulg. Err.

Inno'cuousness. n.s. [from innocuous.] Harmlessness.

The blow which shakes a wall, or beats it down, and kills men, hath a greater effect on the mind than that which penetrates into a mud wall, and doth little harm; for that innocuousness of the effect makes, that, although in itself it be as great as the other, yet 'tis little observed.

Digby on Bodies. INNO'MINABLE.* adj. [innonimabilis.] Lat. 7 Not to be named. Cockeram.

Foule things innominable. Chaucer, Test. of Love, B. 1.

As concerning the manuscripts, they are ancient, but not many; innominable as yet, but not long to continue so. Dr. James's Manud. into Div. (1625,) sign. A.2.

Inno'minate.* adj. [innominé, Fr. in and nominate.] Without a name; not named. Places formerly innominate.

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 379. To I'NNOVATE. + v. a. [innover, Fr. innovo, Lat.]

1. To bring in something not known be-

Men pursue some few principles which they have chanced upon, and care not to innovate, which draws unknown inconveniences. Bacon. Former things

Are set aside like abdicated kings; And every moment alters what is done.

And innovates some act till then unknown. Dryd.

Every man cannot distinguish betwixt pedantry and poetry; every man therefore is not fit to 2. To change by introducing novelties.

The most frequent maladies are such as proceed from themselves; as first, when religion and God's service is neglected, innovated, or altered.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. To the Reader.
To introduce that for reformation which cannot appear to be restored, but may seem to be in-Thorndike, Of Forbearance, &c. p.16. novated.

From his attempts upon the civil power, he proceeds to innovate God's worship. South. To I'NNOVATE. v. n. To introduce novel-

Time - innovateth greatly, but quietly, and by

degrees scarce to be perceived. Bacon, Ess. of Innovations. It is a matter of great concernment towards the

edification of the church, to obey our superiours, not to innovate in publick forms of worship. Bp. Taylor, on Extempore Prayer, § 27.

INNOVA'TION. n. s. [innovation, Fr. from innovate.] Change by the introduction of novelty.

The love of things ancient doth argue stayedness; but levity and want of experience maketh apt unto innovations. It were good that men in innovations would

follow the example of time itself, which indeed innovateth greatly, but quietly and by degrees Bacon, Essays. scarce to be perceived. Great changes may be made in a government,

yet the form continue; but large intervals of time must pass between every such innovation, enough to make it of a piece with the constitution. Sunft.

I'NNOVATOR. n. s. [innovateur, Fr. from innovate. 1. An introducer of novelties.

I attach thee as a traiterous innovator, A foe to th' public weal.

Shakspeare, Coriol. He that will not apply new remedies must expect new evils; for time is the greatest innovator: and if time of course alter things to the worse, and wisdom and counsel shall not alter them to the better, what shall be the end?

Bacon, Essays. 2. One that makes changes by introducing novelties.

He counsels them to detest and prosecute all innovators of divine worship.

INNO'XIOUS.† adj. [innoxius, Lat.]

1. Free from mischievous effects. Innoxious flames are often seen on the hair of

men's heads and horse's manes. We may safely use purgatives, they being

benign, and of innoxious qualities. Brown, Vulg. Err.

Sent by the better genius of the night,

Innoxious gleaming on the horse's mane, The meteor sits. Thomson, Autumn.

2. Pure from crimes; harmless; doing no

Another sort of these [spirits] there are, which frequent forlorn houses; which the Italians call foliots, most part innoxious.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 47,

Stranger to civil and religious rage, The good man walk'd innoxious through his age.

Inno'xiously. adv. [from innoxious.]

1. Harmlessly; without harm done.

. 2. Without harm suffered.

Animals that can innoxiously digest these poisons become antidotal to the poison digested. Brown, Vulg. Err.

INNO'XIOUSNESS. n. s. [from innoxious.] Harmlessness.

INNUE'NDO. n. s. [innuendo, from innuo, Latin.] An oblique hint.

As if the commandments, that require obedience and forbid murder, were to be indicted for a libellous innuendo upon all the great men that L'Estrange. come to be concerned.

Mercury, though employed on a quite contrary errand, owns it a marriage by an innuendo. Dryd.

Pursue your trade of scandal picking,

Your hints that Stella is no chicken; Your innuendoes, when you tell us, That Stella loves to talk with fellows.

Swift. I'NNUENT.* adj. [innuens, Latin, from

innuo.] Significant.

He may apply his mind to heraldry, antiquity, innuent impresses, emblems.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 282.

INNUMERABI'LITY.* n. s. [from innumerable; Fr. innumerabilité.] State or quality of being innumerable. He rejected this innumerability of causes.

Fotherby, Atheom. (1622,) p. 217.

INNU'MERABLE. adj. [innumerable, Fr. innumerabilis, Lat.] Not to be counted for multitude.

You have sent innumerable substance To furnish Rome, and to prepare the ways You have for dignities. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. Cover me, ye pines,

Ye cedars! with innumerable boughs, Hide me, where I may never see them more.

Milton, P. L. In lines which appear of an equal length, one may be longer than the other by innumerable parts.

INNU'MERABLENESS.* n. s. [from innumerable. Innumerability. Sherwood. INNU'MERABLY. adv. [from innumerable.] Without number.

INNU'MEROUS. † adj. [innumerus, Latin.]

Too many to be counted. Twould be some solace yet, some little cheering, In this close dungeon of innumerous boughs. Milton, Comus.

Innumerous mischiefs then to mischiefs adds. More, Song of the Soul. iii. iv. 32.

Keep back those innumerous concupiscences, and corrupt imaginations violently succeeding each other. Spiritual Conflict, P. ii. p. 58. (1651.) I take the wood,

And, in thick shelter of innumerous boughs,

Enjoy the comfort gentle sleep allows Pope, Odyss.

INOBE'DIENCE.* n. s. [inobedience, French; inobedientia, Lat. Disobedience.

Inobedience to this call of Christ. Bp. Bedell, Serm. (1634.) p. 81.

INOBE'DIENT. † adj. [inobedient, Fr. inobediens, Lat.] Disobedient. Formerly used as a substantive. " Examples howe mortall synne maketh the synners inobedyentes to have many paynes and doloures within the fyre of hell." 12mo. bl. l. without date.

INO INOBSE'RVABLE.* adj. [inobservabilis, Lat.] Unobservable.

Bullokar, and Cockeram. INOBSE'RVANCE. † n. s. \inobservantia, Lat.] Want of observance; disobedience; heedlessness; negligence; disregard.

The breach and inobservance of certain wholesome and politick laws. Bacon, Charge, &c. p.16. A dull and stupid inobservance of such examples of divine justice - stands often arraigned in Scripture as a very great sin. Spenser on Prod. p. 376. Sluggishness, and inobservances of God's sea-

sons and opportunities. Hammond, Works, iv. 574. Infidelity doth commonly proceed from negligence, or drowsy inobservance and carelessness. Barrow on the Creed.

INOBSERVA'TION.* n. s. [inobservatus, Lat. in and observation. Want of observation. These writers are in all this guilty of the most shameful inobservation.

Shuckford on the Creation, p. 118. oculus, Lat.] To propagate any plant, by inserting its bud into another stock; to practice inoculation. See Inocu-LATION.

Nor are the ways alike in all

May, Virg. How to engraff, how to inoculate. Now is the season for the budding of the orange-tree : inoculaté therefore at the commencement of this mouth.

But various are the ways to change the state, To plant, to bud, to graft, to inoculate. Dryden. To INO'CULATE. † v. a.

1. To yield a bud to another stock.

Virtue cannot so inoculate our old stock, but Shakspeare, Hamlet. we shall relish of it. Oh, for that Palatine vine, late inoculated with a precious bud of our royal stem!

Bp. Hall, Serm. Works, ii. 268. The end of love is to have two made one In will, and in affection, that the minds

Be first inoculated, not the bodies.

B. Jonson, New Inn. Thy stock is too much out of date. Cleaveland. For tender plants to inoculate.

2. To infect with the small pox by inoculation. See the second sense of In-OCULATION.

The child once burnt dreads the fire; he runs away from the surgeon by whom he was in-

INOCULA'TION. † n. s. [inoculatio, Lat. from inoculate.]

1. The act of inserting the eye of a bud into another stock.

Inoculation is practised upon all sorts of stonefruit, and upon oranges and jasmines. Chuse a smooth part of the stock; then with your knife make a horizontal cut across the rind of the stock, and from the middle of that cut make a slit downwards, about two inches in length in the form of a T; but be careful not to cut too deep, lest you wound the stock; then having cut off the leaf from the bud, leaving the foot-stalk remaining, make a cross cut about half an inch below the eye, and with your knife slit off the bud, with part of the wood to it. This done, with your knife pull off that part of the wood which was taken with the bud, observing whether the eye of the bud be left to it or not; for all these buds which lose their eyes in stripping, are good for nothing: then raising the bark of the stock, thrust the bud therein, placing it smooth between the rind and the wood of the stock; and so having exactly fitted the bud to the stock, tie them closely round, taking care not to bind round the eye of the bud.

In the stem of Elaiana they all met and came to be ingrafted all upon one stock, most of them by inoculation.

2. The practice of transplanting the smallpox, by infusion of the matter from ripened pustules into the veins of the uninfected, in hopes of procuring a milder sort than what frequently comes by infection.

It is evident, by inoculation, that the smallest quantity of the matter, mixed with the blood, produceth the disease. Arbuthnot.

INO'CULATOR. n. s. [from inoculate.] To INO CULATE. v. n. [inoculo, in and]. One that practises the inoculation of

2. One who propagates the small-pox by inoculation.

Had John a Gaddesden been now living, he would have been at the head of the inoculators. Friend, Hist. of Physick.

To Ino'DIATE.* v. a. [in and odious.] To make hateful. This word I believed to have been peculiar to Dr. South; but a learned friend assures me that bishop Andrewes uses it, though his reference to the passage in which it occurs has been mislaid. It is certainly a very expressive word.

He inflicts them [calamities] - partly to give the world fresh demonstrations of his hatred of sin, and partly to inodiate and imbitter sin to the South, Serm. vi. 224. chastised sinner.

The ancienter members of her communion. who have all along owned and contended for a strict conformity to her rules and sanctions, as the surest course to establish her, have been of late represented, or rather reprobated, under the inodiating character of high churchmen.

South, Dedication to Archbishop Marsh. INO'DORATE. adj. [in and odoratus, Lat.] Having no scent.

Whites are more inodorate than flowers of the same kind coloured. Bacon, Nat. Hist. Ino'DOROUS. adj. [inodorus, Lat.] Wanting scent; not affecting the nose.

The white of an egg is a viscous, unactive, insipid, inodorous liquor. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

INOFFE'NSIVE. † adj. [in and offensive.] 1. Giving no scandal; giving no provocation.

A stranger, inoffensive, unprovoking. Fleetwood. However inoffensive we may be in other parts of our conduct, if we are found wanting in this trial of our love, we shall be disowned by God as Rogers.

2. Giving no uneasiness; causing no ter-Should infants have taken offence at any thing,

mixing pleasant and agreeable appearances with it, must be used, till it be grown inoffensive to Locke. 3. Harmless; hurtless; innocent.

The dervis, and other santoons or enthusiasticks, being in the croud, express their zeal by turning round so long together, and with such swiftness, as will hardly be credited, which by custom is

made inoffensive. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 326. For drink the grape Milton, P. L. She crushes, inoffensive must.

With whate'er gall thou sett'st thyself to write,
Thy inoffensive satires never bite. Dryden.
Hark, how the cannon, inoffensive now,

Gives signs of gratulation. Philips.
4. Unembarrassed; without stop or obstruction. A Latin mode of speech.

From hence a passage broad, Smooth, easy, inoffensive, down to hell.

Milton, P. L. So have I seen a river gently glide,

In a smooth course, and inoffensive tide;
But if with dams its current we restrain,
It bears down all, and foams along the plain.

Addison, Ovid.

INOFFE'NSIVELY.† adv. [from inoffensive.]
Without appearance of harm; without harm.

Though were she [Poetry] a more unworthy mistress, I think she might be inoffensively served with the broken messes of our twelve o'clock hours, which homely service she only claimed and found of me, for that short while of my attendance.

By. Hall, Postscript to his Satires.

He had many that lived inoffensively under his empire and government.

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 263.
To live lovingly, quietly, inoffensively.
Milton, Tetrachordon.

He would not spare to give seasonable reproof, and wholesome advice when he saw occasion. I never knew any that would do it so freely, and that knew how to manage that freedom of speech so inoffensively.

Bp. Lloyd, Serm. p. 30.

The Israelites had hitherto lived inoffensively

among them. Patrick on Gen. xxxiv. 21.

This vulgar tar—appears to be an excellent balsam, containing the virtues of most other bal-

Ins vulgar tar—appears to be an excellent balsam, containing the virtues of most other balsams, which it easily imparts to water, and by that means readily and inoffensively insinuates them into the habit of the body.

Bp. Berkeley, Siris, § 10.

INOFFE'NSIVENESS.† n. s. [from inoffensive.]
Harmlessness; freedom from appearance of harm.

What is the ground of this their pretended inoffensiveness? Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 139.

INOFFI'CIOUS.† adj. [inofficiosus, Lat.]
1. Not civil; not attentive to the accommodation of others. This is Dr. Johnson's definition of the word, without an example; against which Mr. Mason has protested, insisting that the word will not bear such an interpretation, but that it is a Latinism, as in the following passage from Ben Jonson, having the sense of "unfit for any office." But he has heedlessly blamed the great lexicographer; and the Latin inofficiosus is unkind, undutiful; and such is the meaning in the verses that follow. The river is upbraided for being wanting in dutiful or civil attention.

Up, thou tame river, wake:
And from thy liquid limbs this slumber shake:
Thou drown'st thyself in inofficious sleep.

B. Jonson, Part of the King's Entertainment.

2. Applied by civilians to that will, in which they are omitted, or but slightly provided for, who ought chiefly to be considered.

Bullokar.

INOPERA'TION.* n. s. [from operation.]
Production of effects; agency; in-

Here is not a cold and feeble prevention, but an effectual inoperation, yea, a powerful creation.

Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Marr. Clergy, p.74.
A true temper of a quiet and peaceable estate
of the soul upon good grounds can never be at-

tained without the inoperation of that Holy Spirit, from whom every good gift, and every perfect giving, proceedeth. Bp. Hall, of Contentation, § 25. INO'PINATE. adj. [inopinatus, Lat.; inopiné, Fr.] Not expected.

INOPPORTU'NE. adj. [inopportunus, Lat.] Unseasonable; inconvenient.

INOPPORTU'NELY.* adv. [from inopportune.] Unseasonably; inconveniently. That holy exercise may not be done inoppor-

tunely. Donne, Lett. to Sir H. G. Poems, p. 269.
You have taken me, said he, rather inopportunely to-day.

Dialogues on the Amusements of Clergymen, p. 208. INO'RDINACY.† n. s. [from inordinate.] Irregularity; disorder. It is safer to use inordination.

Inordinacy and immorality of mind.

Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 145. O powerful God, on those of us who are yet unregenerate, bestow thy restraining grace, which may curb and stop our natural inordinacy!

Hammond, Works, iv. 683.

They become very sinful by the excess, which were not so in their nature: that inordinacy sets them in opposition to God's designation.

Gov. of the Tongue.

INO'RDINATE. adj. [in and ordinatus,
Lat.] Irregular; disorderly; deviating
from right.

These people were wisely brought to allegiance; but being straight left unto their own inordinate life, they forgot what before they were taught.

Spenser on Ireland.
Thence raise

At least distempered, discontented thoughts; Vain hopes, vain aims, inordinate desires, Blown up with high conceits, ingendering pride.

Blown up with high conceits, ingendering pride.

Milton, P. L.

From inordinate love and vain fear comes all

unquietness of spirit.

Bp. Taylor, Guide to Devotion.

INO'RDINATELY.† adv. [from inordinate.]
Irregularly; not rightly.

Which constrayned him forcibly For to love a certaine body, Above all other inordinately.

Skelton, Poems, p. 161.
Neither the study of philosophy, neither remembraunce of his deare friend,—could withdraw him from that unkinde appetite, but that of force he must love inordinately that lady whom his said friend had determined to marye.

Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 123. b.
As soon as a man desires any thing inordinately, he is presently disquieted in himself. Bp. Taylor.

INO'RDINATENESS.† n. s. [from inordinate.]
Want of regularity; intemperance of any kind.

Out of pusillanimity or mordinateness a man prostitutes himself to those unworthy conditions and actions of sinful pleasure, that misbeseem a man, a Christian.

Bp. Hall, Fall of Pride.
They are pursued with inordinateness.

Feltham, Res. i. 9.
Those good things which we abuse to sin by

the inordinateness of our minds.

Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 36.

INORDINA'TION.† n. s. [from inordinate.]
Irregularity; deviation from right.
This is inordination of zeal.

Bp. Taylor, Serm. p. 185. Schoolmen and casuists, having too much philosophy to clear a lie from that intrinsick inordination and deviation from right reason, inherent in the nature of it, held that a lie was absolutely and universally sinful.

INORGA'NICAL. † adj. [in and organical.]
Void of organs or instrumental parts.

Whether it be organical or inorganical.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 26.

Many of these mushroom sects are like those inorganical creatures bred upon the banks of Nilus, which perished quickly, after they were bred, for want of fit organs.

Bp. Bramhall, Schism Guarded, p. 354.
We come to the lowest and the most inorganical parts of matter.

Locke.

To INO'SCULATE. v. n. [in and osculum, Latin.] To unite by opposition or contact.

This fifth conjugation of nerves is branched by inosculating with nerves. Derham, Physico-Theol. To INO'SCULATE.** v. a. To insert; to

join in or among.

It is an opinion, received by many, that the sap circulates in plants as the blood in animals; that it ascends through capillary arteries in the trunk, into which are inosculated other vessels of the bark answering to veins.

Bp. Berkeley, Siris, § 34. Inoscula'tion.† n. s. [from inosculate.] Union by conjunction of the extremities.

The almost infinite ramifications and inosculations of all the several sorts of vessels may easily be detected by classes.

be detected by glasses.

The grand junction is an inosculation of the grand trunk.

Burke on a Regicide Peace.

I'NQUEST. n.s. [enqueste, Fr.; inquisitio, Lat.]

1. Judicial enquiry or examination.

What confusion of face shall we be under, when that grand inquest begins; when an account of our opportunities of doing good, and a particular of our use or misuse of them, is given in?

Atterbury.

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In law.] The inquest of jurors, or by jury, is the most usual trial of all causes, both civil and criminal; for in civil causes, after proof is made on either side, so much as each part thinks good for himself, if the doubt be in the fact, it is referred to the discretion of twelve indifferent men, impanelled by the sheriff; and as they bring in their verdict so judgement passes; for the judge saith, the jury finds the fact thus; then is the law thus, and so we

3. Enquiry; search; study.

judge.

This is the laborious and vexatious inquest that the soul must make after science.

South.

To INQUIET.* v. a. [old Fr. inquieter.]
To disquiet; to trouble; to disturb.

Conscience confounded the reason, it croketh the will, and enquyeteth the soule.

Bp. Fisher, Ps. 11, 12.

Cowel.

INQUIETA'TION.* n. s. [from To inquiet.]
Disturbance; annoyance. Obsolete.

How many semely personages, by outrage in riot, gaminge, and excesse of apparayle, be enduced to thefte and robbery, and sometime to murder; to the inquietation of good men, and finally to their owne destruction.

Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 106, b.

INQUI'ETUDE. n. s. [inquietude, Fr.; inquietudo, inquietus, Lat.] Disturbed state; want of quiet; attack on the quiet.

Having had such experience of his fidelity and observance abroad, he found himself engaged in honour to support him at home from any farther inquietude.

Wotton.

Iron, that has stood long in a window, being thence taken, and by a cork balanced in water,

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where it may have a free mobility, will bewray a kind of inquietude and discontentment till it attain the former position.

The youthful hero, with returning light, Rose anxious from the inquietudes of night.

Pope, Odyssey. To I'NQUINATE. v. a. [inquino, Lat.] To pollute: to corrupt.

An old opinion it was, that the ibis feeding upon serpents, that venomous food so inquinated their oval conceptions, that they sometimes came

forth in serpentine shapes. INQUINA'TION. † n. s. [inquinatio, Lat.; from inquinate.] Corruption; pollu-

tion. Their causes and axioms are so full of imagination, and so infected with the old received theories,

as they are mere inquinations of experience, and concoct it not. The middle action, which produceth such im-perfect bodies, is fitly called by some of the ancients

inquination, or inconcoction, which is a kind of putrefaction. An exemption from the stains and inquinations

of youth. W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. P. i. Pref. INQUI'RABLE. † adj. [from inquire.] Of

which inquisition or inquest may be

There be many more things inquirable by you. Bacon, Charge, &c. p.19.

The second thing inquirable, is, who it was that brought him forth; and that was Jehoiada, the Turner, Serm. (1661,) p. 3.

To INQUI'RE. v. n. [enquirer, Fr.; inquiro, Lat.]
To ask questions; to make search; to

exert curiosity on any occasion: with of before the person asked. You have oft inquir'd

After the shepherd that complain'd of love.

Shakspeare. We will call the damsel, and inquire at her mouth. Gen. xxiv. 57.

Herod - inquired of them diligently. St. Matt. ii. 7

They began to inquire among themselves, which of them it was that should do this thing.

St. Luke, xxii. 23. He sent Hadoram to king David, to inquire of his welfare. 1 Chron. xviii. 10. It is a subject of a very noble inquiry, to inquire

of the more subtile perceptions; for it is another key to open nature, as well as the house. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

2. It is used with into when something is already imperfectly known.

It may deserve our best skill to inquire into those rules, by which we may guide our judge-

The step-dame poison for the son prepares; The son inquires into his father's years. Dryden. 3. Sometimes with of.

Under their grateful shade Æneas sat; His left young Pallas kept, fix'd to his side, And oft of winds inquir'd, and of the tide.

4. With after when something is lost or missing; in which case for is likewise used.

Inquire for one Saul of Tarsus. Acts, ix. 11. They are more in danger to go out of the way, who are marching under a guide that will mislead them, than he that is likelier to be prevailed on to inquire after the right way. Locke. 5. With about, when fuller intelligence is

desired. To those who inquired about me, my lover would

answer, that I was an old dependent upon his family.

6. To make examination.

Awful Rhadamanthus rules the state: He hears and judges each committed crime, Enquires into the manner, place, and time. Dryden, Æn.

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To INQUI'RE. v. a.

1. To ask about; to seek out: as, he inquired the way.

2. To call; to name. Obsolete. Canute had his portion from the rest, The which he call'd Canutium, for his hire, Now Cantium, which Kent we commonly inquire.

3. It is now more commonly written en-

INQUI'RENT.* adj. [inquirens, Lat.] Inquiring into; wishing to know.

Delia's eye, As in a garden, roves, of hues alone Shenstone, Econom. P. 2. Inquirent, curious.

INQUI'RER. n. s. [from inquire.] 1. Searcher; examiner; one curious and inquisitive.

What satisfaction may be obtained from those violent disputers, and eager inquirers into what day of the month the world began?

Brown, Vulg. Err. What's good doth open to the inquirers stand, And itself offers to the accepting hand. Denham Superficial inquirers may satisfy themselves that the parts of matter are united by ligaments.

Glanville, Scepsis. This is a question only of inquirers, not disputers, who neither affirm nor deny, but examine.

Late inquirers by their glasses find, That every insect of each different kind, In its own egg, cheer'd by the solar rays, Organs involv'd and latent life displays.

2. One who interrogates; one who ques-

INQUI'RY. n. s. [from inquire.]

1. Interrogation; search by question.

The men which were sent from Cornelius had made inquiry for Simon's house, and stood before Acts, x. 17. the gate.

2. Examination; search.

This exactness is absolutely necessary in inquiries after philosophical knowledge, and in controversies about truth. Locke.

As to the inquiry about liberty, I think the question is not proper, whether the will be free, but whether a man be free?

Locke.

I have been engaged in physical inquiries.

It is a real inquiry, concerning the nature of a bird, or a bat, to make their yet imperfect ideas of Locke. it more complete.

Judgement or opinion, in a remoter sense, may be called invention; as when a judge or a physician makes an exact inquiry into any cause.

Grew, Cosm. Sacra.

INQUISI'TION. + n. s. [inquisition, Fr. inquisitio, Lat.]

1. Judicial inquiry.

When he maketh inquisition for blood, he remembereth them: he forgetteth not the cry of the Ps. ix. 12.

When inquisition was made of the matter, it Esth. ii. 23. was found out.

With much severity, and strict inquisition, were punished the adherents and aiders of the late re-Bacon, Hen. VII.

Though it may be impossible to recollect every failing, yet you are so far to exercise an inquisition upon yourself, as, by observing lesser particulars, you may the better discover what the corruption Bp. Taylor. of your nature sways you to.

By your good leave, These men will be your 'udges: we must stand The inquisition of their raillery On our condition.

Southerne.

2. Examination: discussion.

We were willing to make a pattern or precedent of an exact inquisition. Bacon, Nat. Hist. It is the part of a discreet and wise patient not to leave this inquisition only to the physician.

Fotherby, Atheom. p. 234. An inquisition and collation of several means. Smith on Old Age, p. 37.

3. [In law.] A manner of proceeding in matters criminal, by the office of the judge.

4. The court established in some countries subject to the pope for the detection of

Now we are upon the subject of tortures, it is impossible to forget that depth of Satan, the inquisition; for Satanical it is by the conjunction of three qualities; indefatigable diligence, profound subtilty, and inhuman cruelty. Trapp, Popery Stated, &c. P. ii. § 12.

INQUISI'TIONAL.* adj. [from inquisition.]

Busy in inquiry.

By these and other means, no less politick and inquisitional, popery has found out the art of making men miserable in spite of their senses.

Sterne, Serm. xxxvii.

INQUI'SITIVE. adj. [inquisitus, Lat.] Curious; busy in search; active to pry into any thing: with about, after, into, or of, and sometimes to.

My boy at eighteen years became inquisitive After his brother. Shaksp. Com. of Err.

This idleness, together with fear of imminent mischiefs, have been the cause that the Irish were ever the most inquisitive people after news of any nation in the world.

He is not inquisitive into the reasonableness of indifferent and innocent commands.

Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy. It can be no duty to write his heart upon his forehead, and to give all the inquisitive and malicious world a survey of those thoughts, which is the prerogative of God only to know. His old shaking sire,

Inquisitive of fights, still longs in vain To find him in the number of the slain.

Dryden, Juv. Then what the Gallick arms will do,

Art anxiously inquisitive to know. A Dutch ambassadour, entertaining the king of Siam with the particularities of Holland, which he was inquisitive after, told him that the water would, in cold weather, be so hard that men walked upon it. Locke.

The whole neighbourhood grew inquisitive after my name and character. Addison, Spect. A wise man is not inquisitive about things impertinent. Broome.

They cannot bear with the impertinent questions of a young inquisitive and sprightly genius.

Watts on the Mind. INQUI'SITIVELY. † adv. [from inquisitive.]

With curiosity; with narrow scrutiny.

If at any time I seem to study you more inquisitively, it is for no other end but to know how to present you to God in my prayers, and what to ask of Him for you.

Donne, Lett. to Sir H. G. Poems, p. 269.

INQUI'SITIVENESS. n. s. [from inquisitive.] Curiosity; diligence to pry into things hidden.

Though he thought inquisitiveness an uncomely guest, he could not but ask who she was. Sidney. Heights that scorn our prospect, and depths I in which reason will never touch the bottom, yet surely the pleasure arising from hence is great and noble; for as much as the afford perpetual matter to the inquisitiveness of human reason, and |INSA'NABLE. † adj. [insanable, old French; | so are large enough for it to take its full scopes and range in. South, Serm.

Providence, delivering great conclusions to us, designed to excite our curiosity and inquisitiveness after the methods by which things were brought

Curiosity in children nature has provided, to remove that ignorance they were born with; which, without this busy inquisitiveness, will make them Locke.

INQUI'SITOR. † n. s. [inquisitor, Latin; inquisiteur, French.]

1. One who examines judicially.

In these particulars I have played myself the inquisitor, and find nothing contrary to religion or manners, but rather medicinable. Bacon, Ess. Minos, the strict inquisitor, appears,

And lives and crimes with his assessors hears. Druden.

2. One who is too curious and inquisitive. Inquisitors are tatlers. Feltham, Res. ii. 31.

3. An officer in the popish courts of in-

The inquisitors in Spain charged all honest women and matrons, that had been solicited by their ghostlie fathers unto adulterie, to confess the same before them. Fulke against Allen, (1586,) p. 252.

INQUISITO'RIAL.* adj. [from inquisitor.] With the severity of an inquisitor. See INQUISITORIOUS.

Illiberal and inquisitorial abuse.

Archd. Blackburne.

INQUISITO'RIOUS.* adj. [from inquisitor.] With the prying severity of an inquisitor. We now say inquisitorial.

Under whose inquisitorious and tyrannical duncery, no free and splendid wit can ever flourish. Milton, Reas. of Ch. Gov. B. 2.

To INRA'IL. v. a. [in and rail.] To inclose within rails.

In things indifferent, what the whole church doth think convenient for the whole, the same if any part do wilfully violate, it may be reformed and invailed again, by that general authority where-unto each particular is subject. Hooker.

Where fam'd St. Giles's ancient limits spread, An inrail'd column rears its lofty head; Here to seven streets seven dials count the day, And from each other catch the circling ray. Gay.

I'NROAD. n. s. [in and road.] Incursion; sudden and desultory invasion.

Many hot inroads They make in Italy. hey make in Italy. Shaksp. Ant. and Cleop. From Scotland we have had in former times some alarms, and inroads into the northern parts of this kingdom. Bacon.

By proof we feel Our power sufficient to disturb his heaven, And with perpetual inroads to alarm,

Though inaccessible his fatal throne. Milton, P. L. The loss of Shrewsbury exposed all North Wales to the daily inroads of the enemy.

Clarendon. The country open lay without defence For poets frequent inroads there had made.

Druden. INSA'FETY.* n. s. [in and safety.] Want of safety; hazard; insecurity.

Apprehending the *insafety* and danger of an intermarriage with the blood royal.

Naunton, Fragm. Regalia. Insalu'brity.* n. s. [insalubrité, old Fr.]

Unwholesomeness. To make us more sure of the insalubrity of this

Gregory, Posthum. (1650,) p. 6. Socrates shews the cause of the insalubrity of a passage between two mountains in Armenia. Warton, Hist. E. P. iii. lxii. insanabilis, Latin.] Incurable; irreme-Cockeram.

INSA'NE. † adj. [insanus, Latin.] 1. Mad.

As most men perceive the faults of others without being aware of their own, so insane people easily detect the nonsense of other madmen, without being able to discover, or even to be made sensible of, the incorrect associations of their own ideas. Haslam on Madness and Melancholy, ch. vii. 2. Making mad.

Were such things here as we do speak about? Or have we eaten of the insane root,

That takes the reason prisoner? Shaksp. Macbeth. Insa'nity.* n. s. [from insane.] Want of sound mind; madness.

There is a partial insanity, and a total insanity.

Speak what you know of his sanity or insanity

Counsellor Vernon, in the State Trials, (under 1741.) All power of fancy over reason is a degree of Sanity. Johnson, Rasselas, ch. 43. Collins, who, while he studied to live, felt no

evil but poverty, no sooner lived to study, than his life was assailed by more dreadful calamities, disease, and insanity. Johnson, Life of Collins.

INSA'PORY.* adj. [in and sapor.] SAPOR. Tasteless; wanting flavour. However ingrate or insapory it seems at first, it becomes grate and delicious enough by custom. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 311.

INSA'TIABLE.† adj. [insatiabilis, Latin; insatiable, French.] Greedy beyond measure; greedy so as not to be satis-

The sight is of all the other senses the most comprehensive and insatiable. South, Serm. x. 364. INSA'TIABLENESS. * n. s. [from insatiable.] Greediness not to be appeased.

Both pleasures and profits, if way be given to them, have too much power to debauch the mind, and to work it to a kind of insatiableness.

Bp. Hall, on Contentation, § 23. Some men's hydropick insatiableness had learned to thirst the more, by how much more they drank. King Charles.

INSA'TIABLY. adv. [from insatiable.] With greediness not to be appeased.

They were extremely ambitious, and insatiably covetous; and therefore no impression, from argument or miracles, could reach them.

Insa'tiate. adj. [insatiatus, Lat.] Greedy so as not to be satisfied.

My mother went with child Of that insatiate Edward. Shakspeare, Rich. III. Insatiate to pursue

Vain war with heaven. Milton, P. L. Too oft has pride,

And hellish discord, and insatiate thirst Of others rights, our quiet discompos'd. Philips.

Insa'tiately.* adv. [from insatiate.] So greedily as not to be satisfied.

He [Mahomet] was so insatiately libidinous, that he is not ashamed to countenance his incontinency by a law. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 321.

INSATI'ETY.* n. s. [in and satiety.] Insatiableness; an elegant word.

A confirmation of this insaliety, and consequently unprohitableness by a cause uncrease. "When goods increase, they are increased that eat them." Granger on Eccles. (1621), p. 123. uently unprofitableness by a cause thereof:

INSATISFA'CTION. n. s. [in and satisfaction.] Want; unsatisfied state. A word not in use.

It is a profound contemplation in nature, to

consider of the emptiness or insatisfaction of several bodies, and of their appetite to take in others. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

INSA'TURABLE. † adj. [insaturabilis, Lat.] Not to be glutted; not to be filled.

Enemies to all dignity, whose hatred is insatu-rable, whose malice is cankered, whose indignation is implacable against this settled and prosperous estate of the church.

Tooker, Fabr. of the Church, (1604,) p. 114.

I'NSCIENCE.* n. s. [inscience, French.] Ignorance; unskilfulness; want of know-Cockeram and Cotgrave.

To Insco'nce.* v. a. See To Ensconce. I would wish you to retire, and insconce yourself in your study. Beaum. and Fl. Woman-Hater.

To INSCRIBE. v. a. [inscribo, Latin; inscrire, French.]

1. To write on any thing. It is generally applied to something written on a monument, or on the outside of something. It is therefore more frequently used with on than in.

In all you writ to Rome, or else To foreign princes, ego & rex meus

Was still inscrib'd. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. Connatural principles are in themselves highly reasonable, and deducible by a strong process of ratiocination to be most true; and consequently the high exercise of ratiocination might evince their truth, though there were no such originally inscribed in the mind. Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

Ye weeping loves! the stream with myrtles hide, And with your golden darts, now useless grown, Inscribe a verse on this relenting stone.

To mark any thing with writing; as, I inscribed the stone with my name.

3. To assign to a patron without a formal dedication.

One ode, which pleased me in the reading, I have attempted to translate in Pindarick verse: 'tis that which is inscribed to the present earl of Rochester. Dryden.

To draw a figure within another.

In the circle inscribe a square.

Notes to Creech's Manilius.

INSCRI'BER.* n. s. [from To inscribe.] One who inscribes.

I should then hope to be taught from such learning and knowledge what all those elementary characters, and lineal diagrams, mean to express, which Kircher has passed by unnoticed, as though making no part of the inscriber's intention. Pownall on Antiq. p. 48.

INSCRI'PTION. n. s. [inscription, Fr. inscriptio, Lat.]

1. Something written or engraved. This avarice of praise in time to come,

Those long inscriptions crowded on the tomb.

Joubertus by the same title led our expectation, whereby we reaped no advantage, it answering scarce at all the promise of the inscription. Brown, Vulg. Err.

3. [In law.] An obligation made in writing, whereby the accuser binds himself to undergo the same punishment, if he shall not prove the crime which he objects to the party accused, in his accusatory libel, as the defendant himself ought to suffer, if the same be proved.

Ayliffe, Parergon. 4. Consignment of a book to a patron

without a formal dedication.

INSCRI'PTIVE.* adj. [inscriptus, Lat.] Bearing inscription.

Inscriptive nonsense in a fancied abbey.

Pursuits of Literature. [from scroll.] To

write on a scroll.

To Inscro'L.* v. a.

Your answer had not been inscroll'd.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. INSCRUTABI'LITY. * n. s. [from inscrutable.] Incapability of being discovered, or traced out.

His theological conceptions were always, I confess, to me, who yet affect some insight into the human character, one of the inscrutabilities of mys-Wakefield, Mem. p. 130.

INSCRU'TABLE. adj. [inscrutabilis, Lat.; inscrutable, Fr.] Unsearchable; not to be traced out by inquiry or study.

A jest unseen, inscrutable, invisible,

Shakspeare. As a weather-cock on a steeple. This king had a large heart, inscrutable for good, and was wholly bent to make his kingdom and people happy.

O how inscrutable ! his equity

Sandys. Twins with his power. Hereunto they have recourse as unto the oracle of life, the great determinator of virginity, conception, fertility, and the inscrutable infirmities of Brown.

the whole body. We should contemplate reverently the works of nature and grace, the inscrutable ways of Providence, and all the wonderful methods of God's dealing with men.

INSCRU TABLY.* adv. [from inscrutable.] So as not to be traced out.

To INSCU'LP. + v. a. [insculpo, Lat.] To engrave; to cut. Shakspeare uses it in the sense of to carve in relief, Mr. Douce observes; and might have caught the word from the casket story in the Gesta Romanorum, where it is rightly used.

The third vessel was made of lead, and thereupon was insculpt this poesy. Transl. of Gest. Rom. A coin that bears the figure of an angel

Stamped in gold; but that's insculp'd upon. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. INSC'ULPTION.* n. s. [insculptus, Lat.] In-

scription. Not in use. What is it to have

A flattering, false, insculption on a tomb, And in men's hearts reproach?

Tourneur, Revenger's Tragedy. INSCU'LPTURE. n. s. [from in and sculp-

ture.] Any thing engraved. Timon is dead,

Entomb'd upon the very hem o' th' sea; And on the grave-stone this insculpture, which With wax I brought away. Shakspeare, Timon. It was usual to wear rings on either hand; but when precious gems and rich insculptures were added, the custom of wearing them was translated unto the left.

To Inse'AM. v. a. [in and seam.] To impress or mark by a seam or cicatrix.

Deep o'er his knee inseam'd remain'd the scar. Pope. To To INSE'ARCH.* v. n. [from search.] make inquiry. Huloet.

Now let us insearch, what friendship or amitie Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 118. b.

I'NSECT. n. s. [insecta, Lat.]

1. Insects may be considered together as one great tribe of animals: they are called insects from a separation in the middle of their bodies, whereby they are cut into two parts which are joined together by a small ligature, as we see in wasps and common flies. Locke. Beast, bird, insect, or worm, durst enter none.

2. Any thing small or contemptible. In ancient times the sacred plough employ'd The kings, and awful fathers of mankind;

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And some with whom compar'd, your insect tribes Are but the beings of a summer's day. Thomson.

INSECTA'TOR. n. s. [from insector, Lat.] One that persecutes or harasses with

I'NSECTED.* adj. [from insect; Lat. insectus, cut. See Locke's explanation of insect. Having the nature of an insect.

We can hardly endure the sting of that small insected animal, [the bee.] Howell, Let. ii. 6. INSECTILE. adj. [from insect.] Having the 2. Stupidity; dulness of mental percep-

nature of insects. Insectile, animals, for want of blood, run all out

into legs. Inse'ctile.* n. s. An insect.

Entire insectiles of any greatness, and in any posture, [may] be inclosed therein.

Wotton to Sir E. Bacon, (1633,) Rem. p. 465. The ant, and silk-worm, and many such insect-Smith on Old Age, p. 264.

Insecto'loger. n. s. Tinsect and Abyos.] One who studies or describes insects. A word, I believe, unauthorised.

The insect itself is, according to modern insectologers, of the ichneumon-fly kind. Derham, Physico-Theol.

INSECU'RE. † adj. [in and secure.]

1. Not secure; not confident of safety. He is liable to a great many inconveniences every moment of his life, and is continually insecure not only of the good things of this life, but even of life itself. Tillotson.

2. Not safe. Am I going to build on precarious and insecure foundations?

INSECU'RELY.* adv. [from insecure.] Without certainty.

When I say secured, I mean it in the sense, in which the word should always be understood at courts, that is insecurely. Ld. Chesterfield.

INSECU'RITY. n. s. [in and security.] 1. Uncertainty; want of confidence. It may easily be perceived with what insecurity of truth we ascribe effects, depending upon the na-

tural period of time, unto arbitrary calculations, and such as vary at pleasure.

Brown. 2. Want of safety; danger; hazard.

The unreasonableness and presumption, the danger and desperate insecurity of those that have not so much as a thought, all their lives long, to advance so far as attrition and contrition, sorrow, and resolution of amendment. Hammond.

INSECU'TION. n. s. [insecution, Fr. insecutio, Lat.] Pursuit. Not in use.

Not the king's own horse got more before the

Of his rich chariot, that might still the insecution feel.

With the extreme hairs of his tail.

Chapman, Iliad.

To INSE'MINATE.* v. a. Tinsemino. Lat.] To sow. Cockeram.

INSEMINA'TION. n. s. [insemination, Fr.; insemino, Lat. The act of scattering seed on ground.

Inse'nsate. adj. [insensé, French; insensato, Italian. Stupid; wanting thought; wanting sensibility.

Ye be reprobates; obdurate, insensate creatures. Hammond.

So fond are mortal men, As their own ruin on themselves t'invite, Insensate left, or to sense reprobate,

And with blindness internal struck. Milton, S. A. To Inse'nse.* v. a. [in and sense.] To instruct; to inform. To lay open a business to any one, is to insense him. Wilbraham, Cheshire Gloss. To infuse sense into the mind of a person; to make to understand. Craven Dial. and Grose.

Insensibil'Lity. n. s. [insensibilité, French, from insensible.

1. Inability to perceive.

Insensibility of slow motions may be thus accounted for: motion cannot be perceived without perception of the parts of space which it left, and those which it next acquires.

3. Torpor; dullness of corporal sense. Bacon. [INSE'NSIBLE. † adj. [insensible, Fr.]

1. Imperceptible; not discoverable by the senses.

What is that word honour? air; a trim reckon-Who hath it? he that died a Wednesday. Doth he feel it? no. Doth he hear it? no. Is it insensible then? yea, to the dead: but will it not live with the living? no. Why? detraction will not suffer it. Shakspeare.

Two small and almost insensible pricks were found upon Cleopatra's arm. Brown, Vulg. Err. The dense and bright light of the circle will ob-

scure the rare and weak light of these dark colours round about it, and render them almost insensible. Newton, Opt.

2. Slowly gradual, so as that no progress is perceived.

They fall away,
And languish with insensible decay. 3. Void of feeling either mental or corpo-

I thought I then was passing to my former state

Insensible, and forthwith to dissolve. Milton, P. L. Accept an obligation without being a slave to the giver, or insensible of his kindness.

Wotton, Rom. Hist. 4. Void of emotion or affection. With of

and to; which may apply also to the preceding sense. You grow insensible to the conveniency of riches,

the delights of honour and praise. You render mankind insensible to their beauties, and have destroyed the empire of love. Dryden. Old men are not so insensible of beauty, as, it

may be, you young ladies think. Dryden, Lett. (ed. Malone,) p. 73.

5. Void of sense or meaning.

If it make the indictment insensible or uncertain, it shall be quashed. Hale, H.P.C. P. ii. ch. 24.

INSE'NSIBLENESS. † n. s. [from insensible.] Absence of perception; inability to per-

Thou, that art the great physician in heaven, first cure our insensibleness.

Bp. Hall, Select Thoughts, § 51. Such mollifying considerations may serve to allay any swellings and risings, which an insensibleness of our present hopes may possibly occasion.

Spenser, Righteous Ruler, (Camb. 1660,) p. 40.

The insensibleness of the pain proceeds rather from the relaxation of the nerves than their obstruction.

INSE'NSIBLY. adv. [from insensible.] 1. Imperceptibly; in such a manner as is

not discovered by the senses. The planet earth, so stedfast though she seem, Insensibly three different motions moves.

Milton, P. L.

The hills rise insensibly, and leave the eye a vast uninterrupted prospect. Addison on Italy, 2. By slow degrees.

Equal they were form'd, Save what sin hath impair'd, which yet hath wrought

Insensibly. Milton, P.L. Proposals agreeable to our passions will insensibly prevail upon our weakness. Rogers, Serm. Cadenus

Insensibly came on her side.

3. Without mental or corporal sense. INSE'NTIENT.* adj. [in and sentiens, Lat.] Not having perception.

The dissimilitude between the sensations of our minds, and the qualities and attributes of an insentient inert substance.

Inseparable Inseparable [from inseparable able.] The quality of being such as cannot be severed or divided.

Jones stood upon a point of law of the inseparableness of the prerogative from the person of the Burnet, Hist. of his own Time, an. 1681.

The parts of pure space are immovable, which follows from their inseparability, motion being nothing but change of distance between any two things; but this cannot be between parts that are inseparable.

Inse'parable. adj. [inseparable, Fr.; inseparabilis, Lat.] Not to be disjoined; united so as not to be parted.

Ancient times figure both the incorporation and inseparable conjunction of counsel with kings, and the wise and politick use of counsel by kings.

Thou, my shade, Inseparable, must with me along; For death from sin no power can separate.

Milton, P. L. Care and toil came into the world with sin, and

remain ever since inseparable from it. South. No body feels pain, that he wishes not to be eased of, with a desire equal to that pain, and in-

separable from it. The parts of pure space are inseparable one from the other, so that the continuity cannot be separated, neither really nor mentally. Locke.

Together out they fly, Inseparable now the truth and lie;

And this or that unmix'd no mortal e'er shall find. Pope.

INSE'PARABLY. adv. [from inseparable.]

With indissoluble union. Drowning of metals is, when the baser metal is so incorporate with the more rich as it cannot be separated; as if silver should be inseparably incorporated with gold.

gold.

Him thou shalt enjoy,

Milton, P. L. Inseparably thine. Restlessness of mind seems inseparably annexed

Atheists must confess, that before that assigned period matter had existed eternally, inseparably endued with this principle of attraction; and yet had never attracted nor convened before, during that infinite duration. Bentley.

INSE'PARATE.* adj. [in and separate.]
INSE'PARATED. Not separate; united.

A debility of the limbs, and spots upon the skin, to this distemper being inseparated symptoms; it is evident the word must be derived from thence. Leigh's Nat. Hist. of Lancashire, &c. (1700,) p. 51.

INSE'PARATELY.* adv. [from inseparate.] So as not to be separated.

Here sainct Cyril declareth the dignitie of Christ's fleshe being inseparately annexed unto his

Abp. Cranmer, Def. of the Sacr. fol. 96. b. That ye live inseparately, according to God's ordinance. Homilies, On the State of Matrimony. To INSE'RT. v. a. [inserer, Fr.; insero, insertum, Lat.] To place in or amongst other things.

Those words were very weakly inserted, where they are so liable to misconstruction. Stilling fleet. With the worthy gentleman's name I will insert it at length in one of my papers. Addison.

It is the editor's interest to insert what the author's judgment had rejected.

Poesy and oratory omit things not essential, and insert little beautiful digressions, in order to place every thing in the most affecting light.

INSE'RTION. n. s. [insertion, Fr.; insertio,

1. The act of placing any thing in or among other matter.

The great disadvantage our historians labour under is too tedious an interruption, by the insertion of records in their narration.

Felton on the Classicks. An ileus, commonly called the twisting of the guts, is either a circumvolution or insertion of one part of the gut within the other. Arbuthnot on Diet. The thing inserted.

He softens the relation by such insertions, before he describes the event.

To INSE'T.* v a. [in and set.] To implant; to infix.

That sorrow that is inset greveth the thought. Chaucer, Boeth. ii. pros. 3.

To INSE'RVE. v. a. [inservio, Lat.] To be of use to an end.

Inse'rvient. adj. [inserviens, Latin.] Conducive; of use to an end.

The providence of God, which disposeth of no part in vain, where there is no digestion to be made, makes not any parts inservient to that

INSHA'DED.* part. adj. [in and shade.] Marked with different gradations of

Lily white inshaded with the rose. W. Browne. To Inshe'll. v. a. [in and shell.] To hide in a shell. Not used.

Aufidius, hearing of our Marcius' banishment, Thrusts forth his horns again into the world,

Which were inshell'd when Marcius stood for Rome, And durst not once peep out.

Shaksp. Coriol. To Inshe'lter.* v. a. [from shelter.] To place under shelter.

If that the Turkish fleet Be not inshelter'd and embay'd, they are drown'd. Shakspeare, Othello.

To Inshi'p. v.a. [in and ship.] To shut in a ship; to stow; to embark. Not now used. We say simply to ship. See them safely brought to Dover; where, inshipp'd,

Commit them to the fortune of the sea. Shaksp. These fierce men

Rent hair and veil, and carried her by force Into their ship : -

When she was thus inshipp'd, and woefully Had cast her eyes about,

She spies a woman sitting with a child,

Daniel, Hymen's Triumph To Inshri'ne. v. a. [in and shrine.] To enclose in a shrine or precious case. It

is written equally enshrine. Warlike and martial Talbot, Burgundy Inshrines thee in his heart. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

I'NSIDE. n. s. [in and side.] Interior part; part within. Opposed to the surface or outside.

Look'd he o' the inside of the paper? He did unseal them, Shaksp. Hen. VIII.

Shew the inside of your purse to the outside of his hand, and no more ado. Shaksp. Wint. Tale. Here are the outsides of the one, the insides of

the other, and there's the moiety I promised ye. L'Estrange.

As for the inside of their nest, none but themselves were concerned in it. Addison, Guardian. To Insi'diate.* v. a. [insidior, Latin.] To lie in ambush for.

One brother insidiates the life of another; the husband hath killed his wife; the wife slain her husband. Heywood's Hier. of Angels, (1635,) p. 34.
A huntsman with his bow and arrows did use

to insidiate the wild beasts of the wilderness, and shoot them from the coverts and thickets.

Ibid. p. 98. Death - insidiates all things.

Epit. on Weever the Antiquary. Insi'diator. † n. s. [Lat.] One who lies in wait.

Kings are most exposed to dangers - having usually many envious ill-willers, many disaffected malecontents, many both open enemies, and close insidiatours. Barrow, Serm. 10.

INSI DIOUS. adj. [insidieux, French;
insidiosus, Latin.] Sly; circumventive;

diligent to entrap; treacherous.

Since men mark all our steps, and watch our haltings, let a sense of their insidious vigilance excite us to behave ourselves, that they may find a conviction of the mighty power of Christianity towards regulating the passions. Atterbury. They wing their course,

And dart on distant coasts, if some sharp rock, Or shoal insidious, breaks not their career.

Insi'diously. adv. [from insidious.] In a sly and treacherous manner; with malicious artifice.

The castle of Cadmus was taken by Phebidas the Lacedemonian, insidiously and in violation of

Simeon and Levi spoke not only falsely but insidiously, nay hypocritically, abusing their proselytes and their religion, for the effecting their cruel designs. Gov. of the Tongue. Insi'diousness.* n. s. [from insidious.]

State or quality of being insidious. He hath little of the serpent, none of its lurk-Barrow, Works, i. 46. ing insidiousness.

I'NSIGHT. n. s. [insicht, Dutch. This word had formerly the accent on the last syllable. Introspection; deep view; knowledge of the interior parts; thorough skill in any thing.

Hardy shepherd, such as thy merits, such may be her insight justly to grant thee reward. Sidney.

Straightway sent with careful diligence To fetch a leech, the which had great insight In that disease of grieved conscience,

And well could cure the same; his name was Patience. Spenser, F. Q.

Now will be the right season of forming them to be able writers, when they shall be thus fraught with an universal insight into things.

Milton on Education. The use of a little insight in those parts of knowledge, which are not a man's proper business, is to accustom our minds to all sorts of ideas.

A garden gives us a great insight into the contrivance and wisdom of Providence, and suggests

innumerable subjects of meditation. Spectator. Due consideration, and a deeper insight into things, would soon have made them sensible of their errour.

INSI'GNIA.* n. s. pl. [Latin. The Spanish have long used insignias in the same sense.] Distinguishing marks of office or honour.

People not very well grounded in the principles of publick morality find a set of maxims in office ready made for them, which they assume as naturally, and inevitably, as any of the insignia or instruments of the situation.

Burke, Ob. on a Late State of the Nation, (1769.) They are also decorated with the blue ribband of the French Order of the Holy Ghost, and the insignia of the Burgundian Golden Fleece.

Swinburne, Trav. through Spain, L. 39. Insignificance.] n. s. [insignificance, INSIGNI'FICANCY. French; from insig-

nificant. 1. Want of meaning; unmeaning terms. To give an account of all the insignificancies and verbal nothings of this philosophy, would be to

transcribe it. 2. Unimportance.

As I was ruminating on that I had seen, I could not forbear reflecting on the insignificancy of human art, when set in comparison with the designs of Providence. Addison, Guardian. My annals are in mouldy mildews wrought, With easy insignificance of thought.

INSIGNI'FICANT. adj. [in and significant.]

1. Wanting meaning; void of signification. Till you can weight and gravity explain, Those words are insignificant and vain.

2. Unimportant; wanting weight; ineffectual. This sense, though supported by authority, is not very proper.

That I might not be vapoured down by insignificant testimonies, I presumed to use the great name of your society to annihilate all such Glanville, Sceps. Pref.

Calumny robs the publick of all that benefit that it may justly claim from the worth and virtue of particular persons, by rendering their virtue utterly insignificant.

All the arguments to a good life will be very insignificant to a man that hath a mind to be wicked, when remission of sins may be had upon Tillatson.

Nothing can be more contemptible and insignificant than the scum of a people, instigated against a king.

In a hemorrhage from the lungs, no remedy so proper as bleeding, often repeated: stypticks are often insignificant. Arbuthnot.

[from insig-Insigni'ficantly. adv. nificant.]

1. Without meaning.

Birds are taught to use articulate words, yet they understand not their import, but use them insignificantly, as the organ or pipe renders the tune, which it understands not.

2. Without importance or effect.

Insigni'ficative.* adj. [in and significative.] Not betokening by an external sign.

The ordinary sort of the unmeaning eyes are not indeed utterly insignificative: for they shew their owners to be persons without any habitual vices or virtues.

Philosoph. Lett. up. Physiognomy, (1751,) p.230.

INSINCE'RE. adj. [insincerus, Latin, in and sincere.]

1. Not what one appears; not hearty; dissembling; unfaithful: of persons. 2. Not sound; corrupted: of things.

Ah why, Penelope, this causeless fear, To render sleep's soft blessings insincere? Alike devote to sorrow's dire extreme,

The day reflection, and the midnight dream. Pope.

INSINCE'RELY.* adv. [from insincere.] Unfaithfully; without sincerity.

Dealing in the case so insincerely and calum-Mountagu, App. to Cas. p. 26. niously. This the remarker very insincerely passes over. Clarke, Evid. of Nat. and Rev. Rel. Pref.

INSINCE'RITY. n. s. [from insincere.] Dissimulation; want of truth or fidelity.

If men should always act under a mask, and in disguise, that indeed betrays design and insincerity. Broome on the Odyssey.

To Insi'new. v. a. [in and sinew.] strengthen; to confirm. A word not

All members of our cause, That are insinewed to this action.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. INSI'NUANT. adj. [French.] Having the power to gain favour.

passions, and commonly less inventive than judicious, howsoever prove very plausible, insinuant, and fortunate men. Wotton.

To INSI'NUATE. † v. a. [insinuer, Fr. insinuo, Lat.]

To introduce any thing gently. The water easily insinuates itself into and placidly distends the vessels of vegetables.

2. To push gently into favour or regard: commonly with the reciprocal pronoun. There is no particular evil which hath not some appearance of goodness, whereby to insinuate

Woodward.

At the isle of Rhee he insinuated himself into the very good grace of the duke of Buckingham.

3. To attract; to draw; to win.

Dame Helen Branch, by whose godly and virtuous life virgins are insinuated to virtue, wives to faithfulness, and widows to Christian contemplation. Book, so entitled, by J. P. 4to. (1594.)

4. To hint: to impart indirectly. And all the fictions bards pursue

Do but insinuate what's true. Swift. 5. To instil; to infuse gently.

clearness, are for nothing else but to insinuate 1. Want of taste; unsavouriness. Sherwood. wrong ideas, move the passions, and thereby 2. Want of life or spirit. Locke. mislead the judgement. To Insi'nuate. v. n.

1. To wheedle; to gain on the affections by gentle degrees.

I love no colours; and without all colour

Of base insinuating flattery, I pluck this white rose with Plantagenet. Shaksp. 2. To steal into imperceptibly; to be conveved insensibly.

Pestilential miasms insinuate into the humoral and consistent parts of the body,

3. I know not whether Milton does not 2. Dully; without spirit. use this word, according to its etymology, for, to enfold; to wreath; to

Close the serpent sly Insinuating, of his fatal guile

Milton, P. L. Gave proof unheeded.

Insinua'tion. † n. s. [insinuatio, Latin, insinuation, Fr. from insinuate.]

1. Introduction of any thing. See the first sense of the verb.

By a soft insinuation mix'd With earth's large mass.

Crashaw on the Spring Poems, p. 106. 2. The power of pleasing or stealing upon

the affections. When the industry of one man hath settled the work, a new man by insinuation or misinformation,

may not supplant him without a just cause.

He had a natural insinuation and address; which made him acceptable in the best company. Clarendon.

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Insi'nuative. + adj. [from insinuate.] Stealing on the affections.

Any popular or insinuative carriage of himself. Bacon, Obsv. on a Libel in 1592 Crafty, insinuative, plausible men can shroud

and palliate their revengeful purposes under pretexts of love. Bp. Reynolds on the Passions, ch. 27.

It is a strange insinuative power which example Gov. of the Tongue. and custom have upon us. Insi'nuator. n. s. [insinuator, Latin.] The person or thing which insinuates.

From whence, but from these insinuators, come our causeless passions?

Defoe, Pref. to Rob. Crusoe. Men not so quick perhaps of conceit as slow to INSI'PID. adj. [insipid, French; insipidus,

1. Wanting taste; wanting power of affecting the organs of gust.

Some earth yield, by distillation, a liquor very far from being inodorous or insipid. Our fathers much admir'd their sauces sweet,

And often call'd for sugar with their meat : Insipid taste, old friend, to them that Paris knew. Where rocambole, shallot, and the rank garlick

King, Cookery. This chyle is the natural and alimentary pituita, which the ancients described as insipid.

Floyer on the Humours.

She lays some useful bile aside, To tinge the chyle's insipid tide. 2. Wanting spirit; wanting pathos; flat;

dull; heavy. The gods have made your noble mind for me,

And her insipid soul for Ptolemy; A heavy lump of earth without desire, A heap of ashes that o'erlays your fire.

Dryden, Cleam. Some short excursions of a broken vow

He made indeed, but flat insipid stuff, Dryden, Don Sebast.

Insipi'dity. †) n. s. [insipidité, Fr. from All the art of rhetorick, besides order and INSI'PIDNESS. | insipid.]

Spiritless prayers with so much insipidness, vain repetitions, vulgar flattery.

Bp. Gauden, Hierasp. (1653.) p. 19. Dryden's lines shine strongly through the insipidity of Tate's. Pope.

The exaltedness of some minds, or rather as I shrewdly suspect their insipidity and want of feeling or observation, may make them insensible to these light things. Gray, Lett. to West.

INSI'PIDLY. † adv. [from insipid.] 1. Without taste.

One great reason why many children abandon themselves wholly to silly sports, and trifle away all their time insipidly, is because they have found their curiosity balked. If he talk flatly, insipidly, and impertinently, we

have no esteem or reverence for such a person.

Goodman, Wint. Ev. Conf. P. 1. There are very many matches in our country, wherein the parties live so insipidly, or so vex-

atiously, that I am afraid to venture from their Guardian, No. 68.

Insi'pience. n. s. [insipientia, Latin.] Folly; want of understanding.

To INSI'ST. + v. n. [insister, Fr. insisto,

1. To stand or rest upon.

The combs being double, the cells on each side the partition are so ordered, that the angles on one side insist upon the centres of the bottom of the cells on the other side,

2. Not to recede from terms or assertions; to persist in; to persevere.

Upon such large terms, and so absolute,

As our conditions shall insist upon, Our peace shall stand firm as rocky mountains.

Shaksneare. All other things do constantly obey the law imposed on them, insist in the course defined to them. Barrow, Works, ii. S. 12.

3. To dwell upon in discourse.

Were there no other act of hostility but that which we have hitherto insisted on, the intercepting of her supplies were irreparably injurious to Decay of Chr. Piety.

INSI'STENT. adj. [insistens, Lat.] Resting upon any thing

The breadth of the substruction [must] be at least double to the insistent wall.

Wotton on Architecture.

INSI'TIENCY. n. s. [in and sitio, Latin.] Exemption from thirst.

What is more admirable than the fitness of every creature, for the use we make of him? The docility of an elephant, and the insitiency of a camel for travelling in desarts.

INSI'TION. n. s. [insitio, Latin.] The insertion or ingraffment of one branch into

Without the use of these we could have nothing of culture or civility: no tillage, grafting, or in-

INSI'STURE. n. s. [from insist.] 'This word seems in Shakspeare to signify constancy or regularity, but is now not used.

The heavens themselves, the planets, and the centre.

Observe degree, priority, and place, Insisture, course, proportion, season, form, Office and custom, in all line of order. Shakspeare. To INSNA'RE. v. a. [in and snare.]

1. To entrap; to catch in a trap, gin, or snare; to inveigle.

Why strew'st thou sugar on that bottled spider, Whose deadly web insnareth thee about? Shaks. By long experience Durfey may no doubt

Insnare a gudgeon, or perhaps a trout; Though Dryden once exclaim'd in partial spite; He fish! -- because the man attempts to write.

2. To entangle in difficulties or perplexities. That which in a great part, in the weightiest causes belonging to this present controversy, hath insnared the judgements both of sundry good and of some well-learned men, is the manifest truth of certain general principles, whereupon the ordinances that serve for usual practice in the church of God are grounded.

That the hypocrite reign not, lest the people be Job, xxxiv. 30.

3. To ensnare is more frequent.

INSNA'RER. n. s. [from insnare.] One that enspares.

To Insna'rl.* v. a. [from snarl. See To SNARL.] To entangle.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood. INSOBRI'ETY. n. s. [in and sobriety.] Drunk-

enness; want of sobriety. He whose conscience upbraids him with all profaneness towards God, and insobriety towards himself, yet if he can but answer, that he is just to his

neighbour, he thinks he has quit scores. Decay of Chr. Piety, p. 121.
INSO'CIABLE. adj. [insociable, French; in-

sociabilis, Latin. 1. Averse from conversation.

If this austere insociable life Change not your offer made in heat of blood.

2. Incapable of connexion or union. VOL. II.

The lowest ledge or row [must] be merely of stone, - closely laid, without mortar, which is a general caution for all parts in building that are contiguous to board or timber, because lime and wood are insociable. "Wotton on Architecture.

To I'NSOLATE. v. a. [insolo, Lat.] To dry in the sun; to expose to the action of the sun.

Insola'tion. † n. s. [insolation, Fr. from insolate.

1. Exposition to the sun.

We use these towers for insolation, refrigeration, conservation, and for the view of divers meteors.

If it have not a sufficient insolation it looketh pale, and attains not its laudable colour: if it be sunned too long, it suffereth a torrefaction.

Brown, Vulg. Err. 2. [In medicine.] The influence of a scorching sun on the brain.

One case of consequential madness is an effect of insolation, or what the French call coup de soleil. An instance of which I lately met with in a sailor, who became raving mad in a moment, while the sun-beams darted perpendicularly on his head.

Battie on Madness.

I'NSOLENCE.† \(n. s. [insolence, French; I'NSOLENCY. | insolentia, Lat.] Pride 2. That cannot be paid. exerted in contemptuous and overbear- 3. Not to be loosed. ing treatment of others; petulant contempt.

They could not restrain the insolency of O'Neal, who, finding none now to withstand him, made himself lord of those few people that remained.

Spenser on Ireland.

Such a nature, Tickled with good success, disdains the shadow Which he treads on at noon; but I do wonder His insolence can brook to be commanded

Under Cominius. Shakspeare. The troubles of ambition, and the insolencies of traitors, and the violences of rebels.

Bp. Taylor, Serm. (1653,) p. 19. Flown with insolence and wine. Milton, P. L. Publick judgements are the banks and shores upon which God breaks the insolency of sinners, and stays their proud waves. Tillotson.

The steady tyrant man, Who with the thoughtless insolence of power,

For sport alone, pursues the cruel chace. Thomson. The fear of any violence, either against her own person or against her son, might deter Penelope from using any endeavours to remove men of such insolence and power.

To I'NSOLENCE. v. a. [from the noun.] To INSO'LVENT. adj. [in and solvo, Latin.] insult; to treat with contempt. A very bad word.

The bishops, who were first faulty, insolenced and assaulted. King Charles. I'NSOLENT. †. adj. [insolent, Fr. insolens, Latin.]

I. Unaccustomed. This is the primary sense of the word, unnoticed by Dr.

Johnson and our other lexicographers. If one chance to derive anie word from the Latine, which is insolent to their ears, - they forthwith make a jest at it.

Pettie, Introd. to Guazzo's Civil Conversation, (1586.) 2. Contemptuous of others; haughty; overbearing.

We have not pillaged those rich provinces which we rescued: victory itself hath not made us insolent masters. Atterbury.

I'NSOLENTLY.† adv. [insolenter, Latin.]
With contempt of others; haughtily;

She, - by a king and conqueror made so great, Into her own self-praise most insolently brake. Drayton, Polyolb. S. 2.

Not unlearnedly mad, or insolently wedded unto their own wills. Mountagu, App. to Cæs. p. 8. What I must disprove,

He insolently talk'd to me of love. Not faction, when it shook thy regal seat,

Not senates, insolently loud, Those echoes of a thoughtless crowd,

Could warp thy soul to their unjust decree.

Dryden. Briant, naturally of an haughty temper, treated him very insolently, more like a criminal than a prisoner of war. Addison.

INSOLI'DITY.* n. s. [in and solidity.] Want of solidity; weakness.

A demonstration of the insolidity of this exception against Mr. Mede.

More, Myst. of Godl. (1660,) p. 201.

INSO'LVABLE. † adj. [insolvable, Fr. in and solve.

1. Not to be solved; not to be cleared; inextricable; such as admits of no solution, or explication.

Spend a few thoughts on the puzzling inquiries concerning vacuums, the doctrine of infinites, indivisibles, and incommensurables, wherein there appear some insolvable difficulties Watts on the Mind.

To guard with bands

Insolvable these gifts.

Pope, Odyss. Inso'luble. adj. [insoluble, Fr. insolubilis. Latin.

1. Not to be cleared; not to be resolved.

Admit this, and what shall the Scripture be but a snare and a torment to weak consciences, filling them with infinite scrupulosities, doubts insoluble, and extreme despair. Hooker.

2. Not to be dissolved or separated.

Stony matter may grow in any part of a human body; for when any thing insoluble sticks in any part of the body, it gathers a crust about it.

Arbuthnot on Diet.

Inso'LVENCY. † n. s. [from insolvent.] Inability to pay debts. An act of insolvency is a law by which imprisoned debtors are released without payment.

Even the dear delight Of sculpture, paint, intaglios, books, and coins, Thy breast, sagacious prudence! shall connect With filth and beggary, nor disdain to link With black insolvency. Shenstone, Economy, P. ii.

Unable to pay. By publick declaration he proclaimed himself insolvent of those vast sums he had taken upon

credit. A farmer accused his guards for robbing him of

oxen, and the emperor shot the offenders; but demanding reparation of the accuser for so many brave fellows, and finding him insolvent, compounded the matter by taking his life. Addison. An insolvent is a man that cannot pay his debts.

Insolvent tenant of incumber'd space. Smart.

Insomu'ch. conj. [in so much.] 1. So that; to such a degree that.

It hath ever been the use of the conquerour to despise the language of the conquered, and to force him to learn his: so did the Romans always use, insomuch that there is no nation but is sprinkled with their language.

To make ground fertile, ashes excel; insomuch as the countries about Ætna have amends made them, for the mischiefs the eruptions do.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. Simonides was an excellent poet, insomuch that L'Estrange. he made his fortune by it.

They made the ground uneven about their nest, insomuch that the slate did not lie flat upon it, but left a free passage underneath. Addison, Guardian. 2. This word is growing obsolete.

To INSPE'CT. † v. a. [inspicio, inspectum, Latin.] To look into by way of examin-

Return, ye days, when endless pleasure I found in reading, or in leasure! When calm around the common room I puff'd my daily pipe's perfume; Rode for a stomach; and inspected

At annual bottlings, corks selected!

Warton, Progr. of Discontent. I'NSPECT.* n. s. [from the verb.] Nice or close examination. Not in use.

Not so the man of philosophick eye And inspect sage; the waving brightness he Thomson, Autumn. Curious surveys. INSPECTION. n. s. linspection, Fr. inspectio, Latin.

1. Prying examination; narrow and close survey.

With narrow search, and with inspection deep, Milton, P. L. Consider every creature.

Our religion is a religion that dares to be understood; that offers itself to the search of the inquisitive, to the inspection of the severest and the most awakened reason; for, being secure of her substantial truth and purity, she knows that for her to be seen and looked into, is to be embraced and admired, as there needs no greater argument for men to love the light than to see it.

2. Superintendence; presiding care. In the first sense it should have into before the object, and in the second sense may admit over: but authors confound them.

We may safely conceal our good deeds, when they run no hazard of being diverted to improper ends, for want of our own inspection. Atterbury.

We should apply ourselves to study the perfections of God, and to procure lively and vigorous impressions of his perpetual presence with us, and inspection over us. Atterbum.

The divine inspection into the affairs of the world, doth necessarily follow from the nature and being of God; and he that denies this, doth implicitly Rentley. deny his existence.

INSPE'CTOR. n. s. [Latin.]

A prying examiner.

With their new light our bold inspectors press, Like Cham, to shew their father's nakedness.

Denham.

2. A superintendent. Young men may travel under a wise inspector or tutor to different parts, that they may bring home useful knowledge.

INSPE'RSED.* part. adj. [inspersé, Fr. inspersus, Lat.] Sprinkled or cast upon. Cotgrave, and Sherwood.

INSPE'RSION. † n. s. [inspersio, Latin.] A

sprinkling upon.

We stain the heart with so many blots and vicious spersions. Bp. Taylor, Serm. (1651,) p. 93. Some light inspersions of truth to make them inspersions. appetitious, passable, and toothsome.

Brief Descript. of Fanaticks, (1660,) p. 17. INSPE'XIMUS.* n. s. [Latin.] The first word of ancient charters confirming a grant already made by a former king or benefactor, and of letters patent; an exemplification: It implies, We have inspected it.

This road is specified, by the names of "strata" and "magna via," in an inspeximus charter of Henry the Third to Tarent-abbey in Dorsetshire. Warton, Hist. of Kiddington, p. 66.

To Insphe're. + v. a. [in and sphere,] To place in an orb or sphere.

I will insphere her In regions high and starry.

Drayton on his Mistress. Not rubies of the rock such red inspher'd. Sandys, Lament. ch. 4.

Where those immortal shapes Of bright aereal spirits live inspher'd,

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In regions mild of calm and serene air. Milton, Comus.

INSPI'RABLE. adj. [from inspire.] may be drawn in with the breath; which may be infused.

To these inspirable hurts, we may enumerate those they sustain from their expiration of fuliginous steams.

Inspira'tion. n. s. [from inspire.]

1. The act of drawing in the breath.

In any inflammation of the diaphragm, the symptoms are a violent fever, and a most exquisite pain increased upon inspiration, by which it is distinguished from a pleurisy, in which the greatest Arbuthnot. pain is in expiration.

2. The act of breathing into any thing. 3. Infusion of ideas into the mind by a su-

periour power. I never spoke with her in all my life.

· How can she then call us by our names, Unless it be by inspiration? Shaksp. Com. of Err. Your father was ever virtuous, and holy men at

their death have good inspirations. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven.

We to his high inspiration owe, That what was done before the flood we know. Denham.

What the tragedian wrote, the late success Declares was inspiration, and not guess. Denham. Inspiration is when an overpowering impression of any proposition is made upon the mind by God himself, that gives a convincing and indubitable evidence of the truth and divinity of it: so were the prophets and the apostles inspired.

To INSPI'RE. + v. n. [inspiro, Latin; inspirer, French.]

1. To draw in the breath; opposed to

If the inspiring and expiring organ of any animal be stopt, it suddenly yields to nature, and dies.

2. To blow, as a gentle wind does. Her yellow lockes, crisped like golden wyre, About her shoulders weren loosely shed, And, when the winde emongst them did inspire, They waved like a penon wyde dispred.

To Inspi're. v. a.

1. To breathe into.

Ye nine, descend and sing, The breathing instruments inspire. Pope.

Spenser, F. Q. ii. iii. 30.

2. To infuse by breathing.

He knew not his Maker, and he that inspired into him an active soul, and breathed in a living Wisd. xv. 11.

To infuse into the mind; to impress upon the fancy.

I have been troubled in my sleep this night; But dawning day new comfort hath inspir'd. Shaksneare.

To the heart inspir'd Vernal delight. Milton, P. L.

4. To animate by supernatural infusion. Nor the inspir'd

Milton, P. L. Castalian spring. Erato, thy poet's mind inspire, And fill his soul with thy celestial fire.

Dryden, Æn. The letters are often read to the young religious, to inspire them with sentiments of virtue. Addis. 5. To draw in with the breath.

By means of sulphurous coal smoaks the lungs are stifled and oppressed, whereby they are forced to inspire and expire the air with difficulty, in comparison of the facility of inspiring and expiring the air in the country. Harney.

His baleful breath inspiring as he glides; Now like a chain around her neck he rides.

Druden. INSPI'RER. n. s. [from inspire.] One that inspires.

To the infinite God, the omnipotent creator and preserver of the world, the most gracious redeemer, sanctifier, and inspirer of mankind, be all honour.

To Inspi'rit. v. a. [in and spirit.] To animate; to actuate; to fill with life and vigour; to enliven; to invigorate; to encourage.

It has pleased God to inspirit and actuate all his evangelical methods by a concurrence of supernatural strength, which makes it not only eligible but possible; easy and pleasant to do whatever he Decay of Chr. Piety. commands us.

A discreet use of becoming ceremonies renders the service of the church solemn and affecting, inspirits the sluggish, and inflames even the devout worshipper.

The courage of Agamemnon is inspirited by love of empire and ambition.

Pope, Pref. to the Iliads. Let joy or ease, let affluence or content,

And the gay conscience of a life well spent, Calm every thought, inspirit every grace,

Glow in thy heart, and smile upon thy face. Pope. To INSPI'SSATE. v. a. [in and spissus,

Lat. 7 To thicken; to make thick. Sugar doth inspissate the spirits of the wine, and maketh them not so easy to resolve into vapour.

This oil, farther inspissated by evaporation, turns into balm. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

INSPI'SSATE.* adj. [from the verb.] Thick.

The gum or inspissate juice of a plant.

Greenhill, Art of Embalm. p. 253.

Inspissa'tion. n.s. [from inspissate.] The act of making any liquid thick.

The effect is wrought by the inspissation of the

Recent urine will crystallize by inspissation, and afford a salt neither acid nor alkaline.

Arbuthnot on Aliments.

Instabilitas, Lat.; instabilité, Fr. from instabilis, Lat.] Inconstancy; fickleness; mutability of opinion or conduct.

Instability of temper ought to be checked, when it disposes men to wander from one scheme of government to another; such a fickleness cannot but be fatal to our country. Addsion, Freehold.

INSTA'BLE.† adj. [instable, old French; instabilis, Lat.] Inconstant; changing. See Unstable.

In this instable and uncertain age, you have with that steadiness of mind and clearness of judgement stuck to the truth and purity of the protestant religion, as discerning the vast difference betwixt it and popery.

More, Exp. of Sev. Ch. Ded. to Ld. Robarts, (1669.)

INSTA'BLENESS.* n. s. [from instable.] Fickleness; mutability.

There cannot be two more pregnant instances of the lubricity and instableness of mankind, than the decay of these two ancient nations.

Howell, Lett. ii. 57. The very faculty of reason (as we find it too true by late experience) is subject to the same in-Howell, Lett. iv. 19.

To INSTA'LL. v. a. [installer, Fr.; in and stall.] To advance to any rank or

office, by placing in the seat or stall 5. State of any thing. proper to that condition.

She reigns a goddess now among the saints, That whilom was the saint of shepherds light, And is installed now in heaven's hight. Cranmer is return'd with welcome,

Install'd archbishop of Canterbury. Shakspeare. The king chose him master of the horse, after this he was installed of the most noble order.

INSTALLA'TION. n. s. [installation, Fr.; from install.] The act of giving visible possession of a rank or office, by placing in the proper seat.

Upon the election the bishop gives a mandate for his installation. Ayliffe, Parergon

INSTA'LMENT. † n. s. [from install.]

1. The act of installing. It is not easy

To make lord William Hastings of our mind For the instalment of this noble duke In the seat royal? Shakspeare, Rich. III. Would I could hire

These fine invincible fiddlers to play to me At my instalment. Beaum. and Fl. Prophetess. The time of his instalment into his priesthood. Hammond, Works, iv. 526.

2. The seat in which one is installed. Search Windsor-castle, elves, The several chairs of order look you scour; Each fair instalment, coat and several crest

With loyal blazon evermore be blest! I'NSTANCE. n. s. [instance, Fr.]

1. Importunity; urgency; solicitation.

Christian men should much better frame themselves to those heavenly precepts which our Lord and Saviour with so great instancy gave us concerning peace and unity, if we did concur to have the ancient councils renewed.

2. Motive; influence; pressing argument.

Not now in use.

She dwells so securely upon her honour, that folly dares not present itself. Now, could I come to her with any direction in my hand, my desires had instance and argument to commend them-Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor. The instances that second marriage move,

Are base respects of thrift, but none of love. Shaksneare.

3. Prosecution or process of a suit.

The instance of a cause is said to be that judicial process which is made from the contestation of a suit, even to the time of pronouncing sentence in the cause, or till the end of three years.

Ayliffe, Parergon. 4. Example; document.

Yet doth this accident So far exceed all instance, all discourse,

That I am ready to distrust mine eyes. Shaksn In furnaces of copper and brass, where vitriol is often cast in, there riseth suddenly a fly, which sometimes moveth on the walls of the furnace; sometimes in the fire below; and dieth presently as soon as it is out of the furnace: which is a noble instance, and worthy to be weighed. Bacon.

We find in history instances of persons, who, after their prisons had been flung open, have chosen rather to languish in their dungeons, than stake their miserable lives and fortunes upon the success

of a revolution. The greatest saints are sometimes made the most remarkable instances of suffering. Atterbury, Suppose the earth should be removed nearer to the sun, and revolve for instance in the orbit of Mercury, the whole ocean would boil with heat.

The use of instances is to illustrate and explain a difficulty; and this end is best answered by such instances as are familiar and common.

Baker on Learning.

These seem as if, in the time of Edward the First, they were drawn up into the form of a law in the first instance.

6. Occasion; act.

The performances required on our part, are no other than what natural reason has endeavoured to recommend, even in the most severe and difficult instances of duty. Rogers.

A soul supreme in each hard instance try'd Above all pain, all anger, and all pride.

If Eusebia had lived as free from sin as it is possible for human nature, it is because she is always watching and guarding against all instances Law, Serious Call.

To I'NSTANCE. v. n. [from the noun.] To give or offer an example.

As to false citations, that the world may see how little he is to be trusted, I shall instance in two or three about which he makes the loudest clamour.

In tragedy and satire, this age and the last have excelled the ancients; and I would instance in Shakspeare of the former, in Dorset of the latter Dryden, Juv.

I'NSTANCED.* part. adj. [from instance.] Given in proof, or as an example.

That worthy divine did not heedfully observe the great difference betwixt these instanced degrees. Bp. Hall, Cases of Consc. D. 4. C. 5,

I'NSTANT. adj. [instant, Fr.; instans, Lat.

1. Pressing; urgent; importunate; earnest.

And they were instant with loud voices, requiring that he might be crucified.

St. Luke, xxiii. 23. Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer. Rom. xii. 12.

Immediate; without any time intervening; present.

Our good old friend bestow Your needful counsel to our businesses,

Which crave the instant use. Shaksp. K. Lear. .The instant stroke of death denounc'd to-day, Remov'd far off. Milton, P. L. Nor native country thou, nor friend shalt see;

Nor war hast thou to wage, nor year to come; Impending death is thine, and instant doom.

3. Quick; making no delay. Instant without disturb they took alarm.

Milton, P. L. Griev'd that a visitant so long should wait Unmark'd, unhonour'd, at a monarch's gate; Instant he flew with hospitable haste, And the new friend with courteous air embrac'd.

I'NSTANT. n. s. [instant, Fr.]

1. Instant is such a part of duration wherem we perceive no succession.

There is scarce an instant between their flourishing and their not being. Hooker.

Her nimble body yet in time must move, And not in instants through all places stride;

But she is nigh and far, beneath, above, In point of time, which thought cannot divide.

At any instant of time the moving atom is but in one single point of the line; therefore all but that one point is either future or past, and no other parts are co-existent or contemporary with it. Bentley, Serm.

2. A particular time.

I can at any unseasonable instant of the night, appoint her to look out at her lady's chamber window.

3. It is used in low and commercial language for a day of the present or current month.

On the twentieth instant it is my intention to erect a lion's head. Addison, Guardian. INSTANTANE'ITY.* n. s. [from instanta-

neous.] Unpremeditated production.
[They] have no sort of claim to be called verses, beside their instantaneity.

Instanta'neous. adj. [instantaneus, Lat.] Done in an instant; acting at once without any percéptible succession; acting with the utmost speed; done with the utmost speed.

This manner of the beginning or ceasing of the

deluge doth not at all agree with the instantaneous

actions of creation and annihilation. Burnet, Theory.

The rapid radiance instantaneous strikes Th' illumin'd mountain, Thomson. INSTANTA'NEOUSLY. adv. [from instantaneous. In an indivisible point of time.

What I had heard of the raining of frogs came to my thoughts, there being reason to conclude that those came from the clouds, or were instantaneously generated.

I'NSTANTANY.* adj. [instantaneus, Lat.] Our elder word for instantaneous.

Reaching forth itself largely in very quick and instantanie motions to all those things which are capable of it [light]. Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 43. I'NSTANTLY. † adv. [instanter, Lat.]

1. With urgent importunity.

They besought him instantly, saying that he was worthy for whom he should do this. St. Luke, vii. 4.

Our twelve tribes instantly serving God day and night. Acts, xxvi. 7.

2. Immediately; without any perceptible intervention of time.

In a great whale, the sense and affects of any one part of the body instantly make a transcussion throughout the whole body. Bacon, Nat. Hist. Sleep instantly fell on me. Milton, P. L. As several winds arise,

Just so their natures alter instantly. May, Virg. To Insta'te. v. a. [in and state.]

1. To place in a certain rank or condition. This kind of conquest does only instate the victor in these rights, which the conquered prince had.

Had this glistering monster been born to thy poverty, he could not have been so bad: nor, perhaps, had thy birth instated thee in the same greatness, would'st thou have been better.

The first of them being eminently holy and dear to God, should derive a blessing to his posterity on that account, and prevail at last to have them also accepted as holy, and instated in the favour of God. Atterbury.

2. To invest. Obsolete.

For his possessions, Although by confiscation they are ours,

We do instate and widow you withal. To INSTA'URATE.* v. a. [instauro, Lat.; instaurer, Fr.] To reform; to repair; to supply with improvement.

It is far more easy to overthrow the positive assertions of others, than to instaurate better in their Smith on old Age, (1666,) p. 256.

Instauration, Tr.; [instauration, Fr.; instauratio, Lat.] Restoration; reparation; renewal.

They took instauration of what was deficient for institution. Selden on Drayton's Polyolb. S.11. Comprehending an instauration of S. Edward's Laws, as they were amended by the Conqueror.

Ibid. S. 17. INSTE'AD. † prep. [a word formed by the coalition of in and stead, place.]

1. In room of; in place of. Always with

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They, instead of fruit,

Milton, P. L. Chew'd bitter ashes. Vary the form of speech, and instead of the word church, make it a question in politicks, whether the monument be in danger.

2. Equal to. This very consideration to a wise man is instead of a thousand arguments, to satisfy him, that, in those times, no such thing was believed. Tillotson.

INSTE'AD. † adv. In the place; in the room. Used without of, it ceases to be a preposition, and becomes an adverb.

He in derision sets Upon their tongues a various spirit, to rase Quite out their native language, and instead To sow a jangling noise of tongues unknown. Milton, P. L.

To Inste'ep. v. a. [in and steep.] 1. To soak; to macerate in moisture. Suffolk first died, and York, all haggled over, Comes to him where in gore he lay insteep'd.

2. Lying under water.

The gutter'd rocks, and congregated sands, Traitors insteep'd to clog the guiltless keel.

Shaksneare.

Shakspeare, Othello.

I'NSTEP. n. s. [in and step.] The upper part of the foot where it joins to the

leg.
The caliga was a military shoe with a very thick sole, tied above the instep with leather Arbuthnot on Coins.

To I'NSTIGATE. † v. a. [instigo, Lat. instiguer, Fr. from the Greek 515w, or cive, to prick, to goad. To urge to ill; to provoke or incite to a crime.

If a servant instigates a stranger to kill his master, this being murder in the stranger as principal, of course the servant is accessary only to the crime of murder, though he would have been guilty, as principal, of petty treason. Blackstone.

INSTIGA'TION. n. s. [instigation, Fr. from instigate. Incitement to a crime; encouragement; impulse to ill.

Why, what need we

Commune with you of this? But rather follow Our forceful instigation. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. It was partly by the instigation of some factious malecontents that bare principal stroke amongst

them. Shall any man that wilfully procures the cutting of whole armies to pieces, set up for an innocent? As if the lives that were taken away by his instigation were not to be charged upon his L'Estrange. account.

We have an abridgement of all the baseness and villainy that both the corruption of nature and the instigation of the devil could bring the sons of

I'NSTIGATOR. n. s. [instigateur, Fr. from

instigate.] Inciter to ill.

That sea of blood is enough to drown in eternal misery the malicious author or instigator of its King Charles.

Either the eagerness of acquiring or the revenge of missing dignities, have been the great insti-gators of ecclesiastical feuds. Dec. of Chr. Piety. To INSTI'L. v. a. [instillo, Lat. instiller, Fr.]

1. To infuse by drops.

He from the well of life three drops instill'd. Milton, P. L.

2. Insinuate any thing imperceptibly into the mind; to infuse.

Though assemblies be had indeed for religion's sake, hurtful nevertheless they may easily prove, as well in regard of their fitness to serve the turn of hereticks, and such as privily will soonest adventure to instil their poison into men's minds.

He had a farther design to instil and insinuate good instruction, by contributing to men's happiness in this present life. Calamy.

Those heathens did in a particular manner instil the principle into their children of loving their country, which is far otherwise now-a-days.

INSTILLA'TION. n. s. [instillatio, Lat.

1. The act of pouring in by drops.

Cotgrave. 2. The act of infusing slowly into the mind.

3. The thing infused.

They imbitter the cup of life by insensible Johnson, Rambler. instillations.

INSTI'LLER.* n. s. [from instil.] One who insinuates any thing imperceptibly into the mind.

Never was there such a juggle as was played in my mind, nor so artful an instiller of loose principles as my tutor.

Skelton, Deism Revealed, Dial. viii.

INSTI'LMENT. n. s. [from instil.] Any thing instilled. Shakspeare.

The leperous instilment. To Insti'mulate. * v. a. [instimulo, Lat.] To incite; to provoke. Cockeram. Insti'nct.† adj. [instinct, Fr. instinctus, Latin.] Moved; animated.

Forth rush'd with whirlwind sound

The chariot of paternal deity, Flashing thick flames, wheel within wheel undrawn,

Itself instinct with spirit, but convoy'd,

By four cherubick shapes. Milton, P. L. Coffee-house wits, instinct by me, can correct an author's style, and display his minutest errors, without understanding a syllable of his matter or Swift, Battle of the Books. his language!

I'NSTINCT. n. s. [instinct, Fr. instinctus, Lat. This word had its accent formerly on the last syllable.] Desire or aversion acting in the mind without the intervention of reason or deliberation; the power determining the will of brutes.

In him they fear your highness' death, And mere instinct of love and loyalty, Makes them thus forward in his banishment. Shakspeare.

Thou knowest I am as valiant as Hercules ; but beware instinct; the lion will not touch the true prince: instinct is a great matter. I was a coward on instinct; I shall think the better of myself and thee, during my life; I for a valiant lion, and thee for a true prince. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

But providence or instinct of nature seems, Or reason though disturb'd, and scarce consulted, To have guided me aright, Milton, S. A. Nature first pointed out my Portius to me,

And easily taught me by her secret force To love thy person, ere I knew thy merit Till what was instinct grew up into friendship.

Addison.

The philosopher avers, That reason guides our deed, and *instinct* theirs. Instinct and reason how shall we divide? Prior. Reason serves when press'd:

But honest instinct comes a volunteer.

To Insti'nct.† v.a. [instinctus, Lat.] To impress as an animating power. This, neither musical nor proper, was perhaps introduced by Bentley, Dr. Johnson says; but it was in use long before Bentley's time.

God would never have instincted the appetition of pleasure, and the faculties of enjoying it, so strongly in man, if He had not meant that in decency he should make use of them.

Feltham, Res. of the Use of Pleasure.
What native unextinguishable beauty must be impressed and instincted through the whole, which the defedation of so many parts by a bad printer and a worse editor could not hinder from shining Bentley, Pref. to Milton.

Insti'nction.* n. s. [instinctus, Lat.] Instinct. This word preceded instinct. Obsolete.

This natural instinction of creatures.

INSTI'NCTIVE. adj. [from instinct.] Acting without the application of choice or reason; rising in the mind without ap-

Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 149.

Rais'd

parent cause.

By quick instinctive motion up I sprung, As thitherward endeavouring. Milton, P. L.

It will be natural that Ulysses's mind should

forebode; and it appears that the instinctive presage was a favourite opinion of Homer's. Broome on the Odyssey.

INSTI'NCTIVELY. adv. [from instinctive.] By instinct; by the call of nature.

The very rats Instinctively had quit it. Shakspeare, Tempest. To I'NSTITUTE. † v. n. [instituo, insti-

tutum, Lat. instituer, Fr.7 1. To fix; to establish; to appoint; to

enact; to settle; to prescribe. God then instituted a law natural to be observed by creatures; and therefore, according to the manner of laws, the institution thereof is described as being established by solemn injunction.

Here let us breathe, and haply institute A course of learning and ingenuous studies.

Shakspeare. To the production of the effect they are deter-

mined by the laws of their nature, instituted and imprinted on them by inimitable wisdom. Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

The theocracy of the Jews was instituted by God himself. To institute a court and a country party without

materials would be a very new system in politicks. Swift.

2. To educate; to instruct; to form by instruction. If children were early instituted, knowledge

would insensibly insinuate itself. Decay of Chr. Piety.

To invest with the spiritual part of a benefice. See the fifth sense of Insti-TUTION.

No bishop shall institute any to a benefice, who hath been ordained by any other bishop, except he first shew unto him his letters of orders

Const. and Can. Eccl. 39.

I'NSTITUTE. † n. s. [institute, Fr. institutum, Lat.

1. Established law; settled order. Such is the subject of the institute,

And universal body of the law.

Marlowe, Trag. of Dr. Faustus. This law, though custom now directs the course, As nature's institute, is yet in force

Uncancell'd though disused. Dryden. 2. Precept; maxim; principle.

Thou art pale in mighty studies grown, To make the Stoick institutes thy own.

Dryden, Pers. INSTITU'TION. † n. s. [institution, Fr. institutio, Lat.

1. Act of establishing.

2. Establishment; settlement.

The institution of God's Law is described as being established by solemn injunction. Hooker. It became him by whom all things are, to be the way of salvation to all, that the institution and

restitution of the world might be both wrought with

This unlimited power placed fundamentally in the body of a people, is what legislators have endeavoured, in their several schemes or institutions of government, to deposit in such hands as would preserve the people.

3. Positive law.

They quarrel sometimes with the execution of laws, and sometimes with the institution. Temple. The holiness of the first fruits and the lump is

an holiness merely of insitution, outward and nominal; whereas the holiness of the root is an holiness of nature, inherent and real. Atterbury. The law and institution, founded by Moses was

to establish religion, and to make mercy and peace known to the whole earth. Forbes.

4. Education.

After baptism, when it is in infancy received, succeeds instruction and institution in the nature and several branches of that vow, which was made at the font, in a short intelligible manner.

Hammond on Fundamentals. It is a necessary piece of providence in the institution of our children, to train them up to somewhat in their youth, that may honestly entertain L'Estrange. them in their age.

His learning was not the effect of precept or institution.

5. The act of investing a clerk presented to a rectory or vicarage with the spiritual part of his benefice. See Colla-TION, and INDUCTION.

No person shall hereafter be received into the ministry, nor either by institution or collation admitted to any ecclesiastical living, nor suffered to preach, &c. except he be licensed either by the archbishop, or the bishop of the diocese where he is to be placed. Const. and Canons Eccl. 36.

INSTITU'TIONAL.* adj. [from institution.] Elemental. This is the word of modern times, instead of institutionary.

INSTITU'TIONARY. adj. [from institution.] Elemental; containing the first doctrines, or principles of doctrine.

That it was not out of fashion Aristotle declareth in his politicks, amongst the institutionary rules of youth.

I'NSTITUTIVE.* adj. [from institute.] Able to establish.

These words seem institutive, or collative of Barrow, on the Pope's Supremacy.

I'NSTITUTOR. n. s. [instituteur, Fr. institutor, Lat.

1. An establisher; one who settles.

It might have succeeded a little better, if it had pleased the institutors of the civil months of the sun to have ordered them alternately odd and Holder on Time.

2. Instructor: educator.

The two great aims which every institutor of youth should mainly and intentionally drive at. Walker.

I'NSTITUTIST. n. s. [from institute.] Writer of institutes, or elemental instructions. Green gall the institutists would persuade us to

be an effect of an over-hot stomach. Harvey on Consumptions.

To Insto'P. v. a. [in and stop.] To close

up; to stop.

With boiling pitch another near at hand The seams instops. Dryden, Ann. Mirab. To INSTRU'CT. † v. a. participle preterit. 3. Authoritative information; mandate. instructed or instruct. [instruo, Lat. instruire, instruict, Fr.

1. To teach; to form by precept; to inform authoritatively; to educate; to institute: to direct.

Warned, instruct, and monyshed.

Bp. Fisher, Ps. p. 2. Out of heaven he made thee to hear his voice, that he might instruct thee. Deut. iv. 36. His God doth instruct him to discretion, and doth teach him. Isa. xxviii. 26. Chenaniah, chief of the Levites, instructed

about the song, because he was skilful.

1 Chron. xv. 22. Thou approvest the things that are more excellent, being instructed out of the law.

Rom. ii. 18. One man being instruct in the suit for both. Ld. Herbert, Hen. VIII. p. 226. Instruct me, for thou knowest. Milton, P. L. Who ever by consulting at thy shrine

Return'd the wiser, or the more instruct To fly or follow what concern'd him most?

Milton, P. R. 2. It has commonly in before the thing taught.

They that were instructed in the songs of the Lord were two hundred fourscore and eight.

1 Chron. xxv. 7. These are the things wherein Solomon was instructed for building of the house of God.

3. To model; to form. Little in use. They speak to the merits of a cause, after the proctor has prepared and instructed the same for a hearing before the judge. Ayliffe, Parergon. INSTRU'CTER. n. s. [from instruct.] A teacher; an institutor; one who delivers precepts or imparts knowledge. It is oftener written Instructor.

Though you have ten thousand instructors in 1 Cor. iv. 15.

After the flood arts to Chaldea fell, The father of the faithful there did dwell, Who both their parent and instructor was.

Denham. O thou, who future things canst represent As present, heavenly instructor ! Milton, P. L. Poets, the first instructors of mankind, Brought all things to their native proper use.

Roscommon. They see how they are beset on every side, not only with temptations, but instructors to vice.

Several instructors were disposed among this little helpless people. Addison. We have precepts of duty given us by our in-

structors. Instru'ctible.* adj.[from instruct.] Able

to instruct. A king of incomparable clemency, and whose heart is instructible for wisdom and goodness.

Bacon, Submission to the House of Lords. Instruction. n. s. [instruction, Fr. from instruct.

1. The act of teaching; information.

It lies on you to speak,

Not by your own instruction, nor by any matter Which your heart prompts you to. Shaksneare. We are beholden to judicious writers of all ages, for those discoveries and discourses they have left behind them for our instruction.

2. Precepts conveying knowledge. Will ye not receive instruction to hearken to

receive my words. On ev'ry thorn delightful wisdom grows, In ev'ry stream a sweet instruction flows; But some untaught o'erhear the whisp'ring rill, In spite of sacred leisure, blockheads still.

See this dispatch'd with all the haste thou can'st: Anon I'll give thee more instruction. Shakspeare.

INSTRUCTIVE. adj. [from instruct; instructif, Fr.] Conveying knowledge. With a variety of instructive expressions by

speech man alone is endowed. Holder. I would not laugh but to instruct; or if my mirth ceases to be instructive, it shall never cease to be innocent. Addison.

INSTRU'CTIVELY. * adv. [from instructive.] So as to teach; by instruction.

Designing instructively to exemplify the duty d nature of charity. Barrow, Works, i. 263. and nature of charity. Ægle made him sing both merrily and instructively. Arbuthnot and Pope, Mart. Scribl.

Instructive. Instructive. Power of instructing.

The benefit, and the instructiveness of history, and of the lives of worthy persons, is no less universally than deservedly acknowledged to be very great. Situation of Paradise, &c. (1683,) p. 30. The pregnant instructiveness of the scripture.

Boyle, Style of Hol. Script. p. 130.

Instru'ctor.* See Instructer.

Instru'ctress.* n. s. [from instructor.]

A female instructor. Knowledge also as a perfect instructrice and

maistresse. Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 146. b. To hear the sweet instructress tell,

How life its noblest use may find, How well for freedom be resign'd.

Akenside. Perhaps, in the revolutions of the world, Iona may be sometime again the instructress of the western regions. Johnson, Journ. West. Islands.

I'NSTRUMENT. n. s. [instrument, Fr.; instrumentum, Lat.]

1. A tool used for any work or purpose. If he smite him with an instrument of iron, so that he die, he is a murderer. Num. xxxv. 16.

What artificial frame, what instrument, Did one superior genius e'er invent;

Blackmore. Which to the muscles is preferr'd? Box is useful for turners and instrument makers. Mortimer

2. A frame constructed so as to yield harmonious sounds.

He that striketh an instrument with skill, may cause notwithstanding a very pleasant sound, if the string whereon he striketh chance to be capable of harmony. She taketh most delight

In musick, instruments and poetry. In solitary groves he makes his moan,

Nor, mix'd in mirth, in youthful pleasure shares, But sighs when songs and instruments he hears. Dryden.

3. A writing containing any contract or He called Edna his wife, and took paper, and

did write an instrument of covenants, and sealed it.

4. The agent. It is used of persons as well as things, but of persons very often in an ill sense.

If, haply, you my father do suspect, An instrument of this your calling back,

Lay not your blame on me. Shakspeare, Othello.

5. That by means whereof something is

The gods would not have delivered a soul into the body which hath arms and legs, only instruments of doing; but that it were intended the mind should employ them.

All voluntary self-denials and austerities which Christianity commends become necessary, not simply for themselves, but as instruments towards a higher end. Decay of Chr. Piety.

Reputation is the smallest sacrifice those can make us, who have been the *instruments* of our ruin.

Swift.

There is one thing to be considered concerning reason, whether syllogism be the proper instruent of it, and the usefullest way of exercising this faculty.

Locke.

One who acts only to serve the purposes of another.

He scarcely knew what was done in his own chamber, but as it pleased her instruments to frame themselves.

Sidney.

All the instruments which aided to expose the child, were even then lost when it was found.

Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.
In benefits as well as injuries, it is the principal
that we are to consider, not the instrument: that
which a man does by another, is in truth his own
act. L'Estrange.

The bold are but th' instruments of the wise,
They undertake the dangers they advise. Dryden.
INSTRUME'NITAL. adj. [instrumental, Fr.;
instrumentum, Lat.]

 Conducive as means to some end; organical.

All second and instrumental causes, without that operative faculty which God gave them, would become altogether silent, virtueless, and dead.

Ralegh, Hist.

Prayer, which is instrumental to every thing, hath a particular promise in this thing.

Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy.

It is not an essential part of religion, but rather an auxiliary and instrumental duty.

I discern some excellent final causes of conjunction of body and soul; but the instrumental I know not, nor what invisible bands and fetters unite them together.

Bentley.

2. Acting to some end; contributing to some purpose; helpful: used of persons and things.

The presbyterian merit is of little weight, when they allege themselves instrumental towards the restoration.

Swift.

3. Consisting not of voices but instruments; produced by instruments, not

They which, under pretence of the law ceremonial abrogated, require the abrogation of instruental musick, approving nevertheless the use of vocal melody to remain, must shew some reason, wherefore the one should be thought a legal ceremony and not the other.

Hooker.

Oft in bands, While they keep watch, or nightly rounding walk, With heavenly touch of instrumental sounds

In full harmonious number join'd, their songs Divide the night, and lift our thoughts to heaven.

Milton, P. L.

Sweet voices, mix'd with instrumental sounds,
Ascend the vaulted roof, the vaulted roof rebounds.

Dryden.

Instrumenta'Lity. n. s. [from instrumental.] Subordinate agency; agency of any thing as means to an end.

Those natural and involuntary actings are not the ball bration and formal command, yet they are done by the virtue, energy, and influx of the soul, and the instrumentality of the spirits.

Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

INSTRUME'NTALLY.† adv. [from instrumental.]

1. In the nature of an instrument; as means to an end.

Men's well-being here in this life is but instrumentally good, as being the means for him to be well in the next life. Digby.

Habitual preparation for the sacrament consists in a standing, permanent habit, or principle of holiness, wrought chiefly by God's spirit, and instrumentally by his word, in the heart or soul of a man. South.

2. With instruments of musick.

The earlier fathers of the church — condemned musical devotion when instrumentally accompanied.

Mason on Church Musick, p. 27.

Instrume'ntalness. n. s. [from instrumental.] Usefulness as means to an end.

The instrumentalness of riches to works of charity, has rendered it very political, in every Christian commonwealth, by laws to settle and secure propriety.

Hammond.

To INSTY'LE.* v. a. [in and style.] To denominate: to call.

Gladness shall clothe the earth; we will instile. The face of things an universal smile.

Crashaw, Poems, p. 101.

Insu'Avity.* n. s. [insuavitas, Lat.] Unpleasantness.

All fears, griefs, suspicions, discontents, imbonities, insuavities, are swallowed up and drowned in this Euripus, this Irish sea.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 215.
INSUBJE'CTION.* n. s. [in and subjection.]
State of disobedience to government.

Insubordina'tion.* n. s. [in and sub-ordination.] State of disorder.

Insubsta'ntial.* adj. [in and substantial.] Not real; unsubstantial.

Like the baseless fabrick of this vision, The cloud-capt towers, the gorgeous palaces, The solemn temples, the great globe itself, Yea, all which it inherit, shall dissolve; And, like this insubstantial pageant faded,

Leave not a rack behind. Shakspeare, Tempest.
INSUCCA'TION.* n. s. [insuccatus, Lat.]
Soaking. Not in use.

As concerning the medicating and insuccation of seeds, I am no great favourer of it.

Evelyn, B. i. ch. 1. § 5.

INSU'FFERABLE. adj. [in and sufferable.]

1. Intolerable; insupportable; intense beyond endurance.

The one is oppressed with constant heat, the other with insufferable cold. Brown, Vulg. Err. Eyes that confess'd him born for kingly sway,

So fierce, they flash'd insufferable day. Dryden. Though great light be insufferable to our eyes, yet the highest degree of darkness does not at all disease them; because that causing no disorderly motion, leaves that curious organ unharmed.

2. Detestable; contemptible; disgusting beyond endurance.

Å multitude of scribblers, who daily pester the world with their *insufferable* stuff, should be discouraged from writing any more. *Dryden*.

INSU'FFERABLY. adv. [from insufferable.]
To a degree beyond endurance.

Those heavenly shapes
Will dazzle now this earthly with their blaze,
Insufferably bright.
Milton, P. L.

There is no person remarkably ungrateful, who was not also insufferably proud. South.

INSUFFI'CIENCE. \(\) n. s. [insufficience, Fr.; INSUFFI'CIENCY. \(\) in and sufficient. \(\) Inadequateness to any end or purpose; want of requisite value or power: used of things and persons.

The minister's aptness or insufficiency, otherwise than by reading to instruct the flock, standeth in this place as a stranger, with whom our form of common prayer hath nothing to do.

The insufficiency of the light of nature is, by the light of scripture, so fully supplied, that further light than this hath added, there doth not need unto that end.

Hooker.

We will give you sleepy drinks, that your senses, unintelligent of our insufficience, may, though they cannot praise us, as little accuse us.

Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.
Till experience had discovered their defect and insufficiency, I did certainly conclude them to be infallible.
Wilkins.

Consider the pleas made use of to this purpose, and shew the insufficiency and weakness of them.

Atterbury.

INSUFFI CIENT. adj. [insufficient, Fr.; in and sufficient.] Inadequate to any need, use, or purpose; wanting abilities; incapable; unfit.

The bishop to whom they shall be presented, may justly reject them as incapable and insufficient.

Spenser on Ireland.

We are weak, dependant creatures, insufficient to our own happiness, full of wants which of ourselves we cannot relieve, exposed to a numerous train of evils which we know not how to divert.

Fasting kills by the bad state, not by the insufficient quantity of fluids.

Arbuthrot on Aliments.

INSUFFI'CIENTLY. adv. [from insufficient.]

With want of proper ability; not skil-

fully.

INSUFFLA'TION:† n. s. [in and sufflo, Lat.]

The act of breathing upon.

Insufflations, that is, blowing upon.

Fulke, Retentive, &c. (1580,) p. 168.

Tulke, Keteniuv, &c. (1580,) p. 168.

Imposition of hands is a custom of parents in blessing their children, but taken up by the apostles instead of that divine insuffation which Christ used.

Hammond on Fundamentals.

St. Basil, expressly comparing the divine insufflation upon Adam with that of Christ (St. John, xx. 22.) upon the Apostles, tells us that 'twas the same Son of God by whom God gave the insufflation, then indeed together with the soul, but now into the soul.

Bp. Bull, Works, iii. 1125.

Insu'ITABLE.* adj. [in and suitable.]
Not suitable.

Many other rites of the Jewish worship seemed to him insuitable to the Divine nature.

uitable to the Divine nature.

Burnet, Life of Ld. Rochester, p. 73.

I'NSULARY, adj. [insulaire, Fr.; in-I'NSULARY.] sularis, Lat.] Belonging to an island. Insulary only is exemplified by Dr. Johnson; but insular was in use as soon, or perhaps sooner, than insulary. Cotgrave translates the French word into insular.

Druina, being surrounded with the sea, is hardly to be invaded, having many other insulary advantages.

Howell.

Such is the system of insular subordination, which, having little variety, cannot afford much delight in the view. Johnson, Journ. West. Islands.

I'NSULAR.* n. s. [insularis, n. s. Lat.]
An islander.

An islander.

It is much to be lamented, that our insulars, who act and think so much for themselves, should yet, from grossness of air and diet, grow stupid or dost somer than other neonle who, by virtue

or doat sooner than other people, who, by virtue of elastic air, water-drinking, and light food, preserved their faculties to extreme old age.

Bp. Berkeley, Strius, § 109.

To I'NSULATE.* v. a. [from insula, Lat.]

To make an island.

The Eden here forms two branches, and insulates the ground.

Pennant, Tour.

I'NSULATED.† adj. [insula, Lat.] Not | INSU'LTER.† n. s. [from insult.] One who contiguous on any side; not connected. An administration, composed of insulated individuals. Burke on the Pres. Discontents, (1770).

Prudence would dictate this in the case of separate insulated men. Burke on the Fr. Revol.

INSU'LSE.† adj. [insulse, old Fr.; insulsus, Lat.] Dull; insipid; heavy; stupid.

An insulse and frigid affectation.

Milton, Apol. for Smectymnuus. Rabinical scholiasts, not well attending, -gave us this insulse rule out of their Talmud.

Insu'lsity.* n. s. [insulsitas, Lat.; from insulse.] Stupidity. Cockeram. I'NSULT. † n. s. [insultus, Lat.; insult, French.

1. The act of leaping upon any thing. In this sense it has the accent on the last syllable: the sense is rare, Dr. Johnson says, citing Dryden.

The bull's insult at four she may sustain, But after ten from nuptial rites refrain.

Dryden, Virg. Terrible balls of flame bursting forth near the foundations with frequent insults, and burning divers times the workmen, rendered the place inaccessible.

Whitby, Gen. Pref. to his Par. on the N. Test. p. xxviii. 2. Act or speech of insolence or con-

The ruthless sneer that insult adds to grief.

Take the sentence seriously, because railleries are an insult on the unfortunate.

Broome on the Odyssey.

To INSU'LT. v. a. [insulter, Fr.; insulto, Latin.

1. To treat with insolence or contempt. It is used sometimes with over, sometimes without a preposition.

The poet makes his hero, after he was glutted by the death of Hector, and the honour he did his friend by insulting over his murderer, to be moved by the tears of king Priam.

2. To trample upon; to triumph over. It pleas'd the king his master very lately To strike at me upon his misconstruction : When he conjunct, and flatt'ring his displeasure, Tript me behind; being down, insulted, rail'd, And put upon him such a deal of man,

That worthied him. Shakspeare, K. Lear. So 'scapes the insulting fire his narrow jail, And makes small outlets into open air. Dryden. Ev'n when they sing at ease in full content,

Insulting o'er the toil they underwent, Yet still they find a future task remain, To turn the soil. Dryden, Virg.

To Insu'LT.* v. n. To behave with insolent triumph.

There shall the spectator see some insulting with joy, others fretting with melancholy.

B. Jonson, Discoveries. Too many insult in this just punishment, who have deserved more. Bp. Hall, Occas. Med. § 92.

INSULTA'TION.* n. s. [old Fr. insultation ; from insult.] Insulting or injurious treat-

Continual care checks the spirit; continual labour checks the body, and continual insultation Feltham, Res. i. 18. Hard and scant diet, irons, insultations, scorns,

and extremities of ill usage of all kinds.

By. Hall, Rem. p. 128. The perfidiousness of friends, the fraud of flatterers, and the impudent insultations of the basest of the people. Bp. Prideaux, Euchol. p. 185. treats another with insolent triumph.

Paying what ransom the insulter willeth Shakspeare, Ven. and Adon.

A despised martyr insulting over his insulters, wearying his tormentors. Whitlock, Mann. of the Eng. p. 533.

Ev'n man, the merciless insulter man, Man, who rejoices in our sex's weakness, Shall pity thee. Rowe, Jane Shore. Insu'lting.* n. s. [from insult.]

An act or speech of contempt or insolence.

Grievous reproaches, and scornful insultings over him in his afflictions. Barrow, Works, i. 294. Insu'LTINGLY. adv. [from insulting.] With contemptuous triumph.

Insultingly, he made your love his boast, Gave me my life, and told me what it cost.

Dryden. To Insu'me. * v. a. [insumo, Lat.]

In dressing the roots, be as sparing as possible of the fibres, which are as it were the emulgent veins, which insume and convey the nourishment to the whole tree. Evelyn's Earth.

Insuperabi'LITY. n. s. [from insuperable.] The quality of being invincible.

INSU PERABLE. † adj. [insuperable, old Fr. insuperabilis, Lat.] Invincible; insurmountable; not to be conquered; not to be overcome.

This appears to be an insuperable objection, because of the evidence that sense seems to give it. Digby on Bodies.

Much might be done, would we but endeavour; nothing is insuperable to pains and patience.

Ray on the Creation. And middle natures how they long to join, But never pass th' insuperable line. Insu'perableness. n. s. ffrom insuperable.] Invincibleness; impossibility to be surmounted.

INSU'PERABLY. adv. [from insuperable.] Invincibly; insurmountably.

Between the grain and the vein of a diamond there is this difference, that the former furthers, the latter, being so insuperably hard, hinders the splitting of it. Grew, Mus.

INSUPPO'RTABLE adj. [insupportable, Fr. in and supportable.] Intolerable; insufferable; not to be endured.

A disgrace put upon a man in company is insupportable; it is heightened according to the greatness, and multiplied according to the number of persons that hear.

The baser the enemies are, the more insupportable is the insolence. L'Estrange.

The thought of being nothing after death is a burden insupportable to a virtuous man: we naturally aim at happiness, and cannot bear to have it confined to our present being.

To those that dwell under or near the equator, this spring would be a most pestilent and insup-portable summer; and as for those countries that are nearer the poles, a perpetual spring will not do their business Bentley.

Insuppo'rtableness. n. s. [from insupportable.] Insufferableness; the state of being beyond endurance.

Then fell she to so pitiful a declaration of the insupportableness of her desires, that Dorus's ears procured his eyes with tears to give testimony how much they suffered for her suffering.

INSUPPO'RTABLY. adv. [from insupportable.] Beyond endurance.

But safest he who stood aloof, When insupportably his foot advanc'd, In scorn of their proud arms and warlike tools, Spurn'd them to death by troops. Milton, S. A.

The first day's audience sufficiently convinced me, that the poem was insupportably too long.

Dryden. INSUPPRE'SSIBLE.* adj. [in and suppressible.] Not to be concealed or suppressed.

Such an example have we in Addison; which, though hitherto suppressed, yet, when once known,

is insuppressible, of a nature too rare, too striking to be forgotten. Young, Conj. on Orig. Composition. INSUPPRE'SSIVE. * adj. [in and suppressive.]

Not to be kept under; not to be sup-Do not stain

The even virtue of our enterprise, Nor the insuppressive mettle of our spirits. Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs.

An insuppressive spring will toss him up, In spite of fortune's load. Young, Night Th. 7. INSU'RABLE.* adj. [from To insure.] Ca-

pable of being insured, that is, of being exempted from hazard, or entitled to certain advantages, by paying a certain sum: as, the goods are insurable; the life of the person is insureable.

Insu'RANCE.* n. s. [from insure.] Exemption from hazard, obtained by payment of a certain sum; a method of providing for a sum which might be lost on the death of a person, or of securing to the heir a certain sum at the person's decease. See Ensurance.

Insu'rancer.* n. s. One who promises a kind of security. See Ensurancer.

The far fam'd sculptor, and the laurell'd bard, Those bold insurancers of deathless fame, Supply their little feeble aids in vain.

Blair, The Grave.

To INSU'RE.* See To Ensure. Insu'rer.* See Ensurer.

Insu'rgent.* n. s. [insurgens, Lat.] One who rises in open rebellion against the established government of his country.

On the part of his imperial majesty, the insurgents were not treated with lenity. Guthrie, Netherlands.

INSURMO'UNTABLE. adj. [insurmontable, Fr. in and surmountable.] Insuperable; unconquerable.

This difficulty is insurmountable, till I can make simplicity and variety the same. Locke. Hope thinks nothing difficult; despair tells us, that difficulty is insurmountable.

Insurmo'untably. adv. [from insurmountable.] Invincibly; unconquerably.

INSURRE'CTION. † n. s. [insurrectio, Lat. from insurgo, to rise against. The old French language has insurrection, not in this sense, but in that of lifting up, elevation.] A seditious rising; a rebellious commotion.

Between the acting of a dreadful thing, And the first motion, all the interim is Like a phantasma, or a hideous dream: The genius and the mortal instruments Are then in council; and the state of man, Like to a little kingdom, suffers then The nature of an insurrection.

Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs. This city of old time hath made insurrection against kings, and that rebellion and sedition have been made therein. There shall be a great insurrection upon those

that fear the Lord. 2 Esdr. xvi. 70. Insurrections of base people are commonly more furious in their beginnings. Bacon, Hen. VII.

The trade of Rome had like to have suffered I'NTEGRAL. n. s. The whole made up of another great stroke by an insurrection in Egypt. Arbuthnot.

INSURRE'CTIONARY.* adi. [from insurrection. I Suitable to an insurrection.

Churches, play-houses, coffee-houses, all alike are destined to be mingled, and equalised, and blended into one common rubbish; and well sifted, and lixiviated, to crystallize into true democratick explosive insurrectionary nitre.

Burke, Lett. to a Noble Lord.

INSUSCE'PTIBLE.* adj. [in and susceptible.] Not susceptible; not capable.

I find in the bowels of your last much harsh and stiff matter from Scotland, and I believe insusceptible of any farther concoction, unless it be with much time, "quod concoquit omnia."

Wotton, Lett. dat. (1638,) Rem. p. 374.

Insusurra'tion. † n. s. [insusurro, Lat.] The act of whispering into something. The other party insinuates their Roman principles by whispers and private insusurrations.

Legenda Lignea, &c. (1653,) Pref. A. 4. b. INTA'CTIBLE. adj. [in and tactum, Lat.] Not perceptible to the touch.

INTA'GLIATED.* adj. [intagliato, Ital. from intaglio.] Engraven; stamped on.

In the arable grounds towards Barton, lying on a bed of stone, has been found a species of astroite, or starry-stone, very beautiful, deeply intagliated or engraven like a seal, and striated from the prominent pentagonal edges above, to a centre in the Warton, Hist. of Kiddington, p. 25. bottom.

INTA'GLIO. n. s. [Italian.] Any thing that has figures engraved on it so as to rise above the ground.

We meet with the figures which Juvenal describes on antique intaglios and medals.

Addison on Italy.

INTA'IL.* See ENTAIL.

I'NTAKE.* n. s. An inclosure, taken in from a common or waste. Craven Dialect, and Wilbraham's Cheshire Glossary.

INTA'NGIBLE.* adj. [in and tangible.] Not to be touched.

Being extremely solid, as well as invisible, [a feigned portable castle, a man should be still in danger of knocking his head against every wall and pillar, unless it were also intangible, as some of the Peripateticks affirm!

Bp. Wilkins, Disco. of a New World, P. ii. p. 148. To INTA'NGLE.* See To ENTANGLE, and

INTA'STABLE. adj. [in and taste.] Not raising any sensations in the organs of taste. A word not elegant, nor used.

Something which is invisible, intastable, and intangible, as existing only in the fancy, may produce a pleasure superiour to that of sense. Grew.

I'NTEGER. n. s. [Latin.] The whole of any thing.

As not only signified a piece of money, but any integer; from whence is derived the word ace, or Arbuthnot.

I'NTEGRAL. adj. [integral, French; in-

teger, Lat.]

1. Whole: applied to a thing considered as comprising all its constituent parts. A local motion keepeth bodies integral, and their parts together. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

2. Uninjured; complete; not defective. No wonder if one remain speechless, though of integral principles, who, from an infant, should be bred up amongst mutes, and have no teaching.

3. Not fractional; not broken into fractions.

Physicians, by the help of anatomical dissections, have searched into those various meanders of the veins, arteries, nerves, and integrals of the human Hale.

Consider the infinite complications and combinations of several concurrences to the constitution and operation of almost every integral in nature.

A mathematical whole is better called integral, when the several parts, which make up the whole, are distinct, and each may subsist apart. Watts.

INTEGRA'LITY.* n. s. [integralité, French; from integral.] Wholeness; complete-Cotgrave, and Sherwood. ness. Such as in their integrality support nature.

Whitaker, Blood of the Grape. adv. [from integral.] I'NTEGRALLY.* adv.

Wholly; completely.

They are integrally, or in their parts, helpful or hurtful. Whitaker, Blood of the Grape. I'NTEGRANT.* adj. [integrans, Lat.] Con-

tributing to make up a whole.

Not compounded like bodies of integrant parts. L. Addison, State of the Jews, (1675,) p. 18. A true natural aristocracy is not a separate interest in the state, or separable from it. It is an essential integrant part of any large people rightly

To I'NTEGRATE.* v. a. [integro, integratus, Lat. To form one whole; to contain

all the parts of. Two distinct substances, the soul and the body, go to compound and integrate the man.

South, Serm. vii. 14. All the several branches of it are required to integrate or make up the Gospel spirit.

Hammond, Works, iv. 591.
All the particular doctrines which integrate Christianity.

Chillingworth, Rel. Prot. ch. 2. § 159.

INTEGRA'TION.* n. s. [integratio, Latin.] The act of making whole; the act of re-Cockeram. storing. Inte'grity. n. s. [integrité, Fr.; integritas,

from integer, Lat.]

1. Honesty; uncorrupt mind; purity of manners; uncorruptedness.

Macduff, this noble passion, Child of integrity, hath from my soul Wip'd the black scruples, reconcil'd my thoughts

To thy good truth and honour. Shakspeare, Macbeth. Whoever has examined both parties cannot go

far towards the extremes of either, without violence to his integrity or understanding. The libertine, instead of attempting to corrupt

our integrity, will conceal and disguise his own 2. Purity; genuine unadulterated state.

Language continued long in its purity and in-Hale.

3. Intireness; unbroken whole.

Take away this transformation, and there is no chasm, nor can it affect the integrity of the action.

Inte'Gument. † n. s. [integumentum, intego, Lat.] Any thing that covers or envelopes another.

I make no question but all kinds of wits and capacities may be found under all tinctures and integuments. Wotton on Education, Rem. p. 79. He could no more live without his frieze-coat

than without his skin: it is not indeed so properly his coat, as what the anatomists call one of the integuments of the body. Addison.

I'NTELLECT.† n. s. [intellect, Fr.; intellectus, Lat. "This most pure parte of the soule, and (as Aristotle sayeth) divine, impassible, and incorruptible, is named in Latin intellectus: whereunto I can find no proper Englishe but understandinge. For intelligence, which commeth of intelligentia, is the perceiving of that which is first conceived by understanding, called intellectus. - Wherefore I wyll use this worde understanding for intellectus, untvll some other more proper Englyshe worde may be founden and broughte in custome." Sir Tho. Elyot, Gov. edit. 1580. fol. 201.] The intelligent mind; the power of understand-

All heart they live, all head, all eye, all ear, All intellect, all sense. Milton, P. L.

All those arts, rarities, and inventions, which vulgar minds gaze at, and the ingenious pursue, are but the reliques of an intellect defaced with sin and time.

INTELLE'CTION. n. s. [intellection, Fr. intellectio, Lat. The act of understand-

Simple apprehension denotes the soul's naked intellection of an object, without either composition Glanville, Scepsis. or deduction. They will say 'tis not the bulk or substance of

the animal spirit, but its motion and agility, that produces intellection and sense. Bentley, Serm.

INTELLE'CTIVE. † adj. [intellectif, Fr. from intellect.

Having power to understand.

Because the intellective soul is not of necessity serving to any other faculty or power, therefore is she as lady, mistress, and queen, over all the other powers, faculties, or virtues of the soul. Bryskett, Disc. of Civil Life, (1606,) p. 46.

In the section of bodies, we find man, of all sensible creatures, to have the fullest brain to his proportion, and that it was so provided by the Supreme Wisdom for the lodging of the intellective faculties. Wotton on Education, Rem. p. 81.

If a man as intellective be created, then either he means the whole man, or only that by which he is intellective.

2. To be perceived by the intellect, not the senses.

Instead of beginning with arts most easy, (and those be such as are most obvious to the sense,) they present their young unmatriculated novices with the most intellective abstractions of logick and metaphysicks. Milton on Education.

INTELLE'CTUAL. adj. [intellectuel, French; intellectualis, low Latin.]

1. Relating to the understanding; belonging to the mind; transacted by the understanding.

Religion teaches us to present to God our bodies as well as our souls: if the body serves the soul in actions natural and civil, and intellectual, it must not be eased in the only offices of religion.

2. Mental; comprising the faculty of understanding; belonging to the mind.

Logick is to teach us the right use of our reason, or intellectual powers.

3. Ideal; perceived by the intellect, not the senses.

In a dark vision's intellectual scene, Beneath a bower for sorrow made,

The melancholy Cowley lay. Cowley. A train of phantoms in wild order rose,

And, join'd, this intellectual scene compose. Pope. 4. Having the power of understanding.

Anaxagoras and Plato term the Maker of the world an intellectual worker. Hooker.

Who would lose.

Though full of pain, this intellectual being, Those thoughts that wander through eternity, To perish rather, swallow'd up and lost, In the wide womb of uncreated night,

Devoid of sense and motion?

5. Proposed as the object not of the senses but intellect: as, Cudworth names his book the intellectual system of the

INTELLE'CTUAL. n. s. Intellect; understanding; mental powers or faculties. This is little in use.

Her husband -

Whose higher intellectual more I shun.

Milton, P. L. The fancies of most, like the index of a clock, are moved but by the inward springs of the corporeal machine; which, even on the most sublimed intellectual, is dangerously influential.

Glanville, Scensis. I have not consulted the repute of my intellectuals in bringing their weaknesses into such discerning presences. Glanville.

INTELLE'CTUALIST.* n. s. [from intellectual.] One who over-rates the human understanding.

Upon these intellectualists, which are notwithstanding commonly taken for the most sublime and divine philosophers, Heraclitus gave a just censure. Bacon, Adv. of Learning, B. 1. INTELLECTUA'LITY.* n. s. [from intellec-

tual.] The state of intellectual power. Seneca signifies little in this place, he being no better than a cosmoplastick atheist, i. e. he made

a certain plastick or spermatick nature, devoid of all animality or conscious intellectuality, to be the highest principle in the universe. Hallywell, Melampr. (1681,) p. 84.

meth of intelligentia, is the perceiving of that which is first conceived by understanding, called intellectus. intelligence is now used for an elegant worde, where there [are] mutuall treaties or appoyntments, eyther by letters or messages, speciallye concerninge warres, or like other great affaires, between princes or noble men." Sir T. Elyot, Gov. ed. 1580. fol. 201.7

1. Commerce of information; notice; mutual communication; account of things

distant or secret.

It was perceived there had not been in the catholicks so much foresight as to provide that true intelligence might pass between them of what was Hooker.

He furnished his employed men liberally with money, to draw on and reward intelligences; giving them also in charge to advertise continually what they found. Bacon, Hen. VII.

The advertisements of neighbour princes are always to be regarded, for that they receive intelligence from better authors than persons of inferior note. Hayward.

Let all the passages Be well secured, that no intelligence May pass between the prince and them.

Denham, Sophy. Those tales had been sung to lull children asleep, before ever Berosus set up his intelligence office at Coos. Bentley.

2. Commerce of acquaintance; terms on which men live one with another.

Factious followers are worst to be liked, which follow not upon affection to him with whom they VOL. II.

range themselves; whereupon commonly ensueth (that ill intelligence that we see between great per-

He lived rather in a fair intelligence than any friendship with the favourites. Clarendon.

Milton, P. L. 3. Spirit; unbodied mind.

How fully hast thou satisfied me, pure Intelligence of heaven! Milton, P. L.

There are divers ranks of created beings intermediate between the glorious God and man, as the glorious angels and created intelligences. Hale.

They hoped to get the favour of the houses, and by the favour of the houses they hoped for that of the intelligencies, and by their favour for that of the supreme God. Stilling fleet.

The regularity of motion, visible in the great variety and curiosity of bodies, is a demonstration that the whole mass of matter is under the conduct of a mighty intelligence.

Satan, appearing like a cherub to Uriel, the intelligence of the sun circumvented him even in his own province.

4. Understanding; skill.

Heaps of huge words, up hoarded hideously, They think to be chief praise of poetry; And thereby wanting due intelligence,

Have marr'd the face of goodly poesie.

INTE'LLIGENCER. n. s. [from intelligence.] One who sends or conveys news; one who gives notice of private or distant transactions; one who carries messages between parties.

His eyes, being his diligent intelligencers, could carry unto him no other news but discomfortable.

How deep you were within the books of heaven?

To us, th' imagin'd voice of heav'n itself:

The very opener and intelligencer Between the grace and sanctities of heav'n,

And our dull workings. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. If they had instructions to that purpose, they might be the best intelligencers to the king of the

true state of his whole kingdom. Bacon. They are the best sort of intelligencers; for they have a way into the inmost closets of princes.

They have news-gatherers and intelligencers, who make them acquainted with the conversation of the whole kingdom.

Inte'lligencing.* adj. [from intelligence.] Conveying information; giving notice of private or distant transactions.

A mankind witch! Hence with her, out o'door: A most intelligencing bawd! Shaksp. Wint. Tale. He [an apparitor] is a cunning hunter, uncoupling his intelligencing hounds under hedges, in thickets, and corn-fields, who follow the chase

to city-suburbs. Overbury, Charact. sign. I. 3.
I'll have your ears nailed for intelligencing o' Beaum. and Fl. Scornful Lady. The address — gave cause of suspicion to the Earl of Richmond's intelligencing friends, that the

king had a purpose to marry the lady Elizabeth. Buck, Hist. of Rich. III. p. 127.

That sad intelligencing tyrant, that mischiefs the world with his mines of Ophir.

Milton, Of Ref. in Engl. B. 2. INTE'LLIGENT. adj. [intelligent, Fr. intelligens, Latin.]

1. Knowing; instructed; skilful.

It is not only in order of nature for him to govern that is the more intelligent, as Aristotle would have it; but there is no less required for government, courage to protect, and above all ho-

He of times, Intelligent, the harsh hyperborean ice Shuns for our equal winters; when our suns

Cleave the chill'd soil, he backwards wings his

Trace out the numerous footsteps of the presence and interposition of a most wise and intelligent architect throughout all this stupendous fabrick. Woodward.

2. It has of before the thing. Intelligent of seasons, they set forth

Their aery caravan. Milton, P. L.

3. Giving information.

Servants, who seem no less,
Which are to France the spies and speculations Intelligent of our state. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

INTELLIGE'NTIAL. adj. [from intelligence.] 1. Consisting of unbodied mind.

Food alike those pure

Intelligential substances require, As doth your rational.

Milton, P. L. 2. Intellectual; exercising understanding. In at his mouth

The devil enter'd; and his brutal sense, His heart or head possessing, soon inspir'd With act intelligential. Milton, P. L.

INTELLIGIBI'LITY.† n. s. [from intelligible.]

1. Possibility to be understood.

This while it added to intelligibility, would take from psalmody its tedious drawl, and certainly leave it sufficient gravity.

Mason on Ch. Musick, p. 223. 2. The power of understanding; intellection. Not proper.

The soul's nature consists in intelligibility.

Glanville. INTE'LLIGIBLE. adj. [intelligible, Fr. intelligibilis, Lat.] To be conceived by the understanding; possible to be un-

derstood. We shall give satisfaction to the mind, to shew it a fair and intelligible account of the deluge.

Burnet. Something must be lost in all translations, but

the sense will remain, which would otherwise be maimed, when it is scarce intelligible. Many natural duties relating to God, ourselves,

and our neighbours, would be exceeding difficult for the bulk of mankind to find out by reason; therefore it has pleased God to express them in a plain manner, intelligible to souls of the lowest

INTE'LLIGIBLENESS. n.s. [from intelligible.] Possibility to be understood; perspi-

It is in our ideas that both the rightness of our knowledge, and the propriety or intelligibleness of our speaking, consists.

INTE'LLIGIBLY. adv. [from intelligible.] So as to be understood; clearly; plainly. The genuine sense, intelligibly told,

Shews a translator both discreet and bold.

Roscommon. To write of metals and minerals intelligibly, is a task more difficult than to write of animals. Woodward, Nat. Hist.

unpolluted.

The entire and intemerate comeliness of virtues. Partheneia Sacra, (1633,) Pr. A. iiij. b. The primitiæ of their intemerated youth.

Annot. on Glanville, &c. 1682, p. 269.

INTE'MERATENESS.* n. s. [from intemerate.] State of being undefiled.

They shall ever keep the sincerity and intemerateness of the fountain, whence they are derived. Donne, Lett. to Sir H. G. Poems, p. 281.

INTE'MPERAMENT. n. s. [in and temperament.] Bad constitution.

Some depend upon the intemperament of the part ulcerated, and others upon the afflux of lacerative humours. Harvey.

INTE'MPERANCE. \ n. s. [intemperance, Fr.] INTE'MPERANCY. [intemperantia, Lat.]

1. Want of temperance; want of moderation: commonly excess in meat or drink.

Boundless intemperance

In nature is a tyranny. Shakspeare, Macb.
Another law of Lycurgus induced to intem-Shakspeare, Macb. perancy and all kind of incontinency. Hakewill. Some, as thou saw'st, by violent stroke shall

By fire, flood, famine, by intemperance more In meats and drinks, which on the earth shall

bring

Diseases dire; of which a monstrous crew Before thee shall appear; that thou may'st know What misery the inabstinence of Eve

Shall bring on men. Milton, P. L. The Lacedemonians trained up their children to hate drunkenness and intemperance, by bringing a drunken man into their company.

2. Excessive addiction to any appetite or affection.

INTE'MPERATE. adj. [intemperant, Fr. intemperatus, Latin.

1. Immoderate in appetite; excessive in meat or drink; drunken; gluttonous.

More women should die than men, if the number of burials answered in proportion to that of sicknesses; but men, being more intemperate than women, die as much by reason of their vices, as women do by the infirmity of their sex. Graunt.

Notwithstanding all their talk of reason and philosophy, and those unanswerable doubts, which, over their cups or their coffee, they pretend to have against Christianity; persuade but the covetous man not to deify his money, the intemperate man to abandon his revels, and I dare undertake that all their giant-like objections shall

2. Passionate; ungovernable; without rule. You are more intemperate in your blood

Than those pamper'd animals,

That rage in savage sensuality. Use not thy mouth to intemperate swearing; for therein is the word of sin. Ecclus. xxiii. 13.

3. Excessive; exceeding the just or convenient mean; as, an intemperate climate; we have intemperate weather.

To Inte'mperate.* v. a. [from the adjective.] To disorder; to put any thing out of its just or convenient state.

The fifth age is virile, and the media between young and old age; yet doth it not so participate of either, as to affect or intemperate it: as it beginneth at thirty-five, so it extendeth to forty-nine. Whitaker, Blood of the Grape, p. 92.

INTE'MPERATELY, adv. [from intemperate.] 1. With breach of the laws of temperance. How grossly do many of us contradict the plain precepts of the Gospel, by living intemperately or unjustly. Tillotson.

2. Immoderately; excessively.

Do not too many believe no religion to be pure, but what is intemperately rigid? Whereas no religion is true that is not peaceable as well as pure. Sprat.

INTE'MPERATENESS. n. s. [from intemperate.]

Want of moderation.

2. Unseasonableness of weather.

Ainsworth. INTE'MPERATURE. † n. s. [intemperature, Fr.: from intemperate.] Excess of some qua-Cotgrave, and Sherwood.

INTEMPE'STIVE.* adj. [intempestif, French; intempestivus, Latin.]

seasonable; untimely: not suitable to time or occasion. This word was formerly much in use: it is now perhaps obsolete.

Many diseases accompany, as incubus, apoplexy, - frequent wakings, and terrible dreams; intem-

pestive laughing, weeping, sighing.

Being aged and diseased—he married a widow of London. A chief favourite at that time, — bearing of this intempestive marriage, took advantage thereof, [and] caused it to be told to the queen. Harrington, Br. View of the Ch. p. 114. Intempestive bashfulness gets nothing.

Hales, Rem. p. 143.

INTEMPE'STIVELY.* adv. [from intempestive.] Unsuitable to time or occasion.

They [indiscreet pastors] still aggravate sin, thunder out God's judgements without respect, intempestively rail at and pronounce them damned, in all auditories, for giving so much to sports and honest recreations, making every small fault, and thing indifferent, an irremissible offence.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 698.

Intempertivity.* n.s. [from intempestive.] Unsuitableness to time or occasion.

Our moral books tell us of a vice, which they call akaipia intempestivity; an indiscretion, by which unwise and unexperienced men see not what befits times, persons, occasions.

Hale, Serm. at Eton. p. 4. Courtesies, not acknowledged, are suspected that they were either guilty of intempestivity and unseasonableness, or else of want of worth and Gayton on D. Quix. p. 127.

INTE'NABLE † adj. [in and tenable.] Indefensible; as, an intenable opinion; an intenable fortress. See also INTE-

His lordship's [Bolingbroke's] proposition may be expressed in plainer terms, "That the more the world has advanced in real knowledge, the more it has discovered of the intenable pretensions of the Gospel." To expose the futility of his maxim, I shall first of all shew, that it was not ignorance which gave the Gospel its early credit: which is a presumption, at least, that knowledge hath not since hurt it. - From [the] presumptions I proceed to a direct proof, that as the infant growth of the Gospel was not retarded by that flourishing state of knowledge which saw it in its birth; so the revived knowledge of these latter ages did greatly support the established honours of Revelation, by illustrating its primeval truths. the more careful cultivation of natural and moral science; Philosophy, History, and Antiquity, have all contributed to spread a new light over the evidences of it. Warburton, Serm. xiii.

To INTE'ND. v. a. [intendo, Latin.] 1. To stretch out. Obsolete.

The same advancing high above his head, With sharp intended sting so rude him smote,

That to the earth him drove, as stricken dead. Spenser, F. Q.

2. To enforce; to make intense; to strain. What seems to be the ground of the assertion, is the magnified quality of this star, conceived to cause or intend the heat of this season, we find that wiser antiquity was not of this opinion.

Brown. Vulg. Err. By this the lungs are intended or remitted.

This vis inertiæ is essential to matter, because it neither can be intended or remitted in the same body; but is always proportional to the quantity of matter. Cheyne Magnetism may be intended and remitted, and is found only in the magnet and in iron.

Newton, Opt. Un- 3. To regard; to attend; to take care of.

This they should carefully intend, and not when the sacrament is administered, imagine themselves called only to walk up and down in a white and shining garment.

Having no children, she did with singular care and tenderness intend the education of Philip.

Bacon, Hen. VII. The king prayed them to have patience till a

little smoke, that was raised in his country, was over; slighting, as his manner was, that openly, which nevertheless he intended seriously.

Bacon, Hen. VII.

4. To pay regard or attention to. This sense is now little used. They could not intend to the recovery of that

country of the north. Neither was there any who might share in the government, while the king intended his pleasure.

The earl was a very acute and sound speaker, when he would intend it.

Go therefore, mighty powers! intend at home, While here shall be our home, what best may ease The present misery. Milton, P. L.

Their beauty they, and we our loves suspend; Nought can our wishes, save thy health, intend.

5. To mean; to design.

The opinion she had of his wisdom was such as made her esteem greatly of his words; but that the words themselves sounded so, as she could not imagine what they intended. Sidney.

The gods would not have delivered a soul into

the body, which hath arms and legs, only instruments of doing, but that it were intended the mind should employ them.

Thou art sworn As deeply to effect what we intend, As closely to conceal what we impart.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. According to this model Horace writ his odes and epodes; for his satires and epistles, being intended wholly for instruction, required another

INTE'NDANT. n. s. [French.] An officer of the highest class, who oversees any particular allotment of the publick business.

Nearchus, who commanded Alexander's fleet, and Onesicrates, his intendant general of marine, have both left relations of the Indies. Arbuthnot.

INTE'NDER.* n. s. [from intend.] One who has intention to do a thing.

Sherwood. They that do me good and know not of it, are causes of our benefit, though I do not owe them my thanks; and I will rather bless them as instruments, than condemn them as not intenders. Feltham, Res. i. 32.

To Inte'nder.* See To Entender. INTE'NDIMENT. † n. s. [entendement, Fr. intendimento, Italian.]

1. Attention; patient hearing; accurate examination. This word is only to be found in Spenser.

Be nought hereat dismay'd, Till well ye wote, by grave intendiment, What woman, and wherefore, doth me upbraid. Spenser, F. Q. i. xii. 31.

2. Understanding; skill. For she of herbs had great intendiment. Spenser, F. Q. iii. v. 32.

3. Consideration; thought. He that is of reason's skill bereft, And wants the staff of wisdom him to stay, Is like a ship in midst of tempest left, Withouten helm or pilot her to sway : Full sad and dreadful is that ship's event; So is the man that wants intendiment.

Spenser, Tears of the Muses.

INTE'NDMENT. n. s. [entendement, Fr.] Intention; design.

Out of my love to you, I came hither to acquaint you withal; that either you might stay him from his intendment, or brook such disgrace well as he shall run into. Shakspeare.

All that worship for fear, profit, or some other by-end, fall more or less within the intendment of this emblem. L'Estrange.

To INTE NERATE. † v.a. [in and tener, Lat. 7 To make tender; to soften.

Intenerate that heart, that sets so light

The truest love that ever yet was seen,

Daniel, Sonn. 10. (1594.) This acknowledgement of your singular love I was never more fit to pay you than at the present, being intenerated in all my inward feelings and affections by new sickness. Wotton, Rem. p. 354.

So have I seen the little purls of a stream sweat through the bottom of a bank, and intenerate the stubborn pavement, till it hath made it fit for the impression of a child's foot.

Bp. Taylor, Serm. (1651.) p. 204. Autumn vigour gives,

Equal, intenerating, milky grain.

INTENERA'TION. † n. s. [from intenerate.] The act of softening or making tender.

In living creatures, the noblest use of nourishment is for the prolongation of life, restoration of some degree of youth, and inteneration of the

The stuffs died blue, are without any previous inteneration quickly tinged.

Sir W. Petty, in Sprat's Hist. R. S. p. 289.

INTE'NIBLE. † adj. [in and tenible.] That cannot hold. Not in use. The original word in Shakspeare was intemible: per-

haps intenable was the word intended. I know I love in vain, strive against hope;

Yet, in this captious and intenible sieve, I still pour in the waters of my love.

Shakspeare, All's Well.

INTE'NSE. adj. [intensus, Lat.] 1. Raised to a high degree; strained; forced; not slight; not lax.

To observe the effects of a distillation prosecuted with so intense and unusual a degree of

heat, we ventured to come near. Boyle. Sublime or low, unbended, or intense,

The sound is still a comment to the sense.

Roscommon.

2. Vehement; ardent. Hebraisms warm and animate our language, and convey our thoughts in more ardent and intense phrases. Addison.

3. Kept on the stretch; anxiously attentive.

But in disparity The one intense; the other still remiss, Cannot well suit with either, but soon prove Tedious alike.

Milton, P. L. INTE'NSELY. † adv. [from intense.] 1. To a great degree; not slightly; not 1. Anxiously diligent; fixed with close

remissly. If an Englishman considers our world, how intensely it is heated, he cannot suppose that it will cool again. Addison.

2. Attentively; earnestly.

To persons young, and that look intensely, if it be dark, there appear many strange images moving to and fro. Spenser on Vulg. Proph. p. 103. INTE'NSENESS. n. s. [from intense.]

1. The state of being enforced in a high degree; force; contrariety to laxity or remission.

The water of springs and rivers, that sustains a diminution from the heat above, being evaporated more or less in proportion to the greater or lesser intenseness of heat.

The quantity of life is to be estimated not merely from the duration, but also from the intenseness B. Berkely, Siris, § 109.

2. Vehemence; ardency. The ingemination of the Hebrew [words] meant

some intenseness in the act.

Knatchbull, Annot. N. Test. Tr. p. 135. Our Saviour, as man, had an angel from hea ven to wait upon him, and strengthen him in his deep distress; he was in agony; and prayed with the utmost ardency and intenseness.

Blackwall, Sacr. Class. ii. 279.

3. Great attention; earnestness.

Some may affirm this, who do not take the trouble to reflect on the state of their mind while sleeping, because of their intenseness on their waking thoughts and business, or otherwise.

Baxter on the Soul, ii 117. Our religion has been sincerely believed, and strenuously defended, by men who have ascended the summit of human knowledge by the vigour of their genius, and the intenseness of their appli-Professor White, Serm. p. 38.

INTE'NSION. n. s. [intension, Fr: intensio, Lat.] The act of forcing or straining any thing; contrariety to remission or relaxation.

Sounds will be carried further with the wind than against the wind; and likewise do rise and fall with the intension or remission of the wind.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. Faith differs from hope in the extension of its object, and in the intension of degree.

Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy. INTE'NSITY.* n. s. [from intense.] Excess.

The number engaged in crimes, instead of turning them into laudable acts, only augments the quantity and the intensity of the guilt.

Inte'nsive. adj. [from intense.]

1. Stretched or encreased with respect to itself; which may admit encrease of de-

As his perfection is infinitely greater than the perfection of a man, so it is infinitely greater than the perfection of an angel; and were it not infinitely greater than the perfection of an angel, it could not be infinitely greater than the perfection of a man, because the intensive distance between the perfection of an angel and of a man is but finite.

2. Intent; unremitted.

Tired with that assiduous attendance and intensive circumspection, which a long fortune did require, he was not unwilling to bestow upon another some part of the pains.

INTE'NSIVELY. adv. By encrease of degree. God and the good angels are more free than we are, that is, intensively in the degree of freedom, but not extensively in the latitude of the object; according to a liberty of exercise, but not of specification.

Bp. Bramhall against Hobbes.

INTE'NT. adj. [intentus, Lat.]

application: formerly with to.

Distractions in England made most men intent to their own safety. King Charles.

2. Commonly with on.

When we use but those means which God hath laid before us, it is a good sign that we are rather intent upon God's glory than our own conveniency. Bp. Taylor. The general himself had been more intent upon

his command. Clarendon. They on their mirth and dance

Intent. Of action eager, and intent on thought,

The chiefs your honourable danger sought. Dryd. Were men as intent upon this as on things of lower concernment, there are none so enslaved to the necessities of life, who might not find many vacancies that might be husbanded to this advantage of their knowledge.

Whilst they are intent on one particular part of their theme, they bend all their thoughts to prove or disprove some proposition that relates to that part, without attention to the consequences that may affeet another.

Be intent and solicitous to take up the meaning of the speaker.

INTE'NT.† n. s. [entente, old French; from intendo, Latin.]

1. A design; a purpose; a drift; a view formed; meaning.

Although the Scripture of God be stored with infinite variety of matter in all kinds, although it abound with all sorts of laws, yet the principal intent of Scripture is to deliver the laws of duties supernatural. Hooker.

Whereas commandment was given to destroy all places where the Canaanites had served the gods, this precept had reference unto a special intent and purpose, which was that there should be but one place whereunto the people might bring offerings.

Those that accuse him in his intent towards our wives, are a yoke of his discarded men. Shaksp.

I'll urge his hatred more to Clarence; And, if I fail not in my deep intent, Clarence hath not another day to live.

Shakspeare, Rich. III.

This fury fit for her intent she chose; One who delights in wars. Dryden, Æn.

The Athenians sent their fleet to Sicily, upon pretence only to assist the Leontines; but with an intent to make themselves masters of that island.

Of darkness visible so much be lent, As half to shew, half veil the deep intent.

Pope, Dunciad.

2. To all intents. In all senses, whatever be meant or designed.

There is an incurable blindness caused by a resolution not to see; and, to all intents and purposes, he who will not open his eyes is for the present as blind as he that cannot, South.

He was miserable to all intents and purposes. L'Estrange.

INTE'NTION. n. s. [intention, Fr. intensio,

1. Eagerness of desire; closeness of attention; deep thought; vehemence or ardour of mind.

Intention is when the mind with great earnestness, and of choice, fixes its view on any idea, considers it on every side, and will not be called off by the ordinary solicitation of other ideas.

Locke. Effectual prayer is joined with a vehement intention of the inferior powers of the soul, which cannot therein long continue without pain: it hath been therefore thought good, by turns, to in-terpose still somewhat for the higher part of the mind and the understanding to work upon.

She did course o'er my exteriors with such a greedy intention, that the appetite of her eye did seem to scorch me up like a burning-glass.

Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor. In persons possessed with other notions of reli-

gion, the understanding cannot quit these but by great examination; which cannot be done without some labour and intention of the mind, and the thoughts dwelling a considerable time upon the survey and discussion of each particular.

2. Design; purpose.

I wish others the same intention, and greater

Most part of chronical distempers proceed from laxity of the fibres; in which case the principal intention is to restore the tone of the solid parts.

Arbuthnot on Aliments.

3. The state of being intense or strained. This for distinction is more generally and more conveniently written intension.

The operations of agents admit of intention and remission; but essences are not capable of such variation.

INTE'NTIONAL. adj. [intentionel, French, from intention. Designed; done by

The glory of God is the end which every intelligent being is bound to consult, by a direct and intentional service. Rogers.

INTE'NTIONALLY. adv. [from intentional.]

1. By design; with fixed choice. I find in myself that this inward principle doth exert many of its actions intentionally and purposely.

2. In will, if not in action.

Whenever I am wishing to write to you, I shall conclude you are intentionally doing so to me.

Atterbury to Pope.

INTE'NTIVE. † adj. [ententif, French; from intent. Formerly applied to persons, like attentive. "Fulgence, an ententife doctor." Fox's Acts, &c. Exam. of W. Thorpe.] Diligently applied; busily at-

Where the object is fine and accurate, it conduceth much to have the sense intentive and erect. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

The naked relation, at least the intentive consideration of that, is able still, and at this disadvantage of time, to rend the hearts of pious con-Brown, Vulg. Err. templators.

INTE'NTIVELY. † adv. [from intentive.] With application; closely.

Let us wait reverently and intentively upon this Bethesda of God, that when the angel shall descend

and move the water, our souls may be healed.

State of being intentive; diligent employment or application.

The spirit of man, in our peregrination through this life, ought as little to trust flesh and blood, in point of counsel, for an intentiveness upon the progression therein, as a traveller to be advised by his host, whether he should march on, or stay and loiter in his house.

W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. P. ii. p. 224. INTE'NTLY. adv. [from intent.] With close

attention; with close application; with eager desire.

If we insist passionately or so intently on the truth of our beliefs, as not to proceed to as vigorous pursuit of all just, sober, and godly living.

The odd paintings of an Indian screen may please a little; but when you fix your eye intently upon them, they appear so disproportioned that

they give a judicious eye pain. Atterbury. The Chian medal seats him with a volume open, and reading intently. Pope.

INTE'NTNESS. n. s. [from intent.] The state of being intent; anxious appli-

When after such a course, either of extreme solicitude or intentness upon business on the one hand, or of gayety and freedom of conversation on the other, the frame of a man's spirit comes to be loose and unfixed, and took off from its usual guard; then let him know that the evil hour is preparing for him, and he for that.

South, Serm. vi. 262. He is more disengaged from his intentness on

To INTE'R. v. a. [enterrer, French.] 1. To cover under ground; to bury.

Within their chiefest temple I'll erect A tomb, wherein his corpse shall be interr'd. Shakspeare.

The evil that men do lives after them; The good is oft interred with their bones. Shaksp. His body shall be royally interr'd,

And the last funeral pomps adorn his hearse.

The ashes, in an old record of the convent, are said to have been interred between the very wall and the altar where they were taken up.

Addison on Italy.

2. To cover with earth.

The best way is to inter them as you furrow Mortimer.

I'NTERACT.* n. s. [Lat. inter, between, and act.] A dramatick phrase, meaning the time, between the acts of the drama, during which the representation is suspended, and which is now usually filled up by the musick of the orchestra. See INTERMEAN.

It is only the interacts of other amusements. Ld. Chesterfield.

Intera'mnian.* adj. [inter and amnis, a river, Latin.] Situated among rivers.

The passing of a river could not be reckoned an extraordinary occurrence, especially when the person spoken of lived in an interamnian country; and, in a part of it, which was close bounded by two streams, the Tigris and the Euphrates

Bryant, Anal. Anc. Mythol. iii. 420. INTERBASTA'TION.* n. s. [interbaster, Fr. to quilt between. Cotgrave. See the third sense also of To BASTE.] Patchwork. Not in use.

A metaphor, taken from interbastation, patching or piecing, sewing or clapping close together. Smith on Old Age, (1666,) p.184.

Bp. Hall, Contempl. B. 4. INTE'RCALAR.† adj. [intercalaire, Fr. INTE'NTIVENESS.* n. s. [from intentive.] INTE'RCALARY. intercalaris, Lat.] Inserted out of the common order to preserve the equation of time, as the twenty-ninth of February in a leap year is an intercalary day.

Towards the latter end of February, is the bissextile or intercalar day. Holder on Time.

The intercalary days, according to the method of the Egyptians, were never accounted any part of the month or year, but only an appendix to them. Wheatly on the Comm. Pr. ch. 5. § 28.

To Intercalate. v. a. [intercaler, Fr. To insert an extraintercalo, Latin.] ordinary day.

The day is intercalated.

Johnson, in V. Bissextile. Hammond on Fundamentals. INTERCALA'TION. n. s. [intercalation, Fr. intercalatio, Lat.] Insertion of days out

of the ordinary reckoning.

In sixty-three years there may be lost almost eighteen days, omitting the intercalation of one day every fourth year, allowed for this quadrant, or six supernumeraries.

Brown.

To INTERCE DE. v. n. [interceder, Fr. intercedo, Latin.]

1. To pass between.

He supposed that a vast period interceded between that origination and the age wherein he Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

Those superfices reflect the greatest quantity of light, which have the greatest refracting power, and which intercede mediums that differ most in their refractive densities.

2. To mediate; to act between two parties with a view of reconciling differences. It has with if only one part be named, and between if both be named.

Them the glad Son

Presenting, thus to intercede began. Milt. P. L. Nor was our blessed Saviour only our propitiation to die for us, and procure our atonement, but he is still our advocate, continually interceding with his father in behalf of all true penitents. Calamy.

I may restore myself into the good graces of my fair criticks, and your lordship may intercede with them on my promise of amendment. Dryd. Origen denies that any prayer is to be made to

them, although it be only to intercede with God for Stilling fleet. us, but only the Son of God. INTERCE'DER. n. s. [from intercede.]

that intercedes; a mediator. INTERCE'DING.* n. s. [from intercede.] Intercession.

Besides these offerings, and intercedings, there was something more required of the priest; and Peurson on the Creed, Art. 2. that is, blessing, To INTERCE'PT. v. a. [intercepter, Fr. interceptus, Lat.]

1. To stop and seize in the way.

The better course should be by planting of garrisons about him, which, whensoever he shall look forth, or be drawn out, shall be always ready to intercept his going or coming.

Who intercepts me in my expedition? O, she that might have intercepted thee,

Shakspeare, Rich. III. By strangling thee. I then in London, keeper of the king, Muster'd my soldiers, gather'd flocks of friends, March'd towards St. Albans to intercept the queen. Shakspeare.

Your intercepted packets You writ to the pope. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. If we hope for things which are at too great a distance from us, it is possible that we may be in. tercepted by death in our progress towards them. Addison, Spect.

2. To obstruct: to cut off: to stop from being communicated; to stop in the progress. It is used of the thing or person passing.

Though they cannot answer my distress, Yet in some sort they're better than the tribunes;

For that they will not intercept my tale. Shaksp. Behind the hole I fastened to the pasteboard, with pitch, the blade of a sharp knife, to intercept some part of the light which passed through the hole. Newton, Opticks. 3. It is used of the act of passing.

Since death's near, and runs with so much force, We must meet first, and intercept his course. Dryden.

4. It is used of that to which the passage is directed.

On barbed steeds they rode in proud array, Thick as the college of the bees in May When swarming o'er the dusky fields they fly, New to the flow'rs, and intercept the sky. Dryd. The direful woes,

Which voyaging from Troy the victors bore, While storms vindictive intercept the shore. Pope.

INTERCE'PTER.* n. s. [from intercept.] One

who stands in the way; an opponent. That defence thou hast, betake thee to't: of

what nature the wrongs are thou hast done him, I I know not; but thy intercepter, full of despight, bloody as the hunter, attends thee at the orchard Shakspeare, Twelfth Night.

INTERCE'PTION. n. s. [interception, French; interceptio, Latin, from intercept. Stoppage in course; hindrance; obstruction.

The pillars, standing at a competent distance from the outmost wall, will, by interception of the sight, somewhat in appearance diminish the breadth.

Wotton on Architecture.

The word in Matthew doth not only signify suspension, but also suffocation, strangulation, or interception of breath.

INTERCE'SSION. n. s. [intercession, Fr.; intercessio, Lat.] Mediation; interposition; agency between two parties; agency in the cause of another, generally in his favour, sometimes against

Loving, and therefore constant, he used still the intercession of diligence and faith, ever hoping because he would not put himself into that hell to be hopeless.

Can you, when you push'd out of your gates the very defender of them, think to front his revenges with the palsied intercession of such a decay'd dotard as you seem to be? Shakspeare. He maketh intercession to God against Israel.

Rom. xi. 2. He bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors. Isa. liii. 12.

Pray not thou for this people, neither make intercession to me; for I will not hear thee.

Jer. vii. 16. To pray to the saints to obtain things by their merits and intercessions, is allowed and contended for by the Roman church. Stilling fleet. Your intercession now is needless grown;

Retire, and let me speak with her alone. Dryden, Aurengzebe.

To Interce'ssionate.* v. a. [from intercession.] To entreat. Not in use.

Cockeram. They never ceased extensively to intercessionate

God for his recovery. Nash, Terrors of the Night, (1594.)

INTERCE'SSORY.* adj. [from intercessor, Lat. Interceding.

The Lord's Prayer has an intercessory petition

Earbery on Modern Fanaticism, (1720,) p. 39.

Interce'ssour. n. s. [from intercesseur, Fr.; intercessor, Lat.] Mediator; agent between two parties to procure reconciliation.

Behold the heavens! thither thine eyesight bend; Thy looks, sighs, tears, for intercessours send. Fairfax.

On man's behalf,

Patron or intercessour, none appear'd.

Milton, P. L. When we shall hear our eternal doom from our intercessour, it will convince us, that a denial of Christ is more than transitory words.

To INTERCHA'IN. v. a. [inter and chain.] To chain; to link together.

Two bosoms interchained with an oath; So then two bosoms, and a single troth. Shaksp.

To INTERCHA'NGE. v.a. [inter and

1. To put each in the place of the other; to give and take mutually; to exchange.

They had left but one piece of one ship, whereon they kept themselves in all truth, having interchanged their cares, while either cared for other, each comforting and counselling how to labour for the better, and to abide the worse.

Sidney.

I shall interchange My wained state for Henry's regal crown. Shaks.

2. To succeed alternately.

His faithful friend and brother Euarchus came so mightily to his succour, that, with some interchanging changes of fortune, they begat of a just war, the best child peace.

INTERCHA'NGE. n. s. [from the verb.]

1. Commerce; permutation of commodities.

Howell.

2. Alternate succession.

With what delights could I have walk'd thee

If I could joy in aught, sweet interchange Of hill, and valley, rivers, woods, and plains!

Milton, P. L. The original measures of time, by help of the lights in the firmament, are perceptible to us by the interchanges of light and darkness, and succession of seasons. Removes and interchanges would often happen

in the first ages after the flood. Burnet, Theory.

3. Mutual donation and reception. Let Diomedes bear him,

And bring us Cressid bither. Good Diomede, Furnish you fairly for this interchange.

Farewell: the leisure, and the fearful time, Cuts off the ceremonious vows of love,

And ample interchange of sweet discourse. Shaks. Since their more mature dignities made separation of their society, their encounters, though not personal, have been royally attornied with interchange of gifts.

After so vast an obligation, owned by so free an acknowledgement, could any thing be expected but a continual interchange of kindnesses? South.

INTERCHA'NGEABLE. adj. [from interchange.]

1. Given and taken mutually.

So many testimonies, interchangeable warrants, and counterrolments, running through the hands and resting in the power of so many several persons, is sufficient to argue and convince all manner of falsehood. Bacon, Off. of Alienation.

2. Following each other in alternate succession.

Just under the line they may seem to have two winters and two summers; but there also they have four interchangeable seasons, which is enough whereby to measure. Holder.

All along the history of the Old Testament we find the interchangeable providences of God, towards the people of Israel, always suited to their manners.

Intercha'ngeableness.* n.s. [from interchangeable.]

1. Exchange.

Nothing but its interchangeableness with cash can restore the credit of paper.

Huskisson on Currency, p. 144.

2. Alternate succession. Continued with as much courage as interchangeableness of success.

Fuller, Holy War, p. 128.

INTERCHA'NGEABLY. adv. [from interchangeable.] Alternately; in a manner whereby each gives and receives.

In these two things the east and west churches did interchangeably both confront the Jews and concur with them.

This in myself I boldly will defend, And interchangeably hurl down my gage Upon this overweening traitor's foot.

Shakspeare, Rich. II. These articles were signed by our plenipotentiaries, and those of Holland; but not by the French, although it ought to have been done interchangeably; and the ministers here prevailed on the queen to execute a ratification of articles, which only one part had signed.

Intercha'ngement. n. s. [inter and change.] Exchange; mutual transference.

A contract of eternal bond of love, Confirm'd by mutual joinder of your hands, Attested by the holy close of lips, Strengthen'd by interchangement of your rings. Shakspeare.

Those have an interchange or trade with Elena. [INTERCI'PIENT. adj. [intercipiens, Lat.] Obstructing; catching by the way.

INTERCI'PIENT. n. s. [intercipiens, Latin.] An intercepting power: something that causes a stoppage.

They commend repellents, but not with much astringency, unless as intercipients upon the parts above, lest the matter should thereby be impacted Wiseman.

Interci'sion. † n. s. [intercisio, Latin.] Interruption.

By cessation of oracles we may understand their intercision, not abscission, or consummate Some sudden intercisions of the light of the sun.

Spenser on Prod. p. 233. In a larger and better sense, after these intercisions, the throne of David was continued.

Pearson on the Crecd, Art. 6.

To INTERCLU DE. + v. n. [intercludo, Lat.] To shut from a place or course by something intervening; to intercept. The voice is sometimes intercluded by a hoarse-

ness, or viscous phlegm cleaving to the aspera Holder. Laying siege against their cities, intercluding

their ways and passages, and cutting off from them all commerce with other places or nations.

Pococke on Hosea, p. 53.

Interclu'sion. † n. s. [interclusus, Lat.] Obstruction; interception. Cockeram. INTERCOLUMNIA'TION. * n.s. Finter and columna, Lat.] The space between the pillars.

The distance or intercolumniation may be near four of his own diameter, because the materials commonly laid over this pillar were rather of wood than stone. Wotton.

The new pillars are nearly equal in bulk to the old ones: and the intercolumniation remains much the same. Lowth, Life of Wykeham, § 6. To Interco'ME.* v. n. [inter and come.]

To interpose; to interfere.

They must give me leave to note with what affection and resolution, notwithstanding the pope's intercoming to make himself a party in the quarrel, the bishops did adhere to their own

Proceedings against Garnet, (1606,) Rr. b. To Interco'mmon.† v. n. [inter and com-

mon.]

1. To feed at the same table.

Wine is to be forborne in consumptions, for that the spirits of the wine do prey upon the roscid juice of the body, and intercommon with the spirits of the body, and so rob them of their nourishment. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

2. To use commons promiscuously.

Beasts of several adjoining parishes do promiscuously intercommon together, " per cause de Blount, Anc. Ten. p. 145.

Common because of vicinage, or neighbour-hood, is where the inhabitants of two townships, which lie contiguous to each other, have usually intercommoned with one another.

INTERCOMMU'NITY. † n. s. [inter and community.]

1. A mutual communication or com-

Probably it is from this era, that we are to

date that remarkable intercommunity and exchange of each other's compositions, which we discover to have taken place at some early period between the French and English minstrels.

Bp. Percy, Ess. on the Anc. Eng. Minstrels. § 4. It admits of no tolerance, no intercommunity of various sentiments, not the least difference of Lowth to Warburton, p. 13. 2. A mutual freedom or exercise of re-

Admitting each other's pretensions, there must needs be amongst them perfect harmony and intercommunity; there being no room for any other disputes but whose god was most powerful. Such was the root and foundation of this sociability of religion in the ancient world, so much envied by our modern infidels; the effect of their absurdities, as they were religions; and of their imperfections, as they were societies.

Warburton, All. of Ch. and State, (1st edit.) p. 139. INTERCO'STAL. adj. [intercostal, Fr. inter and costa, Lat.] Placed between the ribs.

The diaphragm seems the principal instrument of ordinary respiration, although to restrained respiration the intercostal muscles may concur.

By the assistance of the inward intercostal muscles, in deep suspirations, we take large gulps of air. More.

I'NTERCOURSE. n. s. [entrecours, Fr.]

1. Commerce; exchange.

This sweet intercourse Of looks, and smiles; for smiles from reason flow, To brute deny'd, and are of love the food. Milton, P. L.

2. Communication: followed by with.

The choice of the place requireth many circumstances, as the situation near the sea, for the commodiousness of an intercourse with England.

What an honour is it that God should admit us into such a participation of himself? That he should give us minds capable of such an inter-course with the Supreme Mind? Atterbury.

To INTERCU'R.* v. n. [intercurro, Lat.] To intervene; to come in the mean time; to happen.

So that there intercur no sin in the acting there-Shelton, D. Quixote, iv. 9. When the notice of parties intercurs, I do believe, although I am a simple man and a sinner,

that there is no kind of enchantment. Ibid. iv. 10. INTERCU'RRENCE. † n. s. [from intercurro, Lat.

1. Passage between.

Consider what fluidity saltpetre is capable of, without the intercurrence of a liquor.

2. Intervention: occurrence.

To be sagacious in such intercurrences is not superstition, but wary and pious discretion; and to contemn such hints were to be deaf unto the speaking hand of God. Brown, Chr. Mor. i. 29. INTERCU'RRENT. † adj. [intercurrens, Lat.]

1. Running between.

If into a phial, filled with good spirit of nitre, you cast a piece of iron, the liquor, whose parts moved placidly before, meeting with particles in the iron, altering the motion of its parts, and perhaps that of some very subtile intercurrent matter, those active parts presently begin to penetrate, and scatter abroad particles of the iron.

2. Occurring; intervening.

Making fair representations of intercurrent passages between them. Barrow, Works, i. 285. Those household cares, and other intercurrent troubles which his condition then brought with it. Fell, Life of Hammond, § 1.

Intercuta'neous.* adj. [low Latin. intercutaneus.] Within the skin.

Especially if it lie prostrate with the bark on, which is a receptacle for a certain intercutaneous worm which accelerates its decay

Evelyn, ii. 3. § 15. I'NTERDEAL. n.s. [inter and deal.] Traffick; intercourse. Obsolete.

The Gaulish speech is the very British, which is yet retained of the Welshmen and Britons of France; though the alteration of the trading and

INT Spenser on Ireland.

To INTERDI'CT. † v. a. [interdire, interdict, Fr. interdico, Lat.]

1. To forbid; to prohibit.

He - hongred not after the interdicted fruit, as Adam did.

Stapleton, Fort. of the Faith, (1565,) fol. 160. Alone I pass'd, through ways That brought me on a sudden to the tree

Of interdicted knowledge. By magick fenc'd, by spells encompass'd round, No mortal touch'd this interdicted ground. Tickell.

2. To prohibit from the enjoyment of communion with the church.

An archbishop may not only excommunicate and interdict his suffragans, but his vicar-general may do the same.

I'NTERDICT. n.s. [from the verb.]

1. Prohibition; prohibiting decree.

Amongst his other fundamental laws, he did ordain the interdicts and prohibitions touching entrance of strangers.

Those are not fruits forbidden, no interdict Defends the touching of these viands pure ; Their taste no knowledge works at least of evil. Milton, P. L.

Had he liv'd to see her happy change, He would have cancell'd that harsh interdict, And join'd our hands himself.

Dryden, Don Sebast. 2. A papal prohibition to the clergy to celebrate the holy offices.

Nani carried himself meritoriously against the ope, in the time of the interdict, which held up his credit among the patriots.

INTERDI'CTION. n. s. [interdiction, French, interdictio, Lat. from interdict.]

1. Prohibition; forbidding decree. Sternly he pronounc'd

The rigid interdiction, which resounds Milton, P. L. Yet dreadful in mine ear.

Curse ; from the papal interdict. An improper use of the word.

The truest issue of thy throne, By his own interdiction stands accurst.

Shakspeare, Macbeth. [from interdict.] INTERDI'CTIVE.* adj.

Having power to prohibit. A timely separation from the flock by that interdictive sentence; lest his conversation unprohibited, or unbranded, might breathe a pestilential murrain into the other sheep.

Milton, Animadv. Rem. Defence. INTERDI'CTORY. adj. [from interdict.] Belonging to an interdiction. Ainsworth. I'NTERESS.* n. s. [Italian, interesse.] Interest; concern; right or title to. Not

now in use. But wote thou this, thou hardy Titanesse, That not the worth of any living wight

May challenge aught in heaven's interesse. Spenser, F. Q. vii. vi. 93.
I thought, says his majesty, [K. Charles I.] I might happily have satisfied all interesses.

Ld. Halifax's Miscel. p. 144. To INTERE'SS. v. a. [interesser, French.] To concern; to affect; to give share in;

to connect with. The mystical communion of all faithful men is such as maketh every one to be interessed in those precious blessings, which any one of them receiveth at God's hands. Hooker.

Now, our joy, Although the last, not least; to whose young love The vines of France, and milk of Burgundy, Shakspeare, K. Lear. Strive to be interess'd.

To love our native country, and to study its benefit and its glory, to be interessed in its concerns, is natural to all men. Dryden, An. Dedic.

interdeal with other nations has greatly altered | To I'NTEREST. + v. a. [interest, Latin, it concerns. To concern; to affect; to exert; to give share in.

Scipio, restoring the Spanish bride, gained a great nation to interest themselves for Rome against Carthage. Dryden. This was a goddess who used to interest herself Addison on Medals. in marriages.

To I'NTEREST. v. n. To affect; to move; to touch with passion; to gain the affections; as, this is an interesting story. I'NTEREST. n. s. [interest, Lat.; interêt,

1. Concern; advantage; good.

O give us a serious comprehension of that one great interest of others, as well as ourselves.

Divisions hinder the common interest and public good.

There is no man but God hath put many things into his possession, to be used for the common good and interest. Calamu.

2. Influence over others.

They who had hitherte preserved them, had now lost their interest. Clarendon. Exert, great God, thy interest in the sky;

Gain each kind power, each guardian deity, That, conquer'd by the publick vow, They bear the dismal mischief far away.

3. Share; part in any thing; participation; as, this is a matter in which we have in-

Endeavour to adjust the degrees of influence, that each cause might have in producing the effect, and the proper agency and interest of each therein.

4. Regard to private profit.

Wherever interest or power thinks fit to interfere, it little imports what principles the opposite parties think fit to charge upon each other. Swift. When interest calls off all her sneaking train.

5. Money paid for use; usury. Did he take interest?

- No, not take interest; not, as you would say, Directly, int'rest. Shaksneare. It is a sad life, we lead, my dear, to be so teazed:

paying interest for old debts, and still contracting new ones.

6. Any surplus of advantage. With all speed

You shall have your desires with interest. Shaksp. I'NTERESTED.* adj. [from interest.] Having regard to private profit.

Ill successes did not discourage that ambitious and interested people. Arbuthnot on Coins.

To INTERFE'RE.† v. n. [inter and ferio, Lat. to strike. Our old lexicography defines it simply, "to knock the legs together." Cockeram. Hence the phrase "an interfering horse." Sherwood. Dr. Johnson notices this sense of the word in a citation from the Farrier's dictionary. Of its application to general use his examples are from Swift and Smalridge. It had been employed at least half a century before they wrote, but with an interpretation accompanying it, as if the use of it was then new: " It is a wonder to see how they interferre, [interfere] and strike one on another, in the point of worshipping of images." Dr. Westfield's Sermons, 4to. 1646. p. 62.1 1. To interpose; to intermeddle.

So cautious were our ancestors in conversation. as never to interfere with party disputes in the 2. To clash; to oppose each other.

If each acts by an independant power, their commands may interfere. Smalridge, Serm.

3. A horse is said to interfere, when the side of one of his shoes strikes against and hurts one of his fetlocks, or the hitting one leg against another, and striking off the skin. Farrier's Dict.

INTERFE'RENCE.* n. s. [from To interfere.] Interposition.

What I have here said of the interference of

foreign princes is only the opinion of a private individual.

INTERFE'RING.* n. s. [from To interfere.] Clashing; contradiction; opposition. A Being who can have no competition, or inter-

fering of interests, with his creatures and his sub-Bp. Butler, Analog.

INTE'RFLUENT. adj. [interfluens, Lat.] Flowing between.

Air may consist of any terrene or aqueous corpuscles, kept swimming in the interfluent celestial matter.

To Interfo'LIATE. * v. a. [inter and foliate.] To interleave.

So much [improvement of a book] as I conceive is necessary, I will take care to send you with your interfoliated copy. Evelyn, Lett. dat. 1696. INTERFU'LGENT. adj. [inter and fulgens, Lat.] Shining between.

INTERFU'SED. adj. [interfusus, Latin.]
Poured or scattered between.

The ambient air wide interfus'd,

Embracing round this florid earth. Milton, P. L. INTERJA'CENCY. n. s. [from interjacens, Lat.

The act or state of lying between.

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England and Scotland is divided only by the Interfacency of the Tweed and some desert ground.

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Interfacency of the Tweed and some desert ground. interjacency of the Tweed and some desert ground.

2. The thing lying between.

Its fluctuations are but motions, which winds, storms, shores, and every interjacency irregulates.

INTERJA'CENT. adj. [interjacens, Lat.] Intervening; lying between.

The sea itself must be very broad, and void of little islands interjacent, else will it yield plentiful argument of quarrel to the kingdoms which it

serveth. Through this hole objects that were beyond might be seen distinctly, which would not at all be seen through other parts of the glasses, where the air was interjacent.

To INTERJE CT.* v. a. [interjecter, Fr.; interjectus, Lat.] To put between; to

throw in; to insert.

I did visit the said ambassador immediately at my return from the king, and saluted him as by express commandment; interjecting some words of mine own gladness.

Wotton, Lett. dat. 1619. Rem. p. 282. This phrase was interjected, when the hearer was not quite so well pleased as the speaker.

Johnson, Note on Romeo and Juliet.

To Interje'cr. * v. n. To come between ; to interpose.

He - with his own hand slew Sir Charles Brandon standard-bearer, thinking to have made the next blow as fatal to the earl; but, the confluence of soldiers interjecting, rescued him.

Sir G. Buck, Hist. of K. Rich. III. p. 61. INTERJE'CTION. n. s. [interjection, Fr.; in-

terjectio, Lat.]

1. A part of speech that discovers the mind to be seized or affected with some passion; such as are in English, O! alas! ah! Clarke, Lat. Gram.

Their wild natural notes, when they would express their passions, are at the best but like natural interjections, to discover their passions or impres-Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

2. Intervention; interposition; act of something coming between; act of putting something between.

Laughing causeth a continual expulsion of the breath, with the loud noise which maketh the interjection of laughing.

I'NTERIM. n. s. [interim, Lat.] Mean time; intervening time.

I a heavy interim shall support,

By his dear absence. Shakspeare, Othello. One bird happened to be foraging for her young ones, and in this interim comes a torrent that washes away nest, birds, and all.

In this interim my women asked what I thought. To Interjo'in. v. a. [inter and join.] To

join mutually; to intermarry, So fellest foes,

Whose passions and whose plots have broke their sleep,

To take the one the other, by some chance, Some trick not worth an egg, shall grow dear friends,

And interjoin their issues. Shakspeare, Coriol. INTE'RIOUR. † adj. [interior, Lat.; in-

ward; not superficial.

Aiming, belike, at your interiour hatred, That in your outward action shows itself.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. Make but an interiour survey of your good selves! Shakspeare, Coriol. The grosser parts, thus sunk down, would harden and constitute the interiour parts of the

the inner part.

The fool multitude, that choose by show, Not learning more than the fond eye doth teach, Which pries not to the interiour. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven.

INTE'RIOURLY.* adv. [from interiour.] In-

ternally; inwardly. The divine virtue sustains, and interiourly nourisheth, all things.

Donne, Hist. of the Sept. p. 205. To see ourselves interiourly, we are fain to borrow other men's eyes; wherein true friends are good informers, and censurers no bad friends.

Brown, Chr. Mor. iii. 15. Newton, Opticks. INTERKNO'WLEDGE. n. s. [inter and knowledge.] Mutual knowledge.

All nations have interknowledge one of another, either by voyage into foreign parts, or by strangers that come to them. Bacon, New Atlantis.

To Interla'ce: v.a. [entrelasser, Fr.] To intermix; to put one thing within an-

Some are to be interlaced between the divine readings of the law and prophets.

The ambassadors interlaced, in their conference, the purpose of their master to match with the daughter of Maximilian. Bacon, Hen. VII. They acknowledged what services he had done for the commonwealth, yet interlacing some errors, wherewith they seemed to reproach him.

Hayward. Your argument is as strong against the use of rhyme in poems as in plays; for the epick way is every where interlaced with dialogue.

INTERLA'PSE. n. s. [inter and lapse.] The flow of time between any two events.

These dregs are calcined into such salts, which, after a short interlapse of time, produce coughs.

To INTERLA'RD. v.a. [entrelarder, Fr.]

1. To mix meat with bacon, or fat; to diversify lean with fat.

2. To interpose; to insert between.

Jests should be interlarded, after the Persian custom, by ages young and old.

Carew.

3. To diversify by mixture. The laws of Normandy were the defloration of the English laws, and a transcript of them, though mingled and interlarded with many particular laws of their own, which altered the features of the ori-Hale, Laws of England.

4. Philips has used this word very harshly, and probably did not understand it. They interlard their native drinks with choice

Of strongest brandy. To Interle'Ave. v. a. [inter and leave.] To chequer a book by the insertion of

blank leaves. To INTERLI'NE. † v. a. [inter and line.]

1. To write in alternate lines.

For each contracted frown,

A crooked wrinkle interlines my brow.

Marlowe, Lust's Dominion. When, by interlining Latin and English one with another, he has got a moderate knowledge of the Latin tongue, he may then be advanced farther. Locke.

terieur, Fr.] Internal; inner; not out- 2. To correct by something written between the lines.

Three things render a writing suspected: the person producing a false instrument, the person that frames it, and the interlining and rasing out of words contained in such instruments.

Ayliffe, Parergon.

The muse invok'd, sit down to write, Blot out, correct, and interline.

lines of the original composition; having insertions between lines.

The authour of the interlinear gloss would not have crossed all the Fathers.

Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Marr. Clergy, p. 29. Cristopher Plantin, by printing of his curious interlineary Bible in Antwerp, through the unseasonable exactions of the king's officers, sunk and almost ruined his estate.

Fuller, Holy State, p. 186. Loitering books, and interlineary translations. Milton, Apol. for Smect. § 11.

Interli'neary.* n. s. A book having insertions between the lines of it.

The infinite nerps of the synopses, and other loitering gear.

Milton, Areopagilica. The infinite helps of interlinearies, breviaries,

In the interlineary we have " vilitatem ejus, her vileness or baseness. Pococke on Hosea, p. 62.

INTERLINEA'TION. n. s. [inter and lineation.] Correction made by writing between the lines.

Many clergymen write in so diminutive a manner, with such frequent blots and interlineations. that they are hardly able to go on without perpetual hesitations.

INTERLI'NING.* n. s. [from interline.] Correction, alteration, or explanation made by writing between the lines.

He cancell'd an old will, and forg'd a new; Made wealthy at the small expence of signing, With a wet seal, and a fresh interlining

Dryden, Juv. The two papers found in his [K. Charles the Second's] strong box concerning religion, and afterwards published by his brother, looked like study and reasoning. Tennison told me, he saw the original in Pepy's hand, to whom king James trusted them for some time. They were interseemed to be writ in a different hand from that in which the papers were writ.

Burnet, Hist. of his own Time. To INTERLI'NK. v. a. [inter and link.] To connect chains one to another; to join one in another.

The fair mixture in pictures causes us to enter into the subject which it imitates, and imprints it the more deeply into our imagination and our memory: these are two chains which are interlinked, which contain, and are at the same time

Dryden, Dufresnoy. contained. INTERLOCA'TION.* n.s. [interlocation, Fr.; inter and locatio, Lat.] An interplacing; an interposition.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood. Your eclipse of the sun is caused by an interlocation of the moon betwixt the earth and the sun. D. of Buckingham, Rehearsal.

INTERLOCU'TION. † n. s. [interlocution, Fr.; interlocutio, Lat.]

1. Dialogue; interchange of speech.

The plainest and the most intelligible rehearsal of the psalms they savour not, because it is done by interlocution, and with a mutual return of sentences from side to side. Hooker.

A good continued speech, without a good speech of interlocution, shews slowness.

Bacon, Ess. of Discourse. Contriving this method - by way of dialogue

or interlocution betwixt everic tragedie. Niccols, Mir. for Mag. Pref. (1610.)

One shall learn besides there not to interrupt one in the relation of his tale, or to feed it with odd interlocutions.

Howell, Instruct. for Trav. p. 193. A speech broken off by interlocutions, and instilled by parts, penetrates deeper than that which Patrick on Proverbs, xxix. 11. 2. Preparatory proceeding in law; an intermediate act before final decision.

These things are called accidental, because some new incident in judicature may emerge upon them, on which the judge ought to proceed by interlocu-

Ayliffe, Parergon. INTERLO'CUTOR. † n. s. [inter and loquor, I'NTERLUDER. * n. s. [from interlude.] A Latin.] Dialogist; one that talks with another.

Six persons, who were all, save one, interlocutors in the dialogue.

Harrington, Metamorph. of Ajax, (1596.) The interlocutors in that dialogue make it their business to cast scorn.

Gregory, Notes on Script. p. 168. The interlocutors in this dialogue are Socrates,

and one Minos an Athenian, his acquaintance. Bentley, Dissert. on Phalaris.
Some morose readers shall find fault with my

having made the interlocutors compliment with one

Interlo'cutory. † adj. [interlocutoire, Fr. inter and loquor, Lat.]

1. Consisting of dialogue.

When the minister by exhortation raiseth them up, and the people by protestation of their readiness declare he speaketh not in vain unto them; these interlocutory forms of speech, what are they else but most effectual, partly testifications, and partly inflammations of all piety? Hooker.

There are several interlocutory discourses in the Holy Scriptures, though the persons speaking are not alternately mentioned or referred to. Fiddes, Serm.

2. Preparatory to decision.

That henceforward no inhibition be granted by occasion of any interlocutory decree, - except under the form aforesaid.

Const. and Canons Ecclesiast. 97. The chancellor's decree is either interlocutory or final. Blackstone.

lined in several places. And the interlinings | To INTERLO'PE. v. n. [inter and loopen, Dutch, to run.] To run between parties and intercept the advantage that one should gain from the other; to traffick without a proper licence; to forestall; to anticipate irregularly.

The patron is desired to leave off this interloping trade, or admit the knights of the industry to their

INTERLO'PER. † n. s. [from interlope.] One who runs into business to which he has no right.

Some interloper may perhaps underhand fall upon the work at a lower rate.

Bp. Hall, Cases of Consc. D. i. C. 5. The king - resolved not only to recover his intercepted right, but to punish the interloper of his Milton, Hist. of Eng. B. 5. destined spouse.

The swallow was a fly-catcher, and was no more an interloper upon the spider's right, than the spider L'Estrange. was upon the swallow's.

To INTERLU'CATE. * v. a. [interluco, Lat.] To cut away boughs, where they obstruct light; to thin the branches of a wood. Not in use. Cockeram.

Interluca'tion.* n. s. [interlucatio, Lat.] Thinning of a wood, or letting in light between, by cutting away boughs.

Evelyn, and Chambers. INTERLU'CENT. adj. [interlucens, Latin.] Shining between.

I'NTERLUDE. n. s. [inter and ludus, Lat.] Something plaid at the intervals of festivity; a farce.

When there is a queen, and ladies of honour attending her, there must sometimes be masques, and revels, and interludes. Bacon, Adv. to Villiers.

The enemies of Socrates hired Aristophanes to personate him on the stage, and, by the insinuations of those interludes, conveyed a hatred of him into Gov. of the Tongue.

Dreams are but interludes, which fancy makes When monarch reason sleeps, this mimick wakes.

performer in an interlude. Not in use. Is't not a fine sight to see all our children made B. Jonson, Staple of News. interluders?

INTERLU'ENCY. n. s. [interluo, Latin.] Water interposited; interposition of a

Those parts of Asia and America, which are now disjoined by the interluency of the sea, might have been formerly contiguous. Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

INTERLU'NARY. adj. [interlunaire, Fr. INTERLU'NARY.] Cotgrave; inter and luna, Lat.] Belonging to the time when the moon, about to change, is invisible.

We add the two Egyptian days in every month, the interlunary and plenilunary exemptions. Brown.

The sun to me is dark, And silent as the moon, When she deserts the night.

Hid in her vacant interlunar cave. Milton, S. A.

INTERMA'RRIAGE. n. s. [inter and marriage.] Marriage between two fa-

Because the alliances and intermarriages, among so small a people, might obstruct justice, they have a foreigner for judge of St. Marino.

other.

Addison on Italy. To Interma'rry. v. n. [inter and marry.] To marry some of each family with the

About the middle of the fourth century, from the building of Rome, it was declared lawful for nobles and plebeians to intermarry.

I'NTERMEAN.* n. s. [inter and mean.] Something done in the mean time; interact. See Interact. At the close of each of the acts of Ben Jonson's Staple of News is an intermean, not indeed of musick, but of interlocutory discourse. Obsolete.

To INTERME DDLE. v. n. [inter and meddle.] To interpose officiously.

The practice of Spain bath been by war, and by conditions of treaty, to intermeddle with foreign states, and declare themselves protectors general of Catholicks.

Seeing the king was a sovereign prince, the emperor should not intermeddle with ordering his subjects, or directing the affairs of his realm.

Hayward. There were no ladies, who disposed themselves to intermeddle in business.

To Interme'ddle. † v. a. [entremesler, Fr.] To intermix; to mingle. This is perhaps misprinted for intermelled, Dr. Johnson says; which is not the case; for other good writers, as well as Spenser, (from whom Dr. Johnson cites a solitary example of intermeddle,) employ the word.

Many other adventures are intermedled; - as the love of Britomart, the overthrow of Marinell,

the misery of Florimell, &c.

Spenser, Lett. Pref. to his Fairy Queen. To intermedalle retiredness with society, so as one may give sweetness to the other, and both to us!

Bp. Hall, Heaven upon Earth.
Some keep precisely the order of the book, others intermeddle psalms in metre.

Maddox, Vind. of the Ch. of Eng. against Neal, (1783,) p. 155.

INTERME'DDLER. n. s. [from intermeddle.] One that interposes officiously; one that thrusts himself into business to which he has no right.

There's hardly a greater pest to government and families, than officious tale-bearers, and busy intermeddlers.

Our allies, and our stock-jobbers, direct her majesty not to change her secretary or treasurer, who, for the reasons that these officious intermeddlers demanded their continuance, ought never to have been admitted into the least trust.

Shall strangers, saucy intermeddlers, say, Thus far, and thus, are you allow'd to punish?

A. Philips. INTERME'DIACY. n. s. [from intermediate.] Interposition; intervention. An unauthorised word.

In birds the auditory nerve is affected by only the intermediacy of the columella. Derham. INTERME'DIAL. adj. [inter and medius, Lat.] Intervening; lying between; in-

tervenient. The love of God makes a man temperate in the midst of feasts, and is active enough without any

intermedial appetites. By. Taylor. A gardener prepares the ground, and in all the intermedial spaces he is careful to dress it.

Evelyn's Kalendar.

milies, where each takes one and gives INTERME/DIATE. adj. [intermediat, Fr. another. inter and medius, Lat.] Intervening; interposed; holding the middle place or degree between two extremes.

Do not the most refrangible rays excite the shortest vibrations for making a sensation of a deep violet, the least refrangible the largest for making a sensation of deep red, and the several intermediate sorts of rays, vibrations of several intermediate

bignesses, to make sensations of the several intermediate colours. Newton, Opt.

An animal consists of solid and fluid parts, unless one should reckon some of an intermediate nature as fat and phelgm.

Those general natures, which stand between the nearest and most remote, are called intermediate.

To Interme'diate. * v. n. [from the adjective.] To intervene; to interpose.

The tyranny of his [the sun's] fierce beams reigning here uncontrouled by those intermediating accidents, which conspire to the felicity of other regions. Sir H. Sheere, in Ld. Halifax's Misc. p.11.

INTERME DIATELY. adv. [from intermediate.] By way of intervention.

To Interme'll.* v. n. [entremesler, Fr.] To intermeddle. Obsolete.

To - boldly intermell With holy things. Marston, Scourge of Vill. (1598.) To INTERME'LL. v. a. [entremesler, Fr.]
To mix; to mingle. Not in use. Dr. Johnson has corrupted the passage of Spenser, in which intermeddle occurs, to suit his purpose here. Spenser's word is not intermell. See the verb active In-

The lyfe of this wretched world is always intermelled with moche bitterness. Bp. Fisher, Ps. INTE'RMENT. n. s. finterment, Fr. from

inter.] Burial; sepulture.

Here in England the interments of the dead were anciently farre out of all townes or cities.

Weever, Funer. Mon. In the noble church of the Grey Friars in London, - four queens, besides upwards of six hundred persons of quality, were buried. These interments imported considerable sums of money into the mendicant societies.

Warton, Hist. E. P. i. 294. To INTERME'NTION.* v. a. [inter and mention.] To mention among other things; to include; to comprehend.

There is scarce any grievance or complaint come before us in this place, wherein we do not find him intermentioned.

> Harbottle Grimstone, Speech in the H. of Com. against Abp. Laud.

Intermigration. n. s. [intermigration, Fr. inter and migro, Lat.] Act of removing from one place to another, so as that of two parties removing, each takes the place of the other.

Men have a strange variety in colour, stature, and humour; and all arising from the climate, though the continent be but one, as to point of access, mutual intercourse, and possibility of intermigrations. Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

INTE'RMINABLE.† adj. [interminable, Fr. in and termino, Latin.] Immense; admitting no boundary.

Eternitie then is perfite possession and altogether of life interminable. Chaucer, Boeth. v. pros. 6. O radiant luminary of light interminable!

Skelton, Poems, p. 121.

An interminable seizure by Satan both in soul and body. Bp. Hall, Contempl. B. S. As from the face of heaven the shatter'd clouds

Tumultuous rove, the interminable sky Sublimer swells, and o'er the world expands

A parer azure. Thomson, Summer.

INTE'RMINABLE.* n. s. He, whom no bound or limit can confine; an appellation of the Godhead, like that of Eternal, and finely employed by Milton to denote the divine immensity. Dr. Johnson has cited the following passage as a solitary 2. Intervenient time. VOL. II.

illustration of the adjective, which the examples prove to be no uncommon word; and here it is, emphatically, a substantive.

As if they would confine the Interminable, And tie him to his own prescript, Who made our laws to bind us, not himself.

Milton, S. A.

INTE'RMINABLENESS.* n. s. [from inter- 4. The space between the paroxysms of a minable.] State of being interminable; endlessness.

The interminableness of those torments, which after this life shall incessantly vex the impious. Annot. on Glanville, &c. (1682,) p. 59.

INTE'RMINATE. † adj. [interminate, French; interminatus, Latin.] Unbounded; un-

Within a thicket I repos'd; when round I ruffled up fall'n leaves in heaps, and found,

Let fall from heaven, a sleep interminate. Chapman, Odyss. It is enough for us to confine our sight with this

dark veil and interminate horizon. Bp. Gauden, Serm. and Life of Bp. Brownrigg, (1660,) p. 115.

To INTE'RMINATE.* v. a. [intermino, Lat.] To threaten; to menace.

Bullokar. Enough, enough of these interminated judgements, wherewith, if I would follow the steps of the prophets, I might strike your hearts with just Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 163.

Intermina'tion. † n. s. [intermination, Fr. intermino, Lat.] Menace; threat.

The terrours of the law were the intermination of curses upon all those, that ever broke any of the least commandments.

Bp. Taylor, Holy Dying, ch. 5. § 3. The threats and interminations of the Gospel, those terrours of the Lord, as goads, may drive those brutish creatures who will not be attracted. Decay of Chr. Piety.

To INTERMI'NGLE. v. a. [inter and mingle.] To mingle; to mix; to put some things amongst others.

The church in her liturgies hath intermingled, with readings out of the New Testament, lessons taken out of the law and prophets. His church he compareth unto a field, where tares, manifestly known and seen by all men, do

grow intermingled with good corn. My lord shall never rest:

I'll intermingle every thing he does With Cassio's suit. Shakspeare, Othello. Here sailing ships delight the wandering eyes:

There trees and intermingled temples rise. Pope. To Intermi'ngle. † v. n. To be mixed or incorporated.

They will not admit any good part to intermingle with them. Shakspeare, Much Ado. Party and faction will intermingle.

Intermi'ssion. n. s. [intermission, Fr. intermissio, Latin.]

1. Cessation for a time; pause; intermediate stop.

Came a reeking post, Deliver'd letters, spite of intermission,

Which presently they read. Shakspeare, K. Lear.
I count intermission almost the same thing as change; for that, that hath been intermitted, is after a sort new.

The water ascends gently, and by intermissions; but it falls continuately, and with force.

Wilkins, Dædalus. The peasants work on, in the hottest part of the day, without intermission.

Locke.

But, gentle heaven. Cut short all intermission: front to front, Bring thou this fiend of Scotland and myself. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

3. State of being intermitted. Words borrowed of antiquity, have the authority of years, and out of their intermission do win to themselves a kind of grace-like newness.

fever, or any fits of pain; rest; pause of sorrow.

Rest or intermission none I find. Milton, S. A. INTERMI'SSIVE. adj. [from intermit.] Com-

ing by fits; not continual. I reduced Ireland, after so many intermissive wars, to a perfect passive obedience.

Howel, Engl. Tears. As though there were any feriation in nature, or justitiums imaginable in professions, whose subject is under no intermissive but constant way of mutation, this season is commonly termed the physicians' vacation. Brown, Vulg. Err.

To INTERMI'T. v. a. [intermitto, Lat.] To forbear any thing for a time; to interrupt.

If nature should intermit her course, and leave altogether, though it were but for a-while, the observation of her own laws.

Run to your houses, fall upon your kness; Pray to the gods, to intermit the plague That needs must light on this ingratitude.

His misled, lascivious son, Edward the Second, intermitted so

The course of glory. Daniel, Civil Wars. The setting on foot some of those arts that were once well known, would be but the reviving of

those arts which were long before practised, though intermitted and interrupted by war. Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

Certain Indians, when a horse is running in his full career, leap down, gather any thing from the ground, and immediately leap up again, the horse not intermitting his course. Adam -

Speech intermitted thus to Eve renew'd.

Milton, P. L. We are furnished with an armour from Heaven. but if we are remiss, or persuaded to lay by our arms, and intermit our guard, we may be surprised. Rogers.

To Intermi't. † v. n.

Hooker.

1. To grow mild between the fits or paroxysms. Used of fevers.

Our fever for folly never intermits.

Young, Centaur, Lett. 2.

2. To cease for a time; to be interrupted. This is the original usage of the word, though Dr. Johnson has barely noticed, in his Dictionary, only the preceding. Yet he has elsewhere used the present.

The bell doth toll for him that thinks it doth; and though it intermit again, yet from that minute, which that occasion wrought upon him, he is united to God. e is united to God. Donne, Devot. p. 415. Let me know the exact time when your courts Johnson, Letter to Boswell, Life, &c. intermit.

INTERMI'TTENT. adj. [intermittent, Fr. intermittens, Lat.] Coming by fits.

Next to those durable pains, short intermittent or swift recurrent pains do precipitate patients into consumptions.

INTERMI'TTINGLY.* adv. [from the participle intermitting.] At intervals; not long together.

These grains or motes, willingly left in that eye, keep the sight of it from being laid wide

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open towards the object, suffering it to look up | 2. Mentally; intellectually. but intermittingly.

W. Mountague, Ess. P. ii. (1654,) p. 113.

To INTERMI'X. v. a. [inter and mix.] To mingle; to join; to put some things among others.

Her persuasions she intermixed with tears, affirming that she would depart from him. Hayward.

Reveal

To Adam what shall come in future days,

As I shall thee enlighten: intermix

My covenant in the woman's seed renew'd. Milton, P. L.

In yonder spring of roses, intermix'd With myrtle, find what to redress till noon.

Milton, P. L. I doubt not to perform the part of a just historian to my royal master, without intermixing with it any thing of the poet. Dryden.

To Intermi'x. v. n. To be mingled to-

INTERMI'XTURE. n. s. [inter and mixtura,

1. Mass formed by mingling bodies.

The analytical preparations of gold or mercury, leave persons much unsatisfied whether the substances they produce be truly the hypostatical principles, or only some intermixtures of the divided bodies with those employed,

2. Something additional mingled in a mass. In this height of impiety there wanted not an

intermixture of levity and folly.

Bacon, Hen. VII.

INTERMU'NDANE. [inter and mundus, Lat.] Subsisting between worlds, or between orh and orb.

The vast distances between these great bodies are called intermundane spaces; in which, though there may be some fluid, yet it is so thin and subtile, that it is as much as nothing.

INTERMU'RAL. adj. [inter, muralis, murus, Lat. 1 Lying between walls.

Ainsworth.

INTERMU'TUAL. adj. [inter and mutual.] Mutual; interchanged. Inter before mutual is improper.

A solemn oath religiously they take, By intermutual vows protesting there,

This never to reveal, nor to forsake

So good a cause. Daniel, Civil War. I'NTERN. adj. [interne, Fr. internus, Lat.]

Inward; intestine; not foreign.

The midland towns are most flourishing, which shews that her riches are intern and domestick.

INTE'RNAL. adj. [internus, Lat.]

1. Inward: not external.

That ye shall be as gods, since I as man, Internal man, is but proportion meet.

Milton, P. L. Myself, my conscience, and internal peace.

Milton, S. A. Bad comes of setting our hearts upon the shape,

colour, and external beauty of things, without regard to the internal excellence and virtue of them. L'Estrange.

If we think most men's actions to be the interpreters of their thoughts, they have no such internal veneration for good rules. Locke.

2. Intrinsick; not depending on external accidents; real.

We are to provide things honest; to consider not only the internal rectitude of our actions in the sight of God, but whether they will be free from all mark or suspicion of evil. Rogers. Rogers.

INTE'RNALLY. adv. [from, internal.]

1. Inwardly.

We are symbolically in the sacrament, and by faith and the spirit of God internally united to Bp. Taylor. Christ.

INTERNE'CINE. adj. [internecinus, Lat.] Endeavouring mutual destruction.

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The Egyptians worship'd dogs, and for Their faith made internecine war. Hudibras, i. 1. INTERNE'CION. n. s. [internecion, Fr. internecio, Lat.] Mutual destruction; massacre; slaughter.

That natural propension of self-love, and natural principle of self-preservation, will necessarily break out into wars and internecions

Hale, Orig. of Mankind. INTERNE'CTION.* n. s. [internecto, Lat. to knit together.] Connexion. Not in

So admirable an internection, that even the

worst parts of the chain drew some good after W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. P. ii. p. 54. Internu'ncio. † n. s. [internuncius, Lat.] Messenger between two parties.

They only are the internuncios, or the gobetweens, of this trim-devised mummery. Milton, Animadv. Rem. Def.

To Interpe'AL.* v. a. [interpeller, Fr. interpello, Lat. To interrupt a person speaking or doing any thing. See To INTERPEL.

Here one of us began to interpeal Old Mnemon: Therbon, that young ladkin hight, He pray'd this aged sire for to reveal What way, &c. More, Life of the Soul, iii. st. 31.

To INTERPE'L.* v. a. [interpeller, Fr. interpello, Lat.] To interrupt.

Hope hath her end, and Faith hath her reward! This being thus, why should my tongue or pen Presume to interpel that fulness, when

Nothing can more adorn it than the seat That she is in, or make it more complete? B. Jonson, Underwoods. No more now, for I am interpelled by many

Howell. Lett. i. vi. I. businesses. INTERPELLA'TION. * n. s. [interpellation, Fr. interpellatio, Lat.]

1. An interruption.

If so I chance to break that golden twist You spin, by rude interpellation.

More, Life of the Soul, ii. st. 44. That they should not be troublesome to the synod by any intempestive interpellations.

Hales, Lett. from the Syn. of Dort, p. 34. An earnest address; intercession. Neither this, nor the preceding sense, is noticed by Dr. Johnson.

One that hath lived innocently, or made joy in heaven at his timely and effective repentance, and in whose behalf the Holy Jesus hath interceded prosperously, and for whose interest the Spirit makes interpellations with groans and sighs unutterable. Bp. Taylor, Holy Dying, § 4. ch. 2.

3. A summons; a call upon. In all extrajudicial acts one citation, monition,

or extrajudicial interpellation is sufficient.

Ayliffe, Parergon.

To INTERPLE'DGE. * v.a. [inter and pledge.] To give and take as a mutual pledge. In all distress of various courts and war, We interpledge and bind each other's heart.

Davenant, Gondibert, i. 5. To INTERPO'INT.* v. a. [inter and point.] To distinguish by stops between words and sentences.

Her heart commands, her words should pass out first,

And then her sighs should interpoint her words. Daniel, Civ. Wars, ii. 82. To INTE'RPOLATE. + v. a. [interpoler, Fr. interpolo, Lat.]

1. To foist any thing into a place to which it does not belong.

How strangely Ignatius is mangled and interpolated, you may see by the vast difference of all copies and editions, Greek and Lat.

Bp. Barlow, Rem. p. 115. They were interpolated and corrupted.

Hanmer, View of Antiq. (1677,) p. 419. The Athenians were put in possession of Salamis by another law, which was cited by Solon, or, as some think, interpolated by him for that purpose.

2. To renew; to begin again; to carry on with intermissions. In this sense it is not in use.

This motion of the heavenly bodies themselves seems to be partly continued, and unintermitted, as that motion of the first moveable, partly interpolated and interrupted. That individual hath necessarily a concomitant

succession of interpolated motions; namely, the pulses of the heart, and the successive motions of respiration.

INTERPOLA'TION. † n. s. [interpolation, Fr. from interpolate.] Something added or put into the original matter.

Though they [the epistles of Ignatius] have been basely abused by unworthy persons with their corrupt interpolations, yet have we to this day found among us some remains of the monuments of that eminent and glorious martyr.

Hanmer, View of Antiq. p. 492. It is besides very much enlarged with divers interpolations.

Pref. to Knatchbull's Annot. on the New Test. Cambr. (1693.) I have changed the situation of some of the

Latin verses, and made some interpolations. Cromwell to Pope.

The learned have shewn, that interpolations have happened to other books; but these insertions by other hands have never been considered as invalidating the authority of those books.

Bp. Watson, Apol. for the Bible, (6th edit.) p. 73.
INTE'RPOLATOR. † n. s. [Latin; interpolateur, Fr.] One that foists in counterfeit passages.

You or your interpolator ought to have considered.

Shall we suppose, that Chaucer followed a more complete copy of the Filostrato than that we have at present, or one enlarged by some officious interpolator? Warton, Hist. E. P. vol. ii. Add. To INTERPO'LISH. v. a. [inter and polish.]

To polish between. All this will not fadge, though it be cunningly

interpolished by some second hand with crooks and emendations. Milton, Reas. of Ch. Gov. B. 1.

INTERPO'SAL. n. s. [from interpose.]

1. Interposition; agency between two persons.

The interposal of my lord of Canterbury's command for the publication of this mean discourse, may seem to take away my choice.

2. Intervention.

Our overshadowed souls may be emblemed by crusted globes, whose influential emissions are intercepted by the interposal of the benighting Glanville, Scepsis. element.

To INTERPO'SE. v. a. [interpono, Lat. interposer, Fr.]

1. To place between; to make intervenient.

Some weeks the king did honourably interpose, both to give space to his brother's intercession, and to show that he had a conflict with himself what he should do.

2. To thrust in as an obstruction, interruption, or inconvenience.

What watchful cares do interpose themselves Betwixt your eyes and night?

Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs. Death ready stands to interpose his dart.

Milton, P. L. Human frailty will too often interpose itself

among persons of the holiest function. Swift. 3. To offer as a succour or relief.

The common father of mankind seasonably interposed his hand, and rescued miserable man out

of the gross stupidity and sensuality whereinto he was plunged.

To INTERPO'SE. v. n.

1. To mediate; to act between two parties.

To put in by way of interruption.

But, interposes Eleutherius, this objection may be made indeed almost against any hypothesis.

I'NTERPOSE.* n. s. [from the verb.] In-

terposal. Not in use.

Such frequent breakings out in the body politick are indications of many noxious and dangerous humours therein; which without the wise interpose of state-physicians, presage ruin to the whole. Spenser on Prod. p. 119.

INTERPO'SER. † n. s. [from interpose.] 1. One that comes between others.

I will make haste; but till I come again, No bed shall ere be guilty of my stay : No rest be interposer 'twixt us twain.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. I must stand first champion for myself

Against all interposers.

Beaum. and Fl. Laws of Candy. 2. An intervenient agent; a mediator. INTERPOSI'TION. n. s. [interposition, Fr. interpositio, Lat. from interpose.]

1. Intervenient agency.

There never was a time when the interposition of the magistrate was more necessary to secure the honour of religion.

Though warlike successes carry in them often the evidences of a divine interposition, yet are they no sure marks of the divine favour.

2. Mediation; agency between parties. The town and abbey would have come to an open rupture, had it not been timely prevented by the interposition of their common protectors.

Addison. 3. Intervention; state of being placed between two.

The nights are so cold, fresh, and equal, by reason of the intire interposition of the earth, as I know of no other part of the world of better or equal temper.

She sits on a globe that stands in water, to denote that she is mistress of a new world, separate from that which the Romans had before conquered, by the interposition of the sea. Addison.

4. Any thing interposed.

A shelter, and a kind of shading cool Interposition, as a summer's cloud. Milton, P. L. INTERPO'SURE.* n. s. [from interpose.]

The act of interposing.

They would be detained prisoners here below by the chains of their unhappy natures, were there not some extraordinary interposure for their rescue. Glanville, Pre-exist. p. 139.

Many perfidious and voluptuous violators both of civil and religious duties live secured from acts of retaliation, by the interposure of the injured

parties' piety and conscience.

W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. P. ii. p. 50.

To INTE RPRET. v. a. [interpreter, Fr.; interpretor, Latin.] To explain; to translate; to decipher; to give a solution to; to clear by exposition; to expound.

One, but painted thus,

Would be interpreted a thing perplex'd Beyond self-explication. Shakspeare, Cymb. You should be women,

And yet your beards forbid me to interpret That you are so. Shakspeare, Macbeth. Pharaoh told them his dream; but there was

none that could interpret them unto him. Gen. xli. 8.

An excellent spirit, knowledge, and understanding, interpreting of dreams, and shewing of hard sentences, and dissolving of doubts, were found in the same Daniel. Dan. v. 12. Hear his sighs, thou mute!

Unskilful with what words to pray, let me Interpret for him. Milton, P. L.

INTE'RPRETABLE. † adj. [from interpret.] Capable of being expounded or deci-

No man's face is actionable: these singularities are interpretable from more innocent causes.

It accommodates the sense, and renders that

Knatchbull, Annot. N. Test. Tr. p. 271. INTERPRETA'TION. n. s. [interpretation, Fr.; interpretatio, Latin; from interpret.]

1. The act of interpreting; explanation.

This is a poor epitome of your's, Which, by th' interpretation of full time,

May shew like all yourself. Shakspeare, Coriol. Look how we can, or sad or merrily,

Interpretation will misquote our looks. Shakspeare. 2. The sense given by an interpreter; exposition.

If it be obscure or uncertain what they meant, charity, I hope, constraineth no man, which standeth doubtful of their minds, to lean to the hardest and worst interpretation that their words Hooker.

The primitive Christians knew how the Jews, who preceded our Saviour, interpreted these predictions, and the marks by which the Messiah would be discovered; and how the Jewish doctors, who succeeded him, deviated from the interpretations of their forefathers.

3. The power of explaining.

We beseech thee to prosper this great sign, and to give us the interpretation and use of it in mercy.

INTE'RPRETATIVE. † adj. [from interpret.] 1. Collected by interpretation.

Though the creed apostolick were sufficient, yet when the church hath erected that additional bulwark against hereticks, the rejecting their additions may justly be deemed an interpretative siding with heresies. Hammond.

2. Containing explanation; expositive. Comparing the other phrases that he uses equivalent to this, and interpretative of meaning. Barrow on the Creed.

INTE'RPRETATIVELY. adv. [from interpretative.] As may be collected by interpretation.

By this provision the Almighty interpretatively speaks to him in this manner: I have now placed thee in a well furnished world. Ray on the Creat.

INTE'RPRETER. n. s. [interprete, Fr.; interpres, Lat.]

1. An explainer; an expositor; an expounder.

What we oft do best, By sick interpreters, or weak ones, is Not ours, or not allow'd: what worst, as oft, Hitting a grosser quality, is cry'd up For our best act. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. In the beginning the earth was without form and void; a fluid, dark, confused mass, and so it is understood by interpreters, both Hebrew and Christian. Burnet.

We think most men's actions to be the interpreters of their thoughts. Locke.

2. A translator.

Nor word for word be careful to transfer,

With the same faith as an interpreter. Sherburne. How shall any man, who hath a genius for history, undertake such a work with spirit, when he considers that in an age or two he shall hardly be understood without an interpreter. Swift

INTERPU'NCTION. † n. s. [interpunctio, Fr.; interpungo, Lat.] Pointing between words or sentences.

The whole course of our life is full of internunctions, or commas; death is but the period or full point. Dr. Jackson, Works, iii. 499.

INTERRE'GNUM. n. s. [Latin.] The time in which a throne is vacant between the death of a prince and accession of another.

To whom ensued a vacancy: Thousand worse passions than possess'd The interregnum of my breast:

Bless me from such an anarchy!

Cowley, Ballad of the Chronicle. He would shew the queen my memorial with the first opportunity, in order to have it done in this interregnum or suspension of title.

INTERRE'IGN. n. s. [interregne, Fr.; interregnum, Latin.] Vacancy of the throne.

The king knew there could not be any interreign or suspension of title. Bacon, Hen. VII. Comparing that confused anarchy with this interreign. Milton, Hist. of Eng. B. 3. INTE'RRER.* n. s. [enterreur, Fr.; from

inter.] A burier.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood. To INTE RROGATE. † v. a. [interrogo, Lat.; interroger, Fr.] To examine; to question.

The "catechumeni," who were to be baptized, were interrogated, by the priest, whether they did believe in the resurrection of the dead, and the

Knatchbull, Annot. N. Test. Tr. p. 312.
To Inte'rrogate. v. n. To ask; to put

By his instructions touching the queen of Naples, it seemeth he could interrogate touching beauty. Bacon, Hen. VII.

His proof will be retorted by interrogating, Shall the adulterer and the drunkard inherit the kingdom of God? Hammond,

INTE'RROGATE.* n. s. [from the verb.] Question put; inquiry.

Referring the things to come to the following interrogate. Bp. Hall, Cases of Consc. D. 3. C. 10.

The interrogats of the king, and the answers which were given him. Donne, Hist. of the Sept. p. 169.

INTERROGA'TION. n. s. [interrogation, Fr.; interrogatio, Lat.

1. The act of questioning.

2. A question put; an inquiry.

How demurely soever such men may pretend to sanctity, that interrogation of God presses hard upon them, Shall I count them pure with the wicked balances, and with the bag of deceitful weights?

Gov. of the Tongue,

This variety is obtained by interrogations to things inanimate; by beautiful digressions, but those

3. A note that marks a question; thus: as, Does Job serve God for nought?

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Interrogatives, tat.] Interrogatif, Fr.; interrogativus, Lat.] Denoting a question; expressed in a questionary form of words.

St. Peter hath said, that the baptism, which saveth us, is not (as legal purifications were) a cleansing of the flesh from outward impurities, but an interrogative trial of a good conscience to-Hooker, Eccl. Pol. v. § 63.

INTERRO'GATIVE. n. s. A pronoun used in asking questions: as, who? what? which? whether?

INTERRO'GATIVELY. + adv. | from interrogative. In form of a question.

Read it interrogatively, and it is as strong for Soto and the Dominicans, as, if it be read assertively, for Catharine and the Jesuits.

Bp. Bedell, Lett. p. 403. INTE'RROGATOR. † n. s. [from interrogate.]

An asker of questions. "Stipulatio" was a conception of words where-

with he, that was asked, did answer, that he would say or do the thing which he was asked; and took its name from the interrogator, as the worthier person. Knatchbull, Annot. N. Test. Tr. p. 311.

INTERRO'GATORY. n. s. [interrogatoire, French. A question; an inquiry. He with no more civility began in captious

manner to put interrogatories unto him. Sidney. Nor time, nor place,

Will serve long interrogatories. Shakspeare, Cymb. What earthly name to interrogatories Can task the free breath of a sacred king

Shaksneare. The examination was summed up with one question, Whether he was prepared for death? The boy was frighted out of his wits by the last dreadful interrogatory.

INTERRO'GATORY. adj. Containing a question; expressing a question; as, an interrogatory sentence.

To INTERRUPT. v. a. [interrompre, French; interruptus, Latin.

1. To hinder the process of any thing by breaking in upon it.

Rage doth rend Like interrupted waters, and o'erbear

What they are used to bear. Shakspeare, Coriol. He might securely enough have engaged his body of horse against their whole inconsiderable army, there being neither tree nor bush to inter-

rupt his charge. Clarendon. This motion of the heavenly bodies seems partly uninterrupted, as that of the first moveable inter-

polated and interrupted. To hinder one from proceeding by interposition.

Answer not before thou hast heard the cause; neither interrupt men in the midst of their talk.

3. To divide; to separate; to rescind from continuity.

INTERRU'PT. † adj. [from the verb; interrupte, old French.]

1. Containing a chasm. Seest thou what rage

Transports our adversary, whom no bounds, -Nor yet the main abyss

Wide interrupt, can hold? Milton, P. L. 2. Broken; irregular.

Menacing, ghastly looks; broken pace; interrupt, precipitate, half turns.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 612.
INTERRU'PTEDLY. adv. [from interrupted.] Not in continuity; not without stoppages.

The incident light that meets with a grosser liquour, will have its beams either refracted or

imbibed, or else reflected more or less interruptedly than they would be, if the body had been un-Boyle on Colours. moistened.

INTERRU'PTER. † n. s. [from interrupt.] One who interrupts. Proud Saturine, interrupter of the good

That noble-minded Titus means to thee! Titus Andronicus.

Shaksneare.

The great disturbers of those pleasures, and interrupters of the caresses of those lusts, which had so bewitched their hearts. South, Serm. iv. 325.

INTERRU'PTION. n.s. [interruption, French; interruptio, Lat.]

1. Interposition; breach of continuity. Places severed from the continent by the inter-Hale, Orig. of Mankind. ruption of the sea.

2. Intervention; interposition.

You are to touch the one as soon as you have given a stroke of the pencil to the other, lest the interruption of time cause you to lose the idea of Dryden, Dufresnoy.

3. Hindrance; stop; let; obstruction. Bloody England into England gone, O'erbearing interruption, spite of France.

4. Intermission.

This way of thinking on what we read, will be a rub only in the beginning; when custom has made it familiar, it will be dispatched without resting or interruption in the course of our reading.

Amidst the interruptions of his sorrow, seeing his penitent overwhelmed with grief, he was only Addison, Spect. able to bid her be comforted.

INTERSCA'PULAR. adj. Finter and scapula, Latin. Placed between the shoulders. To Intersci'nd. v. a. [inter and scindo,

Latin.] To cut off by interruption. Dict. To Interscri'BE. v. a. [inter and scribo, Lat. 7 To write between.

INTERSE'CANT. adj. [intersecans, Latin.] Dividing any thing into parts.

To INTERSE'CT. † v. a. [interseco, Lat. Our word was pronounced uncouth and unusual, in 1656, by Heylin.] To cut; to divide each other mutually.

Perfect and viviparous quadrupeds so stand in their position of proneness, that the opposite joints of neighbour legs consist in the same plane; and a line descending from their navel intersects at right angles the axis of the earth. Brown

Excited by a vigorous loadstone, the needle will somewhat depress its animated extreme, and intersect the horizontal circumference.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

To Intersect. v. n. To meet and cross each other.

The sagittal suture usually begins at that point where these lines intersect. Wiseman, Surgery.

INTERSE'CTION. n. s. [intersectio, Latin; from intersect.] Point where lines cross

They did spout over interchangeably from side to side in forms of arches, without any intersection or meeting aloft, because the pipes were not oppo-Wotton, Architecture. The first star of Aries, in the time of Meton

the Athenian, was placed in the very intersection, which is now elongated, and moved eastward twenty-eight degrees.

Ships would move in one and the same surface, and consequently must needs encounter, when they either advance towards one another in direct lines, or meet in the intersection of cross ones. Bentley.

To INTERSE'RT. v. a. [intersero, Lat.] To put in between other things.

If I may intersert a short speculation, the depth of the sea is determined in Pliny to be fifteen Brerewood.

Interse'rtion. n. s. [from intersert.] An insertion, or thing inserted between any thing.

These two intersertions were clear explications of the apostle's old form, God the father, ruler of all, which contained an acknowledgement of the Hammond.

I'NTERSPACE.* n. s. [inter and space.] Intervenient space.

This was his practice, to gather up more at the *interspaces* of leisure, than others do at their Hacket's Life of Abp. Williams, (1693,) p. 27.

To INTERSPE'RSE. v. a. [interspersus, Lat.] To scatter here and there among other things.

The possibility of a body's moving into a void space beyond the utmost bounds of body, as well as into a void space interspersed amongst bodies, will always remain clear.

It is the editor's interest to insert what the author's judgement had rejected; and care is taken to intersperse these additions, so that scarce any book can be bought without purchasing something unworthy of the author.

TERSPE'RSION. n. s. [from intersperse.] The act of scattering here and there. For want of the interspersion of now and then

an elegiack or a lyrick ode. Watts on the Mind. INTERSTE'LLAR. adj. [inter and stella, Lat.] Intervening between the stars.

The interstellar sky hath so much affinity with the star, that there is a rotation of that as well as of the star.

INTE'RSTICE. n. s. [interstitium, Lat. interstice, French.

1. Space between one thing and another.

The sun shining through a large prism upon a comb placed immediately behind the prism, his light, which passed through the interstices of the teeth, fell upon a white paper: the breadths of the teeth were equal to their interstices, and seven teeth together with their interstices took up an inch. Newton. The force of the fluid will separate the smallest

particles which compose the fibres, so as to leave vacant interstices in those places where they cohered before. Arhuthmot. 2. Time between one act and another. I will point out the interstices of time which

ought to be between one citation and another. Ayliffe, Parergon.

INTERSTI'NCTIVE. * adj. [interstinctus, Lat.] Distinguishing.

Whether the notes of parenthesis be used; and what care is taken of the interstinctive points, ;; . . Wallis, Lett. to Dr. Smith, Aubreu's Anecd. i. 78.

INTERSTI'TIAL. adj. [from interstice.] Containing interstices. In oiled papers, the interstitial division being

actuated by the accession of oil, becometh more transparent. Brown.

To INTERTA'LK.* v. n. [inter and talk.]

To exchange conversation. Amongst the myrtles as I walk'd,

Love and my sighs thus intertalk'd. Carew's Poems, p. 141.

To INTERTA'NGLE. * v.a. [inter and tangle.] To knit together; to intertwist.

Their needs, The one of the other, may be said to water Their intertangled roots of love.

Beaum. and Fl. Two Nob. Kinsmen.

Intertex'ture. † n. s. [intertexo, Latin.]
Diversification of things mingled or woven one among another.

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There is a various intertexture of theosophical and philosophical truths.

More, Conj. Cabb. (1653,) p. 104. There is an intertexture of prosperity and adversity in the fortunes of virtuous men, [which] tends more to their improvement, than a more regular and constant providence would do.

Goodman, Wint. Ev. Conf. P. ii.

To Intertwi'ne. † v. a. [inter and twine, To Intertwi'st. } or twist.] To unite by twisting one in another.

There [let] our secret thoughts unseen, Like nets be weav'd and intertwin'd, Wherein we catch each other's mind,

Carew, Poems, p. 29. Under some concourse of shades. Whose branching arms thick intertwin'd might shield,

From dews and damps of night his shelter'd head. Milton, P. R.

A wall of hewn stone, wrought on the outside with various knots of serpents intertwisted.

Townsend, Conq. of Mexico, iii. 13.

I'NTERVAL. n. s. [intervalle, Fr. intervallum, Latin.]

1. Space between places; interstice; vacuity; space unoccupied; void place;

vacancy; vacant space. With any obstacle, let all the light be now stopped which passes through any one interval of

the teeth, so that the range of colours which comes from thence may be taken away, and you will see the light of the rest of the ranges to be expanded into the place of the range taken away, and there to be coloured. Newton, Opticks.

2. Time passing between two assignable

The century and half following was a very busy period, the intervals between every war being so

3. Remission of a delirium or distemper. Though he had a long illness, considering the great heat with which it raged, yet his intervals of sense being few and short, left but little room for the offices of devotion. Atterbury.

INTERVE'INED.* part. adj. [inter and Intersected as with veins. veined.] From his side two rivers flow'd.

The one winding, the other straight, and left be-

Fair champain, with less rivers intervein'd. Milton, P. R.

To INTERVE'NE. † v. n. [intervenio, Lat. intervenir, Fr.] 1. To come between things or persons.

I cannot omit some things which intervened at the meeting. Wotton, Rem. p. 217. Venus intervenes attended by Cupid.

Warton, Hist. E. P. ii. 233. 2. To make intervals.

While so near each other thus all day Our task we chuse, what wonder, if so near, Looks intervene, and smiles? Milton, P. L.

3. To cross unexpectedly. Esteem the danger of an action, and the possibilities of miscarriage, and every cross accident that can intervene, to be either a mercy on God's

part, or a fault on ours. INTERVE'NE. n. s. [from the verb.] Opposition, or perhaps interview. A word

They had some sharper and some milder differences, which might easily happen in such an intervene of grandees, both vehement on the parts

which they swayed. Wotton, Life of D. of Buckingham.

INTERVE'NIENT. adj. [interveniens, Lat. intervenant, French. Intercedent; interposed; passing between.

There be intervenient in the rise of eight, in tones, two bemolls or half notes.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. Many arts were used to discuss new affection; all which notwithstanding, for I omit things intervenient, there is conveyed to Mr. Villiers an intimation of the king's pleasure to be sworn his

Interve'ntion. n. s. [intervention, Fr. interventio, Lat.]

1. Agency between persons.

Let us decide our quarrels at home, without the intervention of any foreign power. God will judge the world in righteoussness by the intervention of the man Christ Jesus, who is

the Saviour as well as the judge of the world.

2. Agency between antecedents and consecutives.

In the dispensation of God's mercies to the world, some things he does by himself, others by the intervention of natural means, and by the mediation of such instruments as he has appointed. L'Estrange.

3. Interposition; the state of being inter-

Sound is shut out by the intervention of that lax membrane, and not suffered to pass into the

INTERVE'NUE.* n. s. [intervenu, French.] Interposition; state of being placed between.

This crown hath now had five weak princes, without intervenue of any one active.

Blount, Voyage to the Levant, (1650,) p. 227. To Interve'rt. v. a. [interverto, Lat.]

1. To turn to another course. The duke interverted the bargain, and gave the poor widow of Erpenius for the books five hun-

dred pounds. 2. To turn to another use.

The elder apprentice interverted five pounds of his master's money. Life of Firmin, (1698,) p. 8. I'NTERVIEW. n. s. [entrevue, French.] Mutual sight; sight of each other. It is commonly used for a formal, appointed, or important meeting or conference.

The day will come when the passions of former enmity being allayed, we shall with ten times redoubled tokens of reconciled love shew ourselves each towards other the same, which Joseph and the brethren of Joseph were at the time of their interview in Egypt.

His fears were, that the interview betwixt England and France might through their amity Breed him some prejudice. Shaksp. Hen. VIII.

Such happy interview and fair event Of love and youth not lost, songs, garlands, flow-

And charming symphonies attach'd the heart Of Adam.

To Intervo'LVE. v. a. [intervolvo, Latin.] To involve one within another.

Mystical dance! which yonder starry sphere Of planets, and of fix'd, in all her wheels Resembles nearest; mazes intricate, Eccentrick, intervolv'd, yet regular, Then most, when most irregular they seem.

Milton, P. L.

To INTERWE'AVE. v. a. preter. interwove, part. pass. interwoven, interwove, or interweaved. [inter and weave.] To mix one with another in a regular texture; to intermingle.

Come on, come on: and, where you go, So interweave the curious knot, As ev'n the observer scarce may know

Which lines are Pleasure's, and which not. B. Jonson, Musques.

Prayer - is of a soft and sociable nature, and it can incorporate and sink into our business like water into ashes, and never increase the bulk of them: it can mix and interweave itself with all our cares, without any hindrance unto them; nay, it is a great strength and improvement unto them. Hales, Rem. p. 141.

I sat me down to watch upon a bank With ivy canopied, and interwove

With flaunting honeysuckle. Milton, Comus. At last,

Words interwove with sighs found out their way. Milton, P. L.

Then laid him down Under the hospitable covert nigh

Of trees thick interwoven. Milton, P. R. None

Can say here nature ends and art begins; But mixt like the elements, and born like twins, So interweav'd, so like, so much the same; None this mere nature, that mere art can name.

The proud theatres disclose the scene, Which interwoven Britons seem to raise,

And show the triumph which their shame displays. He so interweaves truth with probable fiction,

that he puts a pleasing fallacy upon us. Dryden. It appeared a vast ocean planted with islands, that were covered with fruits and flowers, and interwoven with a thousand little shining seas that

ran among them. Addison. Orchard and flower-garden lie so mixt and interwoven with one another, as to look like a natural wilderness.

The Supreme Infinite could not make intelligent creatures, without implanting in their natures a most ardent desire, interwoven in the substance of their spiritual natures, of being re-united with Cheyne, Phil. Principles.

I do not altogether disapprove the interweaving texts of Scripture through the style of your ser-

Interwe'Aving.* n. s. [from the verb.] Intertexture.

What interweavings or interworkings can knit the minister and the magistrate in their several functions? Milton, Of Ref. in Eng. B. 2. To Interwi'sh. v. a. [inter and wish.] To wish mutually to each other.

The venom of all stepdames, gamester's gall, What tyrants and their subjects interwish, -Fall on that man! Donne, Poems, p. 34.

INTERWO'RKING.* n. s. [inter and work.] Act of working together. Not in use. But see Milton's employment of it under interweaving.

INTERWRE'ATHED.* part. adj. [inter and wreath. Woven in a wreath.

Say, happy youth, crown'd with a heavenly ray Of the first flame, and interwreathed bay, Inform my soul, &c. Lovelace, Luc. Posth. p. 67

INTE'STABLE. adj. [intestabilis, Latin.]

Disqualified to make a will. A person excommunicated is rendered infamous

and intestable both actively and passively. Ayliffe, Parergon.

INTE'STACY.* n. s. [from intestate.] Want of a will.

INTE'STATE. adj. [intestat, Fr. intestatus, Latin.] Wanting a will; dying without

Why should calamity be full of words? Windy attorneys to their client woes,

Airy succeeders of intestate joys, Poor breathing orators of miseries. Shakspeare. Present punishment pursues his maw,

When surfeited and swell'd, the peacock raw, He bears into the bath; whence want of breath, Repletions, apoplex, intestate death. Dryd. Juv. INTESTI'NAL. adj. [intestinal, Fr. from in- | To INTHRO'NE. v. a. [in and throne.] 3. Familiarly; with close friendship. testine.] Belonging to the guts-

The mouths of the lacteals are opened by the intestinal tube, affecting a straight instead of a spiral cylinder. Arbuthnot.

INTE'STINE. adj. [intestin, Fr. intestinus, Latin.]

1. Internal: inward: not external.

Of these inward and intestine enemies to prayer, there are our past sins to wound us, our present cares to distract us, our distempered passions to disorder us, and a whole swarm of loose and floating imaginations to molest us. Duppa. Intestine war no more our passions wage,

Ev'n giddy factions bear away their rage. Pope.

2. Contained in the body.

Intestine stone, and ulcer, colick pangs, And moon-struck madness. Milton, P. L. A wooden jack, which had almost

Lost, by disuse, the art to roast, A sudden alteration feels,

Increas'd by new intestine wheels.

3. Domestick, not foreign. I know not whether the word be properly used in the following example of Shakspeare: perhaps for mortal and intestine should be read mortal internecine.

Since the mortal and intestine jars 'Twixt thy seditious countrymen and us, It hath in solemn synods been decreed, T' admit no traffick to our adverse towns.

Shakspeare. But God, or nature, while they thus contend,

To these intestine discords put an end. Dryden, Ovid.

She saw her sons with purple deaths expire, A dreadful series of intestine wars. Inglorious triumphs, and dishonest scars.

INTE'STINE. † n. s. [intestinum, Lat. intestine, Fr. The word is of no great age in our language. Bishop Reynolds, in his Treatise on the Passions, 1650, uses the Latin intestina for intestines, chap. 16. The gut; the bowel: most commonly without a singular.

The intestines or guts may be inflamed by an acrid substance taken inwardly.

Arbuthnot on Diet. To Inthi'rst.* v. a. [in and thirst.] To make thirsty.

Using our pleasure, as the traveller doth water, not as the drunkard wine, whereby he is inflamed and inthirsted the more.

Bp. Hall, Christian Moderation, § 8. To INTHRA'L. v. a. [in and thrall.] To enslave; to shackle; to reduce to servitude. A word now seldom used, at least in prose.

What though I be inthrall'd, he seems a knight, And will not any way dishonour me.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. The Turk has sought to extinguish the ancient memory of those people which he has subjected and inthralled.

Authors to themselves in all Both what they judge, and what they choose: for

I form'd them free, and free they must remain Till they enthral themselves. Milton, P. L. She soothes, but never can inthral my mind:

Why may not peace and love for once be joyn'd?

INTHRA'LMENT. n. s. [from inthral.] Servitude; slavery.

Moses and Aaron, sent from God to claim His people from inthralment, they return With glory and spoil back to their promis'd land. Milton, P. L.

commonly enthrone.

One, chief, in gracious dignity inthron'd, Shines o'er the rest. Thomson, Summer.

To Inthro'nize. * v. a. [inthronizer, Fr. Cotgrave.] To enthrone. Bullokar INTHRONIZA'TION.* n. s. [inthronization,

Fr.] State of being enthroned.

Adrian the fourth, called before his inthronization, Nicholas Breakspeare. Weever, Funer. Mon.
The future fortunes of the church, from its humble cradle to its inthronization in glory, are Warburton, Serm. XX.

foretold to St. John. To Inti'ce.* See To Entice, and its derivatives.

I'NTIMACY. n. s. [from intimate.] Close familiarity.

It is in our power to confine our friendships and intimacies to men of virtue.

I'NTIMATE. adj. [intimado, Spanish; intimus, Latin.]

1. Inmost; inward; intestine. They knew not

That what I mention'd was of God, I knew From intimate impulse. Milton, S. A. Fear being so intimate to our natures, it is the Tillotson.

strongest bond of laws. 2. Near; not kept at a distance.

Moses was with him in the retirements of the Mount, received there his private instructions; and when the multitude were thundered away from any approach, he was honoured with an intimate and immediate admission. South.

Familiar; closely acquainted. United by this sympathetick bond, You grow familiar, intimate, and fond.

I'NTIMATE. n. s. [intimado, Spanish; intime, French; intimus, Latin. A familiar friend: one who is trusted with our thoughts.

The design was to entertain his reason with a more equal converse, assign him an intimate whose intellect as much corresponded with his as did the Gov. of the Tongue.

outward form.

To I'NTIMATE.* v. a. [from the noun.] To partake of mutually; to share together as friends. Obsolete. So both conspiring gan to intimate

Each other's griefe with zeale affectionate.

Spenser, F. Q. vi. iii. 12.

To I'NTIMATE. v. a. [intimer, French; intimere, low Lat.] To hint; to point out indirectly, or not very plainly. Alexander Van Suchten tells us, that by a way

he intimates, may be made a mercury of copper, not of the silver colour of other mercuries, but Boyle. The names of simple ideas and substances, with

the abstract ideas in the mind, intimate some real existence, from which was derived their original

'Tis the Divinity that stirs within us; 'Tis Heav'n itself that points out an hereafter, And intimates eternity to man. Addison, Cato.

I'NTIMATELY. adv. [from intimate.] 1. Closely; with intermixture of parts.

The same economy is observed in the circulation of the chyle with the blood, by mixing it intimately with the parts of the fluid to which it is to be assimilated.

2. Nearly; inseparably.

Quality as it regards the mind, has its rise from knowledge and virtue, and is that which is more essential to us and more intimately united with us. Addison, Spect.

To raise to royalty; to seat on a throne: INTIMA'TION. n. s. [intimation, Fr.: from intimate.] Hint obscure or indirect declaration or direction.

Let him strictly observe the first stirrings and intimations; the first hints and whispers of good and evil that pass in his heart.

Of those that are only probable we have some reasonable intimations, but not a demonstrative Woodward.

Besides the more solid parts of learning, there are several little intimations to be met with on medals.

I'NTIME. adj. Inward; being within the mass; not being external, or on the surface: internal. Not used.

As to the composition or dissolution of mixed bodies, which is the chief work of elements, and requires an intime application of the agents, water hath the principality and excess over earth. Digby on Bodies.

To INTI'MIDATE. v. a. [intimider, Fr.; in and timidus, Lat.] To make fearful; to dastardize; to make cowardly.

At that tribunal stands the writing tribe, . Which nothing can intimidate, or bribe; Time is the judge.

Guilt, once harbour'd in the conscious breast. Intimidates the brave, degrades the great. Irene.

INTIMIDA'TION.* n. s. [intimidation, Fr. Cotgrave. Act of intimidating.

INTI'RE. n. s. [integer, Lat.; entier, Fr. better written entire, which see, and all its derivatives.] Whole; undiminished: broken.

The lawful power of making laws, to command whole politick societies of men, belongeth so properly unto the same intire societies, that for any prince to exercise the same of himself, and not either by express commission immediately and personally received from God, or else by authority derived at the first from their consent upon whose persons he imposes laws, it is no better than mere tyranny. Hooker.

INTI'RENESS. n. s. [from intire : better entireness.] Wholeness; integrity.

So shall all times find me the same : You this intireness better may fulfill, Who have the pattern with you still.

To Inti'tle.* v. a. [intituler, old Fr.] To give a title or discriminative name; now usually written entitle; formerly not so. "Is intituled .- To intitle one's name on a booke." Barret's Alv. 1580. See To ENTITLE.

Donne.

I'NTO. † prep. [Sax. into; in and to. This word was formerly often used for unto, and was not laid aside in Shakspeare's

1. Noting entrance with regard to place: opposed to out of.

Water introduces into vegetables the matter it bears along with it. Woodward, Nat. Hist. Acrid substances, which pass into the capillary tubes, must irritate them into greater contraction. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

2. Noting entrance of one thing into another.

If iron will acquire by mere continuance an habitual inclination to the side it held, how much more may education, being a constant plight and inurement, induce by custom good habits into a reasonable creature.? Wotton.

To give life to that which has yet no being, is to frame a living creature, fashion the parts, and having fitted them together, to put into them a a living soul.

3. Noting penetration beyond the outside. or some action which reaches beyond the superfices or open part.

To look into letters already opened or dropt is held an ungenerous act.

4. Noting inclusion real or figurative. They have denominated some herbs solar and some lunar, and such like toys put into great

Bacon. 5. Noting a new state to which any thing

is brought by the agency of a cause. Compound bodies may be resolved into other substances than such as they are divided into by

A man must sin himself into a love of other men's sins; for a bare notion of this black art will not carry him so far.

Sure thou art born to some peculiar fate, When the mad people rise against the state, To look them into duty; and command

An awful silence with thy lifted hand.

Dryden, Persius. It concerns every man that would not trifle away his soul, and fool himself into irrecoverable misery, with the greatest seriousness to enquire into these matters.

He is not a frail being, that he should be tired into compliance by the force of assiduous application. Smalridge.

In hollow bottoms, if any fountains chance to rise, they naturally spread themselves into lakes, before they can find any issue. Addison on Italy.

It would have been all irretrievably lost, was it

not by this means collected and brought into one Why are these positions charged upon me as their

sole author; and the reader led into a belief, that they were never before maintained by any person of virtue? It is no ways congruous, that God should be

always frightening men into an acknowledgement of the truth, who were made to be wrought upon by calm evidence. Atterbury.

A man may whore and drink himself into atheism; but it is impossible he should think himself into it. Bentley.

INTO LERABLE. adj. [intolerabilis, Lat.; intolerable, Fr.]

1. Insufferable; not to be endured; not to be born; having any quality in a degree too powerful to be endured.

If we bring into one day's thoughts the evil of many, certain and uncertain, what will be and what will never be, our load will be as intolerable as it is unreasonable. Bp. Taylor.

His awful presence did the croud surprize, Nor durst the rash spectator meet his eyes; Eyes that confess'd him born for kingly sway,

So fierce, they flash'd intolerable day. Dryden. Some men are quickly weary of one thing: the same study long continued in is as intolerable to them as the appearing long in the same clothes is to a court lady.

From Param's top th' Almighty rode, Intolerable day proclaim'd the God. Broome.

2. Bad beyond sufferance.

INTO LERABLENESS. n. s. [from intolerable.] Quality of a thing not to be endured.

INTO LERABLY. † adv. [from intolerable.]

To a degree beyond endurance. She is intolerably curst,

And shrewd, and forward

Shakspeare, Tam. of the Shrew. This Widrington complains of as intolerably insulting. Jenkins, Hist. Exam. of Councils, p. 38.

He [Rowe] has added some lines, intolerably flowery and unnatural.

Dr. Warton, Essay on Pope INTO LERANCE.* n. s. [intolerance, Fr.] Want of toleration; want of patience and

And you, my lord, is it you of all men living, that stand forth to accuse another of intolerance of Lowth, Lett. to Warburton, p. 62.

These few restrictions, I hope, are no great stretches of intolerance, no very violent exertions of despotism. Burke on the Fr. Revolution. INTO'LERANT. + adj. [intolerant, Fr.]

1. Not enduring; not able to endure.

Too great moisture affects human bodies with one class of diseases, and too great dryness with another; the powers of human bodies being limited and intolerant of excesses. Arbuthnot.

2. Not favourable to toleration.

Why, then, am I branded as an intolerant zea-Lowth, Lett. to Warburton, p. 62. INTO'LERANT.* n. s. One who is not favourable to toleration.

You might as well have concluded, that I was a Jew, or a Mahometan, as an intolerant and a per-Lowth, Lett. to Warburton, p. 62. INTO LERATED.* part.adj. [in and tolerate.]
Not endured; denied toleration.

I would have all intoleration intolerated in its Ld. Chesterfield.

INTOLERA'TION* n. s. [in and toleration.] Want of toleration.

This noise against the Jew bill proceeds from that narrow mob-spirit of intoleration in religious, and inhospitality in civil matters, which all wise governments should oppose. Ld. Chesterfield.

To Into'MB. v. a. [in and tomb.] To inclose in a funeral monument, to bury.

What commandment had the Jews for the ceremony of odours used about the bodies of the dead, after which custom, notwithstanding our Lord was contented that his own most precious blood should be intombed?

Is't night's predominance or the day's shame, That darkness does the face of earth intomb?

Mighty heroes' more majestick shades, And youths intomb'd before their fathers' eyes.

To I'NTONATE. † v. a. [intono, Lat.] 1. To thunder. Dict.

2. To sing together; to sing loudly. As after a partial, though great and adorable accomplishment of the divine economy, our Saviour once, upon a famous and well-known hour, pronounced τετελέσαι, "It is finished;" so, then, the great, τετελέσαι shall be intonated by the general voice of the whole host of heaven.

Harris on the 53d Chap. of Isaiah, (1739,) p. 262. Intona'tion. † n. s. [intonation, Fr.; from

intonate.]

1. The act of thundering.

2. Chant; the act of singing together. Whether poetry or prose were in question, one slow and uniform intonation, consisting of notes of equal or nearly equal length, was exclusively adopted.

Mason on Church Music, p. 28,

These were all sung, not merely in simple intonation or chaunt, but in this mode of figurate des-Mason, on Church Musick, p. 90.

To Into'ne. v. n. [from intono, or rather from tone; intonner, Fr.] To make a slow protracted noise.

So swells each wind-pipe, ass intones to ass Harmonick twang. Pope, Dunciad.

To Into'RT. v. a. [intortuo, Lat.] To twist; to wreath; to wring.

The brain is a congeries of glands, that separate the finer parts of the blood, called animal spirits; and a gland is nothing but a canal variously intorted and wound up together. With reverend hand the king presents the gold,

Which round the interted horns the gilder roll'd.

candour to bear the opinions of others. | To INTO'XICATE. v. a. [in and tox-

icum, Lat.] To inebriate; to make drunk.

The more a man drinketh of the world, the more it intoxicateth; and age doth profit rather in the powers of understanding than in the virtues of the will and affections.

As with new wine intoxicated both, They swim in mirth, and fancy that they feel

Divinity within them breeding wings, Wherewith to scorn the earth. Milton, P. L. My early mistress, now my ancient muse,

That strong Circean liquor cease to infuse, Wherewith thou didst intoxicate my youth.

What part of wild fury was there in the bacchanals which we have not seen equalled, if not exceeded, by some intoxicated zealots?

Decay of Chr. Piety. Others, after having done fine things, yet spoil them by endeavouring to make them better; and are so intoxicated with an earnest desire of being above all others, that they suffer themselves to be deceived. Dryden, Dufresnoy.

Vegetables by fermentation are wrought up to spirituous liquors, having different qualities from the plant; for no fruit taken crude has the intoxicating quality of wine.

Arbuthnot.

INTO'XICATE.* part. adj. [from the verb.] Inebriated.

Our inward eyes be nothing bright, While in this muddy world incarcerate They lie, and with blind passions be intoxicate.

More, Sleep of the Soul, iii. 10. Deep vers'd in books, and shallow in himself,

Crude or intoxicate, collecting toys. Milton, P. R. INTOXICA'TION. n. s. [from intoxicate.]

Inebriation; ebriety; the act of making drunk; the state of being drunk. That king, being in amity with him, did so burn

in hatred towards him, as to drink of the lees and dregs of Perkin's intoxication, who was every where else detected. Whence can this proceed, but from that be-

sotting intoxication, which verbal magick brings upon the mind.

INTRACTABI'LITY.* n. s. [from intractable.] Ungovernableness. The other conceding to the prejudices, the

wrongheadedness, the intractability of those, with whom it has to deal.

Paley, View of the Ev. of the Chr. Rel. v.ii. P.ii.c. 2. INTRA'CTABLE. adj. [intractabilis, Lat.

intractable, Fr.] 1. Ungovernable; violent; stubborn; obstinate.

To love them who love us is so natural a passion, that even the most intractable tempers obey its

2. Unmanageable; furious.

By what means serpents, and other noxious and more intractable kinds, as well as the more innocent and useful, got together.

Woodward, Nat. Hist. INTRA'CTABLENESS. † n.s. [from intract-

able.] Obstinacy; perverseness.

I dare say that their doctrine of predestination is the root of puritanism, and puritanism the root of all rebellious and disobedient intractableness in parliament.

Dr. Brooke, Lett. in 1630, Ward's Gresh. Prof. p. 55.

INTRA'CTABLY. adv. [from intractable.] Unmanageably; stubbornly.

To INTRA'NCE.* See To ENTRANCE.

Intranqui'llity. r. s. [in and tranquillity.] Unquietness; want of rest.

Jactations were used for amusement, and allay in constant pains, and to relieve that intranquillity which makes men impatient of lying in their beds.

He lived not far from Westminster-abby, within hearing of the choir, which perhaps did not a little contribute to his intranquility I Political Death of TomWhiz, Esq. P.i. (1710,) p. 3.

Intra'nsient.* adj. [in and transient.]

That passeth not away.

An unchangeable, an intransient, indefeasible priesthood. Killingbeck, Serm. p. 93.

INTRA'NSITIVE.† adj. [intransitivus, Lat.] In grammar, a verb intransitive is that which signifies an action, not conceived as having an effect upon any object; as, curro, I run.

Clarke's Latin Grammar.

The occasion of such difference is from a question of grammar, whether the verb be in

signification intransitive or transitive.

Pococke on Hosea, p. 47.

INTRA'NSITIVELY.* adv. [from intransitive.] According to the nature of an intransitive verb.

Yet again it [the verb] is manifestly, in the

same form, used intransitively.

Pococke on Hosea, p. 48.
The difference between verbs absolutely neuter, and intransitively active, is not always clear.

Lowth, Eng. Gram.

INTRANSMU'TABLE. adj. [in and transmutable.] Unchangeable to any other substance.

Some of the most experienced chemists do affirm quicksilver to be intransmutable, and therefore call it liquor externus. Ray on the Creation.

To INTRA'P.* See To ENTRAP.

To Intre'Asure. v. a. [in and treasure.]

To lay up as in a treasury.

There is a history in all men's lives,
Figuring the nature of the times deceas'd;
The which observ'd, a man may prophesy,
With a near aim, of the main chance of things

With a near aim, of the main chance of things
As yet not come to life, which in their seeds
And weak beginnings he intreasured.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

So he [the jeweller] entreasures princes' cabinets,
As thy wealth will their wished libraries.

Chapman on B. Jonson's Sejanus.
To INTRE'AT.* See To ENTREAT, and
its derivatives.

INTRE'ATFUL.* adj. [from intreat.] Full of entreaty.

Humble prayers and intreatful teares.

Spenser, F. Q. v. x. 6.

To INTRE'NCH. v. n. [in and trencher,
Fr.] To invade; to encroach; to cut
off part of what belongs to another:
with on.

Little I desire my sceptre should intrench on God's sovereignty, which is the only king of men's consciences. King Charles.

That crawling insect, who from mud began, Warm'd by my beams, and kindled into man! Durst he, who does but for my pleasure live, Intrench on love, my great prerogative?

Dryden, Aurengzebe.

We are not to intrench upon truth in any conversation, but least of all with children.

Locke.

To Intre'nch.† v. a.

1. To break with hollows.

It was this very sword intrenched it.

Shakspeare, All's Well.

Those who care not whose living faces they

intrench with their petulant styles.

B. Jonson, Dedic. of the Fox.

His face

Deep scars of thunder had intrench'd, and care' sat on his faded cheek.

2. To fortify with a trench: as, the allies were intrenched in their camp.

The English, in the suburbs close intrench'd.

Shakspears, Hen. VI. P. I.

INTRE'NCHANT. adj. [This word, which is, I believe, found only in Shakspeare, is thus explained: The intrenchant air means the air which suddenly encroaches and closes upon the space left by any body which had passed through it. Hanmer. I believe Shakspeare intended rather to express the idea of indivisibility or invulnerableness, and derived intrenchant, from in privative, and trencher, to cut; intrenchant is indeed properly not cutting, rather than not to be cut; but this is not the only instance in which Shakspeare confounds words of active and passive signification.? Not to be divided; not to be wounded; indivisable.

As easy may'st thou the intrenchant air With thy keen sword impress, as make me bleed. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

Intre'nchment. n. s. [from intrench.]
Fortification with a trench.

INTRE'PID. adj. [intrepide, French, intrepidus, Lat.] Fearless; daring; bold; brave.

Argyle
Calm and intrepit in the very throat
Of sulphurous war, on Teniers dreadful field.

INTREPI'DITY. n. s. [intrepidité, French.] Fearlessness; courage; boldness.

I could not sufficiently wonder at the intrepidity of these diminutive mortals, who durst venture to walk upon my body, without trembling. Swift, Gulliv. Trav.

INTRE'PIDLY. adv. [from intrepid.] Fearlessly; boldly; daringly.

He takes the globe for the scene; he launches forward intrepidly, like one to whom no place is new.

Pope.

I'NTRICABLE.* adj. [from intricate.] Entangling; ensnaring.

They shall remain captive, and entangled in the amorous intricable net. Shelton, D. Quixot. iii. 7.

I'NTRICACY. n. s. [from intricate.] State of being entangled; perplexity; involution; complication of facts or notions. The part of Ulysses in Homer's Odyssey is

The part of Ulysses in Homer's Odyssey is much admired by Aristotle, as perplexing that fable with very agreeable plots and intricacies, by the many adventures in his voyage, and the subtility of his behaviour.

Addison.

I'NTRICATE. † adj. [entricate, old Fr. interwoven; intricatus, Lat.] Entangled; perplexed; involved; complicated; obscure.

Much of that we are to speak may seem to a number perhaps tedious, perhaps obscure, dark, and intricate. Hooker.

His stile was fit to convey the most intricate business to the understanding with the utmost clearness.

Addison.

To YNTRICATE † v. a. [from the adjective.] To perplex; to darken. Not proper, not in use, Dr. Johnson says, citing only Camden. Few words have been more in use, or can boast better authority.

Alterations of sirnames have so intricated, or rather obscured, the truth of our pedigrees, that it will be no little hard labour to deduce them.

However the matter may be intricated by passing through many, perhaps unknowing, hands.

Bp. Hall, Cases of Consc. D. I. C. 6.
Manifold, intricated and distracted divisions amongst men touching Free Will.

Mountagu, App. to Cas. p. 76. Thus shall your majesty restore me both to the freedom of my thoughts, and of my life; otherwise so intricated that I know not how to unfold it.

Sir H. Wotton to the King, (1628,) Rem. p. 564. The more I strive to unwind

Myself from this meander, I the more

Therein am intricated.

Heywood & Broome's Com. of Lancashire Witches.
That will be to intricate the business.
L. C. Just. Pemberton, Trial of Ld. Grey, (1682.)

I'NTRICATELY, † adv. [from intricate.]
With involution of one in another; with perplexity.

It is too intricately involved for me so much as to guess at any particulars. Wotton, Rem. p. 457.

The mortal steel past by, leaving his breast Untouch'd and in his cost of sking did not.

Untouch'd, and in his coat of skins did rest, Into the which, I know not how, 'twas wove So intricately, that Mirtillo strove

In vain to pull it out.

Fanshaw, Tr. of Pastor Fido.
That variety of factions, into which we are so
intricately engaged, gave occasion to this discourse.
Swift.

I'NTRICATENESS. n. s. [from intricate.]
Perplexity; involution; obscurity.

He found such intricateness, that he could see no way to lead him out of the maze. Sidney.

INTRICA'TION.* n. s. [intrication, Fr.]
An entanglement; snare; labyrinth;
maze; involution. Not in use. Cotgrave.
INTRIGUE. t. n. s. [intrinue. Fr. Dr.

INTRI'GUE.† n. s. [intrigue, Fr. Dr. Johnson. - Serenius and Lye both deduce it from the Goth. triggwo, an agreement, a compact. Iceland. trigd; Ital. tregua; low Lat. treuga; Germ. treuga; old English, treague. Others think that it comes from the Latin intricare, to perplex; whence the old French substantive intrique, which afterwards became intrigue, "On dit intrigue, et non pas intrique." Richlet. Dict. Franc. 1685. Serenius, however, says, that the original good meaning of the northern word passed into an evil one. Yet we certainly use intrigue in the sense of to intricate, though it has hitherto been unnoticed. See the verb active To Intrigue. The word is of no great age in our language; and appeared first perhaps in the form of intrigoe. "He knew so well the intrigoes of those times." Bp. Gauden, Anti Baal-Berith, 1661, p. 278.

1. A plot; a private transaction in which many parties are engaged: usually an

affair of love.

These are the grand intrigues of man,

These his huge thoughts, and these his vast desires.

A young fellow long made love, with much

artifice and intrigue, to a rich widow.

Addison, Guardian.

The hero of a comedy is represented victorious

in all his intrigues.

Now love is dwindled to intrigue,
And marriage grown a money league.

Swif

And marriage grown a money league. Swift.

2. Intricacy; complication. Little in use.
Though this vicinity of ourselves to ourselves
cannot give us the full prospect of all the intrigues

Camden.

of our nature, yet we have much more advantage to know ourselves, than to know other things without us. Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

3. The complication or perplexity of a fable or poem; artful involution of feigned transaction.

As causes are the beginning of the action, the opposite designs against that of the hero are the middle of it, and form that difficulty or intrigue which makes up the greatest part of the poem.

To INTRI'GUE. † v. n. [intriguer, Fr. from the noun.] To form plots: to carry on private designs, commonly of love.

The intriguing and determined genius of Cromwell was forced to bow down to it.

Brand, Ess. on Political Associations, p. 127. To Intri'gue.* v. a. [intrico, Lat. from the noun.] To perplex; to render in-

Great discursists were apt to intrigue affairs,

dispute the prince's resolutions, and stir up the people. L. Addison, W. Barbary, Pref. (1671.) How doth it [sin] perplex and intrigue the whole course of your lives, and entangle ye in a labyrinth of knavish tricks and collusions.

Scott, Christian Life, i. 4.

INTRI'GUER. † n. s. [intrigueur, Fr. from intrigue.] One who busies himself in private transactions; one who forms plots; one who pursues women.

I desire that intriguers will not make a pimp of my lion, and convey their thoughts to one another.

That club of intriguers who assemble at the Feuillans, and whose cabinet meets at Madame Stahl's, and makes and directs all the ministers, is the real executive government of France. Burke, Thoughts on French Affairs, (1791.)

INTRI'GUINGLY. adv. [from intrigue.] With

intrigue; with secret plotting.

INTRI'NSECAL. † adj. [intrinsecus, Lat. intrinseque, Fr. This word is now generally written intrinsical, contrary to etymology.]

1. Internal; solid; natural; not accidental; not merely apparent.

There are sins of a contagious nature, apt to

diffuse their venom to others; as there are other some, whose evil is intrinsical to the owner. Bp. Hall, Cases of Conscience.

These measures the laws of God not by the intrinsecal goodness and equity of them, but by reluctancy and opposition which they find in their own hearts against them. Tillotson.

The near and intrinsecal and convincing argument of the being of God, is from human nature itself. Bentley.

2. Intimate; closely familiar. Out of use. He falls into intrinsecal society with Sir John Graham, - who dissuaded him from marriage.

Wotton. Sir Fulk Greville was a man in appearance intrinsecal with him, or at least admitted to his melancholy hours.

Far off to us, to thee near; yea, intrinsecal. Bp. Hall, Contempl. B. 4.

INTRI'NSECALLY. adv. [from intrinsecal.] 1. Internally; naturally; really.

A lie is a thing absolutely and intrinsecally evil.

Every one of his pieces is an ingot of gold, intrinsecally and solidly valuable.

2. Within; at the inside.

In his countenance no open alteration; but the less he shewed without, the more it wrought intrinsecally.

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itself acquire it again; nor till it be thrust by some other body from without, or intrinsecally moved by an immaterial self-active substance that can pervade it.

INTRI'NSICATE. † adj. [This word seems to have been ignorantly formed between intricate and intrinsecal.] Perplexed; entangled. Not in use, Dr. Johnson says, citing Shakspeare. Ben Jonson uses it, evidently, in ridicule, or con-

Such smiling rogues as these, Like rats, oft bite the holy cords in twain, Too intrinsecate t'unloose. Shakspeare, K. Lear. Come, mortal wretch,

With thy sharp teeth this knot intrinsicate

Of life at once untie. Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. There are certainly punctilios, or (as I may more nakedly insinuate them) certain intrinsecate strokes and wards, to which your activity is not yet B. Jonson, Cynthia's Revels.

Intri'nsick. adj. [intrinsecus, Lat.]

1. Inward; internal; real; true.

Intrinsick goodness consists in accordance, and sin in contrariety to the secret will of God, as well as to his revealed. Hammond on Fundamentals. 2. Not depending on accident; fixed in the nature of the thing.

The difference between worth and merit, strictly taken; that is, a man's intrinsick; this, his current

His fame, like gold, the more 'tis tried, The more shall its intrinsick worth proclaim.

Beautiful as a jewel set in gold, which, though it adds little to intrinsick value, yet improves the lustre, and attracts the eyes of the beholder.

To INTRODU'CE. v. a. [introduco, Lat.; introduire, Fr. 7

1. To conduct or usher into a place, or to a person.

Mathematicians of advanced speculations may have other ways to introduce into their minds ideas

2. To bring something into notice or practice.

This vulgar errour whosoever is able to reclaim, he shall introduce a new way of cure, preserving by theory as well as practice. Brown, Vulg. Err.

An author who should introduce a sport of words upon the stage, would meet with small applause.

3. To produce; to give occasion to. Whatsoever introduces habits in children, deserves the care and attention of their governors. Locke on Education.

4. To bring into writing or discourse by proper preparatives.

If he will introduce himself by prefaces, we cannot help it. Layer's Trial. INTRODU'CER. n. s. [introducteur, French,

from introduce.

1. One who conducts another to a place or person.

2. Any one who brings any thing into practice or notice.

The beginning of the earl of Essex I must attribute to my lord of Leicester; but yet as an introducer or supporter, not as a teacher. Wotton

It is commonly charged upon the army, that the beastly vice of drinking to excess bath been lately, from their example, restored among us; but whoever the introducers were, they have succeeded

INTRODU'CTION. † n. s. [introduction, Fr.; introductio, Lat.

If once bereaved of motion, matter cannot of | 1. The act of conducting or ushering any place or person; the state of being ushered or conducted.

2. The act of bringing any new thing into

notice or practice.

I will bring thee where thou soon shalt quit Those rudiments, and see before thine eyes The monarchies of the earth, their pomp and

Sufficient introduction to inform

Thee, of thyself so apt, in regal arts.

Milton, P. R. The archbishop of Canterbury had pursued the introduction of the liturgy and the canons into Scotland with great vehemence. Clarendon. 3. The preface or part of a book contain-

ing previous matter.

INTRODU'CTIVE. adj. [introductif, French, from introduce.] Serving as the means to something else.

The truths of Christ crucified, is the Christian's philosophy, and a good life is the Christian's logick; that great instrumental introductive art, that must guide the mind into the former. South.

INTRODU'CTOR.* n. s. [introducteur, Fr.] One who introduces another to a person or place.

No formality was necessary in addressing Madam Prune, and therefore Leviculus went next morning without an introductor.

Johnson, Rambler, No. 182. INTRODU'CTORY. adj. [from introductus. . Lat.] Previous; serving as a means to something further.

This introductory discourse itself is to be but an essay, not a book.

Introgre'ssion. n. s. [introgressio, Lat.] Entrance; the act of entering.

INTRO'IT. † n. s. [introite, old Fr.] The beginning of the mass; the beginning of publick devotions, Dr. Johnson says, which is not accurate. "In the first Common Prayer Book of K. Edward VI. before every collect, epistle, and gospel, there is a psalm printed, which contains something prophetical of the evangelical history used upon each Sunday and holyday, or in some way or other proper to the day: which, from its being sung or said, whilst the priest made his entrance within the rails of the altar, was called introitus, or introit." Wheatly on the Com. Pr. Ch. v. & viii.

When the exhortacion is ended, then shall be song for the introite to the communion this psalme. Form of Orderynge for Priestes, (1549,) D. iii.

Intromi'ssion. n.s. [intromissio, Lat.]

1. The act of sending in.

If sight be caused by intromission, or receiving in the form of that which is seen, contrary species of forms should be received confusedly together, which Aristotle shews to be absurd.

Peacham on Drawing. All the reason that I could ever hear alleged by the chief factors for a general intromission of all sects and persuasions into our communion, is, that those who separate from us are stiff and obstinate, and will not submit to the rules of our church, and that therefore they should be taken away.

2. Admission.

The soft fine yielding Æther gives admission: So gentle Venus to Mercurius dares Descend, and finds an easy intromission

More, Song of the Soul, iii. iii. 48. It is worthy inquiry, whether the intromission of venial sins, without which no man lives, does 3 x

all the cost is lost!

Bp. Taylor, Dissuas. from Popery, ii. § 4. 3. [In the Scottish law.] The act of intermeddling with another's effects; as, he shall be brought to an account for his intromissions with such an estate.

To INTROMI'T. v. a. [intromitto, Lat.] 1. To send in; to let in; to admit.

This bird [the ibis] has been often observed, by means of his crooked bill intromitted into the anus, to inject salt water, as with a syringe, into his own bowels.

Greenhill, Art of Embalming, p. 232. 2. To allow to enter; to be the medium by which any thing enters.

It intromits more cases and scruples than it can resolve. Bp. Taylor, Diss. from Popery, ii. § 2. Glass in the window intromits light without cold to those in the room.

Holder, Elem. of Speech. Tinged bodies and liquors reflect some sorts of rays, and intromit or transmit other sorts.

Newton, Opticks.

To Intromi't.* v. n. To intermeddle with the effects of another. See Intro-MISSION.

They took her a prisoner, - possessed themselves of her mint, intromitted with her gold and silver, and put the crown upon the head of her son. Stuart, Hist. of Scotland, i. 318.

INTRORECE'PTION.* n.s. [intro and receptio, Lat. The act of admitting into or within.

Were but the love of Christ to us ever suffered to come into our hearts, as species to the eye by introreception; had we but come to the least taste and relish of it; what would we not do to recompense, and answer, and entertain that love! Hammond, Works, iv. 564.

To INTROSPE'CT. v. a. [introspectus, Lat.] To take a view of the inside. Introspe'ction. n. s. [from introspect.]

A view of the inside.

The actings of the mind or imagination itself, by way of reflection or introspection of themselves, are discernible by man. Hale, Orig. of Mankind. I was forced to make an introspection into my own mind, and into that idea of beauty which I have formed in my own imagination. Dryden.

To Introsu'me. * v. a. [intro and sumo, Lat.] To suck in.

How they elect, then introsume their proper Evelyn, iv. § 21. INTROSUSCE'PTION.* n. s. [intro, Lat. and

susception.] The act of taking in. The parts of the body are either animate or in-

animate; either such as participate of the life of the whole, and are nourished by the introsusception of enlivened aliment, &c.

Smith on Old Age, p. 160.

INTROVE'NIENT. adj. [intro and venio, Lat.] Entering; coming in.

Scarce any condition which is not exhausted and obscured, from the commixture of introvenient nations, either by commerce or conquest.

Brown, Vulg. Err. INTROVE'RSION.* n. s. [intro, Lat. and version.] The act of introverting.

A man of science who discovered it not by a tiresome introversion of his faculties.

Bp. Berkeley, Minute Philosopher, ii. 34. ed. 1732. To INTROVE'RT.* v. a. [intro and verto, Lat. To turn inwards.

His awkward gait, his introverted toes, Bent knees, round shoulders. Cowper, Task, B.4. To INTRU'DE. v. n. [intrudo, Lat.]

binder the fruit of the indulgence; for if it does, 11. To come in unwelcome by a kind of violence; to enter without invitation or permission.

Thy years want wit, thy wit wants edge And manners, to intrude where I am grac'd. Shaksneare.

The Jewish religion was yet in possession; and therefore that this might so enter, as not to intrude, it was to bring its warrant from the same hand of

2. It is followed by on before persons, or personal possessions.

Forgive me, fair one, if officious friendship Intrudes on your repose, and comes thus late

To greet you with the tidings of success. Rowe. Some thoughts rise and intrude upon us, while we shun them; others fly from us, when we would

3. To encroach; to force in uncalled or unpermitted: sometimes with into.

Let no man beguile you of your reward, in a voluntary humility, and worshipping of angels, intruding into those things which he hath not seen by his fleshly mind. Col. ii. 18.

To Intru'de. + v.a.

1. To force without right or welcome; commonly with the reciprocal pronoun. Not to intrude one's self into the mysteries of government, which the prince keeps secret, is represented by the winds shut up in a bull hide, which the companions of Ulysses would needs be Pope. so foolish as to pry into.

2. To force in; to cast in.

If it [a clyster] should be intruded up by force, it cannot so quickly penetrate to the superior parts. Greenhill, Art of Embalming, p. 273.

Intru'der. n.s. [from intrude.] One who forces himself into company or affairs without right or welcome.

Unmannerly intruder as thou art! Go, base intruder ! overweening slave! Bestow thy fawning smiles on equal mates.

Shaksneare. They were but intruders upon the possession, during the minority of the heir: they knew those lands were the rightful inheritance of that young Davies on Ireland.

Will you, a bold intruder, never learn To know your basket, and your bread discern?

She had seen a great variety of faces: they were all strangers and intruders, such as she had no acquaintance with.

The whole fraternity of writers rise up in arms against every new intruder into the world of fame. Addison, Freeholder.

INTRU'SION. n. s. [intrusion, Fr.; intrusio, Lat.

The act of thrusting or forcing any thing or person into any place or state. Many excellent strains have been justled off by the intrusions of poetical fictions.

Brown, Vulg. Err. The separation of the parts of one body, upon the intrusion of another, and the change from rest to motion upon impulse, and the like, seem to have some connection.

2. Encroachment upon any person or place; unwelcome entrance; entrance without invitation or permission.

I think myself in better plight for a lender than you are, the which hath something emboldened me to this unseasonable intrusion; for they say, if money go before, all ways do lie open. Frogs, lice, and flies, must all his palace fill With loath'd intrusion. Milton, P. L. How's this, my son? Why this intrusion?

Were not my orders that I should be private? Addison, Cato.

I may close, after so long an intrusion upon your Wake, Prep. for Death. meditations.

3. Voluntary and uncalled undertaking of any thing.

It will be said, I handle an art no way suitable either to my employment or fortune, and so stand charged with intrusion and impertinency. Wotton. INTRU'SIVE.* adj. [from intrusion.] Intruding upon; entering without wel-

Let me shake off the intrusive cares of day, And lay the meddling senses all aside.

Thomson, Winter. To Intru'st. v. a. [in and trust.] To treat with confidence; to charge with any secret commission, or thing of value: as, we intrust another with something; or we intrust something to another.

His majesty had a solicitous care for the payment of his debts; though in such a manner, that none of the duke's officers were intrusted with the knowledge of it. Clarendon.

Receive my counsel, and securely move; Intrust thy fortune to the pow'rs above.

Dryden, Juv. Are not the lives of those, who draw the sword In Rome's defence, intrusted to our care?

Addison, Cato. He composed his billet-doux, and at the time appointed went to intrust it to the hands of his con-Arbuthnot.

Intui'tion. n. s. [intuitus, intueor, Lat.] 1. Sight of any thing; used commonly of mental view. Immediate knowledge.

At our rate of judging, St. Paul had passed for a most malicious persecutor; whereas God saw he did it ignorantly in unbelief, and upon that intu-Gov. of the Tongue. ition had mercy on him.

The truth of these propositions we know by a bare simple intuition of the ideas, and such propositions are called self-evident.

2. Knowledge not obtained by deduction of reason, but instantaneously accompanying the ideas which are its object.

All knowledge of causes is deductive; for we know none by simple intuition, but through the mediation of their effects; for the casuality itself is insensible. Glannille.

Discourse was then almost as quick as intuition.

He their single virtues did survey, By intuition in his own large breast. Dryden.

INTUITIVE. adj. [intuitivus, low Latin; intuitif, Fr. 7

1. Seen by the mind immediately without the intervention of argument or testimony.

Immediate perception of the argeement or disagreement of two ideas, is when, by comparing them together in our minds, we see their agreement or disagreement; this therefore is called intuitive

Lofty flights of thought, and almost intuitive perception of abstruse notions, or exalted discoveries of mathematical theorems, we sometimes see existent in one person. Bentley.

2. Seeing, not barely believing.

Faith, beginning here with a weak apprehension of things not seen, endeth with the intuitive vision of God in the world to come.

3. Having the power of discovering truth immediately without ratiocination,

The rule of ghostly or immaterial natures, as spirits and angels, is their intuitive intellectual judgement, concerning the amiable beauty and high goodness of that object, which, with unspeakable joy and delight, doth set them on work.

The soul receives Discursive or intuitive.

Hooker.

Milton, P. L.

INTU'ITIVELY. adv. [intuitivement, French.] | 3. To violate by the first act of hostility; Without deduction of reason; by imme-

diate perception.

That our love is sound and sincere, that it cometh from a pure heart, and a good conscience, and a faith unfeigned, who can pronounce, saving only the searcher of all men's hearts, who alone intuitively doth know in this kind who are his?

God Almighty, who sees all things intuitively, does not want logical helps. Baker on Learning.

INTUME'SCENCE. n. s. intumescence, Fr. INTUME'SCENCY. intumesco, Lat.] Swell; tumour; the act or state of swelling.

According to the temper of the terreous parts at the bottom, as they are more hardly or easily moved, they variously begin, continue, or end their intumescencies.

This subterranean heat causes a great rarefaction and intumescence of the water of the abyss, putting it into very great commotions, and occasions an earthquake. Woodward.

INTU'MULATED.* adj. [intumulatus, Lat.] Unburied. Cockeram.

His joy intumulated in the grave.

Rous, Thule or Virtue's Hist. (1598.) INTURGE'SCENCE. n. s. [in and turgesco, Latin.] Swelling; the act or state of swelling.

Not by attenuation of the upper part of the sea but inturgescencies caused first at the bottom, and carrying the upper part of it before them. Brown, Vulg. Err.

I'NTUSE. n. s. [intusus, Lat.] Bruise.

The flesh therewith she suppled and did steepe, To abate all spasm and soke the swelling bruze; And, after having searcht the intuse deepe, She with her scarf did bind the wound.

Spenser, F. Q.

To INTWI'NE. v. a. [in and twine.] 1. To twist, or wreath together.

This opinion, though false, yet intwined with a true, that the souls of men do never perish, abated the fear of death in them.

2. To be inserted by being wreathed or twisted.

The vest and veil divine,

Which wand'ring foliage and rich flow'rs intwine. Dryden.

To INVA'DE. † v. a. [invado, Latin.] 1. To attack a country; to make an hostile entrance.

He will invade them with his troops

Ĥabak. iii. 16. would soon see that nation up in arms.

With dangerous expedition they invade Heaven, whose high walls fear no assault.

Milton, P. L. Thy race in times to come

Shall spread the conquests of imperial Rome; Rome, whose ascending tow'rs shall heav'n invade, Involving earth and ocean in her shade.

Dryden, Æn. Encouraged with success, he invades the province of philosophy. Dryden.

În vain did nature's wise command Divide the waters from the land,

If daring ships, and men profane,

Invade th' inviolable main. Dryden. 2. To attack; to assail; to assault.

There shall be sedition among men, and invading one another; they shall not regard their 2 Esdras.

Thou think'st 'tis much, that this contentious storm Invades us to the skin; so 'tis to thee:

But where the greater malady is fix'd, The lesser is scarce felt. Shakspeare, K. Lear. to attack, not defend.

Your foes are such, as they, not you, have made; And virtue may repel, though not invade. Dryden. 4. [A Latinism.] To go into. Obsolete.

That same his sea-marke made And nam'd it Albion: but later day

Finding in it fit ports for fisher's trade, Gan more the same frequent and farther to invade.

Spenser, F. Q. ii. x. 6. All things from thence doe their first being fetch, And borrow matter, whereof they are made;

Which, when as forme and feature it does ketch, Becomes a body, and doth then invade The state of life out of the griesly shade.

Spenser, F. Q. iii. vi. 37.

INVA'DER. n. s. [from invado, Lat.]

1. One who enters with hostility into the possessions of another.

The breath of Scotland the Spaniards could not endure; neither durst they, as invaders, land in Ireland.

Their piety

In sharp contest of battle found no aid Against invaders.

Milton, P. L. That knowledge, like the coal from the altar, serves only to embroil and consume the sacrilegious invaders.Decay of Chr. Piety.

Were he lost, the naked empire Would be a prey expos'd to all invaders.

Denham, Sophy. The country about Attica was the most barren of any in Greece, through which means it happened that the natives were never expelled by the fury of invaders.

Secure, by William's care, let Britain stand; Nor dread the bold invader's hand. Esteem and judgement with strong fancy join,

To call the fair invader in;

My darling favourite inclination, too, All, all conspiring with the foe.

2. An assailant.

3. Encroacher; intruder.

The substance was formerly comprised in that uncompounded style, but afterwards prudently enlarged for the repelling and preventing heretical invaders.

Granville.

INVALE'SCENCE. n. s. [invalesco, Latin.] Strength; health; force. INVALETU'DINARY.* adj. [in and valetu-

dinary.] Wanting health; infirm. Whether usually the most studious, laborious

ministers be not the most invaletudinary and in-Papers between the Comm. for Review of the

Liturgy, (1661,) p. 127. Should he invade any part of their country, he ould soon see that nation up in arms. Knolles. lidus, Latin.] Weak; of no weight or

cogency. But this I urge,

Admitting motion in the heavens, to shew Invalid, that which thee to doubt it mov'd.

Milton, P. L. Invalid. * n.s. See Invalide. It is now usually written, invalid.

To INVA'LIDATE. v. a. [from invalid.] To weaken; to deprive of force or ef-

To invalidate such a consequence, some things might be speciously enough alledged.

Tell a man, passionately in love, that he is jilted, bring a score of witnesses of the falsehood of his mistress, and it is ten to one but three kind words of her's shall invalidate all their testimonies. Locke.

Invalidation.* n. s. [from To invalidate.] Act of weakening.

Magna Charta --- the inestimable monument of English freedom, so long the boast and glory of this nation, would have been at once an instrument

of our servitude and a monument of our folly, if this principle were true: the thirty-four confirmations would have been only so many repetitions of their absurdity, so many new links in the chain, and so many invalidations of their right.

Burke, Speech on Libels, (1771.) INVALI'DE. n. s. [Fr.] One disabled by sickness or hurts.

What beggar in the invalides,

With lameness broke, with blindness smitten, Wish'd ever decently to die? INVALI'DITY. n. s. [in and validity; invaladité, Fr.]

1. Weakness; want of cogency.

2. Want of bodily strength. This is no English meaning.

He ordered, that none who could work should be idle; and that none who could not work, by age, sickness, or invalidity, should want. Temple.

INVALUABLE. adj. [in and valuable.] Precious above estimation; inestimable.

The faith produced by terrour would not be so free an act as it ought, to which are annexed all the glorious and invaluable privileges of believing. Atterbury.

INVA'LUABLY.* adv. [from invaluable.] Inestimably.

That invaluably precious blood of the Son of God.

Bp. Hall, Works, ii. 257.

INVA'RIABLE. adj. [in and variatus,

Lat. invariabile, Fr.] Unchangeable:

Being not able to design times by days, months, or years, they thought best to determine these alterations by some known and invariable signs, and such did they conceive the rising and setting of the fixed stars.

The rule of good and evil would not appear uniform and invariable, but different, according to men's different complexions and inclinations.

Inva'riableness. † n. s. [from invariable.] Immutability; constancy.

From the dignity of their intellect arises the invariableness of their wills.

W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. P. ii. (1654,) p. 32. These nominatives - emphatically represent and express the everlasting veracity and invariableness of God. Blackwall, Sacr. Class. i. 102.

INVA'RIABLY. adv. [from invariable.] Unchangeably; constantly.

He, who steers his course invariably by this rule, takes the surest way to make all men praise him. Atterbury.

INVA'RIED. adv. [in and variatus, Latin.] Not varying.

Change of the particles, or the lesser invaried words, that add to the signification of nouns and Blackwall, Sacr. Class. i. 136. Inva'sion. n.s. [invasion, French; invasio,

Latin.

1. Hostile entrance upon the rights or possessions of another; hostile encroachment.

We made an invasion upon the Cherethites.

1 Sam. xxx.

Reason finds a secret grief and remorse from every invasion that sin makes upon innocence, and that must render the first entrance and admission of sin uneasy. South.

The nations of the Ausonian shore Shall hear the dreadful rumour, from afar, Of arm'd invasion, and embrace the war.

Dryden, Æn. William the Conqueror invaded England about the year 1060, which means this; that taking the duration from our Saviour's time till now, for one intire length of time, it shews at what distance this invasion was from the two extremes. Looke.

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2. Attack of a disease.

What demonstrates the plague to be endemial to Egypt, is its invasion and going off at certain seasons.

Arbuthnot.

Inva'sive. adj. [from invade.] Entering hostilely upon other men's possessions;

not defensive.

I must come closer to my purpose, and not make more invasive wars abroad, when, like Hamibal, I am called back to the defence of my country.

Dryden.

Let other monarchs, with invasive bands, Lessen their people, and extend their lands; By gasping nations hated and obey'd,

Lords of the deserts that their swords had made.

Arbuthnot.

INVE'CTION.* n. s. [invectio, Latin.] Re-

proachful accusation; railing; invective. Many men wish Luther to have used a more temperate style sometimes, especially against princes and temporal estates; and he himself did openly acknowledge his fault therein, especially his immoderate invection against King Henry the 8th. Fulke, Ans. to P. Frarine, (1586,) p. 28.

INVE'CTIVE. n. s. [invective, Fr. invectiva, low Latin.]

1. A censure in speech or writing; a re-

proachful accusation.

Plain men desiring to serve God as they ought, but being not so skilful as to unwind themselves, where the snares of glosing speech do lie to entangle them, are in mind not a little troubled, when they hear so bitter invectives against that which this church hath taught them to reverence as holy, to approve as lawful, and to observe as behoveful for the exercise of Christian duty.

If we take satire, in the general signification of the world, for an *invective*, 'tis almost as old as verse,

Dryden, Juv.

2. It is used with against.

So desp'rate thieves, all hopeless of their lives, Breathe out invectives gainst the officers.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI.
Casting off respect, he fell to bitter invectives
gainst the French king.

Bacon, Hen. VII.

against the French king.
3. Less properly with at.

Whilst we condemn others, we may indeed be in the wrong; and then all the invectives we make at their supposed errours, fall back with a rebounded force upon our own real ones.

Decay of Chr. Piety.

INVE'CTIVE. adj. [from the noun.] Satirical: abusive.

Let him rail on; let his invective muse

Have four and twenty letters to abuse. Dryden.

INVE'CTIVELY. adv. Satirically; abusively.

Thus most invectively he pierceth through

The body of the country, city, court, Yea, and of this our life; swearing that we

Yea, and of this our life; swearing that we Are mere usurpers, tyrants. Shakspeare. To INVE/IGH. v. a. [inveho, Lat.] To

utter censure or reproach: with against.
I cannot blame him for inveighing so sharply
against the vices of the clergy in his age. Dryden.
He inveighs severely against the folly of parties,

in retaining scoundrels to retail their lies.

Arbuthnot.

INVE'IGHER.† n. s. [from inveigh.] Vehe-

ment railer.

Ill-temper'd and extravagant invectives against Papists, made by men whose persons wanting authority as much as their speeches do reason, do nothing else but set an edge upon our adversaries' sword; whilst the light behaviour, and bad example of the inveigher's life infuseth courage to their hearts, and addeth strength unto their arms.

Dr. Jackson, Works, iii. 780.

One of these inveighers against mercury, in seven weeks, could not cure one small herpes in the face.

Wiseman.

To INVETGLE.† v. a. [invogliare, Ital. Minsheu; aveugler, or enaveugler, Fr. Skinner and Junius; wiegeln, Germfrom the Goth, wagian, to excite, to move. Serenius.] To persuade to something bad or hurtful; to wheedle; to allure; to seduce.

Most false Duessa, royal richly dight, That easy was to inveigle weaker sight, Was, by her wicked arts and wily skill, Too false and strong for eathly skill or might.

Spenser, F. Q. Achilles hath inveigled his fool from him.

Shakspeare.
Yet have they many baits and guileful spells,
To inveigle and invite the unwary sense

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Of them that pass unweeting by the way.

Milton, P. R.

Both right able
To inveigle and draw in the rabble. Hudibras.
Those drops of prettiness, scatteringly sprinkled amongst the creatures, were designed to exalt our conceptions, not inveigle or detain our passions.

I leave the use of garlick to such as are inveigled into the gout by the use of too much drinking.

Temple.

The inveigling a woman, before she is come to years of discretion, should be as criminal as the seducing of her before she is ten years old.

Spectator.

INVE'IGLEMENT.* n. s. [from To inveigle.]

Allurement; seduction.

The inveiglements of the world and the frailty of his own nature. South, Serm. vi. 152.

INVE'IGLER. † n. s. [from inveigle.] Seducer; deceiver; allurer to ill.

Persons lewd there were, Which counsell'd oft my son's embracing vice; As still is seene, in Court enveiglers are.

Mir. for Mag. p. 165.

Being presented to the emperour for his admirable beauty, the prince clapt him up as his inveicler.

Sandys.

INVE'ILED.* part. adj. [from in and veil.]
Covered, as with a veil.

Her eyes invayl'd with sorrowe's clouds Scarce see the light;

Disdain hath wrapt her in the shrowds
Of loathed night.

W. Browne.

INUE'NDO.* See INNUENDO. It is sometimes corruptly written inuendo.

To Invernom.* See To Envenom.

To INVE'NT. v. a. [inventer, Fr.; invenio, Lat.]

To discover; to find out; to excogitate; to produce something not made before.

The substance of the service of God, so far forth as it hath in it any thing more than the law of reason doth teach, may not be invented of men, but must be received from God himself. Hooker.

By their count, which lovers' books invent, The sphere of Cupid forty years contains.

Spenser, F. Q.
Matter of mirth enough, though there were

none
She could devise, and thousand ways invent
To feed her foolish humour and vain jolliment.

Spenser, F. Q.
Woe to them that invent to themselves instruments of musick.

Amos.

We may invent
With what more forcible we may offend

Our enemies.

In the motion of the bones in their articulations, a twofold liquor is prepared for the inunction of their heads; both which make up the most apt mixture, for this use, that can be invented or thought upon.

Ray.

Ye skilful masters of Machaon's race, Who Nature's mazy intricacies trace, By manag'd fire and late *invented* eyes.

But when long time the wretches thoughts refin'd,

When want had set an edge upon their mind, Then various cares their working thoughts employ'd,

And that which each invented, all enjoy'd. Creech.

The ship, by help of a screw, invented by Archimedes, was launched into the water. Arbuthnot.

2. To forge; to contrive falsely; to fabricate.

I never did such things as those men have maliciously invented against me. Susan, ver. 43. Here is a strange figure, invented against the plain sense of the words. Stilling fleet.

3. To feign; to make by the imagination.

I would invent as bitter searching terms,
With full as many signs of deadly hate,
As lean fac'd Envy in her loathsome cave.

Shakspeare.

Hercules's meeting with Pleasure and Virtue was invented by Prodicus, who lived before Socrates, and in the first dawnings of philosophy.

Addison, Spect.

 To light on; to meet with. Not used. Far off he wonders what them makes so glad: Or Bacchus' merry fruit they did invent,

Or Cybel's frantick rites have made them mad.

Spenser, F. Q.

INVE'NTER. n. s. [from inventeur, French.]
 One who produces something new; a deviser of something not known before.
 As a translator, he was just; as an inventer, because of the control of the co

2. A forger.

INVE'NTFUL.* adj. [invent and full.] Full of invention.

The genius of the French government appears powerful only in destruction, and *inventful* only in oppression.

Gifford, Rem. prefix to a Residence in France, (1797).

Inve'ntible.* adj. [from invent.] Discoverable; capable of being found out.

When first I gave my thoughts to make guns shoot often. I thought there had been but one only exquisite way inventible.

Marquis of Worcester, Cent. of Invent. 67.
INVE'NTION. n. s. [invention, Fr.; inventio,

Lat.]
1. Excogitation; the act or power of pro-

ducing something new.
O for a muse of fire, that would ascend

The brightest heaven of invention!

Shakspeare, Hen. V. Prol.

By improving what was writ before,

Invention labours less, but judgement more.

Roscommon.

Invention is a kind of muse, which, being posessed of the other advantages common to her

sessed of the other advantages common to her sisters, and being warmed by the fire of Apollo, is raised higher than the rest. Dryden-Mine is th' invention of the charming lyre;

Sweet notes and heav'nly numbers I inspire.

Dryden.

The chief excellence of Virgil is judgement, of

The chief excellence of Virgil is judgement, of Homer is invention.

Pope.

Discovery

2. Discovery.

Nature hath provided several glandules to separate spittle from the blood, and no less then four pair of channels to convey it into the mouth, which are of a late invention, and called ductus saligades.

Ray on the Creation.

3. Forgery; fiction.

We hear our bloody cousins, not confessing Their cruel particide, filling their hearers With strange invention. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

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If thou can'st accuse Do it without invention suddenly.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. 4. The thing invented.

The garden, a place not fairer in natural orna-

ments then artificial inventions. Th' invention all admir'd; and each how he

To be th' inventor miss'd, so easy it seem'd Once found, which yet unfound most would have thought

Impossible. Milton, P. L. INVE'NTIVE. adj. [inventif, Fr. from invent.] 1. Quick at contrivance; ready at expedients.

Those have the inventivest heads for all purposes and roundest tongues in all matters.

Ascham, Schoolmaster.

That inventive head Her fatal image from the temple drew, The sleeping guardians of the castle slew.

The inventive god, who never fails his part, Inspires the wit, when once he warms the heart,

Dryden. 2. Having the power of excogitation or fiction.

As he had an inventive brain, so there never lived any man that believed better thereof, and of himself. Ralegh.

Reason, remembrance, wit, inventive art, No nature, but immortal, can impart. Denham.

INVE'NTOR. n. s. [inventor, Lat.] 1. A finder out of something new. It is

written likewise inventer. We have the statue of your Columbus, that discovered the West Indies, also the inventor of ships:

your Monk that was the inventor of ordnance, and of gunpowder. Bacon. Studious they appear

Of arts that polish life; inventors rare,

Unmindful of their maker. Milton, P. L. Why are these positions charged upon me as their sole author and inventor, and the reader led into a belief that they were never before maintained by any person of virtue? Atterbury.

2. A contriver: a framer. In an ill sense. In this upshot, purposes mistook,

Fall'n on th' inventors heads. Shakspeare, Hamlet. INVENTO'RIALLY. adv. [from inventory, whence perhaps inventorial.] In manner of an inventory.

To divide inventorially would dizzy the arithmetick of memory. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

I'NVENTORY. n. s. [inventaire, Fr.; inventarium, Lat.] An account or catalogue of moveables. I found,

Forsooth, an inventory, thus importing, The several parcels of his plate.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. The leanness that afflicts us, the object of our misery, is as an inventory to particularize their abundance; our sufferings is a gain to them.

Shakspeare, Coriol.

Whoe'er looks, For themselves dare not go, o'er Cheapside books, Shall find their wardrobe's inventory. Donne. It were of much consequence to have such an

inventory of nature, wherein, as, on the one hand, nothing should be wanting, so nothing repeated on

In Persia the daughters of Eve are reckoned in the inventory of their goods and chattels; and it is usual, when a man sells a bale of silk, to toss half a dozen women into the bargain.

Addison, Spect. To I'NVENTORY. v. a. [inventorier, Fr.] To register; to place in a catalogue.

I will give out divers schedules of my beauty : it shall be inventoried, and every particle and utensil lab'elld. Shakspeare.

the richest possessions: the philosopher thought friends were to be inventoried as well as goods. Gov. of the Tongue.

INVE'NTRESS.† n. s. [inventrice, from inventor.] A female that invents.

Povertye hath been the inventrice of all good aftes. Remedy for Sedition, (1536,) F ii. b.
The arts, with all their retinue of lesser trades, history and tradition tell us when they had their beginning; and how many of their inventors and inventresses were deified.

Cecilia came,

Inventress of the vocal frame:

The sweet enthusiast, from her sacred store, Enlarg'd the former narrow bounds.

I'nverse. adj. [inverse, Fr.; inversus, Lat.] Inverted; reciprocal; opposed to direct. It is so called in proportion, when the fourth term is so much greater than the third, as the second is less than the first; or so much less than the third as the second is greater than the first.

Every part of matter tends to every part of

matter with a force, which is always in a direct proportion of the quantity of matter, and an inverse duplicate proportion of the distance. Garth.

INVE'RSION. n. s. [inversion, Fr.; inversio,

1. Change of order or time, so as that the last is first, and first last.

If he speaks truth, it is upon a subtle inversion of the precept of God, to do good that evil may come of it.

'Tis just the inversion of an act of parliament; your lordship first signed it, and then it was passed amongst the lords and commons. Dryden.

2. Change of place, so as that each takes the room of the other.

To INVE'RT. v. a. [inverto, Lat.]

1. To turn upside down; to place in contrary method or order to that which was

With fate inverted, shall I humbly woo? And some proud prince, in wild Numidia born, Pray to accept me, and forget my scorn! Waller.

Ask not the cause why sullen spring, So long delays her flowers to bear,

And winter storms invert the year. Dryden. Poesy and oratory omit things essential, and invert times and actions, to place every thing in the most affecting light.

2. To place the last first. Yes, every poet is a fool; By demonstration Ned can show it: Happy, could Ned's inverted rule

Prove every fool to be a poet.

3. To divert; to turn into another channel; to embezzle. Instead of this convert or intervert is now commonly used.

Solyman charged him bitterly with inverting his treasures to his own private use, and having secret intelligence with his enemies.

Knolles, Hist. of the Turks.

INVE'RTEDLY.† adv. [from inverted.] In

contrary or reversed order. Let the divine part be upward, and the region of beast below; otherwise, 'tis but to live invertedly, and with thy head unto the heels of thy an-Brown, Chr. Mor. iii. 74.

Placing the forepart of the eye to the hole of the window of a darkened room, we have a pretty landskip of the objects abroad, invertedly painted on the paper, on the back of the eye.

Derham, Phys. Theol.

To INVE'ST. + v. a. [investir, Fr.; investio, Lat.

A man looks on the love of his friend as one of 1. To dress; to clothe; to array. It has in or with before the thing superinduced or conferred.

How long a day soever Thou make that day in the grave, yet there is no day between that and the resurrection. Then we shall all be invested, reapparelled, in our own bodies.

Donne, Devot. (1625,) p. 358. Thus with sackcloth I invest my woe.

Sandys, Job, p. 26. Thou with a mantle didst invest

The rising world of waters. Milton, P. L. Let thy eyes shine forth in their full lustre; Invest them with thy loveliest smiles, put on

Thy choicest looks. Denham, Sophy. 2. To place in possession of a rank or office.

When we sanctify or hallow churches, that which we do is only to testify that we make places of publick resort, that we invest God himself with them, and that we sever them from common uses.

After the death of the other archbishop he was invested in that high dignity, and settled in his palace at Lambeth. Clarendon.

The practice of all ages, and all countries, hath been to do honour to those who are invested with publick authority.

3. To adorn; to grace; as clothes or ornaments.

Honour must, Not accompanied, invest him only; But signs of nobleness, like stars, shall shine On all deservers. n all deservers. Shakspeare, Macbeth.
The foolish, over-careful fathers for this en-

gross'd

The canker'd heaps of strong achieved gold; For this they have been thoughtful to invest Their sons with arts and martial exercises. Shaksp. Some great potentate,

Or of the thrones above; such majesty Invests him coming. Milton, P. L.

4. To confer; to give.

If there can be found such an inequality between man and man, as there is between man and beast, or between soul and body, it investeth a right of government.

5. To enclose; to surround so as to intercept succours or provisions: as, the enemy invested the town.

6. To put on.

Alas for pittie, that so faire a crew, As like cannot be seen from east to west, Cannot find one this girdle to invest.

Spenser, F. Q. iv. v. 18.

INVE'STIENT. adj. [investiens, Lat.] Covering; clothing.

The shells served as plasms or moulds to this sand, which, when consolidated and freed from its investient shell, is of the same shape as the cavity

INVE'STIGABLE. adj. [from investigate.] To be searched out; discoverable by rational disquisition.

Finally, in such sort they are investigable, that the knowledge of them is general; the world hath always been acquainted with them.

In doing evil, we prefer a less good before a greater, the greatness whereof is by reason investigable, and may be known.

To INVE'STIGATE. v. a. [investigo, Lat.] To search out; to find out by rational disquisition.

Investigate the variety of motions and figures made by the organs for articulation.

Holder on Speech.

From the present appearances investigate the powers and forces of nature, and from these account for future observations. Cheyne, Phil. Princ. INVESTIGATION. + n. s. [investigation, Fr. [investigatio, Lat. The word is of no great age either in the French or our own language. Rousseau considers himself as the introducer of it into French use. The original meaning of investigatio is the searching out by the tracks of the feet, in and vestigia; a phrase of hunting.]

1. The act of the mind by which unknown truths are discovered.

Not only the investigation of truth, but the communication of it also, is often practised in such a method as neither agrees precisely to synthetic or analytick.

Progressive truth, the patient force of thought Investigation calm, whose silent powers

Thomson, Summer.

Command the world. 2. Examination.

Your travels I hear much of: my own shall never more be in a strange land, but a diligent investigation of my own territories. Pope to Swift.

INVE'STIGATIVE. * adj. [from investigate.] Curious and deliberate in making in-

When money was in his pocket, he was more

deliberate and investigative.

Pegge, Anecd. of the Eng. Lang. INVE'STIGATOR.* n. s. [investigator, Lat.] One who diligently searches out.

This occult piece of history - I leave to the curiosity and conjectures of some more laborious Warton, Hist. E. P. iii. 47. investigator. INVE'STITURE. † n. s. [French.]

1. The right of giving possession of any manor, office, or benefice.

He had refused to yield up to the pope the investiture of bishops, and collation of ecclesiastical dignities within his dominions. Ralegh, Essays. 2. The act of giving possession.

Thy redemption is sealed in heaven, and shall in due time be manifested to thine investiture with the eternal glory and happiness which God hath

prepared for all his. Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 139. INVE'STIVE.* adj. [from invest.] Encircling; enclosing.

The horrid fire, all mercilesse, did choke The scorched wretches with investive smoke.

Mir. for Mag. p. 829. INVE'STMENT. n. s. [in and vestment.] Dress; clothes; garment; habit.

Ophelia, do not believe his vows; for they are

Not of that die which their investments shew. Shakspeare.

You my lord archbishop, Whose see is by a civil peace maintain'd, Whose beard the silver hand of peace hath touch'd, Whose learning and good letters peace hath tutor'd. Whose white investments figure innocence, The dove, and every blessed spirit of peace : Wherefore do you so ill translate yourself. Out of the speech of peace, that bears such grace, Into the harsh and boisterous tongue of war

INVE'TERACY. n. s. [inveteratio, Lat.] 1. Long continuance of any thing bad;

obstinacy confirmed by time. The inveteracy of the people's prejudices compelled their rulers to make use of all means for

reducing them. 2. [In physick.] Long continuance of a disease.

INVE'TERATE. adj. [inveteratus, Lat.] 1. Old; long established.

The custom of Christians was then, and had been a long time, not to wear garlands, and therefore that undoubtedly they did offend who presumed to violate such a custom by not observing that thing; the very inveterate observation whereof was a law, sufficient to bind all men to observe it, unless they could shew some higher law, some law of Scripture, to the contrary.

It is an inveterate and received opinion, that cantharides, applied to any part of the body, touch the bladder and exulcerate it. Bacon, Nat. Hist. 2. Obstinate by long continuance.

It is not every sinful violation of conscience that can quench the spirit; but it must be a long inveterate course and custom of sinning, that at length produces and ends in such a cursed effect.

He who writes satire honestly is no more an enemy to the offender, than the physician to the patient when he prescribes harsh remedies to an inveterate disease. Druden.

In a well-instituted state the executive power will never let abuses grow inveterate, or multiply so far that it will be hard to find remedies. Swift.

To INVETERATE. v. a. [inveterer, Fr. invetero, Lat.] To fix and settle by long continuance.

The vulgar conceived, that now there was an end given, and a consummation to superstitious prophecies, and to an ancient tacit expectation, which had by tradition been infused and inveterated into men's minds.

Let not atheists lay the fault of their sins upon human nature, which have their prevalence from long custom and inveterated habit. Rentley.

INVE'TERATENESS. n. s. [from inveterate.]

Long continuance of any thing bad; obstinacy confirmed by time.

As time hath rendered him more perfect in the art, so hath the inveterateness of his malice made him more ready in the execution.

Brown, Vulg. Err. Neither the inveterateness of the mischief, nor the prevalency of the fashion, shall be any excuse for those who will not take care about the meaning of their words. Locke.

INVE'TERATION. n. s. [inveteratio, Lat.] The act of hardening or confirming by long continuance.

INVI'DIOUS. adj. [invidiosus, Lat.]

1. Envious: malignant.

I shall open to them the interior secrets of this mysterious art, without imposture or invidious reserve. 2. Likely to incur or to bring hatred. This

is the more usual sense.

Agamemnon found it an invidious affair to give the preference to any one of the Grecian heroes. Broome.

Not to be further tedious, or rather invidious, these are a few causes which have contributed to the ruin of our morals.

INVI'DIOUSLY. adv. [from invidious.] Malignantly; enviously.

2. In a manner likely to provoke hatred. The clergy murmur against the privileges of the laity; the laity invidiously aggravate the immunities of the clergy.

INVI'DIOUSNESS. n. s. [from invidious.] Quality of provoking envy or hatred.

Pythagoras was the first, who abated of the invidiousness of the name, and from σοφὸs brought it down to φιλόσοφος, from a master to a lover of wisdom. South, Serm. ii. 243.

The offence has not the invidiousness of singu-Johnson, Journ. Western Islands.

Invi'gilancy.* n. s. [invigilance, old Fr.;
in and vigilancy.] Sleepiness; laziness; want of vigilance. Cotgrave.

To INVI'GORATE. v. a. [in and vigour.] To endue with vigour; to strengthen; to animate; to enforce.

The spleen is introduced to invigorate the sinister side, which, dilated, would rather infirm and de-

Gentle warmth Discloses well the earth's all-teeming womb,

Invigorating tender seeds. I have lived when the prince, instead of invigorating the laws, assumed a power of dispensing with them. Addison

No one can enjoy health, without he feel a lightsome and invigorating principle, which spurs him to action. Spectator.

Christian graces and virtues they cannot be, unless fed, invigorated, and animated by universal Atterbury.

INVIGORA'TION. n. s. [from invigorate.] 1. The act of invigorating.

2. The state of being invigorated.

I find in myself an appetitive faculty, which is always in the very height of activity and invigora-

To Invi'Gour. * v. a. [in and vigour.] To invigorate; to animate; to encourage. Those favours which invigoured learning, and

nourished men of desert and worth.

Waterhouse, Apol. for Learn. (1653,) p. 3. INV'ILLAGED.* part. adj. [from in and village.] Turned into a village. Not in

There on a goodly plaine (by time throwne downe)

Lies buried in his dust some auncient towne: Who now invillaged, there's only seene In his vaste ruines what his state has beene.

Browne, Brit. Past. i. 2. INVINCIBI'LITY.* n. s. [from invincible.]

The quality of being invincible. Thus a happy victory may be gained over in-

vincibility itself. Barrow, Serm. on Pray without ceasing.

INVI'NCIBLE. adj. [invincible, French; invincibilis, Lat.] Insuperable; unconquerable; not to be subdued.

I should have thought her spirits had been invincible against all assaults of affection. Shaksp. Should he invade their country, he would soon see that invincible nation with their united forces up in arms.

The spirit remains invincible. Milton. That mistake, which is the consequence of invincible errour, scarce deserves the name of wrong judgement.

If an atheist had had the making of himself, he would have framed a constitution that could have kept pace with his insatiable lust, been invincible by intemperance, and have held out a thousand years in a perpetual debauch. Bentley. INVI'NCIBLENESS. † n. s. [from invincible.]

Unconquerableness; insuperableness. The invincibleness of their ignorance.

Hammond, Works, i. 303. INVI'NCIBLY. adv. [from invincible.] Insuperably; unconquerably.

Ye have been fearless in his righteous cause; And as ye have receiv'd, so have ye done

Milton, P. L. Neither invitations nor threats avail with those who are invincibly impeded, to apply them to their

benefit. Decay of Piety.
INVIOLABI'LITY.* n. s. [inviolabilité, Fr. from inviolable. State or quality of

being inviolable.

Having excluded all probability of the event of a systematic abuse of royal power, or a dangerous exorbitance of prerogative, our constitution exempts her kings from the degrading necessity of being accountable to the subject : She invests them with the high attribute of political impeccability; she declares, that wrong, in his public capacity, a king of Great Britain cannot do; and thus

unites the most perfect security of the subject's [I'NVIOUSNESS.* n. s. [from invious.] State liberty with the most absolute inviolability of the sacred person of the sovereign.

Bp. Horsley, Serm. 30 Jan. 1793. INVI'OLABLE. adj. [inviolable, Fr. inviolabilis, Lat. 7

1. Not to be profaned; not to be injured. Thou, be sure, shalt give account

To him who sent us, whose charge is to keep This place inviolable, and these from harm.

Milton, P. L.

In vain did Nature's wise command Divide the waters from the land, If daring ships, and men profane, Invade the inviolable main; The eternal fences overleap,

And pass at will the boundless deep Ye lamps of heaven, he said, and lifted high His hands, now free; thou venerable sky!

Inviolable powers! ador'd with dread, Be all of you adjur'd. Dryden, Æn. This birthright, when our author pleases, must

and must not be sacred and inviolable. 2. Not to be broken.

The prophet David thinks, that the very meeting of men together, and their accompanying one another to the house of God, should make the bond of their love insoluble, and tie them in a league of inviolable amity.

See, see, they join, embrace, and seem to kiss, As if they vow'd some league inviolable. Shaksp. 3. Insusceptible of hurt or wound.

The inviolable saints In cubick phalanx firm advanc'd entire,

Milton, P. L.

Invi'olableness.* n. s. [from inviolable.] State or quality of being inviolable.

INVI'OLABLY. † adv. [from inviolable.] Without breach; without failure.

Saint Austen saith, that the apostles inviolably kept the said vow.

Martin, Marr. of Priests, (1554,) Cc. ii. b. Mere acquaintance you have none: you have drawn them all into a nearer line; and they who have conversed with you, are for ever after inviolably yours.

The true profession of Christianity inviolably engages all its followers to do good to all men.

INVI'OLATE. adj. [inviolate, Fr. inviolatus, Lat.] Unhurt; uninjured; unprofaned; unpolluted; unbroken.

His fortune of arms was still inviolate.

Bacon, Hen. VII. But let inviolate truth be always dear To thee; even before friendship, truth prefer. Denham.

If the past Can hope a pardon, by those mutual bonds Nature has seal'd between us, which, though I Have cancell'd, thou hast still preserv'd inviolate:

I beg thy pardon. Denham, Sophy. My love your claim inviolate secures; 'Tis writ in fate, I can be only yours. In all the changes of his doubtful state,

His truth, like Heav'n's was kept inviolate.

INVI'OLATED. * adj. [inviolatus, Lat.] Unprofaned; unpolluted.

A most inviolated shrine.

Drayton, Barons' Wars, iv. 68. The safe principles we have hitherto endeavoured to preserve inviolated.

Sir H. Sheere, in Ld. Halifax's Miscell. p. 41. I'NVIOUS. adj. [invius, Lat.] Impas-

sable; untrodden. If nothing can oppugn love,

And virtue invious ways can prove, What may not he confide to do, That brings both love and virtue too? Hudibras. of being invious; impassableness.

Which is called - inviousness and emptiness; where all is dark and unpassable, as perviousness is the contrary.

Dr. Ward, Tr. of More's Pref. to his Philos. Works, (1710.)

INVIRI'LITY.* n. s. [in and virility.] Absence of manhood; departure from manly character.

It savours of effeminacy and womanish inviril-

Prynne's Unlov. of Love-Locks, (1628.) p. 48.

To INVI'SCATE. v. a. [in and viscus, Lat.] To lime; to entangle in glutinous matter.

The cameleon's food being flies, it hath in the tongue a mucous and slimy extremity, whereby, upon a sudden emission, it inviscates and intangleth those insects.

To Invi'scerate.* v. a. [inviscero, Lat.] To breed; to nourish.

Inviscerating this disposition in our hearts to love one another.

W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. P. i. (1648,) p. 267. Invisibilité, Fr. from

invisible. The state of being invisible; imperceptibleness to sight. They may be demonstrated to be innumerable,

substituting their smallness for the reason of their

INVI'SIBLE. adj. [invisible, Fr. invisibilis, Lat.] Not perceptible by the sight; not to be seen.

He was invisible that hurt me so; And none invisible, but spirits, can go. Sidney.

The threaden sails, Borne with the invisible and creeping wind, Drew the huge bottoms to the furrow'd sea.

Shakspeare.

'Tis wonderful That an invisible instinct should frame them To loyalty unlearn'd, honour untaught. Shaksp. To us invisible, or dimly seen,

In these thy lowest works. He that believes a God, believes such a being as hath all perfections; among which this is one, that he is a spirit, and consequently that he is invisible, and cannot be seen. Tillotson.

It seems easier to make one's self invisible to others, than to make another's thoughts visible to me, which are not visible to himself.

INVI'SIBLY. adv. [from invisible.] Imperceptibly to the sight. Age by degrees invisibly doth creep,

Nor do we seem to die, but fall asleep. Denham. Invita'tion.† n. s. [invitation, Fr. invitatio, Lat.

1. The act of inviting, bidding, or calling to any thing with ceremony and civility. That other answer'd with a lowly look,

And soon the gracious invitation took,

2. Allurement.

She gives the leer of invitation. Shakspeare, Mer. Wives of Windsor.

INVI'TATORY. † adj. [from invito, Lat.] Using invitation; containing invitation.

In the Latin services it [the 95th] is called the invitatory psalm; it being always sung with a strong and loud voice, to hasten those people into the church, who were in the cemetery, or church-yard, or any other adjacent parts, waiting for the beginning of prayers.

Wheatley on the Com. Prayer, iii. § 8. Invi'tatory.* n. s. Formerly an hymn

of invitation to prayer.

Responds, invitatories, and such like things as did break the continual course of the reading of the Scripture.

Concerning the Serv. of the Church, Com. Prayer. To INVI'TE. v. a. invito, Lat. inviter, Fr.] 1. To bid; to ask to any place, particularly to one's own house, with intreaty and complaisance.

If thou be invited of a mighty man, withdraw thyself.

He comes invited by a younger son. Milt. P. L. When much company is invited, then be as sparing as possible of your coals. · Smift. To allure; to persuade; to induce by

hope or pleasure.

A war upon the Turks is more worthy than upon any other Gentiles, though facility and hope of success might invite some other choice. Bacon. Nor art thou such

Created, or such place hast here to dwell, As may not oft invite, though spirits of heav'n,

To visit thee. Milton, P. L. The liberal contributions such teachers met with, served still to invite more labourers into that Decay of Chr. Piety.

Shady groves, that easy sleep invite, And after toilsome days a soft repose at night,

Dryden, Virg. To Invi'te. v. n. [invito, Lat.] To ask

or call to any thing pleasing. All things invite To peaceful counsels. Milton, P. L.

INVI'TEMENT.* n. s. [from invite.] Act of inviting; invitation.

He never makes a general invitement, but against the publishing of a new suit; marry then you shall have more drawn to his lodging than come to the launching of some three ships.

B. Jonson, Cynthia's Revels.

INVI'TER. n. s. [from invite.] One who invites.

They forcibly cut out abortive votes, such as their inviters and encouragers most fancied.

King Charles. Honour was the aim of the guests, and interest was the scope of the inviter.

scope of the inviter. Smallridge, Serm. Wines and cates the tables grace, But most the kind invitor's cheerful face.

Pope, Odyss. INVI'TING.* n. s. [from invite.] Invitation.

He hath sent me an earnest inviting.

Shakspeare, Tim. of Athens. INVI'TINGLY. adv. [from inviting.] In such a manner as invites or allures.

If he can but dress up a temptation to look invitingly, the business is done.

Decay of Chr. Piety, p. 165.
INVI'TINGNESS.* n. s. [from inviting.] Power or quality of inviting.

Elegant flowers of speech, to which the nature and resemblances of things, as well as human

fancies, have an aptitude and invitingness. Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 165.

To INU'MBRATE. v. a. [inumbro, Lat.] To shade; to cover with shades. Dict. INU'NCTED.* adj. [inunctus, Lat.] Anointed.

Cockeram. INU'NCTION. † n. s. [inungo, inunctus, Lat.] The act of smearing or anointing.

Irrigations, inunctions, odoraments, prescribed for the head. Burton, Anat of Mel. p. 406. The wise Author of Nature hath placed on the

rump two glandules, which the bird catches hold upon with her bill, and squeezes out an oily liniment, fit for the inunction of the feathers, and causing their filiments to cohere.

INU'NDANT.* adj. [inundans, Lat.] Over-

flowing.

low, but in the spring and winter inundant and raging.

Heywood's Hier. of Angels, (1635,) p. 531.

Days, and nights, and hours, Thy voice, hydropick Fancy, calls aloud For costly draughts inundant bowls of joy. Shenstone, Econ. P. i.

To INU'NDATE.* v. a. [inundo, Lat. This word has been reprobated as one of the affected introductions of modern writers into our language. This is not the case; for we find inundated used in the sense of overwhelmed, nearly two

centuries since, in the vocabulary of Cockeram.] To overflow a place with water; to overwhelm.

INUNDA'TION. n. s. [inondation, Fr. inun-

datio, Lat.]

1. The overflow of waters; flood; deluge. Inundation, says Cowley, implies less than deluge.

Her father counts it dangerous,

That she should give her sorrow so much sway: That she should give ner source.

And in his wisdom hates our marriage,

And in his wisdom of her tears. Shakspeare. To stop the inundation of her tears.

The same inundation was not past forty foot in most places; so that some few wild inhabitants of the woods escaped,

All fountains of the deep, Broke up, shall heave the ocean to usurp Beyond all bounds, till inundation rise Milton, P. L. Above the highest hills.

This inundation unto the Egyptians happeneth when it is winter unto the Ethiopians.

Brown, Vulg. Err. Your care about your banks infers a fear Of threatening floods, and inundations near.

No swelling inundation hides the grounds, But crystal currents glide within their bounds.

2. A confluence of any kind. Many good towns, through that inundation of the Irish, were utterly wasted.

Spenser on Ireland. INUNDERSTA'NDING.* adj. fin and understanding.] Wanting the faculties of the mind; void of understanding.

Many of the beasts of the field, divers of the plants of the earth, are of a more durable constitution, and outlive the sons of men. And can we think that such material and mortal, that such inunderstanding souls should by God and Nature be furnished with bodies of so long permansion, and that our spirits should be joined unto flesh so subject to corruption, so suddenly dissolvable, were it not that they lived but once, and so enjoyed that life for a longer season, and then went soul and body to the same destruction, never to be restored to the same subsistence?

Pearson, on the Creed, Art. 11.

To I'NVOCATE. † v. a. [invoco, Lat.] To invoke; to implore; to call upon; to pray to.

Poor key-cold figure of a holy king! Be't lawful, that I invocate thy ghost, To hear the lamentations of poor Anne? Shaksp.

The church of Rome, in her publick and allowed offices, prays to dead men and women, who are, or whom they suppose to be, beatified; and these they invocate as preservers.

Bp. Taylor, Diss. from Popery, ch. ii. § 9.

If Dagon be thy god, Go to his temple, invocate his aid

With solemnest devotion. Milton, S. A. Here rather let me drudge, and earn my bread, Till vermin or the draff of servile food

Consume me, and oft invocated death Hasten the welcome end of all my pains. Milton, S. A.

A torrent, in the summer temperate and shal- INVOCA'TION. n. s. [invocation, Fr. invo- | 7. To blend; to mingle together concatio, Lat.

1. The act of calling upon in prayer.

Is not the name of prayer usual to signify even all the service that ever we do unto God? And that for no other cause, as I suppose, but to shew that there is in religion no acceptable duty, which devout invocation of the name of God doth not either presuppose or infer.

2. The form of calling for the assistance

or presence of any being. My invocation is

Honest and fair, and in his mistress' name. Shaksneare.

The proposition of Gratius is contained in a line, and that of invocation in half a line. I will strain myself to breathe out this one invo-

The whole poem is a prayer to fortune, and the invocation is divided between the two deities.

Addison on Italy.

I'NVOICE. n. s. [This word is perhaps corrupted from the French word envoyez, send.] A catalogue of the freight of a ship, or of the articles and price of goods sent by a factor.

To Invo'ke. v. a. [invoco, Latin; invoquer, French.] To call upon; to implore;

to pray to; to invocate.

The power I will invoke dwells in her eyes.

One peculiar nation to select From all the rest, of whom to be invok'd. Milton, P. L.

The skilful bard,
Striking the Thracian harp, invokes Apollo,
Prior. The skilful bard, To make his hero and himself immortal. To INVO LVE. † v. a. [involvo, Latin.] 1. To inwrap; to cover with any thing cir-

cumfluent. The floods my soul involv'd below, The swallowing deeps besieg'd me round.

Sandys, Sacred Songs, p. 20. Leave a singed bottom all involv'd

Milton, P. T. With stench and smoke. No man could miss his way to heaven for want of light; and yet so vain are they as to think they oblige the world by involving it in darkness.

Decay of Chr. Picty.
In a cloud involv'd, he takes his flight,
Where Greeks and Trojans mix'd in mortal fight. Dryden.

2. To imply; to comprise.

We cannot demonstrate these things so as to shew that the contrary necessarily involves a con-Tillotson. tradiction.

3. To entwist; to join.

He knows his end with mine involv'd. Milton, P. L.

4. To take in; to catch; to conjoin. The gath'ring number, as it moves along

Involves a vast involuntary throng. Sin we should hate altogether; but our hatred of it may involve the person which we should not Sprat. hate at all.

One death involves Thomson, Summer. Tyrants and slaves.

5. To entangle.

This reference of the name to a thing whereof we have no idea, is so far from helping at all, that it only serves the more to involve us in difficulties. Locke.

As obscure and imperfect ideas often involve our reason, so do dubious words puzzle men's Locke. reason.

6. To complicate; to make intricate. Some involv'd their snaky folds. Milton, P. L. Syllogism is of necessary use, even to the lovers of truth, to shew them the fallacies that are often concealed in florid, witty, or involved discourses.

fusedly.

Earth with hell mingle and involve.

Milton, P. L. 8. In mathematicks, to multiply any quantity by itself any given number of times. INVO'LUNTARILY. † adv. [from involuntary.]

Not by choice; not spontaneously.

They are not the work of the soul itself, but

involuntarily obtruded upon it. A. Baxter on the Soul, ii. 189.

INVO'LVEDNESS.* n. s. [from involved.] State of being involved.

The involvedness of all men in the guilt of Boyle, against Custom. Swear, p. 13. INVO'LUNTARINESS.* n. s. [from invo-

luntary.] Want of choice or will. There is not an absolute involuntariness in this

engagement, but a mixed one. Bp. Hall, Cases of Consc. D. 1. C. 8.

INVO'LUNTARY. adj. [in and voluntarius, Latin. involontaire, French.] 1. Not having the power of choice.

The gath'ring number, as it moves along, Involves a vast involuntary throng,

Who gently drawn, and struggling less and less, Roll in her vortex, and her pow'r confess. Pope. 2. Not chosen; not done willingly.

The forbearance of that action, consequent to such command of the mind, is called voluntary; and whatsoever action is performed without such

a thought of the mind, is called involuntary. But why, ah tell me, ah too dear!

Steels down my cheek th' involuntary tear? Pope. INVOLUTION. † n. s. [involution, old Fr.; involutio, Latin.]

The act of involving or inwrapping.

2. The state of being entangled; complication.

Leave never an angle or involution in it.

Hammond, Works, iv. 502. All things are mixed, and causes blended by mutual involutions. Glanville, Scepsis.

3. That which is wrapped round any thing. Great conceits are raised of the involution or membranous covering called the silly-how, sometimes found about the heads of children upon their birth; and is therefore preserved with great care, not only as medical in diseases, but effectual in success, concerning the infant and others; which is surely no more than continued superstition.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

INURBA'NITY.* n. s. [in and urbanity.] Want of courteousness; rudeness; unkindness.

An answer to pope Urban his inurbanity.

Bp. Hall, Works, ii. 503. Discoursing such idle stuff to the maids and widows, as his own servile inurbanity forbears not to put into the Apostle's mouth.

Milton, Colasterion.

To INU'RE. v. a. [in and ure.]

1. To habituate; to make ready or willing by practice and custom; to accustom. It had anciently with before the thing practised, now to.

That it may no painful work endure, It to strong labour can itself enure.

Spenser, Hubb. Tale. England was a peaceable kingdom, and but lately enured to the mild and goodly government of the Confessor. Spenser on Ireland.

Because they so proudly insult, we must a little inure their ears with hearing, how others, whom they more regard, are accustomed to use the self-same language with us.

If there might be added true art and learning, there would be as much difference, in maturity of judgement, between men therewith inured, and that which now men are, as between men that are now, and innocents.

The forward hand, inur'd to wounds, makes

Upon the sharpest fronts of the most fierce.

Daniel. Then cruel, by their sport to blood inur'd Of fighting beasts, and men to beasts expos'd. Milton, P. R.

To inure

Our prompt obedience. Milton, P. L. They, who had been most inured to business, had not in their lives ever undergone so great fatigue for twenty days together. Clarendon. We may inure ourselves by custom to bear the extremities of weather without injury.

Addison, Guardian. 2. To commit. Obsolete.

He gan that ladie strongly to appele Of many bainous crimes by her enured.

Spenser, F. Q. v. ix. 39.

To Inu're.* v. n. To come into use or power; to have effect. The decree of deprivation doth not inure, till a

judicial sentence passeth further on us. Bp. of Norwich, Lett. in 1690, Life of Kettlewell, App. p. iv.

INU'REMENT. n. s. [from inure.] Practice; habit; use; custom; frequency.

If iron will acquire by mere continuance a secret appetite, and (as I may term it) an habitual inclination to the site it held before; then how much more may we hope, through the very same means, education being nothing else but a constant plight and inurement, to induce by custom good habits into a reasonable creature! Wotton, Surv. of Education.

To INU'RN. v. a. [in and urn.] To intomb; to bury.

The sepulchre

Wherein we saw thee quietly inurn'd, Hath op'd its ponderous and marble jaws To cast thee up again. Shakspeare, Ha
Amidst the tears of Trojan dames inurn'd, Shakspeare, Hamlet. And by his loyal daughters truly mourn'd

INUSITA'TION.* n. s. [inusitatus, Latin.] State of being unused; want of use. The mammæ of the male have not vanished by inusitation. Paley, Nat. Theol. ch. 23.

INU'STION, n. s. [inustio, Lat.] The act 2. Reflecting; deeply thinking. of burning.

INU'TILE. adj. [inutile, French, inutilis, Lat.] Useless; unprofitable.

To refer to heat and cold is a compendious and inutile speculation. Bacon, Nat. Hist. INUTI'LITY. † n. s. [inutilité, Fr. inutilitas,

Lat. | Uselessness; unprofitableness. Cotgrave, and Sherwood.

You see the inutility of foreign travel. Hurd. INU'TTERABLE.* adj. [in and utterable.] Not to be uttered; inexpressible.

All prodigious things, Abominable, inutterable, and worse

Than fables yet have feign'd, or fear conceiv'd. Milton, P. L.

trutterable invocations. Patrick on Gen. xli. 8.
INVU'LNERABLE. adj. [invulnerable,
Fr. invulnerabilis, Lat.] Not to be wounded; secure from wound.

Our cannon's malice vainly shall be spent Against th' invulnerable clouds of heav'n.

Shakspeare. Nor vainly hope To be invulnerable in those bright arms, That mortal dint none can resist. Milton, P. L. VOL. II.

Vanessa, though by Pallas taught, By love invulnerable thought, Searching in books for wisdom's aid, Was in the very search betray'd.

INVU'LNERABLENESS. n. s. [from invulnerable.] State of being invulnerable.

Swift.

We wrestle not only against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places; which needs must be most dangerous unto us. 1. For their warinesse that grapple with us. 2. For their invulnerableness, they being spirits; whereas we are flesh and blood. Bp. Prideaux, Euch. (1656,) p.92.

To Inwa'll, v.a. [in and wall.] To inclose or fortify with a wall.

Three such towns in those places with the garrisons, would be so augmented as they would be able with little to inwall themselves strongly. Spenser on Ireland.

I'NWARD. adv. [inpeans, Saxon.] I'NWARDS.

1. Towards the internal parts; within. The parts of living creatures that be more inwards, nourish more than the outward flesh.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. The medicines which go to these magical oint-ments are so strong, that if they were used inwards they would kill; and therefore they work potently, though outwards.

2. With inflexion or incurvity; concavely. He stretches out his arm in sign of peace, with his breast bending inward. Dryden, Dufresnoy.

3. Into the mind or thoughts.

Looking inward we are stricken dumb; looking upward we speak and prevail. Celestial light

Shine inwards, and the soul through all her pow'rs Irradiate. Milton, P. L.

I'NWARD. adj. 1. Internal; placed not on the outside; but within.

He could not rest, but did his stout heart eat, And waste his inward gall with deep despight. Spenser, F. Q.

To each inward part It shoots invisible. Milton, P. L. Sickness, contributing no less than old age to the shaking down this scaffolding of the body, may discover the inward structure more plainly.

With outward smiles their flattery I receiv'd; But bent and inward to myself again Perplex'd, these matters I revolv'd, in vain.

3. Intimate; domestick; familiar. Though the lord of the liberty do pain himself all he may to yield equal justice unto all, yet can there not but great abuses lurk in so inward and absolute a privilege. Spenser on Ireland.

All my inward friends abhorred me. Job, xix. 19.

4. Seated in the mind.

Princes have but their titles for their glories, An outward honour for an inward toil; And for unfelt imaginations, They often feel a world of restless cares. Shaksp.

The planets - they invoked with secret or I'NWARD. + n. s. [Sax. innepepoe, the bowels.

> 1. Any thing within, generally the bowels. Seldom has this sense a singular.

Then sacrificing, laid The inwards, and their fat, with incense strew'd On the cleft wood, and all due rites perform'd.

They esteem them most profitable, because of the great quantity of fat upon their inwards. Martimer2. Intimate; near acquaintance. Little

Sir, I was an inward of his; a sly fellow was the duke; and I know the cause of his withdraw-Shakspeare.

I'NWARDLY. † adj. [Sax. inpeapolice; from inward.

1. In the heart; privately.

That which inwardly each man should be, the church outwardly ought to testify, Hooker. I bleed inwardly for my lord. Shakspeare. Mean time the king, though inwardly he mourn'd,

In pomp triumphant to the town return'd, Attended by the chiefs. Dryden, Kn. Tale.

2. In the parts within; internally. Let Benedick, like cover'd fire,

Consume away in sighs, waste inwardly. Shaks. Cantharides he prescribes both outwardly and inwardly. Arbuthnot on Coins. 3. With inflexion or concavity.

I'nwardness. † n. s. [from inward.]

Intimacy; familiarity.

You know my inwardness and love Is very much unto the prince and Claudio.

His nephew is fallen into some trouble, by reason of his familiarity and inwardness with Sir

Bourgchier to Abp. Usher, (1629,) Lett. p. 415. 2. Internal state. Not noticed by Dr.

Johnson. Sense cannot arrive to the inwardness Of things, nor penetrate the crusty fence

Of constipated matter. More, Song of the Soul, i.i. 28.

To INWE'AVE. v. a. preter. inwove or inweaved, part. pass. inwove, inwoven, or inweaved. [in and weave.]

1. To mix any thing in weaving, so that it forms part of the texture.

A fair border, wrought of sundry flowers, Inwoven with an ivy winding trail. Spenser. Down they cast

Their crowns, inwove with amaranth and gold. Milton, P. L. And o'er soft palls of purple grain unfold

Rich tap'stry, stiffen'd with inwoven gold. Pope, Odyss.

2. To intertwine; to complicate. The roof

Of thickest covert was inwoven shade. Milt. P. L. To INWHE'EL.* v. a. [in and wheel.] To

surround; to encircle. Heaven's grace inwheel ve!

And all good thoughts and prayers dwell about ye! Abundance be your friend! and holy Charity Be ever at your hand to crown ye glorious! Beaum. and Fl. Pilgrim.

I'nwit.* n.s. [Saxon. inpit, conscientia.] Mind; understanding. Obsolete. Wicliffe and Chaucer use it. To Inwo'on. v. a. [in and wood.] To hide

in woods. Not used. He got out of the river, inwooded himself so as

the ladies lost the marking his sportfulness.

To INWRA'P. v. a. [in and wrap.] 1. To cover by involution; to involve.

And over them Arachne high did lift Her cunning web, and spread her subtil net, Inwrapped in foul smoak. Spenser, F. Q. This, as an amber drop, inwraps a bee,

Covering discovers your quick soul; that we May in your through-shine front our hearts' thoughts see.

2. To perplex; to puzzle with difficulty or obscurity.

The case is no sooner made than resolved; if it be made not inwrapped, but plainly and perspicuously

3. It is doubtful whether the following examples should not be enrap or inrap, from in and rap, rapio, Lat. to ravish or transport.

This pearl she gave me, I do feel't and see't; And though 'tis wonder that enwraps me thus, Shakspeare, Tw. Night. Yet 'tis not madness.

For if such holy song

Enwrap our fancy long, Time will run back, and fetch the age of gold. Milon, Ode Nativ.

To Inwre'Athe. v. a. [in and wreathe.] To surround as with a wreathe.

Bind their resplendent locks inwreath'd with Milton, P. L. beams. Nor less the palm of peace inwreathes thy brow. Thomson.

[in and wrought.] INWRO'UGHT. adj. Adorned with work.

Next Camus, reverend sire, went footing slow, His mantle hairy, and his bonnet sedge,

Inwrought with figures dim, and on the edge Like to that sanguine flower, inscrib'd with woe. Milton, Lycidas.

JOB. n. s. [A low word now much in use, of which I cannot tell the etymology. Dr. Johnson. — " Κόπος (kopos) in Greek signifies labour; and in our ordinary word job, a piece of work, we again trace it under a different form.' Whiter, Etym. Magn. p. 276.]

1. Petty, piddling work; a piece of chance work; in some places a piece of labour

undertaken at a stated price.

2. A low, mean, lucrative, busy affair. He was now with his old friends, like an old favourite of a cunning minister after the job is Arbuthnot.

No cheek is known to blush, no heart to throb, Save when they lose a question or a job. Such patents as these never were granted with a view of being a job, for the interest of a particular person to the damage of the publick. Swift.

3. A sudden stab with a sharp instrument. [hieb, Germ. a stroke, from hauwen, to strike. Wachter, and Serenius.]

То Јов. v. a.

1. To strike suddenly with a sharp instru-

As an ass with a galled back was feeding in a meadow, a raven pitched upon him, and sat jobbing of the sore.

2. To drive in a sharp instrument. Let peacocke and turkey leave jobbing their bex.

The work would, where a small irregularity of stuff should happen, draw or job the edge into the

To Job. v. n. To play the stockjobber; to buy and sell as a broker. The judge shall job, the bishop bite the town,

And mighty dukes pack cards for half a crown. JoB's Tears. n. s. An herb. Ainsworth.

Jo'BBER. † n. s. [from job.] 1. A man who buys and sells stock in

the publick funds. See STOCKJOBBER. So cast it in the southern seas, And view it through a jobber's bill;

Put on what spectacles you please, Your guinea's but a guinea still.

2. One who engages in a low lucrative affair.

jobbers, gamesters, fortune-hunters and jockeys. Hildrop, Lett. on the Commandments, p. 20.

3. One who does chancework.

Jo'BBERNOWL. n.s. [most probably from jobbe, Flemish, dull, and nowl, hnol, Saxon, a head. | Loggerhead; block-

His guts are in his brains, huge jobbernoule, Right gurnet's head; the rest without all soule. Marston, Scourge of Villainy, (1599,) ii. 6. Dull-pated jobbernoule

Marston, Scourge, &c. ii. 7.

And like the world, men's jobbernowls Turn round upon their ears the poles. Hudibras.

Jo'ckey. n. s. [from Jack, the diminutive of John, comes Jackey, or, as the Scotch, jockey, used for any boy, and particularly for a boy that rides race-

1. A fellow that rides horses in the race. These were the wise ancients, who heaped up greater honours on Pindar's jockies than on the Addison. poet himself.

2. A man that deals in horses.

3. A cheat; a trickish fellow.

To Jo'ckey. v. a. [from the noun.] 1. To justle by riding against one.

2. To cheat; to trick.

JOCO'SE. adj. [jocosus, Lat.] Merry; waggish; given to jest.

If the subject be sacred, all ludicrous turns, and jucose or comical airs, should be excluded, lest young minds learn to trifle with the awful solemnities of religion.

Joco'sely. adv. [from jocose.] Waggishly; in jest; in game.

Spondanus imagines that Ulysses may possibly speak jocosely, but in truth Ulysses never behaves with levity. Wag-Joco'seness.] n. s. [from jocose.]

O'SITY. gery; merriment.
A laugh there is of contempt or indignation, Joco'sity. as well as of mirth or jocosity. Brown, Vulg. Err.

Jocose' Rious.* adj. [jocus, Latin, and serious.] Partaking of mirth and serious.

Laugh aloud with them that laugh; Or drink a jocoserious cup

With souls who've took their freedom up. Green's Poem of the Spleen.

JO'CULAR.† adj. [jocularis, Latin.] Used in jest; merry; jocose; waggish; not serious: used both of men and things.

My name is Jopphiel, Intelligence to the sphere of Jupiter,

B. Jonson, Masques. An airy jocular spirit. These jocular slanders are often as mischievous as those of deepest design. Gov. of the Tongue. The satire is a dramatick poem; the style is

partly serious and partly jocular. Dryden. Addison Good Vellum, don't be jocular.

JOCULA'RITY. n. s. [from jocular.] Merriment; disposition to jest.

The wits of those ages were short of these of ours; when men could maintain immutable faces, -and persist unalterably at the efforts of jocu-Brown, Vulg. Err.

Jo'cularly.* adv. [from jocular.] In a jocose way.

Jocularly abusing the silly women.

Bp. Lavington, Moravians compared, p. 98. Come, said Dr. Johnson jocularly to Principal Robertson, let us see what was once a church. Boswell, Tour to the Hebrides.

An absolute discouragement to all sorts of Jo'Culator. * n. s. [Lat. joculator.] A jester; a droll; a minstrel; a kind of strolling player.

In the thirteenth century a horse was exhibited by the joculators, which danced upon a rope. Strutt, Sports and Pastimes of England.

Jo'culatory.* adj. [Lat. joculatorius.] Droll; merrily spoken. Cockeram. JO'CUND. adj. [jocundus, Lat.] Merry; gay; airy; lively.

There's comfort yet, then be thou jocund.

No jocund health, that Denmark drinks to-day, But the great cannon to the clouds shall tell. Shakspeare.

They on their mirth and dance Intent, with jocund musick charm his ear.

Milton, P. L. Alexis shunn'd his fellow swains, Their rural sports, and jocund strains.

Jocu'ndity.* n. s. [from jocund.] Gaiety; mirth. See Jucundity. Huloet. Jo'cunply, adv. [from jocund.] Merrily;

gaily.

He has no power of himself to leave it; but he is ruined jocundly and pleasantly, and damned according to his heart's desire.

Jo'cundness.* n.s. [from jocund.] State of being jocund. Sherwood.

To JOG. v. a. [schocken, Dutch, Dr. Johnson .- Su. Goth. skaka, to shake; or Icel. jacka, to move continually.] To push; to shake by a sudden impulse; to give notice by a sudden

Now leaps he upright, jogs me, and cries, Do vou see

Yonder well-favour'd youth? The seaman's needle, which is jogged and troubled, never leaves moving till it find the north point again. Bp. Reynolds on the Passions, ch. 17. This said, he jogg'd his good steed nigher,

And steer'd him gently toward the squire. Hudibras. I was pretty well pleased while I expected, till fruition jogged me out of my pleasing slumber, and I knew it was but a dream.

Sudden I jogg'd Ulysses, who was laid Pope, Odyssey. Fast by my side. To Jog. v. n.

1. To move by succussation; to move with small shocks like those of a low

The door is open, Sir, there lies good way, You may be jogging while your boots are green. Shakspeare.

Here lieth one, who did most truly prove That he could never me white is.
So hung his destiny, never rot,
While he might still jog on, and keep his trot,
Millon, Ep. on Hobson-

2. To travel idly and heavily.

Jog on, jog on, the foot-path way, And merrily hent the stile-a,

A merry heart goes all the day, Your sad tires in a mile-a. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

Away they trotted together: but as they were logging on, the wolf spied a bare place about the L'Estrange. dog's neck. L'Estrange.
Thus they jog on, still tricking, never thriving,

And murdering plays, which they miscall reviving. Dryden.

Jog. n. s. [from the verb,] 1. A push; a slight shake; a sudden interruption by a push or shake; a hint

given by a push. As a leopard was valuing himself upon his

party-coloured skin, a fox gave him a jog, and

whispered, that the beauty of the mind was above that of a painted outside.

Nick found the means to slip a note into Lewis's hands, which Lewis as slily put into John's pocket, with a pinch or a jog to warn him what he was about. Arbuthnot.

A letter when I am inditing, Comes Cupid and gives me a jog, And I fill all the paper with writing Of nothing but sweet Molly Mog.

2. A rub; a small stop; an irregularity of motion. How that which penetrates all bodies without

Swift.

the least jog or obstruction, should impress a motion on any, is inconceivable. Glanville, Scepsis.

Jo'GGER. n. s. [from jog.] One who moves heavily and dully.

They with their fellow joggers of the plough. Jo'GGING.* n. s. [from jog.] The act of

shaking. Sherwood. Like the jogging of young trees, they do but more fully confirm and settle the rule they seem

Spencer on Vulg. Proph. p. 42. There is no weariness like that which rises from doubting, from the perpetual jogging of an unfixed South, Serm. viii. 411.

To Jo'GGLE. v. n. [from jog. See To 7. To unite in concord. Jog.] To shake.

In the head of man, the base of the brain is parallel to the horizon; by which there is less danger of the two brains joggling, or slipping out of their place.

To Jo'GGLE.* v. a. To push.

A foolish desire I had to joggle thee into pre-Beaum. and Fl. The Captain. JOHN.* A word often used in contempt; as a country John. See the etymology of JACK.

JOHN-A-NOKES.* A fictitious name, made use of in law proceedings; and, as well as that of John-a-stiles, usually attending it, a subject of humorous distinction by several writers.

Pr'ythee, stay a while; Looke, you comes John-a-noke, and John-a-stile:

They're nought but slow-pac'd, dilatory pleas, Demure demurrers!

Marston, Scourge of Vill. (1599,) ii. 7. The humble petition of John-a-nokes and Johna-stiles sheweth, that your petitioners have had causes depending in Westminster Hall above five hundred years!

Spectator, No. 577.

JO'HNAPPLE. n. s.

A johnapple is a good relished sharp apple the Spring following, when most other fruit is spent: they are fit for the cyder plantations. Mortimer.

John-A-STILES.* See John-A-Nokes. JOHN Dory.* See DOREE.

To JOIN. † v. a. [joindre, Fr. Dr. Johnson. - Jungo, Lat. from jugo, with n inserted; and that from the Gr. ζυγω, which properly signifies to fasten to the yoke, and generally to join; ζυγός, a 2. [In law.] Joining. yoke. V. Morin, Gr. and Fr. Etym.

 To add one to another in contiguity. Woe unto them that join house to house, that lay field to field. Isa. lviii. Join them one to another into one stick. Ezek. The wall was joined together unto the half.

2. To couple; to combine.

In this faculty of repeating and joining together its ideas, the mind has great power.

3. To unite in league or marriage.

One only daughter heirs my crown and state, Whom not our oracles, nor heaven, nor fate, Nor frequent prodigies permit to join With any native of the Ausonian line.

Druden, Æn.

4. To dash together; to collide; to encounter: this sense is to be found in the phrase to join battle, in which, battle seems not to signify fight, but troops in array, committere exercitus, though it may likewise mean fight, as, committere prælium.

When they joined battle, Israel was smitten.

They should with resolute minds endure, until they might join battle with their enemies. Knolles. 5. To associate.

Go near and join thyself to this chariot.

Acts, viii. 29. Thou shalt not be joined with them in burial. Isaiah, xiv. 20.

6. To unite in one act.

Our best notes are treason to his fame, Join'd with the loud applause of publick voice.

Thy tuneful voice with numbers join, Thy words will more prevail than mine. Dryden.

Be perfectly joined together in the same mind.

8. To act in concert with.

Know your own int'rest, Sir, where'er you We jointly vow to join no other head.

Dryden, Aurengzebe.

To Join. v. n.

1. To grow to; to adhere; to be contiguous. Justus's house joined hard to the synagogue.

Acts, xviii. 7.

2. To close; to clash.

Look you, all you that kiss my lady peace at home, that our armies join not in a hot day. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. Here's the earl of Wiltshire's blood,

Whom I encounter'd, as the battles join'd.

Shakspeare. 3. To unite with in marriage, or any other

Should we again break thy commandments, and join in affinity with the people? Ezra, ix. 14.

4. To become confederate.

When there falleth out any war, they join unto our enemies, and fight against us. Exodus, i. 10.

Let us make peace with him, before he join with Alexander against us. 1 Mac. x. 4. Even you yourself

Join with the rest; you are arm'd against me.

Druden. Any other may join with him that is injured, and assist him in recovering satisfaction. Locke.

Jo'INDER. † n. s. [from join.]

1. Conjunction; joining. Not used.
A contract of eternal bond of love,

Confirm'd by mutual joinder of your hands. Shakspeare.

Upon either a general or a special demurrer, the opposite party avers it [the plea] to be sufficient, which is called a joinder in demurrer. Blackstone.

Jo'INER. n. s. [from join.] One whose trade is to make utensils of wood com-

The people wherewith you plant ought to be Bacon, Essays. smiths, carpenters, and joiners. It is counted good workmanship in a joiner to bear his hand curiously even.

Moxon, Mech. Exercises.

Jo'INERY. + n. s. [from joiner.]

Joinery is an art whereby several pieces of wood are so fitted and joined together by strait lines, squares, miters, or any bevel, that they shall seem one intire piece. Moxon. He put together a piece of joinery, so crossly

indented and whimsically dove-tailed.

Burke, Speech on American Taxation.

Jo'INING.* n. s. [from join.]

1. Hinge; joint.

David prepared iron in abundance for the nails for the doors of the gates, and for the joinings. 1 Chron. xxii. 3.

2. Juncture.

As a nail sticketh fast between joinings of the stones, so doth sin stick close between buying and Ecclus. xxvii. 2.

Joint. n. s. [junctura, Lat.; jointure, Fr.] 1. Articulation of limbs; juncture of mov-

able bones in animal bodies.

Dropsies, and asthmas, and joint racking rheums. Milton, P. L.

I felt the same pain in the same joint. Temple. 2. Hinge ; junctures which admit motion of the parts.

The coach, the cover whereof was made with such joints that as they might, to avoid the weather, pull it up close when they listed; so when they would, they might remain as discovered and opensighted as on horseback.

3. [In joinery; jointe, Fr.]

Strait lines, in joiners' language, is called a joint, that is, two pieces of wood are shot, that is, planed. Moxon. 4. A knot or commissure in a plant.

5. One of the limbs of an animal cut up by the butcher.

In bringing a joint of meat, it falls out of your 6. Out of Joint. Luxated; slipped from

the socket or correspondent part where it naturally moves.

Jacob's thigh was out of joint. Gen. xxiii. 25. My head and whole body was sore hurt, and also one of my arms and legs put out of joint.

7. Out of Joint. Thrown into confusion and disordered; confused; full of dis-

The time is out of joint, oh cursed spight! That ever I was born to set it right. Shakspeare. JOINT. adj.

1. Shared among many.

Entertain no more of it, Than a joint burthen laid upon us all. Though it be common in respect of some men, it is not so to all mankind; but is the joint property of this country, or this parish.

2. United in the same possession, as we say, jointheirs or coheirs, jointheiresses or coheiresses.

The sun and man did strive,

Joint tenants of the world, who should survive. Donne.

Pride then was not; nor arts, that pride to aid; Man walk'd with beast joint tenant of the shade.

3. Combined; acting together in consort. On your joint vigour now,

My hold of this new kingdom all depends.

Milton, P. L. In a war carried on by the joint force of so many nations, France could send troops. Addis.

To Joint. v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To form in articulations.

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The fingers are jointed together for motion, and furnished with several muscles.

Ray on the Creation.

2. To form many parts into one. Against the steed he threw His forceful spear, which hissing as it flew, Pierc'd through the yielding planks of jointed Dryden. wood.

3. To join together in confederacy. used.

The times

Made friends of them, jointing their force 'gainst Cæsar. Shakspeare. 4. To divide a joint; to cut or quarter

into joints. He joints the neck; and with a stroke so strong

The helm flies off; and bears the head along.

JO'INTED. adj. [from joint.] Full of joints,

knots, or commissures. Three cubits high

The jointed herbage shoots.

JO'INTER. n. s. [from joint.] A sort of

plane. The jointer is somewhat longer than the fore-plane, and hath its sole perfectly strait: its office is to follow the fore-plane, and shoot an edge perfectly

strait, when a joint is to be shot. Moxon, Mech. Exercises.

Jo'INTLY. adv. [from joint.]

1. Together; not separately. I began a combat first with him particularly, and after his death with the others jointly. Sidney. Because all that are of the church cannot jointly and equally work; the first thing in polity required is a difference of persons in the church.

The prince told him he could lay no claim to his gratitude, but desired they might go to the altar together, and jointly return their thanks to whom only it was due. Addison.

In a state of union or co-operation. His name a great example stands, to show How strangely high endeavours may be blest, Where piety and valour jointly go. Dryden.

Jo'INTRESS. n. s. [from jointure.] One who holds any thing in jointure. Our queen,

The imperial jointress of this warlike state, We've taken now to wife. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

JOINTSTO'OL. n. s. [joint and stool.] A stool made not merely by insertion of the feet, but by inserting one part in another.

He rides the wild mare with the boys, and jumps upon jointstools, and wears his boot very smooth

like unto the sign of the leg. Shakspeare.
Could that be eternal which they had seen a rude trunk, and perhaps the other piece of it a jointstool.

He used to lay chairs and jointstools in their way, that they might break noses by falling. Arbuthnot.

JO'INTURE. † n. s. [old French jointure; "tenure que l'on possède conjointement avec quelqu'un." Lacombe.] Estate settled on a wife to be enjoyed after her husband's decease.

The jointure that your king must make. Which with her dowry shall be counterpois'd.

Shakspeare. The old countess of Desmond, who lived in 1589, and, many years since, was married in Edward the Fourth's time, and held her jointure from all the Earls of Desmond since then.

Ralegh, Hist. of the World.

father.

There's a civil question us'd of late, Where lies my jointure, where your own estate? Dryden.

What's property? You see it alter, Or, in a mortgage, prove a lawyer's share, Or, in a jointure, vanish from the heir. To Jo'INTURE.* v. a. [from the noun.] To endow with a jointure.

If thou, my dear, thyself should'st prize, Alas, what value would suffice?

The Spaniard could not do't, though he Cowley. Should to both Indies jointure thee. The generous youth, more anxious grown

For publick liberty than for his own,

Marries some jointur'd antiquated crone!

S. Jenyns, Mod. Fine Gentleman.

JO'INTURESS.* n. s. [from jointure.] A wife upon whom an estate is settled, to be enjoyed after the death of her husband. This seems to be a word now wanted. It is nearly one hundred and fifty years old in the following example.

He [Butler, the poet,] married a good join-turesse, the relict of—Morgan, by which meanes he lives comfortably. Aubrey, Anecd. &c. ii. 262.

JOIST. n. s. [from joindre, Fr.] The secondary beam of a floor.

Some wood is not good to use for beams or joists, because of the brittleness.

Mortimer, Husbandry The kettle to the top was hoist, And there stood fasten'd to a joist. Swift.

To Joist. v. a. [from the noun.] To fit in the smaller beams of a flooring.

JOKE. † n. s. [101c, Saxon; jocus, Lat.] A jest; something not serious. Link towns to towns with avenues of oak, Inclose whole downs in walls, 'tis all a joke !

Inexorable death shall level all. Why should publick mockery in print, or a merry joke upon a stage, be a better test of truth than public persecutions? Watts on the Mind.

To Joke. v. n. [jocor, Lat.] To jest; to be merry in words or actions.

Our neighbours tell me oft, in joking talk, Of ashes, leather, oatmeal, bran, and chalk. Gay.

Jo'KER. n. s. [from joke.] A jester; a merry fellow.

Thou mad'st thy first appearance in the world like a dry joker, buffoon, or jack-pudding.

Jo'KING.* n. s. [from joke.] Utterance of a joke.

Joking decides great things, Stronger and better oft than earnest can. Milton, Transl. of Horace.

Jo'kingly.* adj. [from joking.] In a jesting, merry way.

JOLE. † n. s. [gueule, Fr.; ciol, Saxon. Dr. Johnson. - Our word is evidently Saxon, either cool or ceole, or zeazl. It has been accordingly written by some writers choule or chowle, and geoule. See CHOULE; and Junius in the first, and Howell's Letters in the second sense, before us. " Joll or hede, caput." Prompt. Parv.

The face or cheek. It is seldom used but in the phrase cheek by jole.

Follow! nay, I'll go with thee cheek by jole. Shakspeare. A swoln and inflamed face, beset with goodly

Junius, Sin Stigmat. (1635,) p. 38. And by him in another hole, Afflicted Ralpho, cheek by jole. Hudibras. Your wan complexion, and your thin joles,

Dryden.

A man, who has digested all the fathers, lets a pure English divine go cheek by jole with him. Collier on Pride.

2. The head of a fish.

You shall receive by this carrier a great wicker hamper, with two geoules of sturgeon, six barrels of pickled oysters, &c. Howell, Lett. i. v. 15. A salmon's belly, Helluo, was thy fate,

The doctor call'd, declares all help too late : Mercy! cries Helluo, mercy on my soul! Is there no hope? alas! then bring the jowl.

Red speckled trouts, the salmon's silver jole, The jointed lobster, and unscaly soale. Gay, Trivia.

To Joll. v. a. [from jole, the head.] To beat the head against any thing; to clash with violence.

Howsoe'er their hearts are sever'd in religion, their heads are both one: they may joll horns together, like any deer i' the herd. Shakspeare. The tortoises envied the easiness of the frogs,

till they saw them jolled to pieces and devour'd for want of a buckler. L'Estrange.

Jo'llily. + adv. [from jolly.] 1. Gaily; with elevation of spirit.

[He] now on cockhorse gallops jollily.

Marston, Scourge of Vill. (1599,) i. 3.

2. In a disposition to noisy mirth. The goodly empress jollily inclin'd, Is to the welcome bearer wond'rous kind.

Dryden, Pers. JO'LLIMENT. n. s. [from jolly.] Mirth;

merriment; gaiety. Obsolete. Matter of mirth enough, though there were

She could devise, and thousand ways invent To feed her foolish humour, and vain jolliment. Spenser, F. Q.

Jo'lliness.†) n. s. [old French, joliete; his old dictionary, gives jolliness.] Jo'llity.

1. Gaiety; elevation of spirit.

He with a proud jollity commanded him to leave that quarrel only for him, who was only worthy to enter into it. Sidney.

2. Merriment; festivity. With joyance bring her, and with jollity.

There shall these pairs of faithful lovers be Wedded, with Theseus, all in jollity. Shaksp. It turneth also every thought into jollity and mirth. 1 Esdr. iii. 20.

He grudges not our moderate and seasonable jollities. Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 69. The brazen throat of war had ceas'd to roar;

All now was turn'd to jollity and game, To luxury and riot, feast and dance. Milt. P. L.

Good men are never so surprised as in the midst of their jollities, nor so fatally overtaken and caught as when the table is made the snare.

With branches we the fanes adorn, and waste In jollity the day ordain'd to be the last.

Dryden, Æn. My heart was filled with melancholy to see several dropping in the midst of mirth and jollity. Addison, Spect.

3. Handsomeness; beauty. See the third sense of Jolly.

When nature is in her chiefest jollity, she tapestries the whole universe with a world of delicious Partheneia Sacra, (1633,) p. 31.

JO'LLY.† adj. [joli, Fr.; jovialis, Lat. Formerly jolif; and sometimes joylife, as by Gower; and afterwards joyly: " Is not your doctrine a joyly and holesom doctrine?" Stapleton Fort. of the Faith, 1565. fol. 37.7

1. Gay; merry; airy; cheerful; lively; jovial.

Like a jolly troop of huntsmen, come O ur lusty English. Shakspeare, K. John.

O nightingale! Thou with fresh hope the lover's heart do'st fill, While the jolly hours lead on propitious May. Milton, Sonnet.

All my griefs to this are jolly,

Nought so sad as melancholy.

Burton, Anat. of Mel.

Even ghosts had learn'd to groan; But free from punishment, as free from sin, The shades liv'd jolly, and without a king.

Dryden, Juv. This gentle knight, inspir'd by jolly May, Forsook his easy couch at early day. Dryden. A shepherd now along the plain he roves, And with his jolly pipe delights the groves. Prior.

2. Plump; like one in high health.

He catches at an apple of Sodom, which though

it may entertain his eye with a florid, jolly white and red, yet, upon the touch, it shall fill his hand only with stench and foulness.

3. Handsome; well-favoured. Full jolly knight he seem'd, and faire did sit.

Jolly-Boat.* A term for a ship's small boat; probably a corruption of julle, Swedish, a yawl.

To JOLT. † v. n. [I know not whence derived. Dr. Johnson. - Perhaps from the Swedish hjul, a wheel; from which Serenius derives julra, to totter.] shake as a carriage on rough ground.

Every little unevenness of the ground will cause such a jolling of the chariot as to hinder the motion of its sails.

Violent motion, as jolting in a coach, may be used in this case.

Arbuthnot on Diet. A coach and six horses is the utmost exercise you can bear, and how glad would you be, if it could waft you in the air to avoid jolling. Swift. To Jolt. + v. a. To shake one as a car-

riage does. Is it not very unhappy that Lysander must be attacked and applauded in a wood, and Corinna Jo'seph.* n. s. A riding-coat or habit for julted and commended in a stage-coach?

Tatler, No. 215.

JOLT. n. s. [from the verb.] Shock; violent agitation.

The symptoms are, bloody water upon a sudden jolt or violent motion. Arbuthnot on Diet. The first jolt had like to have shaken me out; but afterwards the motion was easy.

Jo'LTER.* n. s. [from jolt.] That which shakes or jolts. Cotgrave, and Sherwood. Jo'LTHEAD. † n. s. [I know not whence derived. Dr. Johnson. - Probably from jole, the head; a contemptuous reduplication.] A great head; a dolt; a

Fie on thee, jolthead, thou canst not read.

blockhead.

Had man been a dwarf, he had scarce been a reasonable creature; for he must then have either had a jolthead, and so there would not have been body and blood enough to supply his brain with spirits; or he must have had a small head, and so there would not have been brain enough for his

Io'NICK.* adj. [Fr. Ionique; from Ionia in Greece.

1. Belonging to one of the orders of architecture.

There is an Ionick pillar in the Santa Maria Transtevere, where the marks of the compass are still to be seen on the volute. Addison on Italy. 2. Denoting an airy kind of musick.

Go to their tune: the one delights in the Ionique, the other altogether in the Dorique.

Howell, Instruct. For. Trav. p. 73. 3. Belonging to the dialect of the Ionians. In St. Mark the argument is taken away from the verb; φόνον πεποιήκεισαν for έπεποιήκεισαν; which is frequent in the Ionic and poetical Dialect. Blackwall, Sacr. Class. ii. 56.

4. Denoting the first of the ancient sect of philosophers; of which the founder was Thales.

JONQUI'LLE. n. s. [jonquille, Fr.] A species of daffodil. The flowers of this plant are greatly esteemed for their lo'TA.* n. s. [10ca, Sax.; iota, Fr. See strong sweet scent.

Miller. Jot.] A tittle.

Nor gradual bloom is wanting,

Nor hyacinths of purest virgin white, Low bent and blushing inward; nor jonquilles Of potent fragrance. Thomson, Spring.

Jo'RDEN. † n. s. [30p, Sax. stercus, and ben, receptaculum. Dr. Johnson from Skinner. So Serenius; goer, Su. Goth. excrementum, and den, cavea. Both denoting a receptacle of filth. It is sometimes written jordan. Chaucer uses it; "thyne urynals, and thy jordanes," Pardoner's Prologue; where Mr. Tyrwhitt notices the mention of the word by Walsingham; "duæ ollæ, quas

jordanes vocamus."] A pot.
They will allow us ne'er a jorden, and then we leak in your chimney; and your chamberlye breeds fleas like a loach. Shakspeare. This China jorden let the chief o'ercome

Replenish not ingloriously at home.

Pope, Dunciad. The copper-pot can boil milk, heat porridge, hold small-beer, or in case of necessity, serve a for a jorden.

Jo'Rum.* n. s. A colloquial term in several parts of England for a bowl or drinking-vessel with liquor in it : hence the burden of a song, "Push about the

women, with buttons down to the skirts. A word formerly much in use; but now, as well as the dress itself, rarely found, or mentioned.

Joseph's Flowers. n. s. A plant.

Ainsworth. To Jo'stle. v. a. [jouster, Fr.] To justle; to rush against.

OT.† n. s. [jota, Gothick; 10ta, Saxon; 1. Under the influence of Jupiter. 1ωτα, Greek; jod, Heb. See also Ioτλ.] A point; a tittle; the least quantity assignable.

As superfluous flesh did rot, Amendment ready still at hand did wait, To pluck it out with pincers fiery hot, That soon in him was left no one corrupt jot.

Spenser, F. Q. Go Eros, send his treasure after, do it;

Detain no jot, I charge thee. Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop.

Let me not stay a jot from dinner; go, get it Shakspeare. This nor hurts him nor profits you a jot;

Forbear it therefore; give your cause to Heav'n. This bond doth give thee here no jot of blood;

The words expressly are a pound of flesh. Shakspeare.

I argue not Against Heaven's hand, or will; nor bate one jot Of heart or hope; but still bear up, and steer Right onwards. Milton, Sonnet.

You might, with every jot as much justice, hang me up, because I'm old, as beat me because I'm L'Estrange. A man may read the discourses of a very ra-

tional author, and yet acquire not one jot of know-

The final event will not be one jot less the consequence of our own choice and actions, for God's having from all eternity foreseen and determined what that event shall be.

To Jor.* v. a. [from the noun.] To set down; to make a memorandum of. Modern.

It is no less than a direct affront to our Creator and Governor, in a branch of that law, that he values as a transcript of his own holiness, and enforces by the penalty of eternal death threatened to the transgressors of the least iota of it.

Barrow, vol. i. S. 10. Nor have all the self-reflections or abstractions of the most exalted minds, from any combinations or alterations of ideas, been able, amidst their other prodigious discoveries, to add a single iota to one of these.

Ellis, Knowl. of Divine Things, p. 115.

Jo'TTING.* n. s. [from To jot.] A memorandum; as, cursory jottings. Of very recent usage. The Scotch also employ this word. See Dr. Jamieson's Diction-

JO'VIAL. † adj. [jovialis, Lat.; jovial, French; which Cotgrave renders "jovial, sanguine, born under the planet Jupiter;" and he describes a jovialist as "one that is naturally, and by complexion, pleasant or sanguine." A learned etymologist of modern times considers the word, in its secondary sense, as connected with jubilo, meaning to make a noise of loud and unrestrained merriment. "From the accidental similarity of jovial, loudly joyous, to jovial, relating to Jupiter, a confusion has arisen; and our ancient poets, as well as their commentators, appear to have imagined, that jovial, in the sense of merry, was deduced from jovial, as a quality belonging to Jove." Whiter's Etymol. Magn. p. 219. Skinner agrees with Cotgrave.]

The fixed stars are astrologically differenced by the planets, and are esteemed martial or jovial, according to the colours whereby they answer these Brown, Vulg. Err.

2. Gay; airy; merry; cheerful.

The heavens always jovial, Look'd on them lovely. Spenser, F. Q. ii. xii. 51. My lord, sleek o'er your rugged looks,

Be bright and jovial 'mong your guests.

Shakspeare, Macbeth. Our jovial star reign'd at his birth.

Shakspeare, Cymbeline.
Some men, of an ill and melancholy nature, incline the company, into which they come, to be sad and ill-disposed; and contrariwise, others of a jovial nature dispose the company to be merry and Bacon, Nat. Hist.

eerful.

His odes are some of them panegyrical, others

and the rest invital or bacchanalian.

Dryden. moral, the rest jovial or bacchanalian. Perhaps the jest that charm'd the sprightly

crowd. And made the jovial table laugh so loud, To some fale notion ow'd its poor pretence. Prior. Jo'vialist.* n. s. [from jovial.] One who | 2. Any paper published daily. lives jovially. Cotgrave and Sherwood both give this word. See the etymology of JOVIAL.

What talk we to these jovialists? It is liberty, with them, for a man to speak what he thinks, to

take what he likes, to do what he lists.

Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 21. The jovialists of the world drink wine in bowls. Bp. Hall, Works, iii. 678.

Jo'vially. † adv. [from jovial.] Merrily; gaily.

Though his table be jovially furnished.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 235. Fare jovially, and clap your hands.

B. Jonson, Fox, Epilogue.

Jo'VIALNESS. n. s. [from jovial.] Gaiety; merriment.

They are not become true penitents. - Swearing, with such persons, is but a grace and lustre to their speech; —lying but wit's craft or policy; drunkenness, jovialness or good fellowship; —thus do they baptize vice by the name of virtue.

Hewyt, Serm. (1658,) p. 32. Jo'vialty.* n. s. [from jovial.] Merri-

ment; festivity.

The first day vapours away in tobacco, feasts, and other jovialty. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 308.
The night, —he had purposed to spend in jov-

ialtie, whilst others slept.

Gregory, Posthum. (1650,) p. 245. To think that this perhaps might be the last banquet they should taste of; that they should themselves shortly become the feast of worms and serpents, could not but somewhat spoil the gust of their highest delicacies, and disturb the sport of their loudest jovialties.

Barrow, Works, vol. iii. S. 14.

Jo'uisance. n.s. [rejouissance, Fr.] Jollity; merriment; festivity. Obsolete.
Colin, my dear, when shall it please thee sing,

As thou wert wont, songs of some jouisance?

Thy muse too long slumbereth in sorrowing, Lulled asleep through love's misgovernance.

To Jounce. * v. a. To shake; to jolt: as, a jouncing trot, i.e. a hard rough trot. Norfolk Dial. Grose. Hence a jounce, in the same part of England, is a jolt or shake. Probably from the old French jancer, "to stir a horse in the stable till he sweat withal." Cotgrave.

To Jour.* To shake up; to dash. See To JAUP. Grose, and Craven Dialect. JO'URNAL. adj. [journale, Fr. giornale,

Italian.] Daily; quotidian. Out of use. Now gan the golden Phoebus for to steep

His fiery face in billows of the west, And his faint steeds water'd in ocean deep, Whilst from their journal labours they did rest.

Spenser, F. Q. Ere twice

The sun has made his journal greeting to The under generation, you shall find Your safety manifested

Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas. Stick to your journal course; the breach of custom

Is breach of all. Shakspeare, Cymbeline. Jo'urnal. n. s. [journal, Fr.; giornale, Italian.]

1. A diary; an account kept of daily trans-

Edward kept a most judicious journal of all the principal passages of the affairs of his estate.

Hayward on Edw. VI.
Time has destroyed two noble journals of the navigation of Hanno and of Hamiltar.

Arbuthnot on Coins.

Jo'unnalist. n. s. [from journal.] A writer of journals.

The reader will be surprized to find the abovementioned journalist taking so much care of a life, that was filled with such inconsiderable actions.

To Jo'urnalize.* v. a. [from journal.] To enter in an account of daily trans-

He kept his journal very diligently, but then what was there to journalize?

JO'URNEY. n. s. [journée, Fr.]

1. The travel of a day.

When Duncan is asleep,
Whereto the rather shall this day's hard journey Shakspeare, Macbeth. Soundly invite him. Scarce the sun

Hath finish'd half his journey. Milton, P. L. 2. Travel by land; distinguished from a voyage or travel by sea.

So are the horses of the enemy, In general journey bated and brought low.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV Before the light of the gospel, mankind travelled like people in the dark, without any certain prospect of the end of their journey, or of the way that

He for the promis'd journey bids prepare The smooth hair'd horses and the rapid car.

Pope, Odyssey.

3. Passage from place to place. Some, having a long journey from the upper regions, would float up and down a good while.

Light of the world, the ruler of the year, Still as thou dost thy radiant journies run, Through every distant climate own, That in fair Albion thou hast seen

The greatest prince the brightest queen. To Jo'urney. v. n. [from the noun.] To

travel; to pass from place to place.

Gentlemen of good esteem
Are journeying to salute the emperour. Shakspeare. We are journeying unto the place, of which the Lord said, I will give it you. Numbers, x. 29. Since such love's natural station is, may still My love descend, and journey down the hill; Not panting after growing beauties, so

Donne. I have journeyed this morning, and it is now the lieat of the day; therefore your Lordship's dis-courses had need content my ears very well, to make them intreat my eyes to keep open. Bacon. Over the tent a cloud

I shall ebb on with them who homeward go.

Shall rest by day, a fiery gleam by night, Save when they journey.

Having heated his body by journeying, he took

Wiseman, Surgery. cold upon the ground. Jo'urneyman. n. s. [journée, a day's work, Fr. and man.] A hired workman; a

workman hired by the day. They were called journeymen that

wrought with others by the day, though now by statute it be extended to those likewise that covenant to work in their occupation with another by the year.

Cowel. Players have so strutted and bellowed, that I have thought some of nature's journeymen had made men, and not made them well.

Shakspeare, Hamlet. I intend to work for the court myself, and will have journeymen under me to furnish the rest of the nation.

Says Frog to Bull, this old rogue will take the business into his hands: we must starve or turn journeymen to old Lewis Baboon.

Arbuthnot, John Bull.

Jo'urneywork. n. s. [journée, Fr. and work. Work performed for hire; work done by the day.

Did no committee sit, where he Might cut out journeywork for thee? And set thee a task with subordination,

Hudibras. To stitch up sale and sequestration. Her family she was forced to hire out at journeywork to her neighbours. Arbuthnot, John Bull.

JOUST.† n. s. [joust, Fr. jost, impetus; ant. Fland. Serenius.] Tilt; tournament; mock fight. It is now written less properly just. Dr. Johnson.—
Spenser writes it giust, following the Italian giostra. Lat. juxtà.

And sing of bloody Mars, of wars, of giusts. Spenser, Shep. Cal. Oct.

Bases, and tinsel trappings, gorgeous knights At joust and tournament. Milton, P. L. To Joust. † v. n. [jouster, Fr.] To run in the tilt.

So forth they went and both together giusted. Spenser, F. Q. All who since

Jousted in Aspramont or Montalban. Milton, P. L. Jowl.* See Jole.

Jo'wleb. † n. s. [perhaps corrupted from howler, as making a hideous noise after the game, whom the rest of the pack follow as their leader. Dr. Johnson. -Rather perhaps from jowl, as jole, the head, is sometimes written; hounds having usually large heads.] The name of a hunting dog or beagle.

See him drag his feeble legs about, Like hounds ill-coupled: jowler lugs him still Through hedges, ditches, and through all this ill.

Dryden. Jo'wter. n. s. [perhaps corrupted from

Plenty of fish is vented to the fish-drivers, whom

we call jowters. JOY. † n. s. [joye, Fr. gioia, Italian. Dr. Johnson. — Menage deduces the word from the Latin gaudium; Morin from the Greek interjection id, Lat. io, a cry of joy. The abbreviation of gau for gau-

dium, however exists.]

1. The passion produced by any happy accident; gladness; exultation; delight. Dr. Johnson here cites the definition of Locke: "Joy is a delight of the mind, from the consideration of the present, or assured approaching possession of a good." It is thus minutely distinguished by one of our old learned divines. "He doth not say, 'with food and joy,' Acts, xiv. 17. For joy, properly taken, hath its seat in the mind and spirit of man; nor is it there placed without the spirit of God; whereas the gladness, whereof the apostle there speaks, may harbour in the inferiour or affective part. This difference, which we now observe, between joy and gladness in our English, the Greek writers curiously observe between ἐυφροσύνη and χαρά; so do the Latins between lætitia and gaudium." Dr. Jackson, Works, iii. 541.

There appears much joy in him; even so much, that joy could not shew itself modest enough without a badge of bitterness. Shakspeare.

There should not be such heaviness in their destruction, as shall be joy over them that are persuaded to salvation. 2 Esdr.

The lightsome passion of joy was not that trivial, vanishing, superficial thing, that only gilds the apprehension, and plays upon the surface of the soul. South.

2. Gaiety; merriment; festivity. The roofs with joy resound; And hymen, io hymen rung around.

3. Happiness; felicity. My lord Bassanio, and my gentle lady, I wish you all the joy that you can wish.

Dryden.

Come, love and health to all: Then I'll sit down: give me some wine: I drink to the general joy of the whole table. Shaks.

Almeyda smiling came, Attended with a train of all her race,

Whom in the rage of empire I had murder'd; But now, no longer foes, they gave me joy
Of my new conquest. Dryden, Don Sebast. The bride,

Lovely herself, and lovely by her side, A bevy of bright nymphs, with soher grace, Came glittering like a star, and took her place: Her heavenly form beheld, all wish'd her joy; And little wanted, but in vain, their wishes all

The said Mrs. Flambeau had not been to see the lady Townly, and wish her joy, since her marriage with Sir Ralph. Tatler, No. 262.

4. A term of fondness.

Now our joy, Although the last, not least;

What can you say? Shakspeare, K. Lear. To Joy. v. n. [from the noun.] To re-

joice; to be glad; to exult. Sometimes I joy when glad occasion fits, And mask in mirth like to a comedy;

Soon after, when my joy to sorrow flits, I will make my woes a tragedy.

I cannot joy, until I be resolv'd Where our right valiant father is become

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. He will joy over thee with singing

Zeph. iii. 17. I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation. Hab. iii. 18. Exceedingly the more joyed we for the joy of

Titus, because his spirit was refreshed by you. 2 Cor. vii. 13. They laugh, we weep; they jay while we lament.

No man imparteth his joys to his friend, but he joyeth the more; and no man imparteth his griefs, but he grieveth the less. Bacon, Ess.

Well then, my soul, joy in the midst of pain; Thy Christ that conquer'd hell, shall from above With greater triumph yet return again,

And conquer his own justice with his love. Wotton. Joy thou,

In what he gives to thee, this paradise, And thy fair Eve. Milton, P. L. Their cheerful age with honour youth attends, Joy'd that from pleasure's slavery they are free.

To Joy. v. a.

1. To congratulate; to entertain kindly. Like us they love or hate, like us they know To joy the friend, or grapple with the foe. Prior.

2. To gladden; to exhilarate.

She went to Palema, meaning to delight her eyes and joy her thoughts with the conversation of her beloved sister.

My soul was joy'd in vain;

For angry Neptune rouz'd the raging main. Pope. 3. [Jouir de, French.] To enjoy; to have happy possession of.

Let us hence, And let her joy her raven-colour'd love.

Titus, Andron. I might have liv'd, and joy'd immortal bliss, Yet willingly chose rather death with thee. Milton, P. L.

Th' usurper joy'd not long His ill-got crown. Dryden, Span. Fr.

Jo'YANCE. n. s. [joiant, old French.] Gaiety; festivity. Obsolete.

With joyance bring her, and with jollity. Spenser. His gladfulness and kingly joyance. Spenser.

Jo'YFUL. adj. [joy and full.

1. Full of joy; glad; exulting.

They blessed the king, and went unto their tents joyful and glad of heart, 1 Kings, viii. 66. My soul shall be joyful in my God. Isa. lxi. 10.

2. Sometimes it has of before the cause of

Six brave companions from each ship we lost: With sails outspread we fly th' unequal strife, Sad for their loss, but joyful of our life. Pope, Odyss.

JO'YFULLY. adv. [from joyful.] With joy; gladly.

If we no more meet 'till we meet in heav'n, Then joufully, my noble lord of Bedford, And my kind kinsmen, warriours all, adieu. Shakspeare, Hen. V.

Never did men more joyfully obey, Or sooner understood the sign to flie: With such alacrity they bore away, As if to praise them all the states stood by.

Dryden. The good Christian considers pains only as necessary passages to a glorious immortality; that, through this dark scene of fancied horror, sees a crown and a throne, and everlasting blessings prepared for him, joyfully receives his summons, as he

has long impatiently expected it. Wake. Jo'YFULNESS. n. s. [from joy ful.] Gladness; joy.

Thou servedst not the Lord thy God with joyfulness, and with gladness of heart, for the abundance of all things. Deut. xxviii, 47.

Jo'YLESS. adj. [from joy.]

1. Void of joy; feeling no pleasure. A little joy enjoys the queen thereof; For I am she, and altogether joyless. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

With downcast eyes the joyless victor sat, Revolving in his alter'd soul The various turns of chance below: And now and then a sigh he stole,

And tears began to flow. Dryden, Alex. Feast. 2. It has sometimes of before the object. With two fair eyes his mistress burns his breast;

He looks and languishes, and leaves his rest; Forsakes his food, and, pining for the last, Is joyless of the grove, and spurns the growing grass.

3. Giving no pleasure.

A joyless, dismal, black, and sorrowful issue: Here is the babe, as loathsome as a toad.

Titus, Andron. Here love his golden shafts employs; here lights His constant lamp, and waves his purple wings; Reigns here, and revels : not in the bought smiles Of harlots, loveless, joyless, unendear'd,

Milton, P. L. The pure in heart shall see God; and if any others could so invade this their inclosure, as to take heaven by violence, it surely would be a very Decay of Chr. Piety. joyless possession.

He forgets his sleep, and loaths his food, That youth, and health, and war are joyless to him.

Jo'YLESSLY.* adv. [from joyless.] Without receiving pleasure; without giving plea-

of being joyless.

Is the joy of heaven no perfecter in itself, but that it needs the sourness of this life to give it a taste? Is that joy, and that glory, but a compa-

rative glory, and a comparative joy? not such in itself, but such in comparison of the joylessness and the ingloriousness of this world? I know, my God, it is far, far otherwise.

Donne, Devot. (1625,) p. 426. Jo'vous. † adj. [old French, joious; modern, joyeux.]

1. Glad; gay; merry.

Most joyous man, on whom the shining sun Did shew his face, myself I did esteem, And that my falser friend did no less joyous deem.

Spenser, F. Q. Is this your joyous city, whose antiquity is of ancient days? Isaiah, xxiii. 7. Joyous the birds; fresh gales and gentle airs

Whisper'd it. Milton, P. L. Then joyous birds frequent the lonely grove, And beasts, by nature stung, renew their love.

Dryden. Fast by her flowery bank the sons of Arcas, Favourites of Heaven, with happy care protect Their fleecy charge, and joyous drink her wave.

2. Giving joy.

They all as glad as birds of joyous prime, Thence led her forth, about her dancing round. Spenser, F. Q.

3. It has of sometimes before the cause of Round our death-bed every friend should run,

And joyous of our conquest early won; While the malicious world with envious tears

Should grudge our happy end, and wish it theirs.

Jo'Yously.* adv. [from joyous.] With joy; with gladness. Huolet, and Barret. They were of the senate and people joyously re-Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 131.

Jo'vousness.* n. s. [from joyous.] State of being joyous.

IPECACUA'NHA.† n. s. [An Indian plant.] Ipecacuanha is a small irregularly contorted root, rough, dense, and firm. One sort is of a dusky greyish colour on the surface, and of a paler grey when broken, brought from Peru: the other sort is a small root, resembling the former; but it is of a deep dusky brown on the outside, and white when broken, brought from the Brazils. The grey ought to be preferred, because the brown is apt to operate more roughly.

Hill, Mat. Med. The violent operation of ipecacuanha lies in its resin, but the saline extract is a gentle purge and diuretic by the stimulus of its salts.

Bp. Berkeley, Siris, \$ 84. I'POCRAS.* n. s. [See HIPPOCRAS. Where Dr. Johnson follows the opinions of many in explaining it a medicated wine, quasi vinum Hippocratis. Morin thinks it more probably derived from the Gr. 570 and κρᾶσις, a mixture, and to have no connection with the name of Hippocrates. But Mr. Tyrwhitt says, that "ipocras, wine mixed with spices and other ingredients, was so named, because strained through a woollen cloth, called the sleeve

of Hippocrates."] Spiced wine. He drinketh ipocras, &c. Chaucer, Merch. Tale. Draughts of ippocras out of a great bowl. Sir J. Finett, Observ. on Ambass. (1656,) p. 11.

Jo'YLESSNESS.* n. s. [from joyless.] State IRASCIBI'LITY.* n. s. [from irascible.] Propensity or disposition to anger.

The irascibility of this class of tyrants is generally exerted upon petty provocations.

Johnson, Rambler, No. 112.

IRA'SCIBLE. adj. [irascibilis, low Latin;] irascible, Fr.] Partaking of the nature

The irascible passions follow the temper of the heart, and the concupisciple distractions the crasis of the liver. I know more than one instance of irascible pas-

sions subdued by a vegetable diet.

Arbuthnot on Aliments. We are here in the country surrounded with blessings and pleasures, without any occasion of exercising our irascible faculties. Digby to Pope.

IRA'SCIBLENESS.* n. s. [from irascible.] State of being angry.

IRE. + n. s. [ira, Latin; ippe, Saxon; ire, old French:

" My good father, tell me this; " What thing is ire? Sonne, it is That in our English wrath is hote."

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 3.] Anger; rage; passionate hatred. She lik'd not his desire;

Fain would be free, but dreaded parents' ire.

If I digg'd up thy forefathers' graves, And hung their rotten coffins up in chains, It could not slake mine ire, nor ease my heart. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

Or Neptune's ire, or Juno's, that so long Perplex'd the Greek and Cytherea's son.

Milton, P. L. The sentence, from thy head remov'd, may light On me, sole cause to thee of all this woe; Me! me! only just object of his ire. Milton, P.L.
For this the avenging Power employs his darts,
And empties all his quiver in our hearts; Thus will persist, relentless in his ire,

Till the fair slave be render'd to her sire. Dryden. I'REFUL. † adj. [ire and full.] Angry;

raging; furious.

The ireful bastard Orleans, that drew blood From thee, my boy, I soon encounter'd.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. By many hands your father was subdued; But only slaughter'd by the *ireful* arm Of unrelenting Clifford. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

There learn'd this maid of arms the ireful guise.

Is he not ireful, and replenished with wrath and displeasure? Homilies, Serm. ii. against Adultery. In midst of all the dome misfortune sat,

And gloomy discontent and fell debate, And madness laughing in his ireful mood. Dryden.

I'REFULLY.† adv. [from ire.] With ire; in an angry manner.

[He] irefully enrag'd would needs to open arms. Drayton, Polyolb. S. 4.

I'RENARCH.* n. s. [irenarque, French; εἰρηνάρχης, Greek; from εἰρήνη, peace, and άρχὸς, a ruler.] An officer of the old Greek empire, employed to preserve publick tranquillity.

IRE'NICAL. * adj. [εἰρηνικός, Gr.] Pacifick;

desirous of peace. How meek his temper was, his many irenical

tracts do shew. Pref. to Bp. Hall's Rem. (1660,) sign. b.

I'RIS. n. s. [Latin.]

1. The rainbow.

Beside the solary *iris*, which God shewed unto Noah, there is another lunary, whose efficient is

2. Any appearance of light resembling the rainbow.

When both bows appeared more distinct, I measured the breath of the interior iris 2 gr. 10'; and the breadth of the red yellow, and green in

the exterior iris, was to the breadth of the same Newton, Opt. colours in the interior 3 to 2. 3. The circle round the pupil of the eye.

4. The flower-de-luce. Iris all hues, roses, and jessamine.

Milton, P. L.

I'RISH.* n. s. 1. Natives of Ireland. [Erin.]

All the customs of the Irish, which I have often noted and compared, would minister occasion of a most ample discourse of the original of them, and the antiquity of that people, which in truth I think to be more auncient than most that I know in this end of the world. Spenser on Ireland.

It was from the time when he [Swift] first began to patronize the Irish, that they may date their riches and prosperity. Johnson, Life of Swift.

2. The Irish language.

There are many compositions of letters in Irish, which have not the same force in English. Richardson on the Irish Language, (1712.)

3. A game of elder times.

The inconstancy of Irish fitly represents the changeableness of humane occurrences, since it ever stands so fickle that one malignant throw can quite ruine a never so well built game.

Hall, Horæ Vacivæ, (1646.)

4. Linen so called, being made in Ireland. I'RISH.* adj. Denoting what belongs to Ireland, what is produced or made in

The Irish will be better drawn to the English, than the English to the Irish government.

Spenser on Ireland. My couches, beds, and window-curtains are of Guardian, No. 49. Irish stuff.

I'RISHISM.* n. s. [from Irish.] Mode of speaking used by the Irish.

"I will be there as soon as you." I will, instead of I shall, is a Scoticism. Douce. And an Irishism too. Reed, Note on Shaksp. Com. of Err.

I'RISHRY.* n. s. [from Irish.] The people of Ireland. See Englishry.

I knew that among the Irishry it was not yet clean taken away. Bryskett, Disc. of Civ. Life, (1606,) p. 157.

To IRK. + v. a. [yrk, work, Icelandick. Dr. Johnson. — yrkia, to urge on, Goth. Serenius. - But Lye rightly supposes it to be the Saxon peope, or pype, pain, torture, anxiety.] This word is used only impersonally, it irks me; mihi pæna est, it gives me pain; or, I am weary of it. Thus the authors of the Accidence say, tædet, it irketh. Dr. Johnson. -Certainly it is commonly used impersonally, but the following example is an exception.

But when these pelting poets in their rimes Shall taunt, or jest, or paint our wicked workes, And cause the people know and curse our crimes, This ugly fault no tyrant lines but irkes.

Mir. for Mag. p. 456. It irketh me to hear one thing so often. Huloet. Come, shall we go and kill us venison?

And yet it irks me, the poor dappled fools Should, in their own confines, with forked heads, Have their round haunches gor'd. Shakspeare. It irks his heart he cannot be reveng'd.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

I'RKSOME. † adj. [from irk.] 1. Wearisome; tedious; troublesome; toilsome; tiresome; unpleasing.

I know she is an irksome brawling scold.

Shakspeare. Since that thou can'st talk of love so well, Thy company, which erst was irksome to me, Shakspeare, As you like it. I will endure.

Where he may likeliest find Truce to his restless thoughts, and entertain The irksome hours, till his great chief return. Milton, P. L.

For not to irksome toil, but to delight He made us, and delight to reason join'd. Milton, P. L.

There is nothing so irksome as general discourses, especially when they turn chiefly upon Addison, Spect. Frequent appeals from hence have been very irksome to that illustrious body. Swift.

2. Weary; tired. Not now in use. The people then embracing titles new, Irksome of present, and longing for change, Assented soon, because they love to range.

Mir. for Mag. p. 352. Wea-I'rksomely. † adv. [from irksome.] risomely; tediously.

Our doctrine forces not errour and unwillingness irksomely to keep it.

Milton, Doct. and Discip. of Divorce, i. 13. Neither irksomely hating, nor fondly loving, Barrow, Works, i. 4. himself.

I'RKSOMENESS. † n. s. [from irksome.] Tediousness: wearisomeness.

As Castilio describes it, the beginning, middle, end of love, is nought else but sorrow, vexation, torment, irksomeness. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 521. Thus was he driven to shift and change his de-

sire from one thing to another, finding solid content in never a one of them; but, after some small experience, great irksomeness in them all.

Fotherby, Atheom. p. 209.
The irksomeness of that truth, which they brought, was so unpleasant to them, that every where they call it a burden.

Milton, Reas. of Ch. Gov. B. 2.

I'RON. + n. s. [haiarn, Welsh; iorn, Erse; iarrun, Irish; ipn, ipen, Sax. iern, Dan. iarn, Iceland. iarn, earn, Goth. "ab Iberia sic dictum." Serenius.]

1. A metal found in most parts of the world. Its specifick gravity is 778, water being 100; so that it is not a heavy metal, though there are many lighter. It is one of the few metals which are magnetick. It is employed in medicine, though of much less importance than several other metals. Journ. of Arts and Sciences, No. 20, p. 286. But its several uses are far more important than those of any other metal. It is one of the hardest of the metals, yet malleable, and most so as it approaches nearest, when heated, to fusion.

Nor airless dungeon, nor strong links of iron, Can be retentive to the strength of spirit.

Shakspeare. If he smite him with an instrument of iron, so that he die, he is a murderer. Num. xxxv. 16. The power of drawing iron is one of the ideas

of a loadstone, and to be so drawn is a part of that of iron. T.ocke.

In a piece of iron ore, of a ferruginous colour, are several thin plates, placed parallel to each other. Woodward.

There are incredible quantities of iron flag in various parts of the forest of Dean.

Woodward on Fossils. Iron stone lies in strata. Woodward on Fossils.

I treated of making iron work, and steel work. 2. An instrument or utensil made of iron:

as, a flat iron, box iron, or smoothing iron. In this sense it has a plural.

Irons of a doit, doublets that hangmen would Bury with those that wore them, these base slaves, Ere yet the fight be done, pack up.

Shukspeare, Coriol. O Thou! whose captain I account myself, Look on my forces with a gracious eye: Put in their hands thy bruising irons of wrath, That they may crush down with a heavy fall The usurping helmets of our adversaries.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. Can'st thou fill his skin with barbed irons, or his head with fish-spears? Job, xli. 7. For this your locks in paper durance bound?

For this with tort'ring irons wreath'd around?

3. Chain; shackle; manacle: as, he was put in irons.

The iron entered into his soul.

Psalms, Comm. Prayer. His feet they hurt with fetters: he was laid in Psalm cv. 18.

I'ron. † adj. [ipen, Saxon adjective.]

1. Made of iron.

In iron walls they deem'd me not secure. Shakspeare, Hen. VI. Get me an iron crow, and bring it straight Unto my cell. Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul.

Some are of an iron red, shining, and polite; others not polite, but as if powdered with iron Woodward.

Polecats and weesels do a great deal of injury to warrens: the way of taking them is in hutches, and iron traps.

2. Resembling iron in colour.

A piece of stone of a dark iron grey colour, but in some parts of a ferruginous colour.

Some of them are of an iron red, and very bright. Woodward.

3. Harsh; stern; severe; rigid; miserable; calamitous: as, the iron age, for an age of hardship and wickedness. These ideas may be found more or less in all [I'RONIST.* n. s. [from irony.] One who the following examples.

Pouring forth their blood in brutish wise, That any iron eyes, to see it, would agrise.

Spenser, F. Q. No man so iron hearted but the loadstone of such love may draw him.

Walsall, Life of Christ, (1615,) C. 8. b. These iron hearted soldiers are so cold.

Beaum. and Fl. Laws of Candy. Three rigorous virgins, waiting still behind, Assist the throne of the iron scepter'd king

Crashaw, Sosp. d'Herode. But O sad virgin, that thy power Might bid the soul of Orpheus sing Such notes as, warbled to the string, Drew iron tears from Pluto's cheek,

And made hell grant what love did seek. Milton, Il Pens. In all my iron years of wars and dangers, From blooming youth down to decaying age,

My fame ne'er knew a stain of dishonour. Rowe.

Jove crush the nations with an iron rod. And ev'ry monarch be the scourge of God. Pope, Odyssey.

4. Indissoluble; unbroken.

Rash Elpenor, in an evil hour, Dry'd an immeasurable bowl, and thought To exhale his surfeit by irriguous sleep, Imprudent : him death's iron sleep oppress'd. Philips.

5. Hard; impenetrable. I will converse with iron-witted fools, And unrespective boys: none are for me, That look into me with consid'rate eyes, Shakspeare, Rich. III.

To I'RON. v. a. [from the noun.] 1. To smooth with an iron.

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2. To shackle with irons.

[I'RONED.* adj. [from iron.] Armed; I'RONY. † n. s. [ironie, French; elouveia. dressed in iron, (ferratus.) Huloet. I'RONHEARTED.* adj. Hardhearted. See the third sense of the adjective Iron.

IRO'NICAL. † adj. [ironique, Fr. from irony.] Expressing one thing and meaning another; speaking by contraries.

Heraclitus the philosopher, out of a serious meditation of men's lives, fell a weeping; and with continual tears bewailed their misery, madness, and folly. Democritus on the other side burst out a laughing, their whole life to him seemed so ridiculous: and he was so far carried with this ironical passion, that the citizens of Abdera took him to be mad.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. To the Reader. The whole court shall take itself abus'd

By our ironical confederacy.

B. Jonson, Cynthia's Revels. In this fallacy may be comprised all ironical mistakes, or expressions receiving inverted significations.

I take all your ironical civilities in a literal sense, and shall expect them to be literally performed.

IRO'NICALLY. adv. [from ironical.] By the use of irony.

Socrates was pronounced by the oracle of Delphos to be the wisest man of Greece, which he would turn from himself ironically, saying, There could be nothing in him to verify the oracle, except this, that he was not wise, and knew it; and others were not wise, and knew it not.

The dean, ironically grave, Still shunn'd the fool, and lash'd the knave. Swift. Woodward on Fossils, IRO'NICK.* adj. [ironique, French.] Speak-

ing by contraries; ironical.

Most Socratick lady! Or, if you will, ironick! B. Jonson, New Inn.
I had better leisure to contemplate that ironick satire of Juvenal. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 11.

speaks by contraries.

A poet, or orator, - would have no more to do but to send to the ironist for his sarcasms.

Arbuthnot and Pope, Mart. Scribl. Socrates took the name of ironist from the continued humour, and ridicule, which runs through his moral discourses.

I'RONMONGER. n. s. [fron and monger.] A dealer in iron.

I'RONMOULD.* n. s. [iron and mould.] mark or spot on linen, occasioned by the rust of iron.

Fine linen, being once stained with black ink, though it be washed never so, will retain an ironmould ever after.

Junius, Sin Stigmat. (1635,) p. 378. We have seen arms, the ironmould that stained our religion, and eat out order and laws.

Spencer, Righteous Ruler, (1660,) p. 37. I'ronwood, n. s. A kind of wood extremely hard, and so ponderous as to

sink in water. It grows in America. Robinson Cruso.

I'RONWORT. n. s. [sideritis, Lat.] A plant. Miller. I'RONY. adj. [from iron.] Made of iron;

partaking of iron.

The force they are under is real, and that of IRRA'DIATE.* part. adj. Decorated with their fate but imaginary: it is not strange if the irony chains have more solidity than the contem-Hammond on Fundamentals.

Some springs of Hungary, highly impregnated with vitriolick salts, dissolve the body of one metal, suppose iron, put into the spring; and deposit, in lieu of the irony particles carried off, coppery Woodward on Fossils.

Gr. from ĕipwi, a dissembler.] A mode of speech in which the meaning is contrary to the words: as, Bolingbroke was a holy man. Irony is a word of great age in our language, though Dr. Johnson has cited it only from Swift. He spake it by an ironie or skorne.

Bp. Gardiner on the Sacrament, 1551, fol. 22.

So grave a body, upon so solemn an occasion, should not deal in irony, or explain their meaning by contraries.

I'ROUS.** adj. [ireux, French.] Angry; passionate. Obsolete.

It is great harm, and certes great pitee, To set an irous man in high degree.

Chaucer, Sompn. Tale. This Naman Sirus. So fel, and so irous. Skelton, Poems, p. 174.

IRRA'DIANCE.] n. s. [irradiance, French; IRRA'DIANCY. [irradio, Latin.]

1. Emission of rays or beams of light upon any object.

The principal affection is its translucency; the irradiancy and sparkling, found in many gems, is not discoverable in this, Brown, Vulg. Err. Brown, Vulg. Err.

2. Beams of light emitted. Love not the heavenly Spirits? Or do they mix Irradiance, virtual, or immediate touch?

Milton, P. L. To IRRA DIATE. † v. a. [irradio, Lat.] To adorn with light emitted upon it; to brighten.

When he thus perceives that these opacous bodies do not hinder the eye from judging light to have an equal plenary diffusion through the whole place it irradiates, he can have no difficulty to allow air, that is diaphanous, to be every where mingled with light. Digby on Bodies. It is not a converting but a crowning grace;

such an one as irradiates and puts a circle of glory about the head of him upon whom it descends.

South, Serm. ii. 374. 2. To enlighten intellectually; to illumine; to illuminate.

Reason - immixed and contempered with the soul, and not only extrinsically irradiating it.

Bp. Reynolds on the Passions, ch. 17. Celestial light

Shine inward, and the mind through all her powers Irradiate; there plant eyes: all mists from thence Purge and disperse.

God — is lodged in our very essence, and is as a soul within the soul, to irradiate its understanding, rectify its will, purify its passions, and enliven all the powers of man. Spectator, No. 571.

3. To animate by heat or light. Ethereal or solar heat must digest, influence, irradiate, and put those more simple parts of mat-

ter into motion. To decorate with shining ornaments.

No weeping orphan saw his father's store Our shrines irradiate, or imblaze the floor. Pope.

To IRRA'DIATE. v. n. To shine upon. Day was the state of the hemisphere, on which

light irradiated; and night was the state of the opposite hemisphere, on which rested the shadow projected by the body of the earth. Bp. Horne, Lett. on Infidelity, L. 10.

shining ornaments. The peacock spreads his rainbow train, with

Of sapphire bright, irradiate each with gold.

Mason, Eng. Gard. B. 4. IRRADIA'TION. n. s. [irradiation, Fr. from irradiate.

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1. The act of emitting beams of light.

If light were a body, it should drive away the air, which is likewise a body, wherever it is admitted: for within the whole sphere of the irradiation of it, there is no point but light is found. Digby on Bodies.

The generation of bodies is not effected by irradiation, or answerably unto the propagation of light; but herein a transmission is made materially from some parts, and ideally from every one. Brown, Vulg. Err.

Milton, P. L.

2. Illumination; intellectual light.

The means of immediate union of these intelligible objects to the understanding, are sometimes divine and supernatural, as by immediate irradiation or revelation.

IRRA'TIONAL. adj. [irrationalis, Lat.] 1. Void of reason; void of understanding; wanting the discoursive faculty.

Thus began Outrage from lifeless things; but discord first, Daughter of sin, among the irrational Milton, P. L. Death introduc'd.

He hath eaten, and lives, And knows, and speaks, and reasons, and discerns:

Irrational till then. 2. Absurd; contrary to reason.

Since the brain is only a part transmittent, and that humours oft are precipitated to the lungs before they arrive to the brain, no kind of benefit can be effected from so irrational an application.

Harvey on Consumptions. I shall quietly submit, not wishing so irrational a thing as that every body should be deceived.

IRRATIONA'LITY. + n. s. [from îrrational.] Want of reason.

Who is it here that appeals to the frivolousness and irrationality of our dreams?

A. Baxter on the Soul, (1737,) ii. 187.

IRRA'TIONALLY. † adv. [from irrational.] Without reason; absurdly.

The obdurate Jew, that he might more easily avoid the truth of the second, hath most irrationally denied the first. Pearson on the Creed, Art. 3. He had foolishly and irrationally bartered away South, Serm. viii. 151. eternity for a trifle.

IRRECLA'IMABLE.† adj. [in and reclaimable.] Not to be reclaimed; not to be changed to the better.

When length of days made virtuous habits heroical and immovable, vicious, inveterate and irre-Brown, Chr. Moral. iii. 1.

If we may judge by proportion, the angels in heaven, who rejoice at the conversion of one sinner, do also mourn and lament for the irreclaimable wickedness of so many millions as are in the Norris on the Beatitudes, p. 44. world.

As for obstinate, irreclaimable, professed enemies, we must expect their calumnies will continue. Addison, Freeholder

IRRECLA'IMABLY.* adv. [from irreclaimable.] So as not to be reclaimed.

Thus we see the irreclaimably wicked lodged in a place and condition very wretched and calamitous. Glanville, Pre-exist. p. 135.

IRRECONCILABLE.† adj. [irreconciliable, Fr. in and reconcilable. This word was formerly irreconciliable; like the old French also, irreconciliable. " They are irreconciliable to their princes." Sir R. Williams, Actions of the Low Countries, 1618. p. 102. " Irreconciliable contradictions." Bp. Morton, Discharge of Five Imputations, &c. 1633. p. 98.]

1. Not to be recalled to kindness; not to be appeased.

Wage eternal war,
Milton, P. L. Irreconcilable to our grand foe. A weak unequal faction may animate a government; but when it grows equal in strength, and irreconcilable by animosity, it cannot end without some crisis.

There are no factions, though irreconcilable to one another, that are not united in their affection Dryden.

2. Not to be made consistent; it has with or to.

As she was strictly virtuous herself, so she always put the best construction upon the words and actions of her neighbours, except where they were irreconcilable to the rules of honesty and decency. Arbuthnot, John Bull.

Since the sense I oppose is attended with such gross irreconcilable absurdities, I presume I need not offer any thing farther in support of the one, or in disproof of the other. Rogers.

This essential power of gravitation or attraction is irreconcilable with the Atheist's own doctrine of Bentley.

All that can be transmitted from the stars is wholly unaccountable, and irreconcilable to any Bentley. system of science.

IRRECONCI'LABLENESS. n. s. [from irreconcilable.] Impossibility to be recon-

What must it be to live in this disagreement with every thing, this irreconcilableness and oppo sition, to the order and government of nature? Ld. Shaftesbury.

IRRECONCI'LABLY. † adv. [from irreconcilable. In a manner not admitting reconciliation.

The five great points controverted betwixt the two families - so irreconcilably.

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 123. Oftentimes you shall see husband and wife irreconcilably divided.

South, Serm. vi. 118. To IRRE'CONCILE.* v. a. [in and reconcile. To prevent being reconciled to. As the object calls for our devotion, -so it must needs irreconcile us to sin.

Bp. Taylor, Life of Christ, iii. 15. They first laboured to find some defect in his election, and then to irreconcile those towards him, who they found had any esteem or kindness for Ld. Clarendon, Life, i. 75.

IRRECONCI'LED. † adj. [in and reconciled.] Not atoned.

A servant dies in many irreconciled iniquities. An irreconciled petitioner in God's Court of

Requests, is like (as you see) to find no audience. Bp. Prideaux, Euch. p. 40,

IRRE'CONCILEMENT.* n. s. [in and reconcilement.] Want of reconcilement; disagreement.

Such an irreconcilement between God and Mammon.

Wake, Ration. on Texts of Script. p. 85. IRRECONCILIA'TION.* n. s. \in and reconciliation.] Want of reconciliation.

How irreconciliation with our brethren voids all our addresses to God, we need be lessoned no farther than from our Saviour's own mouth. Bp. Prideaux, Euch. p. 71.

IRRECO'RDABLE.* adj. [in and recordable.] Not to be recorded. Cockeram. IRRECO'VERABLE. adj. [in and recoverable.]

1. Not to be regained; not to be restored or repaired.

Time, in a natural sense, is irrecoverable: the moment, just fled by us, it is impossible to recall.

2. Not to be remedied.

The irrecoverable loss of so many livings of principal value. It concerns every man, that would not trifle away his soul, and fool himself into irrecoverable

misery, with the greatest seriousness to enquire. IRRECO'VERABLENESS.* n. s. [from irrecoverable. 7 State of being beyond re-

covery, or repair. The first notice my soul hath of her sickness, is Donne, Devot. p. 13. irrecoverableness. The irrecoverableness of your fall - from the

highest pitch of happiness to the lowest step of Archdeacon Arnway, Alarum, p. 84. IRRECO'VERABLY. adv. [from irrecoverable.] Beyond recovery; past repair.

O dark, dark, dark amid the blaze of noon; Irrecoverably dark, total eclipse,

Without all hope of day! Milton, S. A.

The credit of the Exchequer is irrecoverably lost by the last breach with the bankers. Temple. RRECU'PERABLE.* adj. [irrecuperable, Fr.; irrecuperabilis, Lat.] Irrecoverable. Not now in use.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood.

IRRECU'PERABLY.* adv. [from irrecuperable.] Irrecoverably; without hope of recovery. Bullokar.

IRRECU'RED.* adj. [in and recured.] Not to be cured. Striking his soul with irrecured wound.

Rous, Thule or Virtue's Hist. (1598.) IRREDU'CIBLE. adj. [in and reducible.]

Not to be brought or reduced. These observations seem to argue the corpuscles of air to be irreducible into water.

IRREFRAGABI'LITY. n. s. [from irrefragable.] Strength of argument not to be refuted.

IRRE FRAGABLE. † adj. [irrefragable, old French; irrefragabilis, Lat.] Not to be confuted; superiour to argumental opposition.
What a marvellous concurrence is here of strong

and irrefragable convictions!

Bp. Hall, Contempl. B. 4. The clear and irrefragable demonstrations of Bp. Hall, St. Paul's Combat. truth. He is irrefragable in his humour; he will be a

hog still. Burton, Anat. of Mel. To the Reader. Strong and irrefragable the evidences of Christianity must be: they who resisted them would resist every thing. Atterbury, Serm.

The danger of introducing unexperienced men was urged as an irrefragable reason for working by slow degrees,

IRRE'FRAGABLENESS.* n. s. [from irrefragable. Force above confutation.

The plainness and irrefragableness of this truth is an affection between those terms that no power in heaven and earth can abolish.

Annot, on Glanville, &c. (1682,) p. 256.

IRRE'FRAGABLY.† adv. [from irrefragable.] With force above confutation. It follows irrefragably from all this.

Bp. Hall, Rem. 244. God's making the world, irrefragably proves, at he governs it too. South, Serm. ii. 247. that he governs it too. That they denied a future state is evident from

St. Paul's reasonings, which are of no force but only on that supposition, as Origen largely and Atterbury. irrefragably proves.

IRREFU'TABLE. † adj. [irrefutabilis, Latin.] Not to be overthrown by argument.

Hear that irrefutable discourse of Cardinal

Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Marr. Clergy, p. 12.

The more they are examined, the more irre- | IRRE'LEVANT.* adj. [in and relevant.] | IRREMI'SSIBLE.† adj. [in and remitto, futable they will be found.

More, Conj. Cab. p. 183. IRRE'GULAR. adj. [irregulier, French; irregularis, Latin.

1. Deviating from rule, custom, or nature. The amorous youth Obtain'd of Venus his desire,

Howe'er irregular his fire.

Prior. 2. Immethodical; not confined to any certain rule or order.

This motion seems excentrique and irregular, yet not well to be resisted or quieted.

King Charles

Regular Then most, when most irregular they seem. Milton, P. L. The numbers of pindariques are wild and irre-

gular, and sometimes seem harsh and uncouth.

virtue. A soft word for vitious.

IRRE'GULAR.* n. s. One not following a settled rule. See REGULAR, n. s. The secular prebendaries of Waltham were first

turned out, to give way to their irregulars. Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Marr. Clergy, p. 314.

IRREGULA'RITY. n. s. [irregularité, French, from irregular.]

1. Deviation from rule.

2. Neglect of method and order.

This irregularity of its unruly and tumultuous motion might afford a beginning unto the common opinion.

As these vast heaps of mountains are thrown together with so much irregularity and confusion, they form a great variety of hollow bottoms. Addison on Italy

3. Inordinate practice: vice. Religion is somewhat less in danger of cor-ruption, while the sinner acknowledges the obligations of his duty, and is ashamed of his irregu-

IRRE'GULARLY. adv. [from irregular.] Without observation of rule or method.

Phæton, By the wild courses of his fancy drawn, From East to West irregularly hurl'd, First set on fire himself, and then the world.

Dryden, junr. Your's is a soul irregularly great,

Which wanting temper, yet abounds with heat. Dryden. It may give some light to those whose concern

for their little ones makes them so irregularly bold as to consult their own reason, in the education of their children, rather than to rely upon old custom.

To IRRE'GULATE. v. a. [from in and regula, Latin.] To make irregular; to disorder.

Its fluctuations are but motions subservient. which winds, shelves, and every interjacency irre-

IRRE'LATIVE. adj. [in and relativus, Latin.] Having no reference to any thing; single; unconnected.

Separated by the voice of God, things in their species came out in uncommunicated varieties, and irrelative seminalities. Brown, Vulg. Err.

IRRE'LATIVELY.* adv. [from irrelative.] Unconnectedly.

The sacred leaves and portions of Scripture do irrelatively, and in themselves, sufficiently betray and evidence their own heavenly extraction.

Boyle, Style of H. Script. p. 74.

IRRE'LEVANCY.* n. s. State of being irrelevant. See IRRELEVANT.

Not applicable; not to the purpose. A modern word. I think it occurs in the letters of Junius.

IRRE'LEVANTLY.* adv. [from irrelevant.] Without being to the purpose.

IRRE'LIEVABLE.* adj. [in and relievable.] Not admitting relief. Gross as we must admit the case to be, it is irre-

lievable. Hargrave, Juridic. Arguments, p. 14. IRRELI'GION. n. s. [irreligion, Fr. in and religion. Contempt of religion; impiety.

The weapons with which I combat irreligion are already consecrated.

We behold every instance of profaneness and irreligion not only committed, but defended and gloried in.

3. Not being according to the laws of IRRELIGIOUS. adj. [irreligieux, Fr. in and religious.]

1. Contemning religion; impious.

The issue of an irreligious Moor. S Shakspeare.

Whoever sees these irreligious men, With burthen of a sickness weak and faint, But hears them talking of religion then, And vowing of their souls to every saint.

Shame and reproach is generally the portion of the impious and irreligious. South.

2. Contrary to religion.

Wherein that Scripture standeth not the church of God in any stead, or serveth nothing at all to direct, but may be let pass as needless to be consulted with, we judge it profane, impious, and irreligious to think. Might not the queen's domesticks be obliged to

avoid swearing, and irreligious profane discourse?

IRRELI'GIOUSLY.† adv. [from irreligious.] With impiety; with irreligion. Dar'st thou irreligiously despise

And thus profane, these sacred liberties?

Drayton, Bar. Wars, vi. 68. IRRE'MEABLE. † adj. [irremeable, Fr. Cotgrave; irremeabilis, Lat. Admitting no Cockeram. The country of the dead is irremeable, that they

cannot return. Sandford, Transl. of Corn. Agrippa, (1569,)

sign. Pp. The keeper charm'd, the chief without delay

Pass'd on, and took th' irremeable way. Dryden. IRREME'DIABLE. adj. [irremediable, Fr. in and remediable.] Admitting no cure;

not to be remedied. They content themselves with that which was

the irremediable error of former times, or the necessity of the present hath cast upon them.

A steady hand, in military affairs, is more requisite than in peace, because an errour committed in war may prove irremediable. Whatever he consults you about, unless it lead to some fatal and irremediable mischief, be sure

you advise only as a friend. Locke. IRREME'DIABLENESS.* n. s. [from irremediable.] State of being irremediable.

The first notice my soul hath of her sickness, is irrecoverableness, irremediableness: but, O my God, Job did not charge thee foolishly in his temporal afflictions, nor may I in my spiritual.

Donne, Devot. (1625,) p. 13.

IRREME'DIABLY. adv. [from irremediable.] Without cure.

It happens to us irremediably and inevitably, that we may perceive these attendants are not the fruits of our labour, but gifts of God. Bp. Taylor, Worthy Communicant.

Lat. irremissible, French. 1 Not to be pardoned.

To synne agaynst knowledge, is agaynst the Holy Ghoste, and irremyssible.

Bale on the Revel. P. I. (1550,) K. 5. They [indiscreet pastors] still aggravate sin, thunder out God's judgments without respect, intempestively rail at and pronounce them damned, in all auditories, for giving so much to sports and honest recreations, making every small fault, and thing indifferent, an irremissible offence.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 698. Usury is totally forbidden by their law; for Mahumed hath made it an irremissible sin.

L. Addison, W. Barb. p. 177. IRREMI'SSIBLENESS. † n. s. [from irremis-

sible.] The quality of being not to be pardoned.

That dreadful sentence of the irremissibleness of that sin unto death. Bp. Hall, Contempl. B. 3. Thence arises the aggravation and irremissibleness of the sin. Hammond on Fundamentals.

IRREMI'SSIBLY.* adv. [from irremissible.] So as not to be pardoned. Sherwood. IRREMO'VABLE. † adj. [in and remove.]

Not to be moved; not to be changed. He is irremovable,

Resolv'd for flight. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. Establishing my irremovable assurance in Thee. Donne, Devot. p. 89.

IRRENO'WNED.† adj. [in and renown.]
Void of honour. We now say, unrenowned. Spenser writes it irrenowned, from the Fr. renommé.

For all he did was to deceive good knights, And draw them from pursuit of praise and fame To slugg in sloth and sensual delights, And end their days with irrenowmed shame.

Spenser, F. Q.

IRREMU'NERABLE.* adj. [in and remunerable.] Not to be rewarded.

Cockeram. IRREPARABI'LITY.* n. s. [from irrepar-

able.] State of being irreparable. The poor fellow came back quite out of breath, with deeper marks of disappointment in his looks

than could arise from the simple irreparability of the fragment. IRRE'PARABLE. adj. [irreparabilis, Lat.

irreparable, Fr.] Not to be recovered: not to be repaired.

Irreparable is the loss, and Patience says it is Shakspeare, Tempest. not past her cure. Toil'd with loss irreparable. Milton, P. L. It is an irreparable injustice we are guilty of,

when we are prejudiced by the looks of those whom we do not know. The story of Deucalion and Pyrrha teaches,

that piety and innocence cannot miss of the divine protection, and that the only loss irreparable is that of our probity.

IRRE'PARABLY. adv. [from irreparable.] Without recovery; without amends. Such adventures befall artists irreparably.

The cutting off that time industry and gifts, whereby she would be nourished, were irreparably Decay of Chr. Piety. injurious to her.

IRREPE'ALABLE.* adj. [in and repeal.] Not to be repealed.

IRREPE'ALABLY.* adv. So as not to be repealed.

Excommunication and censures are irrepealably transacted by them, among whom it is hard to find two wise men-

Bp. Gauden's Hierasp. (1653,) p. 120. 3 z 2

[RREPE'NTANCE.* n. s. [in and repentance.] | [IRRESISTIBL'LITY. n. s. [from irresistible.] | Want of repentance.

To absolve them so far as ministerial power can extend, "qui non ponunt obicem" by unbelief or irrepentance.

Mountague, App. to Cas. (1625,) p. 318.

IRREPLE'VIABLE. adj. [in and replevy.]
Not to be redeemed. A law term. IRREPREHE'NSIBLE.† adj. [irrepre-

hensible, Fr. irreprehensibilis, Latin.] Exempt from blame.

That ye maie be found perfecte and irreprehen-sible at the latter daie.

Form of the Ordering of Bishoppes, 1549. K. i. b.
It had been better far to have joined the two irreprehensible churches together, Smyrna and Philadelphia, against whom there is no blame.

More on the Seven Churches, p. 173. They were sincerely good people, who were therefore blameless or irreprehensible.

Bp. Patrick, Answ. to the Touchstone, &c. p. 126.

IRREPREHE'NSIBLY. † adv. [from irreprehensible.] Without blame. Sherwood.

IRREPRESE'NTABLE. adj. [in and represent.] Not to be figured by any representation.

God's irrepresentable nature doth hold against making images of God. Stillingfleet.

IRREPRE'SSIBLE.* adj. [in and repressible.] Not to be kept under; not to be repressed.

RREPRO'ACHABLE.†adj. [irreproachable, Fr. Cotgrave; in and reproachable. Tree from blame; free from reproach.

He was a serious sincere Christian, of an innocent, irreproachable, nay, exemplary life.

Their prayer may be, that they may raise up and breed as irreproachable a young family as their parents have done. Pope.

IRREPRO'ACHBLY. † adv. [from irreproachable.] Without blame; without re-

From this time, says the monk, the bear lived irreproachably, and observed, to his dying day, the orders that the saint had given him.

Addison, Remarks on Italy.

IRREPRO'VABLE. † adj. [irreprovable. Fr. Cotgrave; in and reprovable. Not to be blamed: irreproachable.

That what's defin'd be irreprovable. More, Song of the Soul, i. ii. 26. If among this crowd of virtues a failing crept in, we must remember that an apostle himself has not been irreprovable.

Atterbury, Charact. of Luther.

IRREPRO'VABLY.* adv. [from irreprovable.] Beyond reproach.

To live chastly, irreprovably, and in word and deed to shew themselves worthy of such a dignity.

IRREPTI'TIOUS.* adj. [irreptus, Lat.] Crept in; privately introduced.

The first [text] he illustrates, Esa. ix. i. where all condemn πιε as irreptitious, &c.

Dr. Castell, Lett. in 1673. Nichols's Lit. An. iv. 695.

IRRESI'STENCE.* n. s. [in and resistence.] Want of inclination to make resistence: gentleness under sufferings and insults.

The second is in the instances of passive courage, or endurance of sufferings, patience under affronts and injuries, humility, irresistence, placability. Paley, View of the Evid. of Christ. P. 2. ch. 2.

Power or force above opposition.

The doctrine of irresistibility of grace, if it be acknowledged, there is nothing to be affixt to Hammond. In respect of the infinity and irresistibility of

which active power, we must acknowledge Him Almighty. Pearson on the Creed, Art. 1. IRRESI'STIBLE. adj. [irresistible, Fr. in

and resistible.] Superior to opposition. Fear doth grow from an apprehension of the Deity, indued with irresistible power to hurt; and is of all affections, anger excepted, the unaptest to admit conference with reason.

In mighty quadrate join'd

Of union irresistible. Milton, P. L. Fear of God is inward acknowledgment of an holy just Being, armed with almighty and irresistible power.

There can be no difference in the subjects, where the application is almighty and irresistible, as in creation.

IRRESI'STIBLENESS.* n. s. [from irresistible.] Power above opposition.

Whether this irresistibleness be out of a conse-Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 382. quent supposition. Such was the irresistibleness of the king's spirit, that like a torrent it would bear down any thing which stood between him and his desires.

Fuller, Holy War, p. 239. IRRESI'STIBLY. adv. [from irresistible.] In a manner not to be opposed.

God irresistibly sways all manner of events on Fond of pleasing and endearing ourselves to

those we esteem, we are irresistibly led into the same inclinations and aversions with them.

IRRESI'STLESS. adj. [A barbarous ungrammatical conjunction of two negatives. Irresistible; resistless.

Those radiant eyes, whose irresistless flame Strikes Envy dumb, and keeps Sedition tame, They can to gazing multitudes give law, Convert the factious, and the rebel awe.

IRRE'SOLUBLE. † adj. [in and resolubilis, Lat. 7 Not to be broken; not to be dissolved.

The second [case] is in the irresoluble condition of our souls, after a known sin committed; wherein the burdened conscience, not being able to give ease unto itself, seeks for aid to the sacred hand of God's penitentiary here on earth; and there may find it. Bp. Hall, Cases of Consc. D. 3. c. 9.

In factitious sal ammoniac the common and urinous salts are so well mingled, that both in the open fire and in subliming vessels they rise together as one salt, which seems in such vessels irresoluble by fire alone.

IRRE'SOLUBLENESS. n. s. [from irresoluble.] Resistance to separation of the parts.

Quercetanus has this confession of the irresolubleness of diamonds.

IRRESO'LVEDLY. adv. [in and resolved.] Without settled determination.

Divers of my friends have thought it strange to hear me speak so irresolvedly concerning those things, which some take to be the elements, and others the principles of all mixed bodies. Boyle.

IRRE'SOLUTE. adj. [irresolu, Fr. in and resolute. Not constant in purpose; not determined.

Were he evil us'd, he would outgo His father, by as much as a performance Does an irresolute purpose. Shaksp. Hen. VIII. Him after long debate, irresolute

Of thoughts revolv'd, his final sentence chose Fit vessel, fittest imp of fraud, in whom Milton, P. L.

To make reflections upon what is past, is the part of ingenious but irresolute men. So Myrrha's mind, impell'd on either side,

Takes ev'ry bent, but cannot long abide; Irresolute on which he should rely, At last unfix'd in all, is only fix'd to die.

Druden. IRRE'SOLUTELY. adv. [from irresolute.] Without firmness of mind; without determined purpose.

IRRE'SOLUTENESS.* n. s. [from irresolute.] Want of determination; want of firm-

ness of mind.

IRRESOLUTION. n. s. [irresolution, Fr. in and resolution. Want of firmness of

It hath most force upon things that have the lightest motion, and therefore upon the spirits of men, and in them upon such affections as move lightest; as upon men in fear, or men in irreso-Bacon, Nat. Hist. Irresolution on the schemes of life, which offer

themselves to our choice, and inconstancy in pursuing them, are the greatest causes of all our un-

IRRESPE'CTIVE. + adj. [in and respect-

1. Having no regard to any circumstances. Thus did the Jew, by persuading himself of his particular irrespective election, think it safe to run into all sins. Hammond.

According to this doctrine, it must be resolved wholly into the absolute irrespective will of God.

2. Disrespectful. Not in use.

In irreverend and irrespective behaviour towards myself and some of mine.

Sir C. Cornwallis, (1608,) Suppl. to Cabala, p. 101. IRRESPE'CTIVELY. adv. [from irrespective.] Without regard to circumstances.

He is convinced, that all the promises belong to him absolutely and irrespectively.

Hammond on Fundamentals. IRRESPONSIBL'LITY.* n. s. [from irresponsible.] Want of responsibility.

IRRESPO'NSIBLE.* adj. fin and responsible.] Not capable of being an-

swered for.

That no unbridled tyrant or potentate, but to his sorrow, for the future may presume such high and irresponsible licence over mankind, to havock and turn upside down whole kingdoms of men, as though they were no more in respect of his perverse will than a nation of pismires.

Milton, Tenure of Kings and Magistrates.

IRRETE'NTIVE.* adj. [in and retentive.]

Not retentive. His imagination irregular and wild, his memory

weak and irretentive. Skelton, Deism Revealed, Dial. 4. IRRETRIE'VABLE.† adj. [in and re-

trieve. Not to be repaired; irrecoverable; irreparable.

The effects of vice in the present world are often extreme misery, irretrievable ruin, and even death. Butler, Analogy of Relig.

For a year and a day her fate is not irretrievable; but, during that term of probation, they [the nuns] are so assiduously caressed, that very few, if any of them, are known to retract.

Drummond, Trav. p. 76.

IRRETRIE'VABLY. adv. [from irretrievable.] Irreparably; irrecoverably.

It would not defray the charge of the extraction, and therefore must have been all irretrievably lost, and useless to mankind, was it not by this means

IRRETU'RNABLE.* adj. [in and returnable.] Not to return.

Forth irreturnable flieth the spoken word, Be it in scoffe, in earnest, or in bowrd.

Mir. for Mag. p. 429. IRRE'VERENCE. n. s. [irreverentia, Lat.] irreverence, Fr. in and reverence.]

1. Want of reverence; want of veneration: want of respect.

Having seen our scandalous irreverence towards God's worship in general, 'tis easy to make application to the several parts of it.

Decay of Chr. Piety. They were a sort of attributes, with which it was a matter of religion to salute them on all occasions, and which it was an irreverence to omit.

2. State of being disregarded.

The concurrence of the house of peers in that fury can be imputed to no one thing more than to to the irreverence and scorn the judges were justly in, who had been always looked upon there as the oracles of the law.

IRRE'VEREND.* adj. [in and reverend,]
Disrespectful. Not now in use.

In Irreverend and irrespective behaviour towards

myself and some of mine.

Sir C. Cornwallis, (1608,) Suppl. to Cabala, p. 101. The bread of the sacrament, being dedicated to a holy and peculiar service, is thereby secured from that irreverend and profane handling, that common bread is exposed unto.

Spenser, Righteous Ruler, (1660,) p. 19.

IRRE'VERENT. adj. [irreverent, Fr. in and reverent.] Not paying due homage or reverence; not expressing or conceiving due veneration or respect.

As our fear excludeth not that boldness which becometh saints, so, if our familiarity with God do not savour of fear, it draweth too near that irreverent confidence wherewith true humility can never stand.

Knowledge men sought for, and covered it from the vulgar sort as jewels of inestimable price, fearing the irreverent construction of the ignorant and Ralegh. irreligious.

Witness the irreverent son Of him who built the ark; who, for the shame Done to his father, heard his heavy curse, Servant of servants, on his vitious race,

Milton, P. L. Swearing, and the irreverent using the name of God in common discourse, is another abuse of the

If an irreverent expression or thought too wanton are crept into my verses, through my inadvertency, let their authors be answerable for them. Dryden.

IRRE'VERENTLY. adv. [from irreverent.] Without due respect or veneration.

'Tis but an ill essay of reverence and godly fear to use the gospel irreverently. Gov. of the Tongue.

IRREVE'RSIBLE. † adj. [in and reverse.] Not to be recalled: not to be changed.

It is irreversible, it cannot be revoked. South, Serm. vii. 332. The sins of his chamber and his closet shall be produced before men and angels, and an eternal irreversible sentence be pronounced.

IRREVE'RSIBLENESS.* n. s. [from irreversible. State of being irreversible.

A precedent of the irreversibleness of oaths. Stackhouse, Hist. of the Bib. B. 5. ch. 2.

IRREVE'RSIBLY. adv. [from irreversible.]

Without change.

The title of fundamentals, being ordinarily confined to the doctrines of faith, hath occasioned that great scandal in the church, at which so many myriads of solifidians have stumbled, and fallen irreversibly, by conceiving heaven a reward of true Hammond on Fundamentals.

IRR Impossibility of recall.

IRRÉ VOCABLE. adj. [irrevocabilis, Latin; irrevocable, French. Not to be recalled; not to be brought back; not to be reversed. Give thy hand to Warwick.

And, with thy hand, thy faith irrevocable, That only Warwick's daughter shall be thine.

Firm and irrevocable is my doom,

Which I have past upon her. Shaksp. As you like it. That which is past is gone and irrevocable, therefore they do but trifle that labour in past matters. Bacon, Essays.

The second, both for piety renown'd, And puissant deeds, a promise shall receive Irrevocable, that his regal throne

For ever shall endure. Milton, P. L. By her irrevocable fate,

War shall the country waste and change the state. The other victor flame a moment stood,

Then fell, and lifeless left th' extinguish'd wood; For ever lost, the irrevocable light Forsook the black'ning coals, and sunk to night.

Dryden. Each sacred accent bears eternal weight, And each irrevocable word is fate.

IRRE'VOCABLENESS.* n. s. [from irrevocable.] The state of being irrevocable.

IRRE'VOCABLY. adv. [from irrevocable.] Without recall.

If air were kept out four or five minutes, the fire would be irrevocably extinguished. IRRE'VOLUBLE.* adj. [Lat. irrevolutus.] That has no revolution.

Progressing the dateless and irrevoluble circle of Milton, Of Ref. in Eng. B. 2.

To I'RRIGATE. v. a. [irrigo, Lat.] To wet; to moisten; to water. Cockeram. It hath certain glandules - which by their viscous moisture do irrigate, and as it were oil, the pipe; that it takes off the harshness that otherwise would be found, and adds much sweetness and pleasantness to the musick.

Smith on Old Age, p. 142. The heart, which is one of the principal parts of the body, doth continually irrigate, nourish, keep hot, and supple all the members.

Ray on the Creation. They keep a bulky charger near their lips, With which, in often interrupted sleep, Their frying blood compels to irrigate

Their dry furr'd tongues. A. Philips.

IRRIGA'TION. * n. s. [from irrigate.] 1. The act of watering or moistening. Help of ground is by watering and irrigation.

Fomentations, irrigations, - prescribed for the Bu+ton, Anat. of Mel. p. 406. I wish it may also flow in spiritual blessings;

and doubt not but that, by the irrigation rather than inundation of this flood, they shall encrease in them. Harrington, Br. View of the Ch. p. 209.

2. State of being watered.

In April, and the spring time, his lordship [lord Bacon] would, when it rained, take his coach (open) to receive the benefit of irrigation, which, he was wont to say, was very wholesome, because of the nitre in the aire. Aubrey, Anecd. ii. 235. That every of us fructify in some proportion

answerable to our irrigation.

Hammond, Works, iv. 574.

IRRI'GUOUS. adj. [from irrigate.] 1. Watery; watered.

The flowery lap Of some irriguous valley spread her store. Milton, P. L.

IRREVOCABI'LITY.* n.s. [from irrevocable.] | 2. Dewy; moist. Philips seems to have mistaken the Latin phrase irriguus sopor. Rash Elpenor

Dry'd an immeasurable bowl, and thought To exhale his surfeit by irriguous sleep: Imprudent! him death's iron sleep opprest.

IRRI'SION, n. s. [irrision, old French; irrisio, Lat.] The act of laughing at another; the act of mocking.

They are printed deeper than can be blotted out with all their artificial and forced irrisions.

Fotherby, Atheom. (1622,) p. 126. By way of sarcasm and irrision.

Gregory, Doctr. of the Glor. Trin. p. 6. Ham, by his indiscreet and unnatural irrision, and exposing of his father, incurs his curse.

Woodward. IRRITABI'LITY.* n. s. [irritabilité, Fr. from irritable.] State or quality of being irritable.

I'RRITABLE.* adj. [irritabilis, Lat.]

1. Easily provoked.

The wise will determine from the gravity of the case; the irritable, from their sensibility to oppression.

2. That may be agitated.

IRRI'TANT.* adj. [irritans, Lat. from irritus, void. See To IRRI'TATE, to render void.] Rendering void. The same forensick term is used in Scotland.

The states elected Henry duke of Anjou for their king, with this clause irritant; that if he did violate any part of his oath, the people should owe

him no allegiance, Hayward, Answ. to Doleman, (1603,) ch. 5.

To I'RRITATE. † v. a. [irrito, Latin; irriter, Fr. Thus we formerly had to irrite, following the French word so closely. See Cotgrave, and also Sherwood. Some consider the root of this word to be the Latin ira, anger. Morin agrees with Vossius, that it comes from the Greek ἐρέθω, which has the same meaning as irritate; adding that the Latin irrito was also written in conformity to the Greek word, with only one r.]

1. To provoke; to teaze; to exasperate. The earl, speaking to the freeholders in imperious language, did not irritate the people.

Bacon, Hen. VII. Laud's power at court could not qualify him to go through with that difficult reformation, whilst he had a superior in the church, who, having the reins in his hand, could slacken them, and was thought to be the more remiss to irritate his cholerick disposition. Clarendon.

2. To fret; to put into motion or disorder by any irregular or unaccustomed contact; to stimulate; to vellicate.

Cold maketh the spirits vigorous, and irritateth

3. To heighten; to agitate; to enforce. Air, if very cold, irritateth the flame, and maketh it burn more fiercely, as fire scorcheth in frosty

weather. Bacon. Rous'd

By dash of clouds, or irritating war Of fighting winds, while all is calm below, They furious spring. Thomson, Summer.

I'RRITATE.* part. adj. Heightened. When they are collected, the heat becomes more violent and irritate, and thereby expelleth sweat.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

To IRRI'TATE.* v. a. [low Lat. irritare, to make null, from irritus. See IRRI-TANT. To render null or void.

If any thing should come to pass otherwise than it doth, yet God's foreknowledge could not be irritated by it, for then he did not know that it should come to pass as it doth.

Bp. Bramhall, Works, p. 727.

IRRITA'TION. † n. s. [irritatio, Latin; irritation, French; from irritate.]

1. Provocation; exasperation. Sherwood.

2. Stimulation: vellication.

Violent affections and irritations of the nerves. in any part of the body, is caused by something Arbuthnot.

I'RRITATORY.* adj. [from irritate.] Sti-

mulating.

The other peradventure is sufficiently grounded for principles of faith, yet is weak by reason either of some passion, or of some irritatory and troublesome humour in his behaviour. Hales, Rem. p. 45.

Nothing hinders wounds from cicatrising more than concourse of humour to the diseased part, and keeping things irritatory about the orifice of Hales, Rem. p. 285. the wound.

IRRU'PTION.† n. s. [irruption, Fr. irruptio, Latin.]

1. The act of any thing forcing an entrance.

How doth the water rage with his inundations, irruptions, flinging down towns, cities, villages, bridges, besides shipwrecks!

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 4. I refrain, too suddenly,

To utter what will come at last too soon; Lest evil tidings, with too rude irruption Hitting thy aged ear, should pierce too deep.

Milton, S. A. There are frequent inundations made in maritime countries by the irruption of the sea.

A full and sudden irruption of thick melancholick blood into the heart, puts a stop to its pulsation.

2. Inroad; burst of invaders into any place. Five or six weeks before my lord's fatal irruption into the city. Wotton, Rem. p. 180.

The famous wall of China, built against the irruptions of the Tartars, was begun above a hundred years before the Incarnation.

Sir T. Brown, Miscell. p. 189. Notwithstanding the irruptions of the barbarous nations, one can scarce imagine how so plentiful a soil should become so miserably unpeopled. Addison on Italy.

IRRU'PTIVE.* adj. [irruptus, Lat.] Bursting forth; rushing down or in.

Conscious fears his soul affright, And storms of wrath and indignation dread Seem ready to displode irruptive on his head. Whitehouse, Ode to Justice, (Poems, 1794.)

IS.† [η, Saxon; es, Celt, ys, Teut. ist, Goth. est, Lat. ές.. Gr. See To Be.]

1. The third person singular of To be: I am, thou art, he is.

He that is of God, heareth God's words.

St. John, vii. 47. Be not afraid of them, for they cannot do evil; neither is it in them to do good. Jer. x. 5. My thought, whose murther yet is but fantastical,

Shakes so my single state of man, that function Is smother'd in surmise; and nothing is, But what is not. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

2. It is sometimes expressed by 's.

There's some among you have beheld me fight.

Isago'GICAL.* adj. [Gr. εἰσαγωγικὸς, είς, into, and aya, to lead.] Introductory belonging to an introduction.

I will make further relation Of this isagogicall collation. Skelton, Poems, p. 162.

Scaliger was bold to call him Merodac; but he repented of that in his canons isagogical Gregory, Posthum. (1650,) p. 247.

ISCHIA'DICK. adj. ("σχιον, Ισχιαδικος; ischiadique, Fr.] In anatomy, an epithet to the crural vein; in pathology, the ischiadick passion is the gout in the hip, or the sciatica.

I'SCHURY. n. s. [lox8pla, loxw and 8pov, urine; ischurie; Fr. ischuria, Latin.] A stoppage of urine, whether by gravel or other cause.

ISCHURE'TICK. n. s. [ischuretique, French, from ischury.] Such medicines as force urine when suppressed.

Ish. [Irc, Saxon.]

1. A termination added to an adjective to express diminution, a small degree, or incipient state of any quality: as, bluish, tending to blue; brightish, somewhat

2. It is likewise sometimes the termination of a gentile or possessive adjective: as, Swedish; Danish; the Danish territories, or territories of the Danes.

3. It likewise notes participation of the qualities of the substantive to which it nish; rogue, roguish.

I'SICLE. n. s. [more properly icicle, from ice; but ice should rather be written ise; 177, Saxon.] A pendent shoot of

Do you know this lady? The moon of Rome; chaste as the isicle That's curdled by the frost from purest snow Hanging on Dian's Temple. Shakspeare. The frosts and snows her tender body spare; Those are not limbs for isicles to tear.

I'SINGLASS. n. s. [from ice, or ise, and glass; ichthyocolla, Lat.]

Isinglass is a tough, firm, and light substance, of a whitish colour, and in some degree transparent, much resembling glue. The fish from which isinglass is prepared, is one of the cartilaginous kind: it grows to eighteen and twenty feet in length, and greatly resembles the sturgeon. It is frequent in the Danube, the Boristhenes, the Volga, and the larger rivers of Europe. From the intestines of this fish the isinglass is prepared by boiling. Hill, Mat. Med. The cure of putrefaction requires an incrassating

diet, as all viscid broths, hartshorn, ivory, and isinglass. Some make it clear by reiterated fermen-

tations, and others by additions, as isinglass. Mortimer, Husbandry.

I'SINGLASS Stone. n. s. A fossil which is one of the purest and simplest of the natural bodies. The masses are of a brownish or reddish colour; but when the plates are separated, they are perfectly colourless, and more bright and pellucid than the finest glass. It is found in Moscovy, Persia, the island of Cyprus, in the Alps and Apennines, and the mountains of Germany

Hill, Mat, Med. I'SLAND. n. s. [insula, Latin; isola, Italian; ealand, Erse. It is pronounced iland.] A tract of land surrounded by

He will carry this island home in his pocket, and give it his son for an apple. --- And sowing the kernels of it in the sea, bring forth more Shakspeare, Tempest.

Within a long recess there lies a bay, An island shades it from the rolling sea, And forms a port,

Island of bliss! amid the subject seas. Thomson.

I'SLANDER. n. s. [from island. Pronounced ilander. An inhabitant of a country surrounded by water.

We, as all islanders, are lunares, or the moon's Camden.

Your dinner, and the generous islanders By you invited, do attend your presence. Shaksveare.

There are many bitter sayings against islanders in general, representing them as fierce, treacherous, and unhospitable: those who live on the continent have such frequent intercourse, with men of different religions and languages, that they become more kind than those who are the inhabitants of an island, Addison, Freeholder. A race of rugged mariners are these,

Unpolish'd men, and boisterous as their seas; The native islanders alone their care, And hateful he that breathes a foreign air. Pope, Odyss.

is added: as, fool, foolish; man, man- [I'SLANDY.* n. s. [from island.] Full of, or belonging to, islands. Not now in use. Cotgrave, and Sherwood.

ISLE. n. s. [isle, French; insula, Latin. Pronounced ile.

1. An island; a country surrounded by water.

The instalment of this noble duke In the seat royal of this famous isle.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. The dreadful fight Betwixt a nation and two whales I write:

Seas stain'd with gore I sing, advent'rous toil, And how these monsters did disarm an isle.

2. [Written, I think, corruptly for aile, from aile, French, from ala, Latin, the aile being probably at first only a wing or side walk. It may come likewise from allée, French, a walk.] A long walk in a church, or publick building.

O'er the twilight groves and dusky caves, Long sounding isles and intermingled graves, Black Melancholy sits.

I'SLET.* n. s. [islette, French, from isle; so the old Fr. insulette, from insule.] A little island.

They - agreed to convey themselves and their substance into the uttermost bosom of the Adriatic gulf, and there possessed certain desolate islets, by tradition, about seventy in number. Wotton, Rem. p. 251.

I'solated.* adj. [isolé, French. At first a term of architecture; for standing by itself. "The affected, frenchified, and unnecessary word isolated is not English, and we trust never will be." British Critic, Oct. 1800. The writer of the preceding remark had forgotten, or knew not, that the word had been then in use nearly half a century. Lord Chesterfield somewhere uses it. It will be sufficient, in proof of my assertion, to cite bishop Warburton; but I fully agree with the writer in considering it as a most affected word.] Detached; | 6. A fontanel; a vent made in a muscle

Short, isolated sentences were the mode in which ancient wisdom delighted to convey its precepts for the regulation of human conduct. Warburton, Doctrine of Grace, Pref.

Iso'CHRONAL. + adj. [isochrone, Fr. 1009, equal, and xpóvos, time, Gr. Having

equal times.

The isochronal velocities describing the particles of MN. Bp. Berkeley, Analyst, § 41. Isoperime Trical. adj. [τσ , πέρι, and μέτρον.] In geometry, isoperimetrical figures are such as have equal perimeters or circumferences, of which the circle is the greatest. Harris.

Iso'sceles. n. s. [isoscele, Fr. or equiangular triangle.] That which hath only two sides equal. Harris.

I'ssuable.* adj. [from issue, in law.] So as to bring to issue, or decision.

If a prisoner shall stand as contumacious in contempt, and shall not put in an issuable plea, guilty or not guilty of the charge given against him, whereby he may come to a fair trial; that, as by an implicit confession, may be taken "pro confesso.

Nar. of the Trial of K. Ch. I. Jan. 25. 1648. p. 4. Hilary and Trinity terms, from the making up of the issues therein, are usually called issuable Blackstone.

I'SSUE. n. s. [issue, French.] 1. The act of passing out.

2. Exit; egress; or passage out.

Unto the Lord belong the issues from death. Ps. lxviii. 20.

Let us examine what bodies touch a movable whilst in motion, as the only means to find an issue out of this difficulty. Digby on Bodies. We might have easily prevented those great

returns of money to France; and if it be true the French are so impoverished, in what condition must they have been if that issue of wealth had been stopped?

3. Event; consequence.

Spirits are not finely touch'd,

But to fine issues. Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas. If I were ever fearful

To do a thing, where I the issue doubted, Whereof the execution did cry out Against the non-performance, 'twas a fear

Which oft infects the wisest. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

But let the issue correspondent prove . To good beginnings of each enterprize. If things were cast upon this issue, that God should never prevent sin till man deserved it, the

best would sin, and sin for ever. The wittiest sayings and sentences will be found the issues of chance, and nothing else but so many lucky hits of a roving fancy. South.

Our present condition is better for us in the issue, than that uninterrupted health and security that the Atheist desires.

4. Termination; conclusion.

He hath preserved Argalus alive, under pretence of having him publickly executed after these wars, of which they hope for a soon and prosperous issue.

What issue of my love remains for me! How wild a passion works within my breast! With what prodigious flames am I possest!

Druden. Homer, at a loss to bring difficult matters to an issue, lays his hero asleep, and this solves the difficulty. Broome. 5. Sequel deduced from premises.

I am to pray you not to strain my speech To grosser issues, nor to larger reach Than to suspicion.

for the discharge of humours.

This tumour in his left arm was caused by strict binding of his issue.

7. Evacuation.

A woman was diseased with an issue of blood. St. Matt. ix. 20.

8. Progeny; offspring. O nation miserable!

Since that the truest issue of thy throne, By his own interdiction stands accurst.

Shakspeare, Macbeth. Nor where Abassin kings their issue guard, Mount Amara, though this by some suppos'd True paradise, under the Æthiop line

By Nilus' head. Milton, P. L. This old peaceful prince, as Heav'n decreed,

Was bless'd with no male issue to succeed. Dryden, Æn The frequent productions of monsters, in all the species of animals, and strange issues of human birth, carry with them difficulties, not possible to consist with this hypothesis. Locke.

9. [In law.] Issue hath divers applications in the common law: sometimes used for the children begotten between a man and his wife; sometimes for profits growing from an amercement, fine, or expences of suit; sometime for profits of lands or tenements; sometime for that point of matter depending in suit, whereupon the parties join and put their cause to the trial of the jury. Issue is either general or special: general issue seemeth to be that whereby it is referred to the jury to bring in their verdict, whether the defendant have done any such thing as the plaintiff layeth to his charge. The special issue then must be that, where special matter being alleged by the defendant for his defence, both the parties join thereupon and so grow rather to a demurrer, if it be quæstio juris, or to trial by the jury, if it be quæstio facti. Cowel.

To I'ssue. v. n. [from the noun; isser, Fr. uscire, Italian.

1. To come out; to pass out of any place. Waters issued out from under the threshold of Ezek. xlvii. 1. From the uttermost end of the head branches there issueth out a gummy juice. Ralegh, Hist.

Waters issu'd from a cave. Ere Pallus issu'd from the thunderer's head, Dulness o'er all possess'd her ancient right. Pope.

2. To make an eruption; to break out. Three of master Ford's brothers watch the door with pistols, that none should issue out, otherwise

you might slip away. Shakspeare. To see that none thence issue forth a spy.

Milton, P. L. Haste, arm your Ardeans, issue to the plain; With faith to friend, assault the Trojan train.

At length there issu'd, from the grove behind, A fair assembly of the female kind. A buzzing noise of bees his ears alarms;

Straight issue through the sides assembling swarms. Dryden.

Full for the port the Ithacensians stand, And furl their sails, and issue on the land.

Pope, Odyss. 3. To proceed as an offspring.

Of thy sons that shall issue from thee, which thou shalt beget, shall they take away. 2 Kings, *x. 18.

Shakspeare, Othello. 4. To be produced by any fund.

These altarages issued out of the offerings made to the altar, and were payable to the priesthood. Ayliffe, Parergon.

5. To run out in lines.

Pipes, made with a belly towards the lower end, and then issuing into a straight concave again.

To I'ssue. v. a.

1. To send out; to send forth.

A weak degree of heat is not able either to digest the parts or to issue the spirits.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. The commissioners should issue money out to no other use. Temple.

2. To send out judicially or authoritatively. This is the more frequent sense. It is commonly followed by a particle, out or forth.

If the council issued out any order against them, or if the king sent a proclamation for their repair to their houses, some nobleman published a pro-Clarendon.

Deep in a rocky cave he makes abode, A mansion proper for a morning god: Here he gives audience, issuing out decrees To rivers, his dependent deities. Dryden.

In vain the master issues out commands, In vain the trembling sailors ply their hands; The tempest unforeseen prevents their care

They constantly wait in court to make a due return of what they have done, and to receive such other commands as the judge shall issue forth. Ayliffe, Parergon.

I'ssued.* part. adj. [from issue.] Descended.

His only heir And princess: no worse issued. Shaks. Tempest.

I'ssueless. adj. [from issue.] Having no offspring; wanting descendants.

Carew, by virtue of this entail, succeeded to Hugh's portion, as dying issueless.

Carew, Surv. of Cornwall. I have done sin;

For which the Heav'ns, taking angry note, Have left me issueless. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

I'ssuing.* n. s. [from issue.] The act of passing or going out.

By some others affected, and interpreted, as issuings forth, or sallies of zeal.

Whitlocke, Mann. of the Engl. p. 360.

I'sthmus, n. s. [isthmus, Lat.] A neck of land joining the peninsula to the con-

There is a castle strongly seated on a high rock, which joineth by an isthmus to the land, and is impregnably fortified. Sandys, Travels.

The Assyrian empire stretcheth northward to that isthmus between the Euxine and the Caspian Brerewood on Languages.

O life, thou nothing's younger brother ! Thou weak built isthmus, that do'st proudly rise Up betwixt two eternities,

Yet can'st not wave nor wind sustain;

But broken and o'erwhelm'd the ocean meets again.

Our church of England stands as Corinth between two seas, and there are some busy in cutting the isthmus, to let in both at once upon it, Stilling fleet.

Cleomenes thinking it more advisable to fortify, not the isthmus, but the mountains, put his design in execution.

Plac'd on this isthmus of a middle state, A being darkly wise, and rudely great.

IT. pronoun. [her, hir, Saxon; hit, Danish; het, Dutch; hitt, Iceland.; ita, Gothick. It is supposed by Mr. H. Tooke to be the past participle of

the Goth. haitan, Sax. hæran, to name, and so equivalent to the said. But this etymon is doubted by Dr. Jamieson, on this solid ground, "that the analogy is lost, as to the supposed participle, when the particles are compared. For what is hit, hyt, in Sax. is in the M. Goth. ita."]

1. The neutral demonstrative. Used in speaking of things. For it, our ancestors used he, as the neutral pronoun; and for its they used his. Thus in the Accidence, a noun adjective is that which cannot stand by himself, but requireth another word to be joined with him to shew his signification.

Nothing can give that to another which it hath Bp. Bramhall against Hobbes. Will our great anger learn to stoop so low?

I know it cannot. Cowley. Tell me, O tell, what kind of thing is wit, Thou who master art of it.

His son, it may be, dreads no harm; But kindly waits his father's coming home.

Flatman. The time will come, it will, when you shall

The rage of love. Dryden. How can I speak? or how, sir, can you hear? Imagine that which you would most deplore, And that which I would speak, is it or more?

Dryden. A mind so furnished, what reason has it to acquiesce in its conclusions? Tacke.

The glory which encompassed them covered the place, and darted its rays with so much strength, that the whole fabrick began to melt.

Addison, Freeholder. If we find a greater good in the present con-stitution, than would have accrued either from the total privation of it, or from other frames and structures, we may then reasonably conclude, that the present constitution proceeded from an intelligent and good being, that formed it that parti-

2. It is used absolutely for the state of a person or affair.

How is it with our general?

- Even so As with a man by his own alms impoison'd,

And with his charity slain. Shakspeare, Coriol.

3. It is used for the thing; the matter; the affair.

It's come to pass,

cular way out of choice.

That tractable obedience is a slave To each incensed will. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. The design, it seems, is to avoid the dreadful

imputation of pedantry. 4. It is sometimes expressed by 't. He rallied, and again fell to 't;

For catching foe by nearer foot, He lifted with such might and strength, As would have hurl'd him thrice his length. Hudibras.

5. It is used ludicrously after neutral verbs, to give an emphasis. Mr. Malone notices, with me, a very early example of this usage in the Comedy of Fair Em, written about 1590, which one is Pope. See the last of the examples in the present sense.

Let mistress Nice go saint it, where she list, And coyly quaint it with dissembling face.

If Abraham brought all with him, it is not probable that he meant to walk it back again for his pleasure.

Ralegh.

ITA The Lacedemonians, at the streights of Ther- | ITCH. n. s. [xicha, Saxon.] mopylæ, when their arms failed them, fought it out with their nails and teeth.

I have often seen people lavish it profusely in tricking up their children, and yet starve their

The mole courses it not on the ground, like the rat or mouse, but lives under the earth. Addison, Spect.

Whether the charmer sinner it, or saint it, If folly grows romantick, I must paint it. Pope. 6. Sometimes applied familiarly, ludicrously, or rudely to persons.

Let us after him, Whose care is gone before to bid us welcome: It is a peerless kinsman. Shakspeare, Macbeth. Do, child, go to it grandam, child :

Give grandam kingdom, and its grandam will Give it up him. Shakspeare, K. John.

7. It is sometimes used of the first or second person, sometimes of more. This mode of speech, though used by good authors, and supported by the il y a of the French, has yet an appearance of barbarism.

Who was't came by? -'Tis two or three, my lord, that bring you word

Macduff is fled to England. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

City, 'Tis I, that made thy widows. Shakspeare, Coriol. 'Tis these that early taint the female soul. Pope. ITA'LIAN.* n. s.

1. A native of Italy.

As mirth is more apt to make proselytes than melancholy, it is observed that the Italians have many of them for these late years given very far into the modes and freedoms of the French. Addison, Remarks on Italy.

2. The Italian language.

Speak Italian, right or wrong, to every body; and if you do but laugh at yourself first for your bad Italian, nobody else will laugh at you for it. Ld. Chesterfield.

ITA'LIAN.* adj. Relating to the manners, customs, language, or persons of

The Italian proverb says of the Genoese, that they have a sea without fish, land without trees, and men without faith. Addison on Italy.

To ITA'LIANATE.* v. a. [from Italian.] To make Italian; to render conformable to Italian custom or fashion.

Another chops in with English italianated, and applieth the Italian phrase to our English speakynge. Wilson, Arte of Rhetorike, (1553,) B. 3.

Our Englishmen italianated have more in reverence the Triumphes of Petrarche than the Genesis of Moyses. Ascham, Schoolmaster, (1589). Our italianated mountebanks seek to salve it. Dean King, Serm. 5. Nov. 1608, p. 31.

To Ita'lianize.* v. n. [italianizer, Fr.] To speak Italian; to play the Italian.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood. To ITA'LICISE.* v. a. [from Italick.] To distinguish a word by printing it in the Italick character. See ITALICK.

In p.17. of his pamphlet the doctor has printed, but not italicised, another inaccuracy.

Dr. Parr on Dr. Combe's Statement, p. 78.

led to suppose had caught the eye of ITA'LICK.* adj. Denoting a type first used by Italian printers, and now usually employed to distinguish a particular word or sentence; as each word, illustrated in the examples given in this Dictionary, is printed. It is common also to say, substantively, the passage is printed in Italicks.

1. A cutaneous disease extremely contagious, which overspreads the body with small pustules filled with a thin serum, and raised as microscopes have discovered by a small animal. It is cured by sulphur.

Lust and Liberty Creep in the minds and marrows of our youths, That 'gainst the stream of virtue they may strive, And drown themselves in riot, itches, blains.

Shakspeare, Timon. The Lord will smite thee with the scab and with the itch, whereof thou can'st not be healed.

Deut. xxviii. 27. As if divinity had catch'd The itch, on purpose, to be scratch'd. Hudibras.

2. The sensation of uneasiness in the skin, which is eased by rubbing.

3. A constant teasing desire. A certain itch of meddling with other people's matters, puts us upon shifting. L'Estrange. He had still pedigree in his head, and an itch

of being thought a divine king. Druden. From servants' company a child is to be kept, not by prohibitions, for that will but give him an itch after it, but by other ways.

At half mankind when generous Manly raves, All know 'tis virtue : for he thinks them knaves :

When universal homage Umbra pays, All see 'tis vice, and itch of vulgar praise. Pope.

To Itch. v. n. [from the noun.]

1. To feel that uneasiness in the skin which is removed by rubbing.

A troublesome itching of the part was occasioned by want of transpiration. Wiseman, Surgery. My right eye itches; some good luck is near; Perhaps my Amaryllis may appear.

To long; to have continual desire. This sense appears in the following examples, though some of them are equivocal.

Master Shallow, you have yourself been a great fighter, though now a man of peace. - Mr. Page, though now I be old, and of peace, if I see a sword out, my finger itches to make one.

Cassius, you yourself Are much condemn'd to have an *itching* palm, To sell and mart your offices for gold.

Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs. The itching ears, being an epidemick disease, give fair opportunity to every mountebank.

Decay of Ch. Piety. All such have still an itching to deride,

And fain would be upon the laughing side. Pope.

I'TCHY. † adj. [from itch.] 1. Infected with the itch.

This man, that is alone a king in his desire, By no proud ignorant lord is basely overaw'd, Nor his false praise affects, who, grossly being claw'd,

Stands like an itchy moyle. Drayton, Polyolb. S. 13. 2. Having a constant teazing desire.

The hydropick drunkard, and knight-scouting

The itchy lecher, and self-tickling proud. Donne, Poems, p. 318.

I'TEM. adv. [Latin.] Also. A word used when any article is added to the former.

I'TEM. n. s.

1. A new article.

I could have looked on him without the belp of admiration, though the catalogue of his endowments had been tabled by his side, and I to peruse Shakspeare. him by items.

2. A hint; an innuendo.

If this discourse have not concluded our weakness, I have one item more of mine: if knowledge can be found, I must lose that which I thought I had, that there is none. Glanville.

make a memorandum of.

Abig. I have always taken your part before my lady.

Vel. You have so, and I have item'd it in my memory. Addison, Drummer.

I'TERABLE.* adj. [from To iterate.] Capable of being repeated.

Others may wonder how the curiosity of elder times, having this opportunity of his [Apollo's] answers, omitted natural questions; or how the old magicians discovered no more philosophy; and, if they had the assistance of spirits, could rest content with the bare assertions of things, without the knowledge of their causes; whereby they had made their acts iterable by sober hands, and a standing part of philosophy.

Sir T. Brown, Miscell. p. 178. Which being as often iterable as there be places of Scripture explicable, or mistakable by the enthusiast, these substractions and additions may also be infinite.

Hammond, Postscr. to his N. Test. § 32. I'TERANT. adj. [iterans, Lat.] Re-

peating.

Waters being near, make a current echo; but but being farther off, they make an iterant echo. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

To I'TERATE. v. a. [itero, Lat.]

1. To repeat; to utter again; to inculcate by frequent mention.

We covet to make the psalms especially familiar unto all; this is the very cause why we iterate the psalms oftener than any other part of Scripture besides; the cause wherefore we inure the people together with their minister, and not the minister alone to read them, as other parts of Scripture he Hooker

In the first ages God gave laws unto our fathers, and their memories served instead of books; whereof the imperfections being known to God, he relieved the same by often putting them in mind: in which respect we see how many times one thing bath been iterated into the best and wisest.

The king, to keep a decency towards the French king, sent new solemn ambassadours to intimate unto him the decree of his estates, and to iterate his motion that the French would desist from

hostility. Bacon, Hen. VII. There be two kinds of reflections of sounds; the one at distance, which is the echo, wherein the original is heard distinctly, and the reflection also distinctly: the other in concurrence, when the sound returneth immediately upon the ori-

ginal, and so iterateth it not, but amplifieth it., Bacon.

2. To do over again.

Ashes burnt, and well reverberated by fire, after the salt thereof hath been drawn out by iterated decoctions. Brown.

Adam took no thought, Eating his fill; nor Eve to iterate

Her former trespass fear'd, the more to sooth Him with her lov'd society. Milton, P. L.

ITERA'TION. n. s. [iteration, Fr.; iteratio, Repetition; recital over again. Lat. Truth tir'd with iteration

As true as steel, as plantage to the moon. Shaksp. My husband!

- Ay, 'twas he that told me first. - My husband!

- What needs this iteration, woman? I say, thy husband. Shakspeare, Othello.

is no such gain of time, as to iterate often the state of the question; for it chaseth away many a frivolous speech. VOL. II.

Iterations are commonly loss of time; but there

In all these respects it hath a peculiar property to engage the receiver to persevere in all piety, and is farther improved by the frequent iteration and repetition. To I'TEM.* v. a. [from the noun.] To I'TERATIVE.* adj. [iteratif, French; from

iterate.] Repeating; redoubling.

Cotgrave. ITI'NERANT. † adj. [itinerant, Fr.] 1. Travelling.

He [Edgar] usually rode the circuit as a judge itinerant through all his provinces. Milton, Hist. of Eng. B. 5.

Wandering; not settled.

It should be my care to sweeten and mellow the voices of itinerant tradesmen, as also to accommodate their cries to their respective wares.

Addison, Spect.

ITI'NERARY.† n. s. [itineraire, French; itinerarium, Latin.] A book of travels.

Of what importance Julius Cæsar, Antonine, and the other emperors held these descriptions, is manifest by their very own itineraries yet to be Gregory, Posthum. p. 329.

The clergy are sufficiently reproached, in most ilineraries, for the universal poverty one meets with in this plentiful kingdom. Addison on Italy.

ITI'NERARY. † adj. [itineraire, French; itinerarius, Latin.] Travelling; done on a journey; done during frequent change

He did make a progress from Lincoln to the northern parts, though it were rather an itinerary circuit of justice than a progress.

Bacon, Hen. VII. Four months I allow for itinerary removals. Howell, Instruct. For. Trav. p. 174.

This itinerary preaching. Milton, Means to remove Hirelings out of the Church.

To Iti'NERATE.* v. n. [itineror, itineratus, Lat.] To journey. Cockeram. ITSE'LF. pronoun. [it and self.] The neutral reciprocal pronoun applied to things.

Who then shall blame His pester'd senses to recoil and start, When all that is within him does condemn

Itself for being there? Shakspeare, Macbeth. Borrowing of foreigners, in itself, makes not the kingdom rich or poor.

JUB.* n. s. [our old word for jug, apparently.] A bottle; a vessel. Not now Cockeram, and Bullokar. With him he brought a jubbe of Malvesie, And eke another ful of fine Vernage.

Chaucer, Shipm. Tale. JU'BILANT. † adj. [jubilans, Lat.] Uttering songs of triumph.

The planets list'ning stood,

While the bright pomp ascended jubilant.

The tone of sorrow is mournful and plaintive; the notes of joy, exulting and jubilant.

Bp. Horne, Occas. Serm. p. 268. JUBILA'TION † n. s. [jubilation, French; jubilatio, Lat.] The act of declaring

Sounding the trumpet of a thankful jubilation. Bp. Hall, Works, ii. 257.

Well therefore may we, may the whole world, in consideration of our being under so good a government, be excited to joy and jubilation with the Barrow, ii. 11.

Praise and thanksgiving, jubilations, and hallelujahs, - are yet as pleasing a work to God as any South, Serm. iii. 425.

Ju'bilee. n. s. [jubilé, Fr. jubilum, from jubilo, low Lat.] A publick festivity; a time of rejoicing; a season of joy.

Angels uttering joy, heaven rung With jubilee, and loud hosannas fill'd

The eternal regions. Milton, P. L. Joy was then a masculine and a severe thing: the recreation of the judgement, or rejoicing, the jubilee of reason.

The town was all a jubilee of feasts. Dryden.

Jucu'ndity. n. s. [jucunditas, jucundus, Lat.] Pleasantness; agreeableness.

The new, unusual, or unexpected jucundities, which present themselves - will have activity enough to excite the earthiest soul, and raise a smile from the most composed tempers.

Brown, Vulg. Err. JUDA'ICAL.* adj. [from Judah.] Jewish;

belonging to Jews.

Pride of every kind, and in every shape, exalting itself whether in judaical pharisaism, or gentile philosophy, against the knowledge of God, shall be made low, and subdued to the obedience

Bp. Horne, Consid. on St. John the Bapt. § 4. Of the Paraphrase on Isaiah nothing very favourable can be said. Sublime and solemn praise gains little by a change to blank verse; and the paraphrast has deserted his original, by admitting images not Asiatick, at least not Judaical.

Johnson, Life of Fenton. JUDA'ICALLY.* adv. [from judaical.] After

the Jewish manner.

Celebrating their Easter judaically. Milton, Of Prelat. Episcopacy.

JU'DAISM.* n. s. [from Judah.] The religion of the Jews.

Nicholas Lira - was born at Lira in Brabant, from whence he had his name, and where he was converted from Judaism to Christianity.

Bp. Cosin, Canon of Script. p. 176. For aught I see, though the Mosaical part of Judaism be abolished amongst Christians, the Pharisaical part of it never will. South, Serm. ii. 391.

The alcoran is but a system of the old Arianism, ill digested and worse put together, with a mixture of some Heathenism and Judaism.

Leslie, Truth of Christianity Demonstr.

JUDAS Tree. n. s. [siliquastrum, Latin.] A plant.

Judas tree yields a fine purplish, bright, red blossom in the Spring, and is increased by layers.

Mortimer, Husbandry. To Ju'daize. v. n. [judaiser, Fr.; judaizo, low Lat.] To conform to the manner of the Jews.

Paul judaiz'd with Jews, was all to all. Sandys. JU'DAIZER.* n. s. [from To judaize.] One who conforms to the manners or rites of the Jews.

The judaixers maintained their opinions in a direct opposition to the authority that was lodged with the apostles.

Bp. Burnet, Visit. Serm. (1704,) p. 34. JU'DDOCK.* n. s. A small snipe, so called in some places; what by others is termed the jack snipe.

JUDGE. n. s. [juge, Fr.; judex, Lat.] 1. One who is invested with authority to

determine any cause or question, real or personal.

Shall not the judge of all the earth do right?

Gen. xviii. 25. A father of the fatherless, and a judge of the widows is God in his holy habitation. Ps. x. 18. Thou art judge

Of all things made, and judgest only right.

2. One who presides in a court of judicature.

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My lord Bassanio gave his ring away Unto the judge that begg'd it.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. A single voice; and that not past me, but

By learned approbation of the judges. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

How dares your pride, As in a listed field to fight your cause, Unask'd the royal grant; nor marshal by,

As knightly rites require, nor judge to try. Dryden. It is not sufficient to imitate nature in every circumstance dully: it becomes a painter to take what is most beautiful, as being the sovereign judge of his own art.

3. One who has skill sufficient to decide

upon the merit of any thing.

One court there is in which he who knows the secrets of every heart will sit judge himself.

A perfect judge will read each piece of wit, With the same spirit that its author writ.

To Judge. v. n. [juger, Fr.; judico, Lat.]

1. To pass sentence.

My wrong he upon thee ; - the lord judge be-Gen. xvi. 5. tween thee and me. Ye judge not for man, but for the Lord, who is with you in the judgment. 2 Chron. xix. 6.

2. To form or give an opinion. Beshrew me, but I love her heartily;

Shakspeare. For she is wise, if I can judge aright. Authors to themselves,

Both what they judge and what they choose.

Milton, P. L. If I did not know the originals, I should never be able to judge, by the copies, which was Virgil, Dryden. and which Ovid.

Whether it be a divine revelation or no, reason must judge, which can never permit the mind to reject a greater evidence, to embrace what is less evident.

He proceeds in his inquiry into sciences, resolved to judge of them freely. Locke.

3. To discern; to distinguish; to consider

accurately. How doth God know? Can he judge through Job, xxii. 13. the dark cloud?

Judge in yourselves: is it comely a woman pray unto God uncovered?

How properly the tories may be called the whole body of the British nation, I leave to any one's Addison. judging.

To Judge. v. a.

1. To pass sentence upon; to examine authoritatively; to determine finally.

Chaos [shall] judge the strife. Milton, P. L. Then those, whom form of laws

Condemn'd to die, when traitors judg'd their cause. Dryden.

2. To pass severe censure; to doom severely. This is a sense seldom found but in the Scriptures.

He shall judge among the heathen; he shall fill the places with the dead bodies. Ps. cv. 6. Judge not, that ye be not judged. St. Matt. vii. 1. Let no man judge you in meat or drink.

JU'DGEMENT. n. s. [jugement, French; "Sometimes it [the letter e.] has no other effect than that of softening a preceding g: as lodge, judge, JUDGEMENT."

Lowth, English Grammar.] 1. The power of discerning the relations between one term or one proposition and

O judgement ! thou art fled to brutish beasts, And men have lost their reason. Shaks. Jul. Cas. The faculty, which God has given man to supply the want of certain knowledge, is judgement, whereby the mind takes any proposition to be true or false, without perceiving a demonstrative evi- 11. Judiciary law; statute. dence in the proofs. Judgment is that whereby we join ideas together

by affirmation or negation; so, this tree is high.

2. Doom; the right or power of passing judgement. If my suspect be false, forgive me, God;

For judgement only doth belong to thee.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. The act of exercising judicature; ju-

They gave judgement upon him. 2 Kings, xxv. 6. When thou, O Lord, shalt stand disclos'd

In majesty severe, And sit in judgement on my soul,

O how shall I appear? Addison, Spect.

Determination; decision.

Where distinctions or identities are purely material, the judgement is made by the imagination, otherwise by the understanding. Glanville, Scepsis. We shall make a certain judgement what kind of dissolution that earth was capable of.

Burnet, Theory. Reason ought to accompany the exercise of our senses, whenever we would form a just judgement of things proposed to our inquiry.

5. The quality of distinguishing propriety and impropriety; criticism.

Judgement, a cool and slow faculty, attends not a man; the rapture of poetical composition.

Tis with our judgements as our watches, none Go just alike; yet each believes his own. 6. Opinion: notion.

I see men's judgements are

A parcel of their fortunes, and things outward Draw the inward quality after them,

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. To suffer all alike. When she did think my master lov'd her well, She, in my judgement, was as fair as you. Shaks.

7. Sentence against a criminal. When he was brought again to the bar, to hear His knell rung out, his judgement, he was stirr'd Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. With agony.

The chief priests informed me, desiring to have judgement against him. Acts, xxv. 15. On Adam last this judgement he pronounc'd.

Milton, P. L. 8. Condemnation. This is a theological

The judgement was by one to condemnation; but the free gift is of many offences unto justifi-Rom. v. 16.

The precepts, promises, and threatenings of the Gospel will rise up in judgement against us, and the articles of our faith will be so many articles of accusation.

9. Punishment inflicted by Providence, with reference to some particular crime. This judgement of the heavens that makes us tremble,

Touches us not with pity. Shakspeare, K. Lear. We cannot be guilty of greater uncharitableness, than to interpret afflictions as punishments and judgements: it aggravates the evil to him who suffers, when he looks upon himself as the mark of Addison, Spect. divine vengeance.

10. Distribution of justice.

The Jews made insurrection against Paul, and brought him to the judgement seat. Acts, xviii. 12. Your dishonour

Mangles true judgement, and bereaves the state Of that integrity which should become it.

Shakspeare, Coriol. In judgements between rich and poor, consider not what the poor man needs, but what is his own.

A bold and wise petitioner goes strait to the throne and judgement seat of the monarch.

Arbuthnot and Pope.

If ye hearken to these judgements, and keep and do them, the Lord thy God shall keep unto thee the covenant. Deut. vii. 12.

12. The last doom. The dreadful judgement day

So dreadful will not be as was his sight.

Sheakspeare, Hen. VI. JU'DGER. n. s. [from judge.] One who forms judgement; or passes sentence. A judger of thoughts and intents of the heart.

Bale, on the Revel. P. 1. (1550.) B. 5. b. The vulgar threatened to be their oppressors, and judgers of their judges. King Charles. They who guide themselves merely by what ap-

pears, are ill judgers of what they have not well examined. Ju'dgeship.* n. s. [from judge.] Office

or dignity of a judge. To pass over the pope's universal pastorship,

and judgeship in controversies. Barrow on the Pope's Supremacy. JU'DICATIVE.* adj. [judico, Lat.] Having

power to judge. The former is but an act of the judicative fa-Hammond, Works, iv. 492.

They address as well to their reasons, make solemn appeals to their judicative faculties. Lively, Oracles, &c. p. 76.

JU'DICATORY. n. s. [judico, Lat.]
1. Distribution of justice.

No such crime appeared as the lords, the supreme court of judicatory, would judge worthy of Clarendon. death.

2. Court of justice.

Human judicatories give sentence on matters of right and wrong, but inquire not into bounty and Atterbury. beneficence.

JU'DICATORY.* adj. Distributing justice;

judicially pronouncing.

The Son of man is thus constantly represented as making the great decretory separation, and the last judicatory distinction between man and man. Pearson on the Creed, Art. 7.

Hence their vain distinctions of druidical shrines, thrones of royal inauguration, triumphal piles, sepulchres, and judicatory tribunals. Warton, Hist. of Kiddington, p. 61.

JU'DICATURE. n. s. [judicature, Fr. ; judico, Lat.]

Power of distributing justice.

The honour of the judges in their judicature is Bacon, Adv. to Villiers. the king's honour. If he should bargain for a place of judicature, let him be rejected with shame.

2. Court of justice. In judicatures to take away the trumpet, the scarlet, the attendance, makes justice naked as well as blind.

UDI'CIAL.† adj. [judicielle, old Fr. Lacombe; judicium, Lat.]

1. Practised in the distribution of publick justice.

What government can be without judicial proceedings? and what judicature without a religious oath ?

Bentley. Inflicted on as a penalty. The resistance of those will cause a judicial

South. hardness. JUDI'CIALLY. adv. [from judicial.]

forms of legal justice. It will behove us to think that we see God still

looking on, and weighing all our thoughts, words, and actions in the balance of infallible justice, and passing the same judgement which he intends hereafter judicially to declare.

Judi'ciary. † adj. [judiciare, Fr. ; judiciarius, Lat.] Passing judgement upon any thing.

The consideration of his judiciary astrology. Hakewill on Providence, p. 164.

Regular and judiciary power.

Pearson on the Creed, Art. 6. Before weight be laid upon judiciary astrologers, the influence of constellations ought to be made

JUDI'CIOUS. adj. [judicieux, Fr.] Prudent; wise; skilful in any matter or af-

For your husband,

He's noble, wise, judicious, and best knows The fits o' th' season. Shakspeare, Macbeth. Love hath his seat

reason, and is *juactions*.

To each savour meaning we apply,

Milton, P. L. In reason, and is judicious.

And palate call judicious. We are beholden to judicious writers of all ages for those discoveries they have left behind them.

JUDI'CIOUSLY. adv. [from judicious.] Skilfully; wisely; with just determination. So bold, yet so judiciously you dare,

That your least praise is to be regular. Longinus has judiciously preferred the sublime genius that sometimes errs to the middling or indifferent one, which makes few faults, but seldom rises to excellence.

Judi'ciousness.* n. s. [from judicious.] State or quality of being judicious.

Jug. n. s. [jugge, Danish.] A large drinking vessel with a gibbous or swelling belly.

You'd rail upon the hostess of the house, Because she bought stone jugs and no seal'd quarts.

Shakspeare. He fetch'd 'em drink,

Fill'd a large jug up to the brink.

To Jug.* v. n. [perhaps from the noun, or from the sound.] To emit, or pour forth a particular sound, as we still say of certain birds.

She [the nightingale] will jug it forth but cheerfully and sweetly too.

Partheneia Sacra, (1633,) p. 140.

To Jug. * v. a. To call or bring together by a particular sound.

Some have taken, in these times, by a mutual call of one another to jug themselves, like partridges, into small coveys.

Bp. Ganden, Hierasp. (1653,) p. 292. To JU'GGLE. v. n. [jougler, or jongler,

Fr.; joculari, Lat.]

1. To play tricks by slight of hand; to show false appearances of extraordinary performances.

The ancient miracle of Memnon's statue seems to be a juggling of the Ethiopian priests. Digby on Bodies.

2. To practice artifice or imposture. Be these juggling fiends no more believ'd,

That palter with us in a double sense. Shakspeare, Macheth.

They ne'er forswore themselves, nor lied; Disdain'd to stay for friends' consents; Nor juggl'd about settlements.

To Ju'ggle.* v. a. To effect by artifice or trick; to deceive. Is't possible the spells of France should juggle

Men into such strange mockeries?

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. There was a worse pad in the straw than is there discovered, that juggled the paper into the king's

Hacket's Life of Abp. Williams, (1693,) p. 195. Ju'ggle. n. s. [from the verb.]

1. A trick by legerdemain.

2. An imposture; a deception.

The notion was not the invention of politicians, | JU'ICELESS. adj. [from juice.] Dry; withand a juggle of state to cozen the people into obe-

JU'GGLER. n. s. [from juggle.]

1. One who practises slight of hand; one who deceives the eye by nimble conveyance.

They say this town is full of cozenage, As nimble jugglers that deceive the eye, Drug-working sorcerers that change the mind, Disguised cheaters, prating mountebanks,

And many such like libertines of sin. Shakspeare. I saw a juggler that had a pair of cards, and would tell a man what card he thought.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. Aristæus was a famous poet, that flourished in the days of Crœsus, and a notable juggler.

Sandys, Travels. Fortune-tellers, jugglers, and impostors, do daily delude them. Brown, Vulg. Err. The juggler which another's slight can show,

But teaches how the world his own may know. Garth.

One who is managed by a juggler fancies he has money in hand; but let him grasp it never so carefully, upon a word or two it increases or dwindles. Addison, Freeholder

What magick makes our money rise, When dropt into the southern main; Or do these jugglers cheat our eyes?

A cheat; a trickish fellow.

O me, you juggler, oh, you canker blossom, You thief of love; what, have you come by night, And stolen my love's heart from him? Shakspeare. I sing no harm

To officer, juggler, or justice of peace. Donne. JU'GGLING.* n. s. [from juggle.] Decep-

tion; imposture.

All superstitions being in effect but jugglings. Blount, Voyage to the Levant, p. 89. Ju'gglingly. adv. [from juggle.] In a de-

ceptive manner.

JU'GULAR. adj. [jugulum, Lat.] Belonging to the throat.

A gentleman was wounded into the internal jugular, through his neck. Wiseman, Surgery.

JUICE.† n. s. [jus, Fr.; juys, Dutch. Dr. Johnson.— To this may be added the Iceland. juck, juice; and the Lat. succus; and particularly the Celt. jus. This old English word is sometimes written jus or juse; and is pronounced joice in some parts.

1. The liquor, sap, or water of plants and fruits.

If I define wine, I must say, wine is a juice not liquid, or wine is a substance; for juice includes both substance and liquid. Watts, Logick.

Of herbes of all the best juse. Gower, Conf. Am. Thy baths shall be the juice of July-flowers. B. Jonson, Fox. Unnumber'd fruits,

A friendly juice to cool thirst's rage contain,

2. The fluid in animal bodies.

Juice in language is less than blood; for if the words be but becoming and signifying, and the sense gentle, there is juice: but where that wanteth, the language is thin, scarce covering the bone.

B. Jonson, Discoveries. An animal whose juices are unsound can never be nourished; unsound juices can never repair the Arbuthnot.

To Juice.* v. a. [from the noun.] moisten.

Some gallants perchance count all conquests dry meat which are not juiced with blood. Fuller, Holy War, p. 164. out moisture; without juice.

My joyceless corps shall yield up banish'd breath. Trag. Hist. of Rom. and Juliet, (1562.)

Divine Providence has spread her table every where; not with a juiceless green carpet, but with succulent herbage and nourishing grass.

More against Atheism. When Boreas' spirit blusters sore, Beware th' inclement heav'ns; now let thy hearth, Crackle with juiceless boughs.

Ju'iciness. † n. s. [from juice.] Plenty of juice; succulence. Sherwood. Ju'ICY. adj. [from juice.] Moist; full of

juice; succulent. Earth being taken out of watery woods, will put forth herbs of a fat and juicy substance.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. Each plant and fuiciest gourd will pluck.

Milton, P. L. The musk's surpassing worth! that, in its youth, Its tender nonage, loads the spreading boughs With large and juicy offspring.

Juise.* n. s. [low Lat. juisium, a word occurring in old charters; from jus.] Judgement; justice. Obsolete.

See the vengeance of his juise.

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 7. Ju'jub.† (n. s. [zizyphus, Lat.] A plant JU'JUBES. \ whose flower consists of several leaves, which are placed circularly, and expand in form of a rose. The fruit is like a small plum, but it has little flesh upon the stone. Miller.

Beld, huneb, i. e. civitas vel regio zizyphorum; a city in Africa, so called, as Leo Africanus doth testify, of the abundance of jujubes which do grow there about.

Bedwell's Arabian Trudgman, (1615,) p. 90. With her the jujube tree, a milder plant, Which (though offensive thorns she does not want) In peace and mirth alone does pleasure take; Her flow'rs at feasts the genial garlands make, Her wood the harp, that keeps the guests awake.

Tate's Cowley. To Juke.† v. n. [jucher, Fr. Dr. Johnson. — huka, Su. Goth. avium more reclinare. Serenius.]

1. To perch upon any thing, as birds. 2. Juking, in Scotland, denotes still any complaisance by bending of the head.

Two asses travelled; the one laden with oats, the other with money: the money-merchant was so proud of his trust, that he went juking and tossing of his head. L'Estrange.

Ju'LAP. n. s. [a word of Arabick original; julapium, low Lat.; julep, Fr.]

Julap is an extemporaneous form of medicine, made of simple and compound water sweetened, and serves for a vehicle to other forms not so convenient to take alone. Behold this cordial julep here,

That flames and dances in his crystal bounds With spirits of balm and fragrant syrups mixt.

Milton, Comus.

If any part of the after-birth be left, endeavour the bringing that away; and by good sudorificks and cordials expel the venom, and contemporate the heat and acrimony by julaps and emulsions.

Wiseman, Surgery.

JU'LIAN.* adj. Denoting the old account of the year, so called from Julius Cæsar, and used among us in England till 1752; when the Gregorian was adopted. See GREGORIAN.

the creation, and 2420 of the Julian period.

Gregory, Posthum. p. 174. Ju'Lus. n. s. [leλος, Gr.] Among botanists, the iulus denotes those long worm-like tufts or palms, as they are called in willows, which at the beginning of the year grow out, and hang pendular down from hasels, walnut-trees, &c.

Ju'ly. † n. s. [Julius, Lat.; juillet, Fr. We now usually pronounce the word with the accent on the last syllable; but formerly it was on the first as Dr. Johnson has placed it.] The month anciently called quintilis, or the fifth from March, named July in honour of Julius Cæsar; the seventh month from January.

Then came hot July boiling like to fire.

Spenser, F. Q. July I would have drawn in a jacket of light yellow, eating cherries, with his face and bosom

JU'LY-FLOWER.* n. s. What is commonly called the gillyflower. See GILLY-FLOWER.

Thy baths shall be the juice of July-flowers, B. Jonson, Fox. Spirit of roses, and of violets.

JU'MART. n. s. [French.] Mules and jumarts, the one from the mixture of an ass and a mare, the other from the mixture of a bull and a mare, are frequent.

To JU'MBLE. v. a. [In Chaucer, jombre, from combler, Fr. Skinner.] To mix violently and confusedly together.

Persons and humours may be jumbled and disguised; but nature, like quicksilver, will never be killed.

A verbal concordance leads not always to texts of the same meaning; and one may observe, how apt that is to jumble together passages of Scripture, and thereby disturb the true meaning of holy

Writing is but just like dice, And lucky mains make people wise; And jumbled words, if fortune throw them, Shall, well as Dryden, form a poem.

Is it not a firmer foundation for tranquillity, to believe that all things were created, and are ordered for the best, than that the universe is mere bungling and blundering; all ill-favouredly cobled and jumbled together by the unguided agitation and rude shuffles of matter? Bentley.

How tragedy and comedy embrace, How farce and epick get a jumbled race.

Pope, Dunciad. That the universe was formed by a fortuitous concourse of atoms, I will no more believe, than that the accidental jumbling of the alphabet would fall into a most ingenious treatise of philosophy.

To Ju'mble. v. n. To be agitated to-

They will all meet and jumble together into a perfect harmony.

JU'MBLE. n. s. [from the verb.] Confused mixture; violent and confused agitation.

Had the world been coagmented from that supposed fortuitous jumble, this hypothesis had been tolerable.

What jumble here is made of ecclesiastical revenues, as if they were all alienated with equal

JU'MBLEMENT.* n. s. [from jumble.] Confused mixture.

Shall we think this noble frame was never made? or that it was made by a casual jumblement of atoms? Hancock, in Boyle's Lect. Sermons, ii. 210.

The flood came upon the earth anno 1656 of Ju'mbler.* n. s. [from jumble.] One who mixes things together confusedly and Sherwood. disorderly.

JU'MENT.† n. s. [jument, Fr.; jumentum, Lat.] Beast of burthen.

They did as much excel men in dignity, as we Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 42. do iuments. Juments, as horses, oxen, and asses, have no eructation, or belching. Brown, Vulg. Err.

To JUMP. v. n. [gumpen, Teut.]

1. To leap; to skip; to move without step or sliding.

Not the worst of the three but jumps twelve foot and an half by the square. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

The herd come jumping by me,
And fearless, quench their thirst, while I look on, And take me for their fellow-citizen. Dryden. So have I seen from Severn's brink

A flock of geese jump down together, Swim where the bird of Jove would sink,

And swimming never wet a feather. Candidates petition the emperor to entertain the court with a dance on the rope; and whoever jumps the highest succeeds in the office.

Swift, Gulliv. Trav.

2. To leap suddenly. One Peregrinus jumped into a fiery furnace at the Olympick games, only to show the company how far his vanity could carry him. Collier. We see a little, presume a great deal, and so jump to the conclusion.

3. To jolt. The noise - of the prancing horses, and of Nah. iii. 2. the jumping chariots.

4. To agree; to tally; to join. Do not embrace me till each circumstance Of place, time, fortune, do cohere and jump

Shakspeare, Tw. Night. That I am Viola. In some sort it jumps with my humour. Shakspeare.

But though they jump not on a just account, Yet do they all confirm a Turkish fleet. Shakspeare, Othello.

Because I will not jump with common spirits, And rank me with the barbarous nations.

Herein perchance he jumps not with Lipsius. Hakewill.

Never did trusty squire with knight, Or knight with squire, e'er jump more right; Their arms and equipage did fit,

As well as virtues, parts, and wit. This shews how perfectly the rump And commonwealth in nature jump:

For as a fly that goes to bed, Rests with his tail above his head; So in this mungrel state of ours,

The rabble are the supreme powers. Hudibras. Good wits jump, and mine the nimbler of the Good now, how your devotions jump with mine!

Dryden. I am happier for finding our judgements jump in the notion. Pope to Swift.

To Jump. v.a. To venture on inconsiderately; to risk; to hazard. Here upon this bank and shoal of time,

We'd jump the life to come. Shakspeare, Macbeth. You that will be less fearful than discreet; - that prefer

A noble life before a long, and wish To jump a body with a dangerous physick That's sure of death without it. Shakspeare, Coriol.

JUMP. adv. Exactly; nicely. Obsolete. Otherwise one man could not excel another, but all should be either absolutely good, as hitting jump that indivisible point or centre wherein goodness consisteth; or else missing it, they should be excluded out of the number of

But since so jump upon this bloody question, You from the Polack wars, and you from England,

Are here arriv'd. Shakspeare, Hamlet. Myself the while to draw the Moor apart, And bring him jump, when he may Cassio find Soliciting his wife. Shakspeare, Othello.

JUMP.† n. s. [from the verb.]

1. The act of jumping; a leap; a skip; a bound.

The surest way for a learner is, not to advance by jumps and large strides; let that, which he sets himself to learn next, be as nearly conjoined with what he knows already, as is possible. Locke.

2. A chance; hazard. Do not exceed

The prescript of this scrowl: our fortune lies Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. Upon this jump.

It [ellebore] putteth the patient to a jumpe, or great hazard. Holland, Transl. of Pliny's Nat. Hist. B.25. ch.5.

3. [Jupe, French.] A waistcoat; a kind

of loose or limber stays worn by sickly ladies; a short coat. In Lancashire, a jump is a coat. See JIPPO.

The Scotch jump is looked upon as the more

military fashion.

Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 119. Even the bedel of the beggars, without his blue jump and silver-head tipstaff, loses reputation among the boys and vagrants

Gayton on D. Quix. p. 252. The weeping cassock scar'd into a jump,

A sign the presbyter's worn to the stump. Cleaveland.

JU'MPER.* n. s. [from jump.] One that jumps or leaps. Sherwood. The popes are pleased to juggle, as the fellow used to do, who bragged how far he could jump

at Rhodes, where he knew no man had seen him. - There only my jumpers can work wonders. Brevint, Saul and Sam. at Endor, (1674,) p. 229.

Ju'ncate. † n. s. [gioncata, Italian; joncade, French; which Cotgrave renders "spoon-meat made of cream, rosewater, and sugar;" and jonchée, following it, "fresh cheese made of milk that's curdled without any runnet, and served in a frail of green rushes," i. e. the Fr. joncs. Here is our cheesecake, and the origin of the word.]

1. Cheesecake; a kind of sweetmeat of

curds and sugar. When lads and lasses merry be

With possets and with juncates fine; Unseene of all the company

I eat their cakes and sip their wine. Old Song of R. Goodfellow, Percy's Rel. A. Poetry. With stories told of many a feat,

How fairy Mab the juncates eat. Milton, L'All. 2. Any delicacy.

A goodly table of pure ivory,

All spread with juncutes, fit to entertain The greatest prince.

It may indeed for a few days feed us with some painted joncates, and afterwards send us empty Hartlib, Ref. of Schools, (1642,) p. 53.

3. A furtive or private entertainment. It is now improperly written junket in this sense, which alone remains much in use. See Junket.

Ju'ncous. adj. [junceus, Lat.] Full of bulrushes.

JU'NCTION. n. s. [jonction, Fr.] Union;

Upon the junction of the two corps, our spies discovered a great cloud of dust.

Hooker. JU'NCTURE. n. s. [junctura, Lat.]

1. The line at which two things are joined together.

Besides those grosser elements of bodies, salt, surphur, and mercury, there may be ingredients of a more subtile nature, which being extremely little, may escape unheeded at the junctures of the distillatory vessels, though never so carefully

2. Joint: articulation.

She has made the back-bone of several vertebræ, as being less in danger of breaking than if they were all one entire bone without those grisly junctures.

All other animals have transverse bodies; and though some do raise themselves upon their hinder legs to an upright posture, yet they cannot endure it long, neither are the figures or junctures, or order of their bones, fitted to such a posture. Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

3. Union; amity.

Nor are the soberest of them so apt for that devotional compliance and juncture of hearts, which I desire to bear in those holy offices to be performed with me, King Charles. 4. A critical point or article of time.

By this profession in that juncture of time, they bid farewell to all the pleasures of this life.

When any law does not conduce to the publick safety, but in some extraordinary junctures, the very observation of it would endanger the community, that law ought to be laid asleep.

Addison, Freeholder. June. n. s. [juin, Fr. junius, Lat.] The

sixth month from January. June is drawn in a mantle of dark green.

JU'NIOR. adj. [junior, Lat.] One

younger than another.

The fools, my juniors by a year, Are tortur'd with suspense and fear, Who wisely thought my age a screen, When death approach'd to stand between. Swift.

According to the nature of men of years, I was repining at the rise of my juniors, and unequal distribution of wealth.

Junio'rity.* n. s. [from junior.] State of being junior. Bullokar.

JU'NIPER. n. s. [juniperus, Lat.] A tree.

A clyster may be made of the common deecoctions, or of mallows, bay, and juniper berries, with oil of linseed.

Junk. † n. s. [probably an Indian word.] 1. A small ship of China, Dr. Johnson says; and so the example, which he brings from Bacon, serves to shew: but it is also used for a large ship.

America, which have now but junks and canoes, abounded then in tall ships.

Bacon, New Atlantis. This storm forcing a Malabar junk, a pirate, in view of us; whom our ordnance could not reach. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 41.

The ship, or junk, (for so it is called,) that usually goes from Surat to Moha is of an exceeding great burden; some of them, I believe, fourteen or fifteen hundred tuns, or more; but those huge vessels are very ill built.

Terry, Voyage to the E. Ind. (1655,) p. 187.

2. Pieces of old cable.

JU'NKET. n. s. [properly juncate. See JUNCATE.]

1. A sweetmeat.

You know, there wants no junkets at the feast. Shaksneare.

2. A stolen entertainment.

To Ju'nker. v. n. [from the noun.]

1. To feast secretly; to make entertainments by stealth.

Whatever good bits you can pilfer in the day, save them to junket with your fellow servants at night.

2. To feast.

Job's children junketed and feasted together often, but the reckoning cost them dear at last.

The apostle would have no revelling or junket-

JU'NTA.† n. s. [junta, Spanish. Our word was at first juncto, from the Lat. junctus, united. Dr. Johnson notices only junto.]

1. A cabal; a kind of men combined in

any secret design.

The juncto had run to the length of their line; that is, as far as their master would permit them. Glanville, Serm. p. 171.

Would men have spent toilsome days and watchful nights in the laborious quest of knowledge preparative to this work, at length come and dance attendance for approbation upon a junto of petty tyrants, acted by party and prejudice, who denied fitness from learning, and grace from morality?

From this time began an intrigue between his majesty and a junto of ministers, which had like to have ended in my destruction.

Swif, Gulliv. Trav.

2. A congress of statesmen; a council. Some principal soldiers, upon account of their merit or experience, were wont to assist at the

juntas. Townsend, Conq. at Mexico, iii. 18.

The senate [of Venice] consists of a hundred and twenty nobles, one half of whom are ordinary, and the other distinguished by the appellation of the junta. Drummond, Trav. p. 61.

I'VORY. n. s. [ivoire, Fr. ebur, Lat.]

Ivory is a hard, solid, and firm substance, of a fine white colour: it is the dens exertus of the elephant, who carries on each side of his jaws a tooth of six or seven feet in length; the two sometimes weighing three hundred and thirty pounds: these ivory tusks are hollow from the base to a certain height, and the cavity is filled with a compact medullary substance.

There is more difference between thy flesh and

hers, than between jet and ivory.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. Two gates the silent house of sleep adorn, Of polish'd iv'ry this, that of transparent horn : True visions through transparent horn arise, Through polish'd w'ry pass deluding lies.

I'vory.* adj. Made of ivory. Draw Erato with a sweet and lovely countenance, bearing a heart with an ivory key. Peacham on Drawing.

From their ivory port the cherubim Forth issu'd.

JU'PITER.* n. s. One of the planets. Jupiter revolves round the sun between Mars and Saturn.

close coat. Written also gipon, jippo, juppa, and jump. See JIPPO, and JUMP. Of fustian he weared a gipon.

Chaucer, C. T. Prol. Some wore a breast-plate and a light juppon, Their horses cloth'd with rich caparison. Dryden.

Little men in red or blue juppas. Brevint, Saul and Sam. at Endor, p. 378.

JU'RAT. † n. s. [juratus, Lat. juré, Fr.] A magistrate in some corporations, Dr. Johnson says; which Cowell tells us is

in the nature of an alderman; as the mayor and jurats of Maidstone, &c. So in French, "jurats de Bourdeaux." Cotgrave. Originally, however, this word was applied to any person sworn to a particular purpose, juratus.

Witnesses and jurates, which shall proceede in the tryall, do make no lesse othe; but do openly renounce the helpe of God and his saintes, and the benefit of his passyon, if they saye not true, as far forth as they know.

JU'RATORY. adj. [juratoire, French, juro, Lat.] Comprising an oath.

A contumaceous person may be compelled to give juratory caution de parendo juri.

Ayliffe, Parergon. JURI'DICAL.† adj. [juridicus, Latin,

juridique, Fr.]
1. Acting in the distribution of justice.

All discipline is not legal, that is to say juridical, but some is personal, some economical, and some ecclesiastical. Milton, Colasterion. 2. Used in courts of justice.

According to a juridical account and legal

signification, time within memory, by the statute of Westminster, was settled in the beginning of the reign of king Richard the First. Hale, Com. Law of England.

JURI'DICALLY. adv. [from juridical.]

With legal authority; according to forms of justice.

Ju'risconsult. n.s. [juris consultus, Lat.] One who gives his opinion in cases of law.

There is mention made, in a decision of the jurisconsult Javolemus, of a Britannick fleet.

Arbuthnot on Coins.

JURISDI'CTION. n. s. [jurisdictio, Lat. jurisdiction, Fr. 7

1. Legal authority; extent of power. Sometimes the practice of such jurisdiction may swerve through errour even in the very best, and for other respects, where less integrity is. Hooker.

You wrought to be a legate; by which power You maim'd the jurisdiction of all bishops

All persons exercising ecclesiastical jurisdiction should have the king's arms in their seals of office.

This place exempt From Heaven's high jurisdiction. Milton. As Adam had no such power as gave him sovereign jurisdiction over mankind. Locke. This custom in a popular state, of impeaching particular men, may seem to be nothing else but the people's chusing to exercise their own jurisdiction in person.

2. District to which any authority extends.

JURISDI'CTIONAL.* adj. [from jurisdiction.] According to legal authority.

Anciently there were no appeals, properly so called, or jurisdictional, in the church. Barrow, Works, i. 249.

Juppo'n. n. s. [jupon, Fr.] A short Jurisdictive. * adj. [from jurisdiction.] Having jurisdiction.

That jurisdictive power in the church.

Milton, Reas. of Ch. Gov. B. 2.

JURISPRU'DENCE.† n. s. [jurisprudence, Fr. jurisprudentia, Lat.] science of law.

The talents of Abelard were not confined to theology, jurisprudence, philosophy, and the thorny paths of scholasticism: he gave proofs of a lively genius, by many poetical performances.

Dr. Warton, Ess. on Pope.

Aristotle himself has said, speaking of the laws of his own country, that jurisprudence, or the knowledge of those laws, is the principal, and most perfect branch of ethics.

JURISPRU'DENT.* adj. [Lat. jurisprudens.] Understanding law.

Puffendorff, a very jurisprudent author. West to Gray, Lett. dat. 1738.

Ju'rist. n. s. [juriste, Fr. jura, Lat.] civil lawyer; a man who professes the science of the law; a civilian.

This is not to be measured by the principles of

Ju'ROR. n. s. [juro, Lat.] One that serves on the jury.

Were the jurors picked out of choice men, the evidence will be as deceitful as the verdict.

Spenser on Ireland. I shall find your lordship judge and juror,

You are so merciful, I see your end,

'Tis my undoing. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. I sing no harm, good sooth! to any wight, Juror, or judge.

About noon the jurors went together, and because they could not agree, they were shut in.

JU'RY. n. s. [jurata, Lat. jurée, Fr.]

Jury, a company of men, as twentyfour or twelve, sworn to deliver a truth upon such evidence as shall be delivered them touching the matter in question. There be three manners of trials in England: one by parliament, another by battle, and the third by assize or jury. The trial by assize, by the action civil or criminal, publick or private, personal or real, is referred for the fact to a jury, and as they find it, so passeth the judgement. This jury is used not only in circuits of justices errant, but also in other courts, and matters of office, as if the escheatour make inquisition in any thing touching his office, he doth it by a jury of inquest: if the coroner inquire how a subject found dead came to his end, he useth an inquest: the justices of peace in their quarter-sessions, the sheriff in his county and turn, the bailiff of a hundred, the steward of a court-leet or court-baron, if they inquire of any offence, or decide any cause between party and party, they do it by the same manner: so that where it is said, that all things be triable by parliament, battle, or assize; assize, in this place, is taken for a jury or inquest, impannelled upon any cause in a court where this kind of trial is used. This jury, though it appertain to most courts of the common law, yet it is most notorious in the half-year courts of the justices errants, commonly called the great assizes, and in the quarter-sessions, and in them it is most ordinarily called a jury, and that in civil causes; whereas in other courts it is often termed an inquest. In the general assize, there are usually many juries, because there be store of causes, both civil and criminal, commonly to be tried, whereof JUST. adj. [juste, Fr. justus, Lat. The one is called the grand jury, and the rest petit juries. The grand jury consists ordinarily of twenty-four grave and

substantial gentlemen, or some of them yeomen, chosen indifferently out of the whole shire by the sheriff, to consider of all bills of indictment preferred to the court; which they do either approve by writing upon them these words, billa vera, or disallow by writing ignoramus. Such as they do approve, if they touch life and death, are farther referred to another jury to be considered of, because the case is of such importance; but others of lighter moment are, upon their allowance, without more work, fined by the bench, except the party traverse the indictment, or challenge it for insufficiency, or remove the cause to a higher court by certiorari; in which two former cases it is referred to another jury, and in the latter transmitted to the higher. Those that pass upon civil causes real, are all, or so many as can conveniently be had, of the same hundred where the land or tenement in question doth lie, and four at the least; and they, upon due examination, bring in their verdict either for the demandant or tenant: according unto which, judgement, passeth afterward in the court where the cause first began; and the reason hereof is, because these justices of assize are, in this case, for the ease of the countries only to take the verdict of the jury by the virtue of the writ called nisi prius, and so return it to the court where the cause is depend-Cowel.

The jury, passing on the prisoner's life, May in the sworn twelve have a thief or two Guiltier than him they try. Shaksp. Meas. for Meas. How innocent I was,

His noble jury and foul cause can witness

Clodius was acquitted by a corrupt jury, that had palpably taken shares of money before they gave up their verdict.

Ju'ryman. n. s. [jury and man.] who is impannelled on a jury. One

The hungry judges soon the sentence sign,
And wretches hang that jurymen may dine. Pope.
No judge was known, upon or off the bench,

to use the least insinuation, that might affect the interests of any one single juryman, much less of a whole jury.

Ju'rymast. + n.s. It seems to be properly durée mast, mât de durée, a mast made to last for the present occasion. So the seamen call whatever they set up in the room of a mast lost in a fight, or by a storm; being some great yard which they put down into the step of that lost mast, fastening it into the partners, and fitting to it the mizzen or some lesser yard with sails and ropes, and with it make a shift to sail. Harris.

It has been also thought that the Norman Fr. jur, jura, a day, might give rise to this word; implying a temporary

mast, a mast for a day.

past participle of jubere, to command, as Mr. H. Tooke thus speciously contends. " A right and just action is such

a one as is ordered and commanded. A just man is such as he is commanded to be, qui leges juraque servat, who observes and obeys the things laid down and commanded." Divers. of Purley, vol. ii. p. 9. - In reply to the objection, that, according to this doctrine, every thing that is ordered and commanded is right and just, Mr. Tooke not only admits the consequence, but considers it as an identical proposition: It is only affirming, he observes, that what is ordered and commanded is - ordered and commanded!" Dugald Stewart's Philosoph. Essays, p. 165. This however requires an admission, that the nature of the thing itself must depend upon its etymology, or that the obligation of subjection to the commanding or governing power must be conceded. From this dilemma Mr. Tooke endeavours to extricate himself by a distinction "between what is ordered by human authority, and what the laws of our nature teach us to consider as ordered by God." And thus, in the choice of obedience, a man must occasionally disregard what is ordered by one authority. In short, " in the present instance, Mr. Tooke has availed himself of a philological hypothesis to decide, in a few sentences, and, in my opinion, to decide very erroneously, one of the most important questions connected with the theory of morals." Dugald Stewart, p. 166.]

1. Upright; incorrupt; equitable in the distribution of justice.

Take it, while yet 'tis praise, before my rage Unsafely just, break loose on this bad age. Dryden. Men are commonly so just to virtue and goodness, as to praise it in others, even when they do not practise it themselves. Tillotson. 2. Honest; without crime in dealing with

Just balances, just weights, and a just ephah.

3. I know not whether just of has any other authority.

Just of thy word, in every thought sincere, Who knew no wish but what the world might hear.

4. Exact; proper; accurate.

Boileau's numbers are excellent, his expressions noble, his thoughts just, his language pure, and his sense close.

These scenes were wrought, Embellish'd with good morals and just thought.

Just precepts thus from great examples giv'n, She drew from them what they deriv'd from

Heav'n, Pope. Just to the tale, as present at the fray, Or taught the labours of the dreadful way. Pope.

Once on a time La Mancha's knight, they say, A certain bard encountering on the way, Discours'd in terms as just, with looks as sage, As ere could Dennis of the laws o' the stage.

Though the syllogism be irregular, yet the inferences are just and true. Watts, Logick.

5. Virtuous; innocent; pure. How should man be just with God? Job, ix. 2. A just man falleth seven times and riseth.

Prov. xxiv. 16. He shall be recompensed at the resurrection of St. Luke, xiv. 14.

The just the unjust to serve. Milton, P. L. 6. True; not forged.

Crimes were laid to his charge too many, the least whereof being just, had bereaved him of estimation and credit.

7. Grounded on principles of justice; rightful.

Me though just right

Did first create your leader. Milton, P. L. 8. Equally retributed.

He received a just recompence of reward. Heb. ii. 2. Whose damnation is just. Rom. iii. 8. As Hesiod sings, spread water o'er thy fields,

And a most just and glad increase it yields. Denham. 9. Complete without superfluity or defect. He was a comely personage, a little above just

stature, well and strait limbed, but slender. Bacon, Hen. VII.

10. Regular; orderly.

When all The war shall stand ranged in its just array, And dreadful pomp, then will I think on thee.

11. Exactly proportioned.

The prince is here at hand: pleaseth your lord-To meet his grace, just distance 'tween our armies?

12. Full; of full dimensions.

His soldiers had skirmishes with the Numidians, so that once the skirmish was like to have comto a just battle. Knolles, Hist. Their names alone would make a just volume.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 653.
There is not any one particular above mentioned, but would take up the business of a just volume. Hale, Orig. of Mank.

There seldom appeared a just army in the civil Dutchess of Newcastle.

JUST. † adv.

1. Exactly; nicely; accurately.

The god Pan guided my hand just to the heart

They go about to make us believe that they are just of the same opinion, and that they only think such ceremonies are not to be used when they are unprofitable, or when as good or better may be established. Hooker.

There, ev'n just there he stood; and as she spoke,

Where last the spectre was, she cast her look. Dryden. A few understanding him right; just as when our Saviour said, in an allegorical sense, Except we eat the flesh of the son of man, and drink his blood, ye have no life in you. Bentley.

Tis with our judgments as our watches, none Go just alike; yet each believes his own. 2. Merely; barely.

It is the humour of weak and trifling men to value themselves upon just nothing at all. L'Estrange.

The Nereids swam before To smooth the seas; a soft Etesian gale

But just inspir'd and gently swell'd the sail. Dryden. Give me, ye gods, the product of one field, That so I neither may be rich nor poor;

And having just enough, not covet more. Dryden. 3. Nearly; almost; tantum non.

Being spent with age, and just at the point of death, Democritus called for loaves of new bread to be brought, and with the steam of them under his nose prolonged his life. Temple.

4. Just now. Immediately. Craven Dia- 7. Ju'stice of the Common Pleas. [justicilect.

JUST. n. s. [jouste, French.] Mock encounter on horseback; tilt; tournament. Joust is more proper. See Joust.

None was either more grateful to the beholders, or more noble in itself, than justs, both with sword What news? hold those justs and triumphs?

Among themselves the tourney they divide,

In equal squadrons rang'd on either side; Then turn'd their horses' heads, and man to man, And steed to steed oppos'd, the justs began.

To Just. v.n. [jouster, French. See To | 8. Ju'stice of the Forest. [justiciarius Joust.]

1. To engage in a mock fight: to tilt. 2. To push; to drive; to justle.

JU'STICE.† n. s. [Sax. nurrice, Sax. Chron. justice, French; justitia, Lat.

1. The virtue by which we give to every man what is his due: opposed to injury or wrong. It is either distributive, belonging to magistrates; or commutative, respecting common transactions between

O that I were judge, I would do justice. 2 Sam. xv. 4.

The king-becoming graces,

As justice, verity, temp'rance, stableness,

Shaksp. Macbeth. The nature and office of justice being to dispose the mind to a constant and perpetual readiness to

render to every man his due, it is evident, that if gratitude be a part of justice, it must be conversant about something that is due to another. Locke,

2. Equity; agreeableness to right: as, he proved the justice of his claim. 3. Vindicative retribution; punishment:

opposed to mercy.

He executed the justice of the Lord. Deut. xxxiii. 21. Let justice overtake us. Tsa. lix. 9. Examples of justice must be made, for terror to some; examples of mercy, for comfort to others.

Bacon's Advice to Villiers. 4. Right; assertion of right.

Draw thy sword, That if my speech offend a noble heart,

Thy arm may do thee justice. Shaksp. K. Lear. 5. [Justiciarius, Lat.] One deputed by the king to do right by way of judgement. Cowel.

A lewed officer, a vain justice.

Chaucer, Sec. Nonnes Tale. And thou, Esdras, ordain judges and justices, that they may judge in all Syria.

1 Esdras, viii. 23.

6. Ju'stice of the King's Bench. [justiciarius de Banquo Regis.] Is a lord by his office, and the chief of the rest; wherefore he is also called capitalis justiciarius Angliæ. His office especially is to hear and determine all pleas of the crown; that is, such as concern offences committed against the crown, dignity, and peace of the king; as treasons, felonies, mayhems, and such like: but it is come to pass, that he with his assistants heareth all personal actions, and real also, if they be incident to any personal action depending before them.

Cowel. Give that whipster his errand, He'll take my lord chief justice' warrant. Prior.

arius Communium Placitorum.] Is a lord by his office, and is called dominus justiciarius communium placitorum. He with his assistants originally did hear and determine all causes at the common law; that is, all civil causes between common persons, as well personal as real; for which cause it was called the court of common pleas, in opposition to the pleas of the crown, or the king's pleas, which are special, and appertaining to him only.

Forestæ.] Is a lord by his office, and hath the hearing and determining of all offences within the king's forest, committed against venison or vert: of these there be two, whereof the one hath jurisdiction over all the forests on this side Trent, and the other of all beyond. Cowel.

9. Ju'stices of Assize. [justiciarii ad capiendas Assisas.] Are such as were wont, by special commission, to be sent into this or that country to take assizes; the ground of which polity was the ease of the subjects: for whereas these actions pass always by jury, so many men might not, without great hinderance, be brought to London; and therefore justices, for this purpose, were by commission particularly authorized and sent down to them. Cowel.

10. Ju'stices in Eyre. [justiciarii itinerantes.] Are so termed of the French erre, iter. The use of these, in ancient time, was to send them with commission into divers counties, to hear such causes especially as were termed the pleas of the crown, and therefore I must imagine they were sent abroad for the ease of the subjects, who must else have been hurried to the King's Bench, if the cause were too high for the country court. They differed from the justices of Oyer and Terminer, because they were sent upon some one or few especial cases, and to one place; whereas the justices in eyre were sent through the provinces and countries of the land, with more indefinite and general commission.

11. Ju'stices of Gaol Delivery. [justiciarii ad Gaolas deliberandas. Are such as are sent with commission to hear and determine all causes appertaining to such as for any offence are cast into gaol, part of whose authority is to punish such as let to mainprise those prisoners that by law be not bailable. These by likelihood, in ancient time, were sent to countries upon several occasions; but afterward justices of assize were likewise authorized to this. Cowel.

12. Ju'stices of Nisi Prius are all one now-a-days with justices of assize; for it is a common adjournment of a cause, in the common pleas, to put it off to such a day; nisi prius justiciarii venerint ad eas partes ad capiendas assisas; and upon this clause of adjournment they are called justices of nisi prius, as well as justices of assize, by reason of the writ or action that they have to deal in.

Pacem. Are they that are appointed by the king's commission, with others, to attend the peace of the country where they dwell; of whom some, upon especial respect, are made of the quorum, because some business of importance may not be dealt in without the presence of them, or one of them? Cowel. The justice,

In fair round belly with good capon lin'd, With eyes severe, and beard of formal cut, Full of wise saws and modern instances,

And so he plays his part. Shaksp. As you like it. Thou hast appointed justices of the peace to call poor men before them, about matters they were not able to answer. Shakspeare.

The justices of peace are of great use: anciently they were conservators of the peace; these are the same, saving that several acts of parliament have enlarged their jurisdiction.

To Ju'stice. v. a. [from the noun.] To administer justice to any. A word not

As for the title of proscription, wherein the emperour hath been judge and party, and hath justiced himself, God forbid but that it should endure an appeal to a war.

Whereas one Styward, a Scot, was apprehended for intending to poison the young queen of Scots; the king delivered him to the French king, to be justiced by him at his pleasure. Hayward. JU'STICEABLE.* adj. [from justice.] Liable to account in a court of justice.

Many petty kings of Gaul - were subject to their nobility, and justiceable by them.

Hayward, Answ. to Doleman, (1603,) ch. 3. JU'STICEMENT. n. s. [from justice.] Procedure in courts.

JU'STICER. + n. s. [from To justice.] Administrator of justice. An old word, found in the law-books of elder times, viz. " justicers of the peace.'

With what fear and astonishment did the repining offenders look upon so unexpected a jus-Bp. Hall, Contempl. B. 4. He was a singular good justicer; and if he had

not died in the second year of his government, was the likeliest person to have reformed the English Davies on Ireland. Precelling his progenitors, a justicer upright.

Warner, Albion's Eng. x. 54.

He was a good justicer. Harington, Br. View of the Ch. p. 110.

Ju'sticeship. n. s. [from justice.] Rank or office of justice. Swift. JUSTI'CIABLE. adj. [from justice.] Proper to be examined in courts of justice.

Justi'ciary.* n. s. [justiciarius, low Lat.

1. An administrator of justice.

The civil justiciary, who omitteth the performance of those good duties which the law requireth, is in a damnable condition.

Junius, Sin Stigmat. (1639,) p. 465. They [the clergy] were - sometimes sheriffs of counties, and almost constantly the justiciaries of the kingdom, [an 1162.]

Burke, Abridgm. Eng. Hist. iii. 6. 2. One who boasts the justice of his own action; a self-appointed judge.

The devil is in full force to those that are justiciaries, trusting in their own works, or in the liberty of their own will.

Dering on the Ep. to the Hebrews, (1576,) M. 8.
I believe it would be no hard matter to unravel. and run through, most of the pompous austerities, and fastings, of many religious operators and splendid justiciaries. South, Serm. ix. 146.

13. Ju'stices of Peace. [justiciarii ad Ju'STIFIABLE. adj. [from justify.] Defensible by law or reason.

Just are the ways of God, Milton, S. A. And justifiable to men. Although some animals in the water do carry a justifiable resemblance to some at land, yet are the major part which bear their names unlike. Brown, Vulg. Err.

Ju'stifiableness. n. s. [from justifiable.] Rectitude; possibility of being fairly

Men, jealous of the justifiableness of their doings before God, never think they have human strength King Charles. enough.

JU'STIFIABLY. adv. [from justifiable.] Rightly; so as to be supported by right; defensibly.

A man may more justifiably throw cross and pile for his opinions, than take them up by such mea-

JUSTIFICA'TION. n. s. [justification, French; justificatio, low Latin.]

1. Absolution.

I hope, for my brother's justification, he wrote this but as an essay of my virtue.

Shakspeare, K. Lear. 2. Defence; maintenance; vindication;

Among theological arguments, in justification of absolute obedience, was one of a singular nature.

3. Deliverance by pardon from sins past. Clarke. In such righteousness

To them by faith imputed, they may find Justification towards God, and peace

Milton, P. L. Of conscience. 'Tis the consummation of that former act of faith by this latter, or in the words of St. Paul and St. James, the consummation of faith by charity and good works, that God accepteth in Christ to justification, and not the bare aptness of faith to bring forth works, if those works, by the fault of a rebellious infidel, will not be brought forth.

Ju'stificative.* adj. [justificatif, Fr.] Having power to justify; justifying; making right. Cotgrave, and Sherwood. Ju'stificator. n. s. [from justify.] One who supports, defends, vindicates, or justifies.

JUSTI'FICATORY.* adj. [from To justificate.] Vindicatory; defensory. Johnson in V. VINDICATORY.

JU'STIFIER. n. s. [from justify.] One who justifies; one who defends or absolves; one who frees from sin by pardon.

That he might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus, Rom. iii, 26,

To JU'STIFY. v. a. [justifier, French; justifico, low Latin.]

1. To clear from imputed guilt; to absolve from an accusation.

The law hath judg'd thee, Eleanor;

I cannot justify whom law condemns. They say, behold a man gluttonous, a friend of publicans and sinners; but wisdom is justified of St. Matt. xi. 19. How can man be justified with God? Or how

can he be clean that is born of a woman?

There is an exquisite subtilty, and the same is unjust; and there is a wise man that justifieth in judgement. Ecclus. xix. 25. Sins may be forgiven through repentance, but no act or wit of man will ever justify them.

You're neither justify'd, nor yet accus'd.

2. To maintain; to defend; to vindicate. When we began in courteous manner to lay his unkindness unto him, he seeing himself confronted by so many, like a resolute orator, went not to denial, but to justify his cruel falsehood. Sidney. What she did, whatever in itself,

Her doing seem'd to justify the deed. Milt. P. L. My unwilling flight the gods inforce,

And that must justify our sad divorce. Denha Yet still thy fools shall stand in thy defence, And justify their author's want of sense. Dryd.

Let others justify their missions as they can, we are sure we can justify that of our fathers by an uninterrupted succession. Atterbury.

3. To free from past sin by pardon. By him all that believe are justified from all

things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses. Acts, xiii. 39.

To JU'STLE. v. n. [from just, jouster, French. To encounter; to clash; to rush against each other. While injury of chance

Puts back leave taking, justles roughly by All time of pause, rudely beguiles our lips Shakspeare, Tr. and Cress. Of all rejoindure.

The chariots shall rage in the streets, they shall justle one against another in the broad ways. Nah. ii. 4.

Argo pass'd Through Bosporus, betwixt the justling rocks. Milton, P. L.

Late the clouds Justling, or push'd with winds, rude in their shock, Time the slant lightning. Milton, P. L.

Not one starry spark, But gods meet gods, and justle in the dark. Lee. Courtiers therefore justle for a grant;

And, when they break their friendship, plead their want. Dryden, Kn. Tale. The more remote run stumbling with their fear,

And, in the dark, men justle as they meet. When elephant 'gainst elephant did rear

His trunk, and castles justled in the air, My sword thy way to victory had shewn. Dryd. I thought the dean had been too proud To justle here among the crowd.

To Ju'stle. v. a. To push; to drive; to force by rushing against it. It is commonly used with a particle following: as, out, or off.

Private and single abilities should not justle out and deprive the church of the joint abilities of many learned and godly men. King Charles. Many excellent strains have been justled off by Brown, Vulg. Err. their intrusions.

The surly commons shall respect deny, And justle peerage out with property. Dryden. It is not to be imagined that the incongruous alphabets and abuses of writing can ever be justled out of their possession of all libraries. Holder. Running in the dark, a man may justle a post.

Absent good, though thought on, not making any part of unhappiness in its absence, is justled out, to make way for the removal of those uneasinesses we feel.

We justled one another out, and disputed the post for a great while. Addison, Guardian. Ju'stle.* n. s. [from the verb.] Shock:

slight encounter.

Every little justle, Which is but the ninth part of a sound thump.

Beaum. and Fl. Nice Valour. All such as have been aggrieved by any ambiguous expression, accidental justle, or unkind re-Tatler, No. 250. Ju'stling.* n. s. [from justle.] Shock; the act of rushing against each other.

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Was there not one who had set bars and doors to it, and said, Hitherto shalt thou come, but no farther, and here shall thy proud waves be stayed; then might we well expect such vicissitudes, such justlings, and clashings, in nature.

Woodward, Nat. Hist.

Ju'stly. adv. [from just.]

1. Uprightly; honestly; in a just manner. Nothing can justly be despised that cannot justly be blamed; where there is no choice, there can be no blame.

With ignominy scourg'd, in open sight: Next view the Tarquin kings; the avenging sword Of Brutus justly drawn, and Rome restor'd.

The goddess, studious of her Grecian's fate, Taught them in laws and letters to excel, In acting justly, and in writing well.

Properly; exactly; accurately. Their artful hands instruct the lute to sound, Their feet assist their hands, and justly beat the ground.

Ju'stness. n. s. [from just.]

1. Justness; reasonableness; equity. Justness is properly applied to things; and justice to persons; though we now say the justice of a cause, as well as of a judge.

It maketh unto the right of the war against him, whose success useth commonly to be according to the justness of the cause for which it is made.

Spenser on Ireland We may not think the justness of each act Such and no other than event doth form it. Shaks.

2. Accuracy; exactness; propriety. In

this sense it is now most used. I value the satisfaction I had in seeing it represented with all the justness and gracefulness of

I appeal to the people, was the usual saying of a very excellent dramatic poet, when he had any dispute with particular persons about the justness and regularity of his productions.

Addison, Guardian.

To JUT. † v. n. | This word is supposed to be corrupted from jet, perhaps from shoot. Dr. Johnson. - Not from shoot. See To JET.]

1. To push or shoot into prominences; to come out beyond the main bulk.

Insulting tyranny begins to jut Upon the innocent and awless throne.

Shakspeare, Rich. III.

All the projected or jutting parts should be very JUXTAPOSI'TION. 7 n. s. [juxtaposition, moderate, especially the cornices of the lower

The land, if not restrain'd, had met your way, Projected out a neck and jutted to the sea. Dryden. Broke by the jutting land on either side;

In double streams the briny waters glide. Dryden. It seems to jut out of the structure of the poem, and be independent of it. Broome on the Odyssey.

2. To run against; to but. Barret. Oft the ram

And jutting steer drive their entangling horns Through the frail meshes.

Mason, Eng. Garden, B. 2. To Ju'TTY. v. a. [from jut.] To shoot out beyond.

Then lend the eye a terrible aspect; Let it pry through the portage of the head, Like the brass cannon, let the brow o'erwhelm it, As fearfully, as doth a galled rock O'erhang and jutty his confounded base, Swill'd with the wild and wasteful ocean. Shakspeare, Hen. V.

To Ju'TTY. v. n. To jut. See To JETTY. I'VY. n. s. [1173, 11175, Saxon; hedera, Lat.] Ju'TTY.* n. s. [from the verb.]

1. That part of a building which shoots forward beyond the rest. See JETTEE. No jutty, frieze, buttress,

Nor coigne of vantage. Shakspeare, Macbeth. 2. A kind of pier: a mole projected into the sea.

Maintenance of piers, jutties, walles, and bankes, against the rages of the sea.

Acts, 1 Edward VI. c. 14. JUT-WINDOW.* n. s. [jut and window.] A window jutting from a building.

I fancied her like the front of her father's hall; her eyes were the two jut windows, and her mouth the great door. Congreve.

JUVENILE. adj. [juvenilis, Lat.] Young; youthful.

Learning hath its infancy when it is almost childish; then its youth, when it is luxuriant and juvenile; then its strength of years when it is solid; and lastly, its old age, when it waxeth dry and exhaust. Bacon, Essays.

JUVENI'LITY. n. s. [from juvenile.] 1. Youthfulness.

The restauration of grey hairs to juvenility, and renewing exhausted marrow, may be effected without a miracle.

2. Light and careless manner.

Customary strains and abstracted juvenilities have made it difficult to commend and speak credibly in dedications. Glanville.

French; juxta and positio, Latin.] Apposition; the act of placing together; the state of being placed by each other.

Nor can it be a difference that the parts of solid bodies are held together by books, since the coherence of these will be of difficult conception; and we must either suppose an infinite number of them holding together, or at last come to parts that are united by a mere juxtaposition. Glanville.

By the abduction and juxtaposition of parallels, universally gleaned both from his poetry and prose, to ascertain his favourite words.

Warton, Pref. to Milton's Sm. Poems. The man who first invented the word above, must not only have distinguished, in some measure, the

relation of superiority from the objects which were so related, but he must also have distinguished this relation from other relations, such as, from the relation of inferiority denoted by the word below, from the relation of juxtaposition, expressed by the word beside, and the like.

A. Smith, Formation of Languages. A plant.

It is a parasitick plant, sending forth roots or fibres from its branches, by which it is fastened to either trees, walls, or plants which are near it, and from thence receives a great share of its nourishment.

A gown made of the finest wool ;-A belt of straw, and ivy buds, With coral clasps and amber studs; And if these pleasures may thee move, Then live with me and be my love. Marlow.

Direct the clasping ivy where to climb. Milton, P. L. I'VYED.* adj. [from ivy.]

Overgrown with ivy. A favourite epithet of modern poets. Underneath the brow

Of wyed cliffs, through many a winding path, Many a low valley, and forsaken lawn, I stray'd with my conductor. W. Richardson.

I'll seek some lonely church, or dreary hall, Where fancy paints the glimmering taper blue, Where lamps hang mouldering on the *ivy'd* wall, And sheeted ghosts drink up the midnight dew.

Repeated objects of his view, The gloomy battlements, and ivy'd spires; That crown the solitary dome, arise. Warton, Pleasures of Melancholy. JY'MOLD. adj. See GIMMAL.

K

A letter borrowed by the English from the Greek alphabet. It has before all the vowels one invariable sound: as, keen, ken, kill. It is used after c at the end of words: as, knock, clock, crack, back, brick, stick, pluck, check, which were written anciently with e final: as, clocke, checke, tricke. It is also VOL. II.

in use between a vowel and the silent e To Kabo's.* See To Cabob. final: as, cloke, broke, brake, pike, duke, KAIL.* n. s. [capl, Saxon; caul, old eke. It likewise ends a word after a diphthong: as, look, break, shook, leek.

The English [should] never use c at the 1. A kind of cabbage. end of a word. K is silent in the present pronunciation before n: as, knife, knee, knell.

KAI

Fr.; kal, Icel. and Su. Goth. See also

I was told at Aberdeen, that the people learned from Cromwell's soldiers to make shoes and to plant kail. Johnson, Journ. Western Islands.

term. Grose, Craven Dial. and Brockett. See Kell.

KA'LENDAR. n. s. Inow written calendar.] An account of time. Let this pernicious hour

Stand aye accursed in the kalendar.

Shakspeare, Macbeth. To KA'LENDAR.* v. a. [from the noun. See To CALENDAR.] To enter in the calendar.

We are generally more apt to kalendar saints than sinners' days. Hooker, Ecc. Pol. v. 72.

KA'LENDER.* n. s. A sort of dervise. See CALENDER.

KA'LI. n. s. [An arabick word.] Seaweed, of the ashes of which glass was made; whence the word alkali.

The ashes of the weed kali are sold to the Venetians for their glass works. KA'LLIGRAPHY.* n. s. Beautiful writing.

See CALLIGRAPHY.

My kalligraphy, a fair hand, Fit for a secretary. B. Jonson, Magn. Lady.

KA'LMIA.* n. s. An elegant ever green plant, of which one kind has been called, the dwarf laurel, with a tinus leaf. The

leaf of another sort is larger. Mason.KA'LOYER.* n. s. A monk of the Greek church. See CALOYER. Dr. Shaw calls the Presbyters of the monastery of St. Catherine at Mount Sinai kalories, Trav. p. 330. Ricaut writes the word in the same manner. Others write it caloyer, as Churchhill, Tournefort, &c. The doctor, Mr. Pegge observes, derives the word from καλόγερος, a good old man; but Mr. Pegge prefers καλλίεργος, one who performs good works. See Anon. ix. 93. It is probably from καλδς, without any adjunct.

The second are habited like Greek kalories of

that order.

Ricaut, State of the Greek Church, p. 424.

KAM. † adj. [Kam, in Erse, is squint-eyed, and applied to any thing awry: clean kam signifies crooked, athwart, awry, cross from the purpose. A-schembo, Italian; hence our English a-kimbo. Clean kam is, by vulgar pronunciation, brought to kim kam. Dr. Johnson. kamm, or camm, Welsh, crooked. See CAMOUS.] Crooked. Sicin. This is clean kam.

Brut. Merely awry. Shakspeare, Coriol. The wrong way, clean contrary, quite kam.

Cotgrave, in V. Contrepoil. All goes topsy turvy; all kim kam. Transl. of Guzman de Alfarache.

KANGARO'O.* n. s. An animal of South Wales.

The head, neck and shoulders are very small in proportion; the tail is nearly as long as the body, thick near the rump, and tapering towards the end: the fore legs of this were only eight inches long, the hind ones two-andtwenty; its progress is by successive leaps of great length in an erect posture. The skin is covered by a short fur, mouse colour. This animal is called by the natives Kangaroo.

Hawkesworth's Collect. of Voyages.

2. A kind of broth; pottage. A northern To KAW. v. n. I from the sound. Dr. 1. In bringing a ship up or down a narrow Johnson. - Hence the bird's name, kae, Teut. ceo, Saxon, cawci, Welsh; and much the same in several other languages. To cry as a raven, crow, or

KED

Jack-daws kawing and fluttering about the nests, set all their young ones a-gaping; but having nothing in their mouths but air, leave them as hungry as before.

KAW. n. s. [from the verb.] The cry of a raven or crow.

The dastard crow that to the wood made wing, With her loud kaws her craven-kind doth bring, Who, safe in numbers, cuff the noble bird. Dryden.

KAYLES. n. s. pl. [quille, French.] 1. Ninepins; kettlepins, of which skittles

seems a corruption. And now at keels they try a harmless chance,

And now their cur they teach to fetch and dance.

The residue of the time they wear out at coits, kayles, or the like idle exercises. Carew, Surv. of Cornwall.

2. A kind of play still retained in Scot-

land, in which nine holes ranged in three's are made in the ground, and an iron bullet rolled in among them.

KA'ZARDLY.* adj. Unlucky; liable to accident. A northern word. Mr. Wilbraham, in his Cheshire Glossary, considers it a corruption of hazardly. Ray thus defines kazardly cattle, " cattle subject to casualties, hazardous, &c."

To Keck. v. n. [kecken, Dutch. Dr. Johnson. - From the Iceland, kuok, the throat; kuoka, "gula niti." Serenius. So, in Berkshire, kecker is used for the gullet.] To heave the stomach; to reach at vomiting.

All those diets do dry up humours and rheums, which they first attenuate, and while the humour is attenuated it troubleth the body a great deal more; and therefore patients must not keck at Bacon, Nat. Hist. them at the first.

The faction is it not notorious? Keck at the memory of glorious.

KE'CKER.* n. s. The gullet. A provincial term. See the etymology of To KECK.

To Ke'ckle. † v. a. [perhaps from kughelen, Teut. rotundare. To defend a cable round with rope. Ainsworth.

KE'CKSY. n. s. [commonly kex, cigue, French; cicuta, Latin. Skinner.] Skinner seems to think kecksey or kex the same as hemlock. It is used in Staffordshire both for hemlock, and any other hollow-jointed plant.

Nothing teems But hateful docks, rough thistles, kecksies, burs, Losing both beauty and utility. Shakspeare, Hen. V.

Ke'cky. adj. [from kex.] Resembling a kex.

An Indian sceptre, made of a sort of cane, without any joint, and perfectly round, consisteth of hard and blackish cylinders, mixed with a soft kecky body; so as at the end cut transversely, it looks as a bundle of wires. Grew. To Kedge. † v. a. [kaghe, a small vessel,

Dutch.

river, when the wind is contrary to the tide, they set the foresail, or fore-topsail and mizzen, and so let her drive with the tide. The sails are to flat her about, if she comes too near the shore. They also carry out an anchor in the head of the boat, with a hawser that comes from the ship; which anchor, if the ship comes too near the shore, they let fall in the stream, and so wind her head about it; then weigh the anchor again when she is about, which is called kedging, and from this use the anchor a kedger.

2. To fill with meat. A northern expression; as, " kedge thy kite," i. e. fill thy belly. See KITE. Praise of Yorkshire Ale, 1697, Grose, and Craven Dialect,

&c.

Kedge.* \ adj. Brisk; lively. A Suffolk KE'DGY. (word. Ray, and Moore. Caigie, or caidgy, is a Scottish term also for cheerful, sportive. See Jamieson in V.

KE'DGER. † n. s. [from kedge.]

1. A small anchor used in a river. See

2. A fish-man. Yorkshire. In other places, in the general sense of cadger. See

KEE, the provincial plural of cow, properly A lass, that Cicely hight, had won his heart,

Cicely, the western lass, that tends the kee. Gay, Past.

KE'DLACK. n. s. A weed among corn; charlock. Tusser. Keech.* n. s. [caicchio, Ital. a barrel.] A

solid lump or mass. I wonder;

That such a keech can with his very bulk Take up the rays o' the beneficial sun,

And keep it from the earth. Shaksp. Hen. VIII. A keech of tallow is the fat of an ox or cow rolled up by the butcher in a round lump, in order to be carried to the chandler. It is the proper word in use now.

Bp. Percy, Note on Shakspeare.
To Keek.* v.n. [kijcken, Teut. inspicere.] To peep; to look pryingly. Cumberland Dialect, and Brockett's N. C.

KEEL. † n. s. [ceole, Saxon; kiel, Dutch; quille, Fr.

The bottom of the ship. Portunus

Heav'd up his lighten'd keel, and sunk the sand, And steer'd the sacred vessel. Her sharp bill serves for a keel to cut the air before her; her tail she useth as her rudder.

Grew, Cosmol. Your cable's burst, and you must quickly feel The waves impetuous ent'ring at your keel.

2 A barge or lighter. " The vessels or barges, in which coals are carried from the colliery-staiths to the ships in the Tyne and Wear, are called keels. Keel is a very ancient name, of Saxon origin, for a ship or vessel, ceole, ceol, navis. On the first arrival of the Saxons in England, they came over in three large ships, styled by them-

KEELS, the same with kayles; which see. To KEEL. + v. a. [celan, Saxon, to cool; "to kele; or kelan, to make cold." Prompt. Parv.] To cool; to render cool. Dr. Johnson has been misled by Sir T. Hanmer in regard to the meaning of this word, which he confines to the kitchen; and has considered it as existing only in Shakspeare. It is one of our oldest words.

I shall lazar to the sende With water on his finger ende, Thyn hote tonge for to kele.

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 6. And down on knees full humbly gan I knele, Beseechyng her my fervent wo to kele.

Chaucer, Court of Love. While greasy Joan doth keel the pot. Shakspeare, Love's Lab. Lost.

To KEEL.* v.n. To become cold; to lose spirit; to quail. " He keals," that is, he is cowardly; his courage cools, Lancashire.

The cote he found, and eke he feleth The mace; and then his herte keleth, That there durst he not abide.

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 5.

Ke'elage.* n. s. [from keel.] Duty paid

for a ship coming into port. Keelage, whereby he had by custom what is here expressed, "octo denarios, &c." for the keel of every ship that came into his sea-port [of Hartlepool] with a boat.

Blount, Anc. Tenures, p. 146.

KE'ELER, OF KE'ELMAN. * n. s.

1. One who works in the management of barges or vessels: the old word is keeler; the modern, keelman. Brockett.

2. A shallow tub. "Ray does not give keeler as a local word, but he uses it casually, viz. A swill, a keeler to wash in, standing on three feet." Moore's Suffolk Words.

KE'ELFAT. n. s. [cœlan, Saxon, to cool, and fat or vat, a vessel.] Cooler; tub in which liquour is let to cool.

To KE'ELHALE. v. a. [keel and hale.] To punish in the seaman's way, by dragging the criminal under water on one side of the ship and up again on the other.

KE'ELING.* n. s. [of uncertain etymology.] A kind of small cod, whereof stockfish is made. Cotgrave, and Sherwood. The name given to cod of a large size. Dr.

KE'ELSON. n. s. The next piece of timber in a ship to her keel, lying right over it next above the floor timber.

KEEN. + adj. [cene, kene, Saxon; kuhn, German; koen, Dutch; daring; brave; bold: from kennen, posse. Wachter .-Goth, kienn, callidus, prudens; Su. Goth. kaenna, noscere, sentire. Serenius. - Our oldest sense certainly implies that of strength; yet in the expression a keen man, or a man of keen observation, we mean a sharp, clever, or cunning person.

selves, as Verstegan informs us, keeles." | 1. Sharp; well edged; not blunt. We | To KEEP. + v.a. [cepan, kepan, Saxon; say keen of an edge; and sharp, either of edge or point.

Come, thick night, That my keen knife see not the wound it makes. Here is my keen-edg'd sword,

Deck'd with fine flower-de-luces on each side. Shakspeare.

To me the cries of fighting fields are charms, Keen be my sabre, and of proof my arms.

A sword keen-edg'd within his right he held, The warlike emblem of the conquer'd field.

2. Severe; piercing.

The kene cold blowes through my beaten hide. Spenser, Shep. Cal. Feb.

The winds Blow moist, and keen, shattering the graceful locks

Of these fair spreading trees; which bids us seek Some better shroud. Milton, P. L.

The cold was very supportable; but as it changed to the north-west, or north, it became excessively keen. Ellis's Voyage.

3. Eager; vehement.

Never did I know A creature, that did bear the shape of man,

So keen and greedy to confound a man. Shaksp. Keen dispatch of real hunger. Milton, P. L. The sheep were so keen upon the acorns, that they gobbled up a piece of the coat. L'Estrange.

Those curs are so extremely hungry, that they are too keen at the sport, and worry their game.

This was a prospect so very inviting, that it could not be easily withstood by any who have so keen an appetite for wealth.

4. Acrimonious; bitter of mind. Good father cardinal, cry thou, Amen,

To my keen curses. Shakspeare, K. John. I have known some of these absent officers as keen against Ireland, as if they had never been indebted to her.

5. Sharp; acute of mind.

To KEEN. v. a. [from the adjective.] To sharpen. An unauthorized word.

Nor when cold winter keens the brightening

Wou'd I weak shivering linger on the brink.

Ke'enly.† adv. [from keen. Sax. kenlice.] Sharply; vehemently; eagerly; bit-

Ke'enness. † n. s. [from keen.]

1. Sharpness; edge.

No, not the hangman's ax bears half the keenness

Of thy sharp envy. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. Time and calmer considerations - do oft take off the edge and keenness of men's spirits against those things, whereof they were sometimes great abborrers; reconciling their mortal feuds, and wearing off their popular prejudices. Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 134.

2. Rigour of weather; piercing cold.

Harris. 3. Asperity; bitterness of mind.

That they might keep up the keenness against the court, his lordship furnished them with informations to the king's disadvantage. Clarendon.

The sting of every reproachful speech is the truth of it; and to be conscious is that which

gives an edge and keenness to the invective.

4. Eagerness; vehemence.

These interposals of forbearance do but whet the appetite to a greater keenness of desire. South, Serm, vi. 436.

5. Acuteness of understanding.

kepen, old Dutch. "In the English language we have two words, which add the idea of care or diligence to that of holding or possessing. These words are keep and save, which we perceive are the same words under different forms. On the word keep our etymologists supply us with a set of terms belonging to the same element, (C. B, whence the Latin capio, to take hold, to contain, &c.) which may be found in Skinner; cepan, xi \(\beta\):015, (pera,) kepen, coop. - Kefes signifies in Persia and Arabic a coop or cage for birds. Under coop, in Junius, we find a Dutch expression, ' kuype der stad, septa urbis;' and coop or cowp, vas, dolium. Hence is derived cooper, doliarius. Keep is sometimes used in the sense of restrain, confine; as, in the phrases, keep in, to keep a person to any business, &c. The commentators on Shakspeare will supply us with examples, in which keep is used in the sense of care for; and there is another signification of this word, still preserved in the phraseology of our university, [Cambridge,] in which it recurs to a different sense of the element, and has reference to an enclosure for the purpose of rest, habitation, &c." Whiter, Etymolog. Magn. p. 43.]

1. To retain; not to lose.

I kept the field with the death of some, and flight of others.

We have examples in the primitive church of such as by fear being compelled to sacrifice to strange gods repented, and kept still the office of preaching the gospel. Whitgift. Keep in memory what I preached unto you.

1 Cor. xv. 2. This charge I keep till my appointed day

Of rendering up. Milton, P. L. His loyalty he kept, his love, his zeal.

Milton, P. L. You have lost a child; but you have kept one child, and are likely do so long. Temple. If we would weigh and keep in our minds, what we are considering, that would instruct us when we should or should not, branch into dis-

2. To have in custody.

tinctions.

The crown of Stephanus, first king of Hungary, was always kept in the castle of Vicegrade.

Knolles. She kept the fatal key. Milton, P. L.

3. To preserve; not to let go. The Lord God merciful and gracious, keeping

mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity. Exod. xxxiv. 7.

I spared it greatly, and have kept me a grape of the cluster, and a plant of a great people. 2 Edr. ix. 21.

4. To preserve in a state of security; to save from danger; to deliver.

The Lord hath kept me alive, as he said, these forty and five years. Josh. xiv. 10. Whom he would he slew, and whom he would

he kept alive. Dan. v. 19. That thou shouldst keep them from the evil. St. John, xvii. 15.

We passed by where the duke keeps his gallies.

5. To protect; to guard. Behold I am with thee to keep thee. Gen. xxviii, 15.

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Keep, we beseech, O Lord, thy church with thy perpetual mercy. Collect, 15th Sund. after Trinity. To restrain from flight.

Paul dwelt with a soldier that kept him. Acts, xxviii. 16.

7. To detain, or hold as a motive. But what's the cause that keeps you here with

- That I may know what keeps me here with Dryden.

8. To hold for another.

A man delivers money or stuff to keep. Exod. xxii. 7. Reserv'd from night, and kept for thee in Milton, P. L. store.

9. To tend; to have care of.

God put him in the garden of Eden to keep it. Gen. ii. 15. While in her girlish age she kept sheep on the moor, it chanced that a merchant saw and liked

Count it thine To till and keep, and of the fruit to eat.

Milton, P. L.

10. To preserve in the same tenour or

To know the true state, I will keep this order.

Take this at least, this last advice, my son, Keep a stiff rein, and move but gently on: The coursers of themselves will run too fast,

Your art must be to moderate their haste. Addison, Ovid. 11. To regard; to attend.

While the stars and course of heaven I keep, My wearied eyes were seiz'd with fatal sleep.

12. To not suffer to fail.

My mercy will I keep for him for ever. Psal. lxxxix. 28.

13. To hold in any state.

Ingenuous shame, and the apprehensions of displeasure, are the only true restraints: these alone ought to hold the reins, and keep the child in order. Locke on Education. Men are guilty of many faults in the exercise of this faculty of the mind, which keep them in

Happy souls! who keep such a sacred dominion over their inferior and animal powers, that the sensitive tumults never rise to disturb the superior

and better operations of the reasoning mind. Watts on the Mind.

14. To retain by some degree of force in any place or state. It is often followed in this sense by particles; as, down,

under, in, off, out. This wickedness is found by thee: no good deeds of mine have been able to keep it down in

It is hardly to be thought that any governour should so much malign his successor, as to suffer an evil to grow up which he might timely have kept under; or perhaps nourish it with coloured countenance of such sinister means. Spenser.

What old acquaintance! could not all this flesh Keep in a little life? Poor Jack, farewel. Shaksp. Venus took the guard of noble Hector's corse,

And kept the dogs off: night and day applying sovereign force

Of rosy balms, that to the dogs were horrible in Chapman, Iliad. The Chinese sail where they will; which shew-

eth that their law of keeping out strangers is a law of pusilianimity and fear. Bacon, New Atlantis, And those that cannot live from him asunder, Ungratefully shall strive to keep him under.

Milton, Vac. Ex.

If any ask me what wou'd satisfy, To make life easy, thus I would reply As much as keeps out hunger, thirst, and cold.

Matters, recommended by our passions, take possession of our minds, and will not be kept out.

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Prohibited commodities should be kept out, and useless ones impoverish us by being brought

An officer with one of these unbecoming qualities, is looked upon as a proper person to keep off impertinence and solicitation from his superiour. Addison, Spect.

And if two boots keep out the weather, What need you have two hides of leather? Prior. We have it in our power to keep in our breaths, and to suspend the efficacy of this natural function.

15. To continue any state or action. Men gave ear, waited, and kept silence at my

Job, xxix. 21. counsel. Auria made no stay, but still kept on his course. Knolles, Hist. of the Turks. It was then such a calm, that the ships were

not able to keep way with the gallies. Knolles, Hist.

The moon that distance keeps till night.

Milton, P. L. An heap of ants on a hillock will more easily be kept to an uniformity in motion than these. Glanville, Scepsis.

He died in fight: Fought next my person; as in consort fought: Kept pace for pace, and blow for blow. Dryden. He, being come to the estate, keeps on a very busy family; the markets are weekly frequented, and the commodities of his farm carried out and

sold. Invading foes, without resistance,
With ease I make to keep their distance. Swift.

16. To preserve in any state. My son, keep the flower of thine age sound. Ecclus. xxvi. 19.

17. To practise; to use habitually. I rule the family very ill, and keep bad hours.

18. To copy carefully. Her servants' eyes were fix'd upon her face, And as she mov'd or turn'd, her motions view'd, Her measures kept, and step by step pursued.

19. To observe or solemnize any time. This shall be for a memorial; and you shall keep it a feast to the Lord. Exod. xii. 14. That day was not in silence holy kept. Milton, P. L.

20. To observe; not to violate. It cannot be,

The king should keep his word in loving us; He will suspect us still, and find a time

To punish this offence in other faults. Shakspeare. Sworn for three years' term to live with me,

My fellow scholars; and to keep those statutes That are recorded in this schedule here. Shakspeare. Lord God, there is none like thee : who keenest covenant and mercy with thy servants.

1 Kings, viii. 23. Lord God of Israel, keep with thy servant that thou promisedst him. 1 Kings, viii. 25. Obey and keep his great command. Milton, P. L.

His promise Palamon accepts; but pray'd To keep it better than the first he made. Dryden.

My debtors do not keep their day, Deny their hands and then refuse to pay. Dryden, Juv.

My wishes are, That Ptolemy may keep his royal word. Dryden.

21. To maintain; to support with necessaries of life.

Much more affliction than already felt They cannot well impose, nor I sustain. If they intend advantage of my labours, The work of many hands, which earns my keeping. Milton, S. A.

Dryden. 22. To have in the house.

Base tyke, call'st thou me host? I scorn the term; nor shall my Nell keep lodgers.

Shakspeare, Hen. V. 23. Not to intermit.

Keep a sure watch over a shameless daughter, lest she make thee a laughing-stock to thine enemies, and a bye-word in the city. Ecclus, xli, 11.

Not keeping strictest watch as she was warn'd. Milton, P. L.

24. To maintain; to hold.

They were honourably brought to London, where every one of them kept house by himself. Twelve Spartan virgins, noble, young, and fair,

To the pompous palace did resort, Where Menelaus kept his royal court.

25. To remain in; not to leave a place. I pr'ythee, tell me, doth he keep his bed? Shaksneare.

26. Not to reveal; not to betray. A fool cannot keep counsel. Ecclus. viii. 17. Great are thy virtues, doubtless, best of fruits, Though kept from man. Milton, P. L. If he were wise, he would keep all this to himself. Tillotson.

27. To restrain; to with-hold. If any rebel or vain spirit of mine Did, with the least affection of a welcome, Give entertainment to the might of it; Let Heaven for ever keep it from my head.

Shakspeare. Some obscure passages in the inspired volume keep from the knowledge of divine mysteries.

Boyle on Scripture. If the god of this world did not blind their eyes, it would be impossible, so long as men love them-

selves, to keep them from being religious. There is no virtue children should be excited

to, nor fault they should be kept from, which they may not be convinced of by reasons. Locke on Education.

If a child be constantly kept from drinking cold liquor whilst he is hot, the custom of forbearing will preserve him. Locke. By this they may keep them from little faults.

28. To debar from any place. Ill fenc'd for Heaven to keep out such a foe. Milton, P. L.

29. To KEEP back. To reserve. To withhold.

Whatsoever the Lord shall answer, I will de-

clare: I will keep nothing back from you. Jer. xlii. 4. Some are so close and reserved, as they will

not shew their wares but by a dark light, and seem always to keep back somewhat. Bacon, Essays.

30. To KEEP back. To with-hold; to Keep back thy servant from presumptuous sins.

Ps. xix. 13. 31. To KEEP company. To frequent any

one; to accompany. Heaven doth know, so shall the world perceive,

That I have turn'd away my former self, So will I those that kept me company.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. Why should he call her whore? Who keeps her

company?
What place? What time? Shakspeare, Othello. What mean'st thou, bride! this company to keep?

To sit up, till thou fain would sleep. Donne. Neither will I wretched thee

In death forsake, but keep thee company. Dryden. 32. To KEEP company with. To have familiar intercourse.

A virtuous woman is obliged not only to avoid immodesty, but the appearance of it; and she could not approve of a young woman keeping company with men, without the permission of 3. To continue in any place or state; to 33. To KEEP in. To conceal; not to

tell.

I perceive in you so excellent a touch of modesty, that you will not extort from me what I am willing to keep in. Syphax, your zeal becomes importunate:

I've hitherto permitted it to rave, And talk at large; but learn to keep it in, Lest it should take more freedom than I'll give it.

34. To KEEP in. To restrain; to curb.

If thy daughter be shameless, keep her in straightly, lest she abuse herself through overmuch liberty. Ecclus. xxvi. 10. It will teach them to keep in, and so master their inclinations. Locke on Education. 35. To KEEP off. To bear to a distance;

not to admit.

36. To KEEP off. To hinder. A superficial reading, accompanied with the common opinion of his invincible obscurity, has kept off some from seeking in him the coherence

of his discourse. Locke. 37. To KEEP up. To maintain without abatement.

Land kept up its price, and sold for more years' purchase than corresponded to the interest of Locke.

This restraint of their tongues will keep up in them the respect and reverence due to their parents.

Albano keeps up its credit still for wine. Addison. This dangerous dissension among us we keep up and cherish with much pains.

Addison, Freeholder. The ancients were careful to coin money in due weight and fineness, and keep it up to the standard. Arbuthnot.

38. To KEEP up. To continue; to hinder from ceasing.

You have enough to keep you alive, and to keep up and improve your hopes of heaven.

Bp. Taylor, Holy Living. In joy, that which keeps up the action is the desire to continue it. Locke.

Young heirs, from their own reflecting upon the estates they are born to, are of no use but to keep up their families, and transmit their lands and houses in a line to posterity. Addison.

During his studies and travels, he kept up a punctual correspondence with Eudoxus. Addison.

39. To KEEP under. To oppress; to

. O happy mixture! whereby things contrary do so qualify and correct the one the danger of the other's excess, that neither boldness can make us presume, as long as we are kept under with the sense of our own wretchedness; nor while we trust in the mercy of God through Christ Jesus, fear be able to tyrannize over us. Hooker.

Truth may be smothered a long time, and kept under by violence; but it will break out at last.

Stilling fleet. To live like those, that have their hope in another life, implies, that we keep under our appetites, and do not let them loose into the enjoyments of sense. Atterbury.

To KEEP. + v. n.

1. To care for; to regard. This old expression afterwards was amplified into take keep. See the substantive 8. To KEEP up. To continue unsubdued.

The wake-plaies ne kepe I not to say.

Chaucer, Kn. Tule. 2. To remain by some labour or effort in a certain state.

With all our force we kept aloof to sea, And gain'd the island where our vessels lay.

She would give her a lesson for walking so late, that should make her keep within doors for one fortnight. What! keep a week away? seven days and

nights?

Eightscore hours? and lovers' absent hours! O weary reckoning! Strain I think, it is our way, Shakspeare, Othello.

If we will keep in favour with the king, To be her men, and wear her livery.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. Thou shalt keep fast by my young men, until they have ended. Ruth, ii. 21.

The necessity of keeping well with the maritime powers, will persuade them to follow our measures. Temple.

On my better hand Ascanius hung, And with unequal paces tript along Creusa kept behind. Dryden, Æn.

The goddess born in secret pin'd; Nor visited the camp, nor in the council join'd; But keeping close, his gnawing heart he fed

With hopes of vengeance. Dryden, Homer. And while it keeps there, it keeps within our author's limitation. Locke A man that cannot fence will keep out of

bullies' and gamesters' company.

Locke on Education There are cases in which a man must guard, if he intends to keep fair with the world, and turn the penny.

The endeavours Achilles used to meet with Hector, the contrary endeavours of the Trojan to keep out of reach, are the intrigue.

Pope, View of Ep. Poetry. To remain unhurt; to last; to be

durable. Disdain me not, although I be not fair : Doth beauty keep which never sun can burn,

Nor storms do turn! Sidney Grapes will keep in a vessel half full of wine, so that the grapes touch not the wine.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. If the malt be not thoroughly dried, the ale it makes will not keep. Mortimer, Husbandry.

5. To dwell; to live constantly. A breath thou art,

(Servile to all the skiey influences,) That dost this habitation where thou keep'st, Hourly afflict. Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas. Knock at the study, where, they say, he keeps, To ruminate strange plots of dire revenge.

Shakspeare Now turn, and view the wonders of the deep; Where Proteus' herds and Neptune's orks do

keep. Where all is plough'd, yet still the pasture's

New ways are found, and yet no paths are seen. B. Jonson, Masques.

6. To adhere strictly: with to.

Did they keep to one constant dress, they would sometimes be in fashion, which they never are. Addison, Spect.

It is so whilst we keep to our rule; but when we forsake that we go astray. Baker on Learning.

7. To KEEP on. To go forward. So chearfully he took the doom; Nor shrunk, nor stept from death, But, with unalter'd pace, kept on.

He grew sick of a consumption; yet he still kept up, that he might free his country

Life of Cleomenes. 9. The general idea of this word is care, continuance, or duration, sometimes with an intimation of cogency or coer-

KEEP. † n. s. [from the verb.]

1. The strongest part of the old castles: the donjon, as Grose calls it. See Donjon. Dr. Johnson overpasses this primary sense of the word.

The day prefixed being come, he took coach near the keep, a high mount, on which is a tower, built in the middleward betwixt the two great courts within the castle; a guard being made all along. Sir T. Herbert, Mem. of K. Charles I. p. 105.

The prison strong,
Within whose keep the captive knights were laid: Was one partition of the palace-wall. Dryden. Custody; guard; charge; care. From

the preceding sense. Pan, thou god of shepherds all. Which of our tender lambkins takest keep.

Spenser, Shep. Cal.

Often he used of his keep

A sacrifice to bring, Now with a kid, now with a sheep,

The altars hallowing. Spenser, Shep. Cal. Of nothing he takes keep. Spenser, F. Q. 3. Guardianship; restraint.

Youth is least looked into, when they stand in most need of good keep and regard. 4. Condition: a colloquial expression; as,

in good keep. 5. Growing food for sheep, or other live

stock. Moore's Suffolk words. Ke'eper.† n. s. [from keep.]

1. A defender; a preserver; one who saves from harm.

The Lord himself is thy keeper; the Lord is thy defence upon thy right hand. Ps. cxxi. 5.

2. One who holds any thing for the use of another; one who has the charge or care of another; a guardian.

The good old man having neither reason to dissuade, nor hopes to persuade, received the things with the mind of a keeper, not of an owner. Sidney.

Am I my brother's keeper? Gen. iv. 9. 3. One who has prisoners in custody. The keeper of the prison, call to him. Shaksp.

The Lord was with Joseph, - and gave him favour in the sight of the keeper of the prison. Gen. xxxix.

Io now With horns exalted stands, and seems to lowe: A noble charge; her keeper by her side To watch her walks his hundred eyes apply'd. Dryden.

A pleasant beverage he prepar'd before, Of wine and water mix'd, with added store Of opium; to his keeper this be brought, Who swallowed unaware the sleepy draught.

Dryden. 4. One who has the care of parks, or beasts of chase.

There is an old tale goes, that Herne the hunter, Some time a keeper here in Windsor forest, Doth all the winter-time, at still of midnight, Walk round about an oak with ragged horns,

Shakspeare. The first fat buck of all the season's sent, And keeper takes no fee in compliment. Dryden.

5. One that has the superintendence or care of any thing.

Hilkiah went unto Hildah, keeper of the ward-2 Kings, xxii. 14.

Ke'eper of the great seal. [custos magni sigilli, Lat.] Is a lord by his office, and called lord keeper of the great seal of England, and is of the king's privycouncil, under whose hands pass all charters, commissions, and grants of the king. This lord keeper, by the statute of 5 Eliz. c. 18. hath the like jurisdiction, and all other advantages, as hath the lord chancellor of England. Cowel.

KE'EPERSHIP. n. s. [from keeper.] Office of a keeper.

The gaol of the shire is kept at Launceston: this keepership is annexed to the constableship of the castle.

Ke'eping.* n. s. [from keep.]

1. Charge; custody.

Let them that suffer according to the will of God, commit the keeping of their souls to him in well doing as unto a faithful Creator.

1 Pet. iv. 19. A wise and a good man shall be satisfied from himself; his happiness is in his own keeping. South, Serm. iv. 360.

2. Care to preserve; preservation.

If God bestows upon us a blessing, we may be confident, that he looks upon it as worth our keeping. South, Serm. iv. 402.

Therefore henceforth be at your keeping well, And ever ready for your foeman fell.

Spenser, F. Q. i. xi. 2.

KE'EPSAKE.* n. s. [keep and sake.] gift in token of rememberance; to be kept for the sake of the giver.

Keeve.* n. s. [cýf, cýfe, Sax. dolium, cadus, a tun or barrel. Somner. Jamieson in V. Keeve.] A large vessel to ferment liquours in. Devonshire. Grose. A large tub or vessel used in brewing: a mashing-tub is sometimes called a keeve. Jennings's W. Country Words. See also KIVE.

To KEEVE.* v.a.

1. To put the wort in a keeve for some time to ferment. Jennings, W. C. Words.

2. To overturn or lift up a cart, so as to unload it all at once. Cheshire. Ray,

and Wilbraham.

KEG. † n. s. [caque, French. Mr. Tooke believes our word to be the past participle of the Saxon, cæzzian, obserare. He would, of course, disdain to notice the Welsh cawg, a basin; or the Su. Goth. kagge, the same as our keg.] A small barrel, commonly used for a fish barrel. KELK.* n. s.

1. A blow. Grose, Craven Dial. and Brockett's N. C. Words.

2. Large detached stones. Craven Dial. To Kelk.* v. a. To beat heartily. Brock-

ett's N. C. Words.

- KELL. † n. s. [Dr. Johnson offers no etymology; the Welsh caul, (probably, however, borrowed from our own caul,) is the first meaning. Serenius notices also the Icel. kil, "saccus, pera, scrotum."]
- 1. The omentum; that which inwraps the

The very weight of bowels and kell, in fat people, is the occasion of a rupture.

Wiseman, Surgery. 2. A child's caul. See the fourth meaning of CATL. A silly jealous fellow - seeing his child new

born included in a kell, thought sure a Franciscan,

that used to come to his house, was the father of it, it was so like a friar's cowl; and thereupon threatened the friar to kill him.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 617. 3. The chrysalis of a caterpillar.

Caterpillars' kells, And knotty cobwebs. B. Jonson, Sad Shepherd.

Kell. † n. s. A sort of pottage. Ainsworth. It is so called in Scotland, being a soup made of shredded greens. Dr. Johnson. I do not find this Scottish soup written otherwise than kail or kale. The Welsh, however, have cawl for broth or pottage: our northern counties, kale-pot.

Kelp. + n. s. A sea-plant; a salt produced from calcined sea-weed. In making alum, the workmen use the ashes of

a sea-weed called kelp, and urine.

Boyle on Colours. Their rocks abound with kelp, a sea-plant, of which the ashes are melted into glass. They burn kelp in great quantities, and then send it away in ships, which come regularly to purchase Johnson, Journ. Western Islands.

KE'LPY.* n.s. A supposed spirit of the waters in Scotland; of the origin of which term, Dr. Jamieson says, he can form no idea, unless it be originally the same with Alem. chalp, Germ. kalb, a calf; kelpy being described as a quadruped, and as making a loud bellowing noise; yet at the same time believed to have the form of a horse. He is here noticed, on account of the resemblance of his character to our own demon of the waters, Old Nick, famous for drowning not only men but ships. See NICK.

Ke'lson. n.s. [more properly keelson.]

The wood next the keel.

We have added close pillars in the royal ships, which being fastened from the kelson to the beams of the second deck, keep them from settling, or giving way.

Ke'lter.† n. s. [kelter, to gird, Danish: "He is not in kelter; that is, he is not ready." Skinner. Upkilta, to truss, to tuck up, Su. Goth. Ihre. "Upkilta kona, colligatis vestibus mulier, quo paratior officiis obeundis fiat; et hinc verisimile est hoc Angl. kelter usurpari ccepisse de eo, qui est in promtu." Serenius. Order; ready or proper state. So in the north of England, in good kelter, that is, in good condition.

If the organs of prayer are out of kelter, - how Barrow, Works, i. 71.

To Kemb. v.a. [coemban, Saxon; kammen, German: now written, perhaps less properly, to comb.] To separate or disentangle by a denticulated instru-

Yet are the men more loose than they, More kemb'd and bath'd, and rubb'd and trim'd, More sleek. B. Jonson.

Thy head and hair are sleek; And then thou kemb'st the tuzzes on thy cheek.

Dryden. Ке'мво.* See Кімво.

KE'MELIN.* n. s. [κειμήλιον, Gr. any household implement.] A brewer's vessel; a tub. Cockeram. In the north of England a kimlin.

A kneading trough, or elles a kemelyn.

Chaucer, Mill. Tale. To KEN. + v. a. [cennan, Saxon; kennan, Dutch, to know; kaennan, Su. Goth. to instruct, and also to know.]

1. To see at a distance : to descry. The shepherd's swayne you cannot well ken, But it be by his pride, from other men.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. Sept. If thou ken'st from far, Among the Pleiads, a new-kindled star; 'Tis she that shines in that propitious light.

We ken them from afar, the setting sun Plays on their shining arms. Addison.

2. To know. Obsolete, Dr. Johnson says. Both in this and in the preceding sense, ken is still used in the north of England.

'Tis he, I ken the manner of his gait. Shaksp. Now plain I ken whence love his rise begun : Sure he was born some bloody butcher's son, Bred up in shambles. Gay, Pastorals.

To Ken.* v. n. To look round; to direct the eye to or from any object.

Up she gets, out she looks, listens and enquires, hearkens, kens; every man afar off is sure he, every stirring in the street !

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 513. At once, as far as angels ken, he views The dismal situation, waste and wild.

Milton, P. L.

KEN. n. s. [from the verb.] View; reach of sight.

Lo! within a ken our army lies.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. When from the mountain top Pisanio shew'd thee.

Thou wast within a ken. Shakspeare, Cymb. It was a hill

Of paradise the highest; from whose top The hemisphere of earth, in clearest ken, Stretch'd out to the amplest reach of prospect, lay. Milton, P. L.

He soon Saw within ken a glorious angel stand. Rude, as their ships, was navigation then;

No useful compass or meridian known: Coasting they kept the land within their ken, And knew the north but when the pole-star shone.

When we consider the reasons we have to think, that what lies within our ken is but a small part of the universe, we shall discover an huge abyss of ignorance.

KE'NDAL-GREEN.* n.s. A kind of green cloth, made at Kendal in Westmoreland; a place long distinguished for dying cloths with several bright colours. This sort of stuff is mentioned in a statute of king Richard the Second. See Warton's Hist. of Eng. Poetry, vol. iv.

Three misbegotten knaves, in Kendal-green, came at my back, and let drive at me.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. P. I. Now doth he inly scorne his Kendal-greene, And his patch'd cockers now despised beene. Bp. Hall, Sat. iv. 6.

KE'NMARKED.* | part. adj. [from ken, to KE'NSPECKED. | know, to distinguish, add mark, and speck.] Marked, or branded, so as to be known; blemished. A northern expression, Ray, Grose, and Craven Dialect.

Ke'nnel. † n. s. [chenil, Fr. Dr. Johnson. — From chien, Fr. a dog.; canis, Latin. And our old word, for a kennel of

hounds, is accordingly cannel. See Huloet's Dictionary.

1. A cot for dogs.

A dog sure, if he could speak, had wit enough to describe his kennel. Sidney, From forth the kennel of thy womb hath crept

A hell-hound, that doth hunt us all to death.

Shakspeare. The seditious remain within their station, which

by reason of the nastiness of the beastly multitude might be more fitly termed a kennel than a camp,

2. A number of dogs kept in a kennel. A little herd of England's tim'rous deer, Maz'd with a yelping kennel of French curs.

Shakspeare. 3. The hole of a fox, or other beast.

4. [Kennel, Dutch; chenal, Fr. canalis, Lat.] The watercourse of a street. A scavenger working in the canell.

Bp. Hall, Occas. Medit. § 103.
The crosses also of certain brethren—they overthrew and laid flat with the cheynell.

A. Wood, Ann. Univ. Ox. under the year 1354. Bad humours gather to a bile; or, as divers kennels flow to one sink, so in short time their numbers increased. Hayward. He always came in so dirty, as if he had been

dragged through the kennel at a boarding-school.

KE'NNEL Coal.* See CANAL Coal. To KE'NNEL. v. n. [from kennel.] To lie; to dwell: used of beasts, and of man

in contempt. Yet, when they list, would creep,

If aught disturb'd their noise, into her womb, And kennel there; yet there still bark'd and

Within, unseen. Milton, P. L. The dog kennelled in a hollow tree, and the L'Estrange. cock roosted upon the boughs.

To KE'NNEL.* v. a. To keep in a kennel. Pompey, a tall hound, kennelled in a convent in France; and knows a rich soil. Tatler, No. 62. From their slumbers shook, the kennell'd hounds Mix in the musick of the day again.

Thomson, Autumn. Ke'nning.* n.s. [from To ken.] View.

Apparently a sea term. The next day about evening we saw, within a

kenning, thick clouds, which did put us in some hope of land. His ships were past a kenning from the shore. Trag. of Soliman and Perseda, (1599.)

To Kep.* v. a. [cepan, Saxon, captare, Lat.] To catch. A northern word. Grose, Craven Dial. and Brockett. " To kep a ball, is to catch it; to keep it from falling." Ray.

. KEPT. pret. and part. pass. of keep. KERB.* n. s. [ceoppan, Sax. to cut; kerbe, Germ. notch, indent.] Any edging of strong solid stuff, which serves as a guard to something else. Thus the edging of the stone footways in London streets is called the kerb-stone.

[Elm] scarce has any superior for kerbs of pppers.

Evelyn, b. i. ch. 4. § 15. coppers.

KE'RCHIEF. † n. s. [covrecheif, Chaucer; cowvre, to cover, and chef, the head; and hence a handkerchief to wipe the face or hands. Dr. Johnson. - It should seem, from the following citation, that Chaucer's word was not what Dr. Johnson states it to be, but covercephe. " Among Latin and Greek words, by common usage taken for English, as fevre, &c. he mentions cephe, whereof cometh Chaucer's covercephe in the Romant of the Rose, written and pro-nounced commonly kerchief in the South, and courchief in the North." Caius's Counseille against the Sweate, 1552. fol. 10.7

1. A head dress of a woman.

I see how thine eye would emulate the diamond; thou hast the right arched bent of the brow, that becomes the tire vailant.

- A plain kerchief, Sir John; my brows become nothing else. Shaksp. M. Wives of Winds. O! what a time have you chose out, brave Caius,

To wear a kerchief. Shakspeare, Jul. Cas.
The proudest kerchief of the court shall rest
Well satisfy'd of what they love the best. Dryden.

2. Any loose cloth used in dress. Every man had a large kerchief folded about the

Hanward. Ke'rchiefed.† | adj. [from kerchie Ke'rchieft. | Dressed; hooded. [from kerchief.]

Sickness with his kerchief'd head upwound. G. Fletcher, Christ's Vict. P. 1. st. 12. Thus, Night, oft seeme in thy pale career,

Till civil-suited Morn appear, Not trick'd and frounc'd as she was wont With the Attick boy to hunt, But kercheft in a comely cloud, While rocking winds are piping loud.

Milton, Il Pens,

KERF. n. s. [ceoppan, Saxon, to cut.] The sawn-away slit between two pieces of stuff is called a kerf. Moxon, Mech. Ex.

Ke'rmes. † n. s. [kermes, old Fr. But see ALKERMES.

Kermes is a roundish body, of the bigness of a pea, and of a brownish red colour. It contains a multitude of little distinct granules, soft, and when crushed yield a scarlet juice. It till lately was understood to be a vegetable excrescence; but we now know it to be the extended body of an animal parent, filled with a numerous offspring, which are the little red granules.

Kern. † n. s. [Neither Sir James Ware in his remarks on Ireland, nor Dr. Johnson in his notice of this word, offer any etymology. Stanihurst, in his old description of Ireland, has given the following: "Kerne (kigheyren) signifieth a shower of hell; because they are taken for no 2. Any thing included in a husk or intebetter than rake-hells, or the devil's black garde!" ch. 8. fol. 28. The Irish footsoldier will not consider himself very highly obliged to master Stanihurst. Let him console himself, however, first, with honest Fuller's admirable remark on the Irish soldiery, in his account of the Holy War, made not long after that of Stanihurst: " All the consort of Christendome in this war could have made no musick, if the Irish harp had been wanting." Hist. of the Holy War, 1639. p. 269. Let him next apply this observation to the warfare of our own times, and then laugh at the fiery etymology ascribed to the name of his prenotices the Norman Fr. kernes as meaning idle persons, vagabonds. Dr. Jamie-

son states the opinion of others, that kerns were formerly called cateranes: and that the true name is keathern, which signifies a company of keathernach or soldiers.] An Irish foot-soldier: an Irish boor.

Out of the fry of these rake-hell horseboys, growing up in knavery and villainy, are their kern Spenser on Ireland.

Justice had with valour arm'd, Compell'd these skipping kernes to trust their heels.

If in good plight these Northern kerns arrive, Then does fortune promise fair. Philips, Briton.

KERN. † n. s. [querne, Teut. " hand-molen." Kilian.

1. A hand-mill consisting of two pieces of stone by which corn is ground. It is written likewise quern. It is still used in some parts of Scotland.

2. A churn. See Churn. "Kern-milk," Yorkshire; butter-milk.

3. Kern Baby. An image dressed up with corn, carried before the reapers to their harvest home; perhaps not yet discontinued in the northern parts of England. A corruption of corn-baby. See To

To Kern. v. n. [probably from kernel, or, by change of a vowel, corrupted from corn.

To harden as ripened corn.

When the price of corn falleth, men break no more ground than will supply their own turn, wherethrough it falleth out that an ill kerned or saved harvest soon emptieth their old store.

Carew, Surv. of Cornwall. 2. To take the form of grains; to gra-

The principal knack is in making the juice, when sufficiently boiled, to kern or granulate.

KE'RNEL. n. s. [cýpnel, a gland, Saxon; kerne, Teut. cerneau, Fr.]

1. The edible substance contained in a shell.

As brown in hue As hazle nuts, and sweeter than the kernels.

Shakspeare. There can be no kernel in this light nut; the soul of this man is his clothes.

Shakspeare, All's well. The kernel of the nut serves them for bread and meat, and the shells for cups.

The kernel of a grape, the fig's small grain, Can clothe a mountain, and o'ershade a plain.

Oats are ripe when the straw turns yellow and the kernel hard. Mortimer, Husbandry.

The seeds of pulpy fruits.

I think he will carry this island home in his pocket, and give it his son for an apple .- And sowing the kernels of it in the sea, bring forth more Shakspeare, Tempest.

The apple inclosed in wax was as fresh as at the first putting in, and the kernels continued white. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

4. The central part of any thing upon which the ambient strata are concreted. A solid body in the bladder makes the kernel of

decessors. Kelham, it may be added, 5. Knobby concretions in children's flesh. To KE'RNEL. v.n. [from the noun.] To ripen to kernels.

fields kernel well, and yield a good increase.

Mortimer, Husbandry KE'RNELLY. † adj. [from kernel.] Full of kernels; having the quality or resem-Sherwood. blance of kernels. KE'RNELWORT. n. s. [scrofularia.] An herb.

Ainsworth.

To KE'RSEN, or KI'RSEN.* v. a. [kersten, Teut.] To christen. Common in the north of England. And so Kersmas for Christmas. Westmoreland and Craven Dialects, and Brockett's N. C. words.

Ke'rsey.† n. s. [karsaye, Dutch; carisée, Fr. The last syllable, Dr. Jamieson observes, seems borrowed from the coarse cloth called say: The origin of the first is quite uncertain. Coarse stuff.

Taffata phrases, silken terms precise, I do forswear them; and I here protest, Henceforth my wooing mind shall be exprest In russet yeas, and honest kersey noes. Shakspeare. His lackey with a linen stock on one leg, and a kersey boot-hose on the other.

Shakspeare, Tam. of the Shrew. The same wool one man felts it into a hat, another weaves it into cloth, and another into kersey or serge.

Thy kersey doublet spreading wide,

Drew Cic'ly's eye aside. To KERVE.* v. a. [ceoppan, Saxon.] To

cut; to carve.

In that figure Plinius saw him kerved. Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 57. b. That else was like to sterve

Through cruell knife, that her deare hart did kerve. Spenser, F. Q. iv. i. 4.

KE'RVER * n. s. [from kerve. Norm. Fr. kerver. Kelham.] A carver.

Ne portreiour, ne kerver of images. Chaucer, Kn. Tale.

Ke'sar. * n. s. [kaisar, Goth. Cæsar, Lat.] An emperour. Obsolete.

Whilest kings and kesars at her feet did them prostrate. Spenser, F. Q. v. ix. 29.

KE'SLOP.* n. s. [cerelib, cýrelib, Sax. coagulum; kaselab, Germ. rennet. Kase is cheese, and laben is to help, strengthen, or quicken, Brockett's N. C. Words. The stomach of a calf prepared for rennet; the substance used in curdling milk. A northern word. Grose, Cumberland Dialect, and Brockett.

Kest. † The preter tense of cast. It is

still used in Scotland.

The rosie mark, which she remembered well That little infant had, which forth she kest.

Spenser, F. Q. vi, xii. 15. Only that noise heav'n's rolling circles kest.

Fairfax. Ke'strel. n. s. A little kind of bastard hawk. Hanmer.Kites and kestrels have a resemblance with

hawks. Bacon. KE'STREL.* adj. Like a kestrel; base.

Obsolete. Ne thought of honour ever did essay

His baser brest, but in his kestrell kynd A pleasant veine of glory he did fynd. Spenser, F. Q. ii. iii. 4.

KET.* n. s. [koett, Su. Goth. kaet, Icel. caro; kaet, Teut. sordes.] Carrion; any sort of filth. Grose defines it horseflesh. It is a northern word in the former general sense. Craven Dialect, and Brockett.

In Staffordshire, garden-rouncivals sown in the | KETCH. + n. s. | from caicchio, Italian, a barrel. A heavy ship; as a bomb ketch. Dr. Johnson gives as an example the passage from Shakspeare, which belongs to keech. A ketch is a vessel with two masts, usually from 100 to 250 tons burthen. Formerly perhaps with only one mast, as it should seem in the following

> We stood in for the channel: about noon we saw a sail having but one mast; judged it to be a ketch; but, drawing nearer, found it was a ship in distress, having lost her main and mizen masts. Randolph's Islands in the Archipel. (1687,) p. 105.

E'TTLE.† n. s. [cerl, Saxon; ketel, Dutch; katila, Gothick.] A vessel in which liquor is boiled. In the kitchen the name of pot is given to the boiler that grows narrower towards the top, and of kettle to that which grows wider. In authors they are confounded.

The fire thus form'd, she sets the kettle on; Like burnish'd gold the little seether shone.

KE'TTLEDRUM. n. s. [kettle and drum.] A drum of which the head is spread over a body of brass, or copper.

As he drains his draughts of Rhenish down, The kettledrum and trumpet thus bray out The triumph of his pledge. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

KE'TTLEPINS.* Ninepins; skittles. See KAYLE.

Billiards, kettle-pins, noddy boards, tables, truncks, shovel boards, fox and geese, or the like. Gayton on D. Quix. p. 340.

KE'TTY.* adj. [from ket.] Filthy; dirty; worthless: as, a ketty cur, a ketty fellow. Grose, Craven Dial. and Brockett.

Kex.* n. s. [See Kecksy.] 1. Hemlock.

2. A dry stalk. The stem of the teasel. North. As dry as a kex. [from the Icel. queck, any thing that kindles; fuel.]

I bring with me a book as dry as a kex, void of 1. Lifeless; formerly a common expresinvention, barren of good phrase.

Shelton, Pref. to Transl. of Don Quixote. Those sharp and sorry shrubs, those dry and

Bp. Gauden's Hierasp. (1653.) p. 230. KEY.† n. s. [cæz, Sax. from cæzzian, to shut up. Mr. H. Tooke.]

1. An instrument formed with cavities correspondent to the wards of a lock, by which the bolt of a lock is pushed forward or backward.

If a man were porter of hellgate, he should have old turning the key. Shakspeare, Macbeth. Fortune, that arrant whore,

Ne'er turns the key to th' poor. Shaksp. K. Lear. The glorious standard last to heav'n they spread, With Peter's keys ennobled and his crown.

Yet some there be, that by due steps aspire To lay their just hands on that golden key,

That opes the palace of eternity. Milton, Comus. Conscience is its own counsellor, the sole master of its own secrets; and it is the privilege of our nature, that every man should keep the key of

He came, and knocking times, The longing lady heard, and turn'd the key.

Dryden. He came, and knocking thrice, without delay,

his own breast.

2. An instrument by which something is screwed or turned.

Hide the key of the jack. Swift. 3. An explanation of any thing difficult.

An emblem without a key to't, is no more than L'Estrange. a tale of a tub.

These notions, in the writings of the ancients darkly delivered, receive a clearer light when compared with this theory, which represents every thing plainly, and is a key to their thoughts.

Burnet, Theory of the Earth. Those who are accustomed to reason have got the true key of books. Locke.

4. The parts of a musical instrument which are struck with the fingers.

Pamela loves to handle the spinnet, and touch Richardson, Pamela.

5. [In musick.] Is a certain tone whereto every composition, whether long or short, ought to be fitted; and this key is said to be either flat or sharp, not in respect of its own nature, but with relation to the flat or sharp third, which is joined

Hippolita, I woo'd thee with my sword, And won thy love, doing thee injuries; But I will wed thee in another key,

With pomp, with triumph, and with revelling.

But speak you with a sad brow? Or do you play the flouting Jack? Come, in what key shall a man take you to go in the song?

Shakspeare, Much Ado. Not know my voice! Oh, time's extremity! Hast thou so crack'd and splitted my poor tongue In sev'n short years, that here my only son Knows not my feeble key of untun'd cares?

Shakspeare. 6. [Kaye, Dutch; quai, French.] A bank

raised perpendicular for the ease of lading and unlading ships. A key of fire ran along the shore,

And lighten'd all the river with a blaze. Dryden. 7. [In botany.] The husk containing the

seed of an ash. Ash, elm, tilia, poplar, hornbeam, &c. are distinguished by their keys, tongues, &c. small, flat,

and husky skins including the seeds.

KE'YCOLD. † adj. [key and cold.]

sion; now perhaps obsolete. A key, on account of the coldness of the metal of which it is made, was formerly and even yet is employed to stop a bleeding of the nose.

Such objections as protestants nowe, &c. keyecolde christians do make.

Stapleton, Fort. of the Faith, (1565,) fol. 128.b. Poor key-cold figure of a holy king! Pale ashes of the house of Lancaster!

Shakspeare, Rich. III. I see zealous professors transformed to key-cold worldlings. Bp. Hall, Works, ii. 323. Her apostolick virtue is departed from her, and

hath left her key-cold. Milton, Reas. of Ch. Gov. B. 2.

2. Cold. 'Twixt sleep and wake,

I do them take,

And on the key-cold floor them throw. Old Song of Rob. Goodfellow, Percy's Reliques.

Keyco'LDNESS.* n. s. [from the adjective.]

Want of animation or activity.

The greatest part of your professed virtue we find to consist in a key-coldness, and well-nigh mute silence, when the hottest and most pungent

arguments approach your skin.
Unlawfulness, &c. of Limited Episc. (1641,) p. 5.

KE'YAGE. n. s. [from key.] Money paid for lying at the key, or quay. Ainsworth. KEYHOLE. n. s. [key and hole.] The perforation in the door or lock through

which the key is put.

Make doors fast upon a woman's wit, and it will out at the casement; shut that, and 'twill out at the keyhole. I looked in at the keyhole, and saw a well-made

Tatler.

I keep her in one room; I lock it;

The key, look here, is in this pocket; The keyhole is that left? Most certain. The

KE'YSTONE. n. s. [key and stone.] middle stone of an arch.

If you will add a keystone and chaptrels to the arch, let the breadth of the upper part of the keystone be the height of the arch. Moxon, Mech. Ex. KHANE.* n. s. [A Turkish word.] sort of house or place of general recep-

Here is a spacious vaulted bazar, and a noble khane. - A khane is commonly a square court, colonaded in the manner of Covent Garden; built in charity for the reception of strangers, as there are no inns in these countries.

Drummond, Trav. p. 219.

KIBE. n. s. [from kerb, a cut, German, Skinner; from kibwe, Welsh, Minsheu. An ulcerated chilblain; a chap in the heel caused by the cold.

If 'twere a kibe,' 'twould put me to my slipper.

The toe of the peasant comes so near the heel of our courtier, that it galls his kibe.

Shakspeare, Hamlet. One boasted of the cure, calling them a few

kibes. KI'BED. adj. [from kibe.] Troubled with

kibes; as, kibed heels. KI'BY.* adj. [from kibe.] Having kibes;

sore with kibes.

He halteth often that hath a kyby heele. Skelton, Poems, p. 25.

To KICK. † v. a. [kauchen, Germ.; calco, Lat. Dr. Johnson. - Kuika, Iceland. Serenius. Chaucer writes our word kike.] To strike with the foot.

He must endure and digest all affronts, adore the foot that kicks him, and kiss the hand that strikes

It anger'd Turenne once upon a day,

To see a footman kick'd that took his pay. Pope. Another, whose son had employments at court, valued not, now and then, a kicking or a caning.

To Kick. v. n. To beat the foot in anger or contempt.

Wherefore kick ye at my sacrifice, which I have commanded? 1 Sam. ii. 29.

Jeshurun waxed fat and kicked. Deut. xxxii, 15, The doctrines of the Holy Scriptures are terrible enemies to wicked men, and this is that which makes them kick against religion, and spurn at the doctrines of that holy book.

Kick. n. s. [from the verb.] A blow with

What, are you dumb? Quick, with your answer, quick, Before my foot salutes you with a kick.

Dryden, Juv.

KI'CKER. † n.s. [from kick.] 1. One who strikes with his foot.

2. A wincing horse. KI'CKSHAW. + n. s. [This word is supposed, I think with truth, to be only a corruption of quelque chose, some thing; yet. Milton seems to have understood it otherwise; for he writes it kickshoe, as if he thought it used in contempt of VOL. II.

dancing. Dr. Johnson. - Milton's word, in the passage cited from the original edition of his Treatise on Education, is kicshoes; probably intended for kickshose, agreeably to the pronunciation of the French chose, as it had been used by Featley, a little before Milton: "I make bold to set on the board kickeshoses, and variety of strange fruits." Dippers Dipt, 1645. p. 199.

1. Something uncommon; fantastical;

something ridiculous.

Nor shall we then need the monsieurs of Paris to take our youth into their slight and prodigal custodies, and send them over back again transformed into mimicks, apes, and kicshoes. Milton. 2. A dish so changed by the cookery that

it can scarcely be known.

Some pigeons, a joint of mutton, and any pretty little tiny kickshaws. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. In wit, as well as war, they give us vigour; Cressy was lost by kickshaws and soup-meagre.

Fenton. KI'CKSY-WICKSEY. n. s. [from kick and wince.] A made word in ridicule and disdain of a wife. Hanmer. He wears his honour in a box, unseen,

That hugs his kicksy-wicksey here at home, Spending his manly marrow in her arms, Shaks.

KID. n. s. [kid, Danish.]

1. The young of a goat. Leaping like wanton kids in pleasant spring.

Spenser, F. Q. There was a herd of goats with their young ones, upon which sight Sir Richard Graham tells, he would snap one of the kids, and carry him close to their lodging.

Sporting the lion ramp'd, and in his paw Dandled the kid. Milton, P. L. So kids and whelps their sires and dams express;

And so the great I measur'd by the less. Dryden, Virg.

2. [From cidweln, Welsh, a faggot.] A bundle of heath or furze.

To Kid. v. n. [from the noun.] To bring forth kids. Cotgrave, and Sherwood. To Kid.* v. a. [cýðan, Saxon; to declare, to make known; kit, Teut. known.] To

discover; to shew; to make known.

The fame, which maie nought be hid, Throughout the londe is soone kid.

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 6. The sothfastnesse, that now is hid, Without coverture shall be kid.

Chaucer, Rom. R. 2172. But, ah! unwise and witlesse Colin Cloute, That kydst the hidden kindes of many a weede, Yet kydst not ene to cure thy sore heart-roote.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. Dec. KI'DDED.* adj. [from the noun.] Fallen as a young kid. Cotgrave, and Sherwood. KI'DDER. † n. s.

1. An engrosser of corn to enhance its Ainsworth.

2. A badger, or carrier of goods on horseback. Ray. A travelling vender of small wares. Moore's Suffolk Words.

KI'DDLE.* n. s. [Norman Fr. kideux, kiddles, Kelham; kidellus, low Latin. The word is in Magna Charta.] A kind of wear in a river, to catch fish. Corruptly called, in some places, kittle, or kettle. Fishes love not old kydles, as they do the new. Old Poemin Ashmole's Theat. Chem. (1652,) p. 71.

KI'DDOW.* n.s. The most common English name of the Lomwia, a web-footed bird,

common on our shores, and called in different places the guillemot or guillem, and the sea-hen, and skout. Chambers. KI'DLING.* n. s. [from kid.] A young kid.

Mountains where the wanton kidling dallies.

Like kidlings blithe and merry. To KI'DNAP. v. a. [from kind, Dutch, a child, and nap.] To steal children; to steal human beings.

This poor child was kidnapped by the Jews. Drummond, Trav. (Lett. dat. 1744,) p. 18. The offence of kidnapping (being the stealing away) man, woman, or child, from their own country, and selling them into another, was capital by the Jewish law. Blackstone.

KI'DNAPPER. n. s. [from kidnap.] One who steals human beings; a manstealer. The man compounded with the merchant, upon condition that he might have his child again; for he had smelt it out, that the merchant himself was the kidnapper. L'Estrange.

These people lye in wait for our children, and may be considered as a kind of kidnappers within the law. Spectator.

KI'DNEY.† n. s. [Etymology unknown. Dr. Johnson. - There is great probability in Serenius's derivation of our word from the Icel. quidr. Su. Goth. qued, the belly; and nigh. Our word might at first be quidney.]

1. These are two in number, one on each side: they have the same figure as kidneybeans: their length is four or five fingers, their breadth three, and their thickness two: the right is under the liver, and the left under the spleen. The use of the kidneys is to separate the urine from the blood, which, by the motion of the heart and arteries, is thrust into the emulgent branches, which carry it to the little glands, by which the serosity being separated, is received by the orifice of the little tubes, which go from the glands to the pelvis, and from thence it runs by the ureters into the bladder.

Quincy. A youth laboured under a complication of diseases, from his mesentery and kidneys.

Wiseman, Surgery. 2. Sort; kind: in ludicrous language

Think of that, a man of my kidney; think of that, that am as subject to heat as butter; a man of continual dissolution and thaw.

Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor.
There are millions in the world of this man's kidney, that take up the same resolution without L'Estrange.

KI'DNEYBEAN. n. s. [phaseolus. So named from its shape.] A leguminous plant.

Kidneybeans are a sort of cod ware, that are very pleasant wholesome food.

Mortimer, Husbandry. KI'DNEYVETCH. [anthillis.] n. s. Plants.
KI'DNEYWORT. [cotyledon.] Ainsworth.
KIE.* Kine. Our northern word. See

also KEE, and KY.

KI'LDERKIN. † n. s. [Dutch, kindeken, a baby; "vasculum, dolium; octava pars cadi; quod eandem habeat rationem ad integrum dolium, quam infantulus ad hominem perfectum." Junius. Skinner accordingly denominates it the great cask's baby, "filiolus vasis majoris."

Bishop Parker, who was Dryden's contemporary, writes our word, nearer to the Dutch, kinderkin.] A small barrel. Make in the kilderkin a great bung-hole of Racon. purpose.

A tun of man in thy large bulk is writ; But sure thou'rt but a kilderkin of wit. Many vessels of authority, some kinderkins, some

hogsheads, some tuns.

Bp. Parker, Repr. of Rehears. Transpr. p. 11. To KILL. v. a. [anciently quell; cpellan, Saxon: kelen, Dutch.]

1. To deprive of life; to put to death, as an agent.

Dar'st thou resolve to kill a friend of mine? - Please you, I'd rather kill two enemies.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. Ye have brought us forth into this wildnerness, to kill this whole assembly with hunger. Exod. xvi. S. There was killing of young and old, making away of men, women, and children. 2 Macc. v. 13. 2. To destroy animals for food.

We're mere usurpers, tyrants, and what's worse, To fright the animals, and to kill them up In their assign'd and native dwelling place. Shaks.

Shall I take my bread, and my flesh that I have killed for my shearers? 1 Sam. xxv. 11.

3. To deprive of life, as a cause or instrument.

The medicines, if they were used inwards, would kill those that use them; and therefore they work potently, though outwards.

4. To deprive of vegetative or other motion, or active qualities.

Try with oil, or balm of drink, so they be such things as kill not the bough. Bacon, Nat. Hist. Catharticks of mercurials mix with all animal acids, as appears by killing it with spittle.

Floyer on the Humours. KI'LLER. n. s. [from kill.] One that deprives of life.

What sorrow, what amazement, what shame was in Amphialus, when he saw his dear foster-father find him the killer of his only son.

Wilt thou for the old lion hunt, or fill His hungry whelps? and for the killer kill, When couch'd in dreadful dens?

So rude a time, When love was held so capital a crime. That a crown'd head could no compassion find, But died, because the killer had been kind. Waller.

KI'LLOW. n. s. [This seems a corruption of coal and low, a flame, as soot is thereby produced.

An earth of a blackish or deep blue colour, and doubtless had its name from kollow, by which name, in the north, the smut or grime on the backs of chimneys is called. Woodward.

KILN. n. s. [cýln, Saxon.] A stove; a fabrick formed for admitting heat, in order to dry or burn things contained in it.

I'll creep up into the chimney. - There they always use to discharge their birding-pieces: creep into the kiln hole. Shaks. M. Wives of Windsor.

After the putting forth in sprouts, and the drying upon the kiln, there will be gained a bushel in eight of malt. Physicians chuse lime which is newly drawn out

of the kiln, and not slacked. Mozon, Mech. Ex.

To KI'LNDRY. v. a. [kiln and dry.] To dry by means of a kiln. The best way is to kilndry them.

Mortimer, Husbandry. KILT. + Used by Spenser for killed : not in the phrase of the Irish, for merely hurt, or wounded, but deprived of life. It is also thus used in the Westmoreland and Lancashire dialects.

Spenser, F. Q. i. v. 26.

A horse, please your honour, that this man here sold me at the fair of Gurtishannon, last Shrove fair - lay down three times with myself, and kilt me! Castle Rackrent, p. 206.

This word frequently occurs in the preceding pages, where it means not killed, but much hurt. In Ireland, not only cowards, but the brave, "die Ibid. Gloss. many times before their death !"

To Kilt.* v. a. [kilte-op, Dan. Brockett.] To tuck up; to truss up the clothes: as, she kilts her gown. Craven Dialect, and Brockett's N. C. Words.

Kı'мво. + adj. [a schembo, Italian. Dr. Johnson. — See Kam. Serenius considers the Icel. kime, kimpell, ansa, the handle of a pot or jug, as likely to have suggested our word; and, in our old lexicography, the word is kembol, which Sherwood renders, in the following phrase, conformably to this etymon, "with arms set on kemboll, les bras courbez en anse." Others write our word kembo.] Crooked: bent: arched.

The kimbo handles seem with bears-foot carv'd, And never yet to table have been serv'd.

Dryden, Virg.

He observed them edging towards one another to whisper; so that John was forced to sit with his arms a kimbo, to keep them asunder.

Arbuthnot, John Bull.

KI'MNEL.* See KEMELIN.

KIN.† n. s. [cýnn, Sax. kyn, Icel. kun, Gothick. Wicliffe writes our word kyn.] 1. Relation either of consanguinity or

You must use them with fit respects, according to the bonds of nature; but you are of kin, and so a friend to their persons, not to their errours.

Bacon, Adv. Villiers. The unhappy Palamon, Whom Theseus holds in bonds, and will not free, Without a crime, except his kin to me. Dryden.

2. Relatives; those who are of the same race.

Tumultuous wars Shall kin with kin, and kind with kind, confound.

The father, mother, and the kin beside, Were overborne by fury of the tide. 3. A relation; one related.

Then is the soul from God; so pagans say Which saw by nature's light her heavenly kind, Naming her kin to God, and God's bright ray,

A citizen of heav'n, to earth confin'd, 4. The same generical class, though perhaps not the same species; thing re- 3. Natural state. lated.

The burst,

And the ear-deafening voice of the oracle, Kin to Jove's thunder, so surpris'd my sense,

Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. That I was nothing. The odour of the fixed nitre is very languid; but that which it discovers, being dissolved in a little hot water, is altogether differing from the stink of the other, being of kin to that of other alcalizate salts.

5. A diminutive termination from kind, a child, Dutch: as, manikin, minikin, thomkin, wilkin.

Kin.* adj. Of the same nature; congenial; kindred.

Some kin afray, Envie, or pride, or passion, or offence. Chaucer, Man of Law's Tale. KIND. adj. [from cynne, relation, Saxon.]

But what art thou, that tell'st of nephews kilt? [1. Benevolent; filled with general good-

By the kind gods, 'tis most ignobly done

To pluck me by the beard. Shakspeare, K. Lear. Some of the ancients, like kind-hearted men, have talked much of annual refrigeriums, or intervals of punishment to the damned, as particularly on the great festivals of the resurrection and ascension.

2. Favourable: beneficent.

He is kind to the unthankful and evil. St. Luke, vi. 35.

KIND-HEARTED.* adj. [kind and heart.] Having great benevolence; a frequent colloquial expression; as, a kind-hearted

The sea at last from Colchian mountains seen, Kind-hearted transport round their captain threw The soldiers' fond embrace; o'erflow'd their eyes With tender floods, and loos'd the general voice To cries resounding loud — The sea, the sea!

Thomson, Liberty, P. ii.

KIND. † n. s. [kund, Gothick; from kun. See KIN. 7

1. Race; generical class. Kind in Teutonick English answers to genus, and sort to species; though this distinction, in popular language, is not always observed.

Thus far we have endeavoured in part to open of what nature and force laws are, according to

their kinds. As when the total kind

Of birds, in orderly array on wing, Came summon'd over Eden, to receive

Milton, P. L. Their names of thee. That both are animalia,

I grant : but not rationalia ; For though they do agree in kind,

Specifick difference we find, Hudibras. God and nature do not principally concern themselves in the preservation of particulars, but kinds and companies. South, Serm.

He with his wife were only left behind Of perish'd man; they two were human kind.

Some acts of virtue are common to Heathens and Christians; but I suppose them to be performed by Christians, after a more sublime manner than among the Heathens; and even when they do not differ in kind from moral virtues, yet differ in the degrees of perfection. Atterbury.

He, with a hundred arts refin'd, Shall stretch thy conquests over half the kind. Pope.

2. Particular nature.

No human laws are exempt from faults, since those that have been looked upon as most perfect in their kind, have been found to have so many. Baker.

He did give the goods of all the prisoners unto those that had taken them, either to take them in kind, or compound for them. Bacon, Hen. VII. The tax upon tillage was often levied in kind

upon corn, and called decumæ, or tithes. Arbuthnot on Coins.

4. Nature; natural determination. A monstrous cruelty 'gainst course of kind.

The skilful shepherd peel'd me certain wands, And, in the doing of the deed of kind,

He stuck them up before the fulsome ewes. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven.

Some of you, on pure instinct of nature, Are led by kind t' admire your fellow creature. Dryden.

5. Manner; way.

Send me your prisoners with the speediest means, Or you shall hear in such a kind from me As will displease you. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

This will encourage industrious improvements, because many will rather venture in that kind than take five in the hundred. Bacon, Ess.

6. Sort. It has a slight and unimportant

Diogenes was asked, in a kind of scorn, What was the matter that philosophers haunted rich men, and not rich men philosophers? He answered, Because the one knew what they wanted, the other

KI'NDED.* part. adj. [cennan, Sax. to beget; from kind.] Begotten.

Though she still have worne

Her days in war, yet (weet thou) was not borne Of bears and tygres, nor so salvage-mynded As that, albe all love of men she scorne. She yet forgets that she of men was kynded.

Spenser, F. Q.

To KI'NDLE.† v. a. [Probably from the Welsh cynne, or cynneu, to light, to set on fire; Serenius notices also the Goth. kinda, accendere, kyndell, candela. But our old word was without the d, as in 4. Bland; mild; softening. Gower's Conf. Am. B. 7. "Fire kenled." Then it became kendle, as in Barret's Alveary; and lastly kindle.

1. To set on fire; to light; to make to burn.

He will take thereof, and warm himself; yea, he kindleth it and baketh bread. Is. xliv. 15. I was not forgetful of those sparks, which some

men's distempers formerly studied to kindle in parliaments. King Charles.

If the fire burns vigorously, it is no matter by what means it was at first kindled: there is the same force and the same refreshing virtue in it, kindled by a spark from a flint, as if it were kindled from the sun.

2. To inflame the passions; to exasperate; to animate; to heat; to fire the mind.

I've been to you a true and humble wife; At all times to your will conformable:

Ever in fear to kindle your dislike.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. He hath kindled his wrath against me, and counteth me as one of his enemies. Job, xix. 11. Thus one by one kindling each other's fire,

Till all inflam'd, they all in one agree. Each was a cause alone, and all combin'd

To kindle vengeance in her haughty mind. Dryden. 3. [from cennan, Saxon.] To bring forth. It is used of some particular animals. Are you native of this place?

- As the coney that you see dwells where she is kindled. Shakspeare.

To KI'NDLE. v. n. To catch fire. When thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt

not be burnt, neither shall the flame kindle upon thee. Is. xliii. 2. KI'NDLER. † n. s. [from kindle.] One that

lights; one who inflames.

By what equity is a publick rebellion com-mended in the kindlers of it, that it may be punished in the furtherers? Bewailing of the Peace of Germany, (1635,) p. 47.

Now is the time that rakes their revels keep, Kindlers of riot, enemies of sleep.

KI'NDLESS.* adj. [kind and less.] Unnatural.

Remorseless, treacherous, lecherous, kindless villain ! Shakspeare, Hamlet.

KI'NDLINESS.* n. s. [from kindly.]

1. Favour; affection; good will. In kinde a father, but not kindliness.

Sackville's Gorboduc, (1561.)

Natural disposition; natural course. That mute kindliness among the herds and flocks. Milton, Tetrachordon.

Fruits and corn are much advanced by temper of the air and kindliness of seasons.

Whitlock, Mann. of the Engl. p. 427. KI'NDLY. † adj. [from kind; probably from kind the substantive.]

1. Homogeneal; congeneal; kindred; of the same nature.

This competency I beseech God I may be able to digest into kindly juice, that I may grow thereby. Hammond.

These soft fires Not only enlighten, but with kindly heat, Of various influence, foment and warm, Temper or nourish. Milton, P. L.

2. Natural; fit; proper.

The earth shall sooner leave her kindly skill. Spenser, F. Q. The kindly fruits of the earth. Litany.

3. The foregoing senses seem to have been originally implied by this word; but following writers, inattentive to its etymology, confounded it with kind.

Through all the living regions dost thou move, And scatter'st where thou goest, the kindly seeds of Dryden.

Ye heavens, from high the dewy nectar pour, And in soft silence shed the kindly show'r! Pope.

KI'NDLY.† adv. [from kind.]

1. Benevolently; favourably; with good

Sir Thurio borrows his wit from your ladyship's looks, and spends what he borrows kindly in your Shakspeare.

I sometimes lay here in Corioli, At a poor man's house: he us'd me kindly.

Shakspeare, Coriol. Be kindly affectioned one to another, with brotherly love, in honour preferring one another.

Rom. xii. 10. His griefs some pity, others blame; The fatal cause all kindly seek.

Who, with less designing ends, Kindlier entertain their friends;

Kindlier entertain their riterior,
With good words, and countenance sprightly,
Swift. Strive to treat them all politely.

2. Naturally; fitly. [from kind, the substantive.]

Like as men sow, such corne needs must they reape;

And nature planted so in each degree, That crabs like crabs will kindly crawle and creepe. Mir. for Mag. p. 464. This do, and do it kindly, gentle sirs;

It will be pastime passing excellent.

Shakspeare, Tam. of Shrew. Examine how kindly the Hebrew manners of speech mix and incorporate with the English Addison, Spect. No. 405.

KI'NDNESS. † n. s. [from kind.]

1. Benevolence; beneficence; good will; favour, love.

If there be kindness, meekness, or comfort in her tongue, then is not her husband like other men. Ecclus. xxxvi. 23.

Old Lelius professes he had an extraordinary kindness for several young people. Collier of Friendship.

Ever blest be Cytherea's shrine, Since thy dear breast has felt an equal wound, Since in thy kindness my desires are crown'd.

Love and inclination can be produced only by an experience or opinion of kindness to us. Rogers, Serm.

Benefit conferred.

KI'NDRED,† n. s. [from kin; cynpen, Saxon. Accordingly our old word was kinred. So Chaucer writes it; so our old lexicography gives it; and it continued to be used till late in the 17th century. "The boy is brought in by his father and kinred, in his new vest and turbant." Smith, Manners of the Turks, p. 40.]

1. Relation by birth or marriage; cognation; consanguinity; affinity.

Like her, of equal kindred to the throne, You keep her conquests, and extend your own. Dryden.

2. Relation; suit.

An old mothy saddle, and the stirrups of no kindred. 3. Relatives.

I think there is no man secure But the queen's kindred. Shakspeare, Rich. III. Nor needs thy juster title the foul guilt Of eastern kings, who, to secure their reign, Must have their brothers, sons, and kindred slain.

KI'NDRED. adj. Congeneal; related; cognate.

From Tuscan Coritum he claim'd his birth: But after, when exempt from mortal earth, From thence ascended to his kindred skies

Kine. † n. s. plur. from cow, that is, cowen.

To milk the kine, E'er the milk-maid fine Hath open'd her eyne.

B. Jonson. A field I went amid the morning dew, To milk my kine.

Gay. KING. n. s. [A contraction of the Teutonick word cuning, or cyning, the name of sovereign dignity. In the primitive tongue it signifies stout or valiant, the kings of most nations being, in the beginning, chosen by the people on account of their valour and strength. Verstegan.]

1. Monarch; supreme governour.

The great King of kings, Hath in the table of his law commanded, That thou shalt do no murder. Shaks. Rich. III. A substitute shines brightly as a king,

Until a king be by; and then his state Empties itself, as doth an inland brook Into the main of waters. Shakspeare, Merch. Ven. True hope is swift, and flies with swallow's

wings Kings it makes gods, and meaner creatures kings. Shaksneare.

The king becoming graces, As justice, verity, temperance, stableness, Bounty, perseverance, mercy, lowliness, Devotion, patience, courage, fortitude,

I have no relish of them. Shakspeare, Macbeth. Thus states were form'd; the name of king un-

Till common interest plac'd the sway in one; 'Twas virtue only, or in arts or arms Diffusing blessings, or averting harms The same which in a sire the sons obey'd, A prince the father of a people made.

Pope. 2. It is taken by Bacon in the feminine; as prince also is.

Ferdinand and Isabella, kings of Spain, recovered the great and rich kingdom of Granada from the Moors

3. A card with the picture of a king. The king unseen

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Lurk'd in her hand, and mourn'd his captive queen.

4. King at Arms, a principal officer at arms, that has the pre-eminence of the society; of whom there are three in number, viz. Garter, Norroy, and Clarencieux. Philips.

A letter under his own hand was lately shewed me by sir William Dugdale, king at arms. Walton. To King. v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To supply with a king. A word rather ludicrous.

England is so idly king'd,

Her sceptre so fantastically borne,

That fear attends her not. Shakspeare, Hen. V. 2. To make royal; to raise to royalty.

Sometimes am I a king; Then treason makes me wish myself a beggar, And so I am: then crushing penury

Persuades me, I was better when a king; Shakspeare, Rich. II. Then am I king'd again.

KI'NGAPPLE. n. s. A kind of apple. The kingapple is preferred before the jenetting.

KI'NGCRAFT. n. s. [king and craft.] The art of governing. A word commonly used by king James.

KI'NGCUP. n. s. [king and cup.] The name is properly, according to Gerard, kingcob.] A flower; crowfoot.

June is drawn in a mantle of dark grass green, and upon his head a garland of bents, kingcups, and maidenhair. Fair is the kingcup that in meadow blows,

Fair is the daisy that beside her grows.

KI'NGDOM. n. s. [king and dom.] 1. The dominion of a king; the territories subject to a monarch.

You're welcome, Most learned, reverend sir, into our kingdom.

Shakspeare. Moses gave unto them the kingdom of Sihon, king of the Amorites, and the kingdom of Og, Num. xxxii. 33.

king of Bashan. 2. A different class or order of beings. A word chiefly used among naturalists.

The animal and vegetable kingdoms are so nearly joined, that if you take the lowest of one, and the highest of the other, there will scarce be perceived any difference.

3. A region; a tract. The wat'ry kingdom is no bar To stop the foreign spirits; but they come, As o'er a brook, to see fair Portia. Shakspeare.

KI'NGDOMED.* adj. [from kingdom.] Proud of kingly power. Not in use.

Kingdom'd Achilles in commotion rages,

And batters down himself.

Shakspeare, Troil. and Cress. KI'NGFISHER. n. s. [halcyon.] A species of

When dew refreshing on the pasture fields The moon bestows, king fishers play on shore.

May, Virgil. Bitterns, herons, sea-gulls, king fishers, and water-rats, are great enemies to fish.

Mortimer, Husbandry. KI'NGHOOD.* n. s. [king and hood.] State

of being a king. The people for to guide and lede,

Which is the charge of his kinghede. Gower, Conf. Am. b. 7.

KI'NGLIKE.† } adj. [from king.]

1. Royal; sovereign; monarchical. There we'll sit, Ruling in large and ample empery,

O'er France and all her almost kingly dukedoms. Shakspeare. I, kinglike, sate, with armed troops inclos'd.

Sandys, Job. p. 42, Yet this place Had been thy kingly seat, and here thy race, From all the ends of peopled earth, had come
To reverence thee. Dryden, State of Innocence.

In Sparta, a kingly government, though the people were perfectly free, the administration was in the two kings and the ephori.

The cities of Greece, when they drove out their tyrannical kings, either chose others from a new family, or abolished the kingly government, and became free states.

2. Belonging to a king; suitable to a king. Why liest thou with the vile

In loathsome beds, and leav'st the kingly couch A watch-case to a common 'larum bell? Shakspeare.

Then shalt thou give me with thy kingly hand, What husband in thy power I will command. Shaksneare.

3. Noble: august: magnificent.

He was not born to live a subject life, each action of his bearing in it majesty, such a kingly entertainment, such a kingly magnificence, such a Sidney. kingly heart for enterprizes.

I am far better born than is the king; More like a king, more kingly in my thoughts. Shakspeare.

KI'NGLY. adv. With an air of royalty; with superiour dignity.

Adam bow'd low; he, kingly, from his state Inclin'd not. Milton, P. L.

His hat, which never vail'd to human pride, Walker with rev'rence took, and laid aside; Low bow'd the rest, he, kingly, did but nod. Pope, Dunciad.

Kingse'vil. n. s. [king and evil.] A scrofulous distemper, in which the glands are ulcerated, commonly believed to be cured by the touch of the king.

Sore eyes are frequently a species of the kingsevil, and take their beginning from vicious humours inflaming the tunica adnata. Wiseman, Surgery.

KI'NGSHIP. n. s. [from king.] Royalty; monarchy.

They designed and proposed to me the newmodelling of sovereignty and kingship, without any reality of power, or without any necessity of subjection and obedience. King Charles.

We know how successful the late usurper was, while his army believed him real in his zeal against kingship; but when they found out the imposture, upon his aspiring to the same himself, he was presently deserted and opposed by them, and never able to crown his usurped greatness with the addition of that title which he passionately thirsted

KI'NGSPEAR. n. s. [asphodelus.] A plant. KI'NGSTONE. n. s. [squatina.] A fish.

To KINK.* v. n. [kichen, kinchen, Teut. difficulter spirare.] To labour for breath, as in the hooping-cough. A northern word. Ray, Grose, and Brockett.

Kink.* n. s. A fit of coughing, or a convulsive fit of laughter. Grose, and Brockett's N. C. Words. Hence Kinkcough, or Chincough; and Kinkhaust, which see.

KI'NKHAUST.* n. s. A violent cough; Lancashire; the chincough. See CHINcough, and Haust.

KI'NSFOLK. n. s. [kin and folk.] Relations; those who are of the same family. Those lords, since their first grants of those lands,

have bestowed them amongst their kinsfolks. Spenser on Ireland. My kinsfolk have failed, and my familiar friends Job, xix. 14.

KI'NSMAN. n. s. [kin and man.] A man of the same race or family.

The jury he made to be chosen out of their nearest kinsmen, and their judges he made of their own fathers. Spenser on Ireland.

Both fair, and both of royal blood they seem'd, Whom kinsmen to the crown the heralds deem'd.

Let me stand excluded from my right, Robb'd of my kinsman's arms, who first appear'd in fight. Dryden, Fab.

There is a branch of the Medicis in Naples: the head of it has been owned as a kinsman by the great duke, and 'tis thought will succeed to his dominions.

Addison on Italy. Addison on Italy.

KI'NSWOMAN. n. s. [kin and woman.] A female relation.

A young noble lady, near kinswoman to the fair Helen, queen of Corinth, was come thither. Sidney.

The duke was as much in love with wit as he was with his kinswoman. Dennis's Letters.

KI'NTAL.* See QUINTAL.

KI'PPER.* adj. [of unknown etymology.] A term applied to salmon when unfit to be taken, and to the time when they are so considered.

That no salmon be taken between Gravesend and Henley upon Thames in kipper time, viz. between the Invention of the Cross (3 May) and the Epiphany. Rot. Parl. 50 Edw. III.

The salmon, after spawning, become very poor and thin; and are called kipper. Pennant, Zool. iii. 242.

KIRN.* See KERN.

KIRK. n. s. [cynce, Saxon; κυρίακκη, Gr.]
An old word for a church, yet retained in Scotland.

Home they hasten the posts to dight, And all the kirk pillars ere day-light, With hawthorn buds and sweet eglantine.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. Nor is it all the nation has these spots, There is a church as well as kirk of Scots.

Cleveland. What one party thought to rivet by the Scots, that the other contemns, despising the kirk government and discipline of the Scots. King Charles.

KI'RKMAN.* n. s. [kirk and man.] One of the church of Scotland.

It [the king's declaration] in the month of July 1637, was publickly read in the great church of Edinburgh. The kirkmen took fire at it; nor wanted there some in England to fan the flame. Vindiciæ Carolinæ, (1692,) p. 37.

KI'RTLE.† n. s. [cyptel, Saxon; kiortell, Iceland. Of old we find the same term applied to the gowns worn by the men. Thus Franco-Goth. "Ung altre lui vestira un kyrtel du rouge tartarin." V. Du Cange, and Callander's Anc. Scot. Poems, p. 106. It was indeed the name of the surcoat at the creation of knights of the garter.] A gown; a jacket; a petticoat; a mantle; a cloak.

Damosellis two, Right yong, and full of semelyhede, In kirtils, and none other wede.

Chaucer, Rom. R. 778. Yclad he was full small and proprely All in a kirtel of a light waget.

Chaucer, Mill. Tale. All in a kirtle of discoloured say

He clothed was. e clothed was. Spenser, F. Q. What stuff wilt have a kirtle of? I shall receive money on Thursday: thou shalt have a cap tomorrow. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

Thy gowns, thy shoes, thy beds of roses, Thy cap, thy kirtle, and thy posies, Soon break, soon wither, soon forgotten, In folly ripe, in reason rotten.

KI'RTLED.* adj. [from kirtle.] Wearing a

The flowery-kirtled Naiades, Culling their potent herbs and baleful drugs. Milton, Comus.

To KISS.† v. a. [Saxo, cýrran; Su. Goth. kyssa; Welsh, cusan; κύω κύσω, Greek. Thus kuss is kiss, in some parts of the north of England. Chaucer writes it kess.

1. To touch with the lips.

But who those ruddy lips can miss, Which blessed still themselves do kiss. Sidney. He took

The bride about the neck, and kiss'd her lips, With such a clamorous smack, that at the parting All the church echoed. Shaksp. Tam, of the Shrew. Their lips were four red roses on a stalk,

And in their summer beauty kiss'd each other. Shakspeare.

2. To treat with fondness.

The hearts of princes kiss obedience, So much they love it; but to stubborn spirits, They swell and grow as terrible as storms.

3. To touch gently.

The moon shines bright: in such a night as this, When the sweet wind did gently kiss the trees, And they did make no noise.

Shakspeare, Mercht. of Ven.

Kiss. n. s. [from the verb.] Salute given by joining lips.

What sense had I of her stol'n hours or lust? I found not Cassio's kisses on her lips.

Shakspeare, Othello.

Upon my livid lips bestow a kiss : O envy not the dead, they feel not bliss! Dryden. Ki'sser. + n. s. [from kiss.] One that

Sherwood. Ki'ssingcomfit.* n. s. [kissing and com-fit.] Perfumed sugar-plums, to make

the breath sweet. Let the sky rain potatoes; let it thunder to the tune of Green Sleeves; hail kissing-comfits, and

snow eringoes. Shakspeare, Merr. W. of Windsor.

KI'SSINGCRUST. n. s. [kissing and crust.] Crust formed where one loaf in the oven touches another.

These bak'd him kissingcrusts, and those

Brought him small beer. King, Cookery. KIST.* n. s. [cerc, Saxon; kist, German; cist, Welsh.] A chest. Lancashire, Westmoreland, and other parts of the north.

KIT. + n. s.

1. A large bottle. Skinner. 2. A small diminutive fiddle. [probably from cithara, Lat.; κίθαρα, Gr. See GUITAR.]

The gittern and the kit the wandering fidlers Drayton, Polyolb. S. 4. 'Tis kept in a case fitted to it, almost like a dancing master's kit.

3. A small wooden vessel, in which Newcastle salmon is sent up to town. [kitte,

kit, Dutch. 7

4. A milking pail, like a churn, with two KI'TCHENSTUFF. n. s. [kitchen and stuff.] ears, and a cover. [kitte, Dutch, Ray; kuttr, "tonnula sex circitèr sextarios continens." Serenius.]

5. A set or company; generally in a contemptuous sense, "the whole kit of them." Wilbraham, Cheshire Gloss. All the whole kit, whether applied to persons or things. Craven Dialect. A

W. Country Words.

KI'TCAT.* adj.

1. Denoting a club of whigs at the beginning of the last century, of which Addison, Steele, and other distinguished wits were members; so named from Christopher Cat, a pastry cook, who excelled in mutton pies, by whom the club was served with this part of the entertain-

You have been for some years past laying the foundation of new schemes in your kit-cat clubs, calf's head clubs, juntos, and other infernal cabals

of this kind !

Acc. of Tom Whig, Esq. (1710.) p. 31. Our modern celebrated clubs are founded upon eating and drinking. - The kit-cat itself is said to have taken its original from a mutton-pie.

Addison, Spect. No. 9. (1710-11.)

2. Denoting a portrait, somewhat larger than a three quarter's, and less than a 3. A fictitious bird made of paper. half length; so called from the room in which portraits of the kit-cat club at first were placed, being not sufficiently lofty to admit half lengths.

There is a kit-cat size of St. Ignatius holding a crucifix, which is faint, but sweetly done.

Drummond, Trav. p. 31. KITCHEN. n. s. [kegin, Welsh; keg, Flemish; cycene, Sax.; cuisine, French; cucina, Italian; kyshen, Erse.] The room in a house where the provisions are cooked.

These being culpable of this crime, or favourers of their friends, which are such by whom their kitchens are sometimes amended, will not suffer any such statue to pass. Spenser on Ireland.

Can we judge it a thing seemly for any man to go about the building of an house to the God of heaven, with no other appearance than if his end were to rear up a kitchen or a parlour for his own

He was taken into service in his court to a base office in his kitchen; so that he turned a broach that had worn a crown. Bacon.

We see no new-built palaces aspire,

No kitchens emulate the vestal fire. To KI'TCHEN.* v. a. [from the noun.] To use thriftily. A northern word. Grose. Still in use as a Scottish expression in the sense of to save, to be sparing of. See Dr. Jamieson's Supplem. in voce.

KI'TCHENGARDEN. n. s. [kitchen and garden.] Garden in which esculent plants

are produced.

Gardens, if planted with such things as are fit for food, are called kitchengardens.

Bacon. A kitchengarden is a more pleasant sight than the finest orangery.

KI'TCHENMAID. † n. s. [kitchen and maid.] A maid under the cookmaid, whose business is to clean the utensils of the kitchen.

Did not her kitchenmaid rail, taunt, and scorn Shakspeare, Com. of Err.

The fat of meat scummed off the pot, or gathered out of the dripping-pan.

As a thrifty wench scrapes kitchenstuff, And barrelling the droppings and the snuff Of wasting candles, which in thirty year, Reliquely kept, perchance buys wedding cheer.

Donne. Instead of kitchenstuff some cry A gospel preaching ministry, Hudibras.

tribe; a collection; a gang. Jennings, KI'TCHENWENCH. n. s. [kitchen and wench.] Scullion; maid employed to clean the instruments of cookery.

Laura to his lady was but a kitchenwench.

Shakspeare. Roasting and boiling leave to the kitchenwench.

KI'TCHENWORK. n. s. [kitchen and work.] Cookery; work done in the kitchen. KITE. n. s. [cýca, Saxon; milvus.]

1. A bird of prey that infests the farms, and steals the chickens.

More pity that the eagle should be mew'd, While kites and buzzards pray at liberty. Shaksp.

The heron, when she soareth high, so as sometimes she is seen to pass over a cloud, sheweth winds; but kites, flying aloft, shew fair and dry

A leopard and a cat seem to differ just as a kite doth from an eagle. 2. A name of reproach denoting rapacity.

Detested kite! thou liest. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

A man may have a great estate conveyed to him; but if he will madly burn, or childishly make paper kites of his deeds, he forfeits his title with his evidence. Gov. of the Tongue.

KITE.* n. s. [qued, Su. Goth. quidr, Icel. κύτος, Gr. the belly. Craven Dialect.] In the north of England, the belly.

KI'TESFOOT. n. s. A plant. Ainsworth. Kith.* n. s. [cýðe, knowledge, Saxon; cyoan, to make known. Acquaintance. Bullokar. Kith and kin, friends and relations. A northern expression. Brock-

First she made hym the fleese to wynne: And after that from kith and kynne, With great treasore with him she staye.

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 5. KI'TLING.* n. s. [catulus, Lat.] A whelp; the young of all beasts. Barret, Alv. 1580. Now, a young cat or kitten.

Whither go you now? What, to buy gingerbread, or to drown kittings? B. Jonson, For.

KI'TTEN. n. s. [katteken, Dutch. It is probable that the true singular is kit, the diminutive of cat, of which the old plural was kitten, or young cats, which was in time taken for the singular, like

chicken.] A young cat.
That a mare will sooner drown than an horse, is not experience; nor is the same observed in the drowning of whelps and kittens. Brown, Vulg. Err. It was scratched in playing with a kitten.

Helen was just slipt into bed; Her eyebrows on the toilet lay,

Away the kitten with them fled, As fees belonging to her prey.

To KI'TTEN. v. n. [from the noun.] To bring forth young cats.

So it would have done At the same season, if your mother's cat

Had kitten'd, though yourself had ne'er been born. Shakspeare. The eagle timbered upon the top of a high oak,

and the cat kittened in the hollow trunk of it.

KI'TTIWAKE.* n. s. A bird of the gull kind; common among the rocks of Flamborough head.

To KI'TTLE.* v. a. [circlan, Saxon, titillare.] To tickle. Common in the north of England. It is also in Sherwood's old dictionary.

KI'TTLE.* adj. [keteligh, Teut. [Uncertain; fickle; difficult; unsafe: applied to the weather, to work, to a horse, &c. A northern word. Grose, Craven Dial. and Brockett.

KI'TTLISH.* adj. [from kittle.] Ticklish.

A northern word. Grose.

KIVE.* n.'s. The tub-hole is a hollow place in the ground, over which the kive, (mashing-fat,) stands. Kelly's Scotch Proverbs, p. 300. cited by Dr. Jamieson, in his Scottish dictionary; who says, " I have not met with this word any where else." It appears, however, to be of English usage, and by an old author of great merit.

Lime, or calke which is strong lime, is used to accelerate the fermentation of the woad, which, by the help of the same pot-ashes and warm liquors kept always so, in three or four days will come to work like a kive of beer, and will have a blue or rather greenish froth or flowry upon it; answering

to the yest of the kive.

Sir W. Petty, Hist. of Dying, Sprat's H.R. Soc.

- To KI'VER.* v. a. To cover. See To COVER. Mr. Pegge, in his Anecdotes of the English language, gives a catalogue of words, of which the use and pronunciation are deformed by the natives of London. Among these are kiver for cover; which, however, he might have defended by Chaucer's employment of kever, and by Huloet's introduction into his old dictionary of kiver, for the more modern cover.
- To Ki'zen, or Ki'zzen.* v. a. [gizen, Icel. hisco. Craven Dial.] To parch; to dry up. A northern word. Grose, and Craven Dialect.

To KLICK. + v. n.

1. To make a small sharp noise. [from clack.

- 2. In Scotland it denotes to pilfer, or steal away suddenly with a snatch. Dr. Johnson. - It has the sense also of to catch up, to snatch, in the north of England.
- To KNAB. v. a. [knappen, Dutch; knaap, Erse.] To bite. Perhaps properly to bite something brittle, that makes a noise when it is broken; so as that knab and knap may be the same.

I had much rather lie knabbing crusts, without fear, in my own hole, than be mistress of the

world with cares. L'Estrange. An ass was wishing, in a hard winter, for a little warm weather, and a mouthful of fresh grass to knab upon. L'Estrange.

To KNA'BBLE. v. n. [from knab.] bite idly, or wantonly; to nibble. This word is perhaps found no where else. Horses will knabble at walls, and rats gnaw iron.

KNACK.† n. s. [cnapinge, skill, Saxon. Dr. Johnson. — The word seems to have been formed, as Mr. Tyrwhitt observes, from the knacking or snapping, of the fingers used by jugglers. See Cotgrave in V. NIQUET, viz. "a knick, klick, snap with the teeth or fingers; a trifle, bauble, matter of small value, &c."

"to move, knack, or waggle the fingers, like a juggler, player, &c."

1. A little machine; a petty contrivance; a toy.

The more queint knakkes that they make.

Chaucer, Reve's Tale. These knacks were brought first into England Ascham, Schoolmaster. When I was young, I was wont

To load my she with knacks: I would have

ransack'd

The pedlar's silken treasury, and have pour'd it To her acceptance. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. For thee, fond boy,

If I may ever know thou do'st but sigh That thou no more shalt see this knack, as never I mean thou shalt, we'll bar thee from success.

This cap was moulded on a porringer, A velvet dish; fie, fie, 'tis lewd and filthy: Why 'tis a cockle, or a walnut shell,

A knack, a toy, a trick, a baby's cap. Shakspeare. But is't not presumption to write verse to you,

Who make the better poems of the two? For all these pretty knacks that you compose, Alas! what are they but poems in prose! Denham.

He expounded both his pockets, And found a watch, with rings and lockets; A copper-plate, with almanacks Hudibras.

Engrav'd upon't, with other knacks. 2. A readiness; an habitual facility; a

lucky dexterity. I'll teach you the knacks Of eating of flax,

And out of their noses

Draw ribbands and posies. The knack of fast and loose passes with foolish people for a turn of wit; but they are not aware all this while of the desperate consequences of an L'Estrange.

There is a certain knack in conversation that gives a good grace by the manner and address. L' Estrange.

Knaves, who in full assemblies have the knack Of turning truth to lies, and white to black.

My author has a great knack at remarks: in the end he makes another, about our refining in controversy, and coming nearer and nearer to the church of Rome. Atterbury.

The dean was famous in his time, And had a kind of knack at rhyme.

3. A nice trick.

For how should equal colours do the knack? Cameleons who can paint in white and black?

To KNACK. + v. n. [knacken, Teut. frangere. And Barret defines our knack, "to break a nut." Alv. 1580.7

1. To make a sharp quick noise, as when a stick breaks, or a nut is cracked; to chink.

If they can hear their beads knack upon each Bp. Hall, Quo Vadis.

2. To speak finely or affectedly. North.

KNA'CKER. n. s. [from knack.]

1. A maker of small work; one that makes collars and other furniture for cart-horses. Rav.

One part for plow-right, knacker, and smith. Mortimer.

2. A ropemaker. [restio, Latin.] Ainsw. KNA'CKISH.* adj. [from knack.] Trickish; knavishly artful.

Beating the air with knackish forms of gracious speeches, and vain grandiloquence that tends to nothing. More, Myst. of Godl. (1660,) p. 479.

And in V. MATASSINER des mains, viz. KNA'CKISHNESS.* n.s. [from knackish.] Artifice: trickery.

A set form (of prayer) will prevent all pride and knackishness, and preserve the publick worship in its due reverence and honour.

More, Myst. of Godl. (1660,) p. 599.

KNA'CKY.* adj. [from knack.] Handy: having a knack, perhaps, of doing several things. Moore's Suffolk Words. Cunning; crafty: so used in Berwickshire. Dr. Jamieson.

KNAG.† n. s. [knack, knocke, knocht, nodus, Teut. knoge, condylus. Su. Goth. cnag, Irish, a knob, a peg.

1. A hard knot in wood. I have cutte of the knagges that you poynted upon. Confut. of N. Shaxton, (1546,) sign. E.1. 2. A peg for hanging any thing upon.

I schall hyt hynge on a knag.

Romance of Le Bone Florence.

3. Knags are the shoots of a deer's horns. called brow-antlers.

4. Knags also are pointed rocks, or rugged tops of hills. [V. Ihre, knagglig.] Brockett's N. C. Words.

KNA'GGY. † adj. [from knag.]

1. Knotty; set with hard rough knots.

2. Figuratively, full of rough or sour humours: illhumoured. Used in the north of England.

KNAP.† n. s. [cnap, Welsh, a protuberance, or a broken piece; cnæp, Sax. a protuberance.]

1. A protuberance; a swelling prominence: a knoll; a hillock.

You shall see many fine seats set upon a knap of ground, environed with higher hills round about it, whereby the heat of the sun is pent in, and the wind gathered as in troughs.

Bacon, Ess. of Building. Hark, on knap of yonder hill, Some sweet shepherd tunes his quill.

Brown, Eclog. 1.

2. The pile on cloth. See NAP. To KNAP. v. a. [knappen, Dutch.]

1. To bite; to break short. He knappeth the spear in sunder.

Ps. Com. Prayer. He will knap the spears a-pieces with his teeth.

2. [Knaap, Erse.] To strike so as to make a sharp noise like that of breaking. Knap a pair of tongs some depth in a vessel o water, and you shall hear the sound of the tongs.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. To KNAP. v. n. To make a short sharp

I reduced the shoulders so soon, that the standers-by heard them knap in before they knew they were out.

KNA'PBOTTLE. n. s. [papaver, spumeum.] A plant.

KNA'PPISH.* adj. [from knap.] Our old word for snappish; froward.

Barret, and Sherwood. To KNA'PPLE. v. n. [from knap.] To break off with a sharp quick noise. Dr. Johnson from Ainsworth. Cotgrave defines it "to nibble or eat like a squirrel; to gnaw." V. GRIGNOTER.

KNA'PPY.* adj. [from knap.] Full of knaps or hillocks.

KNA'PSACK. † n. s. [from knappen, Germ. to eat. But see SNAPSACK. The bag which a soldier carries on his back; a bag of provisions.

The constitutions of this church shall not be repealed, till I see more religious motives than soldiers carry in their knapsacks. King Charles.

If you are for a merry jaunt, I'll try for once who can foot it farthest: there are hedges in summer, and barns in winter: I with my knapsack, and you with your bottle at your back : we'll leave honour to madmen, and riches to knaves, and travel till we come to the ridge of the Dryden.

KNA'PWEED. n. s. [jacea, Lat.] A plant. Miller.

KNAR. † n. s. [knor, German; but our word is more frequently written knur; though the adjective knarry, hitherto unnoticed, is very old. See KNUR. "A bunch or knor in a tree," is noticed in our lexicography. See Wythall's Dict. 1568.] A hard knot.

A cake of scurf lies baking on the ground, And prickly stubs instead of trees are found; Or woods with knots and knars deform'd and old, Headless the most, and hideous to behold,

Dryden. KNA'RLED.* adj. [from knar.] Knotted. See GNARLED. It should be knarled. KNA'RRY.* adj. [from knar.] Knotty; stubby. Cockeram, and Bullokar.

Knotty knarry barrein trees old Of stubbes sharpe, and hidous to behold.

This knarry club - the which no hand shall Transl. of Seneca, (1581,) fol. 213.

KNA'VE.† n. s. [cnara, Saxon, knab, German; knabe, knape, Iceland. All these have reference both to child and servant, which our word originally denoted. Mr. Tooke's opinion that the Saxon cnara, knave, was probable narad, i. e. ne-harao, zenarao, qui nihil habet, (who has nothing,) the third person singular of nabban, i. e. ne-habban, is not likely to be received.

1. A boy; a male or man-child. Sche bare a knave-child. Wicliffe, Rev. xii. 5.

He had of children younge two; Fixus the first was of tho, A knave-child, right faire withall!

A daughter eke, the whiche men call

Helle. Gower, Conf. Am. B. 5. 2. A servant. Both these are obsolete. For lord and knave is all one wey,

When they be bore and when they dey. Gower, Conf. Am. B. 5.

For as the moon the eye doth please With gentle beams not hurting sight, Yet hath sir sun the greater praise,

Because from him doth come her light: So if my man must praises have,

What then must I that keep the knave? Sidney.

He eats and drinks with his domestick slaves; A verier hine than any of his knaves. Dryden. 3. A petty rascal; a scoundrel; a dishonest fellow.

Most men rather brooke their being reputed knaves, than for their honesty be accounted fools; knave, in the mean time, passing for a name of

When both plaintiff and defendant happen to be crafty knaves, there's equity against both.

L'Estrange. An honest man may take a knave's advice ; But idiots only may be cozen'd twice. Dryden.

See all our fools aspiring to be knaves. Pope. 4. A card with a soldier painted on it. For 'twill return, and turn t' account,

If we are brought in play upon't, Or but by casting knaves get in, What pow'r can hinder us to win!

Hudibras. KNA'VERY. n. s. [from knave.]

1. Dishonesty; tricks; petty villany.

Here's no knavery! See, to beguile the old folks, how the young folks lay their heads toge-

If I thought it were not a piece of honesty to acquaint the king withal, I would do't: I hold it the more knavery to conceal it.

Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. The cunning courtier should be slighted too, Who with dull knavery makes so much ado; Till the shrewd fool, by thriving too too fast, Like Æsop's fox, becomes a prey at last.

2. Mischievous tricks or practices. In the following passage it seems a general term for any thing put to an ill use, or perhaps for trifling things of more cost than use.

We'll revel it as bravely as the best, With amber bracelets, beads, and all this knav'ry.

KNA'VISH. adj. [from knave.]

1. Dishonest; wicked; fraudulent. 'Tis foolish to conceal it at all, and knavish to do it from friends. Pope, Lett.

2. Waggish; mischievous. Here she comes curst and sad;

Cupid is a knavish lad, Thus to make poor females mad. Shakspeare.

KNA'VISHLY. † adv. [from knavish.] 1. Dishonestly; fraudulently.

2. Waggishly; mischievously.

Huloet, and Sherwood. It is ordinary for hosts to be knavishly witty. Gayton, on D. Quix. p. 8.

KNA'VISHNESS.* n. s. [from knavish.] State or quality of being knavish.

Sherwood. To KNAW.* Sometimes written for gnaw. See also To Begnaw.

To KNEAD. v. a. cnæban, Saxon; kneden, Dutch. " Ab antiq. knet, massa. Wachter. Potius autem id deductum iverim ab Icel. knaea, vel naeda, factitare, movere." Serenius. The Saxon gniban also is to knead, as well as cnæban.] To beat or mingle any stuff or substance. It is seldom applied in popular language but to the act of making bread.

Here's yet in the word hereafter, the kneading, the making of the cakes, and the heating of the Shakspeare.

It is a lump, where all beasts kneaded be; Wisdom makes him an ark where all agree.

Thus kneaded up with milk the new-made man His kingdom o'er his kindred world began; Till knowledge misapply'd, misunderstood, And pride of empire, sour'd his balmy blood.

One paste of flesh on all degrees bestow'd, And kneaded up alike with moist'ning blood.

Dryden. Prometheus, in the kneading up of the heart, seasoned it with some furious particles of the lion. Addison, Spect.

No man ever reapt his corn, Or from the oven drew his bread, Ere hinds and bakers yet were born, That taught them both to sow and knead. Prior. The cake she kneaded was the savoury meat.

KNE'ADER.* n. s. [from knead.] A baker. Huloet, and Sherwood.

KNE'ADINGTROUGH. n. s. [from knead and trough.] A trough in which the paste of bread is worked together.

Frogs shall come into thy kneadingtroughs.

KNEE. † n. s. [kniw, Goth. cneop, Sax. knee, Dutch. Mr. Horne Tooke believes the Saxon hnizan, and the Gothick hneiwan, to be same verb, meaning to bow, to bend; and the substantives to have been thence formed. A similar opinion appears to have long before been entertained by Serenius, who notices the Gothick verb in his illustration of our substantive; adding, however, the Icel. hnie, hnea, the knee, "vox antiquissima."]

1. The joint of the leg where the leg is

joined to the thigh.

Thy royal father
Was a most sainted king: the queen that bore thee

Oftener upon her knees than on her feet, Died every day she lived. Shakspeare, Macbeth.
Scotch skink is a kind of strong nourishment. made of the knees and sinews of beef long boiled.

I beg and clasp thy knees. Milton, P. L. Wearied with length of ways, worn out with

Io lay down, and leaning on her knees, Invok'd the cause of all her miseries; And cast her languishing regards above, For help from heaven, and her ungrateful Jove. Dryden.

2. A knee is a piece of timber growing crooked, and so cut that the trunk and branch make an angle.

Moxon, Mech. Exercises. Such dispositions are the fittest timber to make great politicks of: like to knee timber, that is good for ships that are to be tossed, but not for building houses, that shall stand firm.

To KNEE. v. a. [from the noun.] To supplicate by kneeling.

Go, you that banish'd him, A mile before his tent, fall down and knee The way into his mercy.

Return with her! Shakspeare, Coriol.

Why, the hot-blooded France, that dowerless

Our youngest born: I could as well be brought To knee his throne, and, squire-like, pension beg.

KNEED. adj. [from knee.] 1. Having knees: as, in-kneed, or out-

2. Having joints: as, kneed grass. KNEEDE'EP. † adj. [knee and deep.]

1. Rising to the knees. The ground in fourteen days is dry, and grass

kneedeep within a month. Milton, Brief Hist. of Moscovia.

2. Sunk to the knees.

Gone already; Inch thick, kneedeep! Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. The country peasant meditates no harm,

When clad with skins of beasts to keep him warm; In winter weather unconcern'd he goes, Almost kneedeep through mire in clumsy shoes.

Knee-cro'oking.* adj. [knee and crook.] Obsequious.

Many a duteous and knee-crooking knave. Shakspeare, Othello.

Kne'edgrass. n. s. [gramen geniculatum.] An herb.

KNE'EHOLM. † n. s. [aquifolium.] The name of a plant, called also kneeholly.

To KNEEL. v. n. [from knee.] To perform the act of genuflection; to bend the knee.

When thou dost ask me blessing, I'll kneel down.

And ask of thee forgiveness. Shaksp. K. Lear. Ere I was risen from the place that shew'd

My duty kneeling, came a reeking post Stew'd in his haste, half breathing, panting forth From Goneril, his mistress, salutation.

Shakspeare, K. Lear. A certain man kneeling down to him, said, Lord, have mercy upon my son; for he is luna-St. Matt. xvii, 14. tick. As soon as you are dressed, kneel and say the

Lord's prayer. Bp. Taylor, Guide to Devotion. KNE'ELER.* n. s. [from kneel.] One who

shews obeisance by kneeling.

In this part of the church, — stood the class of the penitents, who were called kneelers, because at their going out, they fell down upon their knees before the bishop, who laid his hands upon them. Lewis, Consecration of Churches, p. 95.

KNE'PAN. n. s. [knee and pan.] A little round bone about two inches broad, pretty thick, a little convex on both sides, and covered with a smooth cartilage on its foreside. It is soft in chil- 2. A sword or dagger. dren, but very hard in those of riper years: it is called patella or mola. Over it passes the tendon of the muscles which extend the leg, to which it serves Quincy. as a pully.

The kneepan must be shewn, with the knitting thereof, by a fine shadow underneath the joint.

Peacham on Drawing.

KNEETI'MBER.* n. s. See the second sense

We see how the shipwright doth make use of kneetimber, and other cross-grained pieces, as well as of streight and even, for framing a goodly vessel to ride on Neptune's back. Howell, Lett. iv. 4.

KNEETRI'BUTE. n. s. [knee and tribute.] Genuflection; worship or obeisance

shewn by kneeling.

Receive from us Kncetribute, yet unpaid prostration vile.

Milton, P. L.

KNELL. † n. s. [cnill, cnul, Welsh, the ringing of bells, a passing-bell; cnyll, Sax. from cnyllan, to strike a bell, to ring a bell. Some refer these words, as well as knoll, to the Latin nola, a little bell, which had its name from Nola, a town in Campania, in which they are pretended to have been invented, or to have been first used for pious purposes.] The sound of a bell rung at a funeral. I would not wish them to a fairer death,

And so his knell is knoll'd. Shaksneare. Sea-nymphs hourly ring his knell:

Skakspeare, Tempest. Hark, now I hear them. When he was brought again to the bar to hear His knell rung out, his judgement, he was stirr'd With such an agony, he sweat extremely. Shakspeare.

All these motions, which we saw, Are but as ice, which crackles at a thaw: Or as a lute, which in moist weather rings Her knell alone, by cracking of her strings. Donne.

Unhappy slave, and pupil to a bell, Which his hours work, as well as hours do tell; Unhappy till the last, the kind releasing knell.

At dawn poor Stella danc'd and sung; The amorous youth around her bow'd: At night her fatal knell was rung;

I saw and kiss'd her in her shrowd. KNEW. The preterite of know.

Knick-knack.* A colloquial term, meaning any trifle or toy. See the first sense of KNACK.

Knife. † n. s. plur. knives. [cnif, Saxon; knif, Su. kniv. Dan. canif, Fr. knyf, old Teut. both a knife and a sword, Kilian; knif, Icel. hneipa, to cut. Serenius. Some cite the Greek \$1005, a sword. It is to the Celtick cneifio, to shear, however, that we may trace these words.]

1. An instrument edged and pointed, wherewith meat is cut, and animals

Blest pow'rs, forbid thy tender life Crashaw. Should bleed upon a barbarous knife. The sacred priests with ready knives bereave

The beast of life, and in full bowls receive Dryden, Æn. The streaming blood. Ev'n in his sleep he starts, and fears the knife, And, trembling, in his arms takes his accomplice

Pain is not in the knife that cuts us; but we call it cutting in the knife, and pain only in our-Watts.

The time appointed nowe
Approached is, when knife Of manly knight must yelde him fame,

And end the deadly strife. Elviden, Hist. of Pisistr. and Catanea, bl. l. M. 6. The red-cross knight was slain with paynim knife. Spenser, F. Q.

Come, thick night, And pall thee in the dunnest smoke of hell, That my keen knife see not the wound it makes. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

KNIGHT. † n. s. [cniht, Sax. knecht, Germ. a servant or pupil. Dr. Johnson. - The Saxon word originally means a boy, cmht, and cneoht; cnihtcils; cnithab, childhood. Wachter and Ihre consider it as from the same stock with cnapa, or cnara, a little boy. See KNAVE. Dr. Jamieson refers it to cneo, generation, which cneohe nearly resembles. The word next signified a servant, like knave; and often a military one: " I am a man ordeynid under power, and, have knightis under me.' Wicliffe, St. Matt. viii. Mr. H. Tooke considers it as the participle cnýt, (from cnýttan, to bind, un at-

 A man advanced to a certain degree of military rank. It was anciently the custom to knight every man of rank or fortune, that he might be qualified to give challenges to fight in the lists, and to perform feats of arms. In England knighthood confers the title of sir: as, sir Thomas, sir Richard. When the name was not known, it was usual to say sir knight.

That same knight's own sword this is of yore, Which Merlin made. Spenser, F. Q. Sir knight, if knight thou be,

Spenser, F.Q.

Abandon this forestalled place.

When every case in law is right, No squire in debt, and no poor knight.

Shakspeare, K. Lear. This knight; but yet why should I call him

Shakspeare.

Drayton.

To give impiety to this reverent stile? Daniel, Civil Wars.

No squire with knight did better fit Hudibras. In parts, in manners, and in wit. 2. Shakspeare uses it of a female, and it must therefore be understood in its original meaning, pupil or follower. Pardon, goddess of the night,

Those that slew thy virgin knight; For the which, with songs of woe, Round about her tomb they go.

3. A champion. He suddenly unties the poke, Which out of it sent such a smoke,

As ready was them all to choke, So grievous was the pother So that the knights each other lost, And stood as still as any post.

Did I for this my country bring To help their knight against their king, Denham. And raise the first sedition?

Knight Errant. [chevalier errant, Fr.] A wandering knight: one who went about in quest of adventures.

Like a bold knight errant did proclaim Combat to all, and bore away the dame.

Denham. The ancient errant knights Won all their mistresses in fights;

They cut whole giants into fritters, To put them into am'rous twitters. Knight Errantry. [from knight errant.] The character or manners of wandering

knights. That which with the vulgar passes for courage is a brutish sort of knight errantry, seeking out

needless encounters. KNIGHT of the Post. A hireling evidence; a knight dubbed at the whipping-post,

I may not term them men, if there be such as I have heard to be, who will not let to sweare upon a booke, and that before any judge, beyng hyred thereunto for money. And such are called by the names of knightes of the poste, more fit for the gallowes than to live in a commonwealth where Christ is professed.

Knight, Trial of Truth, (1580,) fol. 39. b.
There are knights of the post, and holy cheats
enough, to swear the truth of the broadest contradictions, where pious frauds shall give them an extraordinary call.

KNIGHT of the Shire. One of the representatives of a county in parliament: he formerly was a military knight, but now any man having an estate in land of six hundred ponnds a year is qualified.

To KNIGHT. v. a. [from the noun.] To create one a knight, which is done by the king, who gives the person kneeling a blow with a sword, and bids him rise

up sir. Favours came thick upon him: the next St. George's day he was knighted.

The lord protector knighted the king; and immediately the king stood up, took the sword from the lord protector, and dubbed the Lord mayor of London knight. Haywe.
The hero William, and the martyr Charles,

One knighted Blackmore, and one pension'd

KNI'GHTHOOD. n. s. [from knight.] The character or dignity of a knight.

The sword which Merlin made, For that his noursling, when he knighthood swore, Therewith to doen his foes eternal smart.

Spenser, F. Q. Speak truly on thy knighthood, and thine oath, And so defend thee Heaven and thy valour. Shakspeare.

Is this the sir, who some waste wife to win, A knighthood bought, to go a-wooing in?

If you needs must write, write Cæsar's praise, You'll gain at least a knighthood, or the bays.

KNI'GHTLESS. adj. [from knight.] becoming a knight. Obsolete. Arise, thou cursed miscreant,

That hast with knightless guile, and treacherous train.

Fair knighthood foully shamed. Spenser, F.Q. KNI'GHTLINESS.* n. s. [from knightly.]

Duties of a knight. The prince did wonder much, yet could not ghesse

The cause of that his sorrowfull constraint; Yet would by secret signes of manlinesse, Which close appear'd in that rude brutishnesse, That he whilome some gentle swaine had beene, Train'd up in feasts of armes and knightlinesse. Spenser, F. Q. iv. vii. 45.

KNI'GHTLY. adj. [from knight.] Befitting a knight; beseeming a knight.

Let us take care of your wound, upon condition that a more knightly combat shall be performed between us. How dares your pride presume against my

As in a listed field to fight your cause: Unask'd the royal grant, no marshal by, As knightly rites require, nor judge to try.

KNI'GHTLY.* adv. In a manner becoming a knight. Sherwood.

To KNIT. v. a. preter. knit or knitted.

[cnirtan, Saxon.]
To make or unite by texture without a loom.

Sleep, that knits up the ravell'd sleeve of care, The birth of each day's life, sore labour's bath, Balm of hurt minds. Shakspeare, Macbeth. A thousand Cupids in those curls do sit;

Those curious nets thy slender fingers knit. Waller.

2. To tye. Send for the county; go tell him of this; I'll have this knot knit up to-morrow morning.

Shakspeare. 3. To join; to unite. This was formerly a word of extensive use; it is now less

His gall did grate for grief and high disdain, And, knitting all his force, got one hand free. Spenser, F. Q.

These, mine enemies, are all knit up In their distractions : they are in my power. Shakspeare.

O let the vile world end, And the premised flames of the last day Knit earth and heaven together!

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. Lay your highness' Command upon me; to the which my duties

Are with a most indissoluble tye For ever knit. Shakspeare, Macbeth. This royal hand and mine are newly knit,

And the conjunction of our inward souls Married in league. Shakspeare, K. John. By the simplicity of Venus' doves,

By that which knitteth souls, and prospers loves. If ye become peaceably, mine heart shall be knit unto you. 1 Chron. xii. 17. VOL. II.

That their hearts might be comforted, being knit together in love. Pride and impudence, in faction knit,

Usurp the chair of wit! B. Jonson, New Inn. Ye knit my heart to you by asking this question.

These two princes were agreeable to be joined in marriage, and thereby knit both realms into Hayward.

Come, knit hands, and beat the ground In a light fantastic round. Milton, Comus. God gave several abilities to several persons, that each might help to supply the publick needs, and, by joining to fill up all wants, they be knit together by justice, as the parts of the world are by nature.

nature. Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy.
Nature cannot knit the bones while the parts are under a discharge. Wiseman, Surgery.

4. To contract.

What are the thoughts that knit thy brow in frowns,

And turn thy eyes so coldly on thy prince? Addison, Cato.

5. To tie up.

He saw heaven opened, and a certain vessel descending unto him as it had been a great sheet, knit at the four corners, and let down to the earth.

To KNIT. v. n.

1. To weave without a loom.

A young shepherdess knitting and singing: her voice comforted her hands to work, and her hands kept time to her voice's musick. Sidney. Make the world distinguish Julia's son

From the vile offspring of a trull, that sits By the town-wall, and for her living knits.

2. To join; to close; to unite. Not used. Our sever'd navy too Have knit again, and float, threat'ning most sea-

like. Shakspeare. Knit. n. s. [from the verb.] Texture. Let their heads be sleekly comb'd, their blue

coats brush'd, and their garters of an indifferent knit. Shakspeare. Knitch.* n.s. [probably from knit; what is bound together.] A burden of wood:

Gadere ye togidre the taris, and bynde them togidre in knycches to be brent.

Wicliffe, St. Matt. xiii.

KNI'TTABLE.* adj. [from knit.] That may be knit or united. Huloet.

KNI'TTER. n. s. [from knit.] One who weaves or knits.

The spinsters and the knitters in the sun, And the free maids that weave their thread with 3. To Knock under. A common expresbones Do use to chant it.

Shakspeare, Tw. Night. Kni'TTING.* n. s. [from knit.] Junction. He doth fundamentally and mathematically demonstrate the firmest knittings of the upper

timbers, which make the roof. Wotton on Architecture.

KNI'TTINGNEEDLE. n. s. [knit and needle.] A wire which women use in knitting. He gave her a cuff on the ear, she would prick

him with her knittingneedle. Arbuthnot, John Bull.

KNI'TTLE.† n. s. [from knit.]

1. A string that gathers a purse round. Ainsworth.

2. A small line, used for various purposes

KNOB. † n. s. [cnæp, Sax. knoppe, Germ. knubb, Su. Goth. See also KNOP.] A protuberance; any part bluntly rising above the rest.

The knobbes sitting on his cheeks.

Chaucer, C. T. Prol. Their staves and knobs, crowned with a rose or lily. Gregory, Posthum. (1650,) p. 206. Just before the entrance of the right auricle of the heart is a remarkable knob or bunch, raised up from the subjacent fat. Ray.

To Knob.* v.n. [from the noun.] bunch out; to grow into knobs. Kersey. KNO'BBED. † adj. [from knob.] Set with knobs; having protuberances.

His knuckles knobb'd, his flesh deep dented in, With tawed hands, and hard ytanned skin.

Sackville, Induct. Mir. for Mag. The horns of a roe deer of Greenland are pointed at the top, and knobbed or tuberous at the bottom.

Kno'bbiness. † n. s. [from knobby.] The quality of having knobs. Sherwood. Kno'bby.] adj. [from knob.]
1. Full of knobs.

His knobby head, and a fair pair of horns. More, Pre-exist. of the Soul, st. 33.

2. Hard; stubborn.

The informers continued in a knobby kind of obstinacy, resolving still to conceal the names of the authors.

To KNOCK. v. n. [cnucian, Sax.; cnoce, a blow, Welsh.]

1. To clash; to be driven suddenly to-

gether. Any hard body thrust forwards by another body contiguous, without knocking, giveth no noise.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. They may say, the atoms of the chaos being variously moved according to this catholic law, must needs knock and interfere. Bentley, Serm.

2. To beat, as at a door for admittance: commonly with at.

Villain, I say knock me at this gate, And rap me well; or I'll knock your knave's

Shakspeare. Whether to knock against the gates of Rome, Or rudely visit them in parts remote,

To fright them, ere destroy. Shakspeare, Coriol. I bid the rascal knock upon your gate, And could not get him for my heart to do it.

Shakspeare. For harbour at a thousand doors they knock'd, Not one of all the thousand but was lock'd.

Knock at your own breast, and ask your soul,

If those fair fatal eyes edg'd not your sword.

sion, which denotes that a man yields or submits. Submission is expressed among good fellows by knocking under the table. Followed commonly by a particle: as, to knock up, to rouse by knocking; to knock down, to fell by a blow.

To KNOCK. v. α.

1. To affect or change in any respect by

How do you mean removing him; - Why, by making him incapable of Othello's place; knocking out his brains.

Shakspeare, Othello. He that has his chains knocked off, and the prison doors set open to him, is perfectly at liberty.

Time was, a sober Englishman would knock His servants up, and rise by five o'clock; Instruct his family in every rule, And send his wife to church, his son to school. Pope.

KNO with a sharp noise.

So when the cook saw my jaws thus knock it, She would have made a pancake of my pocket. Cleaneland. At him he lanch'd his spear, and pierc'd his

breast . On the hard earth the Lycian knock'd his head,

And lay supine; and forth the spirit fled. Dryd. 'Tis the sport of statesmen,

When heroes knock their knotty heads together; And fall by one another.

3. To Knock down. To fell by a blow. He began to knock down his fellow-citizens with a great deal of zeal, and to fill all Arabia with bloodshed. A man who is gross in a woman's company,

ought to be knocked down with a club.

Richardson, Clarissa.

4. To Knock on the head. To kill by a blow; to destroy.

He betook himself to his orchard, and walking there was knocked on the head by a tree.

Excess, either with an apoplexy, knocks a man on the head; or with a fever, like fire in a strongwater-shop, burns him down to the ground. Grew, Cosmol.

KNOCK. n. s. [from the verb.] 1. A sudden stroke; a blow.

Some men never conceive how the motion of the earth should wave them from a knock perpendicularly directed from a body in the air Brown, Vulg. Err.

Ajax belabours there an harmless ox, And thinks that Agamemnon feels the knocks. Dryden.

2. A loud stroke at a door for admission. Guiscard, in his leathern frock, Stood ready, with his thrice-repeated knock: Thrice with a doleful sound the jarring grate

Dryden, Fab. Rung deaf and hollow.

KNO'CKER.† n. s. [from knock.]

1. One that fells by a blow; one that Sherwood. knocks down.

2. He that knocks. 3. The hammer which hangs at the door

for strangers to strike. A very odd fellow desired recommendation from

me for a new invention of knockers to doors

Tatler, No. 105. said.

Tie up the knocker, say I'm sick, I'm dead. Pope. KNO'CKING.* n. s. [from knock.] Beating

at the door. Then nightly knockings at your door will cease, Whose noiseless hammer then may rest in peace. Congreve, Ovid.

To ring To KNOLL. v. a. [from knell.] the bell, generally for a funeral. Had I as many sons as I have hairs,

I would not wish them to a fairer death, And so his knell is knowd'd. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

To KNOLL. v. n. To sound as a bell. If ever you have look'd on better days, If ever been where bells have knoll'd to church.

KNOLL. † n. s. [cnolle, Sax. the top of a hill; knolle, Teut. a little hill; knol,

Norm. Fr. a hill.] 1. A little round hill; the top or cop of a Ray, N. C. Words. hill or mountain.

The mountains, the river Neath, and its shady banks, form a beautiful back ground and contrast to the bold craggy shore, and the broken peninto the bold craggy short, sulated knolls, which not unfrequently project Wyndham's Tour.

2. A turnip. Kent. Ray, and Grose.

2. To dash together; to strike; to collide | Kno'ller.* n. s. [from To knoll.] One who tolls a bell. Sherwood.

KNOP.† n. s. [knoppe, Teut. and Germ. knopp, Su. Goth.] A knob; a protuberance; a button; a bud. Dr. Johnson has merely followed Ainsworth in calling the word "any tufty top," without an example; and calls it unjustly a corruption of knap. Knop is one of our oldest substantives; as meaning either the bud of a flower, or any protuberance or bunch.

A robe .

With a bend of gold tassilled, And knoppis fine of gold. Chaucer, Rom. R.1080.

Aboute the redde rosis springing The stalke ywas as rishe right,

And there on stode the knoppe uprighte.

Chaucer, Rom. R. 1704. Three bowls made like unto almonds, with a knop and a flower in one branch. Exod. xxv. 33. The cedar of the house within was carved with knops and open flowers. 1 Kings, vi. 18.

Smite the lintel of the door, [in the margin, chapiter or knop.] Amos, ix. 1. Josephus hath taken some pains to make out

the seminal knop of henbane.

Sir T. Brown, Miscell. p. 67.

KNO'PPED.* adj. [from knop.] Having knobs; fastened as with a knop or but-

High shoes knoppid with dagges.

Chaucer, Rom. R. 7212. KNAR.

KNOT. † n. s. [cnorta, Saxon; knot, German; knutte, Dutch; knotte, Erse.]

1. A complication of a cord or string not easily to be disentangled.

He found that reason's self now reasons found To fasten knots, which fancy first had bound.

As the fair vestal to the fountain came, Let none be startled at a vestal's name, Tir'd with the walk, she laid her down to rest; And to the winds expos'd her glowing breast, To take the freshness of the morning air, And gather in a knot her flowing hair. Addison.

Shut, shut the door, good John! fatigu'd, I 2. Any figure of which the lines frequently intersect each other.

Garden knots, the frets of houses, and all equal figures, please; whereas unequal figures are but deformities. Our sea-wall'd garden, the whole land,

Is full of weeds, her fairest flowers choked up, Shakspeare, Rich. II. Her knots disorder'd. Flowers worthy of paradise, which not nice art

In beds and curious knots, but nature boon, Pour'd forth profuse on hill and dale, and plain. Milton, P. L.

Their quarters are contrived into elegant knots, adorned with the most beautiful flowers. Henry in knots involving Emma's name,

Had half express'd, and half conceal'd his flame Upon this tree; and as the tender mark Grew with the year, and widen'd with the bark, Venus had heard the virgin's soft address, That, as the wound, the passion might increase.

3. Any bond of association or union. [from

knit. Confirm that amity

With nuptial knot, if thou vouchsafe to grant That virtuous lady Bona. Shakspeare, Hen. VI. Richmond aims

At young Elizabeth, my brother's daughter, And by that knot looks proudly on the crown. Shakspeare.

I would he had continued to his country As he began, and not unknit himself The noble knot he made. Shakspeare, Coriol.

Why left you wife and children, Those precious motives, those strong knots of love? Shakspeare.

Not all that Saul could threaten or persuade, In this close knot, the smallest looseness made.

4. A hard part in a piece of wood caused by the protuberance of a bough, and consequently by a transverse direction of the fibres. A joint in an herb.

Taking the very refuse among those which served to no use, being a crooked piece of wood, and full of knots, he hath carved it diligently, when he had nothing else to do. Wisd. xiii. 13,

Such knots and crossness of grain is objected here, as will hardly suffer that form, which they cry up here as the only just reformation, to go on so smoothly here as it might do in Scotland. King Charles.

5. Difficulty; intricacy.

A man shall be perplexed with knots and problems of business, and contrary affairs, where the determination is dubious, and both parts of the contrariety seem equally weighty; so that, which way soever the choice determines, a man is sure to venture a great concern. South, Serm.

6. Any intrigue, or difficult perplexity of affairs.

When the discovery was made that the king was living, which was the knot of the play untied, the rest is shut up in the compass of some few lines. Dryden, Dufresnoy.

KNOR.* n. s. [knor, Germ.] A knot. See 7. A confederacy; an association; a small band, [from knit.]

Oh you panderly rascals! there's a knot, a gang, a conspiracy against me.

Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor. What is there here in Rome that can delight thee?

Where not a soul, without thine own foul knot, But fears and hates thee. B. Jonson, Catiline.

A knot of good fellows borrowed a sum of money of a gentleman upon the king's highway. L'Estrange.

I am now with a knot of his admirers, who make request that you would give notice of the window where the knight intends to appear. Addison, Spect.

8. A cluster; a collection. [from knit.] The way of fortune is like the milky way in

the sky, which is a meeting or knot of a number of small stars, not seen asunder, but giving light Bacon, Essays.

In a picture, besides the principal figures which compose it, and are placed in the midst of it, there are less groups or knots of figures disposed at proper distances, which are parts of the piece, and seem to carry on the same design in a more inferior Dryden, Dufresnoy. manner.

9. A bird of the snipe kind; said to be so named from Canute, who was very fond of it.

The knot that called was Canutus' bird of old. Drayton, Polyolb. S. 25.

My footboy shall eat pheasants, calver'd sal-Knots, godwits, lampreys. B. Jonson, Alchemist.

10. In naval language, the division of the

log-line; a knot answering to a mile by 11. An epaulet. See Shoulderknot.

To KNOT. t v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To complicate in knots.

Happy we who from such queens are freed, That were always telling beads: But here's a queen when she rides abroad Is always knotting threads. Sedley. At his foot

The spaniel dying for some venial fault, Under dissection of the knotted scourge. Cowper.

2. To entangle; to perplex.

3. To unite.

The party of the papists in England are become more knotted, both in dependence towards Spain, and amongst themselves.

Bacon, War with Spain.

To KNOT. tv. n.

1. To form buds, knots, or joints in vegetation.

Cut hay when it begins to knot.

Mortimer, Husbandry. 2. To knit knots for fringes.

They think it a more rational way of spending their time in knotting, or making an housewife. Skelton, Deism Rev. Dial. viii.

KNO'TBERRYBUSH. n. s. [chamæmorus.] A plant. Ainsworth.

KNO TGRASS. + n. s. [knot and grass; polygonum.] A plant.

You minimus of hind'ring knotgrass made. Shakspeare.

The savoury herb Of knotgrass, dew-besprent.

Milton, Comus. KNO'TLESS.* adj. [knot and less.] 1. Without knots. Huloet.

Here silver firs with knotless trunks ascend. Congreve, Ovid's Met. Orph. and Euryd.

2. Without difficulty; without any thing 1. To perceive with certainty, whether to obstruct the passage. Obsolete.
Bothe Troilus and Troie toun

Shall knottelesse throughout her herte slide. Chaucer, Tr. and Cress. v. 769.

Kno'tted.† adj. [from knot.]

1. Full of knots; full of protuberances.

You shall be ill cured of the knotted gout, if you have nothing else but a wide shoe.

Bp. Taylor, Serm. (1651,) p. 169. The knotted oaks shall show'rs of honey weep.

2. Having figures of which the lines intersect each other; having "curious knots," as Shakspeare and Milton express it, in allusion to the garden-taste of the time. See the second sense of KNOT.

The west corner of thy curious - knotted garden. Shakspeare, Love's Lab. Lost.

KNO'TTINESS. † n. s. [from knotty.]

1. Fulness of knots; unevenness; intricacy; difficulty.

Virtue was represented by Hercules naked, with his lion's skin and knotted club; by his oaken club is signified reason ruling the appetite; the knottiness thereof, the difficulty they have that Peacham on Drawing. seek after virtue.

2. A protuberance, or swelling; as the

muscles, or fleshy parts.

He has omitted the characteristical excellencies of this famous piece of Grecian workmanship, [the Farnesian Hercules,] namely, the uncommon breadth of the shoulders, the knottiness and 4. To recognise. spaciousness of the chest.

Dr. Warton, Ess. on Pope.

KNO'TTY. adj. [from knot.]

1. Full of knots.

I have seen tempests, when the scolding winds Shaksp. Jul. Cæs. Have riv'd the knotty oaks. The timber in some trees more clean, in some

more knotty: try it by speaking at one end, and laying the ear at the other; for if it be knotty, the voice will not pass well. Bacon. The knotty oaks their listening branches bow.

Roscommon. One with a brand yet burning from the flame,

Arm'd with a knotty club another came.

Dryden, Æn.

Where the vales with violets once were crown'd, { 6. To converse with another sex. Now knotty burrs and thorns disgrace the ground.

2. Hard; rugged. Valiant fools

Were made by nature for the wise to work with: They are their tools; and 'tis the sport of states-

When heroes knock their knotty heads together, And fall by one another. Rowe, Amb. Stepmother.

3. Intricate; perplexed; difficult; em-

King Henry, in the very entrance of his reign, met with a point of great difficulty, and knotty to solve, able to trouble and confound the wisest Bacon.

Princes exercised skill in putting intricate questions; and he that was the best at the un-

tying of knotty difficulties, carried the prize. L'Estrange.

Some on the bench the knotty laws untie. Dryden.

They compliment, they sit, they chat, Fight o'er the wars; reform the state;

A thousand knotty points they clear, Till supper and my wife appear. Prior.

To KNOW. + v. a. preter. I knew, I have known. [cnapan, Saxon; kunnan, Gothick; γινώσκω, γνόω, to know, Greek; and voice, to understand; from voos, ves, the mind. 7

intuitive or discursive.

O, that a man might know
The end of this day's business ere it come?

Shaksneare. The memorial of virtue is immortal, because it is known with God and with men.

Wisd. iv. 1. The gods all things know. Not from experience, for the world was new,

He only from their cause their natures knew. Denham.

We doubt not, neither can we properly say we think we admire and love you above all other men: there is a certainty in the proposition and we know Druden.

When a man makes use of the name of any simple idea, which he perceives is not understood, he is obliged by the laws of ingenuity, and the end of speech, to make known what idea he makes

2. To be informed of; to be taught.

Ye shall be healed, and it shall be known to you why his hand is not removed from you.

1 Sam. vi. 3.

Led on with a desire to know What nearer might concern him. Milton, P. L. One would have thought you had known better things than to expect a kindness from a common L'Estrange. enemy

3. To distinguish.

Numeration is but the adding of one unit more, and giving to the whole a new name, whereby to know it from those before and after, and distinguish it from every smaller or greater multitude

What art thou, thus to rail on me, that is neither known of thee, nor knows thee? Shaksp. They told what things were done in the way,

and how he was known of them in breaking of Luke, xxiv. 35. At nearer view he thought he knew the dead,

And call'd the wretched man to mind. Flatman. Tell me how I may know him. Milton.

5. To be no stranger to; to be familiar with.

What are you?

-A most poor man, made tame to fortune's blows,

Who, by the art of known and feeling sorrows, Am pregnant to good pity. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

And Adam knew Eve his wife. Gen. iv. 1.

To Know. v. n.

1. To have clear and certain perception; not to be doubtful.

I know of a surety that the Lord hath sent his angel, and delivered me out of the hand of Herod. Acts, xii. 11.

2. Not to be ignorant.

When they know within themselves they speak of that they do not well know, they would nevertheless seem to others to know of that which they may not well speak.

Not to know of things remote, but know That which before us lies in daily life,

Is the prime wisdom.

Milton, P. L. In the other world there is no consideration that will sting our consciences more cruelly than this, that we did wickedly, when we knew to have done better; and chose to make ourselves miserable, when we understood the way to have been happy.

They might understand those excellencies which they blindly valued, so as not to be farther imposed upon by bad pieces, and to know when nature was well imitated by the most able masters. Dryden, Dufresnoy.

3. To be informed.

The prince and Mr. Poins will put on our jerkins and aprons, and sir John must not know of it. Shakspeare.

There is but one mineral body that we know of, heavier than common quicksilver.

4. To Know for. To have knowledge of. A colloquial expression.

He said the water itself was a good healthy water; but for the party that own'd it, he might have more diseases than he knew for.

Shakspeare, Hen. 1V.

5. To Know of. In Shakspeare, is to take cognisance of; to examine.

Fair Hermia, question your desires; Know of your youth, examine well your blood, Whether, if you yield not to your father's choice,

You can endure the livery of a nun, For ay to be in shady cloister mew'd. Shakspeare.

Kno'wable. adj. [from know.] Cognoscible; possible to be discovered or understood. These are resolved into a confessed ignorance.

and I shall not pursue them to their old asylum; and yet it may be, there is more knowable in these than in less acknowledged mysteries.

Glanville, Scepsis. 'Tis plain, that under the law of works is comprehended also the law of nature, knowable by reason, as well as the law given by Moses. Locke.

These two arguments are the voices of nature, the unanimous suffrages of all real beings and substances created, that are naturally knowable without revelation.

Kno'wer. † n. s. [from know.] One who has skill or knowledge. Huloet.

God, - the most certain and true knower of all things. Bryskett, Disc. of Civil Life, (1606,) p.172. If we look on a vegetable, and can only say 'tis cold and dry, we are pitiful knowers. Glanville.

I know the respect and reverence which in this address I ought to appear in before you, who

are a general knower of mankind and poetry. Southern.

Kno'wing. adj. [from know.]

1. Skilful; well instructed; remote from ignorance.

You have heard, and with a knowing ear, That he, which hath our noble father slain,

Pursu'd my life, Shakspeare, Hamlet. The knowingest of these have of late reformed their hypothesis. Boyle.

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ing in their profession, unspotted in their lives, active and laborious in their charges. South.

The necessity of preparing for the offices of religion was a lesson which the mere light and dictates of common reason, without the help of revelation, taught all the knowing and intelligent part of the world. South, Serm.

Bellino, one of the first who was of any consideration at Venice, painted very drily, according to the manner of his time : he was very knowing both in architecture and perspective.

Dryden, Dufresnoy. All animals of the same kind, which form a society, are more knowing than others. Addison, Guardian.

2. Conscious; intelligent.

Could any but a knowing prudent cause Begin such motions and assign such laws? If the Great Mind had form'd a different frame, Might not your wanton wit the system blame? Blackmore.

Kno'wing. n. s. [from know.] Know-

ledge. Let him be so entertain'd as suits gentlemen of your knowing to a stranger of his quality.

Kno'wingly. adv. [from knowing.] With

skill; with knowledge. He knowingly and wittingly brought evil into

the world. More, Divine Dialogues. They who were rather fond of it than knowingly admired it, might defend their inclination by their

To the private duties of the closet he repaired, as often as he entered upon any business of consequence: I speak knowingly. Atterbury.

KNO'WLEDGE. n. s. [from know.]

1. Certain perception; indubitable apprehension.

Knowledge, which is the highest degree of the speculative faculties, consists in the perception of the truth of affirmative or negative propositions Locke.

Do but say to me what I should do, That in your knowledge may by me be done, And I am prest unto it. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven: 2. Learning; illumination of the mind.

Ignorance is the curse of God, Knowledge the wing wherewith we fly to heaven. Shakspeare.

3. Skill in any thing.

Shipmen that have knowledge of the sea.

1 Kings, ix. 27.

What makes the clergy glorious is to be know- | 4. Acquaintance with any fact or person. The dog straight fawned upon his master for old knowledge.

5. Cognisance; notice.

Why have I found grace in thine eyes, that thou shouldest take knowledge of me, seeing I am a Ruth, ii. 10.

A state's anger should not take Knowledge either of fools or women.

B. Jonson, Catiline. 6. Information; power of knowing.

I pulled off my headpiece, and humbly entreated her pardon, or knowledge why she was cruel.

To Kno'wledge, v. a. To acknowledge; to avow. Not now in use; but formerly very common; and is moreover one of our oldest verbs.

Knowleche ye ech to othire youre sinnes.

Wicliffe, St. James, v. I knowledge my follye, wherewith ye have with good right imbraided me. Sir T. Elyot, fol. 127. b. The prophet Hosea tells us that God saith of the Jews, they have reigned, but not by me; which proveth plainly, that there are governments which God doth not avow: for though they be

ordained by his secret providence, yet they are not knowledged by his revealed will. Bacon, Holy War.

To Knu'bble. v. a. [knipler, Danish.] To Skinner.

KNU'CKLE. n. s. Tenucl, Saxon: knockle, Dutch.]

1. The joints of the fingers protuberant

when the fingers close. Thus often at the Temple-stairs we've seen Two tritons, of a rough athletick mien, Sourly dispute some quarrel of the flood, With knuckles bruis'd, and face besmear'd in

blood.

The knee joint of a calf.

Jelly, which they used for a restorative, is chiefly made of knuckles of veal. Bacon, Nat. Hist. 3. The articulation or joint of a plant.

Divers herbs have joints or knuckles, as it were stops in their germination; as gillyflowers, pinks, and corn.

To KNU'CKLE. v. n. [from the noun.] To submit: I suppose from an odd custom of striking the under side of the table with the knuckles, in confession of an argumental defeat.

KNU'CKLED. adj. [from knuckle.] Jointed. The reed or cane is a watry plant, and groweth not but in the water: it hath these properties, that it is hollow, and it is knuckled both stalk and root; that, being dry, it is more hard and fragile than other wood; that it putteth forth no boughs, though many stalks out of one root.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. KNUFF. † n. s. [perhaps corrupted from knave, or the same with chuff. Johnson. - Rather a corruption of gnoff. See GNOFF.] A lout. An old word preserved in a rhyme of prediction.

The country knuffs, Hob, Dick, and Hick, With clubs and clouted shoon,

Shall fill up Dussendale

With slaughtered bodies soon. Hayward. KNUR. † } n. s. [knor, German, from KNURLE.] knoll, Wachter; knowr, Norm. Fr. See also KNAR, and KNOR.] A knot: a hard substance.

Knurre or knob of a tree. The stony nodules found lodged in the strata, are called by the workmen knurs and knots.

KNU'RLED.* adj. [from knurle.] Set with knurles; knotty. Sherwood. KNU'RRY.* adj. [from knur.] Full of knots.

Now I am like the knurrie-bulked oke.

Drayton, Shep. Garland, (1593,) p. 8. KONED. + for konned, or conned, i. e. knew. Spenser. So kunne, to know. Wicliffe. [kunnan, Goth.; cunnan, Sax.] Obsolete.

Ko'RAN.* n. s. [koran, Arab. See Alcoran.] The book of the Mahometan

precepts and credenda.

The koran, - far from supporting its arrogant claim to a supernatural work, sinks below the level of many compositions confessedly of human Professor White, Serm. vi.

Ksar.* n. s. [See Czar.] A Russian sovereign.

The Russian ksar Milton, P. L. In Mosco. Kuss.* See To Kiss.

Ky.* n. s. [cý, Sax.] Kine. See Kee, and KIE.

To Kyp. + v. n. To know. See To Kip.

† A liquid consonant, which preserves always the same sound in English. In the Saxon it was aspirated; as, hlar, loaf; hlæroiz, lady.

At the end of a monosyllable it is always doubled; as, shall; still; full, except after a diphthong; as, fail; feel; veal; cool. In a word of more syllables

it is usually written single; as, channel; canal; tendril. It is sometimes put before e, and sounded feebly after it; LA. + interject. [corrupted by an effect. as Bible; title.

Originally this letter, at the end of a monosyllable, was not doubled; al, ful, shal, &c. being the form of our old English.

LA

It is sometimes mute; as, in alms, calf, chalk, and some other words.

inate pronunciation from lo; unless it be the French la. Dr. Johnson. - This is not the case; the expression is pure Saxon; la nu, lo now! " la hu ope, lo!

La you! if you speak ill of the devil, How he takes it at heart. Shaksp. T Shaksp. Tw. Night. LAB.* n. s. A blab; a great talker; one that cannot keep a secret. One of our oldest words; and yet preserved in the Exmouth dialect. Chaucer uses also labbing for blabbing. I am no labbe,

Ne though I say it, I n'am not lefe to gabbe. Chaucer, Mill. Tale.

LA'BDANUM. n. s. A resin, of a strong but not unpleasant smell, and an aromatick, but not an agreeable taste. This juice exudates from a low spreading shrub in Crete. Hill.

To LA'BEFY. v. a. [labefacio, Lat.] To weaken; to impair. Dict.

LA'BEL. † n. s. [labellum, Lat.]

1. The earliest sense seems to be that of a small slip of silk, or other materials; a kind of tassel; as, "a label hanging on each side of a mitre; labels hanging down on garlands or crowns; also jesses hanging at hawks' legs." Barret's Alveary, 1580. Thus Ainsworth translates "infula" a label hanging on each side of a mitre.

2. A small slip or scrip of writing. When wak'd, I found

This label on my bosom; whose containing Is so from sense in hardness, that I can Make no collection of it. Shakspeare, Cymb.

3. Any thing appendant to a larger writ-

On the label of lead, the heads of St. Peter and St. Paul are impressed from the papal seal. Ayliffe, Parergon.

4. [In law.] A narrow slip of paper or parchment affixed to a deed or writing, in order to hold the appending seal. So also any paper, annexed by way of addition or explication to any will or testament, is called a label or codicil.

Harris.

God join'd my heart to Romeo's; thou our

And ere this hand by thee to Romeo seal'd, Shall be the *label* to another deed, Or my true heart with treacherous revolt Turn to another, this shall slay them both.

To LA'BEL.* v. a. [from the noun.] To affix a label on any thing, in order to distinguish it.

LA'BENT. adj. [labens, Lat.] Sliding; gliding; slipping. Dict. LA'BIAL. adj. [labialis, Lat.] Uttered

by the lips.

The Hebrews have assigned which letters are labial, which dental, and which guttural.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. Some particular affection of sound in its passage to the lips, will seem to make some composition in any vowel which is labial.

Holder, Elem. of Speech. LA'BIATED. adj. [labium, Lat.] Formed

with lips.

LABIODE'NTAL. + adj. [labium and dentalis.] Formed or pronounced by the co-operation of the lips and teeth.

P and B are labial: Ph and Bh, or F and V, Holder, Elem. of Speech. are labiodental.

how oft." Ps. lxxvii. 45.] See; look; LABO'RANT. n. s. [laborans, Lat.] A behold.

I can shew you a sort of fixt sulphur made by an industrious laborant.

LA'BORATORY. † n. s. [laboratoire, Fr.] A chemist's work-room.

They had forged this new doctrine in the laboratories at Rome.

Bp. Taylor, Diss. from Popery, ch. 1. § 4. It would contribute to the history of colours, if chemists would in their laboratory take a heedful notice, and give us a faithful account, of the colours observed in the steam of bodies, either sublimed or distilled. Boule.

The flames of love will perform those miracles they of the furnace boast of, would they employ themselves in this laboratory. Decay of Chr. Piety.

LABO'RIOUS. adj. [laborieux, French; laboriosus, Lat.]

1. Diligent in work; assiduous.

That which makes the clergy glorious, is to be knowing in their professions, unspotted in their lives, active and laborious in their charges, bold and resolute in opposing seducers, and daring to look vice in the face; and, lastly, to be gentle, courteous, and compassionate to all.

A spacious cave within its laborious art,
Was hew'd and fashion'd by laborious art,
Dryden. A spacious cave within its farmost part, To his laborious youth consum'd in war,

And lasting age, adorn'd and crown'd with peace. 2. Requiring labour; tiresome; not easy.

Do'st thou love watchings, abstinence, and toil, Laborious virtues all? learn them from Cato.

LABO'RIOUSLY. adv. [from laborious.] With labour; with toil.

The folly of him who pumps very laboriously in a ship yet neglects to stop the leak. Decay of Chr. Piety.

I chuse laboriously to bear A weight of woes, and breathe the vital air, Pope.

LABO'RIOUSNESS. † n. s. [from laborious.] 1. Toilsomeness; difficulty.

The parallel holds in the gainlessness, as well as the laboriousness of the work; those wretched creatures, buried in earth, and darkness, were never the richer for all the ore they digged; no more is the insatiate miser. Decay of Chr. Piety.

2. Diligence; assiduity. Idleness is the emptiness, and business the ful-ness of the soul; and we all know that we may

infuse what we will into an empty vessel, but a full one has no room for a farther infusion. In a word, idleness is that which sets all the capacities of the soul wide open, to let in the evil spirit, and to give both him, and all the villanies he can bring along with him, a free reception, and a full posses sion; whereas, on the contrary, laboriousness shuts the doors and stops all the avenues of the mind, whereby a temptation would enter, and (which is yet more) leaves no void room for it to dwell there, if by any accident it should chance to creep in.

South, Serm. vi. 372. LA'BOUR. n. s. [labeur, French; labor, Lat.]

1. The act of doing what requires a painful exertion of strength, or wearisome perseverance; pains; toil; travail; work. If I find her honest, I lose not my labour; if

she be otherwise, it is labour well bestowed.

I sent to know your faith, lest the tempter have tempted you, and our labour be in vain.

1 Thess. iii. 5.

2. Work to be done.

Being a labour of so great difficulty, the exact performance thereof we may rather wish than

If you had been the wife of Hercules Six of his labours you'd have done, and sav'd Your husband so much sweat. Shakspeare, Coriol. 3. Work done; performance.

4. Exercise; motion with some degree of

Moderate labour of the body conduces to the preservation of health, and curing many initial diseases; but the toil of the mind destroys health, and generates maladies.

5. Childbirth; travail.

Sith of women's labours thou hast charge, And generation goodly doest enlarge, Incline thy will to affect our wishful vow. Spenser.

Not knowing 'twas my labour, I complain Of sudden shootings, and of grinding pain;

My throes come thicker, and my cries encreas'd, Which with her hand the conscious nurse suppress'd. Not one woman of two hundred dies in labour. Graunt.

His heart is in continual labour; it even travails with the obligation, and is in pangs till it be delivered.

To LA'BOUR. † v. n. [laboro, Lat.] 1. To toil; to act with painful effort.

When shall I come to the top of that same hill? - You do climb up it now; look how we labour. Shakspeare.

For your highness' good I ever labour'd, More than mine own. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. Who is with him?

- None but the fool, who labours to out-jest

His heart-struck injuries. Shakspeare, K. Lear. Let more work be laid upon the men, that they may labour therein. Exod. v. 9.

He is so touched with the memory of her benevolence and protection, that his soul labours for an expression to represent it. Notes on Pope's Odyss.

Epaphrus saluteth you, always lubouring fer-

vently for you in prayers, that ye may stand per-2. To do work; to take pains.

A labouring man that is given to drunkenness, shall not be rich. Ecclus. xix. 1. That in the night they may be a guard to us, and

labour on the day. Neh. iv. 22. As a man had a right to all he could employ his labour upon, so he had no temptation to labour for

more than he could make use of. 3. To move with difficulty.

The stone that labours up the hill, Mocking the labourers toil, returning still, Granville.

4. To be diseased with. [morbo laborare. Lat.] Not in use. They abound with horse,

Of which one want our camp doth only labour.

B. Jonson. I was called to another, who in childhed laboured of an ulcer in her left hip.

5. To be in distress; to be pressed. To this infernal lake the fury flies,

Here hides her hated head, and frees the labouring skies. Dryden. Trumpets and drums shall fright her from the

As sounding cymbals aid the labouring moon.

Dryden, Aurengzebe.

This exercise will call down the favour of Heaven upon you, to remove those afflictions you now labour under from you. Wake, Prep. for Death.

6. To be in child-birth; to be in travail. There lay a log unlighted on the earth,

When she was labouring in the throes of birth; For the unborn chief the fatal sisters came, And rais'd it up, and toss'd it on the flame.

Dryden, Ovid. Here, like some furious prophet, Pindar rode, And seem'd to labour with th' inspiring god.

7. In naval language, spoken of a ship, when every timber is put to the test, and the whole constitution of her architecture is in the full play of all its

To LA'BOUR. v. α.

1. To work at; to move with difficulty: to form with labour; to prosecute with

To use brevity, and avoid much labouring of the work is to be granted to him that will make an 2 Mac. abridgement.

Had you requir'd my helpful hand,

The artificer and art you might command,
To labour arms for Troy.

Dryde Dryden, Æn. An eager desire to know something concerning

him, has occasioned mankind to labour the point, under these disadvantages, and turn on all hands to see if there were any thing left which might have the least appearance of information.

Pope, Ess. on Homer.

2. To beat: to belabour. Take, shepherd, take a plant of stubborn oak, And labour him with many a sturdy stroke.

LA'BOURER. n. s. [laboureur, French.] 1. One who is employed in coarse and

toilsome work. If a state run most to noblemen and gentlemen,

and that the husbandmen be but as their work-folks and labourers, you may have a good cavalry, but never good stable foot. The sun but seem'd the labourer of the year,

Each waxing moon supply'd her wat'ry store, To swell those tides, which from the line did

Their brimful vessels to the Belgian shore.

Dryden.

Labourers and idle persons, children and striplings, old men and young men, must have divers Arbuthnot.

Not balmy sleep to labourers faint with pain, Not showers to larks, or sun-shine to the bee,

Are half so charming as thy sight to me. Yet hence the poor are cloth'd, the hungry fed, Health to himself, and to his infants bread,

The labourer bears. The prince cannot say to the merchant, I have no need of thee; nor the merchant to the labourer, I have no need of thee.

2. One who takes pains in any employ-

Sir, I am a true labourer; I earn that I eat; get that I wear; owe no man hate; envy no man's happiness.

The stone that labours up the hill,

Mocking the labourers toil, returning still,

LA'BOURLESS.* adj. [labour and less.] Not laborious.

They intend not your precise abstinence from any light and labourless work.

Brerewood on the Sab. (1630,) p. 48.

LA'BOUROUS.* adj. [from labour.] Our old word for laborious.

For husband's life is laborous hard.

Spenser, Hubb. Tale.

Laboriously. He labourously and studiously discussed contro-

Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 168.

LA'BOURSOME. † adj. [from labour.] Made with great labour and diligence. Not now in use.

A skilful and laboursome husbandman,

Abp. Sandys, Serm. fol. 23. b.

Your laboursome and dainty trims, wherein You made great Jove angry. Shakspeare, Cymb.

He hath, my lord, by laboursome petition. . Wrung from me my slow leave.

Shaksneare, Hamlet. This may suffice after all their laboursome scrutiny of the councils.

Milton, Animadv. Rem. Def. LA'BRA. n. s. [Spanish.] A lip. Not

Hanmer. used.

Word of denial in thy labras here; Word of denial, froth and scum thou liest. Shakspeare.

LA'BYRINTH. † n. s. [labyrinthus, Latin.] 1. A maze; a place formed with inextrica-

ble windings. Suffolk, stay;

Thou may'st not wander in that labyrinth; There Minotaurs, and ugly treasons lurk. Shakspeare.

Words, which would tear The tender labyrinth of a maid's soft ear. Donne. My clamours tear

The ear's soft labyrinth, and cleft the air. Sandys. The earl of Essex had not proceeded with his accustomed wariness and skill; but run into labyrinths, from whence he could not disentangle him-

My soul is on her journey; do not now Divert, or lead her back, to lose herself I' the maze and winding labyrinths o' th' world. Denham.

the gardens of our ancestors. Delightful bowers, to solace lovers true; False labyrinths, fond runners' eyes to daze. Spenser, F. Q.

LABYRI'NTHIAN.* adj. [from labyrinth.] Having inextricable turnings or windings; perplexed like a labyrinth.

His linen collar labyrinthian set, Whose thousand double turnings never met. Bp. Hall, Sat. iii. 7.

A contracted, subtile, and intricate face, full of quirks and turnings; a labyrinthean face. B. Jonson, Cynthia's Revels.

Mark, how the labyrinthian turns they take, The circles intricate. Young, Night Th. 9.

LABU'RNUM.* n. s. A shrub of the cytisus kind] that grows to the size of a tree. The pale laburnum grac'd with yellow plumes.

Lac is usually distinguished by the name of a gum, but improperly, because it is inflammable and not soluble in water. We have three sorts of it, which are all the product of the same tree. 1. The stick lac. The seed lac. 3. The shell lac. Authors leave us uncertain whether this drug belongs to the animal or the vegetable kingdom.

LACE. + n. s. [lacet, French; laqueus, Latin. Dr. Johnson. - From the Sax. læccan, læccan, læccean, prehendere, apprehendere, to take hold of. Mr. H. Tooke.

LA'BOUROUSLY.* adv. [from labourous.] 1. A string; a cord.

There the fond fly entangled, struggled long, Himself to free thereout; but all in vain: For striving more, the more in laces strong Himself he tied, and wrapt his winges twain

In limy snares, the subtil loops among. Spenser, Muipotmos.

2. A snare; a gin. The king had snared been in love's strong lace.

3. A platted string, with which women fasten their clothes.

O, cut my lace, lest my heart cracking, it

Doll ne'er was call'd to cut her lace, Or throw cold water in her face.

4. Ornaments of fine thread curiously woven. Our English dames are much given to the

wearing of costly laces; and, if they be brought Racon. from Italy, they are in great esteem. 5. Textures of thread, with gold or silver.

He wears a stuff, whose thread is coarse and round,

But trimm'd with curious lace.

A cant word: now out of use. 6. Sugar. Dr. Johnson. - Rather the addition of spirits.

He is forced every morning to drink his dish of coffee by itself, without the addition of the Spectator, that used to be better than lace to it. Addison, Spect. No. 488.

If haply he the sect pursues, That read and comment upon news; He takes up their mysterious face, He drinks his coffee without lace.

To LACE. v. a. [from the noun.] To tie; to bind as with a cord.

Never man wist of pain, But he were lacid in love's chain,

Chaucer, Rom. R. 3178. 2. Formerly a distinguished ornament in 2. To fasten with a string run through eyelet holes.

I caused a fomentation to be made, and put on a laced sock, by which the weak parts were strength-Wiseman.

At this, for new replies he did not stay, But lac'd his crested helm, and strode away.

Dryden. These glitt'ring spoils, now made the victor's gain,

He to his body suits; but suits in vain: Messapus' helm he finds among the rest, And laces on, and wears the waving crest.

Dryden. Like Mrs. Primly's great belly; she may lace it down before, bu it burnishes on her hips. Congreve. When Jenny's stays are newly lac'd,

Fair Alma plays about her waist.

3. To adorn with gold or silver textures sewed on. It is but a night-gown in respect of yours;

cloth of gold and coats, and lac'd with silver. Shakspeare.

4. To embellish with variegations. Look, love, what envious streaks

Do lace the severing clouds in yonder east Night's candles are burnt out, and jocund day Stands tip-toe on the misty mountains' tops. Shakspeare.

Then clap four slices of pilaster on't, That, lac'd with bits of rustic, makes a front.

5. To beat; whether from the form which L'Estrange uses, or by corruption of lash. Dr. Johnson. - It is no doubt from the sense of lace as a cord, a rope's end; and no corruption of lash. L'Estrange's phrase is still in use among the common people.

I do not love to be laced in, when I go to lace a rascal. Two Angry Women of Abingdon, (1599.)
Go you, and find me out a man that has no curiosity at all, or I'll lace your coat for ye. L'Estrange.

LACED Coffee.* See the last sense of the substantive lace. Coffee having spirits in it. I believe "laced tea" is yet an expression in the north of England.

Mr. Nisby is of opinion, that laced coffee is bad Addison, Spect. No. 317.

LACED Mutton. An old word for a whore. Ay, sir, I, a lost mutton, gave your letter to her, a laced mutton; and she, a laced mutton, gave me, a lost mutton, nothing for my labour.

Shakspeare. LA'CEMAN. n. s. [lace and man.] One

who deals in lace.

I met with a nonjurer, engaged with a laceman, whether the late French king was most like Augustus Cæsar or Nero. Addison, Spect. LA'CEWOMAN.* n. s. [lace and woman.]

She who makes or sells lace.

Mrs. Basset, the great lacewoman of Cheapside, went foremost, and led the queen by the hand. Strafforde Letters, (under the Year 1635,) i. 506. LA'CERABLE. adj. [from lacerate.] That

may be torn.

Since the lungs are obliged to a perpetual commerce with the air, they must necessarily lie open to great damages, because of their thin and lacerable composure

To LA'CERATE. + v. a. [lacero, Latin; crack, whence hanks, a rent, and hanks, to tear asunder; loc, Celt. to cut, pain, or wound. To tear; to rend; to separate by violence.

And my sons lacerate and rip up, viper-like, the womb that brought them forth.

Howell, Engl. Tears.

The heat breaks through the water, so as 40 lacerate and lift up great bubbles too heavy for the 2. To be wanting. air to buoy up, and causeth boiling,

Derham, Physico-Theol. Here lacerated friendship claims a tear.

Vanity of Human Wishes. LACERA'TION. n. s. [from lacerate.] The act of tearing or rending; the breach

made by tearing. The effects are, extension of the great vessels, compression of the lesser, and lucerations upon Arbuthnot. small causes.

LA'CERATIVE. adj. [from lacerate.] Tearing; having the power to tear.

Some depend upon the intemperament of the part ulcerated, others upon the continual afflux of lacerative humours. Harvey on Consumptions.

LA'CHES.* n. s. pl. [laag, Dan. vallis.]
Boggy places. Craven Dialect.
LA'CHRYMABLE.* adj. [lachrymabilis,

Latin.] Lamentable. Cockeram. This lacrymable vale of misery, in whiche we be

Ld. Morley, Tr. of Baccace, temp. Hen. VIII. Musick can shew us which are the lacrymable misery, how not to utter a lamentable voice?

Heywood, Hier. of Angels, (1635,) p. 158.

LA'CHRYMAL. adj. [lachrymal, French.] Generating tears.

It is of an exquisite sense, that, upon any touch, the tears might be squeezed from the lachrymal glands, to wash and clean it.

Cheyne, Philos. Principles.

LA'CHRYMARY. adj. [lachryma, Latin.] Containing tears.

How many dresses are there for each particular deity? what a variety of shapes in the ancient urns, lamps, and lachrymary vessels?

LACHRYMA'TION. † n. s. [from lachryma.] The act of weeping, or shedding tears.

Cockeram. LA'CHRYMATORY. † n. s. [lachrimatoire, French. A vessel in which tears are gathered to the honour of the dead.

Your unparalleled museum is furnished with a great variety of lamps, lacrimatories, &c.

Greenhill, Art of Embalming, (1705,) p. 908. The learned Mr. Wise, late Radclivian librarian, had a glass lachrymatory, or rather a sepulchral aromatic phial, dug up between Noke and Wood-Eaton. Warton, Hist. of Kiddington, p. 57. LACI'NIATED. adj. [from lacinia, Latin.]

Adorned with fringes and borders. To LACK. † v. a. [lacka, to be wanting, Gothick; laecken, to lessen, Dutch.]

1. To want; to need; to be without.

Every good and holy desire, though it lack the form, hath notwithstanding in itself the substance, and with him the force of prayer, who regardeth the very moanings, groans, and sighs of the heart.

A land wherein thou shalt eat bread without scarceness; thou shalt not lack any thing in it.

Deut. viii. 9. One day we hope thou shalt bring back, Dear Bolingbroke, the justice that we lack.

Daniel. Intreat they may; authority they lack. Daniel.

probably from the Greek ληκέω, to 2. To blame; to find fault with. [Su. Goth. lacka, to blame.] Obsolete. Ye have discriven so,

And lacke and praise it bothe two. Chaucer, Rom. R. 4804.

To LACK. v.n. 1. To be in want.

The lions do lack and suffer hunger.

Ps. Common Prayer.

Peradventure there shall lack five of the fifty righteous; wilt thou destroy all the city for lack of five? Genesis, viii. 28.

There was nothing lacking to them: David recovered all. 1 Sam. xxx. 19. That which was lacking on your part, they have supplied. 1 Cor. xvi. 17.

LACK.† n. s. [from the verb.]
1. Want; need; failure. Rarely found in the plural number.

Medicine to reform any small lacks in a prince, or to cure any little griefs in a government.

Homilies, Serm. Part. 1. Against Rebellion. In the Scripture there neither wanteth any thing, the lack whereof might deprive us of life.

Many that are not mad Have sure more lack of reason. Shakspeare. He was not able to keep that place three days, Knolles.

for lack of victuals. The trenchant blade, toledo trusty, For want of fighting was grown rusty, And eat into itself, for lack

Of somebody to hew and hack. Hudibras.

notes; but can it demonstrate unto us, in our 2. A term in India applied to money; as a lack of, or one hundred thousand,

rupees. Written also leck. A hundred thousand rupees make one leck, a

hundred leck make one crou. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 45.

LACKADA'Y.* interj. A frequent colloquial term, implying alas; most probably from the forgotten verb lack, to blame. See the second sense of the active verb LACK. The expression therefore may be considered, as blaming, finding fault with, the day, on which the event mentioned happened.

LA'CKBRAIN. n. s. [lack and brain.] One

that wants wit. What a lackbrain is this? Our piot is its good a plot as ever was laid. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

LA'CKER.* n. s. [from lack.] One who is laconique, Fr. This word is old in our laconique, Fr. This word is old in our

The lack of one may cause the wrack of all; Although the lackers were terrestrial gods, Yet will they ruling reel, or reeling fall.

Davies, Wit's Pilgrimage, K. 2. LA'CKER. n.s. A kind of varnish, which, spread upon a white substance, exhibits a gold colour.

To LA'CKER. v. a. [from the noun.] To smear over with lacker. What shook the stage, and made the people

stare? Cato's long wig, flower'd gown, and lacker'd chair.

LA'CKEY. † n. s. [lacquais, Fr. Dr. John-

son. - Sueth. olim lacka, currere, to run; M. Goth. laikan; Su. Goth. leka, ludere, to scoff, to make game of. Serenius. But to this etymology of Serenius must be added that of Roquefort, Supplem. Gloss. p. 16. viz. "Allaquais, &c. Espéce de soldats, sorte d'aventuriers desquels Brantome, Capitaines Franç. tom. iv. p. 46, dit, Car avant ce nom aventurier pratiqué, aucuns appeloient les soldats laquais, et plus anciennement allaquais; c'est à dire, gens à pied, allans et marchans près leurs capitaines, comme aujourd'hy nous appelons ceux, qui vont en devant on après nous, laquais."] An attending servant; a foot-boy.

They would shame to make me Wait else at door: a fellow counsellor, 'Mong boys, and grooms, and lackeys!

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.
Though his youthful blood be fir'd with wine, He's cautious to avoid the coach and six, And on the lackeys will no quarrel fix.

Dryden, Jun. Lacqueys were never so saucy and pragmatical as they are now-a-days, Addison, Spect.

To LACKEY. v. a. [from the noun.] To attend servilely. I know not whether Milton has used this word very properly.

This common body, Like to a vagabond flag upon the stream, Goes to, and back, lackeying the varying tide, To rot itself with motion. Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop.

So dear to heaven is saintly chastity, That when a soul is found sincerely so, A thousand liveried angels lackey her, Driving far off each thing of sin and guilt. Milton, Comus.

To LA'CKEY. † v. n. To act as a foot-boy; to pay servile attendance.

To be made an ordinary process, to lackey up and down for fees.

Bacon, on the Edif. of the Ch. of Engl. Oft have I servants seen on horses ride,

The free and noble lackey by their side. Sandys.

Our Italian translator of the Æneis is a foor poet : he lackeys by the side of Virgil, but never mounts behind him.

LA'CKLINEN. adj. [lack and linen.] Wanting shirts.

You poor, base, rascally, cheating, lacklinen mate; away, you mouldy rogue, away.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. LACKLU'STRE. adj. [lack and lustre.] Want-

ing brightness. And then he drew a dial from his poke,

And looking on it with lacklustre eye,

Johnson. Laconick he has given with an example only from Pope; but that word was also in use long before Pope wrote. The expression, as Dr. Johnson has observed under laconick, is from Lacones, the Spartans, who used few words. They are said to have answered the letter of Philip, in which he threatened that if he came near their city he would destroy it, with merely the word if.] Short; concise; brief; pithy.
The learned Plutarch in his laconical apoph-

thegms tells of a sophister, that made a long and

tedious oration in praise of Hercules.

Harrington, Apolog. of Poetrie. His head had now felt the razor, his back the rod; all that laconical discipline pleased him well; which another, being condemned to, would justly account a torment. Bp. Hall, Epist. D. 1. E. 5.

LACO'NICALLY.† adv. [from laconical.] Briefly: concisely.

Alexander Nequam, a man of great learning, and desirous to enter into religion there, writ to the abbot laconically. Camden, Rem.

Patient meekness takes injuries like pills, not chewing but swallowing them down, laconically suffering and silently passing them over.

Brown, Chr. Mor. iii. 12.

LACO'NICK. † adj. [laconicus, Lat. laconique, Fr.] Short; brief.

They [metaphors] commonly thrive better in the ground of a large and open style than in a laconick and strict one.

Instruct. for Oratory, (Oxford, 1682,) p. 56. His sense was strong, and his style laconick. Welwood's Mem. p. 83.

I grow laconick even beyond laconicism; for sometimes I return only yes, or no, to questionary or petitionary epistles of half a yard long.

Pope to Swift.

LA'CONISM.† n. s. [laconisme, Fr. laconismus, Lat.] A concise stile: called by Pope laconicism, in his Letter to Swift, cited under laconick.

The hand of Providence writes often by abbreviatures, hieroglyphicks, or short characters, which, like the laconism on the wall [Daniel, iii. 25.] are not to be made out but by a hint or key from that Spirit which indicted them.

Brown, Chr. Mor. i. 25. As the language of the face is universal, so it is very comprehensive; no laconism can reach it. It is the short-hand of the mind, and crowds a great deal in a little room. Collier of the Aspect.

LA'CTAGE.* n. s. [lac, lactis, Lat.] Produce from animals yielding milk.

It is thought that the offering of Abel, who sacrificed of his flocks, was only wool, the fruits of his shearing; and milk, or rather cream, a part of his lactage. Shuckford on the Creation, i. 79.

LA'CTARY. adj. [lactarius, Lat.] Milky; full of juice like milk.

From lactary, or milky plants, which have a white and lacteous juice dispersed through every part, there arise flowers blue and yellow.

Brown, Vulg. Err. LA'CTARY. n. s. [lactarium, Lat.] A dairy

LACTA'TION. n. s. [lacto, Lat.] The act or time of giving suck.

LA'CTEAL. adj. [from lac, Lat.] Milky; conveying chyle of the colour of milk. As the food passes, the chyle, which is the nutritive part, is separated from the excrementitious by the lacteal veins; and from thence con-

veyed into the blood.

chyle.

The mouths of the lacteals may permit aliment, acrimonious or not sufficiently attenuated, to enter in people of lax constitutions, whereas their sphincters will shut against them in such as have strong fibres.

LACTE'AN.* adj. [lacteus, Lat.] Milky; having the colour of milk.

This lactean whiteness ariseth from a great number of little stars constipated in that part of heaven, flying so swiftly from the sight of our eyes, that we can perceive nothing but a confused Moxon, Astronom. Cards, p. 13.

LACTE'OUS. adj. [lacteus, Lat.] 1. Milky.

Though we leave out the lacteous circle, yet are there more by four than Philo mentions. Brown, Vulg. Err.

2. Lacteal; conveying chyle.

The lungs are suitable for respiration, and the lacteous vessels for the reception of the chyle. Bentley.

LACTE'SCENCE. n. s. [lactesco, Lat.] Tendency to milk, or milky colour.

This lactescence does commonly ensue, when wine, being impregnated with gums, or other vegetable concretions, that abound with sulphureous corpuscles, fair water is suddenly poured upon the solution. Boule on Colours.

LACTE'SCENT. adj. [lactescens, Lat.] Producing milk, or a white juice.

Amongst the pot-herbs are some lactescent plants, as lettuce and endive, which contain a wholesome juice. Arbuthnot.

LACTI'FEROUS. adj. [lac and fero.] What conveys or brings milk.

He makes the breasts to be nothing but glandules, made up of an infinite number of little knots, each whereof hath its excretory vessel, or lactiferous duct. Ray on the Creation.

LAD. n. s. Fleobe, Saxon, which commonly signifies people, but sometimes, says Mr. Lye, a boy.

1. A boy; a strippling, in familiar language. We were

Two lads, that thought there was no more behind, But such a day to-morrow as to-day,

And to be boy eternal. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

The poor lad who wants knowledge, must set his invention on the rack, to say something where he knows nothing.

Too far from the ancient forms of teaching several good grammarians have departed, to the great detriment of such lads as have been removed to other schools. Watts.

2. A boy; a young man, in pastoral lan-

For grief whereof the lad would after joy, But pin'd away in anguish, and self-will'd annoy.

The shepherd lad, Whose offspring on the throne of Judah sat So many ages.

LAD.* The ancient preterite of lead;

now led.

No joy In all his life, which afterwards he lad, He ever tasted. Spenser, F. Q. iv. viii. 2. She departed and went up into a hyghe battil-

ment, and ladde with her xii gentylwomen. Hist. of K. Arthur, B. xvi. ch. 12.

LA'DDER.† n. s. [hleope, Sax. llethring, Cym. scala, q. d. ledare, à Su. Goth. leda, ducere, to lead: à Celt. llethr, clivus, Icel. hlidr, latus, unde et Germ. hlettern, klettern, scandere, to mount. Wachter, and Serenius.]

language; but it is not noticed by Dr. | LA'CTEAL. 12. 52. The vessel that conveys | 1. A frame made with steps placed between two upright pieces.

Whose compost is rotten, and carried in time, And spread as it should be, thrift's ladder may climb.

Now streets grow throng'd, and busy as by day, Some run for buckets to the hallow'd quire; Some cut the pipes, and some the engines play,

And some more bold mount ladders to the fire. Dryden.

Easy in words thy style, in sense sublime; 'Tis like the ladder in the patriarch's dream, Its foot on earth, its height above the skies. Prior.

I saw a stage erected about a foot and a half

from the ground, capable of holding four of the inhabitants with two or three ladders to mount it, Swift, Gulliv. Trav.

2. Any thing by which one climbs.

Then took she help to her of a servant near about her husband, whom she knew to be of a hasty ambition; and such a one, who wanting true sufficiency to raise him, would make a ladder of any mischief. I must climb her window,

The ladder made of cords. Shakspeare. Northumberland, thou ladder, by the which My cousin Bolingbroke ascends my throne.

Lowliness is young ambition's ladder,

Whereto the climber upward turns his face. Shaksp. 3. A gradual rise. Endow'd with all these accomplishments, we

leave him in the full career of success, mounting fast towards the top of the ladder ecclesiastical, which he hath a fair probability to reach. Swift.

LADE. n. s.

Lade is the mouth of a river, and is derived from the Saxon lase, which signifies a purging or discharging; there being a discharge of the waters into the sea, or into some greater river.

Gibson's Camden.

To LADE. v. a. preter. laded; and part. passive, laded or laden. I from hlaban. Saxon.] It is now commonly written

1. To load; to freight; to burthen.

And they laded their asses with corn, and departed thence. Genesis, xlii. 26. The experiment which sheweth the weights of

several bodies in comparison with water, is of use in lading of ships, and shewing what burthen they will bear. Bacon.

The vessels, heavy laden, put to sea With prosp'rous winds; a woman leads the way.

Though the peripatetick doctrine does not satisfy, yet it is as easy to account for the difficulties he charges on it, as for those his own hypothesis is

laden with. Locke. 2. [hlaban, to draw, Saxon.] To heave

out; to throw out.

He chides the sea that sunders him from them, Saying, he'll lade it dry to have his way. Shaks They never let blood; but say, if the pot boils

too fast there is no need of lading out any of the water, but only of taking away the fire; and so they allay all heats of the blood by abstinence, and cooling herbs. If there be springs in the slate marl, there must

be help to lade or pump it out. Mortimer.

To LADE. * v. n. [hlaban, Sax.] To draw water.

She did not think best to, lade at the shallow channel, but runs rather to the well-head, where she may dip and fill the firkins at once with ease. Bp. Hall, Contempl. B. 2.

To LA'DIFY * v. a. [lady, and fio, Lat.]
To make a lady of.

Your fortune,

Or rather your husband's industry, advanc'd you To the rank of merchant's wife: He made a knight, And your sweet mistress-ship ladify'd, you wore Satin on solemn days, a chain of gold,

A velvet hood. Massinger, City Madam. LA'DING. n.s. [from lade.] Weight; bur-

Some we made prize, while others burnt and rent With their rich lading to the bottom went. Waller.

The storm grows higher and higher, and threatens the utter loss of the ship : there is but one way to save it, which is, by throwing its rich lading overboard.

It happened to be foul weather, so that the mariners cast their whole lading overboard to save L' Estrange.

Why should he sink where nothing seem'd to press ?

His lading little, and his ballast less. LA'DKIN.* n. s. [from lad.] A youth. Tharrhon, that young ladkin hight,

He pray'd this aged sire for to reveal What way ---- we may escape.

More, Life of the Soul, iii. 31. LA'DLE. n. s. [hlæble, Sax. from hlaban; leaugh, Erse.]

1. A large spoon; a vessel with a long handle, used in throwing out any liquid from the vessel containing it.

Some stirr'd the molten ore with ladles great.

When the materials of glass have been kept long in fusion, the mixture casts up the superfluous salt, which the workmen take off with ladles. A ladle for our silver dish

Is what I want, is what I wish. 2. The receptacles of a mill wheel, into

which the water falling turns it. LA'DLE-FUL. n.s. [ladle and full.]

If a footman be going up with a dish of soup, let the cook with a ladle-ful dribble his livery all 'the way up stairs.

LA'DY.† n. s. [hlærðiz, hlarðiz, hlarðia, Saxon; supposed by Verstegan and others to be from hlar, Sax. hlaif, Goth. bread, and dian, to serve or distribute; because the mistress of the family used to distribute the bread to the domesticks and guests; the laford or lord allowing the food, the leafdian or lady seeing that it was duly served. To this Mr. H. Tooke opposes hlar as the past participle of hlipian, to raise; and thence LA'DY-BIRD. pronounces hlapops, or lord, a word LA'DY-BUG. compounded of hlar, raised, and ops, origin or birth, meaning therefore "highborn, of an exalted origin;" and hlarbig, · lady, as merely lofty, that is, raised or exalted; her birth being out of the question, as the wife follows the condition of the husband, Serenius, however, notices the Gothick lafda or lafd, a mistress, "hera, domina;" and Dr. Jamieson, from an old Icelandick work. the following words of the serpent to Eve: "Thu ert lafde myn, en Adam er LA'DY-LIKE. adj. [lady and like.] lavardr min: Thou art my lady, and 1. Soft; delicate; elegant. Adam is my lord." See also LORD.]

1. A woman of high rank: the title of lady properly belongs to the wives of knights, of all degrees above them, and to the daughters of earls, and all of higher

I am much afraid, my lady, his mother, play'd false with a smith. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven.

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thee my lady. - I your lady, Sir John? alas, I should be a pitiful lady.

Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor. I am sorry my relation to so deserving a lady, should be any occasion of her danger and affliction. King Charles.

2. An illustrious or eminent woman. O foolish fairy's son, what fury mad Hath thee incens'd to haste thy doleful fate? Were it not better I that lady had,

Than that thou hadst repented it too late? Spenser. Before Homer's time this great lady was scarce Ralegh.

May every lady an Evadne prove,

That shall divert me from Aspasia's love. Waller, Shou'd I shun the dangers of the war,

With scorn the Trojans wou'd reward my pains, And their proud ladies with their sweeping trains.

We find on medals the representations of ladies, that have given occasion to whole volumes on the account only of a face. Addison on Anc. Medals.

3. A word of complaisance used of women.

Say, good Cæsar, That I some lady trifles have reserv'd, Immoment toys, things of such dignity As we greet modern friends withal.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. I hope I may speak of women without offence Guardian.

4. Mistress, importing power and dominion; as, lady of the manor.

Of all these bounds, even from this line to this, With shadowy forests, and with champaigns rich'd, With plenteous rivers, and wide-skirted meads, We make thee lady. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

5. Lady in the Straw. An expression used to signify the woman who is brought to bed; derived from the circumstance that all beds were anciently stuffed with straw; so that it is synonymous with saying "the lady in bed," or that is confined to her bed. Brand, Popular Antiq. Hence perhaps the name of the herb "lady-bedstraw."

LADY-BE'DSTRAW. 7 n. s. [Gallium.] plant of the stellate kind. Miller.

Botanists - show a very particular regard to the fair sex - as we may well conclude from so many names they give to plants; ladys fingers, ladys laces, ladys linen, maiden herb, ladys bedstraw, ladys slipper, &c. Stukely, Palæogr. Sacra, p. 25.

n. s. A small red insect LA'DY-COW. vaginopennous. LA'DY-FLY.

Fly lady-bird, north, south, or east or west, Fly where the man is found that I love best. Gay. This lady-fly I take from off the grass, Whose spotted back might scarlet red surpass,

It is extremely unlucky to kill a cricket, a lady.

bug, a swallow, &c. Grose, Popular Superstitions. LADY-DA'Y. n. s. [lady and day.] The day on which the annunciation of the blessed virgin is celebrated.

With fingers lady-like.

Warner, Albion's Engl. ch. 9. Her tender constitution did declare, Too lady-like a long fatigue to bear.

2. Affected; effeminate. Some of these so rigid, yet very spruce and 2. lady-like preachers, think fit to gratify as their own persons, so their kind hearers and spectators. Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 179.

I would thy husband were dead; I would make LA'DY-MANTLE. n. s. [Alchimilla.] A plant. Miller.

LA'DYSHIP. † n. s. [from lady. 1. Originally, the state of a lady. I will do thee suche ladiship,

Whereof thou shalt for evermo Gower, Conf. Am. B. 6.

2. The title of a lady. Madam, he sends your ladyship this ring. Shakspeare.

If they be nothing but mere statesmen, Your lady-ship shall observe their gravity, And their reservedness, their many cautions, Fitting their persons. B. Jonson, Catiline. I the wronged pen to please,

Make it my humble thanks express Unto your ladyship in these. Waller. 'Tis Galla; let her ladyship but peep.

Dryden, Juv. LA'DY'S-SLIPPER. n. s. [Calceolus.] Miller.

LA'DY'S-SMOCK. n. s. [Cardamine.] A Miller.

When daizies pied, and violets blue, And lady-smocks all silver-white,

Do paint the meadows with delight. Shakspeare. See here a boy gathering lilies and lady-smocks, and there a girl cropping culverkeys and cowslips, all to make garlands. Walton, Angler.

LAG. + adj. [læng, Saxon, long; lagg, Swedish, the end.

1. Coming behind; falling short. I could be well content

To entertain the lag end of my life With quiet hours. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. P. 1. The slowest footed who come lag, supply the show of a rearward. Carew, Survey. I am some twelve or fourteen moonshines Lag of a brother. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

2. Sluggish; slow; tardy. It is out of use, but retained in Scotland, Dr. Johnson says. It was thus well employed, in his own time, (he might have added to the examples from Shakspeare and Dryden,) by the author of The Grave. And it is still retained in our colloquial language.

He, poor man, by your first order died, And that a winged Mercury did bear; Some tardy cripple had the countermand. That came too lag to see him buried,

Shakspeare, Rich. II. We know your thoughts of us, that laymen are Lag souls, and rubbish of remaining clay, Which Heaven, grown weary of more perfect work,

Set upright with a little puff of breath, And bid us pass for men. Dryden, Don Sebast. Even the lag flesh

Rests too in hope of meeting once again Its better half, never to sunder more : Nor shall it hope in vain. R. Blair, The Grave. Last; long delayed.

Pack to their old play-fellows; there I take They may, cum privilegio, wear away
The lag end of their lewdness, and be laugh'd at.

LAG. n. s.

1. The lowest class; the rump; the fag end.

The rest of your foes, O gods, the senators of Athens, together with the common lag of people, what is amiss in them, make suitable for destruc-

He that comes last, or hangs behind. The last, the lag of all the race. Dryden, Virg. What makes my ram the lag of all the flock. Pope. To LAG. v.n.

1. To loiter; to move slowly. She pass'd, with fear and fury wild; The nurse went lagging after with the child.

Dryden. The remnant of his days he safely past, Nor found they lagg'd too slow, nor flow'd too

2. To stay behind; not to come in. Behind her far away a dwarf did lag.

Spenser, F. Q. I shall not lag behind, nor err

The way, thou leading.

The knight himself did after ride, Milton, P. L.

Leading Crowdero by his side, And tow'd him, if he lagg'd behind,

Like boat against the tide and wind. Hudibras. If he finds a fairy lag in light, He drives the wretch before, and lashes into night.

She hourly press'd for something new;

Ideas came into her mind So fast, his lessons lagg'd behind. Smitt.

To LAG.* v. a. To slacken; to move slowly.

The hunter with an arrow wounded him in the leg, which made him to halt and lag his flight. Heywood, Hier. of Angels, (1635,) p. 98.

LA'GGARD.* adj. [from lag.] Backward; sluggish; slow.

Thy humblest reed could more prevail, Had more of strength, diviner rage, Than all which charms this laggard age.

Collins, Ode, xii. LA'GGER. n. s. [from lag.] A loiterer;

an idler: one that loiters behind. LA'ICAL. † adj. [laique, Fr. laicus, Lat. λαϊκός, Græco-barb. from λάος, the peo-

ple.] Belonging to the laity, or people as distinct from the clergy.

In all ages the clerical will flatter as well as the Camden. laical.

It is amazing to see the strange absurdities committed by the clergy of the middle ages, in adopting the laical character.

Warton, Hist. E. P. ii. 345. LA'ICK.* n. s. [laique, Fr.] A layman; one of the people distinct from the clergy.

The words - teach a command for the use of both kinds, as well to taicks as priest.

Bp. Morton, Discharge, &c. (1633,) p. 184. LA'ICK.** adj. Belonging to the laity; denoting the people as distinct from the clergy.

It reflects to the disrepute of our ministers also, that—they should be still frequented with such an unprincipled, unedified, and laick rabble.

Milton, Areopagitica. LAID. Preterite participle of lay.

Money laid up for the relief of widows and fatherless children. 2 Mac. iii. 10. A scheme which was writ some years since, and laid by to be ready on a fit occasion.

LA'IDLY.* adj. [lable, Sax. laid, Fr. leed, Su. Goth.] Ugly; loathsome; foul. North of England.

To LAIK. * See To LAKE.

LAIN. + Preterite participle of lie; and formerly written lien.

Mary seeth two angels in white, sitting, the one at the head, and the other at the feet, where the body of Jesus had lain. St. John, xx. 12. The parcels had *lain* by, before they were opened, between four and five years.

Boyle.

LAIR. + n. s. [lai, in French, signifies a wild sow, or a forest: the derivation is easy in either sense; or from leger, Dutch. Dr. Johnson. - The Teutonic ! laegher is the bed of wild beasts; and is to be referred to the Gothic laeger, and ligr, a bed, from ligga, to lie down.]

1. The couch of a boar or wild beast. Out of the ground uprose,

As from his lair, the wild beast, where he wons In forest wild, in thicket brake, or den.

Milton, P. L. But range the forest, by the silver side Of some cool stream, where nature shall provide Green grass and fatt'ning clover for your fare, And mossy caverns for your noon-tide lair. Dryden, Virg.

[From lea, Sax. pascuum, campus.]

Pasture; the ground.

More hard for hungry steed t' abstaine from pleasant lare. Spenser, F. Q. iv. viii. 29. This gyant's sonne that lies there on the laire An headlesse heap. Thid. 51.

Have the winters been so set To raine and snow, [that] they have wet

All his driest laire? W. Browne. 3. Soil; dung. An Essex and Suffolk

word, according to Grose, who writes it laier: a northern word too, in the sense of mire and dirt, and written lair by Mr. Brockett. fleir, Icel. ler, Su. Goth.

LAIRD. n. s. [hlapops, Saxon.] The lord of a manor in the Scottish dialect; which is the definition of Dr. Johnson. This is its old meaning, Mr. Brockett observes; but it is now a common name in Northumberland and Cumberland for a proprietor of land, without any relation to manorial rights.

Shrive but their title, and their moneys poize, A laird and twenty pence pronounc'd with noise, When constru'd but for a plain yeoman go,

And a good sober two pence, and well so. Cleaveland.

LA'ITER.* \ n. s. [legh-tyd, Teut. the time LA'WTER. \ of laying.] The whole quantity of eggs which a hen lays, before she incubates. Craven Dial. Brockett's N. C. Words, and Jennings's W. C. Words. The northern form and pronunciation of the word is lafter, as well as lawter; the western laiter is more correct.

LA'ITY. n. s. [λάος.]

1. The people, as distinguished from the

An humble clergy is a very good one, and an humble laity too, since humility is a virtue that equally adorns every station of life.

The state of a layman. The more usual cause of this deprivation is a

mere laity, or want of holy orders. LAKE. n. s. [lac, laca, Saxon; lac, Fr.

lacus, Lat.

1. A large diffusion of inland water.

He adds the running springs and standing lakes, And bounding banks for winding rivers makes.

2. Small plash of water.

3. A middle colour, betwixt ultramarine and vermilion, yet it is rather sweet than harsh. It is made of cochineal. [lacque, French; ruby or rose colour.]

To LAKE.* v. n. [laikan, Gothick and Saxon; and the English word is sometimes written laik. Thus laiker, in the Cumberland dialect, a person engaged in sport. And thus laikings or lakings, playthings for children. To play. Used in the north of England.

LA'KY.* adj. [from lake.] Belonging to a lake. Sherwood.

To Lam. See To Lamm.

LAMB. n. s. [lamb, Gothick and Saxon.] 1. The young of a sheep.

I'm young ; but something You may deserve of him through me, and wisdom, To offer up a weak, poor, innocent lamb,

To appease an angry god. Shakspeare, Macbeth.
The lamb, thy riot dooms to bleed to day, Had he thy knowledge would he skip and play?

2. Typically, the Saviour of the world. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Common Prayer.

To LAMB.* v. n. [from the noun.] To yean; to bring forth lambs. Sherwood. LAMB-ALE.* n. s. A feast at the time of shearing lambs.

Lamb-ale is still used at the village of Kirtlington in Oxfordshire, for an annual feast or celebrity at lamb-shearing. Warton, Hist. E. P. iii. 129.

LA'MBATIVE.† adj. [from lambo, to lick.] Taken by licking.

In affections both of lungs and weazon, physicians make use of syrups, and lambative medicines. Brown. Upon the mantle-tree stood a pot of lambetive electuary. Taller, No. 266.

LA'MBATIVE. n. s. A medicine taken by licking with the tongue.

I stich'd up the wound, and let him blood in the arm, advising a lambative, to be taken as necessity should require. Wiseman, Surgery.

LA'MKIN. n. s. [from lamb.] A little lamb.

'Twixt them both they not a lambkin left, And when lambs fail'd, the old sheeps' lives they Spenser, Hubb. Tale. reft. Pan, thou god of shepherds all,

Which of our tender lambkins takest keep.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. Clean as young lambkins, or the goose's down, And like the goldfinch in her Sunday gown.

LA'MBLIKE.* adj. [lamb and like.]

1. Mild; innocent as a lamb. Put lamblike mildness to your lion's strength. Trag. of Soliman and Perseda, (1599.)

2. Resembling the form of a lamb. What else doth the beast arising out of the earth portend by his lamblike horns but antichrist? Sheldon, Mir. of Antichrist, (1616,) p. 161.

LAMBS-WOOL. † n. s. [lamb and wool.] Dr. Johnson. - " The first day of November was dedicated to the angel presiding over fruits, seeds, &c. and was therefore named la mas ubhal, that is, the day of the apple fruit; and being pro-nounced lamasool, the English have corrupted the name to lambswool." Col. Vallancey, Collect. de Reb. Hibern. iii. 441. Lambswool is said to have been often met with in Ireland. See Brand's Popul. Antiq. i. 312.] Ale mixed with sugar, nutmeg, and the pulp of roasted apples.

Those that commend use of apples in this kind of melancholy; lambswool some call it.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 404.

A cup of lambs-wood they drank to him there.

Song of the King and the Miller.

LA'MBENT. adj. [lambens, Lat.] Playing

about; gliding over without harm.
From young Iulus head
A lambent flame arose, which gently spread

A lambent flame arose, which gently spread Around his brows, and on his temples fed.

His brows thick fogs, instead of glories, grace, And tambent dulness played around his face.

Dryden.

LAMDOI'DAL. n. s. [λάμδα and ἐίδος.]
Having the form of the letter lamda or

The course of the longitudinal sinus down through the middle of it, makes it adviseable to trepan at the lower part of the os parietale, or at least upon the landoidal suture. Sharp, Surgery.

LAME.† adj. [lam, lama, Saxon; lam, Dutch; lam, Icel. fractio.]

1. Crippled; disabled in the limbs.
Who reproves the lame, must go upright.

A greyhound, of a mouse colour, lame of one leg, belongs to a lady.

Arbuthnot and Pope.

Hobbling; not smooth: alluding to the

feet of a verse.

Our authors write,
Whether in prose, or verse, 'tis all the same;
The prose is fustian, and the numbers lame.

3. Imperfect; unsatisfactory.

Dryden.

Shrubs are formed into sundry shapes, by moulding them within, and cutting them without; but they are but lame things, being too small to keep figure.

Bacon.
Swift, who could neither fly nor hide,

Came sneaking to the chariot side; And offer'd many a lame excuse, He never meant the least abuse.

Swift.

To LAME. v. a. [from the adjective.] To make lame; to cripple.

I never heard of such another encounter, which lames report to follow it, and undoes description to do it. Shakspeare.

The son and heir Affronted once a cock of noble kind,

And either lam'd his legs, or struck him blind.

Dryden,

If you happen to let the child fall, and lame it,

If you happen to let the child fall, and lame it, never confess.

Swift.

LA'MELLAR.** adj. [lamella, Lat.] Com-

posed of thin scales or flakes.

Calcareous marl is — sometimes of a compact,

sometimes of a lamellar texture; often so thin as to be called paper-marl. Kirwan on Manures, p. 13.

LA'MELLATED. adj. [lamella, Lat.] Covered with films or plates.

The lamellated antennæ of some insects are surprisingly beautiful, when viewed through a microscope.

Derham.

LA'MELY. adv. [from lame.]

1. Like a cripple; without natural force or activity.

Those muscles become callous, and, having yielded to the extension, the patient makes shift to go upon it, though lamely. Wiseman, Surgery.

2. Imperfectly; without a full or complete exhibition of all the parts.

Look not every lineament to see, Some will be cast in shades, and some will be So lamely drawn, you scarcely know 'tis she.

3. Weakly; unsteadily; poorly.

LA'MENESS. n. s. [from lame.]

1. The state of a cripple; loss or inability of limbs.

Let blindness, lameness come; are legs and eyes

Of equal value to so great a prize? Dryden, Juv.

Lameness kept me at home. Digby to Pope.

2. Imperfection; weakness.

If the story-move, or the actor help the lameness of it with his performance, either of these are suf-

ficient to effect a present liking.

Dryden, Span. Friar.

To LAME'NT. v. n. [lamentor, Lat. lamenter, Fr.] To mourn; to wail; to grieve; to express sorrow.

Ye shall weep and lament, but the world shall rejoice.

St. John.

Jeremiah lamented for Josiah, and all the sing-

Jeremiah lamented for Josiah, and all the singing-men and women spake of Josiah in their lamentations. 2 Chron.

Far less I now lament for one whole world
Of wicked sons destroy'd, than I rejoice
For one man found so perfect and so just,
That God vouchsafes to raise another world
From him.

Millon, P. L.

To Lame'nt. v. a. To bewail; to mourn; to bemoan; to express sorrow for.

As you are weary of this weight, Rest you, while I lament king Henry's corse.

The pair of sages praise;
One pitied, one contemn'd the woful times,
One laugh'd at follies, one lamented crimes,

Lame'nt. n. s. [lamentum, Lat. from the verb.]

 Sorrow audibly expressed; lamentation; grief uttered in complaints or cries. We, long ere our approaching, heard within

Noise, other than the sound of dance, or song!

Torment, and loud lament, and furious rage.

Millon, P. L.

The loud laments arise
Of one distress'd, and mastiffs' mingled cries.

2. Expression of sorrow.
To add to your laments,

Wherewith you now bedew king Henry's hearse, I must inform you of a dismal fight. Shakspeare

LA'MENTABLE. adj. [lamentabilis, Lat. lamentable, Fr. from lament.]

To be lamented; causing sorrow.
 The lamentable change is from the best;
 The worst returns to laughter.
 Shaks

2. Mournful; sorrowful; expressing sorrow.

A lamentable tune is the sweetest musick to a

woful mind.

Sidney.

The victors to their vessels bear the prize,

And bear behind loud groans, and lamentable cries.

3. Miserable, in a ludicrous or low sense;

pitiful; despicable.

This bishop, to make out the disparity between the heathens and them, flies to this lamentable re-

fuge. Stilling fleet.

LA'MENTABLY. ad. [from lamentable.]

1. With expressions or tokens of sorrow; mournfully.

The matter in itself lamentable, lamentably expressed by the old prince, greatly moved the two princes to compassion. Sidney.

2. So as to cause sorrow.

Our fortune on the sea is out of breath, And sinks most lamentably.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop.
3. Pitifully; despicably.

LAMENTA'TION. n. s. [lamentatio, Lat.]
Expression of sorrow; audible grief.
Be't lawful that I invocate thy ghost,

To hear the lamentations of poor Anne.
Shakspeare, Rich. III.

His sons buried him, and all Israel made great lamentation for him. 1 Mac. ii. 10.

LAME'NTER.† n. s. [from lament.] One

who mourns or laments.

There were a sort of men called lamenters, who had a publick office, as our bearers have, to attend upon funerals, and make doleful lamentations.

Such a complaint good company must pity, whether they think the lamenter ill or not.

LAME'NTING.* n. s. [from lament.] Lamentation; sorrow audibly expressed.

Chimneys were blown down; and, as they say,

Lamentings heard i'the air, strange screams of death.

Shakspeare, Macbeth.

Cease your lamentings, Trojans, for a while.

LA'MENTINE. n. s. A fish called a sea-cow or manatee, which is near twenty feet long, the head resembling that of a cow, and two short feet, with which it creeps on the shallows and rocks to get food; but has no fins: the flesh is commonly eaten.

Bailey.

LA'MIA* n. s. [Latin.] A kind of demon among the ancients, who, under the form of a beautiful woman, was said to have devoured children; a hag; a witch. Where's the lamia

That tears my entrails? I'm bewitch'd; seize on her.

Massinger, Virg. Martyr.

LA'MINA.† n. s. [Lat.] Thin plate; one coat laid over another.

The head [of the snake] is covered with twelve principal luminum, besides a number of smaller, irregular in shape. — The central lumina between the eyes is the largest. Russell on Indian Serpents.

LA'MINATED. adj. [from lamina.] Plated: used of such bodies whose contexture discovers such a disposition as that of plates lying over one another.

From the apposition of different coloured gravel arises, for the most part, the *laminated* appearance of a stone.

Sharp,

LA'MISH. * adj. [from lame.] Not quite lame; hobbling.

He did, by a false step, sprain a vein in the inside of his leg, which ever after occasioned him to go lamish.

A. Wood, Ath. Ox. 1sted. vol. 2. col. 262.

To LAMM.† v. a. [lamen, Belg. to strike, to beat. Skinner. Icel. lem, to beat.]

To heat coundly with a guiden!

To beat soundly with a cudgel.

Lamm'd you shall be ere we leave ye:—
You shall be beaten sober.

shall be beaten sober.

Beaum. and Fl. Beggars' Bush.

LA'MMAS. † n. s. [This word is said by Bailey, I know not on what authority, to be derived from a custom, by which the tenants of the archbishop of York were obliged, at the time of mass, on the first of August, to bring a lamb to the altar. In Scotland they are said to wean lambs on this day. It may else be corrupted from lattermath. Dr. Johnson. - The following is the account which the learned Hammond gives of the word. "Lammas, in the Saxon hlarmær, lafmess, i. e. loaf-mass, or bread-mass, is so named as a feast of thanksgiving to God for the first fruits of the corn, and seems to have been observed with bread of new wheat; and accordingly 'tis an usage, in some places,

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for tenants to be bound to bring in wheat of that year to their lord, on or before the first of August." Works, vol. i. p. 660. Somner and Blount record the same derivation. In later times it has been well observed, that lammas day, in the Salisbury Manuals, is called benedictio novorum fructuum; in the Red Book of Derby, hlar-mærre bæg; but in the Sax. Chron. hlam-mærre; that mass was a word for festival, whence our Christmas, Candlemas, &c.; and that therefore instead of lammas quasi lambmass, from the offering of the tenants at York, we may rather suppose the r to have been left out in course of time of general use, and thus la-mas, or hlamærre, appears. See Gent. Mag. Jan. 1799. p. 33. See also the etym. of LAMBS-WOOL. The first of August.

In 1578 was that famous lammas day, which buried the reputation of Don John of Austria.

Even or odd, of all days in the year, Come lammas eve at night, shall she be fourteen. Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul.

LAMP. n. s. [lampe, Fr. lampas, Lat.] 1. A light made with oil and a wick.

O thievish night, Why should'st thou, but for some felonious end, In thy dark lantern thus close up the stars

That nature hung in heaven, and fill'd their lamps With everlasting oil, to give due light

To the misled and lonely traveller? Milton, Comus. In lamp furnaces I used spirit of wine instead of oil, and the same flame has melted foliated gold.

2. Any kind of light, in poetical language, real or metaphorical.

Thy gentle eyes send forth a quickening spirit, And feed the dying lamp of life within me. Rowe. Cynthia, fair regent of the night, O may thy silver lamp from heaven's high bower, Direct my footsteps in the midnight hour. Gay.

LA'MPASS. n. s. [lampas, Fr.] A lump of flesh, about the bigness of a nut, in the roof of a horse's mouth, which rises above the teeth. Farrier's Dict.

His horse possest with the glanders, troubled with the lampass, infected with the fashions Shakspeare, Tam. of the Shrew.

LA'MPBLACK. n. s. [lamp and black.] It is made by holding a torch under the bottom of a bason, and as it is furred striking it with a feather into some shell, and grinding it with gum water.

Peacham on Drawing. Being overtaken with liquor one Saturday evening, I shaved the priest with Spanish blacking for shoes instead of a wash-ball, and with lampblack powdered his periwig.

Arbuthnot and Pope, Mem. of P.P.

LA'MPING. † adj. [lampante, Ital.] Shining; sparkling. Not used.

Happy lines on which with starry light Those lamping eyes will deign sometimes to look. Spenser, Sonnet.

LAMPO'ON. n. s. [Bailey derives it from lampons, a drunken song. It imports, let us drink, from the old French lamper, and was repeated at the end of each couplet at carousals. Trevoux.] A personal satire; abuse; consure written not LA'NCELY. adj. [from lance.] Suitable to to reform but to vex.

They say my talent is satire: if so, it is a fruitful ! age: they have shown the dragon's teeth themselves, and it is but just they should reap each other in lampoons. Dryden Pope.

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Make satire a lampoon. To LAMPO'ON. † v. a. [from the noun.]
To abuse with personal satire.

To jeer my prince, or to lampoon my miss. The Image of the Age, (1676,) p. 65.

LAMPO'ONER. n. s. [from lampoon.] A

scribbler of personal satire.

We are naturally displeased with an unknown critick, as the ladies are with a lampooner, because we are bitten in the dark.

The squibs are those who are called libellers, lampooners, and pamphleteers.

LA'MPREY. † n. s. [lamproye, Fr.; lampreye, Dutch; lampnæba, Saxon.]

Many fish much like the eel frequent both the sea and fresh rivers; as, the lamprel, lamprey, and lamperne.

LA'MPRON. n. s. A kind of sea fish.

These rocks are frequented by lumprons, and greater fishes, that devour the bodies of the Broome on the Odyssey. drowned.

LANCE.† n. s. [lance, Fr.; lancea, Lat. λόγχη, Greek; lanca, Arm. to brandish a spear, to dart.

1. A long spear, which, in the heroick thrown from the hand, as by the Indians at this day. In later times, the combatants thrust them against each other on horseback. Spear; javelin. He carried his lances, which were strong, to give

a lancely blow.

Plate sin with gold, And the strong lance of justice hurtless breaks: Arm it in rags, a pigmy's straw doth pierce it. Shakspeare

They shall hold the bow and the lance. Jer. 1. 42. Hector beholds his jav'lin fall in vain, Nor other lance, nor other hope remain; He calls Deiphobus, demands a spear In vain, for no Deiphobus was there.

2. Balance, [lance, Italian; "in dubbia 1. A small pointed, chirurgical instrument. lance," Tasso, G. Lib. xx. 50. From the Lat. lanx. Obsolete.

Need teacheth her this lesson hard and rare, That fortune all in equal launce doth sway. Spenser, F. Q. iii. vii. 4.

To LANCE. v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To pierce; to cut.

With his prepared sword he charges home My unprovided body, lanc'd my arm. Shakspeare. In their cruel worship they lance themselves with Glanville, Scepsis. knives.

The infernal minister advanc'd, Seiz'd the due victim, and with fury lanc'd Her back, and piercing through her inmost heart, Drew backward.

2. To open chirurgically; to cut in order to a cure.

We do lance

Diseases in our bodies. Fell sorrow's tooth doth never rankle more Than when it bites, but lanceth not the sore. Shaks.

That differs as far from our usual severities, as the lancings of a physician do from the wounds of an adversary. Decay of Chr. Piety. Lance the sore,

And cut the head; for till the core is found The secret vice is fed. Druden.

The shepherd stands, And when the lancing knife requires his hands, Vain help, with idle pray'rs, from heav'n demands.

a lance. Not in use.

He carried his lances, which were strong, to give a lancely blow.

LANCEPESA'DE. n. s. [lance spezzate, Fr.; Dr. Johnson. - Formerly lancepesado, and by corruption lancepresado. It is originally Italian: lancia spezzata.] The officer under the corporal: not now in use among us, Dr. Johnson says, citing only the example from Cleaveland. Perhaps lance-corporal is now the term for such officer. Properly the lancepesade signifies a reduced officer.

Since feathers were cashier'd. The ribbands have been to some office rear'd:

'Tis hard to meet a lanspresado, where Some ells of favour do not straight appear. J. Hall, Poems, (1646,) p. 10.

The lowest range and meanest officer in an army is called lancepesado or prezado; who is the leader or governor of half a file; and therefore is commonly called a middle man, or captain over four. The Soldier's Accidence, p. 1.

To th' Indies of her arm he flies, Fraught both with east and western prize, Which, when he had in vain essay'd, Arm'd like a dapper lancepesade,

With Spanish pike, he broach'd a pore. Cleaveland. LA'NCER.* n. s. [from lance; French,

lancier. ages, seems to have been generally 1. One that carries a lance; one armed

with a lance. Each launceer well his weightie launce did wield. Mir. for Mag. p. 822.

They passed with all speed through the vauntguard of some seven hundred lanciers. Sir R. Williams, Act of the L. Countr. (1618,) p.21.

Such the bold leaders of these lancers were. Davenant, Gondibert.

2. A lancet. Not now in use.

They cut themselves, after their manner, with knives and lancers. 1 Kings, xviii. 28 .-He provoked Baal's prophets to cut themselves with knives and lancers. Shelford's Learned Discourses, p. 265.

Pope. LA'NCET. n. s. [lancette, French.] I gave vent to it by an apertion with a lancet,

and discharged white matter. Wiseman, Surgery. A vein, in an apparent blue runneth along the body, and if dexterously pricked with a lancet, emitteth a red drop. Brown, Vulg. Err. Hippocrates saith, blood-letting should be done

with broad lancets or swords, in order to make a large orifice: the manner of opening a vein then was by stabbing or pertusion, as in horses. Arbuthnot.

2. A pointed window.

Here have been dug up, pieces of the mouldings of lancet windows, and other fragments of antique masonry in stone.

Warton, Hist. of Kiddington, p. 17

To LANCH. v. a. [lancer, Fr. This word is too often written launch; it is only a vocal corruption of lance. See LANCE, and To Launch.] To dart; to cast as a lance; to throw; to let fly.

See whose arm can lanch the surer bolt, And who's the better Jove.

Dryden and Lee, Œdinus. Me, only me, the hand of fortune bore, Unblest to tread that interdicted shore: When Jove tremendous in the sable deeps Launch'd his red light'ning at our scatter'd ships.

To Lanch.* v. n. See To Launch. LANCH.* n. s. See LAUNCH.

To LA'NCINATE. † v. a. [lancino, Lat.] To tear; to rend; to lacerate.

- The stitch [is] a sharp lancinating pain.

Johnson, in V. Stitch.

LANCINA'TION. n. s. [from lancino, Lat.] Tearing; laceration.

LAND. † n. s. [land, Goth. land, Saxon; and so all the Teutonick dialects. "Vox antiquissima." Serenius.]

1. A country; a region; distinct from

other countries.

The nations of Scythia, like a mountain flood, did overflow all Spain, and quite washed away whatsoever reliques there were left of the land-bred Spenser on Ireland.

Thy ambition, Thou scarlet sin, robb'd this bewailing land Of noble Buckingham. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. What had he done to make him fly the land?

Shakspeare. The chief men of the land had great authority; though the government was monarchical, it was not despotick. Broome on the Odyssey.

2. Earth: distinct from water.

By land they found that huge and mighty Abbot.

Yet, if thou go'st by land, tho' grief possess My soul ev'n then, my fears would be the less: But ah! be warn'd to shun the wat'ry way.

They turn their heads to sea, their sterns to

And greet with greedy joy the Italian strand.

Dryden. 3. It is often used in composition, as opposed to sea.

The princes delighting their conceits with confirming their knowledge, seeing wherein the seadiscipline differed from the land-service, they had pleasing entertainment. Sidney.

He to-night hath boarded a land-carrack : If it prove lawful prize, he's made for ever.

Shakspeare. With eleven thousand land-soldiers, and twentysix ships of war, we within two months have won

Bacon Necessity makes men ingenious and hardy; and if they have but land-room or sea-room, they find

supplies for their hunger. Hale, Orig. of Mankind. I writ not always in the proper terms of navigation, or land-service. Dryden, Æn.

The French are to pay the same duties at the dry ports through which they pass by land carriage, as we pay upon importation or exportation by sea. Addison, Freeholder.

The Phænicians carried on a land-trade to Syria and Mesopotamia, and stopt not short, without pushing their trade to the Indies.

Arbuthnot on Coins. The species brought by land-carriage were much better than those which came to Egypt by Arbuthnot

4. Ground; surface of the place. Unusual. Beneath his steely casque he felt the blow, And roll'd, with limbs relax'd, along the land.

5. An estate real and immovable.

To forfeit all your goods, lands, and tenements, Castles, and goods whatsoever, and to be Out of the king's protection.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. He kept himself within the bounds of loyalty, and enjoyed certain lands and towns in the borders

This man is freed from servile hands, Of hope to rise, or fear to fall :

Lord of himself, though not of lands, Wotton. And having nothing, yet hath all.

6. Nation; people; the inhabitants of the

These answers in the silent night receiv'd, The king himself divulg'd, the land believ'd. 7. Urine. [hlans, Saxon]

Probably land-damn was a coarse expression in the cant strain, formerly in common use, but since laid aside and forgotten, which meant the taking away a man's life. For land or lant is an old word for urine, and to stop the common passages and functions of nature is to

You are abused, and by some putter on, That will be damn'd for't; would I knew the

villain,

would land-damn him. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. The preceding example is a very doubtful one of this sense of land; and the passage, in which it occurs, has perplexed all the commentators on the poet. Land or lant is, however, in this sense used in Lancashire. Editor.

To LAND. v. a. [from the noun.] To set on shore.

The legions, now in Gallia, sooner landed In Britain. Shakspeare, Cymbeline.

He who rules the raging wind, To thee, O sacred ship, be kind, Thy committed pledge restore, And land him safely on the shore

Dryden, Horace.

Another Typhis shall new seas explore, Another Argo land the chiefs upon th' Iberian Dryden. shore.

To LAND. v. n. To come to shore. Let him land,

And solemnly see him set on to London. Shaksp. Land ye not, none of you, and provide to be 2. The mistress of an inn. gone from this coast within sixteen days.

Bacon, New Atlantis. 1 land, with luckless omens; then adore Their gods. Dryden, Æn.

LANDA'U.* n. s. [probably from a vehicle of this kind used in the town of Landau in Bavaria.] A coach, of which the top may be occasionally open.

LA'NDED. adj. [from land.] Having a fortune, not in money but in land; having a real estate.

A landless knight makes thee a landed squire. Shakspeare, K. John.

Men, whose living lyeth together in one shire, are commonly counted greater landed than those whose livings are dispersed. Bacon.

Cromwell's officers, who were for levelling lands while they had none, when they grew landed fell to crying up magna charta. A house of commons must consist, for the most

Addison, Freeholder. part, of landed men. LA'NDFALL. † n. s. [land and fall.]

1. A sudden translation of property in land by the death of a rich man. 2. In naval language, the first land dis-

covered after a sea-voyage. LA'NDFLOOD. n. s. [land and flood.] undation.

Apprehensions of the affections of Kent, and all other places, looked like a landflood, that might roll they knew not how far.

LAND-FORCES. n. s. [land and force.] Warlike powers not naval; soldiers that serve on land.

We behold in France the greatest land-forces that have ever been known under any christian

LA'NDGRAVE. n. s. [land and grave, or graf, a count, German.] A German title of dominion.

LA'NDHOLDER. n. s. [land and holder.] One who holds lands.

Money, as necessary to trade, may be considered as in his hands that pays the labourer and landholder; and if this man want money, the manufacture is not made, and so the trade is lost.

LA'NDING-PLACE. \ n.s. [from land.]

1. The top of stairs.

Let the stairs to the upper rooms be upon a fair, open newel, and a fair landing-place at the

The landing-place is the uppermost step of a pair of stairs, viz. the floor of the room you ascend upon.

There is a stair-case that strangers are generally carried to see, where the easiness of the ascent, the disposition of the lights, and the convenient landing, are admirably well contrived.

Addison on Italy. What the Romans called vestibulum was no part of the house, but the court and landing-place between it and the street. Arbuthnot on Coins.

2. The act of coming on shore.

Agricola - sent his navy to hover on the coast, and with sundry and uncertain landings to divert and disunite the Britons. Milton, Hist. of Eng. B.2. LA'NDJOBBER. n. s. [land and job.] One who buys and sells lands for other men.

If your master be a minister of state, let him be at home to none but land-jobbers, or inventors of new funds. Swift.

LA'NDLADY. n. s. [land and lady.]

1. A woman who has tenants holding from her.

If a soldier drinks his pint, and offers payment in Wood's halfpence, the landlady may be under some difficulty.

LA'NDLESS. † adj. [from land, Sax. lanslear.] Without property; without fortune.

Young Fortinbras Hath in the skirts of Norway, here and there, Shark'd up a list of landless resolutes.

Shakspeare, Hamlet. A landless knight makes thee a landed squire. Shakspeare, K. John.

LA'NDLOCKED. † adj. [land and lock.] Shut in, or enclosed with land.

The haven before the town is land-lockt. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 100.

There are few natural parts better landlocked, and closed on all sides, than this seems to have Addison on Italy.

LA'NDLOPER. n. s. [land and loopen.] Dutch.] A landman; a term of reproach used by seamen of those who pass their lives on shore.

Such travellers as these may be termed landlopers, as the Dutchman saith, rather than travellers. Howell, Instruct. for Trav. (1642,) p. 187. LA'NDLORD. n. s. [land and lord. Sax. lanshlarons.]

1. One who owns land or houses, and has tenants under him.

This regard shall be had, that in no place, under any lundlord, there shall be many of them placed together, but dispersed. Spenser on Ircland. It is a generous pleasure in a landlord, to love to see all his tenants look fat, sleek, and contented. Richardson, Clarissa.

2. The master of an inn.

Upon our arrival at the inn, my companion fetched out the jolly landlord, who knew him by his whistle.

[from landlord.] LA'NDLORDRY.* n. s. State of a landlord.

Pilfering slips of petty landlordry. Bp. Hall, Sat. v. i. LA'NDMAN.* n.s. [land and man. Sax.] lanbman. I One who lives or serves on land; opposed to seaman; a country-

Soldier. If to-morrow

Our navy thrive, I have an absolute hope Our landmen will stand up.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. The ships being so filled with landmen, there was a great want of water.

Burnet, Hist. of his own Time. (an. 1708.) It often astonishes a landman to observe with what precision a sailor can distinguish, in the offing, not only the appearance of a ship, which is altogether invisible to the landman, but the number of her masts, the direction of her course, and the rate of her sailing.

A. Smith, on the External Senses.

LA'NDMARK. † n. s. [land and mark. Sax. lan6meapc.] Any thing set up to preserve the boundaries of lands.

I' the midst, an altar, as the land-mark, stood, Rustick, of grassy sod. Milton, P. L.

The land-marks by which places in the church had been known, were removed. Clarendon. Then land-marks limited to each his right;

For all before was common as the light. Dryden. Though they are not self-evident principles, yet if they have been made out from them by a wary and unquestionable deduction, they may serve as land-marks, to shew what lies in the direct way of truth, or is quite besides it.

- LA'NDSCAPE. † n. s. [landschape, Dutch. Dr. Johnson. - Lanbreipe, Saxon; and our old authors write the word landskip; though Dr. Johnson has unjustly exhibited landscape as the form used by Milton. The word has been also written landscept, as if it were from the Greek verb σκέπλομαι (skeptomai,) to look over; and in later times, rather affectedly, landschape. It is probably from the Saxon recapian, to shape, and land, q. d. the shape of the land or country. It appears to have been a word newly than Drayton published his One who tills the ground. Polyolbion early in the reign of James the first; for, using it in his eighteenth song, p. 284, he has thought it expedient thus to explain his "landskip" in the margin, viz. "the naturall expressing of the surface of a country in 1. A narrow way between edges. painting."
- 1. A region, the prospect of a country. The pleasant varieties of these earthly landskips. Bp. Hall, Free Prisoner, § 9.

Straight mine eyes hath caught new pleasures, Whilst the landskip round it measures Russet lawns and fallows grey, Where the nibbling flocks do stray. Milton, L'All.

Lovely seem'd,

That landskip; and of pure, now purer air, Meets his approach. Milton, P. L.

The sun scarce uprisen, Shot parallel to th' earth his dewy ray, Discovering in wide landskip all the east Of paradise, and Eden's happy plains.

Milton, P. L. We are like men entertained with the view of a spacious landscape, where the eye passes over one pleasing prospect into another.

2. A picture representing an extent of space, with the various objects in it.

The Jews indeed saw Christ presented in a landscept, and beheld him through the perspective of

Fuller, Serm. of Reformation, (Ox. 1643.) p. 8.

finer landscapes than those about the king's house.

Oft in her glass the musing shepherd spies The watery landscape of the pendant woods,

And absent trees, that tremble in the floods. Pope.
The Seasons of Thomson have been very instrumental in diffusing a general taste for the beauties of nature and landshape.

Bp. Warton, Ess, on Pope. To LA'NDSCAPE.* v. a. To represent in

landscape. Not in use. As weary traveller that climbs a hill,

Looks back, sits down, and oft, if hand have skill, Landskips the vales with pencil; placing here Meadow, there arable, &c.

Archd. Holyday, Serv. of the World, 1661, Pref.

LA'NDSTREIGHT.* n. s. [land and streight. See the substantive STRAIT.] A narrow passage, or slip of land.

A city - seated upon seven hills, at or near unto the sea; indeed in a foreland or landstreight,

where two seas meet.

Mountagu, App. to Cas. (1625,) p. 158. LAND-TAX. n. s. [land and tax.] Tax laid upon land and houses.

If mortgages were registered, land-taxes might

reach the lender to pay his proportion. LAND-WAITER. n. s. [land and waiter.]

An officer of the customs, who is to watch what goods are landed.

Give a guinea to a knavish land-waiter, and he shall connive at the merchant for cheating the queen of an hundred. Swift, Examiner.

LA'NDWARD. adv. [from land.] Towards the land.

They are invincible by reason of the overpowering mountains that back the one, and slender fortification of the other to landward.

Sandys, Trav.

LAND-WIND.* n. s. [land and wind.] A gale or wind from the land.

A sudden stiff land-wind in that self hour To seaward forc'd this bird.

Donne, Poems, p. 304.

One who tills the ground.

The latter state, that of the land-worker, is represented as under a curse, and is made the punishment of his disobeying a positive command. Pownall on Antiq. p. 140.

LANE. n. s. [laen, Dutch; lana, Saxon.] All flying

Through a straight lane, the enemy full-hearted Struck down some mortally. Shaksp. Cymbeline. I know each lane, and every alley green,

Dingle or bushy dell, of this wild wood, And every bosky bourn. Milton, Comus. Through a close lane as I pursu'd my journey.

A pack-horse is driven constantly in a narrow lane and dirty road. Locke.

2 A narrow street; an alley.

There is no street, not many lanes, where there does not live one that has relation to the church. Sprat, Serm.

3. A passage between men standing on each side.

The earl's servants stood ranged on both sides, and made the king a lane. Bacon, Hen. VII.

LANG.* adj. [lagg, M. Goth. which in the pronunciation is lang; langrum, Saxon. See Long, and Longsome.] Long. Our northern word. Thus also langsome for longsome, tedious; and langsettle for LA'NGUET. n. s. [languette, French.] Any longsettle.

As good a poet as you are, you cannot make | LA'NGREL Shot.* n. s. A kind of chainshot.

> LA'NGSETTLE.* n. s. [lang and settle.] A long bench to sit on. Praise of Yorksh. Ale, 1697. Common throughout the north of England.

> Langueralo'o.* n.s. A game at cards; in some places called lanterloo; and in some langtra; which Pegge takes to be French, viz. langtrois, it being often long, he says, before three cards of one suit come into a hand. But langtra seems to be an abbreviation only of langteraloo; of which name, however, I know not the origin.

An old ninepence bent both ways by Lilly the almanack-maker for luck at langteraloo.

Tatler, No. 245. LA'NGUAGE. † n. s. [language, French; lingua, Latin.

Human speech.

We may define language, if we consider it more materially, to be letters, forming and producing words and sentences; but if we consider it according to the design thereof, then language is apt signs for communication of thoughts. Holder. 2. The tongue of one nation as distinct

from others.

O! good my lord, no Latin; I am not such a truant since my coming As not to know the language I have liv'd in. Shakspeare.

He not from Rome alone, but Greece, Like Jason, brought the golden fleece; To him that language, though to none Of th' others, as his own was known.

Denham.

3. Style; manner of expression. Though his language should not be refin'd, It must not be obscure and impudent, Roscommon.

Others for language all their care express, And value books, as women, men, for dress: Their praise is still — the style is excellent; The sense, they humbly take upon content. Pope.

4. A nation distinguished by their language.

To you it is commanded, O people, nations. and languages, that at what time ye hear the sound of the cornet, &c. ye fall down and worship the golden image that Nebuchadnezzar the king hath Dan. iii. 4, 5.

To LA'NGUAGE.* v. a. [from the noun.] To give language to; to express. Not

now in use.

A new dispute there lately rose Betwixt the Greekes and Latines, whose Temples should be bound with glory In best languaging this story. Lovelace, Luc. p. 82.

LA'NGUAGED. † adj. [from the noun.]

1. Knowing language; using language properly or gracefully. Not eloquent, nor well-languaged, [indisertus.]

Barret in V. Eloquent. They are the only knowing men in Europe,

The only languag'd men of all the world. B. Jonson, Fox.

2. Having various languages.

He wand'ring long a wider circle made, And many languag'd nations has survey'd. Pope.

LA'NGUAGE-MASTER. n. s. [language and master.] One whose profession is to teach languages.

The third is a sort of language-master, who is to instruct them in the style proper for a minister.

thing cut in the form of a tongue.

LA'NGUID. adj. [languidus, Latin.]

1. Faint; weak; feeble.

Whatever renders the motion of the blood languid, disposeth to an acid acrimony; what accele rates the motion of the blood, disposeth to an alkaline acrimony. Arbuthnot.

No space can be assigned so vast, but still a larger may be imagined; no motion so swift or languid, but a greater velocity or slowness may still be conceived.

2. Dull; heartless.

I'll hasten to my troops, And fire their languid souls with Cato's virtue.

Addison

LA'NGUIDLY. adv. [from languid.] Weakly; feebly.

The menstruum work'd as languidly upon the coral, as it did before.

LA'NGUIDNESS. † n. s. [from languid.] Weakness; feebleness; want of strength. Many sick, and keep up; colds without coughing or running at the nose; only a languidness and faintness. Life of A. Wood, (an 1678,) p. 273.

To LA'NGUISH. † v. n. [languir, French; langueo, Latin; from the Greek λαγγέω, to be weary.

1. To grow feeble; to pine away; to lose strength.

Let her languish A drop of blood a-day; and, being aged, Die of this folly.

Shakspeare, Cymb. We and our fathers do languish of such dis-2 Esdr.

2. To be no longer vigorous in motion; not to be vivid in appearance.

3. To sink or pine under sorrow, or any slow passion.

The land shall mourn, and every one that dwelleth therein shall languish. Hosea, iv. 3.

I have been talking with a suitor here, A man that languishes in your displeasure.

Shakspeare, Othello. I was about fifteen when I took the liberty to chuse for myself, and have ever since languished under the displeasure of an inexorable father.

Addison, Spect. Let Leonora consider, that, at the very time in which she tanguishes for the loss of her deceased lover, there are persons just perishing in a ship-Addison, Spect.

4. To look with softness or tenderness. What poems think you soft, and to be read With languishing regards, and bending head?

To LA'NGUISH.* v. a. To make feeble; to cause to droop; to depress; to wear out.

What man who knows What woman is, yea, what she cannot choose But must be, will his free hours languish out

For assur'd bondage? Shakspeare, Cymbeline. That he might satisfy, or languish, that burning flame.

Florio, Tr. of Montaigne, (1613,) p. 495. Cyllenius spies

How leaden sleep had seal'd up all his eyes; Then, silent, with his magick rod he strokes Their languish'd lights, which sounder sleep pro-Sandys, Ovid's Met. B. 1.

The languish'd mother's womb Was not long a living tomb.

Milton, Epit. March. of Winchester. Like a neglected rose,

It withers on the stalk with languish'd head. Milton, Comus.

His words their drooping cheer Enlighten'd, and their languish'd hope reviv'd. Milton, P. L.

The troops with hate inspir'd, Their darts and clamour at a distance drive, And only keep the languish'd war alive. Dryden.

LA'NGUISH. † n. s. [from the verb.]

1. Act or state of pining.

One desperate grief cures with another's lan-Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul.

2. Soft appearance. And the blue languish of soft Allia's eye. Pope. Then forth he walks,

Beneath the trembling languish of her beam, With soften'd soul. Thomson, Spring.

LA'NGUISHER.* n. s. [from languish.] One who pines or languishes.

These unhappy languishers in obscurity should be furnished with such accounts of the employments of people of the world, as may engage them in their several remote corners to a laudable imi-

Mrs. E. Carter, in Dr. Johnson's Rambler, No. 100.

LA'NGUISHING.* n. s. [from languish.] Feebleness; loss of strength.

There is a remedy approv'd, set down To cure the desperate languishings, whereof The king is render'd lost. Shakspeare, All's Well. What can we expect, but that her languishings should end in death?

Decay of Chr. Piety. LA'NGUISHINGLY. † adv. [from languishing.] 1. Weakly; feebly; with feeble softness. Leave such to tune their own dull rhimes, and

know What's roundly smooth, or languishingly slow.

2. Dully; tediously.

Alas! my Dorus, thou seest how long and languishingly the weeks are past over since our last talking. 3. With soft appearance.

Not Titian's pencil ere could so array, So fleece with clouds the pure ethereal space; Ne could it e'er such melting forms display, As loose on flowery beds all languishingly lay Thomson, Castle of Indolence, C. 1.

LA'NGUISHMENT. n. s. [languissemment, French; from languish.]

1. State of pining.

By that count, which lovers' books invent, The sphere of Cupid forty years contains; Which I have wasted in long languishment, That seem'd the longer for my greater pains.

2. Softness of mien.

Humility it expresses, by the stooping or bending of the head; languishment, when we hang it on one side.

LA'NGUOR.† n. s. [languor, Latin; langueur, French. The early use of our word is in the sense of disease. Wicliffe renders, what in the present version is "taken with divers diseases and torments," St. Matt. iv. 24. "takum with dyverse languores and turmentis."]

1. Faintness; wearisomeness. Well hoped I, and fair beginnings had, That he my captive languor should redeem.

For these, these tribunes, in the dust I write My heart's deep languor, and my soul's sad tears.

2. Listlessness; inattention. Academical disputation gives vigour and briskness to the mind thus exercised, and relieves the

languor of private study and meditation Watts, Impr. of the Mind.

3. Softness; laxity. To isles of fragrance, lily-silver'd vales Diffusing languor in the panting gales.

Pope, Dunciad.

4. [In physick.]

Languor and lassitude signifies a faintness, which may arise from want or decay of spirits, through indigestion, or too much exercise; or from an additional weight of fluids, from a diminution of secretion by the common discharges. Quincey.

La'nguorous. adj. [languereux, Fr.] Tedious; melancholy. Not in use.

Dear lady, how shall I declare thy case,

Whom late I left in languorous constraint?

Spenser.

To LA'NGURE.* v. n. [from langueo, Lat.] To languish. "Languering in care, sorrow, or thought." Huloet. Not now

Now wil I speke of woful Damian, That langureth for love. Chaucer, March. Tale.

LA'NIARY.* n. s. [from lanio, Lat.] A Cockeram.

To LA'NIATE.† v. a. [lanio, Latin.] To tear in pieces; to quarter; to lacerate. Cockeram.

LA'NIFICE. n. s. [lanificium, Latin.] Woollen manufacture.

The moth breedeth upon cloth and other lanifices, especially if they be laid up dankish and Bacon, Nat. Hist.

LA'NIGEROUS. adj. [laniger, Latin.] Bearing wool.

LANK. adj. [lancke, Dutch.]

1. Loose; not filled up; not stiffened out; not fat; not plump; slender.

The commons hast thou rack'd; the clergy's

Are lank and lean with thy extortions. Shakspeare. Name not Winterface, whose skin's slack,

Lank, as an unthrift's purse. We let down into the receiver a great bladder well tied at the neck, but very lank, as not containing above a pint of air, but capable of containing ten times as much.

Moist earth produces corn and grass, but both Too rank and too luxuriant in their growth. Let not my land so large a promise boast, Lest the lank ears in length of stem be lost,

Now, now my bearded harvest gilds the plain. Thus dreams the wretch, and vainly thus dreams

Till his lank purse declares his money gone.

Meagre and lank with fasting grown, And nothing left but skin and bone; They just keep life and soul together, Swift.

2. Milton seems to use this word for faint;

He piteous of her woes, rear'd her lank head, And gave her to his daughters to imbathe In nectar'd lavers strew'd with asphodil.

To LANK.* v. n. [from the adjective.]
To become lank; to fall away.

All this Was borne so like a soldier, that thy cheek

So much as lank'd not. Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop.

LA'NKLY.* adv. [from lank.] Loosely;

When forty winters more Have furrow'd deep my pallid brow; When from my head, a scanty store, Lankly the wither'd tresses flow. Sir J. Hill, Song.

LA'NKNESS. † n. s. [from lank.] Want of plumpness.

it: there shall be a kind of lankness and depression within thy belly for very famine.

Stokes on the Proph. (1659.) p. 329.

LA'NKY.* adi. [from lank.] A vulgar expression to denote a tall thin person. LA'NNER. n. s. [lanier, Fr. lannarius,

Lat.] A species of hawk.

'Tis well if among them you can clearly make out a lanner, a sparrow-hawk, and a kestril.

Sir T. Brown, Miscell. p. 118. Here are - sundry other birds; as goshawks, Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 383. lannars, hobbies.

LA'NNERET. † n. s. A little hawk.

Of lanner, eagle, &c. are formed lanneret, eag-Butler, Eng. Gram. (1633.)

LANT.* n. s.

1. The old name for the game of loo. Still used in the north of England.

2. Urine. See the seventh sense of LAND. Common also in the north. Craven Dial. and Brockett.

LANTERLO'O.* See LANGTERALOO. LA'NSQUENET. n. s. [Fr. from lance and

knecht, Dutch.]

1. A common foot-soldier.

2. A game at cards.

LA'NTERN.† n. s. [lanterne, French; laterna, Latin: it is by mistake often written lanthorn. Dr. Johnson. - Lanthorn seems to have been written, from a confused notion that the name had some reference to the thin laminæ of horn of which it is frequently formed; quasi, lamp-horn. This etymology would infallibly be admitted, were the right one less known; and may serve as an instance of the fallacious nature of etymology. What could persuade an etymologist to give up such a derivation? especially if he recollected that a candle and lantern is called by Plautus " Vulcanus in cornu conclusus!" Nares, Elem. of Orthoepy, p. 295.]

1. A transparent case for a candle.

God shall be my hope, My stay, my guide, my lantern to my feet.

Shaksneare. Thou art our admiral; thou bearest the lantern in the poop, but 'tis in the nose of thee; thou art

the knight of the burning lamp.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. A candle lasteth longer in a lanthorn than at

large. Amongst the excellent acts of that king, none hath the pre-eminence, the erection and institution of a society, which we call Solomon's house; the noblest foundation that ever was, and the lanthorn of this kingdom, Bacon, Atlantis.

O thievish night, Why should'st thou, but for some felonious end, In thy dark lantern thus close up the stars,

That nature hung in heav'n, and fill'd their lamps With everlasting oil? Milton, Comus.

Vice is like a dark lanthorn, which turns its bright side only to him that bears it, but looks black and dismal in another's hand.

Gov: of the Tongue. Judge what a ridiculous thing it were, that the continued shadow of the earth should be broken by sudden miraculous eruptions of light, to prevent the art of the lantern-maker.

More, Divine Dialogues. Our ideas succeed one another in our minds, not much unlike the images in the inside of a lanthorn, turned round by the heat of a candle.

Thou shalt eat, but thou shalt not thrive with 12. A lighthouse; a light hung out to guide ships.

Caprea, where the lanthorn fix'd on high, Shines like a moon through the benighted sky, While by its beams the wary sailor steers. Addis.

3. In architecture, a kind of little dome raised over a large one, or over the roof of a building; a sort of turret full of windows, by means of which the building is illuminated. [lanternium, low Latin.

It [the saint's bell] was usually placed where it might be heard farthest, in a lantern at the springing of the steeple.

Warton, Hist. of Kiddington, p. 8. LA'NTERN Jaws. A term used of a thin visage, such as if a candle were burning

in the mouth, might transmit the light. Being very lucky in a pair of long lanthornjaws, he wrung his face into a hideous grimace. Addison, Spect.

Lanu'ginous. adj. [lanuginosus, Latin.] Downy; covered with soft hair.

LA'NYARDS.* n. s. pl. In naval language, small ropes or short pieces of cord, fastened to several machines in a ship; and serving to secure them in a particular

Call all hands to clear the wreck, Quick the lanyards cut to pieces.

G. A. Stevens, The Storm.

LAP.† n. s. [læppe, lappa, Saxon; lappe, German; lapp, pannus, Su. Goth.]

I. The loose part of a garment, which may be doubled at pleasure.

He can so lightly catche him in his trappe, Til that a man be hent right by the lappe.

Chaucer, Sec. Nonne's Tale. If a joint of meat falls on the ground, take it up gently, wipe it with the lap of your coat, and then put it into the dish. Swift, Direct. to a Footman.

2. The part of the clothes that is spread horizontally over the knees, as one sits down, so as any thing may lie in it. It feeds each living plant with liquid sap,

And fills with flowers fair Flora's painted lap.

Spenser. Upon a day, as love lay sweetly slumbering All in his mother's lap,

A gentle bee, with his loud trumpet murmuring, About him flew by hap. I'll make my haven in a lady's lap.

And witch sweet ladies with my words and looks. Shakspeare. She bids you

All on the wanton rushes lay you down, And rest your gentle head upon her lap And she will sing the song that pleaseth you. Shakspeare. Our stirring

Can from the lap of Egypt's widow pluck The ne'er-lust-wearied Antony. Sha Shakspeare. Heaven's almighty sire,

Melts on the bosom of his love, and pours Himself into her lap in fruitful showers. Crashaw.

Men expect that religion should cost them no pains, and that happiness should drop into their lans.

He struggles into breath, and cries for aid; Then, helpless, in his mother's lap is laid. He creeps, he walks, and issuing into man, Grudges their life from whence his own began : Retchless of laws, affects to rule alone, Anxious to reign, and restless on the throne.

Dryden.

To LAP. v. a. [from the noun.] Locke. 1. To wrap or twist round any thing.

When the bodi was taken, Joseph lapped it in a clene sandel. Wicliffe, St. Matt. xxvii.

He hath a long tail, which, as he descends from a tree, he laps round about the boughs to keep himself from falling. Grew, Museum.

About the paper, whose two halves were painted with red and blue, and which was stiff like thin pasteboard, I lapped several times a slender thread of very black silk.

2. To involve in any thing.

As through the flowering forest rash she fled, In her rude hairs sweet flowers themselves did lav. And flourishing fresh leaves and blossoms did en-

The thane of Cawder 'gan a dismal conflict, Till that Bellona's bridegroom, lapt in proof Confronted him. Shakspeare, Macbeth. When we both lay in the field,

Frozen almost to death, how he did lap me, Ev'n in his garments, and did give himself, All thin and naked to the numb cold night. Shakspeare.

Ever against eating cares, Milton, Il Pens. Lap me in soft Lydian airs. Indulgent fortune does her care employ, And smiling broods upon the naked boy Her garment spreads, and lans him in the folds,

And covers with her wings from nightly colds. Druden. Here was the repository of all the wise conten-

tions for power between the nobles and commons, lapt up safely in the bosom of a Nero and a Caligula.

To LAP. v. n. To be spread or turned over any thing.

The upper wings are opacous; at their hinder ends, where they lap over, transparent, like the wing of a fly.

To LAP. v. n. [lappian, Saxon; lappen, Dutch.] To feed by quick reciprocations of the tongue.

The dogs by the river Nilus' side being thirsty, lap hastily as they run along the shore.

Dieby on Bodies.

They had soups served up in broad dishes, and so the fox fell to lapping himself, and bade his guests heartily welcome.

The tongue serves not only for tasting, but for mastication and deglutition, in man, by licking; in the dog and cat kind by lapping Ray on Creation.

To LAP. † v. a. To lick up.

For all the rest They'll take suggestion as a cat laps milk.

Every one that lappeth of the water with his tongue, as a dog lappeth, him shalt thou set by himself. Judges, vii. 5. Upon a bull

Two horrid lyons rampt, and seiz'd, and tugg'd off, bellowing still,

Both men and dogs came; yet they tore the hide and lapt their fill. Chapman, Iliad.

LA'PDOG. n. s. [lap and dog.] A little

dog, fondled by ladies in the lap.
One of them made his court to the lap-dog, to improve his interest with the lady. These, if the laws did that exchange afford,

Would save their lap-dog sooner than their lord.

Lap-dogs give themselves the rowsing shake, And sleepless lovers just at twelve awake. Pope.

LAPE'L.* n. s. [from lap.] That part of the coat which laps over; the facing. A modern word.

LA'PFUL. n. s. [lap and full.] As much as can be contained in the lap.

One found a wild vine, and gathered thereof wild gourds his lapful, and shred them into the pot of pottage,

Will four per cent, increase the number of lenders? if it will not, then all the plenty of money these conjurers bestow upon us, is but like the gold and silver which old women believe other conjurers bestow by whole lapfulls on poor credulous girls.

LA'PICIDE. n. s. [lapicida, Latin.] A stonecutter. Dict.

who deals in stones or gems.

A false diamond is not set in a ring without a subtill foyle, in such wise as the deceit of the deceiver may hardly be discovered without the help of an expert lapidary

Knight, Trial of Truth, (1580,) fol. 22. As a cock was turning up a dunghill, he espied a diamond: Well (says he) this sparkling foollery now to a lapidary would have been the making of him; but, as to any use of mine, a barley-corn

had been worth forty on't. L'Estrange. Of all the many sorts of the gem kind reckoned up by the lapidaries, there are not above three or four that are original. Woodward, Nat. Hist.

LA'PIDARY.* adj. Monumental; inscribed

See two sermons preached on occasion of bishop Gunning's death, and in Dr. Jenkin's lapidary verses prefixed to those sermons.

Life of Dr. Barwick, (1724,) Note, p. 40. A nobler eulogium than all the lapidary adulation of modern epitaphs. Connoisseur, No. 131. To LA PIDATE. v. a. [lapido, Latin.] To

stone; to kill by stoning. Dict. LAPIDA'TION. † n. s. [lapidatio, Lat. : lapidation, Fr.] A stoning.

All adulterers should be executed by lapidation: the ancienter punishment was burning: death always, though in divers forms.

Bp. Hall, Contempl. B. 4. LAPI'DEOUS. adj. [lapideus, Lat.] Stony; of the nature of stone.

There might fall down into the lapideous matter before it was concreted into a stone, some small toad, which might remain there imprisoned till the matter about it were condensed.

Ray on the Creation. LAPIDE'SCENCE. n. s. [lapidesco, Latin.] Stony concretion.

Of lapis ceratites, or cornu fossile, in subterraneous cavities, there are many to be found in Germany, which are but the lapidescencies, and putrefactive mutations of hard bodies.

Brown, Vulg. Err. LAPIDE'SCENT. + adj. [lapidescens, Latin] Growing or turning to stone.

Hardened by the air, or a certain lapidescent succus or spirit, which it meets with.

Evelyn.

LAPIDIFICA'TION. n. s. [lapidification, Fr.] The act of forming stones.

Induration or lapidification of substances more soft is another degree of condensation.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

LAPIDI'FICK. adj. [lapidifique, French.] Forming stones.

The atoms of the lapidifick, as well as saline principle, being regular, do concur in producing regular stones.

LA'PIDIST. n. s. [from lapides, Latin.] A dealer in stones or gems.

Hardness, wherein some stones exceed all other bodies, being exalted to that degree, that art in vain endeavours to counterfeit it, the factitious stores of chemists in imitation being easily detected by an ordinary lapidist. Ray.

LA'PIS. n. s. [Latin.] A stone. LA'PIS Lazuli.

The lapis lazuli, or azure stone, is a copper ore, very compact and hard, so as to take a high polish, and is worked VOL. II.

into a great variety of toys. It is found, in detached lumps, of an elegant blue colour, variegated with clouds of white, and veins of a shining gold colour; to it the painters are indebted for their beautiful ultra-marine colour, which is only a calcination of lapis lazuli. Hill.

LA'PIDARY. † n. s. [lapidaire, Fr.] One LA'PLING.* n. s. [from lap.] A term of contempt for one wrapped up in sensual

delights.

You must not stream out your youth in wine, and live a lapling to the silk and dainties. Hewytt, Serm. (1658,) p. 7.

LA'PPER. n. s. [from lap.]

1. One who wraps up.

They may be lappers of linen, and bailiffs of the manor.

2. One who laps or licks.

LA'PPET. n. s. [diminutive of lap.] The parts of a head dress that hang loose. How naturally do you apply your hands to each others lappets, and ruffles, and mantuas! Swift.

LAPSE. n. s. [lapsus, Latin.] 1. Flow; fall; glide; smooth course.

Round I saw Hill, dale, and shady woods, and sunny plains,

And liquid lapse of murmuring streams. Milton, P.L.

Notions of the mind are preserved in the memory, notwithstanding lapse of time. Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

2. Petty errour; small mistake; slight offence; little fault.

These are petty errours and minor lapses, not considerably injurious unto truth.

Brown, Vulg. Err. The weakness of human understanding all will confess; yet the confidence of most practically disowns it; and it is easier to persuade them of it from others' lapses than their own. Glanville, Scepsis.

This scripture may be usefully applied as a caution to guard against those lapses and failings, to which our infirmities daily expose us.

It hath been my constant business to examine whether I could find the smallest lapse in style or propriety through my whole collection, that I might send it abroad as the most finished piece.

3. Translation of right from one to an-

In a presentation to a vacant church, a layman ought to present within four months, and a clergy-man within six, otherwise a devolution, or lapse of right, happens. Ayliffe.

To Lapse. v. n. [from the noun.]

1. To glide slowly; to fall by degrees.

This disposition to shorten our words, by re-trenching the vowels, is nothing else but a tendency to lapse into the barbarity of those northern nations from whom we are descended, and whose languages labour all under the same defect.

Swift, Lett. to the Ld. Treasurer. 2. To fail in any thing; to slip; to commit a fault.

I have ever verified my friends, Of whom he's chief, with all the size that verity Would without lapsing suffer. Shakspeare, Coriol. To lapse in fulness

Is sorer than to lie for need; and falsehood Is worse in kings than beggars. Shakspeare, Cymb.

3. To slip as by inadvertency or mistake. Homer, in his characters of Vulcan and Thersites, has lapsed into the burlesque character, and departed from that serious air essential to an epick Addison.

To fall by the negligence of one proprietor to another.

If the archbishop shall not fill it up within six months ensuing, it lapses to the king.

Ayliffe, Parergon. 5. To fall from perfection, truth or faith. All publick forms suppose it the most principal, universal, and daily requisite to the lapsing state of human corruption. Decay of Chr. Piety.

To LAPSE*. v. a.

1. To suffer to slip; to suffer to fall or be

I returned a present answer - that I would either give, or lapse the benefice, as his majesty's gracious letters required of me.

Abp. Laud, Hist. of his Troub. p. 200. As an appeal may be deserted by the appellant's lapsing the term of law, so it may also be deserted by a lapse of the term of a judge. Ayliffe, Parergon.

2. To accuse; to convict of a fault. Dr. Johnson places the following example from Shakspeare under the verb neuter, with the definition of " to lose the proper time;" under which definition also he includes the preceding example from Ayliffe: but the verb in both is clearly active, and with different meanings.

The offence is not of such a bloody nature : -It might have since been answer'd in repaying What we took from them; which, for traffick's sake, Most of our city did; only myself stood out: For which, if I be lapsed in this place

I shall pay dear. Shakspeare, Twelfth Night. LA'PSED.* part. adj. [from lapse.]

1. Fallen by event.

If the legatee dies before the testator, the legacy is a lost or lapsed legacy. Blackstone. 2. Fallen from perfection, truth, or faith;

ruined; lost.

Once more I will renew His lapsed powers, though forfeit, and enthrall'd By sin to foul exorbitant desires.

A sprout of that fig tree which was to hide the nakedness of lapsed Adam. Decay of Chr. Piety. These were looked on as lapsed persons, and

great severities of penance were prescribed them, as appears by the canons of Ancyra. Stilling fleet. 3. Omitted or let slip by mistake or inad-

vertency. Let there be no wilful perversion of another's

meaning; no sudden seizure of a lapsed syllable to play upon it. LA'PSTONE.* n. s. A cobbler's stone, on

which he hammers his leather. Brockett's N. C. Words.

LA'PWING. † n. s. [lap and wing. Dr. Johnson. - The word was at first lapwink. So Huloet calls it, in his old dictionary. And so Gower, long before. "A lap-wynke made he was." Conf. Am. B. 5. And thus the Saxon lepepine, A clamorous bird with long wings.

The lapwing runs away with the shell on his Shakspeare, Hamlet. Ah! but I think him better than I say,

And yet would herein others eyes were worse: Far from her nest the lapwing cries away;

My heart prays for him, though my tongue do Shakspeare. And how in fields the lapwing Tereus reigns, The warbling nightingale in woods complains.

LA'PWORK. n. s. [lap and work.] Work in

which one part is interchangeably wrapped over the other.

A basket made of porcupine quills; the ground is a pack-thread caul woven, into which, by the Indian women, are wrought, by a kind of lap-work, the quills of porcupines, not split, but of the young ones intire; mixed with white and black in even and indented waves. Grew, Museum.

LAR.* n. s. [Latin.] An household god. Nor will she her dear Lar forget, Victorious by his benefit. Lovelace, Luc. Posth. p. 48.

On the holy hearth The Lars and Lemures moan with midnight plaint. Milton, Ode Nativ.

LA'RBOARD. n. s.

The left hand side of a ship, when you stand with your face to the head: opposed to the starboard. Or when Ulysses on the larboard shunn'd Charybdis, and by the other whirlpool steer'd.

Milton, P. L. Tack to the larboard, and stand off to sea, Veer starboard sea and land. Druden.

LA'RCENY. † n. s. [larcin, Fr.; latrocinium, Lat.

Theft; robbery: and it is twofold, viz. grand and petit, i.e. great and small; that, when what is stolen exceeds, this, when it exceeds not, twelve pence in in value. Bullokar.

Larciny, or theft, is distinguished by the law into two sorts; the one called simple larciny, unaccompanied with any other atrocious circumstance; and mixt or compound larciny, which also includes in it the aggravation of taking from one's house or person. Simple larciny, when it is the stealing of goods above the value of twelve pence is called grand larciny; when of goods to that value, or under, petty larciny. Blackstone.

Those laws would be very unjust, that should chastise murder and petty larceny with the same punishment. Spectator.

LARCH. n. s. [larix, Lat.] A tree.

Some botanical criticks tell us, the poets have not rightly followed the traditions of antiquity, in metamorphosing the sisters of Phaëton into poplars, who ought to have been turned into larch trees; for that it is this kind of tree which sheds a gum, and is commonly found on the banks of the Po. Addison on Italy.

LARD. † n. s. [lardum, Lat.; lard, Fr.]

1. The grease of swine.

So may thy pastures with their flow'ry feasts, As suddenly as lard fat thy lean beasts. 2. Bacon; the flesh of swine; salted pork.

By this the boiling kettle had prepar'd,

And to the table sent the smoaking lard; On which with eager appetite they dine, A savoury bit, that serv'd to relish wine. Dryden, Ovid.

The sacrifice they sped; Chopp'd off their nervous thighs, and next prepar'd To involve the lean in cauls, and mend with lard.

To LARD. v. a. [larder, French; from the

noun.]

1. To stuff with bacon.

The larded thighs on loaded altars laid. Dryden, Homer.

No man lards salt pork with orange peel, Or garnishes his lamb with spitch-cockt eel. King. 2. To fatten.

And with his nuts larded many swine. Spenser, Shep. Cul. Feb. Now Falstaff sweats to death,

And lards the lean earth as he walks along. Shukspeare.

Brave soldier, doth he lie Larding the plain? Shakspeare, Hen. V. Thirsting to revenge his naval ruins, that have larded our seas. Milton, Of Ref. B. 2

3. To mix with something else by way of

improvement.

An exact command, Larded with many several sorts of reasons.

Shakspeare, Hamlet. Let no alien interpose, To lard with wit thy hungry Epsom prose. Dryden.

He lards with flourishes his long harangue, 'Tis fine, sayst thou. Dryden. Swearing by heaven; the poets think this no-

thing, their plays are so much larded with it. Collier, View of the Stage.

To LARD. * v. n. To grow fat.

In the furrow by, where Ceres lies much spill'd, The unwieldy larding swine his maw then having fill'd.

Lies wallowing in the mire.

Drayton, Polyolb. S. 14. LA'RDER. n. s. [lardier, old French; from lard. The room where meat is kept or

This similitude is not borrowed of the larder house, but out of the school house.

Ascham, Schoolmaster. Flesh is ill kept in a room that is not cool; whereas in a cool and wet larder it will keep Bacon.

Dorset.

So have I seen in larder dark, Of veal a lucid loin.

Old age. Morose, perverse in humour, diffident The more he still abounds, the less content: His larder and his kitchen too observes, And now, lest he should want hereafter, starves.

LA'RDERER. n. s. [from larder.] One who | 3. Liberally; bounteously. has the charge of the larder.

A bit of LA'RDON. n. s. [French.] bacon.

LA'RDRY.* n. s. [from larder.] Place in which victuals are kept.

I have, sweet wench, a piece of cheese, as good as teeth may chaw,

And bread — and therewith all did draw His lardry. Warner, Albion's England, (1602).

LARE.* n. s. [Sax. lape, læpe.] Learning; scholarship. North of England. See

LARGE.† adj. [large, Fr.; largus, Lat.] 1. Big; bulky.

Charles II. asked me, What could be the reason, that in mountainous countries the men were commonly larger, and yet the cattle of all sorts smaller? Temple.

Great Theron, large of limbs, of giant height. Dryden.

Warwick, Leicester, and Buckingham, bear a large boned sheep of the best shape and deepest Mortimer. staple.

2. Wide; extensive.

Their former large peopling was an effect of the countries impoverishing. Carew, Surv. of Cornwall. Let them dwell in the land, and trade therein; for it is large enough for them. Gen. xxxiv. 21.

There he conquered a thousand miles wide and Abbot, Descrip. of the World.

3. Liberal; abundant; plentiful.

Thou shalt drink of thy sister's cup deep and

Vernal suns and showers Diffuse their warmest, largest influence. Thomson.

4. Comprehensive; great. Large hearts deride

This pent hypocrisy. More, Song of the Soul. That uxorious king, whose heart, though large, Beguil'd by fair idolatresses, fell To idols foul.

Copious ; diffuse.

Skippon gave a large testimony under his hand, that they had carried themselves with great civility. Clarendon,

I might be very large upon the importance and advantages of education, and say a great many things which have been said before.

Felton on the Classicks. 6. At LARGE. Without restraint; without

confinement.

If you divide a cane into two, and one speak at the one end, and you lay your ear at the other, it will carry the voice farther than in the air at large.

Thus incorporeal spirits to smallest forms Reduc'd their shapes immense; and were at large, Though without number still. Milton, P. L. The children are bred up in their father's way; or so plentifully provided for, that they are left at

Your zeal becomes importunate; I've hitherto permitted it to rave And talk at large; but learn to keep it in. Lest it should take more freedom than I'll give it.

Addison. 7. At Large. Diffusely; in the full ex-

Discover more at large what cause that was, For I am ignorant, and cannot guess. Shakspeare. It does not belong to this place to have that point

debated at large. LA'RGELY. adv. [from large.]

1. Widely; extensively.

2. Copiously; diffusely; amply. Where the author treats more largely, it will explain the shorter hints and brief intimations. Watts on the Mind.

How he lives and eats:

How largely gives, how splendidly he treats. Dryden.

Those who in warmer climes complain, From Phœbus' rays they suffer pain, Must own, that pain is largely paid By generous wines beneath the shade.

4. Abundantly; without sparing.

They their fill of love, and love's disport

Took largely; of their mutual guilt the seal. Milton, P. L.

LA'RGENESS. † n. s. [from large.] 1. Bigness; bulk.

London excels any other city in the whole world either in largeness, or number of in-

habitants. Nor must Bumastus his old honours lose, In length and largeness like the dugs of cows.

Dryden. 2. Liberality.

Out of covetyse into largenes.

Lib. Festiv. fol. 27. b.

3. Greatness; comprehension. There will be occasion for largeness of mind and

agreeableness of temper. Collier of Friendship. 4. Extension; amplitude.

They which would file away most from the largeness of that offer, do in most sparing terms acknowledge little less, Hooker,

The ample proposition that hope makes, In all designs begun on earth below,

Falls in the promised largeness. Shakspeare. Knowing best the largeness of my own heart toward my people's good and just contentment.

King Charles, Shall grief contract the largeness of that heart, In which nor fear nor anger has a part. Waller. Man as far transcends the beasts in largeness of desire, as dignity of nature and employment.

Glanville, Apology. If the largeness of a man's heart carry him beyond prudence, we may reckon it illustrious

weakness. L'Estrange. Milton, P. L. 5. Wideness.

Supposing that the multitude and largeness of rivers ought to continue as great as now; we can easily prove, that the extent of the ocean could be LARGEHEA'RTEDNESS.* n. s. Largeness of heart. See the fourth sense of LARGENESS.

In regard of reasonable and spiritual desires, the effects of this affection are large-heartedness, and liberality. Bp. Reynolds on the Passions, ch. 17.

La'rgess. n. s. [largesse, Fr.] 'A present;

a gift; a bounty. Our coffers with too great a court,

And liberal largess, are grown somewhat light.

He assigned two thousand ducats, for a bounty to me and my fellows: for they give great largesses where they come. Bacon, New Atlantis.

A pardon to the captain, and a largess Among the soldiers, had appeas'd their fury.

The paltry largess too severely watch'd, That no intruding guests usurp a share.

Dryden, Juv. Irus's condition will not admit of largesses. Addison

LARGI'TION. n. s. [largitio, Lat.] The act of giving. Dict. LA'RGO.* [Italian.] Musical LARGHE'TTO. terms, denoting a slow movement; of which the former means a little quicker than adagio, and the latter a little quicker than largo.

LARK. † n. s. [larenc, lapenc, Saxon; which Wachter deduces from the Celt. lief, voice, and orka, to avail; lerk, Danish; lawerick, Belg.; laverock, Scot. and also among our own old writers. A small singing bird.

It was the lark, the herald of the morn. Shaksp. Look up a height, the shrill-gorg'd lark so far Cannot be seen or heard. Shakspeare, K. Lear. Th' example of the heav'nly lark,

Thy fellow poet, Cowley, mark. · Cowley. Mark how the lark and linnet sing :

With rival notes They strain their warbling throats,

Dryden. To welcome in the spring. LA'RKER. n. s. [from lark.] A catcher of

Dict. LA'RKLIKE.* adj. [lark and like.] Re-

sembling the manner of a lark. Pride, like an eagle, builds among the stars, But pleasure, larklike, nests upon the ground.

Young, Night Th. 5.

LA'RKSHEEL.* n. s. A name for the flower called Indian cress.

The Indian-cress our climate now does bear, Call'd lurksheel 'cause he wears a horseman's spur. Tate's Cowley.

LA'RKSPUR. † n. s. [delphinium.] A plant. With the same weapon, larkspur, thou dost mount

Amongst the flowers, a knight of high account. Tate's Cowley.

LA'RVATED. adj. [larvatus, Lat.] Masked. Dict.

LA'RUM. n. s. [from alarum or alarm.]

1. Alarm; noise noting danger.

His larum bell might loud and wide be heard, When cause requir'd, but never out of time.

The peaking cornute, her husband, dwelling in a continual larum of jealousy, comes to me in the instant of our encounter,

Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor. How far off lie these armies?

- Within a mile and half.

- Then shall we hear their larum, and they ours. Shakspeare. She is become formidable to all her neighbours, as she puts every one to stand upon his guard, and have a continual larum bell in his ears. Howell, Voc. Forest.

2. An instrument that makes a noise at a certain hour.

Of this nature was that larum, which, though it were but three inches big, yet would both wake a man, and of itself light a candle for him at any Wilkins.

I see men as lusty and strong that eat but two meals a day, as others, that have set their stomachs, like larums, to call on them for four or five. Locke on Education.

The young Æneas, all at once let down, Stunn'd with his giddy larum half the town.

Pope, Dunciad. LARY'NGOTOMY. n. s. [λάρυγξ and τέμνω; laryngotomie, Fr.] An operation where the fore part of the larynx is divided to assist respiration during large tumours upon the upper parts; as in a quinsey. Quincy.

LA'RYNX.† n. s. [λάρυγξ.]

1. The upper part of the trachea, which lies below the root of the tongue, before the pharynx.

There are thirteen muscles for the motion of the five cartilages of the larynx. Derham. 2. In botany, the larch.

in this country, as the white pine, or common Scotch fir.

Drummond, Trav. (Lett. dat. 1744,) p. 16.

La'scar.* n. s. A native seaman, or a native gunner, of India.

LASCIVIENCY.* n.s. [from lasciviens, Lat.] Wantonness.

Men, by letting themselves loose to all manner of wretchedness and debauchery, through the potent and enormous lasciviency of the bodily life, quite lose the relish and grateful sense of true goodness and nobility.

Hallywell, Melampr. (1681,) p. 9. LASCI'VIENT. † adj. [lasciviens, Lat.] Fro-

licksome; wantoning. The various toyings — of the lascivient life.

More, Conj. Cabb. (1653,) p. 46.

Lasci'vious. adj. [lascivus, Lat.]

1. Lewd; lustful. In what habit will you go along?

- Not like a woman; for I would prevent The loose encounters of lascivious men. Shaksp. He on Eve

Began to cast lascivious eyes; she him As wantonly repaid; in lust they burn.

Milton, P. L. Notwithstanding all their talk of reason and philosophy, and those unanswerable difficulties which, over their cups, they pretend to have against christianity; persuade but the covetous man not to deify his money, the lascivious man to throw off his lewd amours, and all their giant-like objections against christianity shall presently vanish.

2. Wanton; soft; luxurious. Grim-visag'd war hath smooth'd his wrinkl'd

front; And now, instead of mounting barbed steeds, To fright the souls of fearful adversaries,

He capers nimbly in a lady's chamber, To the lascivious pleasing of a lute.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. LASCI'VIOUSLY. † adv. [from lascivious.]

Lewdly; wantonly; loosely. Many men are so lasciviously given, either out of a depraved nature, or too much liberty. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 606

Lasciviously decked like a courtesan. Wotton on Architecture.

She looked upon him amorously, or rather lasciviously. Patrick on Gen. xxxix. 9.

LASCI'VIOUSNESS. n. s. [from lascivious.] Wantonness; looseness.

The reason pretended by Augustus was the lasciviousness of his elegies, and his art of love.

Dryden, Pref. to Ovid.

LASH. † n. s. [The most probable etymology of this word seems to be that of Skinner, from schlagen, Dutch, to strike; whence slash and lash. Dr. Johnson. -Mr. H. Tooke gives a very different and forced etymon, to which few will subscribe: he calls a lash, Fr. lasche, that part of a whip which is let loose, let go, cast out, thrown out; the past participle of Fr. lascher, Ital. lasciare. Divers. of Purley, ii. 32. - It is the German laschen, to lash; lasche, is a flap, a bit of leather, a leash.]

1. A stroke with any thing pliant and tough.

From hence are heard the groans of ghosts, the

Of sounding lashes, and of dragging chains. Rous'd by the lash of his own stubborn tail.

Our lion now will foreign foes assail. Druden. The larynx is as frequent upon the mountains 2. The thong or point of the whip which gives the cut or blow.

Her whip of cricket's bone, her lash of film, Her waggoner a small grey-coated gnat.

Shakspeare. I observed that your whip wanted a lash to it. Addison.

3. A leash or string in which an animal is held; a snare: out of use. The farmer they leave in the lash,

With losses on every side. Tusser, Husbandry. 4. A stroke of satire; a sarcasm.

The moral is a lash at the vanity of arrogating that to ourselves which succeeds well.

To Lash. v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To strike with any thing pliant; to scourge.

Let's whip these stragglers o'er the seas again, Lash hence these over-weening rags of France. Shakspeare.

He charg'd the flames, and those that disobey'd He lash'd to duty with his sword of light.

And limping death, lash'd on by fate, Comes up to shorten half our date. Dryden, Hor. Stern as tutors, and as uncles hard,

We lash the pupil, and defraud the ward. Dryden, Pers. Leaning on his lance, he mounts his car,

His fiery coursers lashing through the air, Garth, Ovid.

2. To move with a sudden spring or jerk. The club hung round his ears, and batter'd

He falls; and lashing up his heels, his rider throws. Dryden.

3. To beat; to strike with a sharp sound. The winds grow high,

Impending tempests charge the sky; The lightning flies, the thunder roars, And big waves lash the frighted shores.

4. To scourge with satire. Could pension'd Boileau lash in honest strain,

Flatt'rers and bigots ev'n in Louis' reign.

5. To tie any thing down to the side or mast of a ship: properly to lace.

To LASH. + v. n. To ply the whip, or any weapon held in the hand,

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He through long sufferance growing now more

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Rose in his strength, and gan her fresh assayle, Heaping huge strokes as thicke as showre of havle,

And lashing dreadfully at ev'ry part, As if he thought her soul to disentrayle.

Spenser, F. Q. iv. vi. 16. They lash aloud, each other they provoke, And lend their little souls at ev'ry stroke.

Gentle or sharp, according to thy choice, To laugh at follies, or to lash at vice. Dryd. Pers. Let men out of their way lash on ever so fast, they are not at all the nearer their journey's end.

Wheels clash with wheels, and bar the narrow

The lashing whip resounds: Gay, Trivia. LASH-FREE.* adj. [lash and free.] Free from the stroke of satire.

I with this whip you see Do lash the time, and am myself lash-free.

B. Jonson, Masques. To LASH out.* v. n. [perhaps from the Goth. lausjan, to let loose.] To break out; to be extravagant; to become unruly. Our old lexicographers, Huloet and Barret, give the word with out; but it is also used in this sense by itself.

We know not what rich joys we lose, when first we lash into a new offence. Feltham, Res. ii. 40. A pious education may lay such strong fetters, such powerful restrictions upon the heart, that it shall not be able to lash out into those excesses and enormities, which the more licentious and de-

bauched part of the world wallow in. South, Serm. x. 347.

LA'SHER. + n. s. [from lash.]

1. One that whips or lashes. Sherwood. 2. A great quantity of water thrown forcibly. A colloquial word. In Scotland lash is the same. See Dr. Jamieson's Suppl. in voce.

LA'SHING out.* n. s. [from lash.] Extravagance; unruliness.

The lashings out of his luxury.

South, Serm. ix. 72. LASK.* n. s. [from laxus, Lat.] A looseness; a lax, as our old dictionaries call it; a flux. It is still spoken of cattle. A grave and learned minister, was one day,

as he walked in the fields for his recreation, suddenly taken with a laske or looseness.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 99. LASS. n. s. [from lad is formed laddess, by contraction lass. Hickes.] A girl; a maid; a young woman: used now only of mean girls.

Now was the time for vigorous lads to show What love or honour could invite them to; A goodly theatre, where rocks are round With reverend age, and lovely lasses crown'd.

Waller. A girl was worth forty of our widows; and an honest, down-right, plain-dealing lass it was L'Estrange.

They sometimes an hasty kiss Steal from unwary lasses; they with scorn, And neck reclin'd, resent.

LA'ssitude, † n. s. [lassitudo, Latin; lassitude, French. This word seems to have been established about 1540. Sir T. Elyot, speaking of "two dyscrasies of the body, crudity and lassitude," says, " which althoughe they be wordes made of Latyne, havynge none apte Englyshe worde therefore, yet by the definitions 6. Utmost.

and more ample declaration of them they shall be understanded sufficiently, and from henceforthe used for Englishe. Castel of Health, 1541, fol. 74. b.]

1. Weariness; fatigue; the pain arising from hard labour.

Lassitude is remedied by bathing, or anointing with oil and warm water; for all lassitude is a kind of contusion and compression of the parts; and bathing and anointing give a relaxation or Bacon, Nat. Hist. emollition.

Assiduity in cogitation is more than our embodied souls can bear without lassitude or dis-Glanville, Scepsis. temper.

She lives and breeds in air; the largeness and lightness of her wings and tail sustain her with-

More, Antid. against Atheism. out lassitude. Do not over-fatigue the spirits, lest the mind be seized with a lassitude, and thereby be tempted to nauseate, and grow tired.

Watts, Impr. of the Mind. From mouth and nose the bring torrent ran, And lost in lassitude lay all the man.

2. [In physick.]

Lassitude generally expresses that weariness which proceeds from a distempered state, and not from exercise, which wants no remedy but rest: it proceeds from an increase of bulk, from a diminution of proper evacuation, or from too great a consumption of the fluid necessary to maintain the spring of the solids, as in fevers; or from a vitiated secretion of that juice, whereby the fibres are not supplied.

Quincy. LA'SSLORN. n. s. [lass and lorn.] Forsaken by his mistress. Not used.

Broom groves, Whose shadow the dismissed batchelor loves, Being lasslorn. Shakspeare, Tempest.

LAST. adj. [latert, lart, Saxon; laatst, Dutch.]

1. Latest; that which follows all the rest in time.

Why are ye the last to bring the king back? 2 Sam. xix. 11.

O, may some spark of your celestial fire, The last, the meanest of your sons inspire! Pope. 2. Hindmost: which follows in order of

Merion pursued at greater distance still, Last came Admetus, thy unhappy son.

3. Beyond which there is no more. I will slay the last of them with the sword.

Unhappy slave, and pupil to a bell, Unhappy to the last the kind releasing knell.

The swans, that on Cayster often tried Their tuneful songs, now sung their last, and

Addison. O! may fam'd Brunswick be the last, The last, the happiest British king,

Whom thou shalt paint, or I shall sing. Addison. But while I take my last adieu,

Heave thou no sigh, nor shed a tear. Here, last of Britons, let your names be read. Pope.

Wit not alone has shone on ages past, But lights the present, and shall warm the last.

4. The lowest; the meanest. Antilochus Takes the last prize, and takes it with a jest.

5. Next before the present; as, last week.

Fools ambitiously contend For wit and power; their last endeavours bend To outshine each other. Druden, Lucret.

7. At LAST. In conclusion; at the end. Gad a troop shall overcome him; but he shall overcome at the last. Gen. xlix. 19. Thus weather-cocks, that for a while

Have turn'd about with every blast, Grown old and destitute of oil,

Rust to a point, and fix at last. Freind

8. The LAST; the end.

All politicians chew on wisdom past, And blunder on in business to the last. Pope. LAST. adv. 1. The last time; the time next before

the present. How long is't now since last yourself and I

Were in a mask? Shakspeare. When last I died, and, dear! I die

As often as from thee I go, I can remember yet that I

Something did say, and something did bestow. Donne.

2. In conclusion. Pleas'd with his idol, he commends, admires,

Adores; and, last, the thing ador'd desires. To en-To Last. v. n. [lartan, Saxon.]

dure; to continue; to persevere. All more lasting than beautiful.

I thought it agreeable to my affection to your grace to prefix your name before the essays: for the Latin volume of them, being in the universal language, may last as long as books last. Bacon. With several degrees of lasting, ideas are im-

printed on the memory. These are standing marks of facts delivered by those who are eye-witnesses to them, and which were contrived with great wisdom to last till time

should be no more. LAST. + n. s. [larce, lært, Sax. the mould for a shoe-maker to work on; laist, Germ. the form or shape of the foot, from the old word leissen, to imitate. Wachter; or from the Goth. laistjan, to

follow.] 1. The mould on which shoes are formed. The cobbler is not to go beyond his last.

L'Estrange. A cobbler produced several new grins, having been used to cut faces over his last.

Addison, Spect. Should the big last extend the shoe too wide, Each stone would wrench th' unwary step aside.

2. A load; a certain weight or measure; a measure of corn, consisting of ten quarters. This usage is common in our eastern counties, and is also found in the north; [hlære, Sax. last, German.]

LA'STERY. n. s. A red colour. The bashful blood her snowy cheeks did spread, That her became as polish'd ivory

Which cunning craftsman's hand hath overlaid, With fair vermilion, or pure lastery.

LAS'TAGE. † n. s. [lestage, Fr. lastagie, Dutch, hlært, Sax. a load.]

1. Custom paid for freightage. 2. Ballast for a ship.

Huloet. LA'STAGED.* adj. [from the noun.] Bal-Huloet. lasted.

LA'STING. participial adj. [from last.]

1. Continuing; durable. Every violence offered weakens and impairs, and renders the body less durable and lasting.

Ray on the Creation. 2. Of long continuance; perpetual.

groes sometimes have lasting white ones.

Boyle on Colours.

The grateful work is done, The seeds of discord sow'd, the war begun : Frauds, fears, and fury, have possess'd the state, And fix'd the causes of a lasting hate.

Dryden, Æn. A sinew cracked seldom recovers its former strength, and the memory of it leaves a lasting caution in the man, not to put the part quickly again to any robust employment. Locke.

LA'STINGLY. † adv. [from lasting.] Per-

petually; durably.

It is an art now lately studied by some so to incorporate wine and oil, that they may lastingly hold together. Sir T. Brown, Miscell. p. 15.

LA'STINGNESS. n. s. [from lasting.] Durableness; continuance.

All more lasting than beautiful, but that the consideration of the exceeding lastingness made the eye believe it was exceeding beautiful. Sidney. Consider the lastingness of the motions excited in the bottom of the eye by light. Newton, Opticks.

LA'STLY. adv. [from last.]

1. In the last place.

I will justify the quarrel; secondly, balance the forces; and, lastly, propound variety of designs for choice, but not advise the choice.

Bacon, War with Spain.

2. In the conclusion; at last; finally. LATCH. † n. s. [letse, Teut. laccio, Italian. Dr. Johnson. - The past participle of

the Sax. læccan, to lay hold of, to catch. Mr. H. Tooke.] A catch of a door moved by a string, or a handle.

The latch mov'd up. Gay, Pastorals. Then comes rosy health from her cottage of of thatch,

Where never physician had lifted the latch. Smart.

To LATCH. v. a. 1. To catch. [læccan, Sax.] It is thus

used in the north of England. Pumy stones I hastily hent And threw; but nought availed: He was so wimble and so wight,

From bough to bough he leaped light, And oft the pumies latched.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. March. It is we that should have been smitten with these sorrows by the fierce wrath of God, had not he stepped between the blow and us, and latched it in his own body and soul, even the dint of the fierceness of the wrath of God.

Bp. Andrews, Serm. on the Passion. I have words,

That would be howl'd out in the desert air, Where hearing should not latch them.

Shakspeare, Macbeth. Of a man that latches the weapon in his own

body to save his prince. Bp. Hall, Cases of Consc. ii. 10.

2. To fasten; to fasten with a latch. He popt him in and his basket did latch.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. May. He had strength to reach his father's house; the door was only latched; and, when he had the latch in his hand, he turned about his head to see his pursuer.

3. [Lecher, French.] To smear. But hast thou yet latch'd the Athenian's eyes With the love juice, as I did bid thee do ?

LA'TCHES. n. s.

Latches or laskets, in a ship, are small lines like loops, fastened by sewing into the bonnets and drablers of a ship, in order to lace the bonnets to the courses, or the drablers to the bonnets. Harris.

White parents may have black children, as ne- | LA'TCHET. n. s. [lacet, Fr. from latch.] The | 5. Of late; lately; in times past; near the string that fastens the shoe.

There cometh one mightier than I, the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to unloose.

LATE. † adj. [lat, læt, late, Saxon; latr, Icel. lata, M. Goth. lat, Su. Goth. laet, Dutch; in the comparative latter for later, in the superlative latest or last. Last is absolute and definite, more than latest.7

1. Contrary to early; slow; tardy; long delayed.

My hasting days flie on with full career, But my late spring no bud nor blossom sheweth. Milton, Sonnet.

Just was the vengeance, and to latest days Shall long posterity resound thy praise.

Pope, Odyss.

2. Last in any place, office, or character. All the difference between the late servants, and those who staid in the family, was, that those latter were finer gentlemen. Addison, Spect.

3. Last in time; as, of late days, of late

4. The deceased; within a moderate period. Thus Dr. Johnson illustrates it by "the works of the late Mr. Pope;" and we may say, "the works of the late Dr. Johnson."

5. Far in the day or night.

LATE. adv.

I. After long delays; after a long time. It is used often with too, when the proper time is past.

O boy ! thy father gave thee life too soon, And hath bereft thee of thy life too late.

A second Silvius after these appears, Silvius Æneas, for thy name he bears For arms and justice equally renown'd, Who late restor'd in Alba shall be crown'd.

Dryden, Æn. He laughs at all the giddy turns of state,

When mortals search too soon, and fear too late. Dryden. The later it is before any one comes to have these ideas, the later also will it be before he comes

to those maxims. I might have spared his life,

Philips, Distr. Mother. But now it is too late.

2. In a later season.

To make roses, or other flowers, come late, is an experiment of pleasure; for the antients esteemed much of the rosa sera. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

There be some flowers which come more early, and others which come more late, in the year. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

3. Lately; not long ago. They arrived in that pleasant isle,

Where, sleeping late, she left her other knight. Spenser, F. Q.

In reason's absence fancy wakes, Ill-matching words and deeds long past or late. Milton, P. L.

The goddess with indulgent cares, And social joys, the late transform'd repairs. Pope. From fresh pastures, and the dewy field, The lowing herds return, and round them throng With leaps and bounds the late imprison'd young. Pope.

4. Far in the day or night.

Was it so late, friend, ere you went to bed, That you do lie so late?

- Sir, we were carousing till the second cock. Shakspeare.

Late the nocturnal sacrifice begun, Nor ended till the next returning sun.

Dryden, Æn.

present. Late, in this phrase seems to be an adjective.

Who but felt of late? Milton, P. L. Men have of late made use of a pendulum, as a more steady regulator. Locke.

To LATE.* v. a. [leita, Icelandick.] To

seek; to search. Used in Cumberland. LA'TED. † adj. [from late.] Belated; surprised by the night.

Cupid abroad was lated in the night.

Greene's Orpharion, (1599.)

I am so lated in the world, that I Have lost my way for ever. Shaks. Ant. & Cleop. The west yet glimmers with some streaks of day: Now spurs the lated traveller apace To gain the timely inn.

Shakspeare, Macbeth. LA'TELY. adv. [from late.] Not long ago. Paul found a certain Jew named Aquila, lately come from Italy. Acts, xviii, 1.

LA'TENCY.* n. s. [from latens, Latin.] The state of being hidden; obscurity; abstruseness.

Pity it is, they should continue in the obscure darkness of latency, and the opack shades of silence. Epist. Ded. to Hewyt's Serm. (1658.)

The undesignedness of the coincidencies is gathered from their latency, their minuteness, their obliquity, the suitableness of the circumstances in which they consist to the places in which those circumstances occur, and the circuitous references by which they are traced out.

Paley, View of the Evid. of the Chr. Rel. vol. ii. P. ii. ch. vii.

LA TENESS. † n. s. [from late.]

1. Time far advanced.

Lateness in life might be improper to begin the world with. Swift to Gay.

2. Comparatively modern time.

If it could be made appear that the kesitah [a Canaanite coin] was of gold in the time when the author of the Book of Job wrote, it would be a farther proof of the lateness of that composition. Costard's Dissert. (Ox. 1750,) p. 29.

LA'TENT. adj. [latens, Latin.] Hidden; concealed; secret.

If we look into its retired movements, and more secret latent springs, we may there trace out a steady hand producing good out of evil. Woodward, Nat. Hist.

Who drinks, alas! but to forget; nor sees,

That melancholy sloth, severe disease, Mem'ry confus'd, and interrupted thought,

Death's harbingers, lie latent in the draught. Prior.
What were Wood's visible costs I know not. and what were his latent is variously conjectured.

LA'TERAL. adj. [lateral, Fr.; lateralis, Latin.]

1. Growing out on the side; belonging to the side.

Why may they not spread their lateral branches, till their distance from the centre of gravity depress

The smallest vessels, which carry the blood by lateral branches, separate the next thinner fluid or serum, the diameters of which lateral branches are less than the diameters of the blood-vessels.

Arbuthnot on Aliments.

2. Placed or acting on the side. Forth rush the Levant and the Ponent winds

Eurus and Zephyr, with their lateral noise, Sirocco and Libecchio. Milton, Milton, P. L.

LATERA'LITY. n. s. [from lateral.] quality of having distinct sides. We may reasonably conclude a right and left

laterality in the ark, or naval edifice of Noah.

Brown.

LA'TERALLY. adv. [from lateral.] By the | 2. A barn. [perhaps from late, quæ frügi- | LA'TINLY.* adv. [from Latin.] So as side: sidewise.

The days are set laterally against the columns of the golden number. Holder on Time.

LA'TERED.* part. adj. Flacian, Sax. latian. Goth. to delay.] Delayed.

When a man is latered or taryed.

Chaucer, Pars. Tale.

LATERI'TIOUS.* adj. [lateritius, Latin.] Resembling brick:

The urine was variable, of a deep saturate colour, when the fever was sensibly high, with a lateritious, dusky, or dark sediment sometimes.

Cheyne, Eng. Malady, (1733,) p. 317. LA'TEWARD.* adj. [late and peaps, Sax.]

Backward; as lateward hay, lateward Huloet.

LA'TEWARD. adv. [late and peaps, Saxon.] Somewhat late.

LATH. † n. s. lacca, Saxon; late, latte, French; from the Franc. lidon, to cut; lida, Icel. to cut into small pieces. Wachter. With as much probability from the Icel. lad, order, structure; hlada or lada, to build, to lay in order. Serenius. Our northern word for lath is at present lat.] A small long piece of wood used to support the tiles of houses.

With dagger of lath. Shakspeare, Tw. Night. Penny-royal and orpin they use in the country to trim their houses, binding it with a lath or stick, and setting it against a wall. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Laths are made of heart of oak for outside work, as tiling and plastering; and of fir for inside plastering and pantile lathing. Mozon, Mech. Exer. The god who frights away,

With his lath sword, the thieves and birds of prey.

To LATH. v. a. [latter, Fr. from the noun.]

To fit up with laths. A small kiln, consists of an oaken frame, lathed on every side. Mortimer, Husbandry.

The plasterers work is commonly done by the yard square for lathing. Mortimer, Husbandry.

LATH. † n. s. [læð, Saxon. It is explained by Du Cange, I suppose from Spelman, Portio comitatus major tres vel plures hundredas continens. So Blackstone: "In some counties there is an intermediate division between the shire and the hundred, as laths in Kent, and rapes in Sussex; each of them containing three or four hundreds a piece." In Ireland, a portion less than the hundred.] A part of a county.

If all that tything failed, then all that lath was charged for that tything; and if the lath failed, then all that hundred was demanded for them; and if the hundred, then the shire, who would not rest till they had found that undutiful fellow,

which was not amesnable to law. Spenser on Ireland. The fee-farms reserved upon charters granted to cities and towns corporate, and the blanch rents and lath silver answered by the sheriffs.

Bacon, Office of Alienation.

LATHE. † n. s.

1. The tool of a turner, by which he turns about his matter so as to shape it by the

Those black circular lines we see on turned vessels of wood, are the effects of ignition, caused by the pressure of an edged stick upon the vessel turned nimbly in the lathe.

bus oneratur. Skinner and Ray.] Skinner calls it a Lincolnshire word. It is in our old lexicography, and defined a "barn or graunge." Huloet.

Put the capel [horse] in the lathe. Chaucer, Reve's Tale. To LA'THER. v. n. [leopian, Saxon.] To

form a foam. Choose water pure,

Such as will lather cold with soap. Raunard. To LA'THER. v. a. To cover with foam of water and soap.

LA'THER. n. s. [from the verb.] A foam or froth made commonly by beating soap with water.

LA'THY.* adj. [from lath.] Thin or long as a lath.

LA'TIN. adj. [Latinus.] Written or spoken in the language of the old Romans.

Augustus himself could not make a new Latin

LA'TIN. † n. s.

1. The Latin language.

The natural love to Latin, which is so prevalent in our common people, makes me think my speculations fare never the worse among them for that little scrap which appears at the head of Addison, Spect. No. 221.

2. An exercise practised by school-boys, who turn English into Latin.

In learning farther his syntaxis, he shall not use the common order in schools for making of Latins.

To LA'TIN.* v. α. To render into Latin; to mix with Latin terms. Obsolete.

The unlearned or foolishe phantasticall, that smelles but of learnyng; such fellowes as have seene learned men in their daies; will so latine their tongues, that the simple cannot but wonder at their talke, and thinke surely they speake by some revelacion!

Wilson, Arte of Rhetorike, (1553,) B. 3.

LA'TINISM. n. s. [Latinisme, French; latinismus, low Latin.] A Latin idiom; a mode of speech peculiar to the Latin. Milton has made use of frequent transpositions, Latinisms, antiquated words and phrases, that he might the better deviate from vulgar and ordinary expressions.

LA'TINIST. † n. s. [from Latin.] One skilled in Latin. Besides his being an able Latinist, philosopher, and divine, he was a curious musician.

Ld. Herbert, Hen. VIII. p. 2. Alexander and his followers were no good Selden on Drayton's Polyolb. S. 4.

LATI'NITY.† n. s. [Latinité, French; latinitas, Latin.] Purity of Latin style;

the Latin tongue. But what is this to your false Latin? Brethren, this matter of Latinity is but a straw.

Bp. Hall, Answ. to Smeetym. § 1. Albericus and others have written in defence of the Latinity of that translation of the Bible,

Hakewill on Providence, p. 260. To LA'TINIZE. v. n. [latiniser, French; from Latin.] To use words or phrases borrowed from the Latin.

I am liable to be charged that I latinize too much.

To LA'TINIZE. v.a. To give names a Latin termination: to make them Latin. He uses coarse and vulgar words, or terms and phrases that are latinized, scholastick, and hard to

to understand or write Latin. You shall hardly find a man amongst them [the French] which can make a shift to express himself in that [the Latin] language, nor one amongst an hundred that can do it Latinly.

Heylin, Voyage of France, p. 296. LA'TISH. adj. [from late.] Somewhat

LATIRO'STROUS. adj. [latus and rostrum, Lat.] Broadbeaked.

late.

In quadrupeds, in regard of the figure of their heads, the eyes are placed at some distance; in latirostrous and flat-billed birds they are more laterally seated.

LA'TITANCY. n. s. [from latitans, Latin. 7 Delitescence; the state of lying hid.

In vipers she has abridged their malignity by their secession or latitancy. Brown, Vulg. Err.

LA'TITANT. adj. [latitans, Latin.] Delitescent; concealed; lying hid.

Snakes and lizards, latitant many months in the year, containing a weak heat in a copious humidity, do long subsist without nutrition. Brown. Force the small latitant bubbles of air to disclose themselves and break.

It must be some other substance latitant in the fluid matter, and really distinguishable from it.

LA'TITAT.* n. s. [Latin.] A writ by which all men in personal actions are called originally to the King's Bench; and has the name, as supposing that the defendant doth lurk and lie hid; and therefore, being served with this writ, he must put in security for his appearance at the day. A latitat may be called a first process in the

court of King's Bench.

LATITA'TION. n. s. [from latito, Latin.] The state of lying concealed.

LA'TITUDE. n. s. [latitude, Fr.; latitudo, Latin.

1. Breadth; width; in bodies of unequal dimensions the shorter axis; in equal bodies the line drawn from right to left.

Whether the exact quadrat, or the long square be the better, I find not well determined; though I must prefer the latter, provided the length do not exceed the latitude above one third part. Wotton on Architecture.

2. Room; space; extent.

There is a difference of degrees in men's understandings, to so great a latitude, that one may affirm, that there is a greater difference between some men and others, than between some men and beasts. Locke.

3. The extent of the earth or heavens, reckoned from the equator to either pole: opposed to longitude.

We found ourselves in the latitude of thirty degrees two minutes south. Swift.

4. A particular degree reckoned from the equator.

Another effect the Alps have on Geneva is, that the sun here rises later and sets sooner than it does to other places of the same latitude.

Addison on Italy.

5. Unrestrained acceptation; licentious or lax interpretation.

In such latitudes of sense, many that love me and the church well may have taken the covenant. King Charles.

Then, in comes the benign latitude of the doctrine of good-will, and cuts asunder all those hard, pinching cords.

6. Freedom from settled rules; laxity. In human actions there are no degrees, and precise natural limits described, but a latitude is

Bp. Taylor. I took this kind of verse, which allows more

latitude than any other.
7. Extent diffusion.

Albertus, bishop of Ratisbon, for his great learning, and latitude of knowledge, sirnamed Magnus; besides divinity, hath written many tracts in philosophy.

Mathematicks, in its latitude, is usually divided into pure and mixed. Wilkins, Math. Magick. I pretend not to treat of them in their full latitude; it suffices to shew how the mind receives them, from sensation and reflection. Locke.

LATITUDINA'RIAN. † adj. [latitudinaire, French; latitudinarius, low Lat.]

1. Not restrained; not confined; thinking or acting at large.

Latitudinarian love will be expensive, and therefore I would be informed what is to be gotten by it. Collier on Kindness.

2. Free in religious opinions. A latitudinarian party was likely to prevail,

and to engross all preferments.

Burnet, Hist. own Time, (an. 1689).

LATITUDINA'RIAN. † n. s. One who departs from orthodoxy; one who is free in religious opinions.

You know something of the university, we are reputed the greatest latitudinarians and freethinkers of our sect. Bentley, Phil. Lips. § 14. Should the Jews turn so much latitudinarians, as - to grow indifferent in their rites and customs. Leslie, Short Meth. with the Jews.

LATITUDINA'RIANISM.* n. s. [from latitudinarian.] State of a latitudinarian.

He [Jortin] was a lover of truth, without hovering over the gloomy abyss of scepticism; Dr. Parr, Tracts by a Warburtonian, p. 194.

LA'TRANT. + adj. [latrans, Latin.]

Thy care be first the various gifts to trace, The minds and genius of the latrant race. Tickell. Politicians -

Just in the manner swallows use, Catching their airy food of news, Whose latrant stomachs oft molest

The deep-laid plans their dreams suggest. Green's Spleen.

To LA'TRATE.* v. n. [latro, Lat.] bark like a dog. Cockeram. LATRA'TION.* n. s. [from latrate.] The Cockeram. act of barking.

LATRI'A. n. s. [harpeía; latrie, Fr.] The highest kind of worship: distinguished by the papists from dulia, or inferiour worship.

The practice of the catholick church makes genuflections, prostrations, supplications, and other

acts of latria to the cross.

Stilling fleet on Romish Idolatry.

LA'TROCINY.* n. s. [latrocinium, Latin.] Robbery; larceny.

When oppression ruled, and government was turned into mere latrociny, private force must be deemed lawful in all.

Stackhouse, Hist. of the Bib. B. 3. ch. 5.

LA'TTEN. + n. s. [lattoen, Dutch; laton, old Fr. and Span.; letton, Germ.; latun, : Icel. orichalcum, q. d. gladtun, Serenius says, i. e. from its shining; glia, to shine.] A mixed kind of metal, made of copper and calamine: said by some to be the old orichalc. In our old church inventories a "cross of laton" often occurs.

To worke in laton and in bras.

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 2. He had a crois of laton ful of stones.

Chaucer, C. T. Prol. To make lamp-black, take a torch or link, and hold it under the bottom of a latten bason, and, as it groweth black within, strike it with a feather

LA'TTER. † adj. [This is the comparative of late, though universally written with tt, contrary to analogy, and to our own practice in the superlative latest. When the thing of which the comparison is made is mentioned, we use later; as, this fruit is later than the rest; but latter when no comparison is expressed; but the reference is merely to time; as, those are latter fruits.

- Volet usus Quem penes arbitrium est, & vis, & norma loquendi.]

1. Happening after something else.

Thus will this latter, as the former world, Milton. Still tend from bad to worse. 2. Modern; lately done or past.

Hath not navigation discovered, in these latter ages, whole nations at the bay of Soldania? Locke.

Mentioned last of two.

The difference between reason and revelation, and in what sense the latter is superior.

LA'TTERLY. adv. [from latter.] Of late; in the last part of life: a low word lately hatched.

Latterly Milton was short and thick.

Richardson. and a friend to free enquiry, without roving into the dreary and pathless wilds of latitudinarianism. from mapan, to mow. Mr. H. Tooke.] That which is mown later, or after a

former mowing.

LA'TTICE. n. s. [lattis, French; by Junius written lettice, and derived from lett ipen, a hindring iron, or iron stop; by Skinner imagined to be derived from latte, Dutch, a lath, or to be corrupted from nettice or network: I have sometimes derived it from let and eye; leteyes, that which lets the eye. It may be deduced from laterculus.] A reticulated window; a window made with sticks or irons crossing each other at small LA'UDABLE. adj. [laudabilis, Lat.]

My good window of lattice fare thee well; thy casement I need not open, I look through Shakspeare The mother of Sisera looked out at a window,

and cried through the lattice. Judg. v. 28.

Up into the watch-tower get, And see all things despoil'd of fallacíes: Thou shalt not peep through lattices of eyes, Nor hear through labyrinths of ears, nor learn

By circuit or collections to discern. The trembling leaves through which he play'd, Dappling the walk with light and shade,

Like lattice windows, give the spy Room but to peep with half an eye. Cleaveland.

To LA'TTICE. + v. a. [from the noun.] To decussate, or cross; to mark with cross parts like a lattice. This is Dr. LA'UDABLY. adv. [from laudable.] In a Johnson's definition, without any notice

that the word had appeared in any dictionary before. But it is an old English word; and is found in Sherwood and Cotgrave: "To grate or lattice; to support or underset by, to compass or hold in with, cross-bars or latticed frames.'

LA'VA.* n. s. [Italian.] Liquid and vitrified matter discharged by volcanos at the time of their eruption.

There is not a lava of Mount Ætna, to which a counterpart may not be produced from the whinstones of Scotland.

Sir J. Hill, Trans. R. Soc. Edinb. vol. v. p. 1. Whins and a certain class of lavas, taken from remote quarters of the globe, consist of the same component elements. Dr. Kennedy, ibid.

LAVA'TION. n. s. [lavatio, Lat.] The act of washing.

Such filthy stuff was by loose lewd varlets sung before her chariot on the solemn day of her lava-Hakewill on Prov. p. 309.

LA'VATORY. † n. s. [from lavo, Lat.] A wash; something in which parts diseased are washed.

Not far from hence was a stately lavatory of porphiry, called St. John's font.

Ricaut, State of the Greek Church, p. 47. Lavatories, to wash the temples, hands, wrists, and jugulars, do potently profligate and keep off the venom.

LAUD. n. s. [laus, Lat.]

1. Praise; honour paid; celebration. Doubtless, O guest, great laud and praise were

Reply'd the swain, for spotless faith divine: If, after social rites, and gifts bestow'd, I stain'd my hospitable hearth with blood.

Pope, Odyss. 2. That part of divine worship which consists in praise.

We have certain hymns and services, which we say daily of laud and thanks to God for his marvellous works.

In the book of Psalms, the lauds make up a very great part of it. Gov. of the Tongue, p. 5. To LAUD. v. a. [laudo, Lat.] To praise; to celebrate.

O thou almighty and eternal Creator, having considered the heavens the work of thy fingers, the moon and the stars which thou hast ordained. with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name. Bentley.

LAUDABI'LITY.* n. s. [from laudable.] Praise-worthiness.

Names - instructive by the laudability of their characters, and the persuasiveness of their precepts. Mem. of Abp. Tennison, p. 5.

1. Praise-worthy; commendable.

I'm in this earthly world, where to do harm Is often laudable; but to do good, sometime

Accounted dang'rous folly. Shakspeare, Macbeth. Affectation endeavours to correct natural defects, and has always the laudable aim of pleasing, though it always misses it.

2. Healthy; salubrious.

Good blood, and a due projectile motion or circulation, are necessary to convert the aliment into laudable animal juices.

Arbuthnot on Aliments.

LA'UDABLENESS. † n. s. [from laudable.] Praise-worthiness.

There is something however, I hope, in the laudableness of my intention.

manner deserving praise.

Obsolete words may be laudably revived, when either they are sounding or significant. Dryden. LA'UDANUM. n. s. [A cant word, from laudo, Latin.] A soporifick tincture.

LAUDA'TION.* n. s. [laudatio, Lat.] Praise; honour paid. Not in use.

I see Anna with virgynes disposed Meekly as now to your sonnys laudacion.

Parfre's Morality of Candlemas-Day, (1512).

LA'UDATIVE.* n. s. [laudativus, Lat.] Pa-

negyrick. My lords, I mean to make no panegyrick or Bacon, Charge against J. S. The first was a commendation, or laudative, of

monarchy. Bacon, Speech in Parliament. LA'UDATORY.* adj. [laudatorius, Latin.] Containing praise; bestowing praise.

This psalm is hortatory, stirring up to the praises of God: and it is laudatory, setting forth and celebrating the power and greatness of God, for which he is to be praised.

Udall, Serm. (1642,) p. 1.

Their benedictions, or laudatory prayers.

Chilmead, Hist. of the Jews, (1650,) p. 23. Panegyrical, laudatory, containing praise. Johnson, in V. Encomiastick

LA'UDATORY.* n. s. That which contains or bestows praise.

I will not fail to give ye, readers, a present taste of him from his title, hung out like a tolling signpost to call passengers, not simply a confutation, but "a modest confutation," with a laudatory of itself obtruded in the very first word.

Milton, Apol. for Smeetymnuus.

LA'UDER.* n. s. [from laud.] A praiser; a commender. Cotgrave, and Sherwood. To LAVE. † v. q. [lavo, Latin, from the Gr. \(\lambda\epsilon\), contracted from \(\lambda\epsilon\epsilon\), to wash: with the Eolick digamma, γο Fέω, changing o into a. So the Latins say lavare and lavere, perf. lavi, sup. lautum and lotum. Morin, Dict. Etym. Fr. and Gr.] 1. To wash: to bathe.

Unsafe, that we must lave our honours In these so flatt'ring streams. Shakspeare, Macbeth. But as I rose out of the laving stream, Heaven open'd her eternal doors, from whence

The spirit descended on me like a dove. Milton, P. R. With roomy decks, her guns of mighty strength, Whose low-laid mouths each mounting billow

Deep in her draught, and warlike in her length, She seems a sea-wasp flying on the waves. Dryden.

2. [Lever, Fr.] To throw up; to lade; to draw out.

Though hills were set on hills, And seas met seas to guard thee, I would through: I'd plough up rocks, steep as the Alps, in dust, And lave the Tyrrhene waters into clouds, But I would reach thy head. B. Jonson, Catiline.

Some stow their oars, or stop the leaky sides, Another bolder yet the yard bestrides. And folds the sails; a fourth with labour laves

Th' intruding seas, and waves ejects on waves. Dryden. To LAVE. v. n. To wash himself; to

bathe.

In her chaste current oft the goddess laves, And with celestial tears augments the waves. Pope.

LAVE.* n. s. The remainder or leaving. A northern word. Grose. And a pure Saxon word, occurring in Piers Ploughman; and it also means a crowd. Brockett's N. C. Words.

LAVE-EARED.* adj. Applied in Northamptonshire to horses that have large ears, at the tip, and of course hanging down or slouching.

A lave-ear'd asse with gold may trapped be. Bp. Hall, Sat. ii. 2.

To Lave'er. † v. n. [from veeren, Dutch.] To change the direction of a ship in its course; to tack; to work the ship against the wind.

How easy 'tis when destiny proves kind, With full-spread sails to run before the wind: But those that 'gainst stiff gales laveering go, Must be at once resolv'd, and skilful too. Dryden, Astr. Redux.

LA'VENDER. † n. s. [lavendula, Lat. "à lavo, quia in layacris ac lotionibus expetatur.' Vossius. A plant.

It is one of the verticillate plants, whose flower consists of one leaf, divided 2. To LAUGH at. To treat with contempt; into two lips; the upper lip, standing up-

right, is roundish, and, for the most part, bifid; but the under lip is cut into three segments, which are almost equal: these flowers are disposed in whorles, and are collected into a slender spike upon the top of the stalks.

The whole layender plant has a highly aromatick smell and taste, and is famous as a cephalick, nervous, and uterine medicine

Hill, Materia Medica. And then again he turneth to his play,

To spoil the pleasures of that paradise The wholesome sage, and lavender still gray, Rank smelling rue, and cummin good for eyes. Spenser, Muiop.

LA'VER. + n. s. [lavoir, French; from lave.] 1. A washing vessel.

He gave her to his daughters, to imbathe In nectar'd lavers strew'd with asphodil.

Milton, Comus. Let us go find the body where it lies Soak'd in his enemies blood, and from the stream With lavers pure, and cleansing herbs, wash off The clodded gore. Milton, S. A.

Young Aretus from forth his bridal bow'r Brought the full laver o'er their hands to pour. Pope, Odyssey.

2. A washer. Obsolete. Huloet. LA'VEROCK.* n. s. [lauenc, Saxon.] A lark. See LARK.

Flocks Of turtles, and of laverockes,

Chaucer, Rom. R. 662.

See a black-bird feed her young,

Or a leverock build her nest. Walton, Angler's Wish.

To LAUGH. † v. n. [hlahjan, Gothick; hlihan, hlahan, Saxon; lachen, Germ. and Dutch; all which may be referred to the Greek γελάω, to laugh; the digamma F being inserted between two vowels.

1. To make that noise which sudden merriment excites.

You saw my master wink and laugh upon you.

There's one did laugh in's sleep, and one cried, Murther!

They wak'd each other. Shakspeare, Macbeth. At this fusty stuff,

The large Achilles on his press bed lolling, From his deep chest laughs out a loud applause.

Shakspeare Laughing causeth a continual expulsion of the breath with the loud noise, which maketh the interjection of laughing, shaking of the breast and sides, running of the eyes with water, if it be vio-Bacon, Nat. Hist.

or with ears not erect, but further apart | 2. [In poetry.] To appear gay, favourable, pleasant, or fertile.

Entreat her not the worse, in that I pray You use her well: the world may laugh again, And I may live to do you kindness, if

You do it her. Shakspeare, Hen. VI. The vallies shall stand so thick with corn, that they shall laugh and sing. Ps. lxv. 14.
Then laughs the childish year with flow'rets

Dryden. The plenteous board, high heap'd with cates divine.

And o'er the foaming bowl the laughing wine.

To LAUGH. + v. a.

1. To deride; to scorn.

Be bloody, bold, and resolute; laugh to scorn The pow'r of man. Shakspeare, Macbeth. A wicked soul shall make him to be laughed to scorn of his enemies. Ecclus. vi. 4.

to ridicule. Dr. Johnson places this improperly as a verb neuter. Presently prepare thy grave;

Lie where the light foam of the sea might beat Thy grave-stone daily: make thine epitaph, That death in thee at others lives may laugh. Shakspeare.

'Twere better for you, if 'twere not known in council; you'll be laugh'd at. Shakspeare. The dissolute and abandoned, before they are aware of it, are betrayed to laugh at themselves,

and upon reflection find, that they are merry at their own expence. Addison. No wit to flatter left of all his store ;

No fool to laugh at, which he valu'd more. Pope. LAUGH. n. s. [from the verb.] The con-

vulsion caused by merriment; an inarticulate expression of sudden merriment. Me gentle Delia beckons from the plain, Then hid in shades, eludes her eager swain But feigns a laugh, to see me search around,

And by that laugh the willing fair is found. Pope, Spring. LAUGH-WORTHY.* adj. Deserving to be

laughed at. They laugh'd at his laugh-worthy fate.

B. Jonson, Epigrams. LAUGH AND LAY DOWN. * A game at cards.

Fye on this winning alway, Now nothing but pay, pay, With laugh and lay downe,

Borough, citie, and towne. Skelton, Poems, p. 168. LA'UGHABLE. adj. [from laugh.]

may properly excite laughter.

Nature hath fram'd strange fellows in her time: Some that will evermore peep through their eye, And laugh like parrots at a bagpiper;

And others of such vinegar aspect, That they'll not show their teeth in way of smile, Though Nestor swear the jest be laughable.

Casaubon confesses Persius was not good at

turning things into a pleasant ridicule; or, in other words, that he was not a laughable writer. Dryden, Juv.

LAU'GHER n. s. [from laugh.] A man fond of merriment.

I am a common laugher. Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs. Some sober men cannot be of the general opinion, but the laughers are much the majority. Pope.

LA'UGHINGLY. † adv. [from laughing.] In

a merry way; merrily. He tolde maister Bradford, that he had made

the Bishop of London afraide: for, saith he laughingly, his chapleine gave him counsell not to strike me with his crosier staffe, for that I would strike again; and by my troth, said he, rubbing his handes, I made him believe I would do so indeed. Fox, Acts and Mon. of Dr. R. Taylor.

AU' GHINGSTOCK. n. s. [laugh and stock.] A butt; an object of ridicule.

The forlorn maiden, whom your eyes have seen The laughingstock of fortune's mockerie. Spenser. Pray you let us not be laughingstocks to other men's humours. Shakspeare. Supine credulous frailty exposes a man to be

both a prey and laughingstock at once. L'Estrange. LA'UGHTER. n. s. [from laugh.] Convulsive merriment; an inarticulate expression of sudden merriment.

To be worst The lowest, most dejected thing of fortune, Stands still in esperance; lives not in fear, The lamentable change is from the best, The worst returns to laughter.

Shakspeare, K. Lear. The act of laughter, which is a sweet contraction of the muscles of the face, and a pleasant agitation of the vocal organs, is not merely voluntary, or totally within the jurisdiction of ourselves,

Brown, Vulg. Err. We find not that the laughter-loving dame Mourn'd for Anchises. Waller.

Pain or pleasure, grief or laughter. LA'VISH. adj. [Of this word I have been able to find no satisfactory etymology. It may be plausibly derived from to lave, to throw out; as profundere opes is to be lavish.

1. Prodigal; wasteful; indiscreetly liberal, His jolly brother, opposite in sense, Laughs at his thrift; and lavish of expence,

Quaffs, crams, and guttles in his own defence. The dame has been too lavish of her feast,

And fed him till he loaths. Rowe, Jane Shore. 2. Scattered in waste; profuse: as, the cost was lavish.

3. Wild; unrestrained. Bellona's bridegroom, lapt in proof, Confronted him, curbing his lavish spirit.

To LA'VISH. v. a. [from the adjective.] 2. To dart from the hand. This perhaps, To scatter with profusion; to waste; to squander.

Should we thus lead them to a field of slaughter, Might not the impartial world with reason say, We lavish'd at our death the blood of thousands.

Addison. LA'VISHER. n. s. [from lavish.] A prodigal; a profuse man.

Tertullian very truly observeth, God is not a lavisher, but a dispenser, of his blessings.

Fotherby, Atheom. (1622,) p. 189. Let those lavishers, that made the covetous their voiders, live so thriftily as to pay their debts in their life time; so may they deprive their executors of a Sir M. Sandys, Ess. (1634,) p. 209.

LA'VISHLY. adv. [from lavish.] Profusely; prodigally.

My father's purposes have been mistook; And some about him have too lavishly Wrested his meaning and authority.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. Then laughs the childish year with flowrets crown'd,

And lavishly perfumes the fields around. Dryden. Praise to a wit is like rain to a tender flower; if it be moderately bestowed, it cheers and revives; but if too lavishly, overcharges and depresses him.

LA'VISHMENT. † \ n. s. [from lavish.] Pro-LA'VISHMENT. J digality; profusion. First got with guile, and then preserv'd with

And after spent with pride and lavishness.

They are given to lavishment of their gettings. Lord's Hist. of the Banians, (1630,) p. 44. VOL. II.

There seems to be a profusion and lavishness of the particles in some places of the noblest classicks. Blackwall, Sac. Class. i. 225.

LAUNCE.* See LANCE.

To LAUNCH. † v. n. [It is derived by Skinner from lance, because a ship is pushed into water with great force. See To LANCH.]

1. To force a vessel into the sea. Launch out into the deep, and let down your

nets for a draught. St. Luke, v. 4. So short a stay prevails;

He soon equips the ship, supplies the sails, And gives the word to launch. Dryden. For general history Ralegh and Howel are to be had. He who would launch farther into the ocean, may consult Whear.

2. To rove at large; to expatiate; to make excursions.

From hence that gen'ral care and study springs, That launching and progression of the mind.

Davies. Whoever pursues his own thoughts, will find them launch out beyond the extent of body into the infinity of space. Locke.

Spenser has not contented himself with submissive imitation: he launches out into very flowery paths, which still conduct him into one great road. Prior, Pref. to Solomon.

He had not acted in the character of a suppliant, if he had launched out into a long oration.

Broome on the Odyssey. I have launched out of my subject on this ar-Arbuthnot.

Dryden. 3. To plunge into: as, the man launched into an expensive way of living.

To LAUNCH. v. a. 1. To push to sea.

All art is used to sink episcopacy, and launch presbytery, in England. King Charles. With stays and cordage last he rigg'd the ship, And roll'd on leavers, launch'd her in the deep.

for distinction sake, might better be written lanch or lance.

The King of Heav'n, obscure on high, Bar'd his red arm, and launching from the sky His writhen bolt, not shaking empty smoke, Down to the deep abyss the flaming fellow strook.

LAUNCH.* n. s. [from the verb.]

1. The act of putting a ship out of the dock, and launching her into the water. 2. A particular kind of long-boat.

LAUND. † n. s. [lande, French; landa, Span. land, Dan. llan, Welsh.] Lawn; a plain extended between woods. Originally, a plain not ploughed. The old form of writing lawn.

There was the hart ywont to have his flight: --This duke wil have a cours at him or twey

With houndes, &c.

And when this duke was comen to the launde, &c. Chaucer, Kn. Tale. Under this thick-grown brake we'll shroud ourselves.

For through this laund anon the deer will come; And in this covert will we make our stand.

About the launds and wastes, both far and near. Drayton, Polyolb. S. 13. That grove for ever green, that conscious laund. Dryden, Pal. and Arcite.

LA'UNDER.* n. s. [lavandiere, French, a laundress; and thus Chaucer calls Envy a lavender, in his Rom. of the Rose. The same word is applied to

women in Arnold's Chronicle, fol. 193. Thus also our old lexicography calls " a launder, a woman-washer." Huloet. Skinner's supposition, therefore, that our laundress may be formed from such a French word as lavanderesse, is needless. Laundress is, no doubt, from this hitherto unnoticed word launder.] A woman whose employment is to wash clothes.

This effeminate love of a woman doth so womanize a man, that, if he yield to it, it will not only make him an Amazon, but a launder, a distaffspinner, or whatsoever other vile occupation their idle heads can imagine, and their weak hands per-Sidney, Arcad. b. 1.

To LA'UNDER.* v. a. [from the noun.] To wash; to wet.

Oft did she heave her napkin to her eyne, Which on it had conceited characters. Laundering the silken figures in the brine That season'd woe had pelleted in tears.

Shakspeare, Lov. Complaint. If 'twere prun'd, and starch'd, and launder'd,

And cut square by the Russian standard. Hudibras, ii. 1.

LA'UNDERER.* n. s. [from launder.] A man that follows the business of wash-

He is a launderer of souls, and tries them, as men do witches, by water. Butler, Rem. ii. 386. LA'UNDRESS.† n. s. [lavandiere, French: Skinner imagines that lavanduresse may have been the old word. Dr. Johnson. - It will be rather admitted that laundress is from launder. See LAUNDER.]

A woman whose employment is to wash clothes.

The countess of Richmond would often say, on condition the princes of Christendom would march against the Turks, she would willingly attend them, and be their laundress. Camden. Take up these clothes here quickly; carry them

to the laundress in Datchet mead. Shakspeare. The laundress must be sure to tear her smocks in the washing, and yet wash them but half. Swift.

To LA'UNDRESS.* v. n. To do the work of a laundress. Not in use.

Their wives are used to dress their meat, to laundress. Blount, Voy. to the Levant, (1650,) p. 26. LA'UNDRY. n. s. [as if lavanderie.]

1. The room in which clothes are washed. The affairs of the family ought to be consulted, whether they concern the stable, dairy, the pantry, or laundry.

2. The act or state of washing. Chalky water is too fretting, as appeareth in laundry of clothes, which wear out apace.

LAVO'LTA.† n. s. [la volte, French. Dr. Johnson. - Rather the Italian la volta, being brought, with other feats of capering, from Italy. It means literally the turn. It is written also lavolto and lavolt.] An old dance in which was much turning and much capering.

Hanmer.

I cannot sing, Nor heel the high lavolt; nor sweeten talk; Nor play at subtle games. Shaksneare. They bid us - to the English dancing schools,

And teach lavoltas high, and swift corantoes. Shakspeare, Hen. V.

Ixion is - turned dancer, and leads lavaltoes with the Lamiæ. B. Jonson, Masques. A homely Verrus attired like a Bacchanal, attended by many morris-dancers, began to caper

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and frisk their best lavoltoes, so as every limb strove to exceed each other.

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 118. To LA'UREATE.* v. a. [laureatus, Lat.

from laureo.] To crown with laurel. Cockeram. Skelton was laureated at Oxford, and in the

year 1493 was permitted to wear his laurel at Warton, Hist. E. P. ii. 130. Cambridge.

LA'UREATE. † adj. [laureatus, Lat.] Decked or invested with a laurel.

To Rome again repaireth Julius With his triumphe laureat full hie.

Chaucer, Monk's Tale. Then is he decked as poete laureate. Barklay, Eglog. iv. (1570.)

Bid amaranthus all his beauty shed, And daffodillies fill their cups with tears To strew the laureat hearse where Lycid lies.

Milton, Lycidas. From the laureat fraternity of poets, riper years and the ceaseless round of study and reading led me to the shady spaces of philosophy.

Milton, Apol. for Smectymnuus. Soft on her lap her laureate son reclines. Pope.

LA'UREATE.* n. s. One crowned with laurel. In King Edward the Fourth's time it is the appellation of the king's poet, who was then first so called; and the laureate still continues to be the title of his successors. At "the degrees in grammar, which included rhetorick and versification, anciently taken in our universities, particularly at Oxford; a wreath of laurel was presented to the new graduate, who was afterwards usually styled poeta laureatus." Warton, Hist. Eng. Poetry, vol. ii. p. 129.

The full sense of a learned laureate.

Cleaveland, Poems, p. 66. The flourishing wreaths by laureats worne. Whitlock, Mann. of the Eng. p. 526. Few verses touch their nicer ear,

They scarce can bear their laureate twice a year.

Pope, Hor. Sat. i.

Nor yet the laureat's crown In thought exclude him! Shenstone, Econ. P. iii.

LAUREA'TION. † n. s. [from laureate.] It denotes, in the Scottish universities, the act or state of having degrees conferred, as they have in some of them a flowery crown, in imitation of laurel among the ancients. Dr. Johnson. - It is so used, in reference to the degrees conferred by our own universities.

The scholastick laureations seem to have given rise to the appellation in question. I will give

some instances at Oxford.

Warton, Hist. E. P. ii. 129.

LA'UREL. n. s. [laurus, Lat. laurier, French.] A tree, called also the cherry bay.

The laurus or laurel of the ancients is affirmed by naturalists to be what we call the bay tree. Ainsworth.

The laurel, meed of mighty conquerours, And poets sage. Spenser, F. Q.

The laurel or cherry-bay, by cutting away the side branches, will rise to a large tree. Mortimer, Husbandry.

LA'URELLED. † adj. [from laurel.] Crowned or decorated with laurel; laureate.

Upon your sword Sits laurell'd victory. Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. That true enthusiasm which transports and of vulgar conceptions, and makes them soar up to heaven to touch the stars with their laurelled Howell, Lett. i. v. 16. Hear'st thou the news? my friend! the express

is come With laurell'd letters from the camp to Rome.

Then future ages with delight shall see

How Plato's, Bacon's, Newton's, looks agree; Or in fair series laurell'd bards be shown A Virgil there, and here an Addison.

LA'URUSTINE.* n. s. [laurustinus, Lat.]
LAURUSTI'NUS. An evergreen shrub, which flowers about Michaelmas, and holds its flowers through the winter.

A laurustine bear in blossom, with a juniper hunter in berries. Guardian, No. 173.

The dusky bay, and laurustinus bright. Anonymous.

LAW. † n. s. [laza, Saxon; loi, French; lawgh, Erse. Dr. Johnson. - Dr. Johnson might have added the Saxon form of lah; the Swedish lag; the Iceland. lag, laug, log; the Dan. low; and the old Fr. ley. Mr. H. Tooke deduces this word from the Goth, and Sax, lagjan, and leczan, ponere, to lay down, to deliver, to decree: a derivation which indeed had been made half a century before the Diversions of Purley were given to the world. See Wachter in V. LAGE: where this word is found in its several northern forms, and with this remark, which Mr. Tooke has imitated: " quibus sono et significatu convenit Lat. lex. Cuncta à legen, ponere, statuere, constituere, judice Stiernhielmio in Gloss. Ulph. Goth. p. 104. enim est lex, nisi statutum vel constitutio, sive ipsius Dei et naturæ, sive populi LA'WFUL. adj. [law and full.] Agreeable seipsum obligantis, sive principis populum moderantis?"

1. A rule of action.

That which doth assign unto each thing the kind, that which doth moderate the force and power, that which doth appoint the form and measure of working; the same we term a law-

Hooker, i. § 2. Unhappy man! to break the pious laws Of nature, pleading in his children's cause.

2. A decree, edict, statute, or custom, publicly established as a rule of justice.

Ordain them laws, part such as appertain To civil justice, part religious rites. Milton, P. L.

Our nation would not give laws to the Irish, therefore now the Irish gave laws to them. Davies on Ireland.

3. A decree authoritatively annexing rewards or punishments to certain actions. So many laws argue so many sins. Milton, P. L. Laws politique among men presuming man to be rebellious. Hooker.

4. Judicial process.

When every case in law is right. Shakspeare. He hath resisted law.

And therefore law shall scorn him further trial

Than the severity of publick power. Shakspeare. Tom Touchy is a fellow famous for taking the law of every body: there is not one in the town where he lives that he has not sued at a quarter-Addison, Spect.

5. A distinct edict or rule.

One law is split into two. Baker on Learning. elevates the souls of poets above the middle region |6, Conformity to law; any thing lawful.

In a rebellion, When what's not meet, but what must be, was law,

Then were they chosen. Shakspeare, Coriol. 7. The rules or axioms of science; as, the

laws of mechanicks. 8. An established and constant mode or process; a fixed correspondence of cause

and effect: as, the laws of magnetism. Natural agents have their law. I dy'd, whilst in the womb he stay'd,

Attending Nature's law. Shakspeare, Cymb. 9. The Mosaical institution: distinguished from the gospel.

Law can discover sin, but not remove, Save by these shadowy expiations. Milton.

10. The books in which the Jewish religion is delivered: distinguished from the prophets.

Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets. St. Matt. vii. 12.

11. A particular form or mode of trying and judging; as, law martial, law mercantile: the ecclesiastical law whereby we are governed.

12. Jurisprudence; the study of law: as, a doctor of law.

LA'WBREAKER.* n. s. [law and breaker: Sax. lahbneca.] One who violates a

Thou art a robber, A lawbreaker, a villain, Shakspeare, Cymb.

In this chapter he shews, how they were the lawbreakers. Milton, Tetrachordon.

LA'wday.* n.s. A day of open court; a solemn court of a county or hundred. Keep leets and lawdays, and in sessions sit. Shakspeare, Othello.

to law; conformable to law; allowed by law; legitimate; legal.

It is not lawful for thee to have her. St. Matt. xiv. 4. Gloster's bastard son was kinder to his father,

than my daughters got 'tween the lawful sheets. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

LA'WFULLY. adv. [from lawful.] Legally: agreeably to law. This bond is forfeit:

And lawfully by this the Jew may claim

A pound of flesh. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. Though it be not against strict justice for a man to do those things which he might otherwise lawfully do, albeit his neighbour doth take occasion from thence to conceive in his mind a false belief, yet Christian charity will, in many cases,

I may be allowed to tell your lordship, the king of poets, what an extent of power you have, and

how lawfully you may exercise it.

Dryden, Ded. to Juvenal.

LA'WFULNESS. n. s. [from lawful.] Legality; allowance of law. It were an error to speak further, till I may

see some sound foundation laid of the lawfulness of the action. Bacon.

LA'WGIVER. n. s. [law and giver.] Legislator; one that makes laws.

Solomon we esteem as the lawgiver of our na-

A law may be very reasonable in itself, although one does not know the reason of the lawgivers.

LA'wGIVING. † adj. [law and giving.] Legislative.

The indiminishable majesty of our highest court, the lawgiving and sacred parliament.

Milton, Of Ref. in Eng. B. 2. Lawgiving heroes, fam'd for taming brutes,

And raising cities with their charming lutes. Waller.

LA'WLESS. adj. [from law.]

1. Unrestrained by any law; not subject to law.

The necessity of war, which among human actions is the most lawless, hath some kind of affinity with the necessity of law. Ralegh, Essays.

The lawless tyrant, who denies

To know their God, or message to regard, Must be compell'd. Milton, P. L.

Orpheus did not, as poets feign, tame savage beasts.

But men as lawless, and as wild as they. Roscom. Not the gods, nor angry Jove will bear Thy lawless wandering walks in open air.

Dryden, Æn. Blind as the Cyclops, and as blind as he,

They own'd a lawless savage liberty, Like that our painted ancestors so priz'd, Ere empire's arts their breasts had civiliz'd. Dryd. He meteor-like, flames lawless through the void, Destroying others, by himself destroy'd.

2. Contrary to law; illegal.

Take not the quarrel from his powerful arms, He needs no indirect nor lawless course To cut off those that have offended him. Shaksp. We cite our faults,

That they may hold excus'd our lawless lives. Shakspeare.

Thou the first, lay down thy lawless claim; Thou of my blood who bear'st the Julian name. Dryden.

LA'WLESSLY. adv. [from lawless.] In a manner contrary to law.

Fear not, he bears an honourable mind, And will not use a woman lawlessly. Shakspeare.

LA'WLESSNESS.* n. s. [from lawless.] Disorder; disobedience to law. Sherwood. Gluttony, malice, pride, and covetise,

And lawlessness reigning with riotise. Spenser, Hubb. Tale.

LA'WMAKER. n. s. [law and maker.] Legislator; one who makes laws; a lawgiver.

Their judgement is, that the church of Christ should admit no lawmakers but the evangelists.

LA'WMONGER.* n.s. A word of contempt for a smatterer in law, a low dealer in

Though this chattering lawmonger be bold to call it wicked. Milton, Colasterion.

LAWN. + n. s. [lande, Fr. landa, Span. land, Dan. llan, Welsh.]

1. An open space between woods; originally, a plain not ploughed. See Chaucer under LAUND.

Betwixt them lawns, or level downs, and flocks, Grazing the tender herb, were interpos'd.

Milton, P. L. His mountains were shaded with young trees, that gradually shot up into groves, woods, and forests, intermixed with walks, and lawns, and gardens. Addison. Stern beasts in trains that by his truncheon fell,

Now grisly forms shoot o'er the lawns of hell.

Interspers'd in lawns and opening glades, Thin trees arise that shun each other's shades.

2. [Linon, French.] Fine linen, remarkable for being used in the sleeves of bishops.

Should'st thou bleed,

To stop the wounds my finest lawn I'd tear, Wash them with tears, and wipe them with my From high life high characters are drawn,

A saint in crape is twice a saint in lawn. Pope.
What awe did the slow solemn knell inspire; The duties by the lawn rob'd prelate pay'd, And the last words, that dust to dust convey'd! Tickell.

LAWN.* adj. Made of lawn: resembling lawn.

Look on those lips,

Those now lawn pillows, on whose tender softness Chaste modest speech, stealing from out his breast, Had wont to rest itself.

Marston, Antonio's Revenge. The chimere or upper robe, to which the lawn sleeves are generally sewed.

Wheatly on the Com. Prayer,

LA'WNY.* adj. [from lawn.]

 Having lawns; interspersed with lawns. Through forrests, mountains, or the lawny grounds. W. Browne. Stupendous rocks,

That from the sun-redoubling valley lift, Cool to the middle air, their lawny tops.

Thomson, Summer. Musing through the lawny vale.

Warton, Ode 10. 2. Made of lawn, or fine linen.

When a plum'd fan may shade thy chalked face, And lawny strips thy naked bosom grace. Bp. Hall, Sat. iv. 4.

LA'WSUIT, n. s. [law and suit.] A process in law; a litigation.

The giving the priest a right to the tithe would produce lawsuits and wrangles; his attendance on the courts of justice would leave his people without a spiritual guide.

LA'WYER. † n. s. [from law. Dr. Johnson. -It must be added, that our old word was not lawyer, but lawer. Thus Huloet, in his old dictionary: "Lawer, or man of law, causidicus." And thus Bale, in Leland's Newe Year's Gift. "To locke up the gates of true knowledge, from them that affectuously seketh it to the glory of God, is a property belongynge only to the hypocrytysh Pharisees and false lawers." Thus the Sax. lahman.] Professor of law; advocate; pleader.

It is like the breath of an unfee'd lawyer, you

gave me nothing for it. Shakspeare, K. Lear. Is the law evil, because some lawyers in their office swerve from it? Whitgift.

I have entered into a work touching laws, in a middle term, between the speculative and reverend discourses of philosophers, and the writings of Bacon, Holy War. The nymphs with scorn beheld their foes,

When the defendant's council rose; And, what no lawyer ever lack'd,

With impudence own'd all the fact.

LA'WYERLY.* adj. [from lawyer.] Judicial. The more lawyerly mooting of this point. Milton, Eiconoclastes, ch. 5.

LAX. adj. [laxus, Latin.] 1. Loose; not confined.

Inhabit lax, ye powers of heaven! Milton, P. L.

2. Disunited; not strongly combined.

In mines, those parts of the earth which abound with strata of stone, suffer much more than those which consist of gravel, and the like laxer matter, which more easily give way. Woodward.

Vague; not rigidly exact. Dialogues were only lax and moral discourses. Baker. 4. Loose in body, so as to go frequently to stool; laxative medicines are such as promote that disposition. Quincu. 5. Slack; not tense.

By a branch of the auditory nerve that goes between the ear and the palate, they can hear themselves, though their outward ear be stopt by the lax membrane to all sounds that come that way. Holder, Elem. of Speech.

LAX. † n. s.

1. A looseness; a diarrhœa. The same as laske. See LASKE.

2. A kind of salmon. [læx, Saxon.] LAXA'TION. n. s. [laxatio, Latin.]

1. The act of loosening or slackening. 2. The state of being loosened or slack-

LA'XATIVE. adj. [laxatif, French; laxo, Latin.] Having the power to ease costiveness.

Omitting honey, which is of a laxative power itself; the powder of loadstone doth rather constipate and bind, than purge and loosen the belly.

Brown. The oil in wax is emollient, laxative, and ano-Arbuthnot on Aliments.

LA'XATIVE. n. s. A medicine slightly purgative; a medicine that relaxes the bowels without stimulation.

Nought profits him to save abandon'd life. Nor vomits upward aid, nor downward laxative.

LA'XATIVENESS. † n. s. [from laxative.] Power of easing costiveness. Sherwood. LA'XITY. † n. s. [laxitas, Latin.]

1. Not compression; not close cohesion; slackness of contexture.

The former causes could never beget whirlpools in a chaos of so great a laxity and thinness.

Bentley.

2. Contrariety to rigorous precision; as, laxity of expression.

I need not observe on the laxity of this version. Mason on Church Musick, p. 187.

Nothing can be more improper than ease and laxity of expression, when the importance of the subject impresses solicitude, or the dignity of the person exacts reverence. Johnson, Rambler, No. 152.

3. Looseness; not costiveness.

If sometimes it cause any laxity, it is in the same way with iron unprepared, which will disturb some bodies, and work by purge and vomit. Brown, Vulg. Err.

4. Slackness; contrariety to tension.

Laxity of a fibre, is that degree of cohesion in its parts which a small force can alter, so as to increase its length beyond what is natural. Quincy. In consideration of the laxity of their eyes, they consideration of the Wiseman, Surgery.

Wiseman, Surgery. are subject to relapse.

5. Openness; not closeness.

Swift.

Hold a piece of paper close by the flame of a candle, and by little and little move it further off. and there is upon the paper some part of that which I see in the candle, and it grows still less and less as I remove; so that if I would trust my sense, I should believe it as very a body upon the paper as in the candle, though infeebled by the laxity of the channel in which it flows. Digby on Bodies.

LA'XLY.* adv. [from lax.] Loosely; without exactness or distinction.

Buffon has thrown his subjects into groups, laxly formed from general points of resemblance. Dr. Rees, Cyclopæd.

LA'xness. n. s. Laxity; not tension; not precision; not costiveness.

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For the free passage of the sound into the ear, | it is requisite that the tympanum be tense, and hard stretched; otherwise the laxness of that membrane will certainly dead and damp the sound.

Holder, Elem, of Speech. LAY. Preterite of lie.

O! would the quarrel lay upon our heads.

He was familiarly acquainted with him at such time as he lay embassador at Constantinople.

When Ahab had heard those words, he fasted, and lay in sackcloth. 1 Kings, xxi. 27. I tried whatever in the Godhead lay. Dryden.

He rode to rouse the prey,

That shaded by the fern in harbour lay, And thence dislodg'd. Dryden, Kn. Tale.

Leaving Rome, in my way to Sienna, I lay the first night at a village in the territories of the anent Veii.

Addison.

How could he have the retiredness of the cloistient Veii.

ter to perform all those acts of devotion in, when the burthen of the reformation lay upon his shoul-

The presbyterians argued, That if the Pretender should invade those parts where the numbers and estates of the dissenters chiefly lay, they would sit

To LAY. + v. a. [lecgan, Saxon; leggen, Dutch; lagjan, Goth. to place; "consent. omnibus reliquis dialect. Celto-Scyth." Serenius. Hence our word legge, and lig.]

1. To place; to put; to reposit. This word being correlative to lie, involves commonly immobility or extension; a a punishment laid is a punishment that cannot be shaken off; in immobility is included weight. One house laid to another implies extension.

He laid his robe from him. Jonah, iii. 6. They have laid their swords under their heads. Ezek. xxxii. 27.

Soft on the flowery herb I found me laid.

Milton, P. L. He sacrificing laid

The entrails on the wood. Milton, P. L.

2. To place along.

Seek not to be judge, being not able to take away iniquity, lest at any time thou fear the person of the mighty, and lay a stumbling-block in the way of thy uprightness. Ecclus. v

A stone was laid on the mouth of the den. Ecclus. vii. 6.

Dan. vi. 17.

3. To beat down corn or grass. Another ill accident is laying of corn with great

rains in harvest. Bacon, Nat. Hist. Let no sheep there play,

Nor frisking kids the flowery meadows lay. May, Virgil.

4. To keep from rising; to settle; to still. I'll use th' advantage of my power,

And lay the summer's dust with showers of blood.

It was a sandy soil, and the way had been full of dust; but an hour or two before a refreshing fragrant shower of rain had laid the dust. Ray on Creation.

5. To fix deep, to dispose regularly: either of these notions may be conceived from the following examples; but regularity seems rather implied; so we say, to lay bricks; to lay planks.

Schismaticks, outlaws, or criminal persons, are not fit to lay the foundation of a new colony. Bacon.

I lay the deep foundations of a wall, And Enos, nam'd from me, the city call. Dryden. Men will be apt to call it pulling up the old foundations of knowledge; I persuade myself, that the way I have pursued lays those foundations

6. To put; to place.

by again; but, to my thinking, he was very loth to lay his fingers off it. Shakspeare, Jul. Cas. to lay his fingers off it. Till us death lay

To ripe and mellow, we are but stubborn clay.

They shall lay hands on the sick, and recover. St Mark.

They, who so state a question, do no more but separate and disentangle the parts of it one from another, and lay them, when so disentangled, in their due order. Locke.

We to thy name our annual rites will pay, And on thy altars sacrifices lay. Pope, Statius.

To bury; to inter.

David fell on sleep, and was laid unto his fathers, and saw corruption. Acts, xiii. 36.

8. To station or place privily. Lay thee an ambush for the city behind thee.

Jos. viii. 2. The wicked have laid a snare for me. Psalms. Lay not wait, O! wicked man, against the dwelling of the righteous. Prov. xxiv. 15.

9. To spread on a surface.

The colouring upon those maps should be laid on so thin, as not to obscure or conceal any part of the lines.

10. To paint; to enamel.

The pictures drawn in our minds are laid in fading colours; and, if not sometimes refreshed, vanish and disappear.

11. To put into any state of quiet.

They bragged, that they doubted not but to abuse, and lay asleep, the queen and council of England.

12. To calm; to still; to quiet; to allay. Friends, loud tumults are not laid

With half the easiness that they are rais'd. Thus pass'd the night so foul, till morning fair,

Came forth with pilgrim steps in amice gray, Who with her radiant finger still'd the roar Of thunder, chas'd the clouds, and laid the winds.

Milton, P. R.

After a tempest, when the winds are laid, The calm sea wonders at the wrecks it made. Waller.

I fear'd I should have found A tempest in your soul, and came to lay it.

Denham. At once the wind was laid, the whisp'ring sound Was dumb, a rising earthquake rock'd the ground.

To prohibit a spirit to walk.

The husband found no charm to lay the devil in a petticoat, but the rattling of a bladder with L'Estrange. beans in it.

14. To set on the table.

I laid meat unto them. Hos. xi. 4.

15. To propagate plants by fixing their twigs in the ground.

The chief time of laying gilliflowers is in July, when the flowers are gone. Mortimer, Husbandry.

To wager; to stake.

But since you will be mad, and since you may Suspect my courage, if I should not lay; The pawn I proffer shall be full as good.

Dryden, Virg.

17. To reposite any thing. The sparrow hath found an house, and the swallow a nest, for herself, where she may lay her

young. 18. To exclude eggs. After the egg lay'd, there is no further growth

or nourishment from the female. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

A hen mistakes a piece of chalk for an egg, 16

and sits upon it; she is insensible of an increase or diminution in the number of those she lays.

Addison, Spect. Then he offered it to him again; then he put it 19. To apply with violence: as, to lay

> Lay siege against it, and build a fort against it, and cast a mount against it. Never more shall my torn mind be heal'd,

Nor taste the gentle comforts of repose! A dreadful band of gloomy cares surround me,

And lay strong siege to my distracted soul.

20. To apply nearly. She layeth her hands to the spindle, and her hands hold the distaff. Prov. xxxi. 19.

It is better to go to the house of mourning than to go to the house of feasting; for that is the end of all men, and the living will lay it to his heart.

The peacock laid it extremely to heart, that, being Juno's darling bird, he had not the nightingale's voice. L'Estrange.

He that really lays these two things to heart, the extreme necessity that he is in, and the small possibility of help, will never come coldly to a work of that concernment. Duppa.

21. To add; to conjoin.

Wo unto them that lay field to field. Isa. v. 8. 22. To put in a state implying somewhat of disclosure. If the sinus lie distant, lay it open first, and

cure that apertion before you divide that in ano.

The wars have laid whole countries waste, Addison.

23. To scheme; to contrive.

Every breast she did with spirit inflame, Yet still fresh projects lay'd the grey-ey'd dame.

Homer is like his Jupiter, has his terrors, shaking Olympus; Virgil, like the same power in his benevolence, counselling with the gods, laying

plans for empires. Don Diego and we have laid it so, that before the rope is well about thy neck, he will break in and cut thee down. Arbuthnot.

24. To charge as a payment.

A tax laid upon land seems hard to the landholder, because it is so much money going out of his pocket.

25. To impute; to charge. Pre-occupied with what

You rather must do, than what you should do, Made you against the grain to voice him consul, Lay the fault on us. Shakspeare. How shall this bloody deed be answered?

It will be laid to us, whose providence Should have kept short, restrain'd, and out of

haunt, This mad young man. Shakspeare, Hamlet. We need not lay new matter to his charge.

Shakspeare. Men groan from out of the city, yet God Job, xxiv. 12.

layeth not folly to them. Let us be glad of this, and all our fears

Lay on his providence. Milton, P. R.
The writers of those times lay the disgraces and ruins of their country upon the numbers and fierceness of those savage nations that invaded

They lay want of invention to his charge; a capital crime. Dryden, Æn.

You represented it to the queen as wholly innocent of those crimes which were laid unjustly Dryden. to its charge.

They lay the blame on the poor little ones.

There was eagerness on both sides; but this is far from laying a blot upon Luther. Atterbury.

26. To impose, as evil or punishment. The weariest and most loathed life

That age, ach, penury, imprisonment,

Can lay on nature, is a paradise To what we fear of death.

Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas. Thou shalt not be to him as an usurer, neither shalt thou lay upon him usury. Exod. xx. 25. The Lord shall lay the fear of you, and the read of you upon all the land, Deut. xi. 25.

dread of you upon all the land, These words were not spoken to Adam; neither, indeed, was there any grant in them made to Adam; but a punishment laid upon Eve. Locke.

27. To enjoin as a duty, or a rule of action. It seemed good to lay upon you no greater 37. To LAY by. To put from one; to

Acts, xv. 28. Whilst you lay on your friend the favour, acquit him of the debt. Wycherley.

A prince who never disobey'd, Not when the most severe commands were laid,

Nor want, nor exile, with his duty weigh'd. Druden. You see what obligation the profession of Chris-

tianity lays upon us to holiness of life. Tillotson, Neglect the rules each verbal critick lays, For not to know some trifles is a praise.

28. To exhibit; to offer.

It is not the manner of the Romans to deliver any man to die, before that he which is accused have the accusers face to face, and have licence to answer for himself concerning the crime laid against him. Acts, xxv. 16.

Till he lays his indictment in some certain country, we do not think ourselves bound to Atterbury.

answer.

29. To throw by violence.

He bringeth down them that dwell on high: the lofty city he layeth it low, even to the ground

Brave Cæneus laid Ortygius on the plain, The victor Cæneus was by Turnus slain. Dryden. He took the quiver, and the trusty bow Achates us'd to bear; the leaders first

He laid along, and then the vulgar pierc'd Dryden.

30. To place in comparison.

Lay down by those pleasures the fearful and dangerous thunders and lightnings, and then there will be found no comparison. Ralegh.

31. To LAY ahold. To lay a ship ahold, is to bring her to lie as near the wind as she can, in order to keep clear of the land, and get her out to sea. Steevens. Lay her ahold, ahold; set her two courses; off to sea again, lay her off. Shakspeare, Tempest.

32. To LAY apart. To reject; to put 38. To LAY down. To deposit as a pledge, away.

Lay apart all filthiness. James, i. 21. 33. To LAY aside. To put away; not to

Let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which Heb. xii. I.

doth so easily beset us. Amaze us not with that majestic frown, But lay aside the greatness of your crown. Waller.

Roscommon first, then Mulgrave rose, like

The Stagyrite, and Horace, laid aside, Inform'd by them, we need no foreign guide. Granville.

Retention is the power to revive again in our minds those ideas which, after imprinting, have disappeared, or have been laid aside out of sight.

When by just vengeance guilty mortals perish, The gods behold their punishment with pleasure, And lay the uplifted thunder-bolt aside.

Addison, Cato.

34. To LAY away. To put from one; not to keep.

Queen Esther laid away her glorious apparel, and put on the garments of anguish.

Esther, xiv. 2.

35. To LAY before. To expose to view; to shew; to display.

laying before you a prospect of your labours. Wake. That treaty hath been laid before the commons,

Their office it is to lay the business of the nation before him. Addison.

36. To LAY by. To reserve for some future time.

Let every one lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him. 1 Cor. xvi. 2.

dismiss.

Let brave spirits that have fitted themselves for command, either by sea or land, not be laid by as persons unnecessary for the time.

Bacon, Advice to Villiers. She went away, and laid by her veil.

Gen. xxxviii. 19. Did they not swear to live and die

With Essex, and straight laid him by? Hudibras. For that look, which does your people awe,

When in your throne and robes you give 'em law, Lay it by here, and give a gentler smile. Darkness, which fairest nymphs disarms,

Defends us ill from Mira's charms; Mira can lay her beauty by, Take no advantage of the eye,

Quit all that Lely's art can take, And yet a thousand captives make. Waller Then he lays by the public care,

Thinks of providing for an heir; Learns how to get, and how to spare.

Denham. The Tuscan king, Laid by the lance, and took him to the sling.

Dryden. Where Dædalus his borrow'd wings laid by, To that obscure retreat I chuse to fly

Dryden, Juv. My zeal for you must lay the farther by, And plead my country's cause against my son.

Fortune, conscious of your destiny, E'en then took care to lay you softly by; And wrapp'd your fate among her precious things, Kept fresh to be unfolded with your kings. Dryd. Dismiss your rage, and lay your weapons by,

Know I protect them, and they shall not die. When their displeasure is once declared, they ought not presently to lay by the severity of their brows, but restore their children to their former grace with some difficulty.

equivalent, or satisfaction.

I lay down my life for the sheep. St. John, x. 15.

For her, my lord, I dare my life lay down, and will do't, sir, Please you t' accept it, that the queen is spotless I'th' eyes of Heaven. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

39. To LAY down. To quit; to resign. The soldier being once brought in for the

service, I will not have him to lay down his arms Spenser on Ireland. any more. Ambitious conquerors, in their mad career, Check'd by thy voice, lay down the sword and

Blackmore, Creation. spear. The story of the tragedy is purely fiction; for I take it up where the history has laid it down. Dryden, Don Sebast.

40. To LAY down. To commit to repose. I will lay me down in peace and sleep.

Psal. xlviii. And they lay themselves down upon clothes laid to pledge by every altar. Amos, ii. 8. We lay us down, to sleep away our cares; night

shuts up the senses. Glanville, Scepsis. Some god conduct me to the sacred shades, Or lift me high to Hamus' hilly crown,

Or in the plains of Tempe lay me down. Dryden, Virg.

I cannot better satisfy your piety, than by 141. To LAY down. To advance as a proposition.

I have laid down, in some measure, the description of the old known world. Kircher lays it down as a certain principle, that

there never was any people so rude, which did not acknowledge and worship one supreme Deity. Stilling fleet.

I must lay down this for your encouragement, that we are no longer now under the heavy yoke of a perfect unsinning obedience.

Wake, Prep. for Death. · Plato lays it down as a principle, that whatever is permitted to befal a just man, whether poverty or sickness, shall, either in life or death, conduce to his good. Addison.

From the maxims laid down many may conclude, that there had been abuses. Swift.

42. To LAY for. To attempt by ambush, or insidious practices.

He embarked, being hardly laid for at sea by Cortug-ogli, a famous pirate. Knolles.

43. To LAY forth. To diffuse; to ex-O bird! the delight of gods and of men! and

so he lays himself forth upon the gracefulness of

44. To Lay forth. To place when dead in a decent posture. See also To LAY

Embalm me,

Then lay me forth; although unqueen'd, yet like A queen, and daughter to a king, inter me.

Shakspeare. 45. To LAY hold of. To seize; to catch. Then shall his father and his mother lay hold on him, and bring him out. Deut. xxi. 19.

Favourable seasons of aptitude and inclination, be heedfully laid hold of.

46. To LAY in. To store; to treasure. Let the main part of the ground employed to gardens or corn be to a common stock; and laid in and stored up, and then delivered out in pro-

rtion.
A vessel and provisions laid in large
Milton, P. L. For man and beast. An equal stock of wit and valour

He had laid in, by birth a taylor. Hudibras. They saw the happiness of a private life, but they thought they had not yet enough to make them happy, they would have more, and laid in to make their solitude luxurious. Dryden.

Readers, who are in the flower of their youth, should labour at those accomplishments which may set off their persons when their bloom is gone, and to lay in timely provisions for manhood and old age. Addison, Guardian.

47. To LAY on. To apply with violence. We make no excuses for the obstinate: blows are the proper remedies; but blows laid on in a way different from the ordinary. Locke on Education.

To LAY open. To shew; to expose. Teach me, dear creature, how to think and speak,

Lay open to my earthy gross conceit, Smother'd in errours, feeble, shallow weak, The folded meaning of your word's deceit.

Shakspeare. A fool layeth open his folly. Prov. xiii. 16.

49. To LAY over. To incrust; to cover; to decorate superficially.

Wo unto him that saith to the wood, Awake; to the dumb stone, Arise, it shall teach: behold, it is laid over with gold and silver, and there is no breath at all in the midst of it. Habb. ii. 19.

50. To LAY out. To expend. Fathers are wont to lay up for their sons, Thou for thy son art bent to lay out all.

Milton, S. A.

Tycho Brahe laid out, besides his time and industry, much greater sums of money on instruments than any man we ever heard of.

The blood and treasure that's laid out.

Is thrown away, and goes for nought. Hudibras. If you can get a good tutor, you will never repent the charge; but will always have the satisfaction to think it the money, of all other, the best laid out. Locke.

I, in this venture, double gains pursue, And laid out all my stock to purchase you.

Dryden. My father never at a time like this

Would lay out his great soul in words, and waste Such precious moments. Addison, Cato.

A melancholy thing to see the disorders of a household that is under the conduct of an angry stateswoman, who lays out all her thoughts upon the publick, and is only attentive to find out miscarriages in the ministry. Addison, Freeholder.

When a man spends his whole life among the stars and planets, or lays out a twelvemonth on the spots in the sun, however noble his speculations may be, they are very apt to fall into burlesque. Addison on Anc. Medals.

Nature has laid out all her art in beautifying the face; she has touched it with vermillion, planted in it a double row of ivory, and made it the seat of smiles and blushes. Addison.

51. To LAY out. To display; to discover. He was dangerous, and takes occasion to lay out bigotry, and false confidence, in all its colours.

52. To LAY out. To dispose; to plan. The garden is laid out into a grove for fruits, a vineyard, and an allotment for olives and herbs.

Notes on the Odyssey. 53. To LAY out. With the reciprocal pronoun, to exert; to put forth.

No selfish man will be concerned to lay out himself for the good of his country. Smalridge. 54. To LAY out. To compose the limbs

of the dead. Durand gives a pretty exact account of some of

the ceremonies used at laying out the body, as they are at present practised in the north of England, where the laying out is called streeking. Brand, Popular Antiq.

55. To LAY to. To charge upon.

When we began, in courteous manner, to lay his unkindness unto him, he, seeing himself confronted by so many, like a resolute orator, went not to denial, but to justify his cruel falsehood.

56. To LAY to. To apply with vigour. Let children be hired to lay to their bones, From fallow as needeth, to gather up stones.

Tusser. We should now lay to our hands to root them up, and cannot tell for what.

Oxford, Reasons against the Covenant.

57. To LAY to. To harass: to attack. The great master having a careful eye over every

part of the city, went himself unto the station, which was then hardly laid to by the Bassa Mus-Knolles. Whilst he this, and that, and each man's blow, Doth eye, defend, and shift, being laid to sore;

Backwards he bears. Daniel, Civ. Wars. 58. To LAY together. To collect; to

bring into one view.

If we lay all these things together, and consider the parts, rise, and degrees of his sin, we shall find that it was not for nothing. South.

Many people apprehend danger for want of taking the true measure of things, and laying matters rightly together.

My readers will be very well pleased, to see so many useful hints upon this subject laid together in so clear and concise a manner. Addison, Guardian.

One series of consequences will not serve the turn, but many different and opposite deductions must be examined, and laid together, before a man can come to make a right judgment of the point in question.

59. To LAY under. To subject to. A Roman soul is bent on higher views

To civilize the rude unpolish'd world, And lay it under the restraint of laws.

Addison, Cato.

60. To LAY up. To confine to the bed or chamber.

In the East Indies, the general remedy of all subject to the gout, is rubbing with hands till the motion raise a violent heat about the joints: where it was chiefly used, no one was ever troubled much, or laid up by that disease.

61. To LAY up. To store; to treasure; to reposit for future use.

St. Paul did will them of the church of Corinth, every man to lay up somewhat by him upon the Sunday, till himself did come thither, to send it to the church of Jerusalem for relief of the poor

Those things which at the first are obscure and hard, when memory hath laid them up for a time, judgement afterwards growing explaineth them. Hooker.

That which remaineth over, lay up to be kept until the morning. Exod. xvi. 23.

The king must preserve the revenues of his crown without diminution, and lay up treasures in store against a time of extremity. Bacon, Advice to Villiers.

The whole was tilled, and the harvest laid up in several granaries. I will lay up your words for you till time shall

Druden. This faculty of laying up, and retaining ideas, several other animals have to a great degree, as

well as man. What right, what true, what fit, we justly call,

Let this be all my care; for this is all; To lay this harvest up, and hoard with haste What every day will want, and most, the last.

To LAY. v. R.

1. To bring eggs.

Hens will greedily eat the herb which will make them lay the better. Mortimer, Husbandry.

2. To contrive; to form a scheme. Which mov'd the king,

By all the aptest means could be procur'd, To lay to draw him in by any train.

Daniel, Civil Wars. Scarce are their consorts cold, ere they are laying for a second match.

Bp. Hall, Cases of Conscience. To strike on all sides; 3. To Lay about. to act with great diligence and vigour.

At once he wards and strikes, he takes and Now forc'd to yield, now forcing to invade,

Before, behind, and round about him lays. Spenser, F. Q.

And laid about in fight more busily, Than th' Amazonian dame Penthesile.

In the late successful rebellion, how studiously did they lay about them, to cast a slur upon the

He provides elbow-room enough for his conscience to lay about, and have its full play in, South.

4. To LAY at. To strike; to endeavour to strike.

Fiercely the good man did at him lay, The blade oft groaned under the blow. The sword of him that layeth at him cannot

5. To Lay in for. To make overtures of oblique invitation.

I have laid in for these, by rebating the satire. where justice would allow it, from carrying too sharp an edge. Dryden.

6. To LAY on. To strike; to beat without intermission.

His heart laid on as if it tried, To force a passage through his side. Hudibras. Answer, or answer not, 'tis all the same.

He lays me on, and makes me bear the blame. Dryden.

7. To LAY on. To act with vehemence : used of expences.

My father has made her mistress Of the feast, and she lays it on.

Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. 8. To Lay out. To take measures.

I made strict enquiry wherever I came, and laid out for intelligence of all places, where the intrails of the earth were laid open. Woodward.

9. To LAY upon. To importune; to request with earnestness and incessantly.

All the people laid so earnestly upon him to take that war in hand, that they said they would never bear arms more against the Turks, if he omitted that occasion.

LAY. † n. s. [from the verb.]

1. A row; a stratum; a layer; one rank in a series, reckoned upwards.

A viol should have a lay of wire-strings below, as close to the belly as the lute, and then the strings of guts mounted upon a bridge as in ordinary viols, that the upper strings strucken might make the lower resound. Bacon.

Upon this they lay a layer of stone, and upon that a lay of wood. Mortimer, Husbandry.

2. A wager.

My fortunes against any lay worth naming, this crack of your love shall grow stronger than it was Shakspeare, Othello. before.

It is thy just grief, that thou missest of the hearing of many good words: It is thy happiness, that thou art freed from the hearing of many evil. It is an even lay betwixt the benefit of hearing good, and the torment of hearing evil. Bp. Hall, Balm of Gilead.

It is esteemed an even lay whether any man lives ten years longer: I suppose it is the same, that one of any ten might die within one year.

Graunt, Bills of Mortality. 3. Station; rank. Not in use. Welcome unto thee, renowned Turk,

Not for thy lay, but for thy worth in arms. Soliman and Perseda, (1599.) LAY. n. s. [ley, leaz, Saxon; ley, Scottish.] Grassy ground; meadow; ground unplowed, and kept for cattle; more frequently, and more properly written lea.

A tuft of daisies on a flow'ry lay

They saw. Dryden, Flower and Leaf. The plowing of layes is the first plowing up of grass ground for corn.

Mortimer, Husbandry.

LAY. † n. s. [lay, French. It is said originally to signify sorrow or complaint, and then to have been transferred to poems written to express sorrow. It is derived by the French from lessus, Latin, a funeral song; but it is found likewise in the Teutonick dialect: ley, leod, Saxon; leey, Danish. Dr. Johnson. - "Les premieres chansons Françoises furent nommées des lais," says M. de la Ravaliere, Poes. du Roi de Nav. tom. i. p. 213. And so far I believe he is right. But I see no foundation for supposing with him, that the lay was " une sorte d'elegie," and that it was derived " du mot

Latin lessus, qui signifie des plaintes;" or that it was " la chanson la plus majestueuse et la plus grave." It seems more probable that lai in French was anciently a generical term, answering to song in English. The passage which M. de la Ravaliere has quoted from Le Brut, " Molt sot de lais, molt sot de notes," is thus rendered by our Layamon: " Ne cuthe na mon swa muchel of song." The same word is used by Peirol d'Alvergna, MS. Crofts, fol. lxxxv. to denote the songs of birds, certainly not of the plaintive kind. For my own part I am inclined to believe, that liod, Icel. lied, Teuton. leoo, Sax. and lai, French, are all to be deduced from the same Gothic original. Tyrwhitt, Introd. Disc. to Chaucer's Canterb. Tales, § xxvi. Liuthon is, in old Gothick, to sing.] A song ; a poem. It is scarcely used but in poetry.

To the maiden's sounding timbrels sung, In well attuned notes, a joyous lay.

Spenser, F. Q. Soon he slumber'd, fearing not be harm'd, The whiles with a loud lay, she thus him sweetly charm'd. Spenser, F. Q. This is a most majestic vision, and

Harmonious charming lays. Shaksp. Tempest. Nor then the solemn nightingale Ceas'd warbling, but all night tun'd her soft lays.

If Jove's will

Milton, P. L.

Have link'd that amorous power to thy soft lay, Now timely sing. Milton, Sonnet. He reach'd the nymph with his harmonious lay, Whom all his charms could not incline to stay.

On Ceres let him call, and Ceres praise, With uncouth dances, and with country lays.

Dryden, Virg. Ev'n gods incline their ravish'd ears,

And tune their own harmonious spheres To his immortal lays.

LAY. adj. [laicus, Latin; λάος.] Not clerical; regarding or belonging to the people as distinct from the clergy.

All this they had by law, and none repin'd, The pref'rence was but due to Levi's kind: But when some lay preferment fell by chance, The Gourmands made it their inheritance.

Lay persons, married or unmarried, being doctors of the civil law, may be chancellors, officials, &c. Ayliffe, Parergon. It might well startle

Our lay unlearned faith.

LA'YER. n. s. [from lay.] 1. A stratum, or row; a bed; one body spread over another.

A layer of rich mould beneath, and about this natural earth to nourish the fibres.

Evelyn, Kalendar. The terrestrial matter is disposed into strata or layers, placed one upon another, in like manner as any earthy sediment, settling down from a flood in great quantity, will naturally be.

Woodward, Nat. Hist.

2. A sprig of a plant.

Many trees may be propagated by layers: this is to be performed by slitting the branches a little way, and half a foot; the ground should be first made very light, and, after they are laid, they should have a little water

given them: if they do not comply well in the laying of them down, they must be pegged down with a hook or two; and if they have taken sufficient root by the next winter, they must be cut off from the main plants, and planted in the nursery: some twist the branch, or bare the rind; and if it be out of the reach of the ground, they fasten a tub or basket near the branch, which they fill with good mould, and lay the branch in it. Miller.

Transplant also carnation seedlings, give your layers fresh earth, and set them in the shade for a Evelyn.

3. A hen that lays eggs.

The oldest are always reckoned the best sitters, and the youngest the best layers. Mortimer.

LAYER Out.* n. s. [from To lay out.] One who expends money; a steward.

LAYER Up.* n. s. [from To lay up.] One who reposits for future use; a treasurer. Old age that ill layer up of beauty, can do no more spoil upon my face. Shakspeare, Hen. V.

LAY-LAND.* n. s. Fallow ground which lies untilled. More properly ley-land, or lea-land. But see LAY. In the north, ley-lands are lands in a common field laid down, which under that circumstance are said to lie ley.

He shall have my broad lay-lands.

Sir Cauline, Percy's Rel. i. i. 4.

Lie lay, till I return.

Beaum. and Fl. Love's Pilgrimage.

LA'YMAN. n. s. [lay and man.] 1. One of the people distinct from the

Laymen will neither admonish one another themselves, nor suffer ministers to do it.

Gov. of the Tongue. Since a trust must be, she thought it best

To put it out of laymen's pow'r at least, And for their solemn vows prepar'd a priest.

Where can be the grievance, that an ecclesiastical landlord should expect a third part value for his lands, his title as antient, and as legal, as that of a layman, who is seldom guilty of giving such beneficial bargains?

2. An image used by painters in contriving attitudes.

You are to have a layman almost as big as the life for every figure in particular, besides the natural figure before you. Dryden, Dufresnoy.

LA'YSTALL. † n. s. [from lay and real, Sax. stabulum, a dunghill on which they lay what is swept out of stalls or stables. Skinner. By others from stale, urine. Sometimes written leastall, or leystall. An heap of dung.

Scarce could be footing find in that foul way, For many corses, like a great lay-stall,

Of murdered men, which therein strowed lay. Spenser, F. Q.

Near the common lay-stall of a city. Drayton, Pref. to Polyolbion.

If he will live abroad with his companions, In dung and leystals, it is worth a fear.

B. Jonson, Every Man in his Humour. laying them under the mould about LA'ZAR. † n. s. [from Lazarus in the Gospel. Very old in our language: "A lazar or a beggere." Chaucer, C. T. Prol. Lazare is also old in the French. One deformed and nauseous with filthy and pestilential diseases.

They ever after in most wretched case. Like loathsome lazars, by the hedges lay.

Spenser, F. Q. I'll be sworn, and sworn upon't, she never shrouded any but lazars. Shakspeare. I am weary with drawing the deformities of life, and lazars of the people, where every figure of imperfection more resembles me. Dryden.

Life he labours to refine Daily, nor of his little stock denies

Fit alms to lazars merciful and meek. LA'ZAR-HOUSE. †) n. s. [lazaret, French; LA'ZARET. lazzarretto, Ital.; from LAZARE'TTO. lazar.] A house for the reception of the diseased an hos-

A place Before his eyes appear'd, sad, noisome, dark, A lazar-house it seem'd, where were laid Numbers of all diseas'd. Milton, P. L.

My genius prompts me, that I was born under a planet, not to die in a lazaretto.

Howell, Lett. i. vi. 60. The same penalty attends persons escaping from the lazaret.

LA'ZARLIKE.* adj. [from lazar.] Full of LA'ZARLY. sores, leprous.

A most instant tetter bark'd about;

Most lazarlike, with vile and loathsome crust, All my smooth body. Shakspeare, Hamlet. Those five leprous and luzarly orders.

Bp. Hall, Contemp. B. 4.

LA'ZARWORT. n. s. [Laserpitium.] A plant. To LAZE.* v. n. [See the etymology of LAZY.] To live idly; to be idle; to Cotgrave, and Sherwood. Up, and laze not:

Hadst thou my business, thou couldst ne'er sit so. Middleton's Witch.

The hands and the feet mutinied against the belly: they knew no reason, why the one should be lazing, and pampering itself with the fruit of the other's labour, The sot cried, Utinam hoc esset laborare, while

he lay lazing and lolling upon his couch. South. To LAZE.* v. a. To waste in laziness; to

stupify by sloth.

He that takes liberty to laze himself, and dull his spirits for lack of use, shall find the more he sleeps, the more he shall be drowsy; till he becomes a very slave to his bed, and makes sleep his master. Whately, Redemp. of Time, (1634,) p. 23.

LA'ZILY. adv. [from lazy.] Idly; sluggishly; heavily.

Watch him at play, when following his own

inclinations; and see whether he be stirring and active, or whether he lazily and listlessly dreams away his time.

The eastern nations view the rising fires, Whilst night shades us, and lazily retires. Creech.

LA'ZINESS. n. s. [from lazy.] Idleness; sluggishness; listlessness; heaviness in action; tardiness.

That instance of fraud and laxiness, the unjust steward, who pleaded that he could neither dig nor beg, would quickly have been brought both to dig and to beg too, rather than starve.

My fortune you have rescued, not only from the power of others, but from my own modesty and laziness.

LA'ZULI. n. s.

The ground of this stone is blue, veined and spotted with white, and a glistering or metallick yellow: it appears to be composed of, first, a white sparry, or crystalline matter; secondly, flakes of

about the way without unto the utter gate.

the golden or yellow talc; thirdly, a shining yellow substance; this fumes off in the calcination of the stone, and casts a sulphureous smell; fourthly, a bright blue substance, of great use among the painters, under the name of ultramarine; and when rich, is found, upon trial, to yield about one-sixth of copper.

with a very little silver. Woodward. LA'ZY.† adj. [This word is derived by a correspondent, with great probability, from à l'aise, French; but it is however Teutonick; lijser in Danish, and losigh in Dutch, have the same meaning; and Spelman gives this account of the word: "Dividebantur antiqui Saxones, ut testatur Nithardus, in tres ordines; Edhilingos, Frilingos, & Lazzos; hoc est nobiles, ingenuos & serviles: quam & nos distinctionem diu retinuimus. Sub Ricardo autem secundo pars servorum maxima se in libertatem vindicavit : sic ut hodie apud Anglos rarior inveniatur servus, qui mancipium dicitur. Restat nihilominus antiquæ appellationis commemoratio. Ignavos enim hodie lazie dicimus." Dr. Johnson.-Schilter notices also the Teut. lass, laz, slow, tardy. It may be observed, that our old word is laesie and lasie: "Thou's but a laesie loord." Spenser, Shep Cal. 7

1. Idle; sluggish; unwilling to work. Our soldiers like the night-owl's lazy flight, Or like a lazy thrasher with a flail, Fall gently down, as if they struck their friends.

Shakspeare.

Wicked condemned men will ever live like rogues, and not fall to work, but be lazy and spend

Whose lazy waters without motion lay.

Roscommon.

The lazy glutton safe at home will keep, Indulge his sloth, and batten with his sleep. Dryden.

Like eastern kings a lazy state they keep, And close confin'd in their own palace sleep. Pope. Or lazy lakes unconscious of a flood, Whose dull brown Naiads ever sleep in mud.

What amazing stupidity is it, for men to be negligent of salvation themselves! to sit down lazy and unactive. Rogers

2. Slow; tedious.

The ordinary method for recruiting their armies, was now too dull and lazy an expedient to resist this torrent. Clarendon.

Lp. is a contraction of lord.

LEA. n. s. [ley, Saxon, a fallow; leaz, Saxon, a pasture, a plain.] Ground enclosed, not open. Dr. Johnson. - Rather an extensive plain.

As when two warlike brigantines at sea, With murd'rous weapons arm'd to cruell fight,

Doe meete together on the watry lea. Spenser, F. Q. iv. ii. 16.

Greatly aghast with his pittious plea; Him rested the good man on the lea. Ceres, most bounteous lady, thy rich leas, Of wheat, rye, barley, fetches, oats, and peas.

Shakspeare.

Her fallow leas

The darnel, hemlock, and rank fumitory Doth root upon. Shakspeare, Hen. V. Dry up thy harrow'd veins, and plough torn leas, Whereof ingrateful man with lickerish draughts, And morsels unctuous, greases his pure mind.

Shakspeare:

He furrow'd many a churlish sea; The viny Rhene, and Volgha's self did pass, Who sleds doth suffer on his watery lea.

LEA

P. Fletcher, Pisc. Ecl. ii. 13. Such court guise,

As Mercury did first devise, With the mincing Dryades,

On the lawns, and on the leas. Milton, Comus. The lowing herd winds slowly o'er the lea.

LEACH.* See LEECH.

LEAD. n. s. [læ6, Saxon.]

 Lead is the heaviest metal except gold and quicksilver. Lead is the softest of all the metals, and very ductile, though less so than gold: it is very little subject to rust, and the least sonorous of all the metals except gold. The specifick gravity of lead is to that of water as 11322 to 1000. Lead when kept in fusion over a common fire, throws up all other bodies, except gold, that are mixed, all others being lighter, except mercury, which will not bear that degree of heat: it afterwards vitrifies with the baser metals, and carries them off, in form of scoriæ, to the sides of the vessel. The weakest acids are the best solvents for lead: it dissolves very readily in aqua fortis diluted with water, as also in vinegar. The smoke of lead works is a prodigious annovance, and subjects both the workmen, and the cattle that graze about them, to a mortal disease. Hill.

Thou art a soul in bliss, but I am bound Upon a wheel of fire; that mine own tears

Do scald like molten lead. Shakspeare, K. Lear. Of lead, some I can shew you so like steel, and so unlike common lead ore, that the workmen call

Lead is employed for the refining of gold and silver by the cupel; hereof is made common ceruss with vinegar; of ceruss, red lead; of plumbum ustum, the best yellow ocher; of lead, and half as much tin, solder for lead.

2. [In the plural.] Flat roof to walk on; because houses are covered with lead. Stalls, bulks, windows,

Are smother'd up, leads fill'd, and ridges hors'd With variable complexions; all agreeing

Shakspeare, Coriol. In earnestness to see him. I would have the tower two stories, and goodly leads upon the top, raised with statues interposed.

To LEAD. v. a. [from the noun.] To fit with lead in any manner.

He fashioneth the clay with his arm, he applieth himself to lead it over; and he is diligent to make Ecclus. xxxviii. 30. clean the furnace.

There is a traverse placed in a loft, at the right hand of the chair, with a privy door, and a carved window of glass leaded with gold and blue, where the mother sitteth.

To LEAD. v. a. preter. I led; part. led. [læban, Saxon; leiden, Dutch.]

To guide by the hand.

Doth not each on the sabbath loose his ox or his ass from the stall, and lead him away to watering? St. Luke, xiii. 15.

They thrust him out of the city, and led him unto the brow of the hill. St. Luke, iv. 29.

2. To conduct to any place.

Save to every man his wife and children, that they may lead them away, and depart.

he leadeth me beside the still waters.

3. To conduct as head or commander. Would you lead forth your army against the enemy, and seek him where he is to fight? Spenser on Ireland.

Then brought he me out of the way, and led me

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures;

Ezek. xlvii. 2.

He turns head against the lion's armed jaws; And being no more in debt to years than thou, Leads antient lords, and rev'rend bishops, on To bloody battles. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. He led me on to mightiest deeds,

Above the nerve of mortal arm, Against the uncircumcis'd, our enemies:

But now hath cast me off. Milton, S. A. Christ took not upon him flesh and blood, that he might conquer and rule nations, lead armies, or possess places.

He might muster his family up, and lead them out against the Indians, to seek reparation upon any injury.

4. To introduce by going first.

Which may go out before them, and which may go in before them, and which may lead them out, and which may bring them in. Numb. xxvii, 17. His guide, as faithful from that day, As Hesperus that leads the sun his way. Fairfax.

5. To guide; to shew the method of at-

Human testimony is not so proper to lead us

into the knowledge of the essence of things, as to acquaint us with the existence of things.

6. To draw; to entice; to allure. Appoint him a meeting, give him a shew of

comfort, and lead him on with a fine baited delay. The lord Cottington, being a master of temper,

knew how to lead him into a mistake, and then drive him into choler, and then expose him.

Clarendon.

7. To induce; to prevail on by pleasing

What I did, I did in honour,

Led by th' impartial conduct of my soul. Shaksp. He was driven by the necessities of the times, more than led by his own disposition, to any rigour King Charles.

What I say will have little influence on those whose ends lead them to wish the continuance of the war.

8. To pass; to spend in any certain manner.

The sweet woman leads an ill life with him. Shakspeare.

So sha't thou lead

Safest thy life, and best prepar'd endure Thy mortal passage when it comes. Milton, P. L. Him, fair Lavinia, thy surviving wife Shall breed in groves, to lead a solitary life.

Luther's life was led up to the doctrines he preached, and his death was the death of the righteous. Fr. Atterbury.

Celibacy, as then practised in the church of Rome, was commonly forced, taken up under a bold vow, and led in all uncleanness.

Fr. Atterbury. This distemper is most incident to such as lead a sedentary life. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

To LEAD. + v. n.

To go first, and shew the way. I will lead on softly, according as the cattle that

goeth before me, and the children be able to en-Gen. xxxiii.

2. To conduct as a commander.

1 Sam. xxx. 22. 3. To shew the way, by going first.

He left his mother a countess by patent, which was a new leading example, grown before some-Wotton.

The way of maturing of tobacco must be from the heat of the earth or sun; we see some leading of this in musk-melons sown upon a hot-bed dunged

The vessels heavy-laden put to sea With prosp'rous gales, a woman leads the way. Dryden.

4. To exercise dominion.

For shepherds, said he, there doen lead As lords done otherwhere. Spenser, July.

5. To LEAD off. To begin.

Her social powers were brilliant, but not uniform; for, on some occasions, she would persist in a determined taciturnity, to the regret of the company present; and, at other times, would lead off in her best manner, when perhaps none were present, who could taste the spirit and amenity of her hu-Cumberland, Memoirs of Himself.

LEAD. † n. s. [from the verb.] Guidance; first place: a low despicable word. Dr. Johnson.-Bolingbroke, however, somewhere uses it; and a most eminent writer in our own time farther warrants the usage of it.

Yorkshire takes the lead of the other counties.

At the time I speak of having a momentary lead, I am sure I did my country important service. Burke, Lett. p. 17.

LE'ADEN. † adj. [leasen, Saxon.] 1. Made of lead.

This tiger-footed rage, when it shall find The harm of unskann'd swiftness, will, too late, Tie leaden pounds to's heels. Shakspeare, Coriol. O murth'rous slumber!

Lay'st thou the leaden mace upon my boy, That plays thee musick? Shaksp. Jul. Cæs. A leaden bullet shot from one of these guns against a stone wall, the space of twenty-four paces from it, will be beaten into a thin plate. Wilkins, Mathem. Magick.

2. Heavy; unwilling; motionless. If thou do'st find him tractable to us. Encourage him, and tell him all our reasons: If he be leaden, icy, cold, unwilling, Shakspeare, Rich. III.

Be thou so too. 3. Heavy; dull.

I'll strive with troubled thoughts to take a nap; Lest leaden slumber poize me down to morrow, When I should mount with wings of victory.

Shakspeare.

4. Stupid; absurd.

What is so leaden or blockishe, which these doltish papists will not avouch for the maintenance of their trompery?

Fulke, Retentive, &c. (1580,) p. 43. LE'ADEN-HEARTED.* adj. [leaden and heart.] Having an unfeeling, stupid

O leaden-hearted men, to be in love with death! Thomson, Castle of Indolence, C. 2 LE'ADEN-HEELED.* adj. [leaden and heel.]

Slow in progress. Comforts are leaden-heeled.

Ford, Love's Labyrinth, (1661,) p. 53. LE'ADEN-STEPPING.* adj. [leaden and step.] Slowly moving.

Call on the lazy leaden-stepping hours, Whose speed is but the heavy plummet's pace.

LE'ADER. n. s. [from lead.]

1. One that leads, or conducts. 2. Captain; commander.

In my tent I'll draw the form and model of our battle, Limit each leader to his several charge, And part in just proportion our small strength.

I have given him for a leader and commander to the people. Isaiah, lv. 4.

Those escaped by flight, not without a sharp jest against their leaders affirming, that, as they had followed them into the field, so it was good reason they should follow them out. Hayward. When our Lycians see

Our brave examples, they admiring say, Behold our gallant leaders.

Denham. The brave leader of the Lycian crew. Dryden. 3. One who goes first.

Nay, keep your way, little gallant; you were wont to be a follower, now you are a leader.

Shakspeare. 4. One at the head of any party or faction: as the detestable Wharton was the

leader of the whigs. The understandings of a senate are enslaved by three or four leaders, set to get or to keep em-

LE'ADING. participial adj. Principal; chief; capital.

In organized bodies, which are propagated by seed, the shape is the leading quality, and most characteristical part that determines the species.

Mistakes arise from the influence of private persons upon great numbers stiled leading men and parties. LE'ADING.* n. s. [from lead.]

1. Guidance; conduct by the hand. There is a cliff, whose high and bending head Looks fearfully in the confined deep:

Bring me but to the very brim of it, And I'll repair the misery thou dost bear With something rich about me: from that place I shall no leading need. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

2. Conduct of a commander.

Lords have had the leading of their own followers to the general hostings. Spenser on Ireland.

If thou wilt have The leading of thy own revenges, take One half of my commission, and set down

As best thou art experienc'd. Shakspeare, Coriol. Cyrus was beaten and slain under the leading of a woman, whose wit and conduct made a great figure.

LEADING-STRINGS. n. s. [lead and string.] Strings by which children, when they learn to walk, are held from falling.

Sound may serve such, ere they to sense are

Like leading-strings, till they can walk alone.

Was he ever able to walk without leading-strings, or swim without bladders, without being disco vered by his hobbling and his sinking? Swift.

LE'ADMAN. n. s. [lead and man.] One who begins or leads a dance.

Such a light and mettled dance Saw you never, And by leadmen for the nonce,

That turn round like grindle-stones.

B. Jonson. LE'ADWORT. n. s. [lead and wort; plumbago.] A plant.

LE'ADY.* adj. [from lead.] Of the colour of lead. His ruddy lips [were] wan, and his eyen leady

and hollow. Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 124. LEAF. † n. s. leaves, plural. [leaf, Saxon;

leaf, Dutch; lauf, Goth. "vox antiquiss. multisque linguis communis." Serenius.]

1. The green deciduous parts of plants and flowers.

This is the state of man; to-day he puts forth The tender leaves of hopes, to-morrow blossoms.

A man shall seldom fail of having cherries borne by his graft the same year in which his incision is made, if his graft bave blossom buds; whereas if it were only leaf buds, it will not bear fruit till the second season.

Those things which are removed to a distant view, ought to make but one mass; as the leaves

on the trees, and the billows in the sea. Dryden, Dufresnoy.

2. A part of a book, containing two pages. Happy ye leaves, when as those lilly hands Shall handle you.

Swift.

Peruse my leaves through every part, And think thou seest my owner's heart Scrawl'd o'er with trifles

3. One side of a double door. The two leaves of the one door were folding.

1 Kings. 4. Any thing foliated, or thinly beaten. Eleven ounces two pence sterling ought to be of so pure silver, as is called leaf silver, and then

the melter must add of other weight seventeen pence halfpenny farthing. Leaf gold, that flies in the air as light as down,

is as truly gold as that in an ingot.

Digby on Bodies. To LEAF. v. n. [from the noun.] To

bring leaves; to bear leaves. Most trees fall off the leaves at autumn; and if not kept back by cold, would leaf about the

solstice. Le'Afage.* n. s. [from leaf.] Store of leaves.

If morn and ev'n fresh leafage they may have. The Silke-Wormes, (1599.)

LE'AFED.* adj. [from leaf.] Bearing or having leaves. Huloet.

Le'Afless. adj. [from leaf.] Naked of leaves.

Bare honesty without some other adornment, being looked on as a leafless tree, nobody will ke himself to its shelter. Gov. of the Tongue. Where doves in flocks, the leafless trees o'ertake himself to its shelter.

shade, And lonely woodcocks haunt the wat'ry glade.

LE'AFY. adj. [from leaf.] Full of leaves.

The frauds of men were ever so, Since summer was first leafy. Shakspeare.

What chance, good lady, hath bereft you thus? - Dim darkness, and this leafy labyrinth. Milton, Comus.

O'er barren mountains, o'er the flow'ry plain, The leafy forest, and the liquid main.

Extends thy uncontroul'd and boundless reign. Dryden. Her leafy arms with such extent were spread,

That hosts of birds, that wing the liquid air, Perch'd in the boughs. Dryden, Flo. and Leaf. So when some swelt'ring travellers retire

To leafy shades, near the cool sunless verge Of Paraba, Brasilian stream; her tail A gristly hydra suddenly shoots forth.

LEAGUE. n. s. [ligue, French; ligo, Lat. to bind together.] A confederacy; A combination either of interest or friendship.

You peers, continue this united league: I every day expect an embassage From my Redeemer, to redeem me hence. And now in peace my soul shall part to heaven, Since I have made my friends at peace on earth. Shakspeare.

We come to be informed by yourselves, What the conditions of that league must be Shaksneare.

Thou shalt be in league with the stones of the field; and the beasts of the field shall be at peace with thee.

Go break thy league with Baasha, that he may depart from me. 2 Chron. xvi. S.

It is a great error, and a narrowness of mind, to think, that nations have nothing to do one with another, except there be either an union in sovereignty, or a conjunction in pacts or leagues: there are other bands of society and implicit con-Bacon, Holy War. federations.

LEA

I, a private person, whom my country As a league-breaker gave up bound, presum'd Single rebellion, and did hostile acts.

Milton, S. A. Oh, Tyrians, with immortal hate Pursue this hated race: and let there be 'Twixt us and them no league nor amity.

Denham. To LEAGUE. v. n. To unite on certain

terms; to confederate. Where fraud and falsehood invade society, the band presently breaks, and men are put to a loss where to league and to fasten their dependances.

LEAGUE. n. s. [lieue, Fr. leuca, Latin; from lech, Welsh, a stone that was used to be erected at the end of every league. Camden. A measure of length, containing three miles.

Ere the ships could meet by twice five leagues, We were encount'red by a mighty rock.

Shakspeare. Ev'n Italy, though many a league remote, In distant echoes answer'd. Addison.

LE'AGUED. adj. [from league.] Confederated.

And now thus leagu'd by an eternal bond, What shall retard the Britons bold designs Philips.

LE'AGUER. † n. s. [Dutch, or Flemish. "They will not vouchsafe in their speeches or writings to use our termes belonging to matters of warre, but doo call a campe by the Dutch name of legar; nor will not affoord to say that such a towne or such a fort is besieged, but that it is belegard." Sir J. Smythe, Certain Disc. 1590, fol. 2.]

1. Camp; not siege, as Dr. Johnson has hastily asserted.

We will bind and hoodwink him so, that he shall suppose no other but that he is carried into the leaguer of the adversaries, when we bring him

Shakspeare, All's Well. to our tents. They played their cannon day and night into the enemy's leaguers and quarters. - They shot into the leaguer at Hedington hill, and there killed Lieutenant Colonel Cotsworth.

A. Wood, Annals Univ. Ox. (an. 1646.)

2. One united in a confederacy. Not noticed by Dr. Johnson.

The divisions are so many, and so intricate, of protestants and catholicks, royalists and leaguers. Bacon, Observ. on a Libel, (1592.)

Are you leaguers, or covenanters, or associators Dryden, Vindic. of the Duke of Guise.

LEAK. n. s. [lek, leke, Dutch; hlece, Sax. leaky; leka, Su. Goth. to flow or run.] A breach or hole which lets in water.

There will be always evils, which no art of man can cure; breaches and leaks more than man's wit hath hands to stop. Hooker.

The water rushes in, as it doth usually in the leak of a ship.

Whether she sprung a leak I cannot find, Or whether she was overset with wind, Or that some rock below her bottom rent,

But down at once with all her crew she went. Dryden.

LEAK.* adj. [hlece, Sax. hlece rcip, a leaky ship. Lye.] Leaky.

And fifty sisters water in leake vessels draw. Spenser, F. Q. i. v. 55. Yet is the bottle leake, and bag so torn,

That all which I put in fals out anon. Spenser, F. Q. vi. viii. 24.

To LEAK. v. n.

1. To let water in or out.

They will allow us ne'er a jordan, and then we leak in your chimney. His feet should be washed every day in cold

water; and have his shoes so thin, that they might leak and let in water. Locke.

2. To drop through a breach, or discontinuity.

The water, which will perhaps by degrees leak into several parts, may be emptied out again. Wilkins.

Golden stars hung o'er their heads, And seem'd so crowded, that they burst upon 'em, And dart at once their baleful influence Dryden and Lee. In leaking fire.

To LEAK.* v. a. To let out.

It would be next to impossible to make pipes to hold so perfectly as not to leak air in some 2. [Icel. leina.] To conceal. North of Mr. Hooke, in Hist. R. Soc. iv. 548. parts.

LE'AKAGE. † n. s. [from leak.] 1. State of a vessel that leaks.

of their power.

Bp. Parker, Repr. Reh. Transp. p. 11. Allowance made for accidental loss in liquid measures.

LE'AKY. adj. [from leak.]

1. Battered or pierced, so as to let water in or out.

Thou'rt so leaky,
That we must leave thee to thy sinking; for Thy dearest quit thee.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. If you have not enjoy'd what youth could give, But life sunk through you like a leaky sieve, Accuse yourself, you liv'd not while you might.

2. Loquacious; not close.

Women are so leaky, that I have hardly met with one that could not hold her breath longer than she could keep a secret. L'Estrange.

LEAM.* See LEME.

To LEAN. † v. n. preter. leaned or leant. [hlinian, Saxon; lenen, Dutch.]

To incline against; to rest against. Security is expressed among the medals of

Gordianus, by a lady leaning against a pillar, a sceptre in her hand, before an altar. Peacham on Drawing.

The columns may be allowed somewhat above their ordinary length, because they lean unto us good supporters. Wotton.

Upon his ivory sceptre first he leant, Then shook his head, that shook the firmament.

Dryden.

If God be angry, all our other dependencies will profit us nothing; every other support will fail under us when we come to lean upon it, and deceive us in the day when we want it most. Rogers. Then leaning o'er the rails he musing stood.

Gay.

'Mid the central depth of black'ning woods, High rais'd in solemn theatre around

Leans the huge elephant. 2. To propend; to tend towards.

They delight rather to lean to their old customs, though they be more unjust and more inconvenient. Snenser.

Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.

Prov. iii. 5. A desire leaning to either side, biasses the judgment strangely.

[3. To be in a bending posture.

She leans me out at her mistress's chamber window, bids me a thousand times good night. Shakspeare.

Wearied with length of ways, and worn with

She laid her down, and leaning on her knees, Invok'd the cause of all her miseries, The gods came downwards to behold the wars,

Sharp'ning their sights, and leaning from their Dryden. 4. To bend; to waver; to totter.

What shalt thou expect,

To be depender on a thing that leans? Shakspeare, Cymb.

To LEAN.* v. a. 1. To incline: to cause to lean.

Lean thine aged back against mine arm, And in that case I'll tell thee my disease.

Shakspeare. Oppress'd with anguish, panting and o'erspent, His fainting limbs against an oak he leant.

Druden.

Eng. Ray, and Grose. "They will give a thing no leaning," i. e. they will not suffer the least connivance. Lye. They weaken themselves by too great a leakage LEAN. † adj. [hlæne, læne, Sax. lænız,

slender.] 1. Not fat; meagre; wanting flesh; bare-

boned. As lene was his horse as is a rake.

Chaucer, C. T. Prol. You tempt the fury of my three attendants. Lean famine, quartering steel, and climbing fire.

Lean raw-bon'd rascals, who would e'er sup-

They had such courage and audacity! Shakspeare.

Lean-look'd prophets whisper fearful change.

I would invent as bitter searching terms, With full as many signs of deadly hate, As lean-fac'd envy in a loathsome cave.

Seven other kine came up out of the river, illfavoured and lean-fleshed. Gen. xli. 3. Let a physician beware how he purge after hard frosty weather, and in a lean body, without pre-

paration. Bacon. And fetch their precepts from the Cynick tub,

Praising the lean, and sallow, abstinence. Milton, Comus. Swear that Adrastus, and the lean-look'd pro-

phet, Are joint conspirators. Dryden and Lee.

Lean people often suffer for want of fat, as fat people may by obstruction of the vessels. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

No laughing graces wanton in my eyes; But haggard grief, lean-looking, sallow care, Rowe, Jane Shore, Dwell on my brow.

2. Not unctuous; thin; hungry. There are two chief kinds of terrestrial liquors,

those that are fat and light, and those that are lean and more earthy, like common water. Burnet, Theory.

3. Low; poor: in opposition to great or rich. That which combin'd us was most great, and

let not

A leaner action rend us. Shaksp. Ant. and Cleop.

4. Jejune; not comprehensive; not embellished: as, a lean dissertation. The case is quite different in our author's low

and lean performance, Waterland, Script. Vindic. P. ii. p. 7.

5. Shallow; dull. A lunatick lean-witted fool,

Presuming on an ague's privilege.

Shakspeare, Rich. II.

LEAN. n. s. That part of flesh which consists of the muscle without the fat.

With razors keen we cut our passage clean Through rills of fat, and deluges of lean-

LE'ANLY. † adv. [from lean.] Meagrely; without plumpness. Sherwood. Le'Anness. n. s. [from lean.]

1. Extenuation of body; want of flesh; meagreness.

If thy leanness loves such food, There are those, that, for thy sake,

Do enough. The symptoms of too great fluidity are excess of universal secretions, as of perspiration, sweat, urine, liquid dejectures, leanness, and weakness.

2. Want of matter; thinness; poverty. The poor king Reignier, whose large style Agrees not with the leanness of his purse. Shakspeare.

LE'ANY.* adj. [leen-man, Teut. a servant.] Alert; active. Grose notices this word, but does not mention in what place it is used.

Fat kernes, and leany knaves.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. July. To LEAP. + v. n. [hlæpan, Sax. hlaupan, Goth. to dance; hleypa, Icel. to run; loup, Scottish, to jump.]

1. To jump; to move upward or progressively without change of the feet.

If I could win a lady at leap-frog, or by vaulting into my saddle with my armour on, I should quickly leap into a wife. Shaksp. Hen. V A man leapeth better with weights in his hands than without; for that the weight, if it be proportionable, strengtheneth the sinews by contracting them. In leaping with weights the arms are first cast backwards, and then forwards with so much the greater force, for the hands go backward before they take their rise. Bacon. Nat. Hist.

In a narrow pit, He saw a lion, and leap'd down to it.

Cowley, David. Thrice from the ground she leap'd, was seen to

Her brandish'd lance. Dryden, Æn.

2. To rush with vehemence.

God changed the spirit of the king into mildness, who in a fear leaped from his throne, and took her in his arms, till she came to herself again. Esth. xv. 8.

After he went into the tent, and found her not, he leaped out to the people. Judith, xiv. 7. He ruin upon ruin heaps,

And on me, like a furious giant, leaps. Sandys. Strait leaping from his horse he rais'd me up.

3. To bound; to spring.

To bound; to spring.
Rejoice ye in that day, and leap for joy.
St. Luke, vi. 23.

I am warm'd, my heart Leaps at the trumpet's voice, and burns for glory.

4. To fly; to start.

He parted frowning from me, as if ruin Leap'd from his eyes: so looks the chafed lion Upon the daring huntsman that has gall'd him; Then makes him nothing. Shaksp. Hen. VIII. Out of his mouth go burning lamps, and sparks of fire leap out. Job, xli. 19.

To LEAP. v. a.

1. To pass over, or into, by leaping. Every man is not of a constitution to leap a gulf for the saving of his country. L'Estrange. As one condemn'd to leap a precipice, Who sees before his eyes the depth below, Stops short, Dryden, Span. Friar.

She dares pursue, if they dare lead: As their example still prevails: She tempts the stream or leaps the pales.

2. To compress, as beasts. Too soon they must not feel the sting of love:

Let him not leap the cow. Dryden, Georg.

LEAP. n. s. [from the verb.] 1. Bound; jump; act of leaping.

2. Space passed by leaping. After they have carried their riders safe over all leaps, and through all dangers, what comes of them in the end but to be broken-winded?

3. Sudden transition.

Wickedness comes on by degrees, as well as virtue; and sudden leaps from one extreme to another are unnatural.

L'Estrange.

The commons wrested even the power of chusing a king intirely out of the hands of the nobles; which was so great a leap, and caused such a convulsion in the state, that the constitution could

4. An assault of an animal of prey. The cat made a leap at the mouse. L'Estrange.

5. Embrace of animals. How she cheats her bellowing lovers' eyes;

The rushing leap, the doubtful progeny. Dryden, Æn.

Hazard or effect of leaping. Methinks, it were an easy leap

To pluck bright honour from the pale-fac'd moon. You take a precipice for no leap of danger,

And woo your own destruction. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. Behold that dreadful downfall of a rock,

Where you old fisher views the waves from high! 'Tis the convenient leap I mean to try. Dryden, Theocritus.

LEAP.* n. s. [læp, Saxon; ræb-læp, a basket to carry corn in while sowing.] 1. A basket.

Neither of seven looves into four thousand of men, and how many leepis, ye token i

Wicliffe, St. Matt. xvi. 9. 2. A weel for fish. Sherwood. LEAP-FROG. n. s. [leap and frog.] A play of children, in which they imitate the jump of frogs.

If I could win a lady at leap-frog, I should Shaksp. Hen. V. quickly leap into a wife.

LEAP-YEAR. n.s.

Leap-year or bissextile is every fourth year, and so called from its leaping a day more that year than in a common year: so that the common year has 365 days, but the leap-year 366; and then February hath 29 days, which in common years hath but 28. To find the leap-year you have this rule:

Divide by 4; what's left shall be For leap-year 0; for past, 1, 2, 3.

The reason of the name of leap-year is, that a day of the week is missed; as, if on one year the first of March be on Monday, it will on the next year be on Tuesday, but on leap-year it will leap to Wednesday.

That the year consisteth of 365 days and almost six hours, wanting eleven minutes; which six hours omitted will, in process of time, largely deprave the compute; and this is the occasion of the bissextile or leap-year.

LE'APER. * n. s. [from leap; Sax. hleapene, a dancer.

1. One who leaps or capers.

2. Spoken of a horse, which passes over hedge and ditch by leaping.

LE'APINGLY.* adv. [from the part. leaping.] By leaps.
LEAR.* See LERE. Huloet.

To LEARN. + v.a. [leopnian, Saxon; leren, Germ. to learn and to teach; læpan, Sax. to teach; læpe, learning, skill. See LERE.

1. To gain the knowledge or skill of. Learn a parable of the fig-tree.

St. Matt. xxiv. 32. He, in a shorter time than was thought possible, learned both to speak and write the Arabian

Learn, wretches, learn the motions of the mind, And the great moral end of humankind. Dryden, Pers.

You may rely upon my tender care, To keep him far from perils of ambition All he can learn of me will be to weep!

A. Philips. 2. To teach. [It is observable, that in many of the European languages the same word signifies to learn and to teach; to gain or impart knowledge.] This sense is now perhaps obsolete. It is retained in the present version of the Psalms in our Common Prayer Book.

He would learn The lion stoop to him in lowly wise,

A lesson hard. Spenser, F. Q. You taught me language, and my profit on't

Is, I know not how to curse: the red plague rid

For learning me your language.

Shakspeare, Tempest. A thousand more mischances than this one, Have learn'd me how to brook this patiently.

Shakspeare. Hast thou not learn'd me how

Shakspeare, Cymb. To make perfumes? My testimonies that I shall learn them.

To LEARN. v. n. To take pattern; with

Of.
Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for In imitation of sounds, that man should be the teacher is no part of the matter; for birds will learn one of another. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Le'Arned. † adj. [from learn.]

 Versed in science and literature. It is indifferent to the matter in hand, which

way the learned shall determine of it. Locke. Some by old words to fame have made pretence: Such labour'd nothings, in so strange a style, Amaze th' unlearn'd, and make the learned smile.

The learned met with free approach,

Although they came not in a coach. The best account is given of them by their own authors: but I trust more to the table of the

learned bishop of Bath. Arbuthnot on Coins. 2. Skilled: skilful; knowing: with in.

Though train'd in arms, and learn'd in martial

Thou chusest not to conquer men but hearts. Granville.

3. Skilled in scholastick, as distinct from other knowledge.

Till a man can judge whether they be truths or no, his understanding is but little improved: and thus men of much reading are greatly learned, but may be little knowing.

4. Wise.

Harris.

Those needful jealousies of state, that warn wiser princes hourly to provide for their safety;

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and to teach them how learned a thing it is to beware of the humblest enemy. B. Jonson, Sejanus. LE'ARNEDLY. adv. [from learned.]

knowledge; with skill.

The apostle seemed in his eyes but learnedly

Much He spoke, and learnedly, for life; but all

Was either pitied in him, or forgotten. 'as either pitied in him, or lorgotten.

Ev'ry coxcomb swears as learnedly as they.

Swift.

LE'ARNEDNESS.* n.s. [from learned.] State of being learned.

The learnedness of the age.

Abn. Laud's Remains, p. 158. LE'ARNER. † n. s. [from learn, Sax. leopnepe.] One who is yet in his rudiments; one who is acquiring some new art or knowledge.

The late learners cannot so well take the ply, except it be in some minds that have not suffered

themselves to fix.

Nor can a learner work so cheap as a skilful practised artist can. Graunt, Bills of Mortality. LE'ARNING. † n. s. [from learn; Sax. leop-

nung. Rarely used in the plural number.

1. Literature; skill in languages or sciences; generally scholastick knowledge. Learning hath its infancy, when it is almost childish; then its youth, when luxuriant and juvenile; then its strength of years, when solid; and, lastly, its old age, when dry and exhaust.

The king, he takes the babe
To his protection; calls him Posthumus; — Puts him to all the learnings that his time Could make him the receiver of.

Shakspeare, Cymbeline. To tongue or pudding thou hast no pretence, Learning thy talent is, but mine is sense. Prior. As Moses was learned in all the wisdom of the Egyptians, so it is manifest from this chapter, that St. Paul was a great master in all the learning of the Greeks.

2. Skill in any thing good or bad.

An art of contradiction by way of scorn, a learning wherewith we were long sithence forewarned, that the miserable times whereunto we are fallen should abound.

LE'ASABLE.* adj. [from lease.] Capable of being let by lease. Sherwood. LEASE. † n. s. [laisser, French; Spelman: lassen, Germ. Serenius.]

1. A contract by which, in consideration of some payment, a temporary possession is granted of houses or lands.

Why, cousin, wer't thou regent of the world, It were a shame to let this land by lease. Shaksp. Lords of the world have but for life their lease, And that too, if the lessor please, must cease. Denham.

I have heard a man talk with contempt of bishops' leases, as on a worse foot than the rest of his estate. Swift.

2. Any tenure.

Our high-plac'd Macbeth Shall live the lease of nature. Shakspeare. Thou to give the world increase,

Short'ned hast thy own life's lease.

Milton, El. M. of Winchester. To LEASE. v. a. [from the noun.] To

let by lease. Where the vicar leases his glebe, the tenant

must pay the great tithes to the rector or impro-priator, and the small tithes to the vicar. Ayliffe, Parergon.

To LEASE. † v. n. [lesen, Dutch. Dr. Johnson. - It is the Saxon leran, and hran, to gather, to collect; lisan, Goth. and lesa, Icel. the same. This word, therefore, might justly be distinguished, in its spelling, from the former lease, and the subsequent leasing, by being written lese. To glean; to gather what the harvest men leave. She in harvest us'd to lease ;

LEA

But harvest done, to chare-work did aspire, Meat, drink, and two-pence, was her daily hire. Dryden.

Le'Aser. + n. s. [from lease.]

1. Gleaner; gatherer after the reaper.

There was no office which a man from England might not have; and I looked upon all who were born here as only in the condition of leasers and gleaners.

2. A liar. See Leasing.

Those idle words - we answer with silence and scorn. Let leesers have leave to talk. Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Marr. Cler. p. 339.

LE'ASEHOLD.* adj. [lease and hold.] Holden by lease; as, a leasehold tene-

LEASH. † n. s. [lesse, French; letse, Teut.; lascia, Italian. Dr. Johnson. - Germ. lasche, a bit of leather, a flap. Sere-

1. A leather thong, by which a falconer holds his hawk; or a courser leads his greyhound. Hanmer.

Holding Corioli in the name of Rome, Even like a fawning greyhound in the leash, To let him slip at will.

What I was, I am; Shakspeare.

More straining on, for plucking back; not fol-

lowing My leash unwillingly. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

2. A tierce; three.

I am sworn brother to a leash of drawers, and can call them all by their christian names. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

Some thought when he did gabble Th'ad heard three labourers of Babel,

Or Cerberus himself pronounce Hudibras. A leash of languages at once. Thou art a living comedy; they are a leash of Dennis, Letters. dull devils.

3. A band wherewith to tie any thing in

The ravished soul being shewn such game, would break those leashes that tie her to the body. To

To LEASH. v. a. [from the noun.] bind; to hold in a string.

Then should the warlike Harry, like himself, Assume the port of Mars; and, at his heels, Leasht in like hounds, should famine, sword, and fire,

Crouch for employment. Shakspeare, Hen. V. Cerberus, from below,

Must, leash'd to himself, with him a hunting go. Lovelace, Luc. Posth. p. 33.

Le'Asing.† n. s. [learunge, Saxon; leysing, Icel. perfidy. Wicliffe calls liars "leas-Icel. perfidy. Wicliffe calls liars "leas-ing-mongers," dealers in lying.] Lies; falsehood.

O ye sons of men, how long will ye have such pleasure in vanity, and seek after leasing.

Psalm iv. 2. He 'mongst ladies would their fortunes read Out of their hands, and merry leasings tell. Spenser, Hub. Tale.

He hates foul leasings and vile flattery, Two filthy blots in noble gentery.

Spenser, Hub. Tale. That false pilgrim which that leasing told, Being indeed old Archimage. Spenser, F. Q.

I have ever verified my friends With all the size that verity

Would without lapsing suffer: nay, sometimes, Like to a bowl upon a subtle ground I've tumbl'd past the throw; and in his praise Have almost stampt the leasing. Shakspeare, Coriol.

As folks, quoth Richard, prone to leasing, Say things at first, because they're pleasing; Then prove what they have once asserted, Nor care to have their lie deserted: Till their own dreams at length deceive them, And oft repeating they believe them. Prior.

Trading free shall thrive again, Nor leasings lewd affright the swain.

Gay, Pastorals. LE'Asow.* n. s. [lerpe, lærpe, Saxon.] A

pasture. This word is very old in our language; but has escaped notice, notwithstanding the modern application of it by Shenstone to his celebrated residence, the Leasowes. Kelham notices also the Norm. Fr. leswes, or lesues, as used for pasture-ground. He schal go yn, and schal go out; and he schal

fynde lesewis, [in the present version, pasture.] Wicliffe, St. John, x. 9.

They arrived at a little grove of trees in a close of Mr. Whitgreave's, called the pit-leasow. Boscobel, &c. (1651,) reprint. 1822, p. 65.

LEAST. adj. the superlative of little. [lært, Saxon. This word Wallis would persuade us to write lest, that it may be analogous to less; but surely the profit is not worth the change. Little beyond others; smallest.

I am not worthy of the least of all the mercies shewed to thy servant. Gen. xxxii. 10. A man can no more have a positive idea of the

greatest than he has of the least space. LEAST. adv. In the lowest degree; in a

degree below others; less than any other way. He resolv'd to wave his suit,

Or for a while play least in sight. Hudibras. Ev'n that avert; I chuse it not; But taste it as the least unhappy lot.

Dryden, Kn. Tale. No man more truly knows to place a right value on your friendship, than he who least deserves it

on all other accounts than his due sense of it. Pope, Letters.

At LEAST. At the LEAST. At LEASTWISE.

1. To say no more; not to demand or affirm more than is barely sufficient; at the lowest degree.

He who attempts, though in vain, at least as-

The tempted with dishonour. Milton, P. L. He from my side subducting, took perhaps More than enough; at least on her bestowed Too much of ornament, in outward show Elaborate, of inward less exact. Milton, P. L.

Upon the mast they saw a young man, at least if he were a man, who sat as on horseback.

Every effect doth after a sort contain, at leastwise resemble the cause for which it proceedeth.

Honour and fame at least the thund'rer ow'd,

And ill he pays the promise of a God. The remedies, if any, are to be proposed from a constant course of the milken diet, continued at least a year.

A fiend may deceive a creature of more excellency than himself, at least by the tacit permission of the omniscient Being. Dryden, Ded. to Juvenal.

2. It has a sense implying doubt; to say no more; to say the least; not to say all that might be said.

Whether such virtue spent now fail'd

New angels to create, if they at least Are his created. Let useful observations be at least some part of the subject of your conversation.

LE'ASY. adj. [This word seems formed from the same root with loisir, French, or loose.] Flimsy; of weak texture. Not in use.

He never leaveth, while the sense itself be left loose and leasy. Ascham, Schoolmaster.

LEAT.* n. s. [leet, Sax. third pers. sing. pret. from læban, to lead, to conduct.] A trench to convey water to or from a mill. Mentioned in the Stat. 7 Jac. 1.

LE'ATHER. n. s. [leden, Saxon; leaar,

1. Dressed hides of animals.

He was a hairy man, and girt with a girdle of 2 Kings, i. 8. leather about his loins. And if two boots keep out the weather, What need you have two hides of leather? Prior.

2. Skin; ironically.

Returning sound in limb and wind,

Except some leather lost behind. Swift. 3. It is often used in composition for leathern.

The shepherd's homely curds, His cold thin drink out of his leather bottle;

Is far beyond a prince's delicates.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. To LE'ATHER.* v. a. To beat; to lash as with a thong of leather. A low expression: used also in Scotland. See Dr. Jamieson's Dict. "I'll leather you heartily." North of England. Grose.

To LE'ATHER, or LE'THER. * v. n. [hleoopian, Sax. to thunder, to make a great noise; spoken of running horses, Ray says; as, they lether it away; which, in some places, is, they thunder it along.] · To proceed with noise or violence; to push forward eagerly. A common but low expression.

LE'ATHERCOAT. n. s. [leather and coat.] An apple with a tough rind.

There is a dish of leathercoats for you.

Shakspeare. LE'ATHERDRESSER. n. s. [leather and dresser. He who prepares leather; he who manufactures hides for use.

He removed to Cumæ; and by the way was entertained at the house of one Tychius, a leather-

LE'ATHER-JACKET.* n. s. A fish of the Pacifick Ocean.

Some beautifully spotted soles, leather: jackets, Cook and King's Voyage.

LE'ATHER-MOUTHED. adj. [leather and

By a leather-mouthed fish, I mean such as have their teeth in their throat; as the chub or cheven. Walton, Angler. LE'ATHERN. † adj. [from leather. Saxon,

ledenn. Made of leather.

I saw her hand; she has a leathern hand, A free-stone colour'd hand: I verily did think That her old gloves were on.

Shaksneare, As you like it.

The same John had his raiment of camel's | 3. To depart from, without action; as, I hair, and a leathern girdle about his loins. St. Matt. iii. 4.

In silken or in leathern purse retain A splendid shilling. Philips.

Milton, P. L. LE'ATHERSELLER. n. s. [leather and seller.] He who deals in leather, and vends it.

Watts, Impr. of the Mind. LE'ATHER-WINGED.* adj. [leather and wing.] Having wings like leather.

The lether-winged batt, dayes enemy.

Spenser, F. Q. LE'ATHERY. adj. [from leather.] Resem-

bling leather. Wormius calls this crust a leathery skin.

Grew, Museum. LEAVE. n. s. [leare, Saxon; from lyran,

to grant. 1. Grant of liberty; permission; allow-

ance.

By your leave, Ireneus, notwithstanding all this your careful foresight, methinks I see an evil Spenser on Ireland. When him his dearest Una did behold,

Disdaining life, desiring leave to dye.

Spenser, F. Q. I make bold to press upon you.

- You're welcome; give us leave, drawer. Shakspeare.

The days Of Sylla's sway, when the free sword took leave To act all that it would. B. Jonson, Catiline. Thrice happy snake! that in her sleeve

May boldly creep, we dare not give

Our thoughts so unconfin'd a leave. No friend has leave to bear away the dead. Dryden.

Offended that we fought without his leave, He takes this time his secret hate to shew. Dryd. One thing more I crave leave to offer about syllogism, before I leave it.

I must have leave to be grateful to any who serves me, let him be never so obnoxious to any party: nor did the tory party put me to the hardship of asking this leave.

2. Farewell; adieu. In this sense leave is permission to depart.

Take leave and part, for you must part forthwith. Shakspeare.

Evils that take leave, On their departure, most of all shew evil. Shaksp. There is further compliment of leave taking between France and him. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

Here my father comes; A double blessing is a double grace;

Occasion smiles upon a second leave.

Shakspeare, Hamlet. But my dear nothings, take your leave,

No longer must you me deceive. Many stars may be visible in our hemisphere, that are not so at present; and many shall take leave of our horizon, and appear unto southern

To Leave. v. a. pret. I left; I have left. [Of the derivation of this word the etymologists give no satisfactory Dr. Johnson. — It is the Saxon læran, leoran, to leave, to relinquish; leifa, Icel. the same.]

1. To quit; to forsake.

A man shall leave his father and his mother, and cleave to his wife. If they love lees, and leave the lusty wine,

Envy them not their palates with the swine. R. Jonson.

2. To desert; to abandon. He that is of an unthankful mind, will leave him in danger that delivered him. Ecclus. xxix. 17. left things as I found them.

When they were departed from him, they left him in great diseases. 2 Chron. XXIV. 25. 4. To have remaining at death.

There be of them that have left a name behind Ecclus. xliv. 8.

5. Not to deprive of.

They still have left me the providence of God, and all the promises of the gospel, and my charity to them too.

To suffer to remain.

If it be done without order, the mind comprehendeth less that which is set down; and besides, it leaveth a suspicion, as if more might be said than is expressed.

These things must be left uncertain to farther discoveries in future ages.

Abbot, Descr. of the World. Who those are, to whom this right by descent belongs, he leaves out of the reach of any one to discover from his writings.

7. Not to carry away.

They encamped against them, and destroyed the increase of the earth, and left no sustenance for Judg. vi. 4.

He shall eat the fruit of thy cattle; which also shall not leave thee either corn, wine, or oil. Deut. xxviii. 48.

Vastius gave strict commandment, that they should leave behind them unnecessary baggage. Knolles, Hist.

Steele.

8. To reject; not to choose.

In all the common incidents of life, I am superiour, I can take or leave,

9. To fix as a token or remembrance.

This I leave with my reader, as an occasion for him to consider, how much he may be beholden to experience.

10. To bequeath; to give as inheritance.

That peace thou leav'st to thy imperial line, That peace, Oh happy shade, be ever thine.

11. To give up; to resign; to part with. Thou shalt not glean thy vineyard; thou shalt leave them for the poor and stranger.

Lev. xix. 10. Such black and grained spots,

Shaksp. Hamlet. As will not leave their tinct. If a wise man were left to himself, and his own choice, to wish the greatest good to himself he could devise; the sum of all his wishes would be this, That there were just such a being as God is.

12. To permit without interposition.

Whether Esau were a vassal, I leave the reader

13. To cease to do; to desist from.

Let us return, lest my father leave caring for the asses, and take thought for us. 1 Sam. ix. 5.

14. To LEAVE off. To desist from; to forbear.

If, upon any occasion, you bid him leave off the doing of any thing, you must be sure to carry the In proportion as old age came on, he left off fox-

Addison, Spect. hunting.

15. To LEAVE off. To forsake.

He began to leave off some of his old acquaint-ance, his roaring and bullying about the streets: he put on a serious air. Arbuthnot, John Bull.

16. To LEAVE out. To omit; to neglect. I am so fraught with curious business, that I leave out ceremony. Shaksp. Wint. Tale.
You may partake: I have told 'em who you are.

— I should be loth to be left out, and here too.

What is set down by order and division doth demonstrate, that nothing is left out or omitted, but all is there.

Befriend till utmost end
Of all thy dues be done, and none left out,
Ere the nice morn on the Indian steep
From her cabin'd loop-hole peep. Milt. Comus.

We ask, if those subvert Reason's establish'd maxims, who assert That we the world's existence may conceive, Though we one atom out of matter leave?

I always thought this passage left out with a great deal of judgement, by Tucca and Varius, as it seems to contradict a part in the sixth Æneid.

Addison on Italy.

To LEAVE. v. n.

1. To cease; to desist.

She is my essence, and I leave to be, If I be not by her fair influence

Foster'd, illumin'd, cherish'd, kept alive. Shaksp.
And since this business so far fair is done,

Let us not leave till all our own be won. Shaksp.

He began at the eldest, and left at the youngest.

Genesis.

2. To LEAVE off. To desist.

Grittus, hoping that they in the castle would not hold out, left off to batter or undermine it, wherewith he perceived he little prevailed.

Knolles, Hist.

But when you find that vigorous heat abate,

Leave off, and for another summons wait.

Roscommon

3. To LEAVE off. To stop.

Wrongs do not leave off there where they begin, But still beget new mischiefs in their course.

To Leave. v. a. [from levy, lever, Fr.]
To levy; to raise: a corrupt word,
made, I believe, by Spenser, for a
rhime.

An army strong she leav'd,

To war on those which him had of his realm bereav'd.

Spenser, F. Q.

LE'AVED. † adj. [from leaves, of leaf.]

1. Furnished with foliage.

These tamarisks with thick-leav'd box are found, And cytisus and garden-pines abound.

Congreve, Transl. of Ovid.

2. Made with leaves or folds.

I will loose the loins of kings, to open before him the two leaved gates. Isa. xlv. 1.

LE'AVELESS.* adj. [from leaf and less.]
Having no leaves. Leafless is more used.

Then I no more shall court the verdant bay, But the dry leaveless trunk on Golgotha. Carew, Verses pref. to Sandy's Psalms.

LE'AVEN.† n. s. [levain, Fr. from lever, to lift up; levare, Lat. Our word should be written leven. "The sour coagulated milk of Syria is called leven." Withering's Eng. Botany, ii. 324.]

 Ferment mixed with any body to make it light; particularly used of sour dough

mixed in a mass of bread.

It shall not be baken with leaven. Lev. vi. 17.
All fermented meats and drinks are easiest digested; and those unfermented, by barm or leaven, are hardly digested.

Floyer.

Any mixture which makes a general change in the mass, it generally means something that depraves or corrupts that with which it is mixed.

Many of their propositions savour very strong of the old leaven of innovations. K. Charles.

To LE'AVEN. v. a. [from the noun.]
1. To ferment by something mixed.

Whosoever eateth leavened bread, that soul shall be cut off.

Exod. xii. 17.

2. To taint; to imbue.

They yet so watch over their hearts, as not to suffer any outward momentary adornings whatso-over to leaven them with any thing of pride or sinful vanity. Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 187. That cruel something unpossest,

Corrodes and leavens all the rest.

3. To imbue: in a good sense.

A few fishermen leavened the world with a doctrine quite against the grain of it; and naked truth prevailed against authority, art, and interest, in conjunction. Goodman, Wint. Ev. Conf. P. ii.

Le'Avening.* n. s. [from leaven.] Ferment mixed with any substance to make

Breads we have of several grains, with divers kinds of leavenings and seasonings; so that some

do extremely move appetites.

LE'AVENOUS.** adj. [from leaven.] Containing leaven; tainted.

Whose unsincere and leavenous doctrine, corrupting the people, first taught them looseness, then bondage.

Millon, Eiconoclast. ch. 9.

then bondage. Milton, Eiconoclast. ch. 9.

LE'AVER. n. s. [from leave.] One who
deserts or forsakes.

Let the world rank me in register A master-leaver and a fugitive. Shakspeare.

LEAVES. n. s. The plural of leaf.

Parts fit for the nourishment of man in plants are, seeds, roots, and fruits; for leaves they give no nourishment at all,

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Le'Aviness.* n. s. [from leavy.] State of being full of leaves; accumulation of leaves. Leafiness would be better.

Sherwood.

LE'AVINGS. n. s. pl. [from leave.] Remnant; relicks; offal; refuse; it has no singular.

My father has this morning call'd together,
To this poor hall, his little Roman senate,
The leavings of Pharsalia. Addison, Cato.

Then who can think we'll quit the place, Or stop and light at Cloe's head, With scraps and leavings to be fed? Swi

Le'Avy. adj. [from leaf.] Full of leaves; covered with leaves; leafy is more used. Strephon, with leavy twigs of laurel tree,

A garland made on temples for to wear, For he then chosen was the dignity

Of village lord that Whitsontide to bear. Sidney.

Now, near enough; your leavy screens throw down,

And show like those you are. Shaksp. Macbeth. To Lech. v. a. [lecher, French. This is merely another term for the verb latch, already noticed; which Hanmer explains by letch. But this is the commentary, made, in an unguarded moment, by the rash pen of Mr. Mason: "Hast thou yet lech'd the Athenian's eyes, &c." See To LATCH. "This," Mr. Mason says, " is a strong specimen of Johnson's inconsistency, Under the verb latch, this passage is given for an example of it, the word being silently altered to latched. Such wilful impositions on the public would be enough to ruin any literary character whatsoever.' -Now silent alteration is quite out of the question; latch is the reading of the poet, retained by Mr. Steevens; and is one of our northern words unknown to Hanmer reads it, letch, merely, perhaps, as the proposed alteration of that

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critick; and accordingly so cited the

passage.

LE'CHER.† n. s. [Derived by Skinner from luxure, old French: luxuria is used in the middle ages in the same sense. Dr. Johnson.—The old French language has lecheur, "galant, libertin, débauché, friand, gourmand, qui s'adonne aux plaisirs, soit de la table ou de l'amour." Roquefort. — Lezeppepe, Saxon, is "concubitus illicitus, fornicatio, adulterium. Hinc nostra, lecher, lecherous, lechery." Lye, edit. Manning.—It is probably from the German laichen, to be lascivious, to play the whore.] A whoremaster.

I will now take the lecher; he's at my house; he cannot 'scape me.

Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor.
You, like a lecher, out of whorish loins
Are pleas'd to breed out your inheritors. Shaksp.

Are pleas'd to breed out your inheritors. Shaksp.

The lecher soon transforms his mistress; now
In Io's place appears a lovely cow.

Dryden.

The sleepy lecher shuts his little eyes,
About his churning chaps the frothy bubbles rise.

Druden.

She yields her charms
To that fair lecher, the strong God of arms.

Pope, Odyssey.

To Le'cher. v. n. [from the noun.] To

whore.
Die for adultery? no.
The wren goes to't, and the small gilded fly

Does lecher in my sight.

Shaksp. K. Lear.
Gut eats all day, and letchers all the night.

B. Jonson.

LE'CHEROUS.† adj. [from lecher.]
1. Provoking lust.

A *techerous* thing is wine, and dronkennesse Is full of striving and of wretchednesse.

Chaucer, Pard. Tale.

2. Lewd; lustful.

The sapphire should grow foul, and lose its beauty, when worn by one that is lecherous; the emerald should fly to pieces, if it touch the skin of any unchaste person.

Derham.

Le'cherously. adv. [from lecherous.]

Lewdly; lustfully.

Ther he wasted his goodis, in livinge lecherously. Wicliffe, St. Luke, xv. 13.

Le'cherousness.† n. s. [from lecherous.] Lewdness.

Le'CHERY.† n. s. [from lecher; old Fr. lecherie. See Lecher.] Lewdness; lust.

The rest welter with as little shame in open lechery, as swine do in the common mire.

Ascham, Schoolmaster.

Against such lewdsters and their lechery,
Those that betray them do no treachery. Shaksp.

LE'CTION. † n. s. [lectio, Lat.]

1. A reading; a variety in copies.

I have perused those various lections.

Bentley, Phil. Lips. § 27. Every critick has his own hypothesis: if the common text be not favourable to his opinion, a various lection shall be made authentick. Watts, Logick

2. A lesson, or portion of scripture, read in divine service.

To this last described Jewish order of morning prayers so far did the ancient Christian agree, as to begin likewise with lections and psalmody. Hooper on Lent, p. 355.

Mr. Mason. Johnson gives lech, or, as Le'ctionary.* n. s. [low Lat. lection-Hanner reads it, letch, merely, perhaps, arium.] A book containing parts of as the proposed alteration of that scripture, which were read in churches.

The lectionary contained all the lessons, whether from scripture, or other books, which were directed to be read in the course of the year.

Warton, Life of Sir T. Pope, p. 337.

Mabillon found at Lisieux, and published a Gallic lectionary, which is reputed to be now about 1200 years old, and contains the entire epistle of John, except the three heavenly witnesses.

Porson, Lett. to Travis, p. 153.

LE'CTURE. n. s. [lecture, French.]

 A discourse pronounced upon any subiect.

Mark him, while Dametas reads his rustick lecture unto him, how to feed his beasts before noon, and where to shade them in the extreme heat.

Wrangling pedant,
When in musick we have spent an hour,
Your lecture shall have leisure for as much.

Shakspeare.

When letters from Cæsar were given to Rusticus, he refused to open them till the philosopher had done his lectures. Bp. Taylor. Holy Living.

had done his lectures. Bp. Taylor, Holy Living.
Virtue is the solid good, which tutors should not only read lectures and talk of, but the labour and art of education should furnish the mind with, and fasten there.

Locke.

2. The act or practice of reading; perusal. In the lecture of holy scripture, their apprehensions are commonly confined unto the literal sense of the text.

Brown.

3. A magisterial reprimand; a pedantick discourse.

Numidia will be blest by Cato's lectures.

Addison. To Le'CTURE. v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To instruct formally.

2. To instruct insolently and dogmatically. To Lecture. v. n. To read in publick; to instruct an audience by a formal explanation or discourse; as, Wallis lectured on geometry.

LE'CTURER. n. s. [from lecture.]

1. An instructor; a teacher by way of lecture.

2. A preacher in a church hired by the parish to assist the rector or vicar.

If any minister refused to admit into his church
a lecturer recommended by them, and there was
not one orthodox or learned man recommended, he
was presently required to attend upon the committee.

Clarendon.

LE'CTURESHIP. n. s. [from lecture.] The office of a lecturer.

He got a *lectureship* in town of sixty pounds a year, where he preached constantly in person.

Le'Cturn.* n. s. [lectrin, old Fr.; lectrinum, low Lat. from lectus, of lego, to read.] A reading desk. Obsolete.

Huloet.

The second lesson Robin Redebreste sang—

And to the lectorne amorily he sprang.

Chaucer, Court of Love.

Lep. part. pret. of lead.

Then shall they know that I am the Lord your God, which caused them to be led into captivity among the heathen.

The leaders of this people caused them to err, and they that are led of them are destroyed.

Isa. ix. 16.

As in vegetables and animals, so in most other bodies, not propagated by seed, it is the colour we most fix on, and are most led by.

Locke.

LE'DDEN.* n. s. [lyben, Sax. the Latin language, and language in general; læben, the Latin only. Dante, Mr. Tyrwhitt has observed, uses latino in the

general sense of lyoen. Our old word is sometimes lede, or leid, for language; which, as well as ledden, are now obsolete. I

1. Language.

She understood wel every thing That any foule may in his leden sain, And coude answere him in his leden again. Chaucer, Squ. Tale.

Thereto he was expert in prophecies,
And could the ledden of the gods unfold,
Spenser, F. Q. iv. xi. 19.
Her ledden was like human language true.

Fairfax, Tasso, xvi. 13.

2. True meaning.

And those that do to Cynthia expound
The ledden of strange languages in charge.

Spenser, Colin Clout.

Ledca'PTAIN.* n. s. [led and captain.]
An humble attendant; a favourite that follows as if led by a string.

Mr. Pope, and Mr. Gay, were then favourites of Mrs. Howard; especially Gay, who was then of her *ledcaptains*.

Swift to Lady B. Germaine, (1732.) They will never want some creditable ledcaptain to attend them, at a minute's warning, to operas, plays, Ranelagh, and Vauxhall. Ld. Clesterfield.

LEDGE.† n. s. [leggen, Dutch, to lie.]
1. A row; layer; stratum.

The lowest ledge or row should be merely of stone, closely laid, without mortar: a general caution for all parts in building contiguous to board.

Wotton on Architecture.

A ridge rising above the rest; or projecting beyond the rest.

We are like some fond spectators, that when they see the puppets acting upon the ledge, think they move alone; not knowing that there is an hand behind their curtain that stirs all their wires. Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 77.

The four parallel sticks rising above five inches higher than the handkerchief, served as ledges on each side.

Swift, Gulliv. Trav.

Any prominence or rising part.
 Beneath a ledge of rocks his fleet he hides,
 The bending brow above, a safe retreat provides.

Le'dder.* n. s. In the sense of an account-book, this orthography is settled by long custom. In any other sense it is perfectly obsolete, so that no advantage can arise from altering the spelling. As a further confirmation of ledger, we have ledge derived from the same Dutch word which is the original of ledger, namely, leggen, to lie. Nares, Elem. of Orthoepy, p. 297. See Leger.

Ledho'rse. n. s. [led and horse.] A sumpter horse.

LEE. † n. s. [lie, French.]

1. Dregs; sediment; refuse; commonly lees.

My cloaths, my sex, exchang'd for thee,
I'll mingle with the people's wretched lee. Prior.

2. [Sea term; supposed by Skinner from Feau, French, the water, Dr. Johnson.

— We have here a vestige of the old Iceland. word Lae, Laa, the sea. This seems to give us the true origin of the English Lee, which has been strangely derived by Skinner from Feau. Others have traced it to Le, as denoting shelter: [Lee, Goth. "locus tempestatibus subductus." Ihre.] But a Lee shore is that, towards which the winds blow, and, of

consequence, the waves are driven. From the lee side of the ship being understood to denote that which is not directly exposed to the wind, it seems to have been oddly inferred, that the term lee, as thus used, signifies calm, tranquil. Dr. Jamieson, in V. LE.] It is generally that side which is opposite to the wind, as the lee shore is that the wind blows on. To be under the lee of the shore, is to be close under the weather shore. A leeward ship is one that is not fast by a wind, to make her way so good as she might. To lay a ship by the lee, is to bring her so that all her sails may lie against the masts and shrouds flat, and the wind to come right on her broadside, so that she will make little or no way. Dict.

If we, in the bay of Biscay, had had a port

If we, in the bay of Biscay, had had a port under our *lee*, that we might have kept our transporting ships with our men of war, we had taken the Indian fleet.

Ralegh.

The Hollanders were before Dunkirk with the wind at north west, making a lee shore in all weathers.

Ralegh.

Unprovided of tackling and victualling, they are forced to sea by a storm; yet better do so than venture splitting and sinking on a lee shore.

Him, haply slumbering on the Norway foam, The pilot of some small night founder'd skiff, Deeming some island, oft, as seamen tell,

With fixed anchor in his scaly rind,
Moors by his side under the lee, while night
Invests the sea.

Milton, P. L.

Batter'd by his lee they lay,
The passing winds through their torn canvas play.

Dryden.

To Lee. * v. n. [leogan, Sax.] To utter a falsehood; to lie. Chaucer uses lee for a lie. "Thou lees" is thou tellest a lie, in our northern dialect.]

LEECH.† n. s. [læc, Saxon; lek, lekeis Gothick. Wicliffe, Gower, and Chaucer use this word.]

1. A physician; a professor of the art of healing: whence we still use cowleech.

A leech, the which had great insight In that disease of grieved conscience,

And well could cure the same; his name was Patience.

Spenser, F. Q.

Her words prevail'd, and then the learned leech His cunning hand gan to his wounds to lay, And all things else the which his art did teach.

Spenser, F. Q.

Physick is their bane,
The learned *leeches* in despair depart,

And shake their heads, desponding of their art.

**Dryde!*

Wise leeches will not vain receipts obtrude;

Wise leeches will not vain receipts obtrude;

Deaf to complaints they wait upon the ill,

Till some safe crisis.

Dryden.

The hoary wrinkled leech has watch'd and toil'd,

Tried every health-restoring herb and gum,
And wearied out his painful skill in vain. Rowe.

A skilful leach,

They say, had wrought this blessed deed;
This leach Arbuthnot was yelept. Gay, Pastorals.

 A kind of small water serpent, which fastens on animals, and sucks the blood: it is used to draw blood where the lancet is less safe, whence perhaps the name.

I drew blood by leeches behind his ear.

Sticking like leeches, till they burst with blood, Without remorse insatiably. Roscommon.

To LEECH. † v. a. [læcman, Sax. leikinon, Gothick.] To treat with medicament; to heal.

Fully avised him to leche.

Chaucer's Dream, ver. 852.

LE'ECHCRAFT. n. s. [leech and craft.] The art of healing.

We study speech, but others we persuade: We leechcraft learn, but others cure with it.

LEECH-WAY.* n. s. [from the Gothick leik, flesh, and also a corpse.] The path in which the dead are carried to be buried. Exmore Dialect. That is, the way of all flesh. See also Lich.

LEEF. † adj. [leor, Saxon, dear, loved; lieve, leve, Dutch, the same. See also LIEF.

1. Agreeable; pleasing; grateful; dear. Mine owne dere brother, and my lefist lord. Chaucer, Merch. Tale.

Whilome all these were low and liefe,

And loved their flocks to feed; They never stroven to be chiefe,

And simple was their weede. Spenser, Shep. Cal. My little flock that was to me most lief.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. For love of that is to thee most leef.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. 2. Willing: as, "leef or loth;" common in Gower.

All were they liefe or loth. Spenser, F. Q.

LEEF.* adv. [from the adjective.] Soon; willingly; readily. "I would as leef not go." Common, as a vulgar expression, in many parts of England. See also LEVER.

LEEK. n. s. [leac, Saxon; loock, Dutch; leechk, Erse, porrum, Latin.] A plant. Know'st thou Fluellen? — Yes.
- Tell him I'll knock his leek about his pate,

Upon St. David's day. Shakspeare. Leek to the Welsh, to Dutchmen butter's dear.

We use acrid plants inwardly and outwardly in gangrenes; in the scurvy, water-cresses, horseradish, garlick, or leek-pottage.

Floyer on Humours. LE'ENY.* adj. See LEANY.

LEER. + n. s. [hleape, Sax. frons, facies, gena.

1. Complexion: hue: face.

He hath a Rosalind of a better leer than you. Shakspeare, As you like it.

2. An oblique view.

I spy entertainment in her; she gives the leer of invitation. Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor. Aside the devil turn'd

For envy, yet with jealous leer malign

Ey'd them askance. Milton, P. L. 3. A labour'd cast of countenance.

Damn with faint praise, assent with civil leer.

I place a statesman full before my sight; A bloated monster in all his geer,

With shameless visage, and perfidious leer. Swift. 4. Formerly, the cheek; agreeably to the

Saxon usage of it.

No, ladie, quoth the earle with a lowde voyce, and the teares trilling down his leeres, say not so. Holingshed, Hist. of Irel. fol. 114. b.

LEER.* adj. [zelæp, Sax. vacuus.]
1. Empty. This expression, in colloquial language, is yet spoken, in some places, of the stomach: a leer stomach. In Wiltshire, a leer waggon is an empty waggon: in the Exmore dialect, the word is leery.

2. Empty; frivolous; foolish; without understanding.

The author doth promise a strutting horsecourser, with a leer drunkard, two or three to at-

tend him in as good equipage as you would wish. B. Jonson, Induct. Barth. Fair.

Laugh on, sir; I'll to bed and sleep, And dream away the vapour of love, if th' house And your leer drunkards let me.

B. Jonson, New Inn. He had rather have words bear two senses impertinently, than one to the purpose; and never speaks without a lere sense. Butler, Charact. Rem.

To LEER. + v. n. [from the noun; so leer, Dan. to smile; loeren, Dutch, to look askance.] To look obliquely; to look

I will leer upon him as he comes by; and do but mark the countenance that he will give me. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

O yes! O yes! if any maid Whom leering Cupid has betray'd To frowns of spite, to eyes of scorn, And would in madness now see torn The boy in pieces; let her come

Hither, and lay on him her doom. Lily's Galathea. I wonder whether you taste the pleasure of independency, or whether you do not sometimes leer upon the court.

To Leer.* v. α. To draw on with smiles; to beguile with leering.

Bertran has been taught the arts of courts, To gild a face with smiles, and leer a man to ruin. Druden.

Le'eringly.* adv. [from the part. leering.] With a kind of arch smile, or sneer.

He leeringly produces a passage, wherein I maintain that the convocations were heretofore frequently inhibited.

Bp. Nicholson to Dr. Kennet, Ep. Corr. i. 286. LEES. n. s. pl. [lie, French.] Dregs; sediment: it has seldom a singular. But LEFE.* See LEEF, and LEVER. see Lee.

The memory of king Richard was so strong, that it lay like lees at the bottom of men's hearts; and if the vessel was but stirred, it would come up. Bacon, Hen. VII.

If they love lees, and leave the lusty wine, Envy them not their palates with the swine. B. Jonson.

Those lees that trouble it, refine The agitated soul of generous wine. To Leese. v. a. [leoran, Sax. to lose; lesen, Dutch.]

1. To lose: an old word.

Then sell to thy profit both butter and cheese, Who buieth it sooner the more he shall leese

Peradventure we may find grass to save the horses and mules alive, that we leese not all the 1 Kings, xviii. 5.

No cause nor client fat, will Chev'ril leese, But as they come on both sides he takes fees; And pleaseth both: for while he melts his grease For this, that wins for whom he holds his peace. B. Jonson.

How in the port our fleet dear time did leese, Withering like prisoners, which lie but for fees.

2. To hurt; to destroy. [læsus, Lat. from lædo, to hurt.]

A nyght theef cometh not, but that he stele, sle, and leese. . Wicliffe, St. John, x.10.

LEET. † n. s.

law-day. The word seemeth to have I. Using the left-hand rather than right.

grown from the Saxon lede, which was a court of jurisdiction above the wapentake or hundred, comprehending three or four of them, otherwise called thirshing, and contained the third part of a province or shire: these jurisdictions. one and other, be now abolished, and swallowed up in the county court. Cowel. [The word is probably from the Goth. and Icel. leita, to enquire.] Who has a breast so pure,

But some uncleanly apprehensions Keep leels and law-days, and in sessions sit With meditations lawful? Shakspeare, Othello. You would present her at the leet,

Because she brought stone jugs, and no seal'd Shakspeare, Tam. of the Shrew.

LEET-ALE.* n. s. A feast or merry-making at the time of the leet.

Leet-ale, in some parts of England, signifies the dinner at a court-leet of a manor for the jury and customary tenants. Warton, Hist. E. P. iii. 329. LEET.* adj. Our northern word for light; and thus leetsome for lightsome.

LE'EWARD. † adj. [lee and peans, Saxon.] Under the wind; on the side opposite to that from which the wind blows. See LEE.

The classicæ were called long ships, the onerariæ round because of their figure approaching towards circular: this figure, though proper for the stowage of goods, was not the fittest for sailing, because of the great quantity of leeward way, except when they sailed full before the wind. Arbuthnot.

Let no statesman dare. A kingdom to a ship compare; Lest he should call our commonweal A vessel with a double keel; Which just like ours, new rigg'd and mann'd, And got about a league from land, By change of wind to leeward side, The pilot knew not how to guide. Swift.

Left. participle preter. of leave. Alas, poor lady! desolate and left;

I weep myself to think upon thy words. Had such a river as this been left to itself, to have found its way out from among the Alps, whatever windings it had made, it must have formed several little seas. Addison. Were I left to myself, I would rather aim at

instructing than diverting; but if we will be useful to the world, we must take it as we find it. Addison, Spect.

LEFT. adj. [lufte, Dutch; lævus, Latin.] Sinistrous: not right.

That there is also in men a natural prepotency in the right, we cannot with constancy affirm, if we make observation in children, who, permitted the freedom of both hands, do oftentimes confine it unto the left, and are not without great difficulty restrained from it.

Brown, Vulg. Err. The right to Pluto's golden palace guides, The left to that unhappy region tends, Which to the depth of Tartarus descends.

The gods of greater nations dwell around, And, on the right and left, the palace bound; The commons where they can. Dryden. A raven from a wither'd oak,

Left of their lodging was oblig'd to croak: That omen lik'd him not. Dryden. The left foot naked when they march to fight,

But in a bull's raw hide they sheathe the right. Dryden.

The man who struggles in the fight, Fatigues left arm as well as right. Leete, or leta, is otherwise called a LEFT-HANDED. † adj. [left and hand.]

The limbs are used most on the right-side, | whereby custom helpeth; for we see, that some are left-handed, which are such as have used the left-hand most. Racon.

For the seat of the heart and liver on one side, whereby men become left-handed, it happeneth too rarely to countenance an effect so common: for the seat of the liver on the left-side is very monstrous. Brown, Vulg. Err.

2. Unlucky; inauspicious; unseasonable.

[A Latinism.]

That would not be put off with left-handed cries. B. Jonson, Epicane. They are close hypocrites, and walk in a lefthanded policy.

Sir G. Paul, Life of Abp. Whitgift, p. 58.

LEFT-HANDEDNESS. n. s. [from left-handed.] Habitual use of the left-hand. Although a squint left-handedness

Be ungracious; yet we cannot want that hand. Donne, Poems, p. 153.

LEFT-HANDINESS.* n. s. [from left hand.] Awkward manner.

An awkward address, ungraceful attitudes, and actions, and a certain left-handiness (if I may use the expression) proclaim low education. Ld. Chesterfield.

LEG. † n. s. [leg, Danish; leggur, Icelandick.]

1. The limb by which we walk; particularly that part between the knee and the foot.

They haste; and what their tardy feet denied, The trusty staff, their better leg, supplied. Dryd. Purging comfits, and ants' eggs,

Had almost brought him off his legs. Hudibras. Such intrigues people cannot meet with, who have nothing but legs to carry them.

Addison, Guardian. 2. An act of obeisance; a bow with the leg drawn back: usually, but not always, with the verb to make. Hence, in our old dictionaries. "to make a leg; and all the examples, given by Dr. Johnson under the present meaning, are accompanied with this verb. There are now examples without it.

At court, he that cannot make a leg, put off his cap, kiss his hand, and say nothing, has neither leg, hands, lip, nor cap. Shakspeare, All's well.

Their horses never give a blow,

But when they make a leg, and bow. Hudibras. He was a quarter of an hour in his legs, and reverences, to the company.

L'Estrange, Tr. of Quevedo. Nor enjoin them a leg, a cringe, or a bow.

Bp. Barker, Repr. of Rehearsal Transp. p. 508. If the boy should not put off his hat, nor make legs very gracefully, a dancing-master will cure that defect. Locke. He made his leg, and went away.

3. To stand on his own LEGS. To support himself.

Persons of their fortune and quality could well have stood upon their own legs, and needed not to lay in for countenance and support.

Collier of Friendship.

4. That by which any thing is supported on the ground: as, the leg of a table. LE'GACY. n. s. [legatum, Latin.]

Legacy is a particular thing given by last will and testament. Cowel.

If there be no such thing apparent upon record, they do as if one should demand a legacy by force and virtue of some written testament, wherein there being no such thing specified, he pleadeth that there it must needs be, and bringeth arguments from the love or good-will which always the testator bore him; imagining, that these, or the like proofs, will convict a testament to have that in it, which other men can nowhere by reading find.

Fetch the will hither, and we shall determine How to cut off some charge in legacies.

Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs. Good counsel is the best legacy a father can leave a child. L'Estrange

When he thought you gone To augment the number of the bless'd above, He deem'd 'em legacies of royal love ; Nor arm'd, his brothers' portions to invade, But to defend the present you had made. Dryd.

When the heir of this vast treasure knew, How large a legacy was left to you,

He wisely ty'd it to the crown again. Dryden. Leave to thy children tumult, strife, and war, Portions of toil, and legacies of care.

Le'GACY-HUNTER.* n. s. A word of contempt for persons, who by flattery or presents endeavour to obtain the good opinion of others, in order to be remembered in their wills by a legacy.

The legacy-hunters, the hæredipetæ, were a more common character among the ancients than with us. Dr. Warton, Ess. on Pope.

I am, Mr. Rambler, a legacy-hunter; and, as every man is willing to think well of the tribe in which his name is registered, you will forgive my vanity, if I remind you that the legacy-hunter, however degraded by an ill-compounded appellation in our barbarous language, was known, as I am told, in antient Rome, by the sonorous titles of " captator" and " hæredipeta!"

Johnson, Rambler, No. 197. LE'GAL. † adj. [legal, French; leges, Latin.

1. Done or conceived according to law.

Whatsoever was before Richard I. was before time of memory; and what is since is, in a legal sense, within the time of memory.

Hale, Hist. of the Com. Law

2. Lawful; not contrary to law.

Assigning to every thing capable of ownership a legal and determinate owner.

Blackstone.

3. According to the law of the old dispensation.

His merits

To save them, not their own, though legal, works. Milton, P. L. Lega'Lity. n. s. [legalité, French.] Law-

To Le'GALIZE. + v. a. [legaliser, French;

from legal.] To authorize; to make

If any thing can legalize revenge, it should be injury from an extremely obliged person: but revenge is so absolutely the peculiar of Heaven, that no consideration can impower, even the best men, to assume the execution of it.

A market-overt for legalizing a base traffick of votes and pensions.

Burke, Lett. to T. Burgh, Esq.

Le'GALLY. adv. [from legal.] Lawfully; 2. To lighten; to ease. [alleger, French.] according to law.

A prince may not, much less may inferior judges, deny justice, when it is legally and competently demanded. Bp. Taylor.

LE'GATARY. n. s. [legataire, French; from legatum, Latin.] One who has a legacy left.

An executor shall exhibit a true inventory of goods, taken in the presence of fit persons, as creditors and legataries are, unto the ordinary.

LE'GATE. n. s. [legatus, Latin; legat, French; legato, Italian.]

1. A deputy; an ambassadour.

The legates from the Ætolian prince return: Sad news they bring, that after all the cost, And care employ'd, their embassy is lost.

Dryden, Æn. 2. A kind of spiritual ambassadour from the pope; a commissioner deputed by the pope for ecclesiastical affairs.

Look where the holy legate comes apace, To give us warrant from the hand of Heaven.

Shaksneare.

Upon the legate's summons, he submitted himself to an examination, and appeared before him.

LEGATE'E. n. s. [from legatum, Latin.] One who has a legacy left him. If he chance to 'scape this dismal bout,

The former legatees are blotted out. Dryden, Juv. My will is, that if any of the above-named legatees should die before me, that then the respective legacies shall revert to myself.

Le'GATESHIP.* n. s. [from legate.] Office of a legate. Sherwood. He put them in a box called "the box of the

ambassage and legateship. Notstock, Confutation of the Alcoran, (1652,) p.27.

LE'GATINE. † adj. [from legate. Some write this word, improperly, legantine. Even Milton has so used it: "A kind of legantine power." Animadv. on the Rem. Defence. "Matters of embassies, and legantine affairs." Howell, Pref. to Finet's Philoxenis.

1. Made by a legate.

When any one is absolved from excommunication, it is provided by a legatine constitution, that some one shall publish such absolution.

Ayliffe, Parergon. 2. Belonging to a legate of the Roman see.

All those you have done of late, By your power legatine within this kingdom, Fall in the compass of a premunire. Shakspeare.

LEGA'TION. n.s. [legatio, Latin.] Deputation; commission; embassy.

After a legation ad res repetendas, and a refusal, and a denunciation or indiction of a war, the war is no more confined to the place of quarrel, but is left at large. Racon.

In attiring, the duke had a fine and unaffected politeness, and upon occasion costly, as in his

LEGA'TOR. n. s. [from lego. Latin.] who makes a will, and leaves legacies. Suppose debate

Betwixt pretenders to a fair estate Bequeath'd by some legator's last intent. Dryden, Hind and Panther.

To Lege.* v. a. [allego, Lat.] 1. To allege; to assert.

To reson faste, and ledge auctoritie.

Chaucer, Court of Love, v. 1065. Not only he legeth his mercy to bind his reason, at also his wysdome.

Bp. Fisher, Ps. 15. but also his wysdome.

Written also alege, or allege. In both senses obsolete.

To leggin her of her doloure. Chaucer, Rom. R. 5016.

LE'GEND. n. s. [legenda, Lat.] 1. A chronicle or register of the lives of

saints. Legends being grown in a manner to be nothing

else but heaps of frivolous and scandalous vanities they have been even with disdain thrown out, the very nests which breed them abhorring them.

There are in Rome two sets of antiquities, the christian and the heathen; the former, though of

a fresher date, are so embroiled with fable and legend, that one receives but little satisfaction.

Addison on Italy.

2. Any memorial or relation.

And in this legend all that glorious deed
Read, whilst you arm you; arm you whilst you
read.

Fairfax.

3. An incredible unauthentick narrative.
Who can shew the legends, that record

More idle tales, or fables so absurd? Blackmore.
It is the way of attaining to heaven, that makes profane scorners so willingly let go the expectation of it. It is not the articles of the creed, but the duty to God and their neighbour, that is such an inconsistent incredible legend.

Bentley.

4. Any inscription; particularly on medals

Compare the beauty and comprehensiveness of legends on ancient coins. Addison on Medals. To Le'Gend.* v. a. [from the noun.] To

detail as in a legend.

Nor ladie's wanton love nor wandering knight,

Legend I out in rhimes all richly dight.

Bp. Hall, Sat. i. 1.

LE'GENDARY.* adj. [from legend.] Fabulous; romantick; partaking of the nature of a legend.

Those legendary writers — ascribe it to them that brought the reliques of St. Andrew.

Bp. Lloyd, Hist. Ch. Gov. in Brit. (1684,) p.29.
Much more creditable authors than a thousand of their legendary writers.

Fleetwood, Ess. on Miracles, p. 260.
Legendary stories of nurses and old women.
Bourne, Antiq. of the Com. People, p. 41.

Le'Gendary.* n. s.

1. A book of old histories. Cockeram.

2. A relater of legends.

Mendacious and counterfeit miracles related by the legendaries of their church. Sheldon, Mir. of Antichrist, (1616,) p. 245.

Going with his nurse's sons into the field to fetch home the cows, saith his famous legendary, Abunazar, the angel Gabriel came unto him.

L. Addison, Life of Mahomet, p. 18.
The legendaries own, that St. Catharine was slandered as a fond and light woman.

Bp. Lavington, Enth. of Meth. and Papists, i. 59.

Le'Ger. n. s. [from legger, Dutch, to lie or remain in a place.] Any thing that lies in a place; as, a leger ambassadour; a resident; one that continues at the court to which he is sent: a leger-book; a book that lies in the compting-house.

Lord Angelo, having affairs to heaven, Intends you for his swift ambassadour, Where you shall be an everlasting leiger. Shaksp.

I've given him that, Which, if he take, shall quite unpeople her

Of leigers for her sweet. Shakspeare, Cymb.

If legier ambassadours or agents were sent to remain near the courts of princes, to observe their motions, such were made choice of as were vigilant. Bacon.

Who can endear
Thy praise too much? thou art Heaven's leiger
here.

Working against the states of death and hell,

He withdrew not his confidence from any of those who attended his person, who, in truth, lay leiger for the covenant, and kept up the spirits of their countrymen by their intelligence. Clarendon.

I call that a ledger bait, which is fixed, or made to rest, in one certain place, when you shall be absent; and I call that a walking bait which you have ever in motion.

Walton.

Leger-book.* n. s. A book that lies ready for entering articles of account or other memoranda in. See Ledger.

Many leiger-books of the monasteries [are] still remaining, wherein they registered all their leases, and that for their own private use.

H. Wharton on Burnet's Hist. of the Ref. p. 42. An entry in the leger-book of the chapter.

Legerdema'in.† n. s. [contracted perhaps from legereté de main, French. Dr. Johnson.— It was, of old, leger, legier du maine, or de maine: as in Huloet's dictionary; in The Pope Confuted, fol. 35. 1580: "A trimme and skilfull shift of leiger de mayne;" and in Fotherby's Atheomastix, p. 348: "Conveyed unto another by leger du main."] Sleight of hand; juggle; power of deceiving the eye by nimble motion; trick; deception; knack.

He so light was at legerdemaine,

That what he touch'd came not to light again.

Spenser, Hubb. Tale.

Of all the tricks and legerdemain by which men

impose upon their own souls, there is none so common as the plea of a good intention. South.

Lege'rity. n. s. [legereté, French.] Lightness; nimbleness; quickness. A word not now in use.

When the mind is quicken'd, out of doubt, The organs, though defunct and dead before, Break up their drowsy grave, and newly move With casted slough and fresh legerity.

To Legge.* v. a. [leczan, Saxon.] To lay. See To Lay.

Not eftsoone legginge the foundaments of penaunce fro deede workis, [present version, not laying again the foundation, &c.] Weldiffe, Heb. vi. I. Ther durste no wight hond upon him legge.

Chaucer, Reve's Tale.

Le'GGED.† adj. [from leg.] Having legs; furnished with legs: as, baker-legged, bandy-legged.

bandy-legged.

And all to leave what with his toil he won
To that unfeather'd two-legg'd thing, a son.

Dryden.

Legibi'Lity.* n. s. [from legible.] Capability of being read.

LÉ'GIBLE. n. s. [legibilis, Latin.]

1. That may be read.

You observe some clergymen with their heads held down within an inch of the cushion, to read what is hardly legible. Swift. 2. Apparent; discoverable.

People's opinions of themselves are legible in their countenances. Thus a kind imagination makes a bold man have vigour and enterprize in his air and motion; it stamps value and significancy upon his face. Collier.

Le'GIBLENESS.* n. s. [from legible.] State or quality of being legible. Ash.

LE'GIBLY. adv. [from legible.] In such a manner as may be read.

Le'gion. n. s. [legio, Latin.]

1. A body of Roman soldiers consisting of about five thousand.

The most remarkable piece in Antoninus's pillar is, the figure of Jupiter Pluvius sending rain on the fainting army of Marcus Aurelius, and thunderbolts on his enemies, which is the greatest confirmation possible of the story of the Christian legions.

Addisons.

2. A military force.

She to foreign realms
Sends forth her dreadful legions. Philips.

3. Any great number.

Not in the legions
Of horrid hell, can come a devil more damn'd.
Shakspeare.

The partition between good and evil is broken down; and where one sin has entered, legions will force their way through the same breach. Rogers. Le'GIONARY.† adj. [from legion; Fr. legion-

Relating to a legion. Sherwood.
 It [the Gospel] was most probably first introduced among the legionary soldiers; for we find St. Alban, the first British martyr, to have been of that body. Burke, Abridg. of Eng. History.

 Containing a legion.

3. Containing a great indefinite number.

Too many applying themselves betwirt jest and earnest, make up the legionary body of errour,

Brown.

Le'GIONARY.* n. s. One of a body of Roman soldiers, consisting of about five thousand.

The legionaries, stood thick in order, empaled with light armed; the horse on either wing.

Milton, Hist. of Eng. B. 2.

To Le'GISLATE.* v. n. To make laws for any community.

Solon, in *legislating* for the Athenians, had an idea of a more perfect constitution than he gave them; but he gave them such laws as they were then capable of receiving.

Bp. Watson, Charge in 1805.
LEGISLA'TION.† n. s. [from legislator, Lat.]

The act of giving laws.

Let me intreat you to explain what you mean by this way of divine legislation, or this way of delivering the Will of God, by the writings of the Holy Scripture. Goodman, Wint. Ev. Conf. P. iii.

Pythagoras joined legislation to his philosophy, and like others, pretended to miracles and revelations from God, to give a more venerable sanction to the laws he prescribed.

Littelton on the Conversion of St. Paul,
Le'GISLATIVE. adj. [from legislator.]
Giving laws; lawgiving.

Their legislative phrenzy they repent,

Enacting it should make no precedent. Denham.

The poet is a kind of lawgiver, and those qualities are proper to the legislative style. Dryden.

LE'GISLATOR.† n. s. [legislator, Latin; legislateur, French. The earliest example, given by Dr. Johnson, of this word, is from South. It appears in the list of hard words, requiring explanation, in Sylvester's Du Bartas, 1621, p. 665.] A lawgiver; one who makes laws for any community.

It spoke like a legislator: the thing spoke was a

Heroes in animated marble frown,
And legislators seem to think in stone.

Pops.

LEGISLA'TORSHIP.* n. s. [from legislator.]

Power of making laws.

There ought to be a difference made between

coming out of pupilage, and leaping into legislatorship.

Ld. Halifum.

Legisla'Tress.* n. s. [from legislator.]
A female lawgiver.

A female lawgiver.

See what that country of the mind will produce, when by the wholsome laws of this legislatress it

when by the wholsome laws of this legislatress it has obtained its liberty.

Shaftesbury, Moral. P. iv. § 2.

LE'GISLATURE. n. s. [from legislator, Lat.]
The power that makes laws.

Without the concurrent consent of all three parts of the legislature, no law is, or can be made.

Hale, Com. Law.

In the notion of a legislature is implied a power to change, repeal, and suspend laws in being, as well as to make new laws.

Addison.

By the supreme magistrate is properly understood the legislative power, but the word magisexpress the executive power, it came to pass that the obedience due to the legislature was, for want of considering this easy distinction, misapplied to the administration.

Swift, Sentim. of a Ch. of Eng. Man.

LE'GIST.* n. s. [lex, legis, Lat. the law; legiste, old French. Our old lexicography gives legister, as an obsolete word for lawyer. Bullokar and Cockeram. Chaucer uses it. Test. of Love.] One skilled in law.

Far be it from my sharp satirick muse Those grave and reverent legists to abuse, That aid Astræa.

Marston, Scourg. of Vill. (1599,) ii. 7. The decretists and legists derided their ignorance. A. Wood, Ann. Univ. Oxf.

LEGI'TIMACY. n. s. [from legitimate.]

1. Lawfulness of birth.

In respect of his legitimacy, it will be good. 2. Genuineness; not spuriousness.

The legitimacy or reality of these marine bodies vindicated, I now inquire by what means they were hurried out of the ocean.

Woodward, Nat. Hist. LEGI'TIMATE.† adj. [from legitimus,

Latin; legitime, Fr.] 1. Born in marriage; lawfully begotten.

Legitimate Edgar, I must have your land; Our father's love is to the bastard Edmund.

An adulterous person is tied to make provision for the children begotten in unlawful embraces, that they may do no injury to the legitimate, by receiving a portion. Bp. Taylor.

2. Genuine; not spurious: as, a legitimate work, the legitimate production of such an author.

3. Lawful: as, a legitimate course of proceeding.

To LEGI'TIMATE. † v. a. [legitimer, Fr. from

the adjective. 7 1. To procure to any the rights of legiti-

None of your holy fathers as yet have been able

to legitimate the child. Sheldon, Mir. of Antichrist, (1616,) p. 150. Legitimate him that was a bastard.

Ayliffe, Parergon.

2. To make lawful.

To enact a statute of that which he dares not seem to approve, even to legitimate vice, to make sin itself, the ever alien and vassal sin, a free citizen of the commonwealth, pretending only these or these plausible reasons!

Milton, Doct. and Disc. of Div. ii. 2. It would be impossible for any enterprize to be lawful, if that which should legitimate it is subsequent to it, and can have no influence to make it good or bad. Decay of Chr. Piety.

LEGI'TIMATELY. † adv. [from legitimate.] 1. Lawfully.

Those who were born of harlots, were not bound by the law to nourish or relieve their parents, as they were who were legitimately born.

Knatchbull, Tr. Annot. N. Test. p. 25.

2. Genuinely. By degrees he rose to Jove's imperial seat, Thus difficulties prove a soul legitimately great.

Dryden. LEGI'TIMATENESS.* n. s. [from legitimate.]

Legality; lawfulness. The fathers of Constantinople, in their letter

to pope Damasus and the occidental bishops, approved and commended Flavianus to them, highly asserting the legitimateness of his ordination.

Barrow on the Pope's Supremacy.

trate seeming to denote a single person, and to | LEGITIMA'TION. † n. s. [legitimation, Fr. ; from legitimate.]

I. Lawful birth.

I have disclaim'd my land; I.egitimation, name, and all is gone : Then, good my mother, let me know my father. Shakspeare, K. John.

From whence will arise many questions of legitimation, and what in nature is the difference betwixt a wife and a concubine.

2. The act of investing with the privileges of lawful birth.

He legitimated the duke's natural children by Katherine Swinford, whom he had lately married he got their legitimation confirmed by parliament; and heaped upon them honours and preferments.

Lowth, Life of Wykeham, p. 234. LEGUME. n.s. [legume, Fr.; legu-LEGUMEN.] men, Lat.] Seeds not reaped, but gathered by the hand; as, beans: in general all larger seeds; pulse. Some legumens, as peas or beans, if newly ga-

thered and distilled in a retort, will afford an acid In the spring fell great rains, upon which en-

sued a most destructive mildew upon the corn and Arbuthnot.

Legu'minous. adj. [legumineux, French; from legumen.] Belonging to pulse; from legumen.] consisting of pulse.

The properest food of the vegetable kingdom is taken from the farinaceous seeds: as, oats, barley, and wheat; or of some of the siliquose or leguminous; as, peas or beans. Arbuthnot.

LE'IGER.* See LEGER and LEGER-LEIGER-BOOK. BOOK.

LE'ISURABLE.† adj. [from leisure.] Done at leisure; not hurried; enjoying leisure.

A relation inexcusable in his works of leisurable hours, the examination being as ready as the rela-

A French gentleman, there consul-general for his nation, stayed me to take a leisurable view of that kingdom. Blount, Voy. to the Levant, p. 108. He publickly declared himself ready and de-

sirous to assist any person single, and particularly invited such to come at their leisurable hours. Fell, Life of Hammond. § 2.

LE'ISURABLY. † adv. [from leisurable.] At leisure; without tumult or hurry.

Let us beg of God, that when the hour of our rest is come, the patterns of our dissolution may be Jacob, Moses, Joshua, and David, who leisurably ending their lives in peace, prayed for the mercies of God upon their posterity.

Here men must follow the shore; wind about leisurably; and insinuate their useful alterations by soft and unperceivable degrees. Sprat, Hist. R. S. p. 66.

LE'ISURE. n. s. [loisir, Fr.] 1. Freedom from business or hurry; a vacancy of mind; power to spend time according to choice.

A gentleman fell very sick, and a friend said to him, Send for a physician; but the sick man answered, It is no matter; for if I die, I will die Bacon, Apophthegms. at leisure.

Where ambition and avarice have made no entrance, the desire of leisure is much more natural than of business and care.

You enjoy your quiet in a garden, where you have not only the *leisure* of thinking, but the pleasure to think of nothing which can discom-Dryden. pose your mind.

2. Convenience of time.

We'll make our leisures to attend on yours.

They summon'd up their meiny, strait took horse; Commanded me to follow, and attend The leisure of their answer, Shakspeare, K. Lear.

O happy youth! For whom thy fates reserve so a fair bride: He sigh'd, and had no leisure more to say, His honour call'd his eyes another way.

Dryden, Ovid. I shall leave with him that rebuke, to be considered at his leisure. Locke.

3. Want of leisure. Not used. More than I have said, loving countrymen; The leisure and enforcement of the time

Shakspeare, Rich. III. Forbids to dwell on. LE'ISURE.* adj. Convenient; free from business or hurry. We now say, leisure hours, leisure time.

Here pause, my Gothic lyre, a little while: The leisure hour is all that thou can'st claim.

Beattie. LE'ISURELY. adj. [from leisure.] Not hasty; deliberate; done without hurry. He was the wretchedest thing when he was

young, So long a growing, and so leisurely, That, if the rule were true, he should be gracious.

The earl of Warwick, with a handful of men, fired Leith and Edinburgh, and returned by a

leisurely march. The bridge is human life: upon a leisurely survey of it, I found that it consisted of threescore Addison.

and ten intire arches. LE'ISURELY. adv. [from leisure.] Not in a hurry; slowly; deliberately.

The Belgians hop'd, that with disorder'd haste, Our deep-cut keels upon the sands might run; Or if with caution leisurely we past,

Their numerous gross might charge us one by one. We descended very leisurely, my friend being

careful to count the steps.

LE'MAN. † n. s. [Generally supposed to be l'aimant, the lover, French; but imagined by Junius, with almost equal probability, to be derived from lief, Dutch, or leor, Saxon, beloved and man. This etymology is strongly supported by the ancient orthography, according to which it was written leveman. Dr. Johnson. -Junius is right; that is, the word comes from the Saxon, leor; and, as man in the Saxon language, signifies both man and woman, leman was used both for male and female sweethearts. Barret terms a leman "a married man's concubine," Alv. 1580. Shakspeare, a married woman's gallant; "Ford, that searched a hollow walnut for his wife's leman.' Merr. Wives of Windsor.] A sweetheart; a gallant; or a mistress.

[He] said, he wholde Her lemman be, whether she wolde or n'olde. Chaucer, Man of Law's Tale.

Unto his lemman Dalida he [Sampson] told, That in his heres all his strengthe lay And falsely to his fomen him she sold.

Chaucer, Monk's Tale. Hold for my sake, and do him not to dye; But vanquish'd, thine eternal bondslave make, And me thy worthy meed unto thy leman take.

Spenser, F. Q. A cup of wine,

That's brisk and fine,

And drink unto the leman mine. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

LEME.* n. s. [leoma, Saxon; liome, Icel. splendour; lauhmon, Goth. lightning.] A ray: a beam; a flash: as, "a leam or flame of fire, a leam of lightning." Huloet. See also GLEAM.

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Fire with red lemes. Chaucer, Nonnes Pr. Tale. Thereby the incomprehensible majestic of God, as it were by a bright leme of a torch or candle, is declared to the blinde inhabitants of this world.

Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 2.

To Leme.* v. n. [leoman, Saxon.] To shine; to blaze. Both the verb and substantive are obsolete.

Le'mma.† n. s. [λημμα; lemme, Fr.] A proposition previously assumed.

I shall premise the following lemma: If with a view to demonstrate any proposition, a certain point is proposed, by virtue of which certain other points are attained; and such supposed point be itself afterwards destroyed or rejected by a contrary supposition; in that case, all the other points, attained thereby and consequent thereupon, must also be destroyed and rejected, so as from thence forward to be no more supposed or applied in the demonstration.

Bp. Berkeley, Analyst, § 12.

LE'MON. n. s. [limon, French; limonium, low Latin.]

1. The fruit of the lemon-tree.

The juice of lemons is more cooling and astringent than that of oranges.

Arbulkmot.
The dyers use it for dying of bright yellows and lemon colours.

Mortimer.

Bear me, Pomona!
To where the lemon and the piercing lime,
With the deep orange, glowing through the green,
Their lighter glories blend.
Thomson.

2. The tree that bears lemons.

The lemon tree hath large stiff leaves; the flower consists of many leaves, which expand in form of a rose: the fruit is almost of an oval figure, and divided into several cells, in which are lodged hard seeds, surrounded by a thick fleshy substance, which, for the most part, is full of an acid juice. There are many varieties of this tree, and the fruit is yearly imported from Lisbon in great plenty.

Miller.

Lemona'de. n. s. [from lemon.] Liquor made of water, sugar, and the juice of

lemons.

In consecrated earth,

Thou, and thy wife, and children, should walk in my gardens, buy toys, and drink lemonade.

Arbuthnot, John Bull.

LE'MURES.* n. s. pl. [Latin.] Hobgoblins; evil spirits among the ancients.

And on the holy hearth, The Lars and Lemures moan with midnight plaint.

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Milton, Ode Nativ.

To LEND.† v. a. preterite, and part. pass. lent. [lænan, Saxon; leenen, Dutch; læna, Su. Goth. leiwhan, M. Goth. See Loan.]

 To afford or supply, on condition of repayment.

In common worldly things 'tis call'd ungrateful With dull unwillingness to pay a debt, Which, with a bounteous hand, was kindly lent;

Much more to be thus opposite with Heav'n.

Shakspeare.

Thou shalt not give him thy money upon usury, nor lend him thy victuals for increase.

They dare not give, and e'en refuse to lend,
To their poor kindred, or a wanting friend.

2. To suffer to be used on condition that it be restored.

I'll lend it thee, my dear, but have no power to give it from me. Shakspeare, All's Well.

The fair blessing we vouchsafe to send;

Nor can we spare you long, though often we may lend.

Dryden to the D. of Ormand.

3. To afford; to grant in general.

Covetousness, like the sea, receives the tribute of all rivers, though unlike it in lending any back again.

Decay of Chr. Piety.
Painting and poesy are two sisters so like, that

they lend to each other their name and office: one is called a dumb poesy, and the other a speaking picture.

Dryden, Dufresnoy.

Them thy new hope, and from thy growing store.

From thy new hope, and from thy growing store, Now lend assistance, and relieve the poor.

Irryden, Pers.
Cato, lend me for a while thy patience,
And condescend to hear a young man speak.

Addison.

Wilt lend a hand to close thy mistress' eyes.

A. Philips.

LE'NDABLE.* adj. [from lend.] That may be lent. Sherwood.

LE'NDER. n. s. [from lend.]
1. One who lends any thing.

2. One who makes a trade of putting

money to interest.

Let the state be answered some small matter, and the rest left to the lender; if the abatement be small, it will not discourage the lender: he that took ten in the hundred, will sooner descend to

eight than give over this trade. Bacon.
Whole droves of lenders crowd the bankers doors
To call in money. Dryden, Span. Friar.
Interest would certainly encourage the lender to
venture in such a time of danger. Addison.

LE'NDING.* n. s. [from lend.]

What is lent on condition of repayment.
 Mowbray hath receiv'd eight thousand nobles,
 In name of lendings for your highness' soldiers.
 Shakspeare, Rich. II.

2. What is supplied in general.
Off, off, you lendings: Come, unbutton here.
Shakspeare, K. Lear.

Lends.* n.s. pl. [lendenu, Saxon; lenden, Germ.] Loins. Obsolete.

A girdle of skyn aboute his leendis.

Wicliffe, St. Matt. iii. 4.
A barme-cloth eke as white as morwe milk
Upon her lenders. Chaucer, Mill. Tale.

LENGTH.† n. s. [lengeő, the third person singular from the Sax. verb lengian. Mr. H. Tooke.]

 The extent of any thing material from end to end; the longest line that can be drawn through a body.

There is in Ticinum a church that is in length one hundred feet, in breadth twenty, and in heighth near fifty: it reporteth the voice twelve or thirteen times.

Bacon.

2. Horizontal extension.

Mezentius rushes on his foes,
And first unhappy Acron overthrows;

Stretch'd at his length he spurns the swarthy ground.

Dryden.

 Comparative extent; a certain portion of space or time: in this sense it has a plural.

Large lengths of seas and shores Between my father and my mother lay.

Shakspeare, K. John.
To get from th' enemy, and Ralph, free;
Left danger, fears, and foes, behind,
And beat, at least, three lengths the wind.

Hulibras
Time glides along with undiscover'd haste,
The future but a length beyond the past.

but have no power to Shakspeare, All's Well. 4. Extent of duration or space.

What length of lands, what oceans have you pass'd,

What storms sustain'd, and on what shores been
cast.

Dryden.

Having thus got the idea of duration, the next

Having thus got the idea of duration, the next thing is to get some measure of this common duration, whereby to judge of its different lengths.

5. Long duration or protraction.

May Heav'n, great monarch, still augment your

With length of days, and every day like this.

Such toil requir'd the Roman name, Such length of labour for so vast a frame.

Dryden, Æn.

In length of time it will cover the whole plain, and make one mountain with that on which it now stands.

Addison.

6. Reach or expansion of any thing.

I do not recommend to all a pursuit of sciences, to those extensive lengths to which the moderns have advanced. Watts, Impr. of the Mind.

7. Full extent; uncontracted state.

If Lectitia, who sent me this account, will acquaint me with the worthy gentleman's name; I will insert it at length in one of my papers.

Addison, Spect.

8. Distance.

He had marched to the length of Exeter, which he had some thought of besieging. Clarendon.

 End; latter part of any assignable time. Churches purged of things burdensome, all was brought at the length into that wherein now we stand.

A crooked stick is not straitened unless it be bent as far on the clear contrary side, that so it may settle itself at the length in a middle state of evenness between them both.

Hooker.

 At Length. [An adverbial mode of speech. It was formerly written at the length.] At last; in conclusion.

At length, at length, I have thee in my arms, Though our malevolent stars have struggled hard, And held us long asunder. Dryden, K. Arthur.

To LENGTH.* v. a. [lenguan, Saxon.] To extend; to make longer. Obsolete. Was never man such favour could off at all ladies

fynde,
To cause them lengthe or shorte the day which they
to hym assynde.

Huloet in V. Ladies of Destinie.
[He] knows full well life doth but length his pain.
Sackville, Induct. Mir. for Mag.

To LE'NGTHEN. v. a. [from length. Sax. lengtan.]

To draw out; to make longer; to elongate.

Relaxing the fibres, is making them flexible, or easy to be lengthened without rupture.

Arbuthnot on Aliments.
Falling dews, with spangles deck'd the glade,
And the low sun had lengthen'd every shade. Pope.

2. To protract; to continue.

Frame your mind to mirth and merriment, Which bars a thousand harms, and lengthens life. Shaksneare.

It is in our power to secure to ourselves an interest in the divine mercies that are yet to come, and to lengthen the course of our present prosperity. Atterbury, Serm.

3. To protract pronunciation.

The learned languages were less constrained in the quantity of every syllable, beside helps of grammatical figures for the lengthening or abbreviation of them.

Dryden.

4. To Lengthen out. [The particle out is only emphatical.] To protract; to extend.

What if I please to lengthen out his date

. A day, and take a pride to cozen fate? Dryden.
I'd hoard up every moment of my life,

To lengthen out the payment of my tears. Dryden.
It lengthens out every act of worship, and produces more lasting and permanent impressions in the mind, than those which accompany any trausient form of words.

Addison.

To LE'NGTHEN. v. n. To grow longer; to increase in length.

One may as well make a yard, whose parts lengthen and shrink, as a measure of trade in materials, that have not always a settled value. Locke. Still 'tis farther from its end;

Still finds its error lengthen with its way, Prior.

Le'ngthening.* n. s. [from lengthen.]
Continuation; protraction.

Break off thy sins by righteousness, and thine iniquities by shewing mercy to the poor; if it may be a lengthening of thy tranquillity. Dan. iv. 27.

LE'NGTHFUL.* adj. [length and full.] Of great measure in length.

The driver whirls his lengthful thong,

The horses fly, the chariot smokes along.

Pope, Iliad.

LE'NGTHWISE. adv. [length and wise.] According to the length, in a longitudinal direction.

LE'NIENT. adj. [leniens, Latin.]

I. Assuasive; softening; mitigating.
In this one passion man can strength enjoy;
Time, that on all things lays his lenient hand,
Yet tames not this; it sticks to our last sand. Pope.

2. With of.

Consolatories writ
With studied argument, and much persuasion sought,

Lenient of grief and anxious thought. Milton, S. A. 3. Laxative; emollient.

Oils relax the fibres, are *lenient*, balsamick, and abate acrimony in the blood.

Arbuthnot on Aliments.

LE'NIENT. n. s. An emollient, or assuasive application.

application.

I dressed it with lenients. Wiseman, Surgery.

To LE'NIFY. v. n. [lenifier, old French; lenio, Latin.] To assuage; to mitigate. Used for squinancies and inflammations in the throat, it seemeth to have a mollifying and lenifying virtue.

All soft'ning simples, known of sov'reign use, He presses out, and pours their noble juice; These first infus'd, to *lenify* the pain,

These first infus'd, to lenify the pain,

He tugs with pincers, but he tugs in vain. Dryden.

LE'NIMENT.* n. s. [lenimentum, Latin.] An
assuaging.
Cockeram.
LE'NITIVE adj. [lenitif Fr. lenio Latin.]

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Assuasive; emollient.

Some plants have a milk in them; the cause may be an inception of putrefaction: for those milks have all an acrimony, though one would think they should be lenitive.

Bacon.

There is aliment lenitive expelling the feecs without stimulating the bowels; such are animal oils.

Arbuthnot.

LE'NITIVE. † n. s.

1. Any thing medicinally applied to ease

An apothecary's shop, wherein are remedies — alternatives, corroboratives, lenitives.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 279.

There are lenitives that friendship will apply before it would be brought to decretory rigours.

South, Serm.

LE'NITY. n. s. [lenitas, Latin.] Mildness; mercy; tenderness; softness of temper.

Henry gives consent,

Of meer compassion, and of lenity,
To ease your country. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

Lenity must gain

The mighty men, and please the discontent.

Albeit so ample a pardon was proclaimed touching treason, yet could not the boldness be beaten down either with severity, or with lenity be abated.

Hayward.

These jealousies
Have but one root, the old imprison'd king,
Whose lenity first pleas'd the gaping crowd:
But when long try'd, and found supinely good,
Like Æsop's log, they leapt upon his back. Dryd-

Le'nnock.* adj. Slender; pliable. Lancas ire Gloss.

Lens. n. s. From resemblance to the seed of a lental.

A glass spherically convex on both sides, is usually a *lens*; such as is a burning-glass, or spectacle glass, or an object glass of a telescope. *Newt. Opticks*.

According to the difference of the lenses, I used various distances.

Newton, Optivks.

Lent. part. pass. from lend.

By Jove, the stranger and the poor are sent, And what to those we give, to Jove is lent.

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Pope, Odys.

Lent.* n. s. [from lend.] A supply, to be repaid or returned.

Upon the lent of Mr. Pocock's copy, he declared, that had it not been for his faar of oppressing his amanuensis, he would, upon sight thereof, have begun his work again.

Twells, Life of Dr. E. Pocock.

LENT.† n. s. [lenten, the spring, Sax.; from the Goth. hlana, to grow warm, as the air in the spring does. Serenius.] The quadragesimal fast; a time of abstinence; the time from Ashwednesday to Easter.

Lent is from springing, because it falleth in the spring; for which our progenitors, the Germans, use glent.

Camden.

Lent.* adj. [lentus, Latin.] Slow; mild. Not in use.

We must now increase Our fire to "ignis ardens," we are past

"Fimus equinus, balnei cineris," And all those lenter heats, B. Jonson, Alchemist.

LE'NTEN. adj. [from lent.] Such as is used in lent; sparing.

My lord, if you delight not in man, what lenten entertainment the players shall receive from you.

Shakspeare, Hamlet.

She quench'd her fury at the flood, And with a lenten salad cool'd her blood.

Their commons, though but coarse, were nothing scant. Dryden, Hind and Panther.

Lenti'cular. adj. [lenticulaire, French.]

Doubly convex; of the form of a lens.

The crystalline humour is of a lenticular figure, convex on both sides.

Ray on Creation.

LE'NTIFORM. adj. [lens and forma, Latin.]
Having the form of a lens.

Lenti'ginous. adj. [from lentigo.] Scurfy; furfuraceous.

LENTI'GO. n. s. [Latin.] A freckly or scurfy eruption upon the skin; such especially as is common to women in child-bearing. Quincy.

LE'NTIL. n. s. [lens, Latin; lentille, Fr.]
A plant.

It hath a papilionaceous flower, the pointal of which becomes a short pod,

containing orbicular seeds, for the most part convex; the leaves are conjugated, growing to one mid-rib, and are terminated by tendrils. Miller.

The Philistines were gathered together, where was a piece of ground full of lentiles.

2 Sam. xxiii. 11.

LE'NTISCK.†] n. s. [lentiscus, Latin; len-LENTI'scus.] tisque. French.] Lentisck wood is of a pale brown, almost whitish, resinous, fragrant and acrid: it is the tree which produces mastich, esteemed astringent and balsamick. Hill.

Lentisch is a beautiful evergreen, the mastich or gum of which is of use for

the teeth or gums.

Mortimer, Husbandry.
The weepings of the lentiscus and cypress.

Bp. Berkeley, Siris, § 28.

LE'NTITUDE. n. s. [from lentus, Latin.]
Sluggishness; slowness.

Dict.

LE'NTNER. n. s. A kind of hawk.

I should enlarge my discourse to the observation of the haggard, and the two sorts of lentners.

Walton, Angler.

LE'NTOR. n. s. [lentor, Latin; lenteur, French.]

1. Tenacity; viscosity.

Some bodies have a kind of lentor, and more depectible nature than others.

2. Slowness; delay; sluggish coldness.

The lentor of eruptions, not inflammatory, points to an acid cause. Arbuthnot on Diet.

3. [In physick.] That sizy, viscid, coagulated part of the blood, which, in malignant fevers, obstructs the capillary vessels. Quincy.

LE'NTOUS. adj. [lentus, Latin.] Viscous; tenacious; capable to be drawn out.

In this spawn of a lentous and transparent body, are to be discerned many specks which become black, a substance more compacted and terrestrious than the other; for it riseth not in distillation.

L'Envoy.* See the fourth sense of En-

LE'O.* n. s. [Latin, the lion.] The fifth sign of the zodiack.

By Leo, and the Virgin, and the Scales.

Milton, P. L.

Le'on. * n.s. Leod signifies the people; or, rather, a nation, country, &c. Thus leodgar is one of great interest with the people or nation. Gibson's Camden. Thus leid, in old Cornish, a tribe.

Thus leid, in old Cornish, a tribe. Chaucer uses leos, from the Greek λαδς, for people.

Leos people in English is to say.

Second Nonnes Tales.

Le'of. n. s. Leof denotes love; so leofwin is a winner of love; leoftstan, best
beloved: like these Agapetus, Erasmus,
Philo, Amandus, &c. Gibson's Camden.

Le'onine,† adj. [leoninus, Latin.]

1. Belonging to a lion; having the nature of a lion.

So was he ful of leonin corage.

from Leo the inventor: as,

Chaucer, Monk's Tale.

That which in their physiognomy is leonine; for, we read, some men had lionly looks.

Bp. Gauden, Life of Bp. Brownrigg, p. 296.

2. Leonine verses are those of which the end rhimes to the middle, so named

Gloria factorum temere conceditur horum. Dr. Johnson.

Leo was not the inventor of Leonine verses, but Leontius. Menagiana, tom. ii. p. 214.

If he delighteth in odd-contrived fancies, he may please himself with antistrophes, rebusses, teonine verses, &c. to be found in Sieur des Accords.

Sir T. Bryum, Miscell. p. 127.

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Leonine verses are properly the Roman her ameters or pentameters rhymed.

Warton, Hist. E. P. i. 2. Le'OPARD. n. s. [leo and pardus, Latin.]

A spotted beast of prey.

Sheep run not half so timorous from the wolf,

Or horse or oxen from the leopard, As you fly from your oft-subdued slaves.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI.
Before the king tame leopards led the way,
And troops of lions innocently play. Dryden.

All toops of those minocentry play.

A leopard is every way, in shape and actions, like a cat: his head, teeth, tongue, feet, claws, tail, all like a cat's: he boxes with his fore-feet, as a cat doth her kittens; leaps at the prey, as a cat at a mouse; and will also spit much after the same manner: so that they seem to differ, just as a kite doth from an eagle.

Grew, Museum.

Leopards-bane.* n. s. The name of an herb.

LE'PER. n. s. [lepra, leprosus, Latin.]
One infected with a leprosy.

I am no loathsome leper; look on me.

The leper in whom the plague is, his clothes shall be rent.

Shakspeare.

Lev. xiii. 45.

LE'PEROUS. adj. [Formed from leprous, to make out a verse.] Causing leprosy: infected with leprosy; leprous.

Upon my secure hour thy uncle stole, With juice of cursed hebenon in a viol, And in the porches of mine ears did pour

The leperous distillment. Shakspeare, Hamlet. LE'fil.* adj. [lepidus, Latin.] Pleasant; merry; lively; quick. Cockeram. Some elegant figures and tropes of rhetorick do lie very near upon the confines of jocularity, and are not easily discerned from those sallies of wit,

wherein the lepid way doth consist. Barrow, i. 14. LE'FORINE. adj. [leporinus, Lat.] Belonging to a hare; having the nature of a

Lepro'sity. n.s. [from leprous.] Squamous disease.

If the crudities, impurities, and leprosities of metals were cured, they would become gold.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

LE'FROSY.† n.s. [lepra, Latin; lepre, Fr. Formerly our word was lepry; as in Huloet's old dictionary.] A loathsome distemper, which covers the body with a kind of white scales.

Itches, blains,

Sow all the Athenian bosoms, and their crop Be general leprosy. Shakspeare, Timon.

It is a plague of leprosy.

Between the malice of my enemies and other men's mistakes, I put as great a difference as between the itch of novelty and the leprosy of disloyalty.

King Charles.

Authors, upon the first entrance of the pox, looked upon it so highly infectious, that they ran away from it as much as the Jews did from the leprosy.

WROUS ** add. Flance: Jessies Jess

LE'PROUS.† adj. [lepra, Latin; lepreux, French.] Infected with a leprosy.

He put his hand into his bosom; and when he took it but, behold, his hand was leprous as snow.

Exod. iv. 6.

The silly amorous sucks his death, by drawing in a leprous harlot's breath. Donne. LE'PROUSLY.* adv. [from leprous.] In an infectious degree.

Do but imagine

Now the disease has left you, how leprously

That office would have cling'd unto your forehead.

Tourneur, Revenger's Tragedy.

LE'PROUSNESS.* n. s. [from leprous.] State of being leprous.

LERE.† n. s. [lepe, Sax; leere, Dutch.]

1. A lesson; lore; doctrine.

Obsolete.

This sense is still retained in Sotland.

The kid, pitying his heaviness,

The kid, pitying his heaviness, Asked the cause of his great distress; And also who, and whence, that he were. Tho' he, that had well ycon'd his lere, Thus medled his talk with many a teare.

Spenser, Shep. Cal.

2. Skill; scholarship. In this sense lare, or lair, is used in the north of England. He was invulnerable made by magick leare.

Spenser, F. Q. vi. iv. 4.

To Lere.* v. a. [læpan, Saxon, to teach; leren, Germ. to teach and to learn; laerd, Icel, learned.]

 To learn. So used in the north of England. "Lewed or lered:" ignorant or learned. Piers Pl. Crede.

As children lered their antiphonere.

Chaucer, Prioress Talc.

He of Tityrus his songs did lere.

Spenser, Shep. Cal.

2. To teach.

I then did lear
A lore repugnant to thy parents' faith.

Fairfax, Tasso.

Lere.* adj. Empty. See Lear.

Lypny. From lere? A ration. a lecture

LE'RRY, [from lere.] A rating; a lecture.
Rustick word.

LESS.† A negative or privative termination. [lær, Saxon; loos, Dutch.] Joined to a substantive, it implies the absence or privation of the thing expressed by that substantive; as, a witless man, a man without wit; childless, without children; fatherless, deprived of a father; pennyless, wanting money.

Dr. Johnson.

The imperative left of the Sax. verb left, to dismiss, has given to our language such adjectives as hopeless, restless, deathless, motionless, &c. i. e. dismiss hope, rest, death, motion, &c. Mr. H. Tooke, Div. of Purl. i. 173.

Less.* conj. [lef. Sax. imper. of lefan, to dismiss. Mr. H. Tooke.] Unless.
To tell you true, 'tis too good for you,

Less you had grace to follow it.

B. Jonson, Barthol. Fair.
You should not ask, less you knew how to give.
Beaum. and Fl. Laws of Candy.

And the mute silence hist along, Less Philomel will deign a song, In her sweetest, saddest plight, Smoothing the rugged brow of night.

Milton, Il Pens.

Less. adj. [lær, Saxon.] The comparative of little; opposed to greater or to so great; not so much; not equal.

Mary, the Mother of James the less.

St. Mar. xv. 40.

He that thinks he has a positive idea of infinite space will find, that he can no more have a positive idea of the greatest than he has of the lenst space; for in this latter we are capable only of a comparative idea of smallness, which will always be less than any one whereof we have the positive idea.

All the ideas that are considered as haring parts, and are capable of increase by the addition of any equal or less parts, afford us, by their repetition, the idea of infinity.

"Tis less to conquer, than to make wars cease,"

Tis less to conquer, than to make wars cease,
And, without fighting, awe the world to peace.

Ld. Halifax.

Less. n. s. Not so much; opposed to more, or to as much.

They gathered some more, some less.

Exod. xvi. 17.

Thy servant knew nothing of this, less or more.

1 Sam.

Yet could be not his closing eyes withdraw, Though less and less of Emily he saw. Dryden.

Less. adv. In a smaller degree; in a lower degree.

This opinion presents a less merry, but not less dangerous, temptation to those in adversity.

Decay of Chr. Piety.

The less space there is betwitt us and the object, and the more pure the air is, by so much the more the species are preserved and distinguished; and, on the contrary, the more space of air there is, and the less it is pure, so much the more the object is confused and embroiled. Dryd.

Their learning lay chiefly in flourish; they were not much wiser than the less pretending multitude.

Collier on Pride.

The less they themselves want from others, they will be less careful to supply the necessities of the indigent.

Smalridge.

Happy, and happy still, she might have prov'd, Were she less beautiful, or less belov'd.

To Less.* v. a. To make less. Obsolete. What he will make lesse, he lesseth.

What he will make lesse, he lesseth.

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 7.

Lesse'e. n. s. The person to whom a

lease is given.

To Le'ssen. v. a. [from less.]

1. To make less; to diminish in bulk.
Up to you hill;

Your legs are young: I'll tread these flats. Consider
When you above perceive me like a crow,

That it is place that lessens, and sets off.

Shakspeare, Cymb.

2. To diminish the degree of any state or quality; to make less intense.

Kings may give
To beggars, and not lessen their own greatness.

Denham

Though charity alone will not make one happy in the other world, yet it shall lessen his punishment.

Calamy, Serm.

Collect into one sum as great a number as you please, this multitude, how great soever, lessens not one jot the power of adding to it, or brings him any nearer the end of the inexhaustible stock of number.

Locke.

This thirst after fame betrays him into such indecencies as are a lessening to his reputation, and is looked upon as a weakness in the greatest characters.

Addison, Spect.

Now are the placeurer which the bettel west of

characters.

Addison, Spect.

Nor are the pleasures which the brutal part of
the creation enjoy subject to be lessened by the uneasiness which arises from fancy. Atterbury, Serm.

3. To degrade; to deprive of power or dignity.

Who seeks

To lessen thee, against his purpose serves
To manifest the more thy might. Milton, P. L.
St. Paul chose to magnify his office, when ill
men conspired to lessen it.

Atterbury, Serm.

To Le'ssen. v. n. To grow less; to shrink; to be diminished.

All government may be esteemed to grow strong or weak, as the general opinion in those that govern is seen to lessen or increase. Temple.

The objection lessens much, and comes to no more than this, there was one witness of no good Atterbury.

LE'SSER. † adj. A barbarous corruption of less, formed by the vulgar from the habit of terminating comparatives in er; afterwards adopted by poets, and then by writers of prose, till it has all the 5. A rating lecture. authority which a mode originally erroneous can derive from custom.

Dr. Johnson. Little has two comparatives, less and lesser. Use leaves us at liberty to employ either. The sound will direct us when to prefer the one to the other. As Addison's " Attend to what a lesser Muse indites," is clearly better than a less Muse. But, in general, it may be a good rule, to join less with a singular noun, and lesser with a plural; as, when we say, a less difficulty, and lesser difficulties. The reason is, that few singular nouns terminate in s, and most plural nouns do. Worser, the second comparative of bad, has not the same authority to plead as lesser, and is not, I think, of equal use. Our grammarians do not enough attend to the influence which the ear has in modelling a lan-Bp. Hurd. What great despite doth fortune to thee bear,

Thus lowly to abase thy beauty bright, That it should not deface all other lesser light? Spenser, F. Q.

It is the lesser blot, modesty finds, Women to change their shapes than men their

Shakspeare. The mountains, and higher parts of the earth, grow lesser and lesser from age to age : sometimes the roots of them are weakened by subterraneous fires, and sometimes tumbled by earthquakes into caverns that are under them.

Cain, after the murder of his brother, cries out, Every man that findeth me shall slay me. By the same reason may a man, in the state of nature, punish the lesser breaches of that law. Locke.

The larger here, and there the lesser lambs. The new-fall'n young herd bleating for their Pope.

LE'SSER. adv. [formed by corruption from

less. Some say he's mad; others, that lesser hate

Do call it valiant fury. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

Le'sses. n. s. pl. [laissées, French.] dung of beasts left on the ground.

LE'SSON.† n. s. [leçon, Fr. lectio, Lat. Dr. Johnson.—Gothick, laiseins; from laisgan, to teach.]

1. Any thing read or repeated to a teacher, in order to improvement.

I but repeat that lesson Which I have learn'd from thee. Denham, Sophy.

2. Precept; notion inculcated. This day's ensample hath this lesson dear Deep written in my heart with iron pen,

That bliss may not abide in state of mortal men. Spenser, F. Q. Be not jealous over the wife of thy bosom, and teach her not an evil lesson against thyself.

Ecclus. ix. 1. 3. Portion of Scripture read in divine lessons are happily destitute; yet lessons being free from some inconveniences whereunto sermons are most subject, they may, in this respect, no less take, than in other they must give the hand which Hooker. betokeneth pre-eminence.

4. Tune pricked for an instrument. Those good laws were like good lessons set for

a flute out of tune; of which lessons little use can be made, till the flute be made fit to be played on. Davies on Ireland.

She would give her a lesson for walking so late, that should make her keep within doors for one

To Le'sson. v. a. [Goth. laisgan, to teach.] To teach; to instruct.

Even in kind love, I do conjure thee, Well hast thou lesson'd us, this shall we do. To lesson me.

our addresses to God, we need be lessoned no farther than from our Saviour's owne mouth.

Bp. Prideaux, Euch. p. 71. Children should be seasoned betimes, and lessoned into a contempt and detestation of this vice. L'Estrange, Fab.

LE'SSOR. n. s. One who lets any thing to farm, or otherwise, by lease.

Lords of the world have but for life their lease, And that too, if the lessor please must cease. Denham.

If he demises the glebe to a layman, the tenant must pay the small tithes to the vicar, and the great tithes to the lessor. Ayliffe, Parergon. LEST. + conj. [from the adjective least. Dr. Johnson. - Lest (i. e. lesed) is nothing else but the participle past of the Sax. legan, to dismiss; and with the 5. Or precept. article that, (either expressed or understood,) means no more than hoc dimisso, or quo dimisso. Mr. H. Tooke, Div. of 6. Sometimes it implies concession. Purl. i. 224.]

1. This particle may be sometimes resolved into that not, meaning prevention or care lest a thing should happen.

Forty stripes he may give him, and not exceed Deut. xxv. seem vile.

Lest they faint At the sad sentence rigorously urg'd, Milton, P. L. All terrour hide. My labour will sustain me, and lest cold

Or heat should injure us, his timely care Milton, P. L. Hath unbesought provided. King Luitprand brought hither the corps, lest it might be abused by the barbarous nations.

Addison on Italy. 2. It sometimes means only that, with a

kind of emphasis. One doubt

Pursues me still, lest all I cannot die, Lest that pure breath of life, the spirit of man, Which God inspir'd, cannot together perish Milton, P. L. With this corporeal clod.

LE'STERCOCK. n. s. They have a device of two sticks filled with corks, and crossed flatlong, out of whose midst there riseth a thread, and at the same hangeth a sail; to this engine, termed a lestercock, they tie one end of their boulter, so as the wind coming from the shore filleth the sail, and the sail carrieth the boulter into the sea, which, after the respite of some hours, is drawn in again by a cord fastened at the nearer end.

Notwithstanding so eminent properties, whereof To LET. + v. a. [lætan, Sax. letan, Goth. to permit.]

1. To allow; to suffer; to permit.

Where there is a certainty and an uncertainty, let the uncertainty go, and hold to that which is Bp. Sanderson.

Remember me; speak, Raymond, will you let him?

Shall he remember Leonora? Dryden, Span. Friar.

We must not let go manifest truths, because we cannot answer all questions about them. Collier.

One who fixes his thoughts intently on one thing, so as to take but little notice of the succession of ideas in his mind, lets slip out of his account a good part of that duration. Locke.

A solution of mercury in aqua fortis being poured upon iron, copper, tin, or lead, dissolves the metal, and lets go the mercury.

Newton, Opticks.

How irreconciliation with our brethren voids all 2. A sign of the optative mood used before the first and imperative before the third person. Before the first person singular it signifies resolution, fixed purpose, or ardent wish.

> Let me die with the Philistines. Judges. Here let me sit,

And hold high converse with the mighty dead. Thomson.

3. Before the first person plural, let implies exhortation.

St. Mark. Rise; let us go. Let us seek out some desolate shade.

4. Before the third person, singular or plural, let implies permission.

Let Euclid rest, and Archimedes pause. Milton, Sonnet.

Let the soldiers seize him for one of the assas-

O'er golden sands let rich Pactolus flow, Or trees weep amber on the banks of Po, While by our oaks the precious loads are borne, And realms commanded which those trees adorn

lest if he should exceed, then thy brother should 7. Before a thing in the passive voice, let implies command.

Let not the objects which ought to be contiguous be separated, and let those which ought to be separated be apparently so to us; but let this be done by a small and pleasing difference.

Dryden, Dufresnoy.

8. Let has an infinitive mood after it without the particle to, as in the former examples.

But one submissive word which you let fall, Will make him in good humour with us all. Dryd. The seventh year thou shalt let it rest, and lie

9. To leave: in this sense it is commonly followed by alone; but formerly was

also unaccompanied. Yet nether spinnes nor cards, ne cares nor

frets. But to her mother Nature all her care she letts.

Spenser, F. Q. ii. vi. 17. They did me too much injury,

That ever said I hearken'd for your death. If it were so, I might have let alone The insulting hand of Douglas over you.

Shaksneare. The publick outrages of a destroying tyranny are but childish appetites, let alone till they are grown ungovernable. L'Estrange, Fab. Let me alone to accuse him afterwards.

Dryden, Sp. Friar.

This is of no use, and had been better let alone: | 16. To Let blood, is elliptical for to let | 1. To hinder; to obstruct; to oppose. he is fain to resolve all into present possession.

Nestor, do not let us alone till you have shortened our necks, and reduced them to their ancient standard.

This notion might be let alone and despised, as a piece of harmless unintelligible enthusiasm.

Rogers, Serm.

10. To more than permit; to give. There's a letter for you, sir, if your name be Horatio, as I am let to know it is.

Shakspeare, Hamlet.

11. To put to hire; to grant to a tenant. Solomon had a vineyard at Baal Hamon; he let the vineyard unto keepers. Canticles, viii. 11. Nothing deadens so much the composition of a picture as figures which appertain not to the subject: we may call them figures to be let.

Dryden, Dufresnoy. She let her second floor to a very genteel man.

A law was enacted, prohibiting all bishops, and other ecclesiastical corporations, from letting their lands for above the term of twenty years. Swift.

12. To suffer any thing to take a course which requires no impulsive violence. In this sense it is commonly joined with a particle.

She let them down by a cord through the

Launch out into the deep, and let down your nets for a draught. St. Luke, vi. 4.

Let down thy pitcher, that I may drink.

Gen. xxiv. 14. The beginning of strife is as when one letteth out water. Prov. xvii. 14.

As terebration doth meliorate fruit, so doth pricking vines or trees after they be of some growth, and thereby letting forth gum or tears.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. And if I knew which way to do't,

Your honour safe, I'd let you out. Hudibras. The letting out our love to mutable objects doth but enlarge our hearts, and make them the wider marks for fortune to be wounded. Boyle.

My heart sinks in me while I hear him speak, And every slacken'd fibre drops its hold; Like nature letting down the springs of life.

From this point of the story, the poet is let down to his traditional poverty.

You must let it down, that is, make it softer by tempering it. Moxon, Mech. Exercises.

13. To permit to take any state or course. Finding an ease in not understanding, he let loose his thoughts wholly to pleasure. Sidney. Let reason teach impossibility in any thing, and the will of man doth let it go. Hooker. He was let loose among the woods as soon as

he was able to ride on horseback, or carry a gun. Addison, Spect.

14. To LET be. To leave off; to discontinue. Son, said he then, let be thy bitter scorn,

And leave the rudeness of that antique age. Spenser, F. Q.

Dotard, said he, let be thy deep advice. Spenser, F. Q.

15. To LET be. To let go; to let alone. Eftsoones he gan to rage, and inly frett, Crying, Let be that lady debonnaire,

Thou recreaunt knight! Spenser, F. Q. Let be; let us see, whether Elias will come to save him. St. Matt. xxvii. 49.

On the crowd he cast a furious look, And wither'd all their strength before he spoke; Back on your lives ; let be, said he, my prey, And let my vengeance take the destin'd way.

Dryden, Theod. and Honoria.

out blood. To free it from confinement; to suffer it to stream out of the vein.

Be rul'd by me; Let's purge this choler without letting blood.

His ancient knot of dangerous adversaries To-morrow are let blood at Pomfret castle.

Shakspeare.

Shaksneare. Hippocrates let great quantities of blood, and opened several veins at a time. Arbuthnot on Coins. 17. To LET blood, is used with a dative of the person whose blood is let.

As terebration doth meliorate fruit, so doth letting plants blood, as pricking vines, thereby letting forth tears. Bacon

18. To LET in. To admit.

Let in your king, whose labour'd spirits Crave harbourage within your city walls.

Shaksneare. Rosetes presented his army before the gates of the city, in hopes that the citizens would raise some tumult, and let him in.

Knolles, Hist. of the Turks. What boots it at one gate to make defence And at another to let in the foe,

Effeminately vanquish'd? Milton, S. A. The more tender our spirits are made by religion, the more easy we are to let in grief, if the cause be innocent. Bp. Taylor.

They but preserve the ashes, thou the flame True to his sense, but truer to his fame, Fording his current, where thou find'st it low,

Let'st in thine own to make it rise and flow.

To give a period to my life, and to his fears, you're welcome; here's a throat, a heart, or any other part, ready to let in death, and receive his commands. Denham.

19. If a noun follows, for let in, let into is required.

It is the key that lets them into their very heart, and enables them to command all that is there.

South, Serm. There are pictures of such as have been distinguished by their birth or miracles, with inscriptions, that let you into the name and history of the person represented.

Most historians have spoken of ill success, and terrible events, as if they had been let into the secrets of Providence, and made acquainted with that private conduct by which the world is governed. Addison

These are not mysteries for ordinary readers to Addison. As we rode through the town, I was let into

the characters of all the inhabitants; one was a dog, another a whelp, and another a cur.

Addison, Freeholder.

20. To LET in, or into. To procure admission. They should speak properly and correctly,

whereby they may let their thoughts into other men's minds the more easily. As soon as they have hewn down any quantity

of the rocks, they let in their springs and reservoirs among their works. Addison on Italy.

21. To Let off. To discharge. Originally used of an arrow dismissed from the gripe, and therefore suffered to fly off the string: now applied to guns.

Charging my pistol with powder, I cautioned the emperor not to be afraid, and then let it off in the air. Swift.

22. To LET out. To lease out; to give to hire or farm.

To LET. † v. a. [lectan, Sax. to hinder; letten, Dutch; probably from the Goth. latjan, to delay.]

Their senses are not letted from enjoying their objects: we have the impediments of honour, and the torments of conscience. Sidney.

To glorify him in all things, is to do nothing whereby the name of God may be blasphemed; nothing whereby the salvation of Jew or Grecian, or any in the church of Christ, may be let or hindered. Hooker. Leave, ah, leave off, whatever wight thou be,

To let a weary wretch from her due rest, And trouble dying soul's tranquillity

Spenser, F. Q. Wherefore do ye let the people from their works? go you unto your burdens. Exod. v. 4. The mystery of iniquity doth already work

only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way. I will work, and who will let it? Isa. xliii. 11.

And now no longer letted of his prey, He leaps up at it with enrag'd desire,

O'erlooks the neighbours with a wide survey, And nods at every house his threatening fire. Dryden, Ann. Mir.

2. To LET, when it signifies to permit, or leave, has let in the preterite and part. passive; but when it signifies to hinder, it has letted; as, " multa me impedierunt," many things have letted me. Introduct. to Grammar.

To Let. v. n. To forbear; to withold himself.

After king Ferdinando had taken upon him the person of a fraternal ally to the king, he would not let to counsel the king.

Bacon, Hen. VII. LET. n. s. [from the verb.] Hindrance; obstacle; obstruction; impediment.

The secret lets and difficulties in public proceedings are innumerable and inevitable. Hooker. Solyman without let presented his army before the city of Belgrade. Knolles, Hist. of the Turks. It had been done e'er this, had I been consul:

We had had no stop, no let. B. Jonson, Catiline. Just judge, two lets remove; that free from dread.

I may before thy high tribunal plead.

Sandys, Paraphr. of Job. To these internal dispositions to sin add the external opportunities and occasions concurring with them, and removing all lets and rubs out of the way, and making the path of destruction plain before the sinner's face; so that he may run his course freely.

LET, the termination of diminutive words, from lyce, Saxon, little, small; as, rivulet, a small stream; hamlet, a little village.

LETCH.* n. s.

1. A vessel to put ashes in, to run water through, for the purpose of making washing lye. Ray, N. and E. Country Words, and Moore's Suffolk Words.

2. A long narrow swamp, in which water moves slowly among rushes and grass. Brockett, North C. Words.

LE'THAL.* adj. [lethalis, Lat.] Deadly; mortal. Cockeram.

Vengeance' wings bring on thy lethal day. Cupid's Whirligig, (1616). Could not your heavenly charms, your tuneful

Have sooth'd the rage of rueful fate, and stay'd

The lethal blow? - Ah mc, if heavenly charms, If softest melody could sooth the rage Of rueful fate, our Phœbe had not died.

W. Richardson. LETHA'LITY.* n. s. [from lethal, Latin, lethaliter.] Mortality. Bailey.

The certain punishment being preferable to the doubtful lethality of the fetish

Atkins, Voyage, p. 104. LETHA'RGICAL.* adj. [lethargicus, Lat.] Sleepy by disease; lethargick.

LETHA'RGICALLY.* adv. [from lethargical.] In a morbid sleepiness.

Mr. Muzzy was not only unwieldy, but so lethargically stupid, that he fell asleep even in musical assemblies. Ld. Corke.

LETHA'RGICALNESS.* n. s. [from lethargical.] Morbid sleepiness.

That thou mayest be the more effectually roused up out of this tepidity and lethargicalness.

More on the Seven Churches, ch. 9.

LETHA'RGICK. adj. [lethargique, Fr.; from lethargy.] Sleepy by disease, beyond the natural power of sleep.

Vengeance is as if minutely proclaimed in thunder from heaven, to give men no rest in their sins, till they awake from the lethargick sleep, and arise from so dead, so mortiferous a state.

Hammond on Fundamentals. Let me but try if I can wake his pity

From his lethargick sleep. Denham, Sophy.

A legarthy demands the same cure and diet as an apoplexy from a phlegmatick case, such being the constitution of the lethargick.

Arbuthnot on Diet. LETHA'RGICKNESS. n. s. [from lethargick.] Morbid sleepiness; drowsiness to a dis-

A grain of glory mixt with humbleness,

Cures both a fever, and lethargickness. LETHARGY. n. s. [ληθαργία; lethargie, French.] A morbid drowsiness; a awake.

The lethargy must have his quiet course; If not, he foams at mouth, and by and by Breaks out to savage madness. Shaks
Though his eye is open as the morning's,

Towards lusts and pleasures; yet so fast a lethargy Has seiz'd his powers towards public cares and

dangers, He sleeps like death. Denham, Sophy. Europe lay then under a deep lethargy; and was no otherwise to be rescued from it, but by one that would cry mightily. Atterbury A lethargy is a lighter sort of apoplexy, and

demands the same cure and diet. Arbuthnot on Diet. To LE'THARGY. † v. a. [from the noun.]

To lay asleep; to entrance. His motion weakens, or his discernings

Shakspeare, K. Lear. Are lethargied. LE THE † n. s. [λήθη, Greek, forgotten; léthé, French.]

1. Oblivion; a draught of oblivion. The conquering wine hath steept our sense In soft and delicate lethe. Shaksp. Ant. and Cleop. Lethe, the river of oblivion, rolls Her watery labyrinth, which whose drinks

Milton, P. L. Forgets both joy and grief. 2. Death. [lethum, Lat. In this sense, it

was probably spoken as a word of only one syllable; in the former it consists of two.] Obsolete.

Here wast thou bay'd, brave hart, Here didst thou fall: and here thy hunters stand, Sign'd in thy spoil, and crimson'd in thy lethe. Shakspeare, Jul. Cas.

ETHE'AN.* adj. [from lethe.] Oblivious; causing oblivion.

I did not think Suffolk waters had such a lethean quality in them, as to cause such an "amnestia" in him of his friends here upon the Thames. Howell, Lett. iii. 6.

Ovid makes mention of a certain oblivious or [leathean love, to whom the ancient Romans dedicated a temple. They ferry over this lethean sound

Both to and fro, their sorrow to augment, And wish and struggle, as they pass, to reach The tempting stream, with one small drop to lose In sweet forgetfulness all pain and woe.

Milton, P. L.

LE'THEED.* adj. [from lethe.] Oblivious; lethean.

Epicurean cooks, Sharpen with cloyless sauce his appetite; That sleep and feeding may prorogue his honour, Even till a letheed dulness

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop.

LETHI'FEROUS.* adj. [lethifer, Latin.] Deadly; bringing death. Bailey. Those that are really lethiferous, are but excrescencies of sin.

Dr. Robinson's Endoxa, (1658,) p. 151. Their very words conveyed with a lethiferous air, were feared as bullets.

Mem. of Sir Edm. Bury Godfrey, p. 40.

LE'TTER. † n. s. [from let.] 1. One who lets or permits.

2. One who hinders. Huloet, and Sherwood.

3. One who gives vent to any thing; as, a blood-letter.

4. A LETTER go. A spendthrift; a squanderer.

A provider slow

For his own good, a careless letter-go Of money. B. Jonson, Horace's Art of Poetry.

LE'TTER. † n. s. [lettre, French; litera, Latin.]

sleep from which one cannot be kept 1. One of the elements of syllables; a character in the alphabet.

> A superscription was written over him in letters of Greek, Latin, and Hebrew. Luke, xxiii. 38. Thou whoreson Zed! thou unnecessary letter! Shakspeare.

2. A written message; an epistle. They use to write it on the top of letters. Shakspeare.

I have a letter from her

Of such contents as you will wonder at. Shaksp. When a Spaniard would write a letter by him, the Indian would marvel how it should be possible, that he, to whom he came, should be able to know

The asses will do very well for trumpeters, and the hares will make excellent letter carriers. L'Estrange, Fab.

The style of letters ought to be free, easy, and natural; as near approaching to familiar conversation as possible; the two best qualities in conversation are, good humour and good breeding; those letters are therefore certainly the best that shew the most of these two qualities. Walsh.

Mrs. P. B. has writ to me, and is one of the best letter writers I know; very good sense, civility, and friendship, without any stiffness or constraint.

3. The verbal expression; the literal mean-

Touching translations of Holy Scripture, we may not disallow of their painful travels herein, who strictly have tied themselves to the very original

In obedience to human laws, we must observe the letter of the law, without doing violence to the reason of the law, and the intention of the lawver. Bp. Taylor, Holy Living.
Those words of his must be understood not

according to the bare rigour of the letter, but according to the allowances of expression.

South, Serm. What! since the pretor did my fetters loose, And left me freely at my own dispose,

May I not live without controul and awe,

Excepting still the letter of the law? Dryden, Pers. Ferrand, Love-Mel. p. 315. 4. Letters without the singular: learning. The Jews marvelled, saying, How knoweth this man letters, having never learned?

St. John, vii. 15. 5. Letters without the singular, used with the adjective patent: a written instrument, containing a royal grant. [literæ patentes, Lat.]

The king's grants are contained in letters-patent, so called, because they are not sealed up, but exposed to open view, with the great seal pendant at the bottom. Blackstone.

Call in his letters-patent, that he hath By his attornies-general to sue. Shaksp. Rich. II.

6. Any thing to be read. Good laws are at best but a dead letter.

Addison, Freeholder Type with which books are printed.

The iron ladles that letter founders use to the casting of printing letters, are kept constantly in melting metal. Moxon.

To LE'TTER. v. a. [from letter.] To stamp with letters.

I observed one weight lettered on both sides; and I found on one side, written in the dialect of men, and underneath it, calamities; on the other side was written, in the language of the gods, and underneath, blessings. Addison.

LE'TTERED.† adj. [from letter.] This is a very old word in our language; though Dr. Johnson has given no other example of it than that from Jeremy Collier. It is used by Chaucer; and is found in Huloet's dictionary with the definition of learned, "literatus,"

1. Literate; educated to learning; learned. Your prelates ben not so wise,

Ne halfe so lettrid as am I.

Chaucer, Rom. R. 7691. A martial man, not sweetened by a lettered education, is apt to have a tincture of sourness. Collier on Pride.

2. Belonging to learning; suiting letters. When stung with idle anxieties, or teazed with

fruitless impertinence, or yawning over insipid diversions, then we perceive the blessing of a lettered recess. Young, Conject. on Orig. Composition.

LE'TTERFOUNDER.* n. s. [letter and One who casts types for founder.] See the seventh sense of printing. LETTER.

LE'TTERLESS.* adj. [letter and less.] Ignorant; illiterate. Not in use.

A meer daring letterless commander can, in a rational way, promise himself no more success in his enterprise, than a mastiff can in his contest with

Waterhouse, Apol. for Learning, (1653,) p. 125. LE'TTERPRESS.* n. s. [letter and press.] Print; what is given in types from a

written copy.

If his merits are to be determined by judges who estimate the value of a book from its bulk, or its frontispiece, every rival must acquire an easy superiority, who with persuasive eloquence promises four extraordinary pages of letterpress, or three beautiful prints curiously coloured from Goldsmith, Ess. i.

LE'TTERS Patent.* See the fifth sense of LETTER.

LE'TTUCE. n. s. [lactuca, Lat.]

The species are, common or garden lettuce; cabbage lettuce; Silesia lettuce; white and black cos; white cos; red Miller. capuchin lettuce.

Fat colworts, and comforting purseline, Cold lettuce, and refreshing rosemarine.

Spenser, Muiopot. Lettuce is thought to be poisonous, when it is Bacon, Nat. Hist. so old as to have milk.

The medicaments proper to diminish milk, are lettuce, purslane, endive. Wiseman, Surgery.

LE'VANT.† adj. [levant, Fr.] Eastern.
Thwart of those, as fierce

Forth rush the Levant, and the Ponent winds, Euris and Zephyr. Milton, P. L.

The levant winds, which blow directly out. Sir H. Sheere, Ld. Halifax's Miscell. p. 34.

LE'VANT. † n. s.

1. The east, particularly those coasts of the Mediterranean east of Italy.

2. A wind so called; now termed a le-

They are called levants both from their course, as blowing from the east where the sun rises, and also from their freshening and rising higher as the sun rises: for they are generally at their height when the sun comes to the meridian, and duller as the sun declines.

Sir H. Sheere, Ld. Halifax's Miscell. p. 34. The fiercer levants dull apace, after you are once out of the Streight. Ibid. p. 35.

Leva'nter.* n. s. [from levant.]

1. A strong easterly wind, so called by the sailors in the Mediterranean.

2. A colloquial expression, applied to one who bets at a horse-race, and runs away without paying the wagers he has lost.

LEVA'NTINE.* adj. [from levant; Fr. levantine. Belonging to the Levant, that part of the east so called.

We read of Antioch, - and the churches of the Colossians and Laodicea-their perishing by an earthquake, of God's forsaking the levantine churches, of the sea's sudden breaking of its sandy girdle. Spencer on Prod. p. 355.

LEVA'TOR. n. s. [Latin.] A chirurgical instrument, whereby depressed parts of the skull are lifted up.

Some surgeons bring out the bone in the bore; but it will be safer to raise it up with your levator, when it is but lightly retained in some part.

Wiseman, Surgery.

LEUCOPHLE'GMACY. n. s. [from leucophlegmatick.] Paleness, with viscid juices and cold sweatings.

Spirits produce debility, flatulency, fevers, leucophlegmacy, and dropsies.

Arbuthnot on Aliments.

LEUCOPHLE'GMATICK. adj. [LEUKOS and φλέγμα.] Having such a constitution of body where the blood is of a pale colour, viscid, and cold, whereby it stuffs and bloats the habit, or raises white tumours in the feet, legs, or any other parts; and such are commonly asthmatic and dropsical.

Asthmatick persons have voracious appetites, and for want of a right sanguification are leucophlegmatick. Arbuthnot.

Leve.* adj. [leor, Sax.] Agreeable; pleasing; dear. Written also leef, lefe, and lief. See Lever.

To Leve. * v. a. [zelyran, and leran, Sax. to believe.] The old form of our present word believe.

She leveth all that ever he saith.

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 4. Another man leveth that he may ete alle thingis. Wicliffe, Rom. xiv. 2.

LE'VEE. n. s. [French.]

1. The time of rising.

2. The concourse of those who crowd round a man of power in a morning.

Would'st thou be first minister of state; To have thy levees crowded with resort, Of a depending, gaping, servile court

Dryden, Juv. None of her sylvan subjects made their court, Levees and couchees pass'd without resort.

Dryden, Hind and Panther. Such as are troubled with the disease of leveehunting, and are forced to seek their bread every morning at the chamber-doors of great men. Addison, Spect. No. 547.

LE'VEL. adj. [lærel, Sax.]

1. Even; not having one part higher than another.

The doors Discover ample spaces o'er the smooth Milton, P. L. And level pavement. The garden, seated on the level floor, Dryden, Boccace. She left behind.

Even with any thing else; in the same line or plane with any thing.

Our navy is addressed, our pow'r collected, And every thing lies level to our wish.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. Now shaves with level wing the deep

Milton, P. L. There is a knowledge which is very proper to man, and lies level to human understanding, the knowledge of our Creator, and of the duty we owe Tillotson.

3. Having no gradations of superiority. Be level in preferments, and you will soon be as level in your learning. Bentley.

To LE'VEL. v. a. [from the adjective.]

To make even; to free from inequalities; as he levels the walks.

2. To reduce to the same height with something else. Less bright the moon,

But opposite in levell'd west was set.

Milton, P. L. He will thy foes with silent shame confound, And their proud structures level with the ground. Sandus.

3. To lav flat.

We know by experience, that all downright rains do evermore dissever the violence of outrageous winds, and beat down and level the swelling and mountainous billows of the sea. Ralegh.
With unresisted might the monarch reigns,

He levels mountains, and he raises plains; And not regarding difference of degree, Abas'd your daughter, and exalted me.

4. To bring to equality of condition.

Reason can never assent to the admission of those brutish appetites which would over-run the soul, and level its superiour with its inferiour Decay of Chr. Piety. faculties,

5. To point in taking aim; to aim. Each at the head

Levell'd his deadly aim. Milton, P. L. One to the gunners on St. Jago's tower; Bid 'em for shame level their cannon lower.

Dryden. Iron globes which on the victor host Levell'd with such impetuous fury smote.

Milton, P. L. The construction I believe is not, globes levell'd on the host, but globes levell'd smote on the host.

6. To direct to an end.

The whole body of puritans was drawn to be abettors of all villainy by a few men, whose designs from the first were levelled to destroy both religion and government.

7. To suit to proportion. Behold the law

And rule of beings in your Maker's mind: And thence, like limbecks, rich ideas draw, To fit the levell'd use of human kind,

To LE'VEL. v. n.

1. To aim at: to bring the gun or arrow to the same line with the mark.

The glory of God, and the good of his church, was the thing which the apostles aimed at, and therefore ought to be the mark whereat we also Hooker. level.

2. To conjecture; to attempt to guess. I pray thee overname them; and as thou namest them I will describe them; and, according to my description, level at my affection. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven.

3. To be in the same direction with a

mark. He to his engine flew, Plac'd near at hand in open view,

And rais'd it till it levell'd right, Against the glow worm tail of kite. Hudibras.

4. To make attempts; to aim. Ambitious York did level at thy crown, Shakspeare.

5. To efface distinction or superiority; as, infamy is always trying to level.

To square with; to accord. With such accommodation and besort,

As levels with her breeding. Shakspeare, Oth.

LE'VEL. n. s. [from the adjective.] 1. A plane; a surface without protube-

rances or inequalities. After draining of the level in Northamptonshire,

innumerable mice did upon a sudden arise. Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

Those bred in a mountainous country oversize those that dwell on low levels. Sandys, Travels.

2. Rate; standard; customary height.

Love of her made us raise up our thoughts above the ordinary level of the world, so as great clerks do not disdain our conference. The praises of military men inspired me with thoughts above my ordinary level. Dryden.

3. Suitable or proportionate height. It might perhaps advance their minds so far

Above the level of subjection, as T' assume to them the glory of that war. Daniel.

4. A state of equality. The time is not far off when we shall be upon

the level; I am resolved to anticipate the time, and be upon the level with them now : for he is so that neither seeks nor wants them. Atterbury to Pope.

Providence, for the most part, sets us upon a level, and observes proportion in its dispensations

towards us. Addison, Spect. I suppose, by the style of old friends, and the like, it must be somebody there of his own level;

among whom his party have, indeed, more friends than I could wish.

5. An instrument whereby masons adjust their work.

The level is from two to ten feet long, that it may reach over a considerable length of the work: if the plumb-line hang just upon the perpendi-cular, when the level is set flat down upon the work, the work is level; but if it hangs on either side the perpendicular, the floor or work must be raised on that side, till the plumb-line hang exactly on the perpendicular. Moxon, Mech. Exer.

6. Rule; plan; scheme: borrowed from the mechanick level.

Be the fair level of thy actions laid, As temperance wills, and prudence may persuade, And try if life be worth the liver's care.

Prior. 7. The line of direction in which any missive weapon is aimed.

I stood i'the level Of a full charg'd confederacy, and gave thanks To you that choked it. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

As if that name, Shot from the deadly level of a gun, Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul. Did murther her.

Thrice happy is that humble pair, Beneath the level of all care, Over whose heads those arrows fly,

Of sad distrust and jealousy. 8. The line in which the sight passes. Fir'd at first sight with what the muse imparts, In fearless youth we tempt the heights of arts; While from the bounded level of our mind Short views we take, nor see the lengths behind.

Le'veller. † n. s. [from level.]

1. One who makes any thing even; one who measures or lays by a level.

2. One who destroys superiority; one who endeavours to bring all to the same state of equality.

The presbyterian must not hold himself secure, while the independent sits at stern; nor the independent free from fear so long as the leveller, with the plausive promises of a pleasing parity, suggests to the commons of England (as if it were the year of jubilee) the enjoyment of a lawless and indisputable liberty.

K. Charles, cited in the Princely Pelican, ch. 9. You are an everlasting leveller; you won't allow encouragement to extraordinary merit.

Collier on Pride.

Is diversion grown a leveller, like death? Young, Centaur, Lett. 2.

1. Evenness; equality of surface.

2. Equality with something else.
The river Tiber is expressed lying along, for so you must remember to draw rivers, to express their

levelness with the earth. LE'VEN. n. s. [levain, Fr. Commonly,

though less properly, written leaven; see LEAVEN. 1. Ferment; that which being mixed in

bread makes it rise and ferment.

2. Any thing capable of changing the nature of a greater mass.

The matter fermenteth upon the old leven, and becometh more acrid. Wiseman, Surgery. The pestilential levains conveyed in goods.

LE'VER. n. s. [levier, Fr.]

The second mechanical power, is a balance supported by a hypomochlion; only the centre is not in the middle, as in the common balance, but near one end; for which reason it is used to elevate or raise a great weight; whence come the name lever.

Have you any levers to lift me up again, being down? Shakspeare, Hen. IV. Some draw with cords, and some the monster

drive

With rolls and levers. In a lever, the motion can be continued only for so short a space, as may be answerable to that little distance betwixt the fulciment and the weight; which is always by so much lesser, as the disproportion betwixt the weight and the power is greater, and the motion itself more easy.

Wilkins, Math. Magick.

Some hoisting levers, some the wheels prepare. | LEVIGA'TION. + n. s. [from levigate.]

LE'VER.* adj. the comparative degree of leve, leef, or lief. [leor, leorne, Saxon.] More agreeable; more pleasing.

Now chese, and take which you is lever. Gower, Conf. Am.

It were me lever than twenty pound worth lond. Chaucer, Frank. Prol. LE'VER.* adv. Rather "To have lever, malo." Prompt. Parv. to prefer. As we

now say, I had rather.
Yet had I lever spenden all the good

Which that I have, and (elles were I wood,) Than that ye should fallen in swiche meschefe.

Chaucer, Chan. Yeom. Tale. Die had she lever with enchanter's knife, Than to be false in love. Spenser, F. Q. i. iv. 6. LE'VERET. n. s. [lievret, Fr.] A young hare.

Their travels o'er that silver field does show. Like track of leverets in morning snow. Waller. LE'VET. n. s. [from lever, French] blast on the trumpet; probably that by which the soldiers are called in the

morning. He that led the cavalcade,

Wore a sowgelder's flagellet, On which he blew as strong a levet,

As well-fee'd lawyer on his breviate. Hudibras. LE'VEROCK. n. s. [larepc, Saxon.] This word is retained in Scotland, and denotes the lark. See LAVEROCK.

The smaller birds have their particular seasons; as the leverock. Walton, Angler. LE'VIABLE. adj. [from levy.] That may

be levied. The sums which any agreed to pay, and were not brought in, were to be leviable by course of Bacon, Hen. VII.

LEVI'ATHAN. n. s. [לויתון]. A water animal mentioned in the book of Job. By some imagined the crocodile; but in poetry generally taken for the whale.

We may, as bootless, spend our vain command Upon the enraged soldiers in their spoil, As send our precepts to the leviathan,

Shakspeare, Hen. V. To come ashore. Canst thou draw out leviathan with an hook? Job. More to embroil the deep; leviathan,

And his unwieldy train, in dreadful sport Thomson, Winter. Tempest the loosen'd brine.

To LE'VIGATE. + v. a. [lævigo, Latin.] 1. To polish; to smooth; to plane. Cockeram. Not noticed by Dr. Johnson. This is the primary sense of the word.

New objects with a gentle and grateful touch warble upon the corporeal organs, or excite the spirits into a pleasant frisk of motion; but when use hath lenigated the organs, and made the way so smooth and easy, that the spirits pass without any stop, those objects are no longer felt, or very faintly; so that the pleasure ceaseth.

Barrow, vol. iii. S. 9. The case of the vessel having been curiously levigated, (" ex lignis lævigatis et quadratis."

Biblioth, Bibl. i. 335. 2. To rub or grind to an impalpable powder.

3. To mix till the liquor becomes smooth and uniform. The chyle is white, as consisting of salt, oil,

and water, much levigated or smooth. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

LE'VIGATE.* part. adj. [from the verb.]
Figuratively, made smooth; lightened. His labours being levigate and made more toler-Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 11. b.

Levigation is the reducing of hard bodies, as coral, tutty, and precious stones, into a subtile powder, by grinding upon marble with a muller; but unless the instruments are extremely hard, they will so wear as to double the weight of the medicine. Quincy.

Into water thy earth turn first of all, Then of thy water make air by levigation, And air make fire; then master I will thee call Of all our secrets.

Old Poem in Ashmole's Theat. Chem. (1652,) p. 133.

LE'VIN.* n. s. [from hlipian, Saxon; to glister, to shine.] Lightning. Not now in use.

Wild thonder dint and firy leven.

Chaucer, Wife of Bath's Prol. The lightsome levin. Spenser, Shep. Cal. As when the flashing levin haps to light Upon two stubborn oaks.

Spenser, F. Q. v. vi. 40. LEVITA'TION.* n. s. [levitas, levitatis, Lat.] Act or quality of rendering light, or

buoyant.

The lungs also of birds, as compared with the lungs of quadrupeds, contain in them a provision distinguishingly calculated for this same purpose of levitation; namely, a communication (not found in other kinds of animals; between the air-vessels of the lungs and the cavities of the body: so that by the intromission of air from one to the other, (at the will, as it should seem, of the animal,) its body can be occasionally puffed out, and its tendency to descend in the air, or its specifick gravity made less. Paley, Nat. Theol. ch. 12. § 6. LE'VITE. n. s. [levita, Latin, from Levi.]

1. One of the tribe of Levi; one born to the office of priesthood among the Jews.

In the Christian church, the office of deacons succeeded in the place of the Levites among the Jews, who were as ministers and servants to the Ayliffe, Parergon.

2. A priest: used in contempt. LEVI'TICAL. † adj. [from levite.]

1. Belonging to the Levites; making part of the religion of the Jews.

By the levitical law, both the man and the woman were stoned to death; so heinous a crime was 2. Priestly.

Austin - sent to Rome Laurence and Peter, two of his associates, to acquaint the pope of his good success in England, and to be resolved of certain theological, or rather levitical, questions.

Milton, Hist. of Eng. B. 4. LEVI'TICALLY.* adv. [from levitical.] After the manner of the Levites.

These pure conceited men quarrelled at the name of the holy seventh day, called, as of old, Sunday, which they would have named Sabbath; and thereafter would have it observed levilically, so strict as not to gather sticks..

Franklyn, Annals of K. James I. p. 31. What right of jurisdiction soever can be from this place levitically bequeathed, must descend upon the ministers of the Gospel equally.

Milton, Reas. of Ch. Gov. B. 1.

LE'VITY. n. s. [levitas, Latin.]

1. Lightness; not heaviness; the quality by which any body has less weight than another.

He gave the form of levity to that which ascended; to that which descended, the form of gravity.

This bubble, by reason of its comparative levity to the fluidity that encloses it, would ascend to the Bentley.

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2. Inconstancy; changeableness.

They every day broached some new thing; which restless levity they did interpret to be their growing in spiritual perfection.

Hooker.

Where wigs with wigs, with sword-knots swordknots strive,

Beaus banish beaus, and coaches coaches drive, This erring mortals levity may call. 3. Unsteadiness; laxity of mind.

I unbosom'd all my secrets to thee; Not out of levity, but over-power'd

Milton, S. A. By thy request.

4. Idle pleasure; vanity.

He never employed his omnipotence out of levity or ostentation, but as the necessities of men required.

5. Trifling gaiety; want of seriousness. Our graver business frowns at this levity. Shaks. Hopton abhorred the licence, and the levities, with which he saw too many corrupted. Clarendon. That spirit of religion and seriousness vanished, and a spirit of levity and libertinism, infidelity and

profaneness, started up in the room of it.

To LE'VY. v. a. [lever, French.]

1. To raise: to bring together; applied

He resolved to finish the conquest of Ireland, and to that end levied a mighty army.

Davies on Ireland. 2. To raise: applied to war. This sense,

though Milton's, seems improper. They live in hatred, enmity, and strife,

Among themselves, and levy cruel wars. Milton. 3. To raise: applied to money.

Levy a tribute unto the Lord of the men of war. Instead of a ship, he should levy upon his county

such a sum of money. Clarendon.

LE'VY. n. s. [from the verb.]

1. The act of raising money or men.

They have already contributed all their superfluous hands, and every new levy they make must be at the expence of their farms and commerce. Addison, State of the War.

War raised.

Treason has done his worst : nor steel nor poison, Malice domestick, foreign levy, nothing Can touch him further. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

Lew.* adj. [lauw, German; liew, Dutch; hloa, to be warm, Icelandick; hlipan, hleopan, Saxon, the same, of which Mr. Tooke considers lew as the participle past, hlip, hleop.]

Not very warm; tepid; lukewarm. parts of England. See also LUKEWARM. Thou art lewe, and neither coold neither hoot.

2. Pale; wan; of a decayed hue.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood, LEWD. † adj. [læpebe, læpb, lepb, Saxon; as, læpebe man, a layman; probably from leob, the people. This is the primitive sense of the word. It next included the idea of ignorance; which Dr. Jamieson attributes to the influence of the clergy on the general sentiments of society, the unlearned being in old time treated by them in a very contemptuous manner. Next, as if moral excellence had been confined to their own order, the term was applied by them to signify a wicked person, or one of a licentious life; whence, Dr. Jamieson adds, the modern sense of our lewd. The sense, however, to which Dr. Jamieson | LE'WIS D'OR. n. s. See Louis D'OR. age in our language; for Chaucer uses it in the sense of lustful, as well as ignorant.

1. Lay; not clerical; gross; ignorant. Obsolete.

It was foundun that they weren men unlettrid, and lewide men. Wicliffe, Acts, iv.

For lewyd men this book I writ.

Bishop Grosthead. So these great clerks their little wisdom shew To mock the lewd, as learn'd in this as they.

Calamy. 2. Wicked; bad; dissolute.

If some be admitted in to the ministry, either void of learning, or lewd in life, are all the rest to be condemned?

Before they did oppress the people, only by colour of a lewd custom, they did afterwards use the same oppressions by warrant.

Davies on Ireland. Atterbury, Serm. 3. Lustful; libidinous.

Swiche old lewed words used he. Chaucer, March. Tale.

He is not lolling on a lewd love bed, But on his knees at meditation. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

Then lewd Anchemolus he laid in dust, Who stain'd his step-dame's bed with impious lust.

LE'WDLY. † adv. [from lewd.]

Foolishly; ignorantly; in a state of ig-

All which my daies I have not lewdly spent,

Nor spilt the blossom of my tender yeares In ydlesse, Spenser, F. Q. vi. ii. 31. Employing his labours lewdly, he maketh a vain Wisdom, xv. 8. god of the same clay.

Lord Peter, even in his lucid intervals, was very lewdly given in his common conversation, extreme wilful and positive, and would at any time rather argue to death than allow himself to be once in an Swift, Tale of a Tub, § 4.

2. Wickedly; naughtily. A sort of naughty persons, lewdly bent,

Have practis'd dangerously against your state. Shakspeare.

3. Libidinously; lustfully.

He lov'd fair lady Eltred, lewdly lov'd, Whose wanton pleasures him too much did please, That quite his heart from Guendeline remov'd.

So lewdly dull his idle works appear, The wretched texts deserve no comments here. Dryden.

Le'woness. † n. s. [from lewd.] Lew-warm is still an expression in several 1. Foolishness; grossness; want of shame. Lewdness blotteth good deserts with blame,

Spenser, F. Q. v. iii. 38. Wicliffe, Revel. iii. 2. Wickedness; propensity to wickedness. In stead of teares, the starres like weeping eies Drop down their exhalations from the skies And Tithon's bride new rising from her bed,

Beholds their leaudness with a blushing red. Mir. for Mag. p. 730.

If it were a matter of wrong or wicked lewdness, O ye Jews, reason would that I should bear with Acts, xviii. 14.

3. Lustful licentiousness.

Suffer no lewdness, nor indecent speech, Th' apartment of the tender youth to reach.

Dryden, Juv. Damianus's letter to Nicholas is an authentick record of the lewdnesses committed under the reign

LE'WDSTER. n. s. [from lewd.] A lecher; one given to criminal pleasures. Against such lewdsters, and their lechery,

Those that betray them do no treachery. Shakspeare, M. Wives of Winds.

alludes by the word modern, is of great Lexico Grapher. n. s. Γλεξικὸν and γράφω, Gr. lexicographe, French.] A writer of dictionaries; a harmless drudge, that busies himself in tracing the original, and detailing the signification of words.

Commentators and lexicographers, acquainted with the Syriack language, have given these hints in their writings on Scripture. Watts, Improv. of the Mind.

LEXICO'GRAPHY. † n. s. Γλεξικόν and γεάφω, Greek. The art or practice of writing dictionaries.

I shall only make some few reflections upon etymology and syntax, supposing orthography to belong to lexicography.

Dalgarno, Deaf and Dumb Man's Tutor. (1680,) p. 59.

LE'XICON. n. s. [λεξικον.] A dictionary; a book teaching the signification of

Though a linguist should pride himself to have all the tongues that Babel cleft the world into, yet, if he had not studied the solid things in them, as well as the words and lexicons, yet he were nothing so much to be esteemed a learned man as any yeoman competently wise in his mother dialect only.

LEY. n. s. See LAY, and LEA.

Ley, lee, lay, are all from the Saxon leaz, a field or pasture, by the usual melting of the letter z or g.

Gibson's Camden.

LIABI'LITY.* n. s. [from liable.] The state of being liable. This is used in conversation oftener than the old word liableness. Of neither has Dr. Johnson taken notice. The present is certainly very modern.

LI'ABLE. † adj. [liable, from the old Fr. lia, whence lier, attacher: See Lacombe: And that from the Latin, ligo, to bind; so that liable is quasi ligabilis.] Obnoxious; not exempt; subject: with to.

But what is strength without a double share Of wisdom? vast, unwieldy, burthensome,

Proudly secure, yet liable to fall By weakest subtleties.

The English boast of Spenser and Milton, who neither of them wanted genius or learning; and yet both of them are liable to many censures.

Dryden, Juv. This, or any other scheme, coming from a private hand, might be liable to many defects.

LI'ABLENESS.* n. s. [from liable.] State of being liable to; obnoxiousness; subjection; propensity.

Abusing the liableness of women to self-love and vanity, they are continually striking fire out of

their fancies upon this tinder.

W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. P. i. (1648,) p. 162. That state or condition must be the better, and in conformity to right reason more eligible, in which there is no liableness to the wrath and anger Bp. Barlow, Rem. p. 485. of God.

There is an inlet for ambition, though not for lust; a liableness to the filthiness of the spirit, though not of the flesh. Hammond, Works, iv. 511.

How difficult a thing it is, especially in matter of reforming, to pare off the excess, and not to cut to the quick; to stay at the right point, and not over-do; because of the liableness, in such cases, in declining one extreme, to fall into another.

Puller, Moderation of the Ch. of Eng. p. 432.

LI'AR. n. s. [from lie. This word would analogically be lier; but this orthography has prevailed, and the convenience of distinction from lier, he who lies down, is sufficient to confirm it.] One who tells falsehood; one who wants veracity. She's like a liar, gone to burning hell!

Shakspeare, Othello. 'Twas I that kill'd her. He approves the common liar, fame,

Who speaks him thus at Rome.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. I do not reject his observation as untrue, much less condemn the person himself as a liar, whensoever it seems to be contradicted.

Thy better soul abhors a liar's part, Wise is thy voice, and noble is thy heart.

Pope, Odyss.

LI'ARD. † adj. [old Fr. liart, gris pommelé; Lacombe: Ital. leardo, gray or whitish horse-hair.] Gray: It was common, Mr. Tyrwhitt says, to call a gray horse from the colour, liard, as a bay one bayard. In Scotland liard, or liart, denotes gray-haired; as, he's a liard auld man; auld liart beard, i. e. old gray-beard.

That was wel twight, min owen liard boy.

Chaucer, Frere's Tale. To Lib.* v. a. [lubben, Dutch.] castrate. Still a northern word.

The bellowing bullock lib, and goat.

Chapman, Hesiod, (1618.) LIBA'TION. n. s. [libatio, Latin.]

1. The act of pouring wine on the ground in honour of some deity.

In digging new earth pour in some wine, that the vapour of the earth and wine may comfort the spirits, provided it be not taken for a heathen sacrifice, or libation to the earth.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

2. The wine so poured.

They had no other crime to object against the Christians, but that they did not offer up libations, and the smoke of sacrifices, to dead men.

Stilling fleet on Rom. Idolatry. The goblet then she took, with nectar crown'd, Sprinkling the first libations on the ground.

Dryden, Æn. LI'BBARD. n.s. [libaert, German; leo-pardus, Lat.] A leopard.

Make the libbard stern

Leave roaring, when in rage he for revenge did Spenser, F. Q. The libbard and the tiger, as the mole

Rising, the crumbled earth above them threw.

Milton, P. L. ·The torrid parts of Africk are by Piso resembled to a libbard's skin, the distance of whose spots represent the disperseness of habitations, or towns of Africk.

LI'BBARDS-BANE.* n.s. A poisonous plant. Night-shade, moonwort, libbard's-bane. B. Jonson, Masques.

LIBEL. + n. s. [libellus, Latin; libelle, French.]

1. A satire; defamatory writing; a lampoon.

Every fidler sings libels openly; and each man is ready to challenge the freedom of David's ruffians, " Our tongues are our own, who shall control us?" This is not a fashion for Christians, whose tongues must be ranged within the compass as of truth, so of charity and silent obedience.

Bp. Hall, Fashions of the World.

Are we reproached for the name of Christ? that ignominy serves but to advance our future glory; every such libel here becomes panegyrick Decay of Chr. Piety. Good heav'n! that sots and knaves should be

To wish their vile resemblance may remain!

And stand recorded, at their own request, To future days, a libel or a jest.

2. [In the civil law.] A declaration or charge in writing against a person exhibited in court.

To LI'BEL. v.n. [from the noun.] To spread defamation; written or printed: it is now commonly used as an active verb, without the preposition against.

Sweet scrauls to fly about the streets of Rome: What's this but libelling against the senate?

Shakspeare. He, like a privileg'd spy, whom nothing can Discredit, libels now 'gainst each great man.

To LI'BEL. v. a. To satirise; to lampoon. Is the peerage of England dishonoured when a peer suffers for his treason? if he be libelled, or any way defamed, he has his scandalum magnatum to punish the offender.

But what so pure which envious tongues will spare?

Some wicked wits have libelled all the fair. Pope.

This carter thakketh his horse upon the croupe— hat was wel twight, min owen liard boy.

LI'BELLER, † n. s. [from libel.] A defamer by writing; a lampooner. "The satirist and libeller differ as much as the magistrate and the murderer. In the consideration of human life, the satirist never falls upon persons who are not glaringly faulty, and the libeller on none but who are conspicuously commendable." Tatler, No. 92.

Our common libellers are as free from the imputation of wit, as of morality. Dryden, Juv.
The squibs are those who, in the common

phrase, are called libellers and lampooners.

The common libellers, in their invectives, tax the church with an insatiable desire of power and wealth, equally common to all bodies of men.

LI'BELLING.* n. s. [from libel.] Act of defaming or abusing.

This is the design and the mischievous issue, which to cover and propagate, the cunning machinator pretends the exaltation of the freeness of that grace which he designs to dishonour and He raiseth a mighty cry of free grace, and intitles the libellings of divine goodness by the specious name of Vindiciæ gratiæ.

Glanville, Serm. x. p. 380. Libelling is not the crime of an illiterate people, Burke, Speech on Libels.

LI'BELLOUS. adj. [from libel.] Defamatory.

It was the most malicious surmise that had ever been brewed, howsoever countenanced by a libellous pamphlet.

LI'BERAL. † adj. [liberalis, Lat.; liberal,

1. Not mean; not low in birth; not low in

mind. Where gentle court and gracious delight She to them made, with mildnesse virginall Shewing herselfe both wise and liberall.

Spenser, F. Q. ii. ix. 20.

2. Becoming a gentleman.

3. Munificent; generous; bountiful; not parsimonious.

Her name was Mercy, well known over all, To be both gracious and eke liberal.

Spenser, F. Q. Sparing would shew a worse sin than ill doctrine.

Men of his way should be most liberal, They're set here for examples.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

Needs must the power That made us, and for us this ample world, Be infinitely good, and of his good As liberal and free, as infinite. Milton, P. L.

The liberal are secure alone; For what we frankly give, for ever is our own.

Granville. 4. It has of before the thing, and to before the person.

There is no art better than to be liberal of praise and commendation to others, in that wherein a man's self hath any perfection. Bacon, Ess.

Several clergymen, otherwise little fond of obscure terms, are, in their sermons very liberal of all those which they find in ecclesiastical writers, as if it were our duty to understand them. Swift.

5. Gross; licentious; free to excess. Thou art too wild, too rude, and bold of voice :

Parts, that become thee happily enough, And in such eyes as ours appear not faults; But where thou art not known, why, there they

Something too liberal. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. Is he not a profane and very liberal counsellor? Shakspeare, Othello.

I might, if it pleas'd me, stand still, and hear My sister made a may-game, might I not? And give allowance to your liberal jests Upon his person, whose least anger would Consume a legion of such wretched people.

Beaum. and Fl. Captain.

LIBERA'LITY. n. s. [liberalitas, Latin; liberalité, French.] Munificence; bounty; generosity; generous profusion.

Why should he despair, that knows to court

With words, fair looks, and liberality? Such moderation with thy bounty join,

That thou may'st nothing give that is not thine; That liberality is but cast away, Which makes us borrow what we cannot pay.

To LI'BERALISE.* v.a. [from liberal.] To make liberal, generous, gentlemanly,

He [Mr. Grenville] was bred to the law, which is, in my opinion, one of the first and noblest of human sciences; a science which does more to quicken and invigorate the understanding, than all the other kinds of learning put together; but it is not apt, except in persons very happily born, to open and to liberalize the mind exactly in the same proportion.

Burke, Speech on American Taxation, (1774.)

LI'BERALLY. † adv. [from liberal.] 1. Bounteously; bountifully; largely.

If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth James, i. 5.

2. Not meanly; magnanimously.

3. Freely; copiously. They invited their father to drink liberally. Patrick on Gen. xix. 32.

4. Licentiously.

Had mine own brother spoke thus liberally, My fury should have taught him better manners. Greene, Com. of Tu Quoque.

To LI'BERATE.* v. a. [libero, Lat.] To free; to set free. Upon this word Mr. Mason has rashly observed, that "though this verb, and its derivative noun liberation, are now frequent in periodical publications of news, they are too modern to be found in any dictionary; nor had he met with either, to the best of his recollection, in any writer whom he would produce for an authority." The verb and substantive, however, are both of nearly two hundred years of age in our language; and may be seen in the old vocabulary of Cocker-

By what means a man may liberate himself from those fears. Johnson, in Taylor's Sermons. LIBERA'TION.* n. s. [liberatio, Lat.] The act of setting free; deliverance.

Cockeram, and Coles. This mode of analysing requires perfect liberation from all prejudged system.

Pownall on Antiq. p. 155.

LI'BERATOR.* n. s. [liberator, Lat.] A deliverer. The exploits of the judges and kings given to

the people of God for liberators. Hewyt, Serm. (1658,) p. 155.

LI'BERTINAGE.* n.s. [libertinage, Fr.]

1. Sensuality; dissoluteness.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood.

2. Licentiousness of opinion.

Erasmus thought he saw, under all their fond-ness for the language of old Rome, a growing libertinage, which disposed them to think slightly of the christian faith. Warburton, Serm. xiii. note.

LI'BERTINE. n. s. [libertin, French.]

1. One unconfined; one at liberty. When he speaks, The air, a charter'd libertine, is still;

And the mute wonder lurketh in men's ears, To steal his sweet and honied sentences.

Shakspeare, Hen. V.

2. One who lives without restraint or law. Man, the lawless libertine, may rove, Free and unquestion'd. Rowe, Jane Shore. Want of power is the only bound that a libertine puts to his views upon any of the sex.

Richardson, Clarissa.

2. One who pays no regard to the precepts of religion.

They say this town is full of couzenage, Disguised cheaters, prating mountebanks,

And many such like libertines of sin. Shakspeare. That word may be applied to some few liber-

tines in the audience. Collier, View of the Stage.
4. [In law; libertinus, Lat.] A freedman; or rather, the son of a freedman.

Some persons are forbidden to be accusers on the score of their sex, as women; others on the score of their age, as pupils and infants; others on the score of their condition, as libertines against their patrons. Ayliffe, Parergon.

LI'BERTINE. adj. [libertin, French.] Li-

centious; irreligious.

There are men that marry not, but chuse rather a libertine and impure single life, than to be yoked in marriage.

Might not the queen make diligent enquiry, if any person about her should happen to be of libertine principles or morals? Swift, Proj. for Advan. of Religion.

LI'BERTINISM. † n. s. [from libertine.]

1. Irreligion; licentiousness of opinions and practice.

Modest heathens would hiss this libertinism off the stage. Bp. Hall, Cases of Consc. iv. 2. That spirit of religion and seriousness vanished

all at once, and a spirit of liberty and libertinism, of infidelity and profaneness, started up in the room of it. Atterbury, Serm. 2. Privilege or state of a freedman.

Dignified with the title of free-man, and denied the libertinism that belongs to it.

Hammond, Works, iv. 486. LI'BERTY. n. s. [liberté. French; libertas, Latin.]

1. Freedom, as opposed to slavery. My master knows of your being here, and hath threatened to put me into everlasting liberty, LIBRA'RIAN. † n. s. [librarius, Latin.]

if I tell you of it; for he swears, he'll turn me 1. One who has the care of a library. Shakspeare

O liberty ! thou goddess, heavenly bright! Profuse of bliss, and pregnant with delight, Eternal pleasures in thy presence reign. Addison.

2. Exemption from tyranny or inordinate government.

Justly thou abhorr'st The son, who, on the quiet state of man, Such trouble brought, affecting to subdue Rational liberty; yet know withal, Since thy original lapse, true liberty Is lost, which always with right reason dwells.

3. Freedom, as opposed to necessity. Liberty is the power in any agent to do, or forbear, any particular action, according to the de-

termination, or thought of the mind, whereby either of them is preferred to the other. As it is in the motions of the body, so it is

in the thoughts of our minds: where any one is such, that we have power to take it up, or lay it by, according to the preference of the mind, there we are at liberty.

4. Privilege; exemption; immunity. His majesty gave not an intire country to any,

much less did he grant jura regalia, or any extraordinary liberties.

5. Relaxation of restraint: as, he sees himself at liberty to chuse his condition. License they mean, when they cry liberty.

6. Leave; permission.

I shall take the liberty to consider a third ground, which, with some men, has the same authority.

LIBI'DINIST.* n. s. [from libidinous.] One devoted to lewdness or lust.

Nero, being monstrous incontinent himself, verily believed, that all men were most foul libidinists, yea, that there was not a chaste person in all the world. Junius, Sin Stigmatized, (1639,) p. 350.

LIBI'DINOUS.† adj. [libidinosus, Latin;

libidineux, Fr. 7 Lewd; lustful. It is not love, but strong libidinous will, That triumphs o'er me.

Beaum. and Fl. Kn. of Malta. For his libidinous courses he was slain by his sister's husband.

Gregory, Posthum. (1650,) p. 253. Thou didst cover,

With a maid's habit, a libidinous lover.

Fanshaw, Pastor Fido. None revolt from the faith, because they must not look upon a woman to lust after her, but because they are much more restrained from the perpetration of their lusts. If wanton glances and libidinous thoughts had been permitted by the Gospel, they would have apostatized nevertheless.

LIBI'DINOUSLY. # adv. [from libidinous.]

Lewdly; lustfully. Simon Magus, and his mystical priests, lived libidinously; and used all manner of incentives

and allurements to venery. Bp. Lavingdon, Moravians Compared, p. 104.

Libi'dinousness.* n. s. [from libidinous.] Lewdness; lustfulness.

They exercise all kinds of lewdness and libidi-

Dr. James, Manuduct. unto Divinity, (1625,) p. 104. LIBRA.* n. s. [Latin.] The seventh

sign in the zodiack; the balance. From eastern point

Of Libra to the fleecy star. Milton, P. L. LI'BRAL. adj. [libralis, Latin.] Of a pound weight.

This word is of modern usage: librarykeeper being the usual term for the officer of this description, which is used by bishop Barlow, Prideaux, Boyle, Bentley, and others.

It was his inconceivable knowledge of books. that induced the great Duke Cosmo the third to do him the honour of making him his librarian.

Spence, Life of Magliabecchi. 2. One who transcribes or copies books.

Charybdis thrice swallows, and thrice refunds, the waves: this must be understood of regular tides. There are indeed but two tides in a day, but this is the error of the librarian.

Broome, Notes on the Odyssey LIBRA'RIANSHIP.* n. s. The office of a

Dryden, Dufresnoy.

librarian. LI'BRARY. † n. s. [librairie, Fr.]

1. A large collection of books, publick or private.

Then as they gan his library to view, And antique registers for to avise, There chanced to the prince's hand to rise An antient book, hight Briton's monuments.

Spenser, F. Q. I have given you the library of a painter, and a catalogue of such books as he ought to read.

Milton, Sonnet. 2. A book-room.

Magliabecchi had a local memory of the places where every book stood; as in his master's shop at first, and in several other libraries afterwards.

To LI'BRATE. v. a. [libro, Lat.] To poise; to balance; to hold in equipoise. LIBRA'TION. n. s. [libratio, Latin; libration, Fr. 7

1. The state of being balanced.

This is what may be said of the balance, and the libration, of the body. Dryden, Dufresnoy. Their pinions still

In loose librations stretch'd, to trust the void Trembling refuse. Thomson, Spring.

2. [In astronomy.]

Libration is the balancing motion or trepidation in the firmament, whereby the declination of the sun, and the latitude of the stars, change from time to time. Astronomers likewise ascribe to the moon a libratory motion, or motion of trepidation, which they pretend is from east to west, and from north to south, because that, at full moon, they sometimes discover parts of her disk which are not discovered at other times. These kinds are called, the one a libration in longitude, and the other a libration in latitude. Besides this, there is a third kind, which they call an apparent libration, and which consists in this, that when the moon is at her greatest elongation from the south, her axis being then almost perpendicular to the plane of the ecliptick, the sun must enlighten towards the north pole of the moon some parts which he did not before, and that, on the contrary, some parts of those which he enlightened towards the opposite pole are obscured; and this produces the same effect which the libration in latitude does. Dict. Trev.

Those planets which move upon their axis, do not all make intire revolutions; for the moon maketh only a kind of libration, or a reciprocated motion on her own axis.

LI'BRATORY. adj. [from libro, Latin.] Balancing; playing like a balance.

LICE, the plural of louse.

Red blisters rising on their paps appear, And flaming carbuncles, and noisome sweat, And clammy dews that loathsome lice beget; Till the slow creeping evil eats his way.

Dryden, Virg. LI'CEBANE. n. s. [lice and bane.] A plant. LI'CENCE. † See LICENSE.

LI'CENSABLE.* adj. [from To licence.]

1. That may be permitted by a legal grant. I now have another copy to sell, but nobody will buy it because it is not licensable. Downfall of Temporizing Poets, (1641,) p. 5.

2. Dismissible. Not in use.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood. LI'CENSE. † n. s. [licentia, Latin; licence, Fr.] And our own word is perhaps more frequently written licence than li-

1. Exorbitant liberty; contempt of legal and necessary restraint.

Some of the wiser seeing that a popular licence is indeed the many-headed tyranny, prevailed with the rest to make Musidorus their chief. Sidney. Taunt my faults

With such full licence, as both truth and malice Shaksp. Ant. and Cleop. Have power to utter. They baul for freedom in their senseless moods, And still revolt when truth would set them free; Licence they mean, when they cry liberty. Milton, Sonnet.

The privilege that antient poets claim, Now turn'd to licence by too just a name.

Roscommon. Though this be a state of liberty, yet it is not a state of licence; though man, in that state, have an uncontroulable liberty to dispose of his person or possessions, yet he has not liberty to destroy Locke.

2. A grant of permission.

They sent some to bring them a licence from the senate. Those few abstract names that the schools forged and put into the mouths of their scholars, could never yet get admittance into common use, or obtain the licence of publick approbation. Locke.

We procured a licence of the duke of Parma to Addison on Italy. enter the theatre and gallery.

3. Liberty; permission.

It is not the manner of the Romans to deliver any man to die, before that he which is accused have the accusers face to face, and have licence to answer for himself.

To LI'CENSE. † v. a. [licencier, Fr.]

1. To permit by a legal grant. There must be licensing dancers, that no gesture, motion, or deportment, be taught our youth, but what by their allowance shall be thought honest! — The lutes, the violins, the guitars, — must not be suffered to prattle as they do, but must be licensed what they may say.

Milton, Areopagitica. Wit's titans brav'd the skies, And the press groan'd with licens'd blasphemies.

2. To dismiss; to send away. Not in use. He would play well, and willingly, at some games of greatest attention, which shewed, that when he listed he could license his thoughts.

LI'CENSER. † n. s. [from license.] A granter of permission; commonly a tool of power.

It will ask more than the work of twenty licensers to examine all the lutes, the violins, and the guitars, in every house. Milton, Areopagitica. suppressed by Thomas Norton, Sackville's supposed assistant in the play, who was not only an active, and I believe a sensible puritan, but a licencer of the publication of books under the commission of the bishop of London.

Warton, Hist. E. P. iii. 370.

LICE'NTIATE. † n. s. [licentiatus, low Lat.] 1. A man who uses license. Not in use. The licentiates somewhat licentiously, lest they should prejudice poetical liberty, will pardon LI'CHEN.* n. s. [lichen, Fr.] Liverwort. themselves for doubling or rejecting a letter, if the sense fall aptly. Camden.

2. A degree in Spanish universities. A man might, after that time, sue for the de-

gree of a licentiate or master in this faculty. Ayliffe, Parergon.

3. A term applied to those who receive, in our own country, licences from the LI'CIT.* adj. [licitus, Lat.] Lawful. college of physicians to practise in the faculty of medicine.

The college of physicians, in July 1687, published an edict, requiring all the fellows, candidates, and licentiates, to give gratuitous advice to the neighbouring poor. Johnson, Life of Garth.

To Lice'ntiate. v. a. [licentier, Fr.] To permit; to encourage by license.

We may not hazard either the stifling of generous inclinations, or the licentiating of any thing that is coarse. L'Estrange.

LICENTIA'TION.* n. s. [from licentiate.] The act of permitting. Not in use.

There is a tacit licentiation or permission of er-J. Freeman, Serm. (1643,) p. 35. LICE'NTIOUS. adj. [licencieux, French; licentiosus, Latin.]

Unrestrained by law or morality.

Later ages' pride, like corn-fed steed, Abus'd her plenty, and fat swoln encrease, To all licentious lust, and gan exceed The measure of her mean, and natural first need.

How would it touch thee to the quick, Should'st thou but hear I were licentious ? And that this body, consecrate to thee, With ruffian lust should be contaminate?

Shakspeare.

2. Presumptuous; unconfined. The Tyber, whose licentious waves, So often overflow'd the neighbouring fields, Now runs a smooth and inoffensive course. Roscommon.

LICE'NTIOUSLY. adv. [from licentious.] With too much liberty; without just

The licentiates, somewhat licentiously, will pardon themselves. Camden, Rem.

LICE'NTIOUSNESS. n. s. [from licentious.] Boundless liberty; contempt of just restraint.

One error is so fruitful, as it begetteth a thousand children, if the licentiousness thereof be not timely restrained. Ralegh.

This custom has been always looked upon, by the wisest men, as an effect of licentiousness, and not of liberty.

During the greatest licentiousness of the press, the character of the queen was insulted. Swift.

Lich.* adj. [lic, Sax. similis.] resembling; equal. Obsolete.

Anon he let two cofres make Of one semblance, and of one make, So lich, that no lif thilke throwe,

That one may fro that other knowe. Gower, Conf. Am. B. 5. [He] rather joy'd to be than seemen sich,

For both to be and seeme to him was labour lich. Spenser, F. Q. iii, vii. 29.

It seems probable that these eight verses were Lich. n.s. [hee, Sax.] A dead carcase; appressed by Thomas Norton, Sackville's suppressed by Thomas Norton Nort watching by the dead; lichgate, the gate through which the dead are carried to the grave; Lichfield, the field of the dead, a city in Staffordshire, so named from martyred christians. Salve, magna, parens! Lichwake is still retained in Scotland in the same sense.

Miller.

I observed nothing but several curious lichens, and plenty of gale (or Dutch myrtle) perfuming the border of the lake. Gray's Letters.

LI'CHOWL. n. s. [lich and owl.] A sort of owl, by the vulgar supposed to foretel death.

A just and licit thing.

Port Royal, Gr. Primitives, p. 150. LI'CITLY.* adv. [from licit.] Lawfully. The question may be licitly discussed.

Throckmorton's Considerations, p. 38. LI'CITNESS.* n. s. [from licit.] Lawful-

To LICK. v. a. [liccian, Saxon, lecken, Dutch.]

1. To pass over with the tongue.

Æsculapius went about with a dog and shegoat, both which he used much in his cures; the first for licking all ulcerated wounds, and the goat's milk for the diseases of the stomach and lungs. Temple.

A bear's a savage beast; Whelp'd without form, until the dam

Hudibras. Has lick'd it into shape and frame. He with his tepid rays the rose renews, And licks the drooping leaves, and dries the dews.

I have seen an antiquary lick an old coin, among other trials, to distinguish the age of it by its taste. Addison.

2. To lap; to take in by the tongue. At once pluck out

The multitudinous tongue; but let them not lick The sweet which is their poison. Shakspeare, Coriol.

3. To Lick up. To devour.

Now shall this company lick up all that are round about us, as the ox licketh up the grass.

Numb. xxii. 4.

When luxury has lick'd up all thy pelf, Curs'd by thy neighbours, thy trustees, thyself; Think how posterity will treat thy name,

Pope, Hor. Lick.* n. s. [from the verb.] A wash; what is smeared over. Not in use.

My face, which you behold so flaming red, is done over with ladies' licks.

Transl. of Boccalini, (1626,) p. 233.

To LICK.* v. a. [laegga, Su. Goth. to strike.] To beat. Common, as a colloquial expression, in many parts of England.

Lick. † n. s. [from the preceding verb, which Dr. Johnson has not noticed. 7 A blow; rough usage: a low word.

He turned upon me as round as a chafed boar, and gave me a lick across the face. Dryden.

LI'CKER.* n. s. [from lick; Fr. licheur.] One who licks or laps up. Cotgrave, and Sherwood.

LI'CKERISH.† adj. [liccepa, a glutton, LI'CKEROUS. Saxon. This seems to be the proper way of spelling the word, which has no affinity with liquor. Dr. Johnson. - An old form of writing it is

also licorous, and licorish; as, in Huloet's old dictionary, and by Cornwallis in his Notes on Seneca, 1601. See also Lick-ERISHNESS. The etymology also may rather be referred to the Su. Goth. licker, or lecker, delicatus, mollis.]

1. Nice in the choice of food.

The liquorous palate of the glutton ranges through seas and lands for uncouth delicacies.

Bp. Hall, St. Paul's Combat. Voluptuous men sacrifice all substantial satisfaction to a liquorish palate. L'Estrange.

2. Eager; greedy to swallow; eager not with hunger but gust.

It is never tongue-tied, where fit commendation, whereof womankind is so lickerish, is offered unto

Strephon, fond boy, delighted, did not know, That it was love that shin'd in shining maid; But lickerous, poison'd, fain to her would go.

Certain rare manuscripts, sought in the most remote parts by Erpenius, the most excellent linguist, had been left to his widow, and were upon sale to the jesuits, liquorish chapmen of all such

In vain he proferr'd all his goods to save His body, destin'd to that living grave; The liquorish hag rejects the pelf with scorn, And nothing but the man would serve her turn,

In some provinces they were so liquorish after man's flesh, that they would suck the blood as it run from the dying man.

3. Nice; delicate; tempting the appetite. This sense I doubt.

Some burst with the plenty and abundance they have, and would sell paradise out of hand for a lickerous morsel.

Harmar, Tr. of Beza, (1587,) p. 36. Would'st thou seek again to trap me here With lickerish baits, fit to ensnare a brute?

Milton, Comus. LI'CKERISHNESS.†) n. s. [from lickerish, and lickerous.] Nice-ness of palate; dain-LICKEROUSNESS. LICOROUSNESS. tiness of taste.

Barret, and Sherwood. As earnestlie to desyre delycate thinges, is a poynte of lycorishnesse; so to refuse thinges usuall and profitable, is madnesse

Woolton, Christian Manual, (1576,) sign. H. iii. b.

LI'CKERISHLY.*] adv. [from lickerish.] Daintily; deliciously. LI'COROUSLY. Gloss. Urry's Chaucer.

Li'corice. n.s. [γλυκόβριζα; liquoricia, Ita- 2. A charge of falsehood: to give the lie, lian. A root of sweet taste.

Liquorice root is long and slender, externally of a dusky reddish brown, but within of a fine yellow, full of juice, and of a taste sweeter than sugar; it grows wild in many parts of France, Italy, Spain and Germany The inspissated juice of this root is brought to us from Spain, and Holland; from the first of which places it obtained the name of

Spanish juice. Hill, Materia Medica. LI'CTOR. n. s. [Latin.] A beadle that attends the consuls to apprehend or punish criminals.

Saucy lictors Will catch at us like strumpets.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. Proconsuls to their provinces

Hasting, or on return, in robes of state, Lictors and rods the ensigns of their power.

Milton, P. R.

Democritus could feed his spleen, and shake His sides and shoulders till he felt 'em ake; Though in his country-town no lictors were,

Nor rods, nor axe, nor tribune. Dryden, Juv. Lip. n. s. [hlib, Saxon; lied, German.] 1. A cover; any thing that shuts down

over a vessel; any stopple that covers the mouth, but not enters it.

Hope, instead of flying off with the rest, stuck so close to the lid of the cup, that it was shut down upon her.

2. The membrane that, when we sleep or wink, is drawn over the eye.

Do not for ever with thy veiled lids, Seek for thy noble father in the dust.

Shakspeare, Hamlet. Our eyes have lids, our ears still ope we keep.

That eye dropp'd sense distinct and clear, As any muse's tongue could speak;

When from its lid a pearly tear Ran trickling down her beauteous cheek. Prior.
The rod of Hermes

To sleep could mortal eye-lids fix, And drive departed souls to Styx: That rod was just a type of Sid's, Which o'er a British senate's lids Could scatter opium full as well, And drive as many souls to hell.

Lie. n. s. [lie, French.] Any thing impregnated with some other body; as, soap or salt.

Chamber-lie breeds fleas like a loach. Shaksp. All liquid things concocted by heat become yellow; as lye, wort, &c. Peacham on Drawing.

LIE. n. s. [lize, Saxon.] 1. A criminal falsehood.

- Thou liest, abhorred tyrant; with my sword I'll prove the lie thou speak'st. Shakspeare, Macb. A lye is properly an outward signification of something contrary to, or at least beside, the inward sense of the mind; so that when one thing is signified or expressed, and the same thing not meant or intended, that is properly a lye. South.

Truth is the object of our understanding, as good is of our will; and the understanding can no more be delighted with a lye, than the will can chuse an apparent evil. Dryden.

When I hear my neighbour speak that which is not true, and I say to him, This is not true, or this is false, I only convey to him the naked idea of his errour; this is the primary idea: but if I say it is a lie, the word lie carries also a secondary idea; for it implies both the falsehood of the speech, and my reproach and censure of the speaker. Watts, Logick.

is a formulary phrase.

That lie shall lye so heavy on my sword, That it shall render vengeance and revenge; Till thou the lie giver, and that lie, rest In earth as quiet as thy father's skull.

Shakspeare, Rich. II. It is a contradiction to suppose, that whole nations of men should unanimously give the lie to what, by the most invincible evidence, every one of them knew to be true.

Men will give their own experience the lie, rather than admit of any thing disagreeing with these

3. A fiction. This sense is ludicrous. The cock and fox, the fool and knave imply; The truth is moral, though the tale a lie. Dryden.

To Lie. v. n. [leogan, Sax. liegen, Dutch: liuga, Su. Goth. " consent. reliquis dialect. Celto-Scythicis." Serenius. Ben Jonson, in his English Grammar, observes, under the letter y, that "we usually difference to lye, or feign, from to lie along, by the use of the y:" a distinction, which has very commonly been made, and which, though not here adopted by Dr. Johnson, seems, as Mr. Nares has remarked, an useful one.]

To utter criminal falsehood.

I know not where he lodges; and for me to devise a lodging, and say he lies here, or he lies there, were to lie in mine own throat.

Shakspeare, Othello. If a soul lye unto his neighbour in that which was delivered him to keep, he shall restore.

Should I tye against my right? Job, xxxiv. 6. 2. To exhibit false representation.

Inform us, will the emp'ror treat? Or do the prints and paper lie? Swift. To LIE. v. n. pret. I lay; I have lain or lien. [liezan, Saxon; liggen, Dutch.]

1. To rest horizontally, or with very great inclination against something else.

2. To rest; to press upon. Death lies on her like an untimely shower

Upon the sweetest flow'r of all the field. Shaksp. Lie heavy on him, earth, for he Laid many a heavy load on thee.

Epitaph on Vanbrugh. Swift. 3. To be reposited in the grave.

All the kings of the nations lie in glory, every one in his own house. Isa. xiv. 18. I will lie with my fathers, and thou shalt carry me out of Egypt, and bury me in your burying Gen. xlvii. 30.

4. To be in a state of decumbiture. How many good young princes would do so:

their fathers lying so sick as yours at this time is.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. My little daughter lieth at the point of death; I pray thee come and lay thy hands on her, that she may be healed.

5. To pass the time of sleep. The watchful traveller,

That by the moon's mistaken light did rise, Lay down again, and clos'd his weary eyes. Dryd. Forlorn he must, and persecuted fly;

Climb the steep mountain, in the cavern lie. Prior. 6. To be laid up or reposited.

I have seen where copperas is made great variety of them, divers of which I have yet lying by

7. To remain fixed.

The Spaniards have but one temptation to quarrel with us, the recovering of Jamaica, for that has ever lien at their hearts. 8. To reside.

If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door. Gen. iv. 7.

9. To be placed or situated with respect

to something else. Deserts, where there lay no way. Wisdom. Tav

To those happy climes that lis,

Where day never shuts his eye. Milton, Comus. There lies our way, and that our passage home. Dryden.

Envy lies between beings equal in nature, though unequal in circumstances. Collier of Envy.

The business of a tutor, rightly employed, lies out of the road. Locke on Education. What lies beyond our positive idea towards infinity, lies in obscurity, and has the undeterminate confusion of a negative idea.

To press upon afflictively.

Thy wrath lieth hard upon me, and thou hast afflicted me with all thy waves. He that commits a sin shall find The pressing guilt lie heavy on his mind,

Though bribes or favour shall assert his cause.

Creech.

Shew the power of religion, in abating that | 21. To cost; as, it lies me in more money. | Lief. adv. Willingly: now used only in particular anguish which seems to lie so heavy on eonora.

11. To be troublesome or tedious.

Suppose kings, besides the entertainment of luxury, should have spent their time, at least what lay upon their hands, in chemistry, it cannot be denied but princes may pass their time advantageously that way.

I would recommend the studies of knowledge to the female world, that they may not be at a loss how to employ those hours that lie upon their Addison, Guardian.

12. To be judicially imputed.

If he should intend his voyage towards my wife, I would turn her loose to him; and what he gets more of her than sharp words, let it lie on my head. Shakspeare.

13. To be in any particular state. If money go before, all ways do lie open.

Shakspeare. The highways lie waste, the wayfaring man ceaseth. Isaiah.

The seventh year thou shalt let it rest and lie Exodus.

Do not think that the knowledge of any particular subject cannot be improved, merely because it has lain without improvement.

Watts, Improv. of the Mind. 14. To be in a state of concealment. Many things in them lie concealed to us, which

they who were concerned understood at first sight.

15. To be in prison.

Your imprisonment shall not be long; I will deliver you, or else lie for you.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. 16. To be in a bad state.

Why will you lie pining and pinching yourself in such a lonesome, starving course of life?

L'Estrange, Fab. The generality of mankind lie pecking at one another, till one by one they are all torn to pieces.

Are the gods to do your drudgery, and you lie bellowing with your finger in your mouth?

L'Estrange, Fab.

17. To be in a helpless or exposed state. To see a hated person superior, and to lie under the anguish of a disadvantage, is far enough from

It is but a very small comfort, that a plain man, lying under a sharp fit of the stone for a week, receives from this fine sentence. Tillotson, Serm

As a man should always be upon his guard against the vices to which he is most exposed, so we should take a more than ordinary care not to lie at the mercy of the weather in our moral con-Addison, Freeholder.

The maintenance of the clergy is precarious, and collected from a most miserable race of farmers, at whose mercy every minister lies to be de-

18. To consist.

The image of it gives me content already; and I trust it will grow to a most prosperous perfection. - It lies much in your holding up. Shakspeare. He that thinks that diversion may not lie in hard labour, forgets the early rising, and hard riding of

19. To be in the power; to belong to. Do'st thou endeavour, as much as in thee lies,

to preserve the lives of all men?

Duppa, Rules for Devotion. He shews himself very malicious if he knows I deserve credit, and yet goes about to blast it, as much as in him lies. Stilling fleet on Idolatry. Mars is the warrior's god, in him it lies

On whom he favours to confer the prize. Dryden.

20. To be valid in a court of judicature: as, an action lieth against one.

22. To Lie at. To importune; to teaze.

23. To Lie by. To rest: to remain still. Every thing that heard him play,

Even the billows of the sea, Hung their heads, and then lay by; In sweet musick is such art, Killing care and grief of heart,

Fall asleep, or hearing die. Shaksp. Hen. VIII.

24. To Lie down. To rest; to go into a state of repose.

The leopard shall lie down with the kid. Isa. xi. 6.

The needy shall lie down in safety. Isa. xiv. 30.

25. To Lie down. To sink into the grave. His bones are full of the sin of his youth, which shall lie doen with him in the dust. Job, xx. 11.

26. To Lie in. To be in childbed.

As for all other good women that love to do but little work, how handsome it is to lie in and sleep, or to louse themselves in the sun-shine, they that have been but a while in Ireland can well Spenser on Ireland.

You confine yourself most unreasonably. Come; you must go visit the lady that lies in.

Shakspeare, Coriol. She had lain in, and her right breast had been apostemated. Wiseman, Surgery. When Florimel design'd to lie privately in;

She chose with such prudence her pangs to conceal, That her nurse, nay her midwife, scarce heard her once squeal.

Hysterical affections are contracted by accidents in lying in. Arbuthnot on Diet.

27. To Lie under. To be subject to; to be oppressed by.

A generous person will lie under a great disad-Smalridge, Serm.

This mistake never ought to be imputed to Dryden, but to those who suffered so noble a genius to lie under necessity. Europe lay then under a deep lethargy, and was

no otherwise to be rescued but by one that would Atterbury.

28. To Lie upon. To become the matter of obligation or duty.

These are not places merely of favour, the charge of souls lies upon them; the greatest account whereof will be required at their hands.

Bacon, Adv. to Villiers. It should lie upon him to make out how matter, by undirected motion, could at first necessarily fall, without ever erring or miscarrying, into such a curious formation of human bodies. Bentley, Serm.

29. To Lie with. To converse in bed. Pardon me, Bassanio, For by this ring she lay with me. Shakspeare.

30. It may be observed of this word in general, that it commonly implies something of sluggishness, inaction, or steadiness, applied to persons; and some gravity or permanency of condition, applied to things.

Lief. † adj. [leof, Saxon; written by our old authors, leef, and lefe. See LEEF, and LEVER. Lief, however, follows the form of the Goth. liubs, and the Germ. lief, which signify beloved.] Dear; beloved. Obsolete.

My liefest lord she thus beguiled had, For he was flesh; all flesh doth frailty breed. Spenser, F. Q.

You, with the rest, Causeless have laid disgraces on my head; And with your best endeavour have stirr'd up My liefest liege to be mine enemy. S hakspeare, Hen. VI. familiar speech.

If I could speak so wisely under an arrest, I would send for certain of my creditors; and yet to say the truth, I had as lief have the foppery of freedom, as the morality of imprisonment.

Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas. LIEFTE'NANT.* See LIEUTENANT. LIEGE. adj. [lige, French; ligio, Italian;

ligius, low Lat. 1. Bound by some feudal tenure; subject:

whence liegeman for subject.

2. Sovereign. [This signification seems to have accidently risen from the former, the lord of liege men, being by mistake called liege lord.]

Did not the whole realm acknowledge Henry for their king and liege lord? Spenser on Ireland. My lady liege, said he,

What all your sex desire is sovereignty. Dryden. So much of it as is founded on the law of nature, may be stiled natural religion; that is to say, a devotedness unto God our liege lord, so as to act in all things according to his will. Grew, Cosmol. Sacra.

LIEGE. n. s. Sovereign; superiour lord; scarcely in use.

O pardon me, my liege! but for my tears I had forestall'd this dear and deep rebuke.

The other part reserv'd I by consent, For that my sovereign liege was in my debt.

Shakspeare. The natives, dubious whom They must obey, in consternation wait Till rigid conquest will pronounce their liege.

LI'EGEMAN. n. s. [from liege and man.] A subject: not in use.

This liegeman gan to wax more bold, And when he felt the folly of his lord, In his own kind, he gan himself unfold.

Spenser, F. Q. Sith then the ancestors of those that now live, yielded themselves then subjects and liegemen, shall it not tye their children to the same subjection? Spenser on Ireland. Stand, ho! who is there?

- Friends to this ground, and liegemen to the Dane. Shakspeare.

LI'EGER. n. s. [more proper legier, or A resident ambassadour. ledger.] His passions and his fears

Lie liegers for you in his breast, and there Negotiate your affairs. Denham, Sophy.

LI'EN, the participle of lie.

One of the people might lightly have lien with thy wife. Gen. xxvi. 10.

LIENTE'RICK. adj. [from lientery.] Pertaining to a lientery.

There are many medicinal preparations of iron,

but none equal to the tincture made without acids: especially in obstructions, and to strengthen the tone of the parts; as in lienterick and other like Grew, Museum.

LI'ENTERY. n. s. [from helow, læve, smooth, and evispov, intestinum, gut; lienterie, French.] A particular looseness, or diarrhœa, wherein the food passes so suddenly through the stomach and guts, as to be thrown out by stool with little or no alteration.

LI'ER. n. s. [from to lie.] One that rests or lies down; or remains con-

There were liers in ambush against him behind the city. Jos. viii. 14.

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LIEU. n. s. [French.] Place; room: it is only used with in: in lieu, instead. God, of his great liberality, had determined, in lieu of man's endeavours, to bestow the same by the rule of that justice which best beseemeth Hooker.

In lieu of such an increase of dominion, it is our business to extend our trade.

Addison, Freeholder.

LIEVE. adv. [See LIEF.] Willingly.

Speak the speech, I pray you, as I pronounced it to you, trippingly on the tongue: but if you mouth it, as many of our players do, I had as lieve the town crier had spoke my lines.

Shakspeare, Hamlet. Action is death to some sort of people, and ev would as lieue hang as work.

L'Estrange. they would as lieve hang as work.

LIEUTE'NANCY. n. s. [lieutenance, French; from lieutenant.]

1. The office of a lieutenant.

If such tricks as these strip you out of your lieutenancy, it had been better you had not kissed your three fingers so oft. Shakspeare, Othello.

2. The body of lieutenants.

The list of undisputed masters, is hardly so long as the list of the lieutenancy of our metropolis. Felton on the Classicks.

LIEUTE'NANT.† n. s. [lieutenant, Fr. Often pronounced, and formerly written, lieftenant. "Mr. Secretary used lieftenant Spencer exceeding honourably." Sidney State-Pap. vol. ii. p. 207, under the year 1600. Again, ibid. p. 257. the same spelling. And so in other old books.

1. A deputy; one who acts by vicarious authority.

Exhibiting himselfe into the handes of Christes

vicar or lieutenaunt. Martin, Marr. of Priests, (1554,) N. iv. b.

Whither away so fast? - No farther than the tower,

We'll enter all together, And in good time here the lieutenant comes.

I must put you in mind of the lords lieutenants, and deputy lieutenants, of the counties: their proper use is for ordering the military affairs, in order to oppose an invasion from abroad, or a rebellion or sedition at home.

Killing, as it is considered in itself without all undue circumstances, was never prohibited to the lawful magistrate, who is the vicegerent or lieutenant of God, from whom he derives his power of life and death. Bp. Bramhall against Hobbes.

Sent by our new lieutenant, who in Rome, And since from me, has heard of your renown: I come to offer peace. Philips, Briton.

2. In war, one who holds the next rank to a superiour of any denomination; as, a general has his lieutenant generals, a colonel his lieutenant colonel, and a captain simply his lieutenant.

It were meet that such captains only were employed as have formerly served in that country, and been at least lieutenants there.

Spenser on Iveland. According to military custom the place was good, and the lieutenant of the colonel's company might well pretend to the next vacant captainship.

The earl of Essex was made lieutenant general of the army; the most popular man of the kingdom, and the darling of the sword men.

Clarendon. His lieutenant, engaging against his positive orders, being beaten by Lysander, Alcibiades was again banished.

Canst thou so many gallant soldiers see, And captains and lieutenants slight for me? Gay. LIEUTE'NANTSHIP. † n. s. [from lieutenant.] The rank or office of lieutenant.

Though we should graunt him the lieutenantship he pretendeth to have.

Harmar, Tr. of Beza, (1587,) p. 405. LIFE. † n. s. plural lives. [hr, lyr, Saxon;

hrian, to live; lif, Su. Goth.]

1. Union and co-operation of soul with body; vitality; animation, opposed to an inanimate state.

On thy life no more My life I never held but as a pawn To wage against thy foes. Shakspeare, K. Lear. She shews a body rather than a life,

A statue than a breather. Shaksp. Ant. and Cleop. Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving creature that hath life. Gen. i. 20.

The identity of the same man consists in nothing but a participation of the same continued life, by constantly fleeting particles of matter, in succession vitally united to the same organized body.

2. Present state; as distinct from other parts of human existence.

O life, thou nothing's younger brother ! So like, that we may take the one for t'other! Dream of a shadow! a reflection made From the false glories of the gay reflected bow, Is more a solid thing than thou! Thou weak built isthmus, that do'st proudly rise Up betwixt two eternities : Yet canst not wave nor wind sustain, But, broken and o'erwhelm'd, the ocean meets again.

When I consider life 'tis all a cheat, Yet fool'd by hope men favour the deceit, Live on, and think to-morrow will repay; To-morrow's falser than the former day Lies more; and when it says we shall be blest With some new joy, takes off what we possest. Strange cozenage! none would live past years

Yet all hope pleasure in what yet remain; And from the dregs of *life* think to receive What the first sprightly running could not give: I'm tir'd of waiting for this chemick gold, Which fools us young, and beggars us when old. Dryden.

Howe'er 'tis well that while mankind Through life's perverse meanders errs, He can imagin'd pleasures find, To combat against real cares. So peaceful shalt thou end thy blissful days, And steal thyself from life by slow decays. Pope.

3. Enjoyment, or possession of existence, as opposed to death.

Then avarice gan through his veins to inspire His greedy flames, and kindle life devouring fire. Spenser, F. Q.

Their complot is to have my life: And, if my death might make this island happy, And prove the period of their tyranny, I would expend it with all willingness. Shakspeare.

Nor love thy life nor hate; but what thou liv'st Live well, how long or short permit to heaven.

He entreated me not to take his life, but exact a sum of money. Broome on the Odyssey.

Blood, the supposed vehicle of life. His gushing entrails smok'd upon the ground, And the warm life came issuing through the wound.

5. Conduct; manner of living with respect to virtue or vice.

His faith perhaps in some nice tenets might Be wrong, his life I'm sure was in the right.

Henry and Edward, brightest sons of fame, And virtuous Alfred, a more sacred name;

After a life of glorious toils endur'd, Clos'd their long glories with a sigh Pope. I'll teach my family to lead good lives. Mrs. Barker.

6. Condition; manner of living with respect to happiness and misery. Such was the life the frugal Sabines led; So Remus and his brother god were bred.

Dryden, Virg. 7. Continuance of our present state: as, half his life was spent in study.

Some have not any clear ideas all their lives.

Untam'd and fierce the tyger still remains, And tires his life with biting on his chains. Prior.
The administration of this bank is for life, and partly in the hands of the chief citizens. Addison on Italy.

8. The living form: opposed to copies.

That is the best part of beauty which a picture cannot express, no, nor the first sight of the life. Bacon, Ess.

Let him visit eminent persons of great name abroad, that he may tell how the life agreeth with the fame.

He that would be a master, must draw by the life as well as copy from originals, and join theory and experience together.

Collier of the Entertainment of Books. 9. Exact resemblance: with to before it. I believe no character of any person was ever better drawn to the life than this. Denham. Rich carvings, portraiture, and imagery,

Where ev'ry figure to the life express'd The godhead's power. Dryden, Kn. Tale. He saw in order painted on the wall

The wars that fame around the world had blown, All to the life, and ev'ry leader known. Dryden, Æn.

General state of man. Studious they appear Of arts that polish life; inventors rare! Unmindful of their Maker. Milton, P. L. All that cheers or softens life, The tender sister, daughter, friend, and wife.

11. Common occurrences; human affairs; the course of things.

This I know, not only by reading of books in my study, but also by experience of life abroad in the world.

Not to know at large of things remote From use, obscure and subtile; but to know That which before us lies in daily life,

Is the prime wisdom. Milton, P. L. 12. Living person. Why should I play the Roman fool, and die

On my own sword? whilst I see lives the gashes Do better upon them. Shakspeare, Macbeth. 13. Narrative of a life past.

Plutarch, that writes his life, Tells us, that Cato dearly lov'd his wife. Pope.

14. Spirit; briskness; vivacity; resolu-

The Helots bent thitherward with a new life of resolution, as if their captain had been a root out of which their courage had sprung. Sidney.

They have no notion of life and fire in fancy and in words; and any thing that is just in grammar and in measure is as good oratory and poetry to them as the best. Felton. Not with half the fire and life,

With which he kiss'd Amphytrion's wife, Prior.

15. Animal, animated existence; animal being. Full nature swarms with life. Thomson.

16. System of animal nature. Lives through all life.

Pope. 17. Life is also used of vegetables, and whatever grows and decays.

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LI'FEBLOOD. n. s. [life and blood.] The blood necessary to life; the vital blood. This sicknesss doth infect

The very lifeblood of our enterprise.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. How could'st thou drain the lifeblood of the child? Shakspeare. His forehead struck the ground,

Lifeblood and life rush'd mingled through the wound. Dryden. They loved with that calm and noble value

which dwells in the heart, with a warmth like that of lifeblood. Spectator.

Money, the lifeblood of the nation, Corrupts and stagnates in the veins, Unless a proper circulation,

Its motion and its heat maintains. Swift.

LI'FEBLOOD.* adj. Necessary as the blood to life; vital; essential.

To set at nought and trample under foot all the most sacred and lifeblood laws, statutes, and acts of parliament. Milton, Of Ref. in Eng. B. 2.

LIFEEVERLA'STING. An herb. Ainsworth. LI'EEGIVING. adj. [life and giving.] Having

the power to give life. His own heat,

Kindled at first from heaven's lifegiving fire.

Spenser.

He sat devising death To them who liv'd; nor on the virtue thought Of that lifegiving plant, Milton, P. L.

LI'FEGUARD. † n. s. [life and guard.] The guard of a king's person.

Such a noble and useful courage, as will render you a lifeguard to your prince, a wall and bulwark to your country, and make your famous artilleryground a sanctuary to your city.

Scott, Serm. before the Artill. Comp. (1680).

LI'FELESS. † adj. [liplear, Saxon.] 1. Dead; deprived of life.

I who make the triumph of to-day, May of to-morrow's pomp one part appear, Ghastly with wounds, and lifeless on the bier. Prior.

2. Unanimated: void of life.

Was I to have never parted from thy side? As good have grown there still a lifeless rib! Milton, P. L.

Thus began Outrage from lifeless things. Milton, P. L. The power which produces their motions, springs from something without themselves: if this power were suspended, they would become a lifeless, unactive heap of matter. Cheyne.

And empty words she gave, and sounding strain, But senseless, lifeless ! idol void and vain. Pope.

3. Wanting power, force, or spirit. Hopeless and helpless doth Ægeon wend, But to procrastinate his lifeless end. Shakspeare. Unknowing to command, proud to obey

A lifeless king, a royal shade I lay. 4. Wanting or deprived of physical energy. The other victor-flame a moment stood, Then fell, and lifeless left th' extinguish'd wood.

Li'felessly. adv. [from lifeless.] Without

vigour; frigidly; jejunely.
LifeLike. adj. [life and like.] Like a living person.

Minerva, lifelike, on embodied air Impress'd the form of Ipthema the fair.

Pope, Odyss.

LI'FESTRING. n. s. [life and string.] Nerve; strings imagined to convey life. These lines are the veins, the arteries,

The undecaying lifestrings of those hearts That still shall pant, and still shall exercise The motion spirit and nature both impart. Daniel. LI'FETIME. n. s. [life and time.] Continuance or duration of life.

Jordain talked prose all his life-time, without | knowing what it was, Addison on Medals.

LIFEWE'ARY. adj. [life and weary.] Wretched; tired of living.

Let me have A dram of poison, such soon speeding geer As will disperse itself through all the veins,

That the lifeweary taker may fall dead. Shakspeare. To LIFT. v. a. I lifted, or lift; I have lifted, or lift. [lyffta, Swedish; loffter, Danish; levo, Latin, to lift or hold up; hence a lever, that which lifts up: but perhaps our word may be referred to the Sax. lyre, the air. See also Loft, and ALOFT.

1 To raise from the ground; to heave; to elevate; to hold on high.

Filial ingratitude!

Is it not as this mouth should tear this hand For lifting food to't? Shakspeare, K. Lear. Your guests are coming;

Lift up your countenance, as 'twere the day Of celebration of that nuptial.

Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. Propp'd by the spring, it lifts aloft the head, But of a sickly beauty soon to shed,

In summer living, and in winter dead. 2. To bear; to support. Not in use.

So down he fell, that th' earth him underneath Did groan, as feeble so great load to lift. Spenser, F. Q.

3. To rob; to plunder. Whence the term shoplifter. [hliftus, Gothick, a thief. See also the neuter verb, and the substantive LIFTER.

So weary bees in little cells repose, But if night robbers lift the well-stor'd hive, An humming through their waxen city grows.

Dryden. 4. To exalt; to elevate mentally. His heart was lift up in the ways of the Lord.

Of Orpheus now no more let poets tell, To bright Cæcilia greater pow'r is given, His numbers rais'd a shade from hell,

Hers lift the soul to heaven. 5. To raise in fortune.

The eye of the Lord lifted up his head from misery.

6. To raise in estimation.

Neither can it be thought, because some lessons are chosen out of the Apocrypha, that we do offer disgrace to the word of God, or lift up the writings Hooker. of men above it.

7. To exalt in dignity.

See to what a godlike height The Roman virtues lift up mortal man !

Addison, Cato. 8. To elevate; to swell, as with pride. Tim. iii. 6. Lifted up with pride.

Our successes have been great, and our hearts have been too much lifted up by them, so that we have reason to humble ourselves.

Atterburu.

9. Up is sometimes emphatically added to LI'GAMENT. n. s. [ligamentum, from ligo, lift.

He lift up his spear against eight hundred, 2 Sam. xxiii. 8. whom he slew at one time. Arise, lift up the lad, and hold him in thine Genesis.

To LIFT. v. n.

1. To strive to raise by strength. Pinch cattle of pasture while summer doth last,

And lift at their tailes ere a winter be past. Tusser The mind, by being engaged in a task beyond its strength, like the body strained by lifting at a weight too heavy, has often its force broken. Locke.

2. To practise theft.

One other peculiar virtue you possess, in lifting, or legier-du-main! B. Jonson, Cynthia's Revels.

LIFT. n. s. [from the verb.] 1. The manner of lifting.

In the lift of the feet, when a man goeth up the hill, the weight of the body beareth most upon the In races, it is not the large stride, or high lift, that makes the speed. Bacon, Ess.

2. The act of lifting. The goat gives the fox a lift, and out he springs.

L'Estrange. 3. Effort; struggle. Dead lift is an effort to raise what with the whole force cannot be moved; and figuratively any state of impotence and inability.

Myself and Trulla made a shift To help him out at a dead lift.

Hudibras. Mr. Doctor had puzzled his brains

In making a ballad, but was at a stand:
And you freely must own, you were at a dead lift.

4. Lift, in Scotland, denotes a load or surcharge of any thing; as also, if one be disguised much with liquor, they say, He has got a great lift.
5. [In Scottish.] The sky; for in a starry

night they say, How clear the lift is!

6. Lifts of a sail are ropes to raise or lower them at pleasure.

LI'FTER.† n. s. [from lift.]

1. One that lifts.

Pope.

Thou, O Lord, art my glory, and the lifter up of mine head. Psal. iii. 3.

2. One that lifts with a lever. Huloet.

3. A thief. See the third sense of the verb active Lift.

Broker or pander, cheater or lifter.

Holland's Leaguer, (1633).

LI'FTING.* n. s. [from lift.] The act of

lifting; assistance. I cannot forbear doing that author the justice of

my publick acknowledgements for the great helps, and liftings, I had out of his incomparable piece, while I was penning this treatise.

Swift, Tale of a Tub, § 5.

To Lig. + v. n. [Goth. ligan, Sax. hegan, ligan, Germ. ligen, Dan. ligge, Dutch, liggen. To lie. Still used in our northern counties.

What hounds liggen on the floor adoun. Chaucer, Kn. Tale.

Thou kenst the great care I have of thy health and thy welfare, Which many wild beasts liggen in wait For to entrap in thy tender state.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. Vowing that never he in bed againe

His limbs would rest, ne lig in ease embost, Till that his lady's sight he mote attaine.

Latin; ligament, French.]

1. Ligament is a white and solid body, softer than a cartilage, but harder than a membrane; they have no conspicuous

cavities, neither have they any sense, lest they should suffer upon the motion of the joint: their chief use is to fasten the bones, which are articulated together for motion, lest they should be dislo-Quincy. cated with exercise. Be all their ligaments at once unbound,

And their disjointed bones to powder ground.

Sandys.

other end being a process is fixed with a ligament Holder. to the stapes.

2. [In popular or poetical language.] Any thing which connects the parts of the body.

Though our ligaments betimes grow weak, We must not force them till themselves they break. Denham.

3. Bond: chain: entanglement.

Men sometimes, upon the hour of departure, do speak and reason above themselves; for then the soul, beginning to be freed from the ligaments of the body, reasons like herself, and discourses in a strain above mortality. Addison, Spect.

LIGAME'NTAL. \ n. s. [from ligament.] LIGAME'NTOUS. \ Composing a ligament.

The urachos or ligamental passage is derived from the bottom of the bladder, whereby it dischargeth the watery and urinary part of its ali-Brown, Vulg. Err.

The clavicle is inserted into the first bone of the sternon, and bound in by a strong ligamentous membrane. Wiseman.

LIGA'TION. † n. s. [ligatio, Latin.]

1. The act of binding.

2. The state of being bound.

This ligation of senses proceeds from an inhibition of spirits, the way being stopped by which they should come. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 24.

There is a peculiar religion attends friendship;

there is, according to the etymology of the word, a ligation and solemn tie, the rescinding whereof may be truly called a schism. Howell, Lett. ii. 46. Sleep, if perfect and sound, is the ligation of all

the senses. Smith on Old Age, p. 101. The slumber of the body seems to be but the waking of the soul: it is the ligation of sense, but the liberty of reason. Addison.

LI'GATURE. n. s. [ligature, French; liga-

tura, Latin.] 1. Any thing tied round another; ban-

He deludeth us also by philters, ligatures, charms, and many superstitious ways in the cure of diseases.

If you slit the artery, and thrust into it a pipe, and cast a strait ligature upon that part of the artery; notwithstanding the blood bath free passage through the pipe, yet will not the artery beat below the ligature; but do but take off the ligature, it will beat immediately. Ray on Creation.

The many ligatures of our English dress check the circulation of the blood.

I found my arms and legs very strongly fas-tened on each side to the ground; I likewise felt several slender ligatures across my body, from my arm-pits to my thighs. Swift, Gulliv. Trav.

2. The act of binding.

The fatal noose performed its office, and with most strict ligature squeezed the blood into his Arbuthnot, J. Bull.

Any stoppage of the circulation will produce a dropsy, as by strong ligature or compression.

Arbuthnot on Diet. 3. The state of being bound. Not very proper.

Sand and gravel grounds easily admit of heat and moisture, for which they are not much the better, because they let it pass too soon, and contract no ligature. Mortimer, Husbandry.

LIGHT. † n. s. [leoht. Sax. from leohtan, to light, viz. the third person singular, leoho. Mr. H. Tooke. But it is the Goth. liuhath, or liuhats, whence also the Germ. lioht, Dutch, licht, and the Sax. liht, leoht. Serenius notices the Icel. light, likt; and deduces it from hloa, to shine.]

The incus is one way joined to the malleus, the | 1. That material medium of sight; that body by which we see: luminous mat-

> Light is propagated from luminous bodies in time, and spends about seven or eight minutes of an hour in passing from the sun to the earth.

Newton, Opticks. 2. State of the elements, in which things

become visible: opposed to darkness. God called the light day; and the darkness he called night.

So alike thou driv'st away Light and darkness, night and day. 3. Power of perceiving external objects

by the eye: opposed to blindness. My strength faileth me; as for the light of mine

eyes, it also is gone from me. If it be true

That light is in the soul, She all in every part; why was the sight To such a tender ball as the eye confin'd, So obvious and so easy to be quench'd; And not, as feeling, through all parts diffus'd, That she might look at will through every pore. Milton, S. A.

4. Day.

The murderer rising with the light killeth the

Ere the third dawning light Return, the stars of morn shall see him rise Out of his grave, fresh as the dawning light.

Milton, P. L. Life.

Infants that never saw light. Swift roll the years, and rise the expected morn, O spring to light, auspicious babe be born! Pope. 6. Artificial illumination.

Seven lamps shall give light. Numbers. Illumination of mind; instruction:

knowledge.

Of those things which are for direction of all the parts of our life needful, and not impossible to be discerned by the light of nature itself, are there not many which few men's natural capacity hath been able to find out? Hooker.

Light may be taken from the experiment of the horse-tooth ring, how that those things which assuage the strife of the spirits, do help diseases contrary to the intention desired. Bacon, Nat. His.

I will place within them as a guide My umpire conscience, whom if they will hear Light after light well us'd they shall attain,

And to the end persisting safe arrive. Milton, P.L. I opened Ariosto in Italian, and the very first two lines gave me light to all I could desire.

If internal light, or any proposition which we take for inspired, be conformable to the principles of reason, or to the word of God, which is attested revelation, reason warrants it.

The ordinary words of language, and our common use of them, would have given us light into the nature of our ideas, if considered with atten-Tacke.

The books of Varro concerning navigation are lost, which no doubt would have given us great light in those matters. Arbuthnot on Coins.

8. The part of a picture which is drawn with bright colours, or in which the light is supposed to fall.

Never admit two equal lights in the same picture; but the greater light must strike forcibly on those places of the picture where the principal figures are; diminishing as it comes nearer the Dryden, Dufresnoy.

9. Reach of knowledge; mental view.

Light, and understanding, and wisdom, like the wisdom of the gods, was found in him.

We saw as it were thick clouds, which did put us in some hope of land, knowing how that part of the South Sea was utterly unknown, and might have islands or continents that hitherto were not come to light. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

They have brought to light not a few profitable experiments. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

10. Point of view; situation; direction in which the light falls.

Frequent consideration of a thing wears off the strangeness of it; and shews it in its several lights, and various ways of appearance, to the view of the mind.

It is impossible for a man of the greatest parts to consider any thing in its whole extent, and in all its variety of lights. Spectator.

An author who has not learned the art of ranging his thoughts, and setting them in proper lights, will lose himself in confusion. Addison, Spectator.

11. Publick view; publick notice. Why am I ask'd what next shall see the light:

Heavens! was I born for nothing but to write?

12. The publick.

Grave epistles bringing vice to light, Such as a king might read, a bishop write. Pope. 13. Explanation.

I have endeavoured throughout this discourse, that every former part might give strength unto all that follow, and every latter bring some light unto all before, Hooker. We should compare places of Scripture treating

of the same point: thus one part of the sacred text could not fail to give light unto another. Locke, Ess. on St. Paul's Epistles.

14. Any thing that gives light; a pharos; a taper; any luminous body.

That light we see is burning in my hall: How far that little candle throws his beams, So shines a good deed in a naughty world.

Then he called for a light, and sprang in, and fell down before Paul. Acts, xvi. 29. I have set thee to be a light of the Gentiles, for

salvation unto the ends of the earth. Acts, xiii. 47.

Let them be for signs, For seasons, and for days, and circling years; And let them be for lights, as I ordain Their office in the firmament of heaven,

To give light on the earth. I put as great difference between our new lights and ancient truths, as between the sun and

Glanville. Several lights will not be seen,

If there be nothing else between;

Men doubt because they stand so thick i' the sky, If those be stars that paint the galaxy. Cowley. I will make some offers at their safety, by fixing some marks like lights upon a coast, by

which their ships may avoid at least known rocks. He still must mourn The sun, and moon, and every starry light,

Eclips'd to him, and lost in everlasting night. LIGHT. † adj. [liht, Saxon.]

1. Not tending to the centre with great force; not heavy. Hot and cold were in one body fixt,

And soft with hard, and light with heavy mixt. Dryden.

These weights did not exert their natural gravity till they were laid in the golden balance, insomuch that I could not guess which was light or heavy whilst I held them in my hand. Addison, Spect.

2. Not burdensome; easy to be worn, or carried, or lifted; not onerous.

Horse, oxen, plough, tumbrel, cart, waggon, and wain,

The lighter and stronger the greater thy gaine.

It will be light, that you may bear it

Under a cloke that is of any length. Shakspeare. A king that would not feel his crown too heavy, must wear it every day; but if he think it too light, he knoweth not of what metal it is made. Bacon, Ess.

3. Not afflictive; easy to be endured.

Every light and common thing incident into any part of man's life. Hooker. Light sufferings give us leisure to complain, We groan, but cannot speak, in greater pain. Dryden.

4. Easy to be performed; not difficult.

What is lightere to seye to the syk man in palesye, sinnes be forghivn to thee; or to seye, rise, take thy bed and walke?

Wicliffe, St. Mark, ii. Well pleas'd were all his friends, the task was light,

The father, mother, daughter, they invite.

5. Easy to be acted on by any power. Apples of a ripe flavour, fresh and fair, Mellow'd by winter from their cruder juice, Light of digestion now, and fit for use. Dryden, Juv.

6. Not heavily armed.

Paulus Bachitius, with a company of light horsemen, lay close in ambush, in a convenient place for that purpose. Knolles.

7. Active; nimble.

He so light was at legerdemain, That what he touch'd came not to light again.

Asahel was as light of foot as a wild roe. 2 Sam. ii. 18.

There Stamford came, for his honour was lame Of the gout three months together; But it prov'd, when they fought, but a running

gout, For heels were lighter than ever.

Youths, a blooming band; Light bounding from the earth at once they rise,

Their feet half viewless quiver in the skies. Pope, Odyss.

8. Unencumbered; unembarrassed; clear of impediments.

Unmarried men are best masters, but not best subjects; for they are light to run away. Bacon.

9. Slight; not great.

A light error in the manner of making the following trials was enough to render some of them unsuccessful.

10. Not dense; not gross.

In the wilderness there is no bread, nor water, and our soul loatheth this light bread.

Numb. xxi. 5. Light fumes are merry, grosser fumes are sad, Both are the reasonable soul run mad. Dryden.

11. Easy to admit any influence; unsteady; unsettled; loose.

False of heart, light of ear, bloody of hand. Shakspeare. These light vain persons still are drunk and

With surfeitings, and pleasures of their youth.

They are light of belief, great listeners after Howell

news. There is no greater argument of a light and inconsiderate person, than profanely to scoff at Tillotson.

12. Gay; airy; wanting dignity or solidity; trifling.

Seneca cannot be too heavy, nor Plautus too Shakspeare. light.

Forgive If fictions light I mix with truth divine, And fill these lines with other praise than thine. Fairfax,

13. Not chaste; not regular in conduct. Let me not be light,

For a light wife doth make a heavy husband.

Shakspeare. I have spent some evenings among the men of wit of that profession [the clergy] with an inexpressible delight. Their habitual care of their character gives such a chastisement to their fancy, that all which they utter in company is as much above what you meet with in other conversation, as the charms of a modest are superior to those of a light woman.

14. [From light, n. s.] Bright; clear. Tatler, No. 270.

As soon as the morning was light, the men were sent away. Gen. xliv. 3. The horses ran up and down with their tails

and mains on a light fire. Knolles.

15. Not dark; tending to whiteness. In painting the light and a white colour are but one and the same thing: no colour more resembles the air than white, and by consequence no colour which is lighter. Druden.

Two cylindric bodies with annular sulci, found with sharks' teeth, and other shells, in a light coloured clay. Woodward.

LIGHT. adv. [for lightly, by colloquial corruption.] Lightly; cheaply.

Shall we set light by that custom of reading, from whence so precious a benefit hath grown?

To Light. † v. a. [from light, n.s.] pret. and part, lighted, light, and lit. "This and part. lighted, light, and lit. verb in the past time and participle is pronounced short, light or lit: but the regular form is preferable, and prevails most in writing." Lowth, Eng. Gram. See Lit.

1. To kindle; to enflame; to set on fire; to make flame.

Swinging coals about in the wire, thoroughly lighted them.

This truth shines so clear, that to go about to prove it were to light a candle to seek the sun. Glanville.

The same candle that refreshes when it is first light, smells and offends when it is going out.

South, Serm. vii. 298. The maids, who waited her commands, Ran in with lighted tapers in their hands. Be witness, gods, and strike Jocaster dead,

If an immodest thought or low desire, Inflam'd my breast since first our loves were

lighted. Absence might cure it, or a second mistress Light up another flame, and put out this. Addison, Cato.

2. To give light to; to guide by light. A beam that falls,

Fresh from the pure glance of thine eye, Lighting to eternity. Crashaw. Ah hopeless, lasting flames! like those that

To light the dead, and warm the unfruitful urn.

3. To illuminate; to fill with light. The sun was set, and vesper to supply

His absent beams, had lighted up the sky. Dryd. Up is emphatically joined to light.

No sun was lighted up the world to view. Dryden, Ovid.

5. [From the adjective.] To lighten; to ease of a burthen.

Land some of our passengers, And light this weary vessel of her load.

Spenser, F. Q. To Light. v. n. pret. lighted, or light, or lit. [lickt, chance, Dutch.]

1. To happen to find; to fall upon by chance: it has on before the thing

No more settled in valour than disposed to justice, if either they had lighted on a better friend, or could have learned to make friendship a child, and not the father of virtue. Sidney.

The prince, by chance, did on a lady light, That was right fair and fresh as morning rose. Spenser.

Haply, your eye shall light upon some toy You have desire to purchase. Shakspeare. As in the tides of people once up, there want not stirring wings to make them more rough; so

this people did light upon two ringleaders. Bacon, Hen. VII. Of late years, the royal oak did light upon count Rhodophil. Howel, Voc. For.

The way of producing such a change on colours may be easily enough lighted on, by those conversant in the solutions of mercury.

Boyle on Colours.

He sought by arguments to sooth her pain; Nor those avail'd; at length he lights on one, Before two moons their orb with light adorn, If heaven allow me life, I will return. Dryden.

Truth light upon this way, is of no more avail to us than error; for what is so taken up by us, may be false as well as true; and he has not done his duty, who has thus stumbled upon truth in his way to preferment.

Whosoever first lit on a parcel of that substance we call gold, could not rationally take the bulk and figure to depend on its real essence.

As wily reynard walk'd the streets at night, On a tragedian's mask he chanc'd to light, Turning it o'er, he mutter'd with disdain, How vast a head is here without a brain!

Addison. A weaker man may sometimes light on notions which have escaped a wiser. Watts on the Mind

2. To fall in any particular direction: with on.

The wounded steed curvets: and, rais'd up-

Lights on his feet before: his hoofs behind Spring up in air aloft, and lash the wind.

Dryden, Æn.

3. To fall; to strike on: with on.

He at his foe with furious rigour smites, That strongest oak might seem to overthrow; The stroke upon his shield so heavy lights,

That to the ground it doubleth him full low.

At an uncertain lot none can find themselves

grieved on whomsoever it lighteth. They shall hunger no more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat. Rev. vii, 16.

On me, me only, as the source and spring Of all corruption, all the blame lights due.

Milton, P. L. A curse lights upon him presently after: his great army is utterly ruined, he himself slain in it, and his head and right hand cut off, and hung up before Jerusalem. South.

4. [alightan, Sax.] To descend from a horse or carriage.

When Naman saw him running after him, he

lighted down from the chariot to meet him. 2 Kings, v. 21.

I saw 'em salute on horseback, Beheld them when they lighted, how they clung In their embracement. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. Rebekah lifted up her eyes, and when she saw Isaac, she lighted off the camel. Gen. xxiv. 64.

The god laid down his feeble rays, Then lighted from his glittering coach.

To settle; to rest; to stoop from flight.

I plac'd a quire of such enticing birds, That she will light to listen to their lays.

Then as a bee which among weeds doth fall, Which seem sweet flowers, with lustre fresh and

She lights on that, and this, and tasteth all, But pleas'd with none, doth rise and soar away.

Plant trees and shrubs near home, for bees to pitch on at their swarming, that they may not be in danger of being lost for want of a lighting place. Mortimer, Husbandry.

LIGHT-A'RMED.* adj. [light and armed.] Not heavily armed.

They around the flag Of each his faction, in their several clans, Light-arm'd or heavy, sharp, smooth, swift, or

Swarm populous.

LIGHT-BE'ARER.* n. s. [light and bearer.] A torch-bearer.

The masquers were twelve nymphs, &c. attended by so many of the Oceaniæ, which were their B. Jonson, Masques at Court. light-bearers.

LI'GHTBRAIN.* n. s. [light and brain.] A trifling, empty-headed person.

Being, as some were, light-braines, runnagates, unthriftes, and riotours. Martin, Marr. of Priests, (1554,) L l. iii.

To LIGHTEN. tv. n. Thhran, Saxon; hit liht, it lightens.

1. To flash, with thunder.

This dreadful night,

That thunders, lightens, opens graves, and roars, As doth the lion. Shakspeare, Jul. Cas. Although I joy in thee,

I have no joy of this contract to-night; It is too rash, too unadvis'd, too sudden, Too like the light'ning, which doth cease to be Ere one can say it lightens.

Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul. The lightning that lighteneth out of the one part under heaven, sheweth unto the other part. St. Luke, xvii. 24,

2. To shine like lightning.

3. Figuratively, to dart out words with vehemence; as to thunder is to emit them with noise and terrour. Of this usage of lighten Dr. Johnson takes no notice. ἩΣΤΡΑΠΤΕΝ, ἐβρόντα, ξυνεκύκα την Έλλάδα.

Now then, my lords, upon these fraile and weak foundations they come to build the sentence of their proscription: and here they lay out all their tragical eloquence; they thunder, they lighten, they storm and rage!

Apol. or Def. of the P. of Orange, (1581,) sign. N.4.b.

4. To fall; to light. [from light.]

O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us, as we do put our trust in thee. Common Prayer. To Li'GHTEN. † v. a. [lihtan, lyhtan, Sax.]

1. To illuminate; to enlighten.

Upon his bloody finger he doth wear A precious ring, that lightens all the hole.

Thou art my lamp, O Lord: and the Lord will lighten my darkness. 2 Sam. xxii. 29. Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord.

Common Prayer. O light, which mak'st the light which makes the

Which sett'st the eye without, and mind within: Lighten my spirit with one clear heavenly ray,

Which now to view itself doth first begin. Davies. A key of fire ran all along the shore, And lighten'd all the river with a blaze. Dryden.

Nature from the storm Shines out afresh; and through the lighten'd air A higher lustre, and a clearer calm, Diffusive tremble. Thomson, Summer.

2. To dart like lightning.

Yet looks he like a king: behold his eye, As bright as is the eagle's, lightens forth Controlling majesty. Shakspeare, Rich. II.

3. To exonerate; to unload. [from light,]

The mariners were afraid, and cast forth the wares that were in the ship into the sea, to lighten it of them.

4. To make less heavy. Long since with woe Nearer acquainted, now I feel, by proof,

That fellowship in pain divides not smart, Nor lightens aught each man's peculiar load. Milton, P. R.

Strive In offices of love how we may lighten Milton, P. L. Each other's burden.

5. To exhilarate; to cheer.

A trusty viliain, very on,
When I am dull with care and melancholy, Lightens my humour with his merry jest.

The audience are grown weary of continued melancholy scenes; and few tragedies shall succeed in this age, if they are not lightened with a course of mirth. Dryden.

LIGHTER. n. s. [from light, to make light. Dr. Johnson. - It is probably from the Saxon, lit, a vessel, a ship; whence litrman, a shipman: Litrmen or Lunbene, Chron. Saxon; shipmen of London. Dr. Johnson defines the word merely as "a heavy boat into which ships are lightened or unloaded."]

1. A large open vessel, usually managed with oars; a kind of barge: common on the river Thames, and employed to convey goods to or from a ship; and usually to carry ballast.

They have cockboats for passengers, and lighters for burthen. Carew, Surv. of Cornwall. He climb'd a stranded lighter's height, Shot to the black abyss, and plung'd downright.

2. [from light.] One who communicates light; as, a lamp-lighter.

Tis sweet to view from half past five to six, Our long wax candles, with short cotton wicks, Touch'd by the lamp-lighter's Promethean art, Start into light, and make the lighter start! Rejected Addresses.

LI'GHTERMAN. n. s. [lighter and man.] One who manages a lighter.

Where much shipping is employed, whatever becomes of the merchant, multitudes of people will be gainers; as shipwrights, butchers, carmen, and

LIGHTFI'NGERED. adj. [light and finger.] Nimble at conveyance; thievish.

LI'GHTFOOT. † adj. [light and foot.] Nimble in running or dancing; active.

Him so far had born his lightfoot steed. Pricked with wrath and fiery fierce disdain, That him to follow was but fruitless pain. Spenser. And all the troop of lightfoot Naiades

Flock all about to see her lovely face. Why, you think I can run like light-foot Ralph. B. Jonson, Staple of News.

LI'GHTFOOT. n. s. Venison. A cant word. LIGHTFO'OTED.* adj. [from lightfoot.] Nimble in running. Wood-nymphs mixt with her light-footed Fauns.

Drayton, Polyolb. S. 11. To say nothing how excellent he is at the swimming any water, and how he can tread the very air, he is so high-mettled and light-footed! More, Ant. against Idolatry, Pref.

Lighthe'aded. † adj. [light and head.] 1. Unsteady; loose; thoughtless; weak.

The English Liturgy, how piously and wisely soever framed, had found great opposition; the ceremonles had wrought only upon lightheaded, weak men, yet learned men excepted against some particulars. Clarendon.

2. Delirious; disordered in the mind by disease.

When Belvidera talks of "lutes, laurels, seas of milk, and ships of amber," she is not mad, but light-headed.

LIGHTHE'ADEDNESS. n. s. Deliriousness; disorder of the mind.

LIGHTHE'ARTED. adj. [light and heart.]

Gay: merry; airy; cheerful.

LI'GHTHOUSE. n. s. [light and house.] An high building, at the top of which lights are hung to guide ships at sea. He charged himself with the risque of such

vessels as carried corn in winter; and built a pharos or lighthouse. Arhuthmot. Build two poles to the meridian, with immense lighthouses on the top of them. Arbuthnot and Pope.

LIGHTLE'GGED. adj. [light and leg.] Nimble: swift.

Lightlegged Pas has got the middle space. Sidney.

LI'GHTLESS. † adj. [from light.] Wanting light; dark. The lightless fire,

Which, in pale embers hid, lurks to aspire. Shakspeare, Rape of Lucrece.

LI'GHTLY. † adj. [from light.] 1. Without weight.

This grave partakes the fleshly birth, Which cover lightly, gentle earth. B. Jonson.

2. Without deep impression. The soft ideas of the cheerful note,

Lightly receiv'd, were easily forgot. 3. Easily; readily; without difficulty; of course: commonly.

At many seasons in the yere, lyghtly every thyrde ye. Bp. Fisher, Serm. 7.
If they write or speak publickly but five words.

one of them is lightly about the dangerous estate of the church of England in respect of abused ceremonies. Hooker. Believe't not lightly that your son

Will not exceed the common, or be caught With cautelous baits and practice.

Shakspeare, Coriol. Short summers lightly have a forward spring. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

4. Without reason.

Flatter not the rich; neither do thou willingly or lightly appear before great personages. Bp. Taylor, Guide.

Let every man that hath a calling be diligent in pursuance of its employment, so as not lightly, or without reasonable occasion, to neglect it. Bp. Taylor, Holy Living.

5. Without dejection; cheerfully. With such solace the travel and weariness of pilgrims is lightly and merrily borne out.

Fox, Acts and Mon. of W. Thorpe. Bid that welcome Which comes to punish us, and we punish it,

Seeming to bear it lightly.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop.

6. Not chastely. If I were lightly disposed, I could still perhaps

have offers, that some, who hold their heads higher, would be glad to accept. Swift, Story of an injured Lady.

7. Nimbly; with agility; not heavily or tardily

I beheld the mountains, and lo, they trembled; and all the hills moved lightly. Jerem. iv. 24. Methought I stood on a wide river's bank; When on a sudden Torismond appear'd,

Gave me his hand, and led me lightly o'er;

Leaping and bounding on the billows' heads, Till safely we had reach'd the farther shore.

8. Gaily; airily; with levity; without heed

Matrimony - is not by any to be taken in hand unadvisedly, lightly, or wantonly. Common Prayer. LIGHTMI'NDED. adj. [light and mind.] Unsettled; unsteady.

He that is hasty to give credit is lightminded.

Eccl. xix. 4. LI'GHTNESS. n. s. [from light.]

1. Want of weight; absence of weight:

the contrary to heaviness.

Some are for masts of ships, as fir and pine, because of their length, straightness, and lightness. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Suppose many degrees of littleness and lightness in particles, so as many might float in the air a good while before they fell. Burnet, Theory of the Earth.

2. Inconstancy; unsteadiness.

For, unto knight there is no greater shame, Than lightness and inconstancy in love.

Spenser, F. Q. Of two things they must chuse one; namely, whether they would, to their endless disgrace, with ridiculous lightness, dismiss him, whose restitution they had in so importunate manner desired, or else condescend unto that demand.

As I blow this feather from my face, Obeying with my wind when I do blow, And yielding to another when it blows, Commanded always by the greatest gust; Such is the lightness of you common men. Shaks.

3. Unchastity; want of conduct in women. my lightness, that emboldened such base fancies to-

wards me? Can it be, That modesty may more betray our sense, Than woman's lightness! Shaks. Meas. for Meas.

4. Agility; nimbleness.

LI'GHTNING. n. s. [from lighten, lightening, lightning.]

1. The flash that attends thunder.

Lightning is a great flame, very bright, extending every way to a great distance, suddenly darting upwards, and there ending, so that it is only momentaneous. Muschenbroek.

Sense thinks the lightning born before the thunder;

What tells us then they both together are? Davies. Salmoneus, suffering cruel pains, I found For emulating Jove; the rattling sound Of mimick thunder, and the glittering blaze Of pointed lightnings, and their forky rays.

Dryden, En.

Addison, Spect.

No warning of the approach of flame, Swiftly, like sudden death, it came; Like travellers by lightning kill'd, I burnt the moment I beheld.

2. Mitigation; abatement. [from to lighten,

to make less heavy.] How oft, when men are at the point of death, Have they been merry! which their keepers call'd A lightning before death. Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul. We were once in hopes of his recovery, upon a kind message from the widow; but this only proved

LIGHTS. n. s. [supposed to be called so from their lightness in proportion to their bulk.] The lungs; the organs of breathing; we say, lights of other animals, and LIKE. + adj. [lic, Saxon; liik, Dutch; lik, lungs of men.

a lightning before death.

The complaint was chiefly from the lights, a part 1. Resembling; having resemblance. as of no quick sense, so no seat for any sharp Hayward.

LI'GHTSOME. adj. [from light.]

1. Luminous; not dark; not obscure; not opake.

Neither the sun, nor any thing sensible is that light itself, which is the cause that things are lightsome, though it make itself, and all things else visible; but a body most enlightened by whom the neighbouring region, which the Greeks call æther the place of the supposed element of fire, is affected and qualified.

White walls make rooms more lightsome than black. Bacon

Equal posture, and quick spirits, are required to make colours lightsome. Bacon, Nat. Hist. The sun

His course exalted through the Ram had run, Through Taurus and the lightsome realms of love. Dryden.

2. Gay; airy; having the power to exhilarate.

It suiteth so fitly with that lightsome affection of joy wherein God delighteth when his saints praise him.

The lightsome passion of joy was not that which now often usurps the name; that trivial, vanishing, superficial thing, that only gilds the apprehension and plays upon the surface of the soul.

LI'GHTSOMENESS. n. s. [from lightsome.]

1. Luminousness; not opacity; not obscurity; not darksomeness.

It is to our atmosphere that the variety of colours, which are painted on the skies, the lightsomeness of our air, and the twilight, are owing.

Cheyne, Philos. Prin.

2. Cheerfulness; merriment; levity. Is it the disdain of my estate, or the opinion of LIGNA'LOES. n. s. [lignum aloes, Latin.] Aloes wood.

The vallies spread forth as gardens by the river's side, as the trees of lien-aloes which the Lord hath planted, and as cedar trees beside the water.

Numb. xxiv. 6.

Li'oneous. adj. [ligneus, Latin; ligneux, French.] Made of wood; wooden; resembling wood.

It should be tried with shoots of vines, and roots of red roses; for it may be they, being of a more ligneous nature, will incorporate with the tree itself. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Ten thousand seeds of the plant harts-tongue, hardly make the bulk of a pepper-corn; now the covers, and the true body of each seed, the parenchymous and ligneous part of both, and the fibres of those parts, multiplied one by another, afford a hundred thousand millions of formed atoms, but how many more we cannot define. Grew.

LI'GNOUS.* adj. [lignosus, Latin.] Of a woody substance.

By trees then is meant a lignous woody plant, &c. Evelyn, b. i. ch. 2. § 9.

LIGNUMVI'TÆ. n. s. [Latin.] Guiacum: a very hard wood.

LI'GURE. n. s. A precious stone.

The third row a ligure, an agate, and an ame-Exod. xxviii. 19.

LIKE.* A frequent termination of adjectives in our language, from the Saxon form of lic; as zoblic, mæbenlic, heorenlic, eopõhlic, i. e. godlike, maidenlike, heavenlike, earthlike; softened into the termination of ly, and denoting resemblance, viz. godly, maidenly, heavenly, earthly; and the like.

Su. Goth.

Whom art thou like in thy greatness?

Ezek. xxxi, 2,

His son, or one of his illustrious name, How like the former, and almost the same!

Dryden, Æn. As the earth was designed for the being of men, why might not all other planets be created for the like uses, each for their own inhabitants? Bentley. This plan, as laid down by him, looks liker an

universal art than a distinct logick.

Baker on Learning. 2. Equal; of the same quantity.

More clergymen were impoverished by the late war, than ever in the like space before.

3. [For likely.] Probable; credible.
The trials were made, and it is like that the experiment would have been effectual.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. 4. Likely; in a state that gives probable expectations. This is, I think, an improper, though frequent, use.

If the duke continues these favours towards you, you are like to be much advanced.

Shakspeare, Tw. Night. He is like to die for hunger, for there is no more Jer. xxxviii. 9.

The yearly value thereof is already increased double of that it was within these few years, and is like daily to rise higher till it amount to the price of our land in England. Hopton resolved to visit Waller's quarters, that

he might judge whether he were like to pursue his Clarendon.

Many were not easy to be governed, nor like to Clarendon. conform themselves to strict rules.

If his rules of reason be not better suited to the mind than his rules for health are fitted to our bodies, he is not like to be much followed.

Baker on Learning. LIKE. n. s. [This substantive is seldom

more than the adjective used elliptically; the like, for the like thing or like person. 1. Some person or thing resembling an-

He was a man, take him for all in all, I shall not look upon his like again.

Shakspeare, Hamlet. Every like is not the same, O Cæsar. Shakspeare. Though there have been greater fleets for number, yet for the bulk of the ships never the like.

Bacon, War with Spain. Albeit an eagle did bear away a lamb in her

talons, yet a raven endeavouring to do the like was held entangled. Hayward. One offers, and in offering makes a stay;

Another forward sets, and doth no more; A third the like. Daniel, Civ. War.

His desire

By conversation with his like to help,

Millon, P. L. Two likes may be mistaken. L'Estrange.

She'd study to reform the men, Or add some grains of folly more, To women than they had before;

This might their mutual fancy strike, Since every being loves its like.

2. Used with had; near approach; a state like to another state. A sense common, but not just: perhaps had is a corruption for was.

Report being carried secretly from one to another in my ship, had like to have been my utter overthrow.

LIKE. adv.

1. In the same manner; in the same manner as: it is not always easy to determine whether it be adverb or adjective.

The joyous nymphs, and lightfoot fairies, Which thither came to hear their musick sweet, Now hearing them so heavily lament,

Like heavily lamenting from them went. Spenser.

Like as a father pitieth his children, so the Lord | pitieth them that fear him. Psal. ciii, 13.

Are we proud and passionate, malicious and revengeful? Is this to be like-minded with Christ, who was meek and lowly? Tillotson.

What will be my confusion, when he sees me Neglected, and forsaken like himself? Philips. They roar'd like lions caught in toils, and rag'd: The man knew what they were, who heretofore Had seen the like lie murther'd on the shore.

Waller. 2. In such a manner as befits.

Be strong, and quit yourselves like men.

1 Sam. iv. 9. 3. Likely; probably. A popular use not

analogical. I like the work well, ere it be demanded,

As like enough it will, I'd have it copied. Shakspeare.

To LIKE + v. a. Ilicean, Saxon; liken, Dutch; lika, Su. Goth. 7

1. To chuse with some degree of preference.

As nothing can be so reasonably spoken as to content all men, so this speech was not of them all

He gave such an account as made it appear that he liked the design.

We like our present circumstances well, and dream of no change. Atterbury.

2. To approve; to view with approbation, not fondness.

Though they did not like the evil he did, yet they liked him that did the evil.

He grew content to mark their speeches, then to marvel at such wit in shepherds, after to like their company.

He proceeded from looking to liking, and from liking to loving. For several virtues

I have lik'd several women; never any With so full soul. Shakspeare, Tempest. I look'd upon her with a soldier's eye:

That liked, but had a rougher task in hand Than to drive liking to the name of love.

Shakspeare. Scarce any man passes to a liking of sin in others, but by first practising it himself. South. Beasts can like, but not distinguish too, Nor their own liking by reflection know. Dryden.

3. To please; to be agreeable to. Now disused.

Well hoped he, ere long that hardy guest, If ever covetous hand, or lustful eye, Or lips he laid on thing that lik'd him best, Should be his prey. Spenser, F. Q. Say, my fair brother now, if this device Do like you, or may you to like entice.

Spenser, Hubb. Tale. This desire being recommended to her majesty, it liked her to include the same within one entire lease.

He shall dwell where it liketh him best. Deut. The musick likes you not.

Shakspeare, Two Gent. of Ver. There let them learn, as likes them to despise God and Messiah. Milton, P. I.

4. [From the adjective like.] To liken. And like me to the peasant boys of France. Shakspeare, Hen. VI. P. I.

To LIKE. + v. n.

1. To be pleased with: with of before the thing approved. Obsolete, Dr. Johnson says; but he is mistaken in thinking it disused. Brockett, N. C. Words.

Of any thing more than of God they could not by any means like, as long as whatsoever they knew besides God, they apprehended it not in itself without dependency upon God.

like of this resolution, that they thought two days a long delay. Knolles.

2. To chuse; to list; to be pleased. The man likes not to take his brother's wife.

He that has the prison doors set open is perfectly at liberty, because he may either go or stay, as he best likes.

LI'KELIHOOD. n. s. [from likely.] LI'KELINESS.

1. Appearance; shew. Obsolete. What of his heart perceive you in his face, By any likelihood he show'd to-day

- That with no man here he is offended. Shakspeare.

Resemblance: likeness. Obsolete. The mayor and all his brethren in best sort,

Like to the senators of antique Rome Go forth and fetch their conqu'ring Cæsar in. As by a low, but loving likelihood,

Were now the general of our gracious empress, As in good time he may, from Ireland coming, How many would the peaceful city quit,

To welcome him. Shakspeare, Hen. V. There is no likelihood between pure light and black darkness, or between righteousness and reprobation.

3. Probability; verisimilitude; appearance of truth.

As it noteth one such to have been in that age, so had there been more, it would by likelihood as well have noted many.

Many of likelihood informed me of this before, which hung so tottering in the balance, that I could neither believe nor misdoubt.

Shaksneare, All's Well. It never yet did hurt, To lay down likelihood, and forms of hope.

Shaksneare. As there is no likelihood that the place could be so altered, so there is no probability that these rivers were turned out of their courses.

Ralegh, Hist. of the World. Where things are least to be put to the venture, as the eternal interests of the other world ought to be; there every, even the least, probability, or likelihood of danger, should be provided against.

There are predictions of our Saviour recorded by the evangelists, which were not completed till after their deaths, and had no likelihood of being so when they were pronounced by our blessed Saviour.

Addison on the Chr. Religion.
Thus, in all likelihood, would it be with a libertine who should have a visit from the other world: the first horror it raised would go off, as Atterbury. new diversions came on.

LI'KELY.† adj. [from like.]

1. That may be liked; that may please. These young companions make themselves believe they love at the first looking of a likely

Sir John, they are your likeliest men; I would have you served with the best. Shakspeare. Hen. IV.

Those argent fields more likely habitants, Translated saints and middle spirits hold Betwixt the angelical and human kind.

Milton, P. L. 2. Probable; that may in reason be thought or believed; that may be thought more reasonably than the contrary: as, a likely story, that is, a credible story.

It seems likely that he was in hope of being busy Johnson, Life of Otway. and conspicuous.

LI'KELY. adv. Probably; as may reasonably be thought.

While man was innocent, he was likely ignorant of nothing that imported him to know. Glanville, Scepsis.

The young soldiers did with such cheerfulness | To LI'KEN. v.a. | from like. The Su. Goth. likna is the same.] To represent as having resemblance; to compare.

The prince broke your head for likening him to a singing man of Windsor. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. For who, though with the tongue

Of angels, can relate? or to what things Liken on earth conspicuous, that may lift Human imagination to such height Of God-like power? Milton, P. L.

LI'KENESS.+ n. s. [from like. Sax. licnerre.]

 Representation; parable; comparison. He seide to them, sothely ye schal seye to me this likenesse, leche, heale thyself. Wicliffe, St. Luke, iv.

2. Resemblance; similitude.

They all do live, and moved are To multiply the likeness of their kind.

A translator is to make his author appear as charming as he can, provided he maintains his character, and makes him not unlike himself. Translation is a kind of drawing after the life, where there is a double sort of likeness, a good one and a bad one. Dryden.

There will be found a better likeness, and a worse; and the better is constantly to be chosen.

3. Form; appearance.

Never came trouble to my house in the likeness of your grace; for trouble being gone, comfort. should remain.

It is safer to stand upon our guard against an enemy in the likeness of a friend, than to embrace any man for a friend in the likeness of an enemy. L'Estrange.

4. One who resembles another; a copy; a counterpart.

Poor Cupid, sobbing, scarce could speak. Indeed, mamma, I did not know ye: Alas! how easy my mistake? I took you for your likeness Cloe. Prior.

LI'KEWISE. † adv. [like and wise.] "In very ancient style, all the words that are now compounded with wise were uncompounded, and had the preposition. They said 'in like wise' and 'in other wise.' But about the time that our present version of the Scriptures was made. the old usage was wearing out. The phrase 'in like wise' occurs [in this version] but once; (St. Matt. xxi. 24.) which Dr. Johnson has printed likewise, as if one word: whereas the compound term like-wise occurs frequently. We find, in several places, 'on this wise, in any wise, in no wise.' The two first phrases are now obsolete, and the third seems to be in the state which Dr. Johnson calls obsolescent." Campbell, Philosoph. of Rhetorick, i. 380.] In like manner: also; moreover; too.

Jesus said unto them, I also will ask you one thing, which, if ye tell me, I in like wise will tell you by what authority I do these things.

St. Matt. xxi. 24. So was it in the decay of the Roman empire, and likewise in the empire of Almaigne, after Charles the Great, every bird taking a feather. Bacon, Ess.

Spirit of vitriol poured to pure unmixed serum, coagulates it as if it had been boiled. Spirit of sea-salt makes a perfect coagulation of the serum likewise, but with some different phenomena. Arbuthnot, on Aliments.

LI'KING. adj. [Perhaps because plumpness is agreeable to the sight.] Plump; in a state of plumpness.

I fear my lord the king, who hath appointed your meat and your drink; for why should he see your faces worse liking, than the children which are of your sort? Dan. i. 10.

LI'KING. + n. s. [from like.]

I'll Good state of body; plumpness.
I'll repent, and that suddenly, while I am in some liking; I shall be out of heart shortly, and then I shall have no strength to repent.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. Their young ones are in good liking; they grow Job, xxxix. 4.

Cappadocian slaves were famous for their lustiness; and, being in good liking, were set on a stall when exposed to sale, to shew the good habit of their body. Dryden, Notes to Pers.

2. State of trial.

The royal soul, that, like the labouring moon, By charms of heart was hurried down;

Forc'd with regret to leave her native sphere, Came but a while on liking here. Druden. 3. Inclination; desire. [licung, will, Sax.]

Your liking is that I should tel a tale. Chaucer, Pard. Tale.

Why do you longer feed on loathed light, Or liking find to gaze on earthly mold? Spenser, F. Q.

4. Delight in; pleasure in: with to. [hcunz,

pleasure, Saxon.] There are limits to be set betwixt the boldness

and rashness of a poet; but he must understand those limits who pretends to judge, as well as he who undertakes to write: and he who has no liking to the whole, ought in reason to be excluded from censuring of the parts. LI'LACH. † n. s. [lilac, lilas, French.] A

The white thorn is in leaf, and the lilach tree.

The lilac hangs to view Its bursting gems in clusters blue.

T. Warton, Ode 10.

To LILL.* v. a. 1. To put out: used of the tongue. See To LOLL.

Cerberus His three deformed heads did lay along, And lilled forth his bloody flaming tong.

2. To assuage pain. [lallare, Lat. to lull. A northern word. Craven Dial. and Brockett.

LI'LLIED. adj. [from lily.] Embellished with lilies.

Nymphs and shepherds dance no more By sandy Ladon's lillied banks. Milton, Arcades.

To Lill.* v.n. To do any thing cleverly or quickly. Lancashire, according to Mr. Pegge. The Scotch use lilt in the sense of "singing cheerfully;" and "to lilt and dance" is- " to dance with great vivacity." See Dr. Jamieson's Scott. Dict. in V. To Lilt. [lulla, Su. Goth. to sing.] Thus to sing, by not using words of meaning, but tuneful syllables only. Brockett's N. C. Words. To jerk, to rise in the gait or song. Craven Dialect.

LILY. + n. s. [lilium, Latin; hla, hlize, Saxon. The etymology warrants lily; but, as Mr. Nares has observed, the analogy of our language not only allows us to double a letter, in order to shorten a preceding vowel, but even requires that we should do it; and indeed it was written lilly anciently. The Su. Goth. word is also lillia.]

There are thirty-two species of this | To Limb. v. a. [from the noun.] plant, including white lilies, orange lilies, red lilies, and martagons of various Miller.

Shipwreck'd upon a kingdom where no pity! No friends! no hope! no kindred weep for me! Almost no grave allow'd me! like the lily, That once was mistress of the field, and flourish'd, I'll hang my head, and perish.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. Arnus, a river of Italy, is drawn like an old

man, by his right side a lion, holding forth in his right paw a red lilly, or flower-de-luce.

Peacham on Drawing. Take but the humblest lily of the field; And if our pride will to our reason yield; It must by sure comparison be shown, That on the regal seat great David's son, Array'd in all his robes, and types of pow'r, Shines with less glory than that simple flow're

For her the lilies hang their heads, and die. Pope.

LI'LY-DAFFODIL. n. s. [lilio-narcissus.] A foreign flower.

LI'LYHANDED.* adj. [lily and hand.] Having hands white as the lily.

The lilly-handed Liagore Did feele his pulse. Spenser, F. Q.

LI'LY-HYACINTH. n. s. [lilio-hyacinthus.] It hath a lily flower, composed of six leaves, shaped like the flower of hyacinth: the roots are scaly, and shaped like those of the lily. There are three species of this plant; one with a blue LI'MBED. adj. [from limb.] Formed with flower, another white, and a third red.

Miller. LI'LY of the Valley, or May lily. n. s. [lilium convallium.]

The flower consists of one leaf, is shaped like a bell, and divided at the top into six segments; the ovary becomes a soft globular fruit, containing several round seeds. It is very common in shady woods. Miller.

Lily of the valley has a strong root that runs into the ground. Mortimer, Husbandry.

[lily and liver.] LI'LYLIVERED. † adj. Whitelivered; cowardly.

A base, lilylivered, action-taking knave. Shakspeare, K. Lear. Go, prick thy face, and over-red thy fear, Thou lily-liver'd boy! Shakspeare, Mo Shakspeare, Macbeth.

LI'MATURE. n. s. [limatura, Lat.] Filings of any metal; the particles rubbed off by a file.

LIMB. † n. s. [lim, Saxon; lem, Danish; "limr, Icel. membrum; lima, articu-latim dissecare." Serenius. Mr. H. Tooke deduces it from the Sax. limpian, to belong to.]

1. A member; a jointed or articulated part of animals.

A second Hector, for his grim aspect, And large proportion of his strong-knit limbs.

Now am I come each limb to survey, If thy appearance answer loud report. Milton, S. A.

2. [Limbe, French; limbus, Latin.] An edge; a border. A philosophical word. By moving the prisms about, the colours again emerged out of the whiteness, the violet and the blue at its inward limb, and at its outward limb the red and yellow.

1. To supply with limbs.

As they please They limb themselves, and colour, shape, and size Assume, as likes them best, condense, or rare. Milton, P. L.

To tear asunder; to dismember.

LI'MBECK. n. s. [corrupted by popular pronunciation from alembick.] A still. Her cheeks, on which this streaming nectar fell, Still'd through the limbeck of her diamond eyes.

Fires of Spain, and the line,
Whose countries limbecks to our bodies be,
Donne. Canst thou for gain bear?

Call up, unbound,
In various shapes, old Proteus from the sea,

Drain'd through a limbeck to his naked form.

Milton, P. L. The earth, by secret conveyances, lets in the sea, and sends it back fresh, her bowels serving for a limbeck.

He first survey'd the charge with careful eyes, Yet judg'd, like vapours that from limbecks rise, It would in richer showers descend again.

The warm limbeck draws Salubrious waters from the nocent brood. Philips.

To LI'MBECK.* v. a. [from the noun.] To strain as through a still. An uncommon, and not a good expression. Feltham somewhere also uses it.

The greater do nothing but limbeck their brains in the art of alchumie.

Sir E. Sandys, State of Religion.

regard to limbs. A steer of five years' age, large limb'd, and fed, To Jove's high altars Agamemnon led.

Pope, Iliad.

LI'MBER. † adj. [lemper, Danish, to bend to any one's will; lempa, Su. to give way, to yield. Junius and Serenius.] Flexible; easily bent; pliant; lithe. You put me off with limber vows. Shakspeare.

I wonder how, among these jealousies of court and state, Edward Atheling could subsist, being the indubitate heir of the Saxon line: but he had tried, and found him a prince of limber virtues : so as though he might have some place in his caution, yet he reckoned him beneath his fear. At once came forth whatever creeps the ground,

Insect, or worm: those wav'd their limber fans For wings; and smallest lineaments exact In all the liveries deck'd of summer's pride.

Milton, P. L. She durst never stand at the bay, having nothing but her long soft limber ears to defend More on Atheism.

The muscles were strong on both sides of the aspera arteria, but on the under side, opposite to that of the œsophagus, very limber. Ray on Creation.

LI'MBERNESS. n. s. [from limber.] Flexi-

bility; pliancy.

LI'MBERS.* n. s. pl. [limar, plur. of lim, Icel. boughs of trees.] In the rustick language of Berkshire, thills or shafts; in military language, two-wheel carriages having boxes for ammunition; and in naval language, limber-holes are little 'square apertures cut in the timbers of the ship to convey the bilge water to the pump. See LIMMER.

LI'MBLESS.* adj. [limblear, Sax.] Wanting limbs; deprived of limbs.

Lop these legs that bore me To barbarous violence; with this hand cut off 4 M

This instrument of wrong, till nought were left me But this poor bleeding limbless trunk.

Massinger, Renegado. LI'MBMEAL.* adv. [limb and meal.] Piecemeal; in pieces.

O! that I had her here to tear her limbmeal. Shakspeare, Cymb.

Tears cards limbmeal without regard to age, Butler, Char. Rem. sex, or quality.

LI'MBO.† \ n. s. ["Eo quod sit limbus inferorum;" Du Cange; that is, as if the frontier or margin of the other world.]

1. A region bordering upon hell, in which there is neither pleasure nor pain. Popularly hell.

I do clearly reject, and esteem as fables, all the

limbos of the fathers.

Bp. Hooper, Confess. of Chr. Faith, (1584,) § 25. No, he is in tartar limbo, worse than hell, A devil in an everlasting garment hath him.

One whose hard heart is button'd up with steel.

O what a sympathy of woe is this! As far from help as limbo is from bliss. Shaksp. According to the common doctrine of their church, [the church of Rome,] the souls of pious men were held in a limbus, remote from God, in the borders of hell.

Bp. Patrick, Answ. to the Touchstone, p. 179. All these up-whirl'd aloft Fly o'er the backside of the world far off,

Into a limbo large, and broad, since call'd The paradise of fools. Milton, P. L.

2. Any place of misery and restraint. For he no sooner was at large, But Trulla straight brought on the charge; And in the self-same limbo put The knight and squire, where he was shut.

Hudibras. Friar, thou art come off thyself, but poor I am left in limbo. Dryden, Span. Friar.

LIME.† n.s. [lim, zeliman, Saxon, to glue; lijm, Teut. glue.]

1. A viscous substance drawn over twigs, which catches and entangles the wings

of birds that light upon it. Poor bird! thou'dst never fear the net or lime, The pitfall, nor the gin, Shakspeare, Macbeth.

You must lay lime, to tangle her desires, By wailful sonnets, whose composed rhimes Should be full fraught with serviceable vows. Shakspeare.

Jollier of this state Than are new-benefic'd ministers, he throws, Like nets or lime-twigs, wheresoe'er he goes, His title of barrister on every wench. Donne. By this means

I knew the foul enchanter though disguis'd, Enter'd the very lime-twigs of his spells, And yet came off. Milton, Comus.

A thrush was taken with a bush of lime-twigs. L'Estrange Then toils for beasts, and lime for birds were

And deep-mouth'd dogs did forest walks surround.

Or court a wife, spread out his wily parts Like nets, or lime-twigs, for rich widows' hearts.

2. An essential ingredient in mortar and some other cements; so called because of its use in cement. [lime, Sax. calx.] It is one of the alcaline earths, lately shewn to be a metallick oxide. the Journal of Science, &c. No. 20, p.286.

There are so many species of lime stone, that we are to understand by it in ! general any stone that, upon a proper Lt'MEHOUND.* n. s. [called also lym, degree of heat, becomes a white calx, limer, or limmer. See Lym, and Limwhich will make a great ebullition and noise on being thrown into water, falling into a loose white powder at the bottom. The lime we have in London is usually made of chalk, which is weaker than that made of stone. Hill, Mat. Medica.

They were now, like sand without lime, ill bound together, especially as many as were English, who were at a gaze, looking strange one upon another, not knowing who was faithful to Bacon, Hen. VII. their side.

As when a lofty pile is rais'd, We never hear the workmen prais'd, Who bring the lime, or place the stones,

But all admire Inigo Jones. Lime is commonly made of chalk, or of any sort of stone that is not sandy, or very cold. Mortimer.

LIME Tree, or LINDEN. n. s. [linb, Saxon, tilia, Lat.

1. The linden tree.

The flower consists of several leaves, placed orbicularly, in the form of a rose, having a long narrow leaf growing to the footstalk of each cluster of flowers, from whose cup rises the pointal, which becomes testiculated, of one capsule, containing an oblong seed. The timber is used by carvers and turners. These grow to a considerable bulk. Sir Thomas Brown mentions one, in Norfolk, sixteen yards in circuit. Miller. For her the limes their pleasing shades deny,

For her the lilies hang their heads, and die. Pope. 2. A species of lemon. [lime, French.]

Bear me, Pomona! to thy citron groves! To where the lemon and the piercing lime, With the deep orange glowing through the green, Their lighter glories blend. Thomson, Summer.

To Lime. † v. a. [zeliman, Sax.]

1. To entangle; to ensnare. With attendance, and with besinesse, Ben we ylimed both more and lesse.

Chaucer, Wife of Bath's Tale. Oh bosom, black as death

Oh limed soul, that, struggling to be free, Art more engaged. Shakspeare, Hamlet. Example, that so terrible shows in the wreck of maidenhood, cannot, for all that, dissuade succession, but that they are limed with the twigs

that threaten them. Shaksneare. The bird that hath been limed in a bush, With trembling wings misdoubteth every bush, And I, the hapless male to one sweet bird, Have now the fatal object in my eye,

Where my poor young was lim'd, was caught, and kill'd. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

2. To smear with lime.

Myself have lim'd a bush for her, And place a quire of such enticing birds,

That she will light to listen to their lays. Shaksp. Those twigs in time will come to be limed, and then you are all lost if you do but touch them. I. Estrange.

3. To cement. This sense is out of use. I will not ruinate my father's house, Who gave his blood to lime the stones together,

And set up Lancaster. Shakspeare, Hen. VI. 4. To manure ground with lime. Encouragement that abatement of interest gave

to landlords and tenants, to improve by draining, marling, and liming. All sorts of pease love limed or marled land.

Mortimer. LI'MEBURNER.* n. s. [lime and burn.] One Huloet. who burns stones to lime.

MER. See also Cotgrave, "limier, a bloodhound." Holme, in his old Academy of Armory, deduces our word limer from the leam or string with which this kind of dog was led. And so in the Gentleman's Recreation: "The string wherewith we lead a grey-hound is called a leace; and that for a hound, a lyme," p. 16.] A limer, or large dog used in hunting the wild boar. Kersey. But Talus, that could like a limehound wind

her, And all things secrete wisely could bewray, At length found out, whereas she hidden lay,

Spenser, F. Q. v. ii. 25. All the limehounds in the city should have drawn after you by the scent. B. Jonson, Barthol. Fair.

LI'MEKILM. n. s. [lime and kiln.] Kiln where stones are burnt to lime.

The counter gate is as hateful to me, as the reek of a lime kiln. Shaksp. M. Wives of Winds.
They were found in a lime kiln, and having passed the fire, each is a little vitrified. Woodward.

LI'MESTONE. n. s. [lime and stone.] The stone of which lime is made.

Fire stone and lime stone, if broke small, and laid on cold lands, must be of advantage. Mortimer, Husbandry.

trees continue sound many years, and LI'ME-TWIG. + See the first sense of LIME. LI'METWIGGED.* adj. [from lime and twig.] Smeared with lime; prepared to entangle.

Not to have their consultations lime-twigg'd with quirks and sophisms of philosophical persons. L. Addison, W. Barbary, (1671,) Pref.

LIME-WATER. n. s.

Lime-water, made by pouring water upon quick lime, with some other ingredients to take off its ill flavour, is of great service internally in all cutaneous eruptions, and diseases of the lungs. Hill, Materia Medica.

He tried an experiment on wheat infused in lime water alone, and some in brandy and lime water mixed, and had from each grain a great Mortimer, Husbandry-

LI'MIT. n. s. [limite, French; limitor, Latin.] Bound; border; utmost reach. The whole limit of the mountain round about shall be most holy. Exod. xliii, 12.

We went, great emperor, by thy command, To view the utmost limits of the land : Ev'n to the place where no more world is found, But foaming billows beating on the ground.

To LI'MIT. v. a. [limiter, French, from

the noun.

1. To confine within certain bounds: to restrain; to circumscribe; not to leave at large.

They tempted God, and limited the Holy One of Israel. Psal. lxxviii. 41. Thanks I must you con, that you

Are thieves profest; for there is boundless theft In limited professions. Shakspeare, Timon. If a king come in by conquest, he is no longer a limited monarch.

2. To restrain from a lax or general signification: as, the universe is here limited to this earth.

LIMITA'NEOUS. adj. [from limit.] Belonging to the bounds. Dict. LI'MITARY. adj. [from limit.] Placed at |

the boundaries as a guard or superintendant.

Then, when I am thy captive, talk of chains, Milton, P. L. Proud limitary cherub! LIMITA'TION. † n. s. [limitation, French; limitatio, Latin.]

I. Restriction; circumscription.

Limitation of each creature, is both the perfection and the preservation thereof. Hooker. Am I yourself,

But, as it were, in sort of limitation?

Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs. I despair, how this limitation of Adam's empire to his line and posterity, will help us to one heir. This limitation, indeed, of our author, will save those the labour, who would look for him amongst the race of brutes; but will very little contribute to the discovery amongst men.

If a king come in by conquest, he is no longer a limited monarch; if he afterwards consent to limitations, he becomes immediately king de jure.

2. Confinement from a lax or undeterminate import.

The cause of error is ignorance, what restraints and limitations all principles have in regard of the matter whereunto they are applicable. 3. Limited time.

You have stood your limitation, and the tribunes Endue you with the people's voice.

Shakspeare, Coriol. 4. A certain precinct, in which friars were allowed to beg, or exercise their func-

Some [pulpits] have not had foure sermons these fifteene or sixteene yeares, since friers left their limitations.

Bp. Gilping, Serm. before K. Edward VI. p. 25. LI'MITEDLY. * adv. [from limited.] With

limitation.

Some person or number of persons were vested with a sovereign authority, subordinate to our Lord, to be managed in a certain manner, either absolutely according to pleasure, or limitedly according to certain rules.

Barrow, Unity of the Church. LI'MITER.* n. s. [from limit.]

1. One who restrains within certain bounds; that which circumscribes.

Calling the same god "Jovem terminalem," that is, Jupiter the limiter or the bounder of all Fotherby, Atheom. (1622,) p. 176. It appeareth, that the sun is not that infinite timiter, which giveth several gifts, and setteth several bounds, unto all other things. 'Ibid: p. 180.

A law so good and moral, the limiter of sin. Milton, Tetrachordon.

2. A friar who had a licence to beg within a certain district, or whose duty was confined to a certain district. Obsolete. Almost every fryer limitour caryeth it written in Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 69. his bosome. I mean me to disguise

In some strange habit after uncouth wize,

Or like a pilgrim, or a limiter. Spenser, Hubb. Tale. "LI'MITLESS.* adj. [limit and less.] Unbounded; unlimited.

Thou wilt crown

With limitless renown.

Sidney, Astrophel and Stella. Now to this sea of city-commonwealth, Limitless London, am I come obscur'd. Davies, Wit's Pilgrimage, H. 4. b.

Ye never aime A limitless desire to what may maime

The settled quiet of a peaceful state. Browne, Brit. Past. ii. 4.

LI'MMER. T n. S. 1. [limier, French.] A lime-hound. See Lime-hound, "A limmer is a mungrel dog, half a cur, and half a hound or spaniel." Huloet. And thus Ainsworth calls this dog a mongrel. Mr. Tyrwhitt has admitted this word into his Glossary to Chaucer from the preceding one subjoined to Urry's edition of the old poet, and defines it "a blood-hound," with a a reference, in proof of the assertion, to both words in the following lines; in which, however, the second usage of limer means not the hound, but the lad or servant that led this kind of dog, which was accustomed to be so brought into the field.

There overtoke I a grete rout Of hunters and of foresters, And many relaies and limers That hied 'hem to the forest fast, And I with 'hem; so at the last I askid one lad, a lymere, Say felowe, who shal huntin here?

Dreme of Chaucer, 360.
A lymer, or leamer, so called from the leam or line wherewith he is led, is a middle-sized hound between a harier and a greyhound both for kind, and frame of body, being active, light, and nimble. Holme, Academy of Armory.

2. [limar, plural of lim, Icel. boughs of trees. See LIMBERS.] A thill or shaft. " Limmers, a pair of shafts." North.

3. [limonier, Fr.] A thill-horse; a "lim-Sherwood.

To LIMN. v. a. [enluminer, French, to adorn books with pictures.] To draw; to paint any thing.

Mine eye doth his effigies witness, Most truly limn'd, and living in your face.

Shakspeare. Emblems limned in lively colours. Peacham. How are the glories of the field spun, and by what pencil are they limned in their unaffected bravery?

LI'MNER. n. s. [corrupted from enlumineur, a decorator of books with initial pictures.] A painter; a picture-maker.

That divers limners at a distance, without either copy or design, should draw the same picture to an undistinguishable exactness, is more conceivable than that matter, which is so diversified, should frame itself so unerringly, according to the idea of Glanville, Scepsis. its kind.

Poets are limners of another kind,

To copy out ideas in the mind; Words are the paint by which their thoughts are

And nature is their object to be drawn. Granville.

LI'MOUS. adj. [limosus, Latin.] Muddy; slimv.

That country became a gained ground by the muddy and limous matter brought down by the Nilus, which settled by degrees unto a firm land. Brown, Vulg. Err.

They esteemed this natural melancholick acidity to be the limous or slimy fæculent part of the Floyer.

LIMP. adj. [limpio, Italian.]

1. Vapid; weak. Not in use. The chub eats waterish, and the flesh of him is Walton, Angler not firm, limp and tasteless.

2. It is used in some provinces, and in Scotland, for limber, flexile.

To LIMP. + v. n. [limp-healt, lame, Sax. lempen, limpen, to halt in one's gait. Lye.] To halt; to walk lamely. An old poor man,

Who after me hath many a weary step Limp'd in pure love. Shakspeare, As you like it. Son of sixteen,

Pluck the lin'd crutch from thy old limping sire. Shakspeare.

How far

The substance of my praise doth wrong this shadow In underprising it; so far this shadow

Doth limp behind the substance. When Plutus, with his riches, is sent from Jupiter, he limps and goes slowly; but when he is sent by Pluto, he runs, and is swift of foot. Bacon. Limping death, lash'd on by fate,

Comes up to shorten half our date. Dryden, Hor. The limping smith observ'd the sadden'd feast, And hopping here and there put in his word.

Dryden.

Can syllogism set things right? No: majors soon with minors fight: Or both in friendly consort join'd,

The consequence limps false behind. LIMP.* n. s. [from the verb.] Halt; the act of limping; a colloquial expression; as, he has a limp in his walking

LI'MPER.* n. s. [from limp.] One who limps in his walking. Sherwood. LI'MPET. n. s. A kind of shell fish. Ainsw. LI'MPID. adj. [limpide, French; limpidus,

Lat.] Clear; pure; transparent. The springs which were clear, fresh, and limpid, become thick and turbid, and impregnated with sulphur as long as the earthquake lasts.

Woodward, Nat. Hist.

The brook that purls along The vocal grove, now fretting o'er a rock, Gently diffus'd into a limpid plain.

Thomson, Summer.

LI'MPIDNESS. n. s. [from limpid.] Clearness; purity.

LI'MPINGLY. † adv. [from limp.] In a lame Sherwood. halting manner. LI'MPITUDE.* n. s. [limpitudo, Latin.]

Clearness; brightness. Cockeram. LI'MY. adj. [from lime.]

1. Viscous; glutinous.

Striving more, the more in laces strong Himself he tied, and wrapt his winges twain In limy snares the subtil loops among. Spenser. 2. Containing lime.

A human skull covered with the skin, having been buried in some limy soil, was tanned, or turned into a kind of leather. Grew, Museum.

LIN.* n.s. [llyn, Welsh, a lake.] A mere or pool, from which rivers spring. Drayton.

Recount her rivers from their lins.

Drayton, Polyolb. Song 9. To LIN. * v. n. [linna, Icel. to cease; ablinnan, Sax. the same.] To yield; to cease; to give over. It is still a northern word.

Unto his foe he came, Resolv'd in mind all suddenly to win, Or soon to lose before he once would lin.

Spenser, F. Q. For couer fire, and it will never linne Till it breake forth; in like case, shame and sinne.

Mir. for Mag. p. 365. Set a beggar on horseback, he'll never lin till he B. Jonson, Staple of News. be a gallop. Linch.* n. s. A ledge; a rectangular

projection; whence the term linch-pin, a pin with a linch. The derivations of the word linchpin, by our etymologists, it will be seen are now inadmissible. Jennings's West Country Words. Mr. Jennings, however, offers no etymology 4 M 2

for linch; and I am still of opinion that [7. Contour; outline. the Saxon word, which I have produced under linchpin, is correct. Formerly, in agreement with my etymology, the word was linspin. See Cowell's Law Dict. in

V. LINIO. Li'nchpin.† n. s. [quasi links-pin, Skin-ner.—Su. Goth. lunta, paxillus axis. Dr. Jamieson .- It is the Sax. lynn, axis.] An iron pin, that keeps the wheel on the axle-tree. Dict.

Through which something of a lace or bobbin might be drawn, as a nail through the linchpin of an axletree to keep the wheel on. Clubb's Wheatfield.

LI'NCOLN Green.* n. s. The colour of stuff or cloth made formerly at Lincoln. All in a woodman's jacket he was clad Of Lincolne greene, belay'd with silver lace.

Spencer, F. Q. She's in a frock of Lincolne green,

Which colour likes her sight. Drayton, Pastorals. LI'NCTURE.* n. s. [lincturus, Lat. from lingo. Medicine licked up by the tongue.

Confections, treacle, mithridate, eclegms, or Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 380.

LI'NCTUS. n. s. [from lingo, Lat.] Medicine licked up by the tongue.

1 n. s. [linb, Saxon.] The lime LIND. LI'NDEN. S tree. See LIME.

As light as leafe on linde. Chaucer, Cl. Tale. Hard box, and linden of a softer grain. Dryd. Two neighbouring trees, with walls encompass'd round,

One a hard oak, a softer linden one. Dryden. LINE. † n. s. [linea, Latin; lin, Su. Goth.] 1. Longitudinal extension.

Even the planets, upon this principle, must gravitate no more towards the sun: so that they would not revolve in curve lines, but fly away in direct tangents, till they struck against other planets.

2. A slender string.

Well sung the Roman bard; all human things, Of dearest value, hang on slender strings:

O see the then sole hope, and in design Of heav'n our joy, supported by a line.

A line seldom holds to strain, or draws streight in length, above fifty or sixty feet. Moxon, Mech. Exercises.

3. A thread extended to direct any operations.

We as by line upon the ocean go, Whose paths shall be familiar as the land. Dryd. 4. The string that sustains the angler's

hook. Victorious with their lines and eyes,

They make the fishes and the men their prize. Waller. 5. Lineaments, or marks in the hand or

face. Long is it since I saw him,

But time hath nothing blurr'd those lines of favour Which then he wore. Shakspeare, Cymb. I shall have good fortune; go to, here's a simple line of life; here's a small trifle of wives. Shaks.

Here, while his scanting drone-pipe scann'd The mystick figures of her hand,

He tipples palmestry, and dines On all her fortune-telling lines.

Cleaveland.

6. Delineation; sketch.

You have generous thoughts turned to such speculations: but this is not enough towards the raising such buildings as I have drawn you here the lines of, unless the direction of all affairs here were wholly in your hands. Temple.

The inventors meant to turn such qualifications into persons as were agreeable to his character, for whom the line was drawn. Pope, Ess. on Homer. 1. To cover on the inside.

Oh lasting as those colours may they shine, Free as thy stroke, yet faultless as thy line / Pope. 8. As much as is written from one margin to the other; a verse.

In the preceding line, Ulysses speaks of Nausicaa, yet immediately changes the words into the masculine gender.

In moving lines these few epistles tell What fate attends the nymph who loves too well.

9. Rank of soldiers.

They pierce the broken foe's remotest lines. Addison.

10. Work thrown up; trench. Now snatch an hour that favours thy designs, Unite thy forces, and attack their lines Dryden, Æn.

11. Method; disposition. The heavens themselves, the planets, and this

centre, Observe degree, priority, and place, Insisture, course, proportion, season, form, Office, and custom, in all line of order.

12. Extension; limit.

Eden stretch'd her line From Auran eastward to the royal towers Of great Seleucia. Milton, P. L.

13. Equator; equinoctial circle.

It were the greatest folly in the world to perplex one's self with that, which perchance will never come to pass: but if it should, then God, who sent it, will dispose it to the best; most certainly to his glory; which would satisfy us in our respects to him; and, unless it be our fault, as certainly to our good; which, if we be not strangely unreasonable, must satisfy in reference to ourselves and private interests. Besides all this, in the very dispensation God will not fail to give such allays. which, like the cool gales under the line, will make the greatest heats of suffering very supportable.

Hammond, in Fell's Life of him, § 2.

When the sun below the line descends, Then one long night continued darkness joins.

 Progeny; family, ascending or descending. [lin, old French.] He chid the sisters

When first they put the name of king upon me, And bade them speak to him; then prophet-like, They hail'd him father to a line of kings. He sends you this most memorable line,

In every branch truly demonstrative, Willing you overlook this pedigree.

Shakspeare, Hen. V. Some lines were noted for a stern, rigid virtue, savage, haughty, parsimonious, and unpopular; others were sweet and affable. Dryden.

His empire, courage, and his boasted line,
Were all prov'd mortal. Roscom Roscommon. A golden bowl

The queen commanded to be crown'd with wine, The bowl that Belus us'd, and all the Tyrian line. Dryden.

The years Ran smoothly on, productive of a line Of wise heroick kings.

15. A line is one tenth of an inch. Locke. 16. [In the plural.] A letter: as, I read your lines. Dr. Johnson. - Used also now in the singular; as, I send you a line.

17. Lint or flax. [linum, Latin; linet, Saxon.]

Nor anie weaver, which his worke doth boast In diaper, in damaske, or in lyne.

Spenser, Muiopotmos. To Line. v. a. [supposed by Junius from linum, linings being often made of linen. 7

A box lined with paper to receive the mercury that might be spilt.

2. To put any thing in the inside: a sense rather ludicrous.

The charge amounteth very high for any one man's purse, except lined beyond ordinary, to reach unto. Her women are about her: what if I do line

one of their hands? Shakspeare, Cymb.

He, by a gentle bow, divin'd How well a cully's purse was lin'd. 3. To guard within.

Notwithstanding they had lined some hedges with musqueteers, they were totally dispersed. Clarendon.

4. To strengthen by inner works. Line and new repair our towns of war With men of courage, and with means defendant. Shakspeare.

5. To cover with something soft. Son of sixteen,

Pluck the lin'd crutch from thy old limping sire.

6. To double: to strengthen with help. Who lin'd himself with hope,

Eating the air, on promise of supply. Shakspeare. My brother Mortimer doth stir About his title, and hath sent for you

o line his enterprise. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

The two armies were assigned to the leading of To line his enterprise. two generals, both of them rather courtiers, and assured to the state, than martial men, yet lined and assisted with subordinate commanders of great experience and valour.

7. To impregnate: applied to animals generating.

Thus from the Tyrian pastures lin'd with Jove He bore Europa, and still keeps his love. Creech.

LI'NEAGE. n. s. [linage, French.] Race; progeny; family, ascending or descend-Both the lineage and the certain sire

From which I sprung from me are hidden yet.

Joseph was of the house and lineage of David. St. Luke, ii. 4.

The Tirsan cometh forth with all his generation or lineage, the males before him, and the females following him; and if there be a mother from whose body the whole lineage is descended, there is a traverse where she sitteth. Men of mighty fame,

And from the immortal gods their lineage came. Dryden.

No longer shall the widow'd land bemoan A broken lineage, and a doubtful throne, But boast her royal progeny's increase, And count the pledges of her future peace.

Addison. This care was infused by God himself, in order to ascertain the descent of the Messiah, and to prove that he was, as the prophets had foretold, of the tribe of Judah, and of the lineage of David. Atterburu.

LI'NEAL. adj. [linealis, from linea, Lat.] 1. Composed of lines; delineated.

When any thing is mathematically demonstrated weak, it is much more mechanically weak; errors ever occurring more easily in the management of gross materials than lineal designs. Wotton, Architecture.

2. Descending in a direct genealogy.

To re-establish, de facto, the right of lineal succession to paternal government, is to put a man in possession of that government which his fathers did enjoy, and he by lineal succession had a right

3. Hereditary; derived from ancestors. Peace be to France, if France in peace permit Our just and lineal entrance to our own.

Shakspeare, K. John.

4. Allied by direct descent.

Queen Isabel, his grandmother,

Was lineal of the lady Ermengere.

Shakspeare, Hen. V. O that your brows my laurel had sustain'd! Well had I been depos'd if you had reign'd: The father had descended for the son; For only you are lineal to the throne.

LI'NEALLY. adv. [from lineal.] In a direct

If he had been the person upon whom the crown had lineally and rightfully descended, it was good Clarendon.

LI'NEAMENT. n. s. [lineament, French; lineamentum, Latin.] Feature; discriminating mark in the form.

Noble York Found that the issue was not his begot: Which well appeared in his lineaments, Being nothing like the noble duke, my father. Shakspeare.

Six wings he wore to shade Milton, P. L. His lineaments divine. Man he seems

In all his lineaments, though in his face The glimpses of his father's glory shine

Milton, P. R. There are not more differences in men's faces. and the outward lineaments of their bodies, than there are in the makes and tempers of their minds; only there is this difference, that the distinguishing characters of the face, and the lineaments of the body, grow more plain with time, but the peculiar physiognomy of the mind is most discernible in Locke children.

I may advance religion and morals, by tracing some few lineaments in the character of a lady, who hath spent all her life in the practice of both

The utmost force of boiling water is not able to destroy the structure of the tenderest plant: the lineaments of a white lily will remain after the strongest decoction.

LI'NEAR. adj. [linearis, Latin.] Composed of lines; having the form of lines.

Where-ever it is freed from the sand stone, it is covered with linear striæ, tending towards several centres, so as to compose flat stellar figures. Woodward on Fossils.

LINEA'TION. n. s. [lineatio, Latin, from linea.] Draught of a line or lines.

There are in the horney ground two white lineations, with two of a pale red. Woodward.

LI'NEN. 7 n. s. [linum, Latin; linen, lin-nin, Saxon; linen peapp, linen warp. Lye.] Cloth made of hemp or flax. Here is a basket, he may creep in; throw foul

linen upon him, as if going to bucking. Shakspeare. Unseen, unfelt, the fiery serpent skims Between her linen and her naked limbs.

Dryden, Æn.

LI'NEN. adj. [lineus, Latin.] 1. Made of linen.

A linen stock on one leg, and a kersey boot hose on the other, gartered with a red and blue list. Shakspeare.

2. Resembling linen.

Death of thy soul! those linen cheeks of thine Are counsellors to fear. What soldiers, whey-face?

LINENDRA'PER. + n. s. [linen and draper.] He who deals in linen.

Dealt with the linen-drapers.

B. Jonson, Dev. an Ass. Charles Cambrick, linendraper in the city of Westminster, was indicted for speaking obscenely to the lady Penelope Touchwood. Tatler, No. 259.

LI'NENER.* \ n. s. [from linen.] A linen draper. LI'NEN-MAN.

learned council about you every morning, your French taylor, barber, linener, &c.

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B. Jonson, Epicane. I have in a table

With curious punctuality set down To a hair's breadth, how low a new-stamp'd courtier

May vail to a country gentleman, and, by Gradation, to his merchant, mercer, draper, His linen-man and taylor.

Massinger, Emp. of the East.

LING. The termination notes commonly diminution; as, kitling, and is derived from klein, German, little; sometimes a quality; as, firstling, in which sense Skinner deduces it from langen, old Johnson. Teutonick, to belong.

When Skinner and Johnson, after puzzling about the derivation of this termination, referred it to the old Teut. langen, or Germ. klien, they never adverted, that it was immediately derived from the Saxon ling, a common termination, used in the same manner, as in the old English and Scottish. See G. Chalmers. Somner and Lye.

LING. n. s. [ling, Icelandick.]

1. Heath. This sense is retained in the LI'NGET. + n. s. [from languet; lingot, Fr.] northern counties; yet Bacon seems to distinguish them.

Heath, and ling, and sedges. Bacon, Nat. Hist. 2. [linghe, Dutch.] A kind of sea fish. When harvest is ended take shipping, or ride,

Ling, salt fish, and herring, for Lent to provide,

Our English bring from thence good store of fish, but especially our deepest and thickest ling, which are therefore called island lings. Abbot, Descr. of the World.

LI'NGEL.* See LINGLE.

To LI'NGER. v. n. [from leng, Saxon, long.]

1. To remain long in languor and pain. Like wretches, that have linger'd long We'll snatch the strongest cordial of our love.

Better to rush at once to shades below,

Than linger life away, and nourish woe.

2. To hesitate; to be in suspense. Perhaps thou lingerest, in deep thoughts detain'd Of th' enterprize so hazardous and high. Milton, P. R.

3. To remain long. In an ill sense. Let order die, And let this world no longer be a stage

To feed contention in a lingering act. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

Ye brethren of the lyre, and tuneful voice, Lament his lot; but at your own rejoice. Now live secure, and linger out your days The gods are pleas'd alone with Purcel's lays.

Your very fear of death shall make ye try To catch the shade of immortality; Wishing on earth to linger, and to save

Part of its prey from the devouring grave. Prior. 4. To remain long without any action or

determination. We have lingered about a match between Anne Page and my cousin Slender, and this day we shall have our answer.

Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor. 5. To wait long in expectation or uncertainty.

I must solicit All his concerns as mine:

If she love good clothes or dressing, have your

And if my eyes have power, he should not sue In vain, nor linger with a long delay.

Dryden, Cleomenes. 6. To be long in producing effect. She doth think, she has strange ling'ring poisons.

To Li'nger. v. a. To protract; to draw out to length. Out of use.

I can get no remedy against this consumption of the purse. Borrowing only lingers and lingers it out, but the disease is incurable.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. She lingers my desires. Shakspeare. Let your brief plagues be mercy,

And linger not our sure destructions on. Shaks. LI'NGERER. † n. s. [from linger.] One who

Lingerers, persons who do not indeed employ their time criminally, but are such pretty innocents, who, as the poet says, "Waste away, in gentle inactivity, the day!" Guardian, No. 131. LI'NGERING.* n. s. [from linger.] Tar-

Lest with a whip of scorpions I pursue

Thy lingering. Milton, P. L. LI'NGERINGLY. adv. [from lingering.] With delay; tediously.

Of poisons, some kill more gently and lingeringly, others more violently and speedily, yet both

A small mass of metal.

Other matter hath been used for money, as among the Lacedemonians, iron lingets quenched with vinegar, that they may serve to no other use.

Seville has at present more business, as being nearer the source of riches, the port of Cadiz, where the lingots of America are landed.

Swinburne, Trav. through Spain. L. 44.

LI'NGLE.* n. s. [ligneul, Fr. Cotgrave; lingula, Lat.] Shoemaker's thread. Cockeram.

His aule and lingell in a thong, His tar-boxe on his broad belt hong. Drayton, Shep. Garl. (1593.)

LI'NGO. n. s. [Portuguese.] Language; tongue; speech. A low cant word. I have thoughts to learn somewhat of your

lingo, before I cross the seas. Congreve, Way of the World.

LINGUA'CIOUS. adj. [linguax, Lat.] Full of tongue; loquacious; talkative.

LINGUADE'NTAL. † adj. [lingua and dens, Lat.] Uttered by the joint action of the

tongue and teeth. Ph and Bh, (or F and V,) are labiodental; Tand D are gingival; Th and Dh are linguadental.

Holder, Elem. of Speech, p. 71. LI'NGUIST. n. s. [from lingua.] A man

skilful in languages.

Though a linguist should pride himself to have all the tongues that Babel cleft the world into, yet, if he had not studied the solid things in them, well as the words and lexicons, he were nothing so much to be esteemed a learned man, as any yeoman or tradesman competently wise in his mother dialect only.

Milton on Education.

Our linguist received extraordinary rudiments towards a good education. Addison, Spect.

LI'NGWORT. n. s. An herb.

LI'NGY.* adj. This word has very opposite senses applied to it, as a northern expression; by Grose, in the sense of limber; which is repeated in the Craven Glossary with the additions of tall and flexible; but by Mr. Brockett, in the senses of active, strong, able to bear fatigue.

LI'NIMENT. n. s. [liniment, French; linimentum, Lat. 7 Ointment; balsam; un-

The nostrils, and the jugular arteries, ought to be anointed every morning with this liniment or balsam.

The wise author of nature hath provided on the rump two glandules, which the bird catches hold upon with her bill, and squeezes out an oily pap or liniment, fit for the inunction of the fea-Ray on Creation.

LI'NING. n. s. [from line.]

1. The inner covering of any thing; the inner double of a garment.

Was I deceived, or did a sable cloud,

Turn forth her silver lining on the night? Milton, Comus. The fold in the gristle of the nose is covered

with a lining, which differs from the facing of the Grew, Cosmol. Sacra. The gown with stiff embroid'ry shining, Looks charming with a slighter lining.

2. That which is within.

The lining of his coffers shall make coats To deck our soldiers for these Irish wars, Shaksp.

LINK. n. s. [gelencke, Germ.]

1. A single ring of a chain.

The Roman state, whose course will yet go on The way it takes, cracking ten thousand curbs Of more strong links asunder, than can ever

Appear in your impediment. Shakspeare, Coriol. The moral of that poetical fiction, that the uppermost link of all the series of subordinate causes, is fastened to Jupiter's chair, signifies an useful truth.

Truths hang together in a chain of mutual dependance; you cannot draw one link without attracting others. Glanville.

While she does her upward flight sustain, Touching each link of the continued chain, At length she is oblig'd and forc'd to see A first, a source, a life, a deity.

2. Any thing doubled and closed together.

Make a link of horse hair very strong, and fasten it to the end of the stick that springs. Mortimer, Husbandry.

3. A chain; any thing connecting. Nor airless dungeon, nor strong links of iron, Can be retentive to the strength of spirit.

Shakspeare.

The link of nature draw me; flesh of flesh, Bone of my bone thou art. Milton, P. I. Fire, flood and earth, and air, by this were bound,

And love, the common link, the new creation crown'd. Dryden, Kn. Tale.

4. Any single part of a series or chain of consequences; a gradation in ratiocination; a proposition joined to a foregoing and following proposition.

The thread and train of consequences in intellective ratiocination is often long, and chained together by divers links, which cannot be done in imaginative ratiocination by some attributed to Judge Hale. brutes.

5. A series: this sense is improper. Addison has used link for chain.

Though I have here only chosen this single link of martyrs, I might find out others among those names which are still extant, that delivered down this account of our Saviour in a successive tra-Addison on the Christian Religion.

6. [from λύχνος.] A torch made of pitch and hards.

O, thou art an everlasting bonefire light; thou hast saved me a thousand marks in links and torches, walking with thee in the night betwixt Shakspeare, Hen. IV. tavern and tavern.

Whereas history should be the torch of truth, he makes her in divers places a fuliginous link of Howell.

Round as a globe, and liquor'd every chink, Goodly and great he sails behind his link. Dryd. One that bore a link

On a sudden clapp'd his flaming cudgel, Like linstock, to the horse's touch-hole. Hallibras.

7. Perhaps in the following passage it may mean lampblack.

There was no link to colour Peter's hat. Shaksneare..

To Link. v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To complicate; as, the links of a chain. Descending tread us down Thus drooping; or with linked thunderbolts

Transfix us to the bottom of this gulph. Milton, P. L.

Against eating cares, Lap me in soft Lydian airs; Married to immortal verse, Such as the meeting soul may pierce In notes, with many a winding bout Of linked sweetness long drawn out.

Milton, L'All. 2. To unite; to conjoin in concord.

They're so link'd in friendship, That young prince Edward marries Warwick's daughter.

3. To join; to connect.

Link towns to towns with avenues of oak, Inclose whole downs in walls, 'tis all a joke.

So from the first eternal order ran, And creature link'd to creature, man to man. Pope.

4. To join by confederacy or contract. They make an offer of themselves into the service of that enemy, with whose servants they link themselves in so near a bond.

Be advised for the best, Ere thou thy daughter link in holy band Of wedlock, to that new unknown guest.

Spenser, F. Q. Blood in princes link'd not in such sort,

As that it is of any pow'r to tye. Daniel, Civ. Wars.

5. To connect; as concomitant. New hope to spring

Out of despair; joy, but with fear yet link'd. Milton, P. L.

God has linkt our hopes and our duty together. Decay of Chr. Piety. So gracious hath God been to us, as to link

together our duty and our interest, and to make those very things the instances of our obedience, which are the natural means and causes of our Tillotson, happiness.

6. To unite or concatenate in a regular series of consequences.

These things are linked, and, as it were, chained one to another: we labour to eat, and we eat to live, and we live to do good; and the good which we do is as seed sown, with reference unto a future harvest,

Tell me which part it does necessitate? I'll chuse the other; there I'll link th' effect; A chain, which fools to catch themselves project!

By which chain of ideas thus visibly linked together in train, i. e. each intermediate idea agreeing on each side with those two, it is immediately placed between, the ideas of men and self-determination appear to be connected. Locke.

To LINK.* v. n. To be connected: with

All the productions of the earth link in with each other. Burke on Scarcity. n. s. [link and boy.] A boy LI'NKBOY. that carries a torch to LI'NKMAN.

accommodate passengers with light. What a ridiculous thing it was, that the continued shadow of the earth should be broken by sudden miraculous disclusions of light, to prevent the officiousness of the linkboy!

Though thou art tempted by the linkman's call, Yet trust him not along the lonely wall. Gay. In the black form of cinder wench she came.

O may no linkboy interrupt their love! Gay, Trivia.

LI'NNET. + n. s. [linetpize, Saxon; believed to be from linez, flax, on the seed of which the bird feeds: linotte. French; linaria, Latin. A small singing bird.

The swallows make use of celandine, the linnet of euphragia, for the repairing of their sight. More, Antid. against Atheism.

Is it for thee the linnet pours his throat? Pope. LI'NSEED. † n. s. [lingæb, Saxon; semen lini, Latin.] The seed of flax, which is

much used in medicine. The joints may be closed with a cement of lime. linseed oil, and cotton. Mortimer, Husbandry.

LI'NSEY.* n. s. [a corruption of linen.] Linsey-woolsey; stuff made of linen and wool mixed.

No matter for the stuff, whether linsey or wool-Bentley, Phil. Lips. Here is a very great trade in worsted stockings, some linsies, and a coarse kind of cloth. Pennant.

LI'NSEY-WOO'LSEY.* n. s. [a corruption of linen and wool.] Stuff made of linen and wool mixed; light or coarse stuff: hence what is mean, vile, unsuitable.

He gave them coates of linsey-wulsey; for, said he, that is good and warme for winter, and good and light for summer ...

Bp. of Chichester, Two Serm. (1576,) sign. C.8.b.
Barefooted and barelegged, only clothed in linsey-woolsey.

Homilies, Serm. P. II. for Whitsunday. If among the covetous there is linsey woolsey, as far as will make for their profit, so far, and no

longer, they love God. Loe, Bliss of Br. Beauty, (1614,) p. 15.

LI'NSEY-WOO'LSEY. † adj. [linen and wool.] Made of linen and wool mixed. Vile; mean; of different and unsuitable parts. Luther himselfe being accompted a very papist, and the Lutheran an asse in a rochet, a linsey wolsey bishop.

Stapleton, Fort of the Faith, (1565,) fol. 102. b. This sense may seem to have a ground from the like prohibition of linsy-woolsy garments, and the sowing of a field with mingled seed.

Gregory, Notes on Script. ch. 19. That linsie-woolsie intermixture of comick mirth with tragick seriousness

Phillips, Theatr. Poet. Pref.

A lawless linsey-woolsie brother, Hudibras. Half of one order, half another. Peel'd, patch'd and pyebald, linsey-woolsey brothers,

Grave mummers! sleeveless some, and shirtless

Pope, Dunciad.

LI'NSTOCK. n. s. [lunte or lente, Teutonick, lint and stock.] A staff of wood with a match at the end of it, used by gunners in firing cannon. The nimble gunner

With lynstock now the devilish cannon touches, And down goes all before him.

Shakspeare, Hen. V.

The distance judg'd for shot of ev'ry size, The linstocks touch, the pond'rous ball expires.

Druden. LINT. + n. s. [linteum, Latin; llin, Welsh LI'ON'S-PAW. and Erse. Dr. Johnson. - It is the Sax. LI'ON'S-TAIL.

1. The soft substance commonly called LIP. n. s. [hppe, Saxon.] flax.

2. Linen scraped into soft woolly substance to lay on sores.

I dressed them up with unguentum basilici cum vitello ovi, upon pledgits of lint.

Wiseman, Surgery.

LI'NTEL. n. s. [linteal, French.] That part of the door frame that lies cross the door posts over head.

Take a bunch of hysop, and dip it in the blood that is in the bason, and strike the lintel and the two side posts.

When you lay any timber on brick work, as lintels over windows, lay them in loam, which is a great preserver of timber.

Moxon, Mech. Exercises. Silver the lintals deep projecting o'er, And gold the ringlets that command the door. Pope, Odyss.

LI'ON. n. s. [lion, French; leo, Latin.] 1. The fiercest and most magnanimous of fourfooted beasts.

Be lion-mettled; proud, and take no care Who chafes, who frets, or where conspirers are; Macbeth shall never vanquish'd be.

Shakspeare, Macbeth. The sphinx, a famous monster in Egypt, had the face of a virgin, and the body of a lion Peacham on Drawing.

They rejoice Each with their kind, lion with lioness; So fitly them in pairs thou hast combin'd. Milton, P. L.

See lion-hearted Richard, Piously valiant, like a torrent swell'd With wintry tempests, that disdains all mounds, Breaking away impetuous, and involves Within its sweep trees, houses, men, he press'd Amidst the thickest battle,

2. A sign in the zodiack.

The lion for the honours of his skin, The squeezing crab, and stinging scorpion shine For aiding heaven, when giants dar'd to brave Creech, Manilius. The threatened stars, LI'ONESS. n. s. [feminine of lion.] A she

lion. Under which bush's shade, a lioness Lay couching head on ground, which catlike

When that the sleeping man should stir.

Shakspeare. The furious lioness,

Forgetting young ones, through the fields doth May. The greedy lioness the wolf pursues,

The wolf the kid, the wanton kid the browze.

If we may believe Pliny, lions do, in a very severe manner, punish the adulteries of the lioness. Ayliffe, Parergon.

Li'onleaf. n. s. [leontopetulon, Latin.] A Miller. plant, LI'ONLIKE.* \ adj. [from lion.] Resem-LI'ONLY. bling a lion.

The anguish arm'd our armes with strength to

And made us both encounter lion-like.

Mir. for Mag. p. 600. King Richard's surname was Cœur-de-Lion Camden, Rem. for his lion-like courage. Such lion-like terrour is in that mild face, when it looks upon wickedness.

Bp. Hall, Contempt. B. S.

diction. Milton, Reas. of Ch. Gov. B. ii.

LI'ON'S-MOUTH. (n. s. [from lion.] The name of an herb. Li'on's-tooth.

1. The outer part of the mouth, the muscles that shoot beyond the teeth, which are of so much use in speaking, that they are used for all the organs of speech.

Those happiest smiles That play'd on her ripe lip, seem'd not to know What guests were in her eyes. Shaksp. K. Lear. No falsehood shall defile my lips with lies,

Or with a vail of truth disguise.

Sandys, Paraph. on Job. Her lips blush deeper sweets. Thomson, Spring.

2. The edge of any thing.

In many places is a ridge of mountains some distance from the sea, and a plain from their roots to the shore; which plain was formerly covered by the sea, which bounded against those hills as its first ramparts, or as the ledges or lips of its Burnet, Theory of the Earth. In wounds, the lips sink and are flaccid; a gleet

followeth, and the flesh within withers.

Wiseman, Surgery. 3. To make a lip. To hang the lip in sullenness and contempt.

A letter for me! It gives me an estate of seven years' health; in which time I will make a lip at the physician.

To Lip. v. a. [from the noun.] To kiss. Obsolete.

A hand, that kings Have lint, and trembled kissing.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. Oh! 'tis the fiend's arch mock,

To lip a wanton, and suppose her chaste. Shaksp. Lip-devo'tion.* n. s. [lip and devotion.]

Devotion uttered by the lips without concurrence of the heart.

Lin-devotion will not serve the turn; it undervalues the very thing it prays for. It is indeed the begging of a denial, and shall certainly be answered in what it begs. South, Serm. vi. 386. LIP-GOOD. * adj. [lip and good.] Good in

talk without practice. Men are deceiv'd, who think there can be thrall Beneath a virtuous prince. Wish'd liberty Ne'er lovelier looks than under such a crown: But when his grace is meerly but lip-good, And that no longer than he airs himself Abroad in publick, there to seem to shun The strokes and stripes of flatterers, which within Are lechery unto him, and so feed His brutish sense with their afflicting sound, As dead to virtue, he permits himself Be carried like a pitcher by the ears To every act of vice: This is a case Deserves our fear, and doth presage the night

And close approach of blood and tyranny. B. Jonson, Sejanus. LIP-LA'BOUR. † n. s. [lip and labour.] Action of the lips without concurrence of the mind; words without sentiments.

Christ calleth your Latyne howres idlenesse, hypocresye, moche bablynge, and lyppe-laboure.

**Bale, Yet a Course. &c. (1543,) fol. 24. b.

Fasting, when prayer is not directed to its own purposes, is but lip-labour.

Bp. Taylor, Rule of Holy Living. LIP-LABO'RIOUS.* adj. [from lip-labour.] Uttering words without sentiments; hypocritical.

The lower the times grew, the worse they were at the bottom: the Bramins grew hypocritical and lin-laborious.

Lord's Hist. of the Banians, (1630,) p. 86.

Covering to ride upon the tionly form of juris- Lipo'thymous. adj. [leftw and Supics.] Swooning; fainting.

If the patient be surprised with a lipothymous languor, and great oppression about the stomach and hypochonders, expect no relief from cordials.

Harvey on the Plague. Lipo'thymy. n. s. [λειποθυμία.] Swoon; fainting fit.

The senators falling into a lipothymy, or deep swooning, made up this pageantry of death with a representing of it unto life.

Bp. Taylor, Worthy Communicant. In lypothymies or swoonings, he used the frication of this finger with saffron and gold.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

LI'PPED. adj. [from lip.] Having lips. LI'PPITUDE. n. s. [lippitude, French; lippitudo, Latin.] Blearedness of eyes.

Diseases that are infectious are, such as are in the spirits and not so much in the humours, and therefore pass easily from body to body; such are pestilences and lippitudes.

LIP-WI'SDOM. n. s. [lip and wisdom.] Wisdom in talk without practice.

I find that all is but lip-wisdom, which wants experience; I now, woe is me, do try what love can do.

LI'QUABLE. adj. [from liquo, Latin.] That may be melted.

LIQUA'TION. n. s. [from liquo, Latin.] 1. The act of melting.

Capacity to be melted.

The common opinion hath been, that crystal is nothing but ice and snow concreted, and by duration of time, congealed beyond liquation. Brown, Vulg. Err.

To LI'QUATE. v. n. [liquo, Latin.] To melt; to liquefy.

If the salts be not drawn forth before the clay is baked, they are apt to liquate.

Woodward on Fossils.

LIQUEFA'CTION. n. s. [liquefactio, Latin; liquefaction, French.] The act of melting: the state of being melted.

Heat dissolveth and melteth bodies that keep in their spirits, as in divers liquefactions; and so doth time in honey, which by age waxeth more liquid. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

The burning of the earth will be a true liquefaction or dissolution of it, as to the exterior re-Burnet. gion.

LIQUEFI'ABLE. adj. [from liquefy.] That may be melted.

There are three causes of fixation, the even spreading of the spirits and tangible parts, the closeness of the tangible parts, and the jejuneness or extreme comminution of spirits: the two first may be joined with a nature liquefiable, the last Bacon, Nat. Hist.

To LIQUEFY. v. a. [liquefier, French; liquefacio, Latin.] To melt; to dissolve. That degree of heat which is in lime and ashes, being a smothering heat, is the most proper, for it doth neither liquefy nor rarefy; and that is true Bacon. Nat. Hist. maturation.

To LI'QUEFY. v. n. To grow liquid.

The blood of St. Januarius liquefied at the approach of the saint's head. Addison on Italy. Lique'scency. n. s. [liquescentia, Latin.] Aptness to melt.

LIQUE'SCENT. adj. [liquescens, Latin.] Melting.

LIQUE'UR.* n. s. [French.] A most affected and contemptible expression, much used of late for what is in fact a dram, a draught of some spirituous and high-flavoured liquid, by those whose gentility recoils at the vulgar phrase. Know what conserves they choose to eat,

And what liqueurs to tipple.

Shenstone, To the Vinuosi.

LI'QUID. adj. [liquide, French; liquidus,

1. Not solid; not forming one continuous substance; fluid. Gently rolls the liquid glass.

2. Soft; clear.

Her breast, the sugared nest Of her delicious soul, that there does lie, Bathing in streams of liquid melody.

3. Pronounced without any jar or harsh-

The many liquid consonants give a pleasing sound to the words, though they are all of one syl-

lable. Let Carolina smooth the tuneful lay, Lull with Amelia's liquid name the nine,

And sweetly flow through all the royal line. Pone, Hor.

4. Apparent; manifest.

If a creditor should appeal to hinder the burial of his debtor's corpse, his appeal ought not to be received, since the business of burial requires a quick dispatch, though the debt be entirely liquid. Ayliffe, Parergon.

Li'quid substance; liquor. Be it thy choice, when summer heats annoy, To sit beneath her leafy canopy,

Quaffing rich liquids.

To LI'QUIDATE. v. a. [from liquid.] To clear away; to lessen debts.

If our epistolary accounts were fairly liquidated, I believe you would be brought in considerable I.d. Chesterfield.

Liquida'Tion.* n. s. [from To liquidate.] Act of lessening debts.

LIQUI'DITY. n. s. [from liquid.] Subtilty;

The spirits, for their liquidity, are more inca-pable than the fluid medium, which is the conveyer of sounds, to persevere in the continued

repetition of vocal airs. LI'QUIDNESS. n. s. [from liquid.] Quality

of being liquid; fluency Oil of anniseeds, in a cool place, thickened into the consistence of white butter, which, with the least heat, resumed its former liquidness.

LI'QUOR. n. s. [liquor, Latin; liqueur, French.

1. Any thing liquid: it is commonly used of fluids inebriating, or impregnated with something, or made by decoction.

Nor envied them the grape Whose heads that turbulent liquor fills with fumes. Milton, S. A.

Sin taken into the soul, is like a liquor poured into a vessel; so much of it as it fills, it also seasons.

2. Strong drink; in familiar language. To LI'QUOR. v. a. [from the noun.] drench or moisten.

Cart wheels squeak not when they are liquored.

LI'QUORICE.* n. s. See LICORICE. LI'QUORISH.* adj. See LICKEROUS. LIRICONFA'NCY. n. s. A flower.

LI'RIPOOP.* n. s. [liripion, liripipion, Fr.] " Chaperon des docteurs de Sorbonne, longue robe de docteur, suivant Ra-belais." Roquefort. Leri-ephippium, a contraction of cleri-ephippium, the tippet

or hood of a clergyman. Littleton.] The hood of a graduate.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood. In this letter the good primate doth not trouble his clergy with recommending a single virtue, or reproving a single vice; but he charges them, with great solemnity, not to wear short liripoops of silk, nor gowns open before, nor swords, nor daggers, nor embroidered girdles.

Henry, Hist. of Gr. Brit. vol. 6. (regn. H. VII.)

LI'SBON.* n. s. [from Lisbon in Portugal.] 1. A kind of white wine.

2. A kind of soft sugar.

Lish.* adj. Stout; active; strong; nimble. 3. [ligt, Sax. the verge or border of any A northern word. Grose, Crav. Dial. and Brockett.

LISNE. n. s. A cavity; a hollow.

In the lisne of a rock at Kingscote in Gloucestershire, I found a bushel of petrified cockles, each near as big as my fist. Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

To LISP. tv. n. [plipp, Saxon; lispen, Belg. from the Gr. λίσπη γλώσσα, Aristoph. in Ranis, a lisping, stuttering tongue; Casaubon and Upton: from blæsus, Lat. stammering, lisping; Wachter.] speak with too frequent appulses of the tongue to the teeth or palate, like children.

Come, I cannot cog, and say, thou art this and that, like a many of these lisping hawthorn buds, that come like women in men's apparel, and smell like Bucklersbury in simpling time.

Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor.

They ramble not to learn the mode,

How to be drest, or how to lisp abroad. Cleaveland. Appulse partial, giving some passage to breath, is made to the upper teeth, and causes a lisping sound, the breath being strained through the teeth. Holder, Elem. of Speech.

As yet a child, nor yet a fool to fame, I lisp'd in numbers, for the numbers came. Pope. To Lisp.* v. a. To utter with a lisp; to express imperfectly, or with hesitation. Scarce had she learnt to lisp a name

Of martyr. Lisp. n. s. [from the verb.] The act of lisping.

I overheard her answer, with a very pretty lisp, O! Strephon, you are a dangerous creature. Tatler.

LI'SPER. † n. s. [from lisp.] One who lisps. Huloet.

LI'SPINGLY.* adv. [from lisping.] With a lisp; imperfectly.

Shew him that T is close; but this lets breath; and with often trial he will hit on it, though at first it may be lispingly or imperfectly. Holder, Elem. of Speech, p. 144.

Li'ssom.* adj. [probably from legan, Sax. to loose; lirre, relaxation.] Limber; supple; relaxed; loose; free. Pegge, without any etymology, confines this word to the north of England, where it is rather leetsome, that is lightsome; as in Cheshire and part of Yorkshire, where lissom means active, agile. See Wilbraham's Chesh. Gloss. and Craven Dialect. Lissom, however, is common, in several parts of England, in the former meanings. LIST.† n. s. [liste, French.]

1. A roll; a catalogue.

He was the ablest emperour of all the list.

Bacon. Some say the loadstone is poison, and therefore in the lists of poisons we find it in many authors.

Bring next the royal list of Stuarts forth, . Undaunted minds, that rul'd the rugged north.

2. [lice, French.] Enclosed ground in which tilts are run, and combats fought. Till now alone the mighty nations strove, The rest at gaze, without the lists did stand

And threat'ning France, plac'd like a painted Jove, Kept idle thunder in his lifted hand. Paris thy son, and Sparta's king advance, In measur'd lists to toss the weighty lance;

And who his rival shall in arms subdue, His be the dame, and his the treasure too. Pope, Itiad.

thing.] Bound; limit.

The ocean, overpeering of his list, Eats not the flats with more impetuous haste Than young Laertes in a riotous head O'er-bears your officers. Shakspeare, Hamlet. She within lists my ranging mind hath brought,
That now beyond myself I will not go. Davies

4. [lyran, Saxon.] Desire; willingness; choice; pleasure. See Lust. Alas, she has no speech!

-Too much;

I find it still when I have list to sleep.

Shakspeare, Othello. Nothing of passion or peevishness, or list to contradict, shall have any bias on my judgement. King Charles.

He saw false reynard where he lay full low; I need not swear he had no list to crow. Dryden.

5. [lirt, Saxon, the same.] A strip of cloth. A linen stock on one leg, and a kersey boot hose on the other, gartered with a red and blue list. Shakspeare.

Instead of a list of cotton, or the like filtre, we made use of a siphon of glass.

Swift.

Spenser, F. Q.

A list the cobler's temple ties, To keep the hair out of his eyes.

6. A border.

They thought it better to let them stand as a list, or marginal border, unto the Old Testament.

To List.† v. n. [lýrtan, Saxon.] 1. To chuse; to desire; to be disposed; to incline.

To fight in field, or to defend this wall, Point what you list, I nought refuse at all.

Unto them that add to the word of God what them listeth, and make God's will submit unto their will, and break God's commandments for their own tradition's sake, unto them it seemeth not good. They imagine, that laws which permit them not

to do as they would, will endure them to speak as Hooker. they list. Let other men think of your devices as they list,

in my judgement they bemere fancies. White Now by my mother's son, and that's myself, Whitgift. It shall be moon, or star, or what I list. Shaksp.

Kings, lords of times, and of occasions, may Take their advantage when, and how, they list.

When they list, into the womb That bred them they return; and howl, and gnaw Milton, P. L. My bowels, their repast.

2. Used as an impersonal verb; it pleased. Frequent in our old writers.

When him list the prouder looks subdew, He would them gazing blind, or turn to other Spenser, F. Q. hew.

To List. v. a. [from list, a roll.] 1. To enlist; to enrol or register.

For a man to give his name to Christianity in those days, was to list himself a martyr, and to bid farewel not only to the pleasures, but also to the hopes of this life.

They list with women each degen'rate name Who dares not hazard life for future fame.

Dryden, Æn.

2. To retain and enrol soldiers; to enlist. The lords would, by listing their own servants, persuade the gentlemen in the town to do the like. Clarendon.

The king who raised this wall appointed a mil-Kon of soldiers, who were tisted and paid for the defence of it against the Tartars. Temple.

Two hundred horse he shall command ; Though few, a warlike and well-chosen band, These in my name are listed. Dryden.

3. [From list; enclosed ground.] To enclose for combats.

How dares your pride presume against my laws,

As in a listed field to fight your cause? Unask'd the royal grant. Dryden, Kn. Tale.

4. [From list, a shred or border.] To sew together, in such a sort as to make 1. Without inclination; without any de-

a particoloured shew. Some may wonder at such an accumulation of benefits, like a kind of embroidering or listing of

one favour upon another. Wotton, Life of Buckingham.

5. [Contracted from listen.] To hearken

to; to listen; to attend. Then weigh, what loss your honour may sus-

If with too credent ear you list his songs; Or lose your heart, or your chaste treasure open

To his unmaster'd importunity. Shaksp. Hamlet. I, this sound I better know;

List ! I would I could hear mo.

LI'STED. adj. Striped; particoloured in long streaks.

Over his head beholds A dewy cloud, and in the cloud a bow Conspicuous, with three listed colours gay, Betokening peace from God, and cov'nant new. Milton, P. L.

As the show'ry arch With listed colours gay, or, azure, gules, Delights, and puzzles the beholder's eyes. Philips.

To LI'STEN. + v. a. [hlyrcan, and lyrcan, Sax.] To hear; to attend, Obsolete. Lady, vouchsafe to listen what I say. Shaksn. One cried, God bless us ! and, amen ! the other;

As they had seen me with these hangman's hands, Listening their fear I could not say, amen.

He, that no more must say, is listened more Than they whom youth and ease have taught to glose. Shakspeare. The wonted roar was up amidst the woods,

And fill'd the air with barbarous dissonance, At which I ceas'd and listen'd them a while.

Milton, Comus.

To Li'sten. v. n. To hearken; to give attention.

Listen to me, and if you speak me fair,

I'll tell you news. Shakspeare, Tam. of the Shrew. Antigonus used often to go disguised, and lister at the tents of his soldiers; and at a time heard some that spoke very ill of him: whereupon he said, If you speak ill of me, you should go a little farther off. Bacon, Apophthegms.

Listen, O isles, unto me, and hearken, ye Isa. xlix.

When we have occasion to listen, and give a more particular attention to some sound, the tympanum is drawn to a more than ordinary tension. Holder, Elem. of Speech.

On the green bank I sat, and listen'd long; Nor till her lay was ended could I move, But wish'd to dwell for ever in the grove. Druden. He shall be receiv'd with more regard,

And listen'd to, than modest truth is heard. Dryden.

To this humour most of our late comedies owe their success: the audience listens after nothing

[LI'STENER. n. s. [from listen.] One that LITERAL. adj. [literal, French; litera, hearkens: a hearkener.

They are light of belief, great listeners after

Listeners never hear well of themselves

L'Estrange. If she constantly attends the tea, and be a good listener, she may make a tolerable figure, which will serve to draw in the young chaplain. Swift.

The hush word, when spoke by any brother in a lodge, was a warning to the rest to have a care of listeners.

LI'STFUL.* adj. [from list, in the sense of listen.] Attentive.

Thereto they both did franckly condescend And to his doome with listful cares did both attend Spenser, F. Q. v. i. 25.

LI'STLESS. adj. [from list.]

termination to one thing more than another.

Intemperance and sensuality clog men's spirits, make them gross, listless, and unactive. Tillotson.

If your care to wheat alone extend, Let Maja with her sisters first descend, Before you trust in earth your future hope,

Or else expect a listless, lazy crop. Dryden, Virg. Lazy lolling sort Of ever listless loiterers, that attend

No cause, no trust. Pope. I was listless, and desponding.

Swift, Gulliv. Trav. 2. Careless; heedless: with of. The sick for air before the portal gasp,

Or idle in their empty hives remain, Benumb'd with cold, and listless of their gain. Druden.

LI'STLESSLY. adv. [from listless.] Without thought: without attention.

To know this perfectly, watch him at play, and see whether he be stirring and active, or whether he lazily and listlessly dreams away his time. Locke on Education.

LI'STLESSNESS. † #: s. [from listless.] Inattention; want of desire. It may be the palate of the soul is indisposed

by listlessness or sorrow. By. Taylor. This habit, [sloth,] rooted in the child, grows up and adheres to the man, producing a general listlessness and aversion from labour.

Bp. Berkeley, Word to the Wise. Lit, the preterite of light; whether to light signifies to happen, or to set on fire, or guide with light.

Believe thyself, thy eyes, That first inflam'd, and lit me to thy love, Those stars that still must guide me to my joy.

I lit my pipe with the paper. Addison, Spect.

LI'TANY. † n. s. [litanie, French; λιτανέια, Greek, from λίτομαι, to pray.] A form

of supplicatory prayer. Supplications, with solemnity for the appeasing of God's wrath, were, of the Greek church, termed litanies and rogations of the Latin. Hooker.

Recollect your sins that you have done that week, and all your life time; and recite humbly and devoutly some penitential litanies.

Bp. Taylor, Guide to Devotion.

Litte.* adj. [lyt, Sax.] Little. Still so used in the north of England.

Our Lord Jesu Crist quiteth every good deed, Chaucer, Pars. Tale. he it never so lite. From this exploit he spar'd nor great nor lite. Fairfax, Tass. B. 11.

LITE.* n. s. A little; a small portion. This also is a northern phrase.

Of their array, whoso list heare more, I shal rehearse, so as I can, a lite.

Chaucer, Fl. and Leaf.

1. According to the primitive meaning, not figurative.

Through all the writings of the antient fathers, we see that the words, which were, do continue; the only difference is, that whereas before they had a literal, they now have a metaphorical use, and are as so many notes of remembrance unto us, that what they did signify in the latter, is accomplished in the truth. Hooker.

A foundation, being primarily of use in architecture, hath no other literal notation but what belongs to it in relation to an house, or other building, nor figurative, but what is founded in that, and deduced from thence. Hammond. 2. Following the letter, or exact words.

The fittest for publick audience are such as, following a middle course between the rigour of literal translations and the liberty of paraphrasts, do with greater shortness and plainness deliver the meaning. Hooker.

3. Consisting of letters; as, the literal notation of numbers was known to Europeans before the cyphers.

LI'TERAL. n. s. Primitive or literal mean-

How dangerous it is in sensible things to use metaphorical expressions unto the people, and what absurd conceits they will swallow in their literals, an example we have in our profession.

Brown, Vulg. Err. LI'TERALISM.* n. s. [from literal.] What accords with the letter or exact word.

If none of these considerations, with all their weight and gravity, can avail to the dispossessing him of his precious literalism, let some one or other entreat him but to read on.

Milton, Doct. and Disc. of Div. ii. 18. LI'TERALIST.* n. s. [from literal.] One who adheres to the letter or exact word.

Let the extreme literalist sit down now, and revolve whether this in all necessity be not the due result of our Saviour's words; or, if he persist to be otherwis opinioned, let him well advise, lest thinking to gripe fast the Gospel, he be found instead with the canon law in his fist.

Milton, Doct. and Disc. of Div. ii. 20. I shall substitute the sense of Mr. Mede, which the coarsest literalist cannot evade.

More, Myst. of Godl. p. 192. LITERA'LITY. † n. s. [from literal.] Original

meaning. Not attaining the true deuteroscopy and second intention of the words, they are fain to omit their

superconsequences, coherences, figures, or tropologies, and are not sometimes persuaded beyond their literalities. Those who are still bent to hold this obstinate

Milton, Doct. and Dis. of Divorce, B. i. ch. 14. LI'TERALLY. adv. [from literal.]

1. According to the primitive import of words; not figuratively.

That a man and his wife are one flesh, I can comprehend; yet literally taken, it is a thing impossible. Swift.

2. With close adherence to words; word by word.

Endeavouring to turn his Nisus and Euryalus as close as I was able, I have performed that episode too literally; that giving more scope to Mezentius and Lausus, that version, which has more of the majesty of Virgil, has less of his conciseness.

So wild and ungovernable a poet cannot be translated literally; his genius is too strong to bear a chain. Dryden. LI'TERARY. † adj. [literarius, Lat.] Respecting letters; appertaining to literature; regarding learning. Literary history is an account of the state of learning, and of the lives of learned men. Literary conversation is talk about questions of learning. Literary is not properly used of missive letters. It may he said, this epistolary correspondence was political oftener than literary.

He has long outlived his century, the term commonly fixed as the test of literary merit.

Johnson, Pref. to Shakspeare. The former of these appears with too much distinction in the literary as well as fashionable world, to make it necessary I should enlarge upon this Mason, Life of Gray. subject.

Soon after his [Dr. Johnson's] return to London, which was in February, 1764, was founded that club which existed long without a name, but at Mr. Garrick's funeral became distinguished by the title of the literary club. Sir Joshua Reynolds had the merit of being the first proposer of it, to which Johnson acceded; and the original members were Sir Joshua Reynolds, Dr. Johnson, Mr. Edmund Burke, Dr. Nugent, Mr. Beauclerk, Mr. Langton, Dr. Goldsmith, Mr. Chamier, and Sir John Hawkins. Boswell, Life of Johnson.

LI'TERATE.* adj. [literatus, Latin.] Learn-Cockeram.

This is the proper function of literate elegancy; to figure virtue in so fresh and lively colours, that our imagination may be so taken with the beauty of virtue, as it may invite our minds to make love to her in solitude.

W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. P. 1. (1648,) p. 348. In literate nations, though the pronunciation, and sometimes the words of common speech, may differ, as now in England, compared with the south of Scotland, yet there is a written diction, which pervades all dialects, and is understood in every province: But where the whole language is colloquial, he that has only one part, never gets the rest, as he cannot get it but by change of re-Johnson, Journ. Western Isles.

LITERA'TI. n.s. [Italian.] The learned. I shall consult some literati on the project sent me for the discovery of the longitude. LI'TERATOR.* n. s. [literator, Lat.] A

petty schoolmaster.

In this age of light, they teach the people, that preceptors ought to be in the place of gallants.

They systematically corrupt a very corruptible race, (for some time a growing nuisance amongst you,) a set of pert petulant literators, to whom, instead of their proper but severe unostentatious duties, they assign the brilliant parts of men of wit and pleasure, of gay, young, military sparks, and danglers at toilets.

Burke, Lett. to a Member of the Fr. Nat. Assembly.

LI'TERATURE. n. s. [literatura, Lat.] LI'THERLY.* adv. [from lither.] Slowly;

Learning; skill in letters.

This kingdom hath been famous for good literature; and if preferment attend deservers, there will not want supplies.

When men of learning are acted by a knowledge of the world, they give a reputation to literature, and convince the world of its usefulness

Addison, Freeholder. LITH.* n. s. [lið, Sax. lithus, Gothick.] LI'THOMANCY. n. s. [λίθος and μάνλία.] A joint; a limb. Obsolete.

Chaunteclere, loken in every lith.

Chaucer, N. Pr. Tale. LI'THARGE. n. s, [litharge, French; lithar-

gyrum, Lat.]

Litharge is properly lead vitrified, either alone or with a mixture of copper. This recrement is of two kinds, litharge of gold, and litharge of silver. silver is separated from lead, or from those where gold and silver are purified by means of that metal. The litharge sold in the shops is produced in the copper works, where lead has been used to purify that metal, or to separate sil-Hill, Materia Medica. ver from it. I have seen some parcels of glass adhering to

the test or cupel as well as the gold or litharge. If the lead be blown off from the silver by the bellows, it will, in great part, be collected in the form of a darkish powder; which, because it is

blown off from silver, they call litharge of silver. LITHE.† adj. [liče, Saxon; from lič, a

joint. See LITH.] Limber; flexible; soft; pliant; easily bent.

To makin lithe that erst was hard.

Chaucer, House of Fame, B. 1. The unwieldy elephant, To make them mirth, us'd all his might, and wreath'd

His lithe proboscis. Milton, P. L. To LITHE. * v. a. [from the adjective.] 1. To smooth; to soften; to palliate. Chaucer so uses it, Troil. and Cress. iv.

754. Obsolete; except that, in some parts of the north of England, it is applied to their way of mixing oatmeal with milk.

2. [lyda, Su. Goth.] To listen; to attend. "Lyth ye, that is, hark ye." Yorkshire Gloss. And so lithe in Cumberland.

LI'THENESS. n. s. [from lithe.] Limberness; flexibility.

LI'THER. † adj. [from lithe.]

1. Soft; pliant. Thou antick, death,

Two Talbots winged through the lither sky, In thy despight shall 'scape mortality. Shaksn. [lýŏp, Saxon.] Bad; sorry; corrupt. It is in the work of Robert of Gloucester written luther. Dr. Johnson. - Chaucer also uses it in the sense of wicked; but its more general acceptation is that of slothful, lazy, idle, indisposed to do any thing: which the Saxon word war-

rants. It is used in the north of England. Not lyther in businesse, fervente in spirite. Woolton, Chr. Manual, (1576,) K. vi.

Winter making men lither and idle. Barret, Alv. (1580.) Lazy, lither, idle, slothful, careless, negligent. Cotgrave, and Sherwood.

Barret, and Cockeram. LI'THERNESS.* n. s. [from lither.] Idle-

ness; laziness; lack of spirit to do any thing. Barret, Cotgrave, and Sherwood. LITHO'GRAPHY. n. s. [\(\frac{1}{2} \) and \(\gamma \rho \alpha \psi \omega)

The art or practice of engraving upon

Prediction by stones.

As strange must be the lithomancy, or divination, from this stone, whereby Helenus the prophet foretold the destruction of Troy. Brown, Vulg. Err.

or bladder.

LITHONTRI'PTICK. adj. [λίδος and τρίδω; per to dissolve the stone in the kidneys

It is collected from the furnaces where LITHO TOMIST. n. ε. [λ/βος and τέμνω.] A chirurgeon who extracts the stone by opening the bladder.

LITHO TOMY. n. s. [λίδος and τέμνω.] The art or practice of cutting for the stone. LI'THY.* adj. [from lithe.] Pliable;

bending easily. LI'TIGANT. n. s. [litigans, Latin; litigant, French.] One engaged in a suit

of law. The cast litigant sits not down with one cross verdict, but recommences his suit.

Decay of Chr. Piety. The litigants tear one another to pieces for the benefit of some third interest. L'Estrange, Fab.

LI'TIGANT. adj. Engaged in a juridical contest. Judicial acts are those writings and matters which

relate to judicial proceedings, and are sped in open court at the instance of one or both of the parties litigant. Ayliffe, Parergon.

To LI'TIGATE. † v. a. [litigo, Latin.] To contest in law; to debate by judicial process; to bring into litigation. What scruples, lest some future birth

Should litigate a span of earth. Shenstone.

To LI'TIGATE. v.n. To manage a suit; to carry on a cause.

The appellant, after the interposition of an appeal, still litigates in the same cause.

Ayliffe, Parergon.

LITIGA'TION. n. s. [litigatio, Latin; from litigate.] Judicial contest; suit of law. Never one clergyman had experience of both litigations, that hath not confessed, he had rather have three suits in Westminster-hall, than one in the arches. Clarendon.

LITI'GIOUS. adj. [litigieux, French.]

1. Inclinable to law-suits; quarrelsome; wrangling. Soldiers find wars, and lawyers find out still

Litigious men, who quarrels move. His great application to the law, had not infected his temper with any thing positive or liti-

2. Disputable; controvertible.

In litigious and controverted causes, the will of God is to have them to do whatsoever the sentence of judicial and final decision shall determine.

No fences parted fields, nor marks nor bounds, Distinguish'd acres of litigious grounds. Dryden, Georg.

LITI'GIOUSLY. adv. [from litigious.] Wran-

glingly.

LITI'GIOUSNESS. 7 n. s. [from litigious.] A wrangling disposition; inclination to vexatious suits.

Dr. Smalridge, who succeeded him [Atterbury] both at Carlisle and Christchurch, is said to have lamented his hard fate, in being forced to carry water after him, to extinguish the flames which his litigiousness had every where occasioned.

Stackhouse. LI'TTEN.* n. s. [lictun, Saxon, a burying ground; from lic, a corpse, lik, Su. Goth. and tun, Icel. tuna, Su. Goth. a field, an enclosed place.] A place

where the dead are reposited: the church-litten is yet an expression in several parts of England.

LI'TTER. n. s. [litiere, French.]

lithontriptique, Fr.] Any medicine pro- 1. A kind of vehiculary bed; a carriage capable of containing a bed hung between two horses.

To my litter strait;

Weakness possesseth me. Shakspeare, K. John. He was carried in a rich chariot litterwise, with two horses at each end. Bacon, New Atlantis. The drowsy frighted steeds,

That draw the litter of close-curtain'd sleep. Milton, Comus.

Here modest matrons in soft litters driv'n, In solemn pomp appear. Dryden, Æn. Litters thick besiege the donor's gate, And begging lords and teeming ladies wait The promis'd dole. Dryden, Juv.

2. The straw laid under animals, or on plants.

To crouch in litter of your stable planks.

Take off the litter from your kernel beds. Evelyn.

Their litter is not toss'd by sows unclean, Dryden, Virg.

3. A brood of young. I do here walk before thee like a sow that bath

overwhelmed all her litter but one. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

Reflect upon that numerous litter of strange, senseless opinions that crawl about the world. South.

A wolf came to a sow, and very kindly offered to take care of her litter. L'Estrange.

Full many a year his hateful head had been For tribute paid, nor since in Cambria seen: The last of all the litter 'scap'd by chance,

And from Geneva first infested France. Dryden. 4. A birth of animals.

Fruitful as the sow that carry'd The thirty pigs at one large litter farrow'd. Dryden, Juv.

5. Any number of things thrown sluttishly about.

Strephon, who found the room was void, Stole in, and took a strict survey

Swift. Of all the litter as it lay.

To LI'TTER. † v. a. [from the noun.] 1. To bring forth: used of beasts, or of human beings in abhorrence or con-

Then was this island, Save for the son that she did litter here, A freckled whelp, hag-born, not honour'd with

Shakspeare, Tempest. A human shape. My father named me Autolycus, being littered under Mercury, who, as I am, was likewise a

snapper up of unconsidered trifles. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. The whelps of bears are, at first littering, with-

out all form or fashion. Hakewill on Providence. We might conceive that dogs were created blind, because we observe they were littered so

2. To cover with things negligently, or sluttishly scattered about.

They found The room with volumes litter'd round.

3. To cover with straw. A thatched barn, a littered stable, or an ample

cowhouse. Bp. Williams, Discov. of Mist. (1663,) p. 277.

He found a stall where oxen stood, But for his ease well litter'd was the floor.

14. To supply cattle with bedding.

Tell them how they litter their jades and exercise merchandize.

Hacket's Life of Abp. Williams, (1698,) P. ii. p. 80.
To LI'TTER.* v. n. To be supplied with bedding.

The inn, Where he and his horse litter'd.

Habington, Castara, p. 111.

LITTLE. † adj. comp. less, and lesser; superl. least. [leitils, Goth. litil, Icel. lytel, Sax. "consent. reliquis dialect. 4. Not much. Septentrionalibus." Serenius.]

1. Small in extent.

The coast of Dan went out too little for them.

2. Not great; small; diminutive; of small

He sought to see Jesus, but could not for the press, because he was little of stature.

St. Luke, xix. 3 His son being then very little, I considered only as wax, to be moulded as one pleases.

Locke.

One would have all things little; hence has try'd

Turkey poults, fresh from th' egg, in batter fry'd.

3. Of small dignity, power, or importance. When thou wast little in thine own sight, wast thou not made the head of the tribes?

1 Sam. xv. 17. He was a very little gentleman. Clarendon. All that is past ought to seem little to thee, because it is so in itself.

Bp. Taylor, Guide to Devotion.

Milton.

4. Not much; not many.

He must be loosed a little season. Revelations. A little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep; so shall poverty come upon Proverbs.

And now in little space The confines met.

By sad experiment I know How little weight my words with thee can find.

A little learning is a dangerous thing Drink deep, or taste not the Pierian spring.

5. Some not none: in this sense it always stands between the article and the

I leave him to reconcile these contradictions, which may plentifully be found in him, by any one who will but read with a little attention.

LI'TTLE. † n. s.

1. A small space.

Much was in little writ; and all convey'd With cautious care, for fear to be betray'd.

2. A small part; a small proportion. He that despiseth little things, shall perish by

Ecclus. little and little. The poor remnant of human seed which remained in their mountains, peopled their country again slowly, by little and little.

Bacon, New Atlantis. By freeing the precipitated matter from the rest by filtration, and diligently grinding the white precipitate with water, the mercury will little by little be gathered into drops. Boyle.

I gave thee thy master's house, and the house of Israel and Judah; and if that had been too little, I would have given such and such things.

2 Sam. xii. 8. They have much of the poetry of Mecænas, but little of his liberality.

Dryden, Pref. to All for Love. Nor grudge I thee the much that Grecians

Nor murm'ring take the little I receive.

Dryden, Homer.

There are many expressions, which carrying with them no clear ideas, are like to remove but little of my ignorance.

3. A slight affair.

As if 'twere little from their town to chase, I through the seas pursued their exil'd race.

Dryden, Æn. I view with anger and disdain, How little gives thee joy or pain : A print, a bronze, a flower, a root.

These are fitted for, and little else. 5. Representation in a small compass; miniature: formerly common. Obso-

Give me leave to present you with her picture drawn in little, and in water colours; sullied indeed with tears and the abrupt accents of a real and consonant sorrow; but drawn with a faithful hand, and taken from the life.

Bp. Taylor, Ded. of Fun. Ser. to Ld. Carbery, (1650.) LI'TTLE. adv.

1. In a small degree.

The received definition of names should be changed as little as possible. Watts, Logick.

2. In a small quantity.

The poor sleep little. Otway.

3. In some degree, but not great.

Where there is too great a thinness in the fluids, subacid substances are proper, though they are a little astringent. Arbuthnot, on Aliments.

4. Not much.

The tongue of the just is as choice silver; the heart of the wicked is little worth. Prov. x. 20. Finding him little studious, she chose rather to endure him with conversative qualities of youth; as dancing and fencing.

That poem was infamously bad; this parallel is little better. Dryden, Dufresnoy.

Several clergymen, otherwise little fond of obscure terms, yet in their sermons were very liberal of all those which they find in ecclesiastical

LI'TTLENESS. n. s. [from little.]

1. Smallness of bulk.

All trying, by a love of littleness, To make abridgements, and to draw to less;

Ev'n that nothing which at first we were.

We may suppose a great many degrees of littleness and lightness in these earthy particles, so as many of them might float in the air. Burnet, Theory.

2. Meanness; want of grandeur.

The English and French, in verse, are forced to raise their language with metaphors, by the pompousness of the whole phrase, to wear off any littleness that appears in the particular parts.

Addison on Italy.

3. Want of dignity.

The angelick grandeur, by being concealed, does not awaken our poverty, nor mortify our littleness so much, as if it was always displayed. Collier of Envy.

LI'TTORAL. adj. [littoralis, Latin.] Belonging to the shore.

LITU'RGICAL.* adj. [liturgique, Fr. See LITU'RGICK.] Belonging

to a formulary of publick devotions.
Which lesson, if it had been well pressed by those that take on them to be somewhat gifted above their brethren, and observed better by their zealous followers, we should have had little need then of such liturgical deprecations.

Bp. Prideaux, Euch. p. 228. A tedious number of liturgical tautologies.

Milton, Animadv. Rem. Defence. Thus our liturgical version translates rightly,

" The king shall rejoice." Mason, on Church Musick, p. 188.

The rest of the liturgic hymns were supposed to be contaminated by their long and antient connection with the Roman missal.

Warton, Hist. E. P. iii. 166.

LITURGY.† n. s. [liturgie, French; λειτεργία, Greek, from λείτος, publick, and έργον, work.] Form of prayers; formulary of publick devotions. 4 N 2

We dare not admit any such form of liturgy, as either appointeth no scripture at all, or very little, to be read in the church.

Hooker.

LIV

The blessedest of mortal wights began to be importuned, so that a great part of divine liturgy was addressed solely to her.

Howel.

It is the greatest solemnity of prayer, the most powerful liturgy and means of impetration in this world.

Bp. Taylor.

To LIVE.† v. n. [Gothick, liban; Icel. lifa; Sax. liban, lipan, lipan; Germ. and Dutch, leven.]

 To be in a state of animation; to be not dead.

Is't night's predominance, or the day's shame, That darkness does the face of earth intomb, When living day should kiss it? Shaksp. Macbeth.

To save the *living* and revenge the dead, Against one warrior's arms all Troy they led. Dryde

To pass life in any certain manner with regard to habits; good or ill, happiness or misery.

O death, how bitter is the remembrance of thee to a man that liketh at rest! Ecclus. xli. 1. Dr. Parker, in his sermon before them, touched them so near for their liking, that they went near

to touch him for his life, Hayward.

The condition required of us is a conjuncture of all gospel graces rooted in the heart, though mixed with much weakness, and perhaps with many sins, so they be not wilfully lived and died in.

Hammand.

If we act by several broken views, we shall live and die in misery.

Addison, Spect.

If we are firmly resolved to live up to the dictates of reason, without any regard to wealth and reputation, we may go through life with steadiness and pleasure.

Addison.

3. To continue in life.

Our high-plac'd Macbeth
Shall live the lease of nature, and pay his breath
To time and mortal custom.
Shakspeare.
See the minutes how they run;

How many makes the hour full complete, How many hours bring about the day,

How many days will finish up the year, How many years a mortal man may live. Shaksp. The way to live long must be, to use our bodies so as is most agreeable to the rules of temperance.

Ray on the Creation.

4. To live emphatically; to be in a state of happiness.

What greater curse could envious fortune give
Than just to die when I began to live? Dryden.
Now three-and-thirty rolling years are fled

Since I began, nor yet begin to live.

Live while you live, the epicure would say,
And seize the pleasures of the present day;
Live while you live, the sacred preacher cries,
And give to God each moment as it flies:
Lord, in my views let both united be;

I live in pleasure, when I live to thee.

Doddridge, in Orton's Life of him.

5. To be exempt from death, temporal or spiritual.

My statutes and judgements, if a man do, he shall live in them.

Lev. xviii. 5.

He died for use that whether we work a release

He died for us, that whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him. 1 Thess. v. 10.

To remain undestroyed.

It was a miraculous providence that could make a vessel, so ill manned live upon sea; that kept it from being dashed against the bills, or overwhelmed in the deeps.

Burnet.

Mark how the shifting winds from west arise, And what collected night involves the skies! Nor can our shaken vessels *live* at sea,

Much less against the tempest force their way.

Dryden.

How a vessel, formed according to the description given of the structure of the ark, could live, as the seaman's phrase is, in such a tempest of waters.

Biblioth. Biblica, Oxf. i. 230.

7. To continue; not to be lost.

Men's evil manners live in brass, their virtues
We write in water. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.
Sounds which address the ear are lost and die
In one short hour; but that which strikes the eye
Lives long upon the mind; the faithful sight

Engraves the knowledge with a beam of light.

Watts.

The tomb with manly arms and trophies grace.

There high in air memorial of my name
Fix the smooth oar, and bid me live to fame. Pope.

8. To converse; to cohabit; followed by with.

The shepherd swains shall dance and sing, For thy delight each May morning. If these delights thy mind may move,

If these delights thy mind may move, Then live with me, and be my love. Shakspeare.

To feed.

Those animals that *live* upon other animals have their flesh more alkalescent than those that *live* upon vegetables.

Arbuthnot.

10. To maintain one's self; to be supported.

A most notorious thief; lived all his life-time of spoils and robberies.

Spenser.

They which minister about holy things, live of

the things of the temple. 1 Cov. ix. 13.

His goods were all seized upon, and a small portion thereof appointed for his poor wife to live

upon.

The number of soldiers can never be great in proportion to that of people, no more than of those that are idle in a country, to that of those who

live by labour. Temple. He had been most of his time in good service, and had something to live on now he was old.

Temple.

11. To be in a state of motion or vegetation.

In a spacious cave of living stone,
The tyrant Æolus, from his airy throne,
With power imperial curbs the struggling winds.
Dryden.

Cool groves and living lakes
Give after toilsome days a soft repose at night.

Dryden.

12. To be unextinguished.

Pure oil and incense on the fire they throw:
These gifts the greedy flames to dust devour,
Then on the living coals red wine they pour.

Dryden.

Live.† adj. [from alive.]

1. Quick; not dead.

If one man's ox hurt another that he die, they shall sell the live ox, and divide the money.

Exodus.

2. Active; not extinguished.

A louder sound was produced by the impetuous eruptions of the halituous flames of the saltpetre, upon casting of a live coal upon it.

Boule.

By thee the various vegetative tribes
Wrapt in a filmy net, and clad with leaves,
Draw the live ether, and imbibe the dew.

3. Vivid; spoken of colour.

Now from the virgin's cheek a fresher bloom Shoots, less and less, the live carnation round; Her lips blush deeper sweets. Thomson, Spring.

LIVE.* n. s. Life. Obsolete. See ALIVE. LI'VELESS.† adv. [from life.] Wanting

life; rather, lifeless.

Description cannot suit itself in words,
To demonstrate the life of such a battle,
In life so liveless as it shews itself. Shaks. Hen. V.

A liveless, cadaverous, noisome soul.

Hammond, Works, iv. 562.

LI'VELIHOOD. 7 n. s. [It appears to me corrupted from livelode. Dr. Johnson. — In the first sense, which is all that Dr. Johnson notices, this may be the case; but, in the second, it is from lively, and head, or hood, i. e. quality, character. See Hood.]

1. Support of life; maintenance; means of living.

Ah! luckless babe, born under cruel star, And in dead parents' baleful ashes bred; Full little weenest thou what sorrows are, Left thee for portion of thy livelihood.

That rebellion drove the lady from thence, to find a livelihood out of her own estate. Clarendon. He brings disgrace upon his character to submit to the picking up of a livelihood in that strolling way of cauting and begging.

L'Estrange.

It is their profession and livelihood to get their living by practices for which they deserve to forfeit their lives.

South,

They have been as often banished out of most other places; which must very much disperse a people, and oblige them to seek a livelihood where they can find it.

Trade employs multitudes of hands, and fur-

nishes the poorest of our fellow-subjects with the opportunities of gaining an honest *livelihood*: the skilful or industrious find their account in it.

Addison, Freeholder.

2. Living form; appearance of life. Spenser writes it lively-head.

If in that picture dead

Such life ye read, and virtue in vaine shew: What mote ye weene, if the trew lively-head Of that most glorious visage ye did vew.

Spenser, F. Q. ii. ix. 3.

The tyranny of her sorrow takes all livelihood from her cheek.

Shakspeare, All's Well.

LI'VELILY.* adv. See LIVELY. LI'VELINESS.† n. s. [from lively.]

1. Appearance of life.

What hinders while we are living, and among the living, but that we may study to adorn our looks, so as may be most remote from a deathfulness, and most agreeable by their liveliness to those with whom we live.

That liveliness which the freedom of the pencil makes appear, may seem the living hand of nature. Dryden, Dufresnoy.

2. Vivacity; sprightliness.

Give me that wit, whom praise excites, glory puts on, or disgrace grieves: he is to be nourished with ambition, pricked forward with honour, checked with reprehension, and never to be suspected of sloth: though he be given to play, it is a sign of spirit and linetiness.

Extravagant young fellows, that have tiveliness and spirit, come sometimes to be set right, and so make able and great men; but tame and low spirits very seldom attain to any thing.

Locke on Education

LI'VELODE. *† n. s. [live and lode, from lead; the means of leading life. Kelham places livelode among his old French words.] Maintenance; support; livelihood.

She gave like blessing to each creature As well of wordly *livelode* as of life, That there might be no difference nor strife.

Spenser, Hubb. Tale.
Temporal goods they had, more than them needed reasonablic to their necessary livelode.
Fox, Acts and Mon. of W. Thorpe.

.LI'VELONG. adj. [live and long.]

1. Tedious; long in passing. Many a time, and oft,

Have you climb'd up to walls and battlements, Your infants in your arms; and there have sate The livelong day, with patient expectation

To see great Pompey pass. Shakspeare, Jul. Cas. The obscure bird clamour'd the livelong night. Shakspeare.

Young and old come forth to play, On a sun-shine holiday,

Till the livelong daylight fail. Milton, L'All. Seek for pleasure to destroy

The sorrows of this livelong night. Prior. How could she sit the livelong day, Yet never ask us once to play? Swift.

2. Lasting; durable. Not used. Thou, in our wonder and astonishment,

Hast built thyself a livelong monument. Milton, Ess. on Shakspeare.

LI'VELY. † adj. [live and like. Sax. light.] 1. Brisk; vigorous; vivacious.

But wherefore comes old Manoah in such haste, With youthful steps? much livelier than ere while He seems; supposing here to find his son, Or of him bringing to us some glad news?

Milton, S. A. 2. Gay; airy. Dulness delighted, ey'd the lively dunce,

Remembering she herself was pertness once.

Form'd by thy converse, happily to steer From grave to gay, from lively to severe.

3. Representing life. Since a true knowledge of nature gives us pleasure, a lively imitation of it in poetry or painting must produce a much greater.

Dryden, Dufresnoy.

4. Strong; energetick.

His faith must be not only living, but lively too; it must be brightened and stirred up by a particular exercise of those virtues specifically requisite to a due performance of this duty.

The colours of the prism are manifestly more full, intense, and lively, than those of natural Newton, Opticks.

Imprint upon their minds, by proper arguments and reflections, a lively persuasion of the certainty of a future state. Atterbury.

LI'VELILY.+ adv. LI'VELY.

1. Briskly; vigorously.

They brought their men to the slough, who discharging lively almost close to the face of the enemy, did much amaze them.

?. With strong resemblance of life. That part of poetry must needs be best, which describes most lively our actions and passions,

our virtues and our vices.

Dryden, Pref. to his St. of Innocence. In which time of remission of the higher powers, the lower may advance, and more livelily display Glanville, Pre-exist. p. 115. themselves.

This sacrament of the eucharist so livelily resembles, and so happily falls in with it, that it is indeed itself a supper, and is called a supper.

South, Serm. ii. 276.

M'VER. n. s. [from live.]

· One who lives.

Be thy affections undisturb'd and clear, Guided to what may great or good appear, And try if life be worth the liver's care. Prior.

· One who lives in any particular manner with respect to virtue or vice, happiness or misery.

If any loose liver have any goods of his own, the sheriff is to seize thereupon.

Spenser on Ireland.

The end of his descent was to gather a church of holy christian livers over the whole world.

Here are the wants of children, of distracted persons, of sturdy wandering beggars and loose disorderly livers, at one view represented.

Atterbury. LI'VER. n. s. [lipep, Saxon.] One of the entrails.

With mirth and laughter let old wrinkles come: And let my liver rather heat with wine, Than my heart cool with mortifying groans.

Shakspeare. Reason and respect

Makes livers pale, and lustihood dejected. Shaksp. LI'VERCOLOUR. adj. [liver and colour.] Dark red.

The uppermost stratum is of gravel; then clay of various colours, purple, blue, red, livercolour.

LI'VERED.* adj. Having a liver; as, " white-livered." Sherwood. " Lilylivered." Shakspeare. Both these expressions were used to denote fainthearted, cowardly, mean, dastardly, unmanly.

LI'VERGROWN. adj. [liver and grown.] Having a great liver.

I enquired what other casualties was most like the rickets, and found that livergrown was nearest.

LI'VERWORT. n. s. [liver and wort; lichen.] A plant.

That sort of liverwort which is used to cure the bite of mad dogs, grows on commons, and open heaths, where the grass is short, on declivities, and on the sides of pits. This spreads on the surface of the ground, and, when in perfection, is of an ash colour; but, as it grows old, it alters, and becomes of a dark colour. LI'VERY. † n. s. [from livrer, French.]

1. The act of giving possession. Livery and seisen is delivery and possession. She gladly did of that same babe accept,

As of her owne by liverey and seisin. Spenser, F. Q. vi. iv. 37. You do wrongfully seize Hereford's right,

Call in his letters patents that he hath By his attorneys general to sue

His livery, and deny his offered homage. Shaksp. 2. Release from wardship.

Had the two houses first sued out their livery, and once effectually redeemed themselves from the wardship of the tumults, I should then suspect my King Charles own judgement.

3. The writ by which possession is obtained.

4. The state of being kept at a certain

What livery is, we by common use in England know well enough, namely, that it is allowance of horse-meat, as they commonly use the word in stabling; as, to keep horses at livery; the which word, I guess, is derived of livering or delivering forth their nightly food. So in great houses, the livery is said to be served up for all night, that is, their evening allowance for drink; and livery is also called the upper weed which a serving man wears; so called, as I suppose, for that it was delivered and taken from him at pleasure. So it is apparent, that, by the word livery, is there meant horse-meat. Spenser on Ireland.

5. The clothes given to servants; from the scarfs or ribbands, of chosen colours, given by the ladies of old to knights. "To such [knights] as were victorious, prizes were awarded by the judges, and presented by the hands of the ladies -

with ribbands, or scarfs, of chosen colours, called liveries. Those liveries are the ladies' favours spoken of in romance; and appear to have been the origin of the ribbands, which still distinguish so many orders of knighthood." Brydson's Summary View of Heraldry. From the old cavaliers wearing the livery of their mistresses, the custom of people of quality making their servants wear a livery, to denote service, is supposed to be derived. Livery, in former days, thus seems also to have been used for a cockade.

My mind for weeds your virtue's livery wears.

Perhaps they are by so much the more loth to forsake this argument, for that it hath, though nothing else, yet the name of Scripture, to give it some kind of countenance more than the pretext of livery coats affordeth.

I think, it is our way, If we will keep in favour with the king, To be her men, and wear her livery.

Shakspeare, Rich. III.
Yet do our hearts wear Timon's livery, That see I by our faces. Shakspeare, Timon.

Ev'ry lady cloath'd in white, And crown'd with oak and laurel every knight, Are servants to the leaf, by liveries known Of innocence. Dryden, Fl. and Leaf.

On others int'rest her gay livery flings, Int'rest that waves on party-colour'd wings; Turn'd to the sun she casts a thousand dyes, And as she turns the colours fall or rise.

Pope, Dunciad. If your dinner miscarries, you were teized by the footmen coming into the kitchen; and to prove it true, throw a ladleful of broth on one or two of

Miller. 6. A particular dress; a garb worn as a token or consequence of any thing.

Of fair Urania, fairer than a green, Proudly bedeck'd in April's livery. Sidney. Mistake me not for my complexion,

The shadow'd livery of the burning sun, To whom I am a neighbour, and near bred. Shaks. At once came forth whatever creeps the ground, Insect, or worm: those wav'd their limber fans, For wings, and smallest lineaments exact, In all the liveries deck'd of summer's pride, With spots of gold and purple, azure, green.

Milton, P. L. Now came still evening on, and twilight grey Had in her sober livery all things clad.

Milton, P. L. It is very proper and humane to put ourselves, as it were, in their livery after their decease, and wear a habit unsuitable to prosperity, while those we loved and honoured are mouldering in the grave.

Tatler, No. 184.

7. [In London.] The collective body of liverymen.

To LI'VERY.* v. a. [from the noun.] To clothe in a livery; to dress in a garment betokening any thing. His rudeness -

Did livery falseness in a pride of truth. Shakspeare, Lover's Complaint.

A thousand liveried angels lackey her. Milton, Comus.

Our youth, all liveried o'er with foreign gold, Before her danc'd. Pope, Epil. to Sat. The pair arrive; the liveried servants wait;

Their lord receives them at the pompous gate. Parnell, Hermit.

LI'VERYMAN. n. s. [livery and man.] 1. One who wears a livery; a servant of an inferiour kind.

The witnesses made oath, that they had heard some of the liverymen frequently railing at their mistress. Arbuthnot.

2. [In London.] A freeman of a company. Lives. n. s. [the plural of life.]

So short is life, that every peasant strives, In a farm house or field, to have three lives.

LI'VID. adj. [lividus, Latin; livide, Fr.] Discoloured, as with a blow; black and blue.

It was a pestilent fever, not seated in the veins or humours, for that there followed no carbuncles, no purple or livid spots, the mass of the blood not being tainted.

Upon my livid lips bestow a kiss : O envy not the dead, they feel not bliss! Dryden. They beat their breasts with many a bruising blow, Till they turn'd livid, and corrupt the snow. Dryd.

LIVI'DITY. n. s. [lividité, French; from livid.] Discolouration, as by a blow. The signs of a tendency to such a state, are

darkness or lividity of the countenance. Arbuthnot on Aliments. LI'VIDNESS.* n. s. [from livid.] The state of being livid. Scott.

LI'VING. participial adj.

1. Vigorous; active: as, a living faith. 2. Being in motion; having some natural

energy, or principle of action: as, the living green, the living springs.

LI'VING. n. s. [from live.]

1. Support; maintenance; fortune on which one lives.

The Arcadians fought as in unknown place, having no succour but in their hands; the Helots, as in their own place, fighting for their livings, wives, and children.

All they did cast in of their abundance; but she of her want did cast in all that she had, even all her living.

2. Power of continuing life.

There is no living without trusting somebody or other, in some cases. L'Estrange.

3. Livelihood.

For ourselves we may a living make.

Spenser, Hubb. Tale. Then may I set the world on wheels, when she can spin for her living. Isaac and his wife, now dig for your life, Or shortly you'll dig for your living. Denham.

Actors must represent such things as they are capable to perform, and by which both they and the cribbler may get their living. Dryden, Dufresnoy.

4. Benefice of a clergyman.

Some of our ministers having the livings of the country offered unto them, without pains, will, neither for any love of God, nor for all the good they may do, by winning souls to God, be drawn forth from their warm nests. Spenser.

The parson of the parish preaching against adultery, Mrs. Bull told her husband, that they would join to have him turned out of his living for using personal reflections, Arbuthnot.

LI'VINGLY. adv. [from living.] In the

living state.

In vain do they scruple to approach the dead, who livingly are cadaverous, or fear any outward pollution, whose temper pollutes themselves.

Brown, Vulg. Err. LI'VRE, n. s. [Fr.] The sum by which the French reckon their money, equal nearly to our ten-pence.

LIXI'VIAL. adj. [from lixivium, Lat.]

1. Impregnated with salts like a lixivium. The symptoms of the excretion of the bile vitiated, were a yellowish colour of the skin, and a lixivial urine.

2. Obtained by lixivium.

Helmont conjectured, that lixivial salts do not pre-exist in their alcalizate form. Boule. LIXI'VIATE. | adj. [lixivieux, French; LIXI'VIATED. from lixivium. Making a lixivium.

In these the salt and lixiviated serosity, with some portion of choler, is divided between the guts and the bladder.

Lixiviate salts to which pot-ashes belong, by piercing the bodies of vegetables, dispose them to part readily with their tincture. Boule.

LIXI'VIUM. n. s. [Latin.] Lye; water impregnated with alkaline salt, produced from the ashes of vegetables; a liquor which has the power of extraction.

I made a lixivium of fair water and salt of wormwood, and having frozen it with snow and salt, I could not discern any thing more like to Boyle. wormwood than to several other plants.

LI'ZARD. n. s. [lisarde, French; lacertus, Lat. An animal resembling a serpent,

with legs added to it.

There are several sorts of lizards; some in Arabia of a cubit long. In America they eat lizards; it is very probable likewise that they were eaten in Arabia and Judæa, since Moses ranks them among the unclean creatures. Thou'rt like a foul mis-shapen stigmatick,

Mark'd by the destinies to be avoided, As venomous toads, or lizards' dreadful stings.

Adder's fork, and owlet's wing.

Lizard's leg, and owlet's wing.

Shakspeare, Macbeth. Adder's fork, and blind worm's sting,

LI'ZARDTAIL. n. s. A plant.

LI'ZARDSTONE. n. s. [lizard and stone.] A kind of stone.

LL.D. [legum doctor.] A doctor of the canon and civil laws. Lo. † interject. [la, Saxon. Dr. Johnson. —

The imperative of look. So the common people say corruptly, "lo' you there now; la' you there." Where we now employ sometimes lo, with discrimination, our old English writers used indifferently lo, loke, loketh, for this imperative. Mr. H. Tooke, Div. of Purl. i. 478.] Look; see; behold. It is a word used to recal the attention generally to some object of sight; sometimes to something heard, but not properly; often to something to be understood.

Lo / within a ken our army lies. Now must the world point at poor Catherine, And say, lo! there is mad Petruchio's wife.

Shakspeare. Lo! I have a weapon,

A better never did itself sustain Upon a soldier's thigh. Shakspeare, Othello. Thou didst utter,

I am yours for ever. - Why lo you now, I've spoke to the purpose

For lo / he sung the world's stupendous birth. Roscommon. Lo! heav'n and earth combine

To blast our bold design. Dryden, Albion. Loach. n. s. [loche, Fr.]

The loach is a most dainty fish; he breeds and feeds in little and clear swift brooks or rills, and lives there upon the gravel, and in the sharpest streams: he grows not to be above a finger long, and no thicker than is suitable to that length: he is of the shape of an eel, and has a beard of wattles like a barbel: he

has two fins at his side, four at his belly,

and one at his tail, dappled with many black or brown spots: his mouth, barbellike, under his nose. This fish is usually full of eggs or spawn, and is by Gesner, and other physicians, commended for great nourishment, and to be very grateful both to the palate and stomach of sick persons, and is to be fished for with a small worm, at the bottom, for he seldom rises above the gravel. Walton, Angler. LOAD. n. s. [hlab, Saxon; hlaban, to

1. A burthen; a freight; lading. Fair plant with fruit surcharg'd,

Deigns none to ease thy load, and taste thy sweet? Milton, P. L. Then on his back he laid the precious load,

And sought his wonted shelter. Dryden, Nun's Tale. Let India boast her groves, nor envy we

The weeping amber, and the balmy tree; While by our oaks the precious loads are born, And realms commanded which these trees adorn,

2. Weight; pressure; encumbrance. Jove lighten'd of its load The enormous mass, the labour of a God.

3. Weight, or violence of blows. Like lion mov'd they laid on load; And made a cruel fight.

Chevy Chase. Far heavier load thyself expect to feel From my prevailing arm. Milton, P. L. And Mnestheus laid hard load upon his helm.

Dryden. 4. Any thing that depresses.

How a man can have a quiet and cheerful mind under a great burden and load of guilt, I know not, unless he be very ignorant. Ray on Creation.

5. As much drink as one can bear. There are those that can never sleep without their load, nor enjoy one easy thought, till they

have laid all their cares to rest with a bottle. L'Estrange. The thundering god,

Ev'n he withdrew to rest, and had his load. Dryden. To Load. v. a. preterite, loaded; par.

loaden or laden. [hlaban, Sax.]

1. To burden; to freight. At last, laden with honour's spoils,

Returns the good Andronicus to Rome. Shaksp. Your carriages were heavy loaden; they are a burden to the beast. Isa. xlvi. 1.

2. To encumber; to embarrass. He that makes no reflections on what he reads. only loads his mind with a rhapsody of tales, fit in winter nights for the entertainment of others.

3. To charge a gun. A mariner having discharged his gun and loading it suddenly again, the powder took fire.

4. To make heavy by something appended or annexed.

Thy dreadful vow, loaden with death, still sounds In my stunn'd ears.

Addison, Cato. LOAD. n. s. [more properly lode, as it was anciently written from læban, Saxon, to lead. The leading vein in a mine.

The tin lay couched at first in certain strakes amongst the rocks, like the veins in a man's body, from the depth whereof the main load spreadeth out his branches, until they approach the open air.

Carew, Surv. of Cornwall. Their manner of working in the lead mines, is to follow the load as it lieth.

Carew, Surv. of Cornwall. Lo'ADER. + n. s. [from load.] One who loads.

Every vice is a loader, but that's a ten.

Dryden, Arg. to Juv. Sat. 6.

Lo'ADMANAGE.* n. s. [labman, Saxon, a pilot or guide; and age, the French termination of nouns: it would have been more English, as Mr. Tyrwhitt has observed, to say lodemanship; as, seaman-ship, horsemanship, &c.] In the statute 3 Geo. I. c. 13. loadmanage is repeatedly used in the sense of pilotage. Chaucer describes his shipman's lodemanage, which the Glossary to Urry's edition of the poet calls "the skill or art of navi- 1. A mass of bread as it is formed by the gation."

Lo'ADSMAN.† n. s. [lode and man; from to lead; Saxon, labman; Su. Goth. lootsman. See Loadstar.] He who leads the way; a pilot.

Asking them anon, If they were brokin, or aught wo-begon,

Or had nede of lodesmen.

Chaucer, Leg. of Hyp. and Medea.
Lodismen and maryneris, in all things redy. March, Sec. Tale, or Hist. of Beryn.

Lo'ADSTAR. n. s. [more properly, as it is in Maundeville, lodestar, from læban, to lead.] The polestar; the cynosure; the leading or guiding star.

She was the loadstar of my life; she the blessing of mine eyes; she the overthrow of my desires, and yet the recompence of my overthrow. Sidney. My Helice, the loadstar of my life. O happy fair !

Your eyes are loadstars, and your tongue sweet air! More tuneable than lark to shepherd's ear When wheat is green, when hawthorn buds appear.

Shakspeare. That clear majesty

Which standeth fix'd, yet spreads her heavenly worth,

Lodestone to hearts, and lodestar to all eyes. Davies.

Lo'ADSTONE. n. s. [properly lodestone or leadingstone. See LOADSTAR.] The magnet; the stone on which the mariner's compass needle is touched to give it a direction north and south.

The loadstone is a peculiar and rich ore of iron, found in large masses, of a deep iron-grey where fresh broken, and often tinged with a brownish or reddish colour: it is very heavy, and considerably hard, and its great character is that of affecting iron. This ore of iron is found in England, and in most other places where there are mines of that Hill, Mat. Medica. metal. The use of the loadstone was kept as secret as

any of the other mysteries of the art. LOAF. † n. s. [from hlar or lar, Saxon. Dr. Johnson. - So the M. Goth. hlaibs, hlaifs; Su. Goth. lef, as noticed by Serenius: to which Dr. Jamieson adds the Germ. leib; Iceland. hleif, lef; Fenn. leipa; Lappon. leab; Fris. leef, leaf; low Latin, leibo; Latin, libum. Mr. H. Tooke contends, that loaf is the past participle of the Saxon hligian, to raise; and means merely raised; as the M. Goth. hlaibs is the same participle of hleibjan, to raise or lift up. Dr. Jamieson refers the word to the Germ. leib, and the cognate terms denoting life; bread being almost universally consider-

ed as "the staff of life;" but at the same time admits the ingenuity of Mr. Tooke's theory as far as it applies to loaf, viz. " After the bread has been wetted, by which it becomes dough; then comes the leaven, which in the Saxon is termed hær and hæren; by which it becomes loaf." Div. of Purl. ii. 157. — Lye considers the Goth hleibjan, which strictly means to sustain, as derived from hlaibs, bread. And Leigh speaks of the Saxon laef, to sustain. See LORD.]

baker: a loaf is thicker than a cake.

Easy it is Of a cut loaf to steal a shive we know. Shakspeare. The bread corn in the town sufficed not for six days: hereupon the soldiers entered into proportion; and, to give example, the lord Clinton limited himself to a loaf a day.

With equal force you may break a loaf of bread into more and less parts than a lump of lead of

the same bigness.

2. Any thick mass into which a body is wrought.

Your wine becomes so limpid, that you may bottle it with a piece of loaf sugar in each bottle.

LOAM.† n. s. [lim, laam, Saxon; limus, Latin; from λίμνη, a fen. Junius.] Fat, unctuous, tenacious earth; marl.

The purest treasure Is spotless reputation: that away,

Men are but gilded loam or painted clay. Shaks. Alexander returneth to dust; the dust is earth; of earth we make loam; and why of that loam might they not stop a beer barrel?

Shakspeare, Hamlet. We wash a wall of loam; we labour in vain. Hooker on Justification, § 19.

To LOAM. v. a. [from the noun.] To smear with loam, marl, or clay; to clay. The joist ends, and girders which be in the walls, must be loamed all over, to preserve them from the corroding of the mortar.

Moxon, Mech. Exercises.

Lo'AMY.† adj. [from loam.]

1. Marly.

The mellow earth is the best, between the two extremes of clay and sand, if it be not loamy and Auricula seedlings best like a loamy sand, or

light moist earth; yet rich and shaded.

2. Smeared with loam.

Fetters of gold are but fetters; and the peasant that from his loamy cottage is carried prisoner to a stately castle, though for his homely stall he hath the exchange of a princely building, yet he changes his golden liberty for iron shackles

Hewyt, Serm. (1658,) p. 195.

LOAN.† n. s. [hlæn, Saxon. Dr. Johnson. - Su. Goth. laen; vox usitatissima. Serenius. Icel. the same. M. Goth. laun, merces, remuneratio; leiguan, to lend; whence laena, Su. Goth. leenen, Dutch, and lænan, Saxon, to lend; of which last Mr. H. Tooke pronounces loan to be the past participle.] Any thing lent; any thing given to another, on condition of return or repayment.

The better such ancient revenues shall be paid, the less need her majesty ask subsidies, fifteens,

You're on the fret, Because, in so debauch'd and vile an age, Thy friend and old acquaintance dares disown The gold you lent him, and forswear the loan.

Dryden. To Loan.* v. a. [lænan, Saxon.] To lend. Not now in use. "Loned, mutuus, lent." Huloet.

He delivers up his people to their enemies, sometimes by way of location, loan, or letting; sometimes again by vendition, sale, or utter alienation: By way of location, or loaning them out: so we shall read in the Book of Judges; He did often let out his people to the oppressor for their sins. Langley, Serm. (1644,) p. 20.

Lo'Aning.* n. s. See Lone, Lonnin. LOATH. † adj. [lao, Saxon. Dr. Johnson.

- Almost all the citations given by Dr. Johnson, have loth; yet loath is certainly preferable for the sake of preserving the analogy between it and to loathe, unless it be thought better to write that word lothe. The original Saxon lab leaves this matter uncertain. Nares, Elem. of Orthoepy, p. 298.] Unwilling; disliking; not ready; not inclined.

These fresh and delightful brooks, how slowly they slide away, as loth to leave the company of so many things united in perfection!

With lofty eyes, half loth to look so low, She thanked them in her disdainful wise, Ne other grace vouchsafed them to show Of princess worthy. Spenser, F. Q. When he heard her answers loth, he knew

Some secret sorrow did her heart distrain. Spenser, F. Q.

To speak so indirectly, I am loth; I'd say the truth; but to accuse him so, That is your part. Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas. Long doth she stay, as loth to leave the land, From whose soft side she first did issue make, She tastes all places, turns to ev'ry hand,

Her flowery banks unwilling to forsake, Davies. Then wilt thou not be loth To leave this paradise, but shalt possess

A paradise within thee, happier far! Milton, P. L. To pardon willing, and to punish loth; You strike with one hand, but you heal with both:

Lifting up all that prostrate lie, you grieve
You cannot make the dead again to live. Waller.

When Æneas is forced to kill Lausus, the poet shews him compassionate, and is loth to destroy such a master-piece of nature. Dryden, Dufresnoy. As some faint pilgrim standing on the shore,

First views the torrent he would venture o'er : And then his inn upon the farther ground, Loth to wade through, and lother to go round: Then dipping in his staff does trial make How deep it is; and, sighing, pulls it back.

I know you shy to be oblig'd: And still more loath to be oblig'd by me. Southern. To LOATHE. † v. a. [ladian, Saxon; to detest.

1. To hate; to look on with abhorrence. Parthenia had learned both liking and misliking, loving and loathing. Sidney.

They with their filthiness Polluted this same gentle soil long time, That their own mother loath'd their beastliness.

How am I caught with an unwary oath,

Not to reveal the secret which I loath .-For thee the lion loathes the taste of blood, And roaring hunts his female through the wood. Dryden.

Now his exalted spirit loaths Incumbrances of food and cloaths. 2. To consider with the disgust of satiety. Loathing the honey'd cakes, I long for bread.

Our appetite is extinguished with the satisfaction, and is succeeded by loathing and satiety. Rogers,

3. To see food with dislike.

Loathing is a symptom known to attend disorders of the stomach; the cure must have regard

To LOATHE. † v. n.

1. To create disgust; to cause abhorrence. Obsolete, Dr. Johnson says, citing a corrupted passage from Spenser, viz. "And loathing paddocks," where the true reading is, "And loathed paddocks," i. e. detested paddocks, not paddocks creating disgust. See the edition of Spenser's Works in 1805, vol. i. p. 199.

2. To feel abhorrence or disgust.

The fish in the river shall die, and the river stink; and the Egyptians shall loathe to drink of the water.

Why do I stay within this hated place, Where every object shocks my loathing eyes? Rowe.

Lo'ATHER. † n. s. [from loath.] One that Sherwood. loaths.

Lo'ATHFUL. adj. [loath and full.]

 Abhorring; hating.
 Which he did with toathful eyes behold,
 He would no more endure. Spenser, Hubb. Tale. 2. Abhorred; hated.

Above the reach of loathful sinful lust, Whose base effect, through cowardly distrust Of his weak wings, dare not to heaven flie. Spenser.

Lo'ATHING.* n. s. [from loath.] Disgust; disinclination; unwillingness; aversion

A loathing and detestation of the unjust and tyrannous rule of Harold. Spenser on Ireland. I can give no reason,

More than a lodg'd hate, and a certain loathing, I bear Antonio. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. In nuptial cinders this revives the fire,

And turns their mutual loathings to desire. Congreve, Juv. Sat. 11.

Lo'ATHINGLY. adv. [from loath.] In a fastidious manner.

LO'ATHLINESS.* n. s. [from loathly.] What excites hatred or abhorrence.

The lesson [of matters historical] is as it were the mirrour of man's life, expressing actually (and as it were at the eyen) the beautie of virtue, and the deformitie and loathlynesse of vice.

Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 206. b. The more ill savour and loathliness we can find in our bosom sins, the nearer we come to the purity of that Holy One of Israel, our Blessed Re-Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 188.

Lo'ATHLY.† adj. [laolic, Saxon.] Hateful; abhorred; exciting hatred.

Thou art so tothly, and so old also.

Chaucer, Wife of Bath's Tale. An huge great dragon, horrible in sight,

Bred in the loathly lakes of Tartary, With murd'rous ravin. Spenser, F. Q.

The people fear me; for they do observe Unfather'd heirs, and loathly birds of nature.

Sour-ey'd disdain, and discord shall bestow The union of your bed with weeds so loathly, That you shall hate it.

Shakspeare, Tempest. LO'ATHLY. adv. [from loath.] Unwillingly; without liking or inclination.

The upper streams make such haste to have their part of embracing, that the nether, though lothly must needs give place unto them. Lothly opposite I stood

Shakspeare, K. Lear. To his unnatural purpose. This shews that you from nature lothly stray, That suffer not an artificial day. Donne.

Lo'ATHNESS. n. s. [from loath.] Unwillingness.

The fair soul herself

Weigh'd between loathness and obedience, Which end the beam should bow. Shaks. Tempest. Should we be taking leave,

As long a term as yet we have to live,

The lothness to depart would grow. Shaks. Cymb. After they had sat about the fire, there grew a general silence and lothness to speak amongst them; and immediately one of the weakest fell Bacon.

Lo'ATHSOME. adj. [from loath.]

 Abhorred : detestable. The fresh young fly

Did much disdain to subject his desire To loathsome sloth, or hours in ease to waste.

While they pervert pure nature's healthful rules Milton, P. L. To loathsome sickness. If we consider man in such a loathsome and provoking condition, was it not love enough that

he was permitted to enjoy a being? 2. Causing satiety or fastidiousness. The sweetest honey

Is loathsome in its own deliciousness And in the taste confounds the appetite. Shaks.

Lo'ATHSOMELY.* adv. [from loathsome.] So as to excite hatred or disgust.

What need I tell you how loathsomely deformed these fashions of the world make us to appear in the sight of God? Bp. Hall, Fashions of the World.

Neither disdaineth he to enter into the poorest cottage, though he even creep into it, and though it smell never so lothsomely.

Herbert, Country Parson, ch. 14.

Lo'ATHSOMENESS. † n. s. [from loathsome.] Quality of raising hatred, disgust, or abhorrence.

The loathsomeness of them [rags] offends me more than the stripes I have received.

Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. Take her skin from her face, and thou shall see all loathsomeness under it.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 566. The catacombs must have been full of stench and loathsomeness, if the dead bodies that lay in them were left to rot in open nitches.

Loaves, plural of loaf.

Democritus, when he lay a dying, caused loaves of new bread to be opened, poured a little wine into them; and so kept himself alive with the odour till a feast was past.

LOB. † n. s. [perhaps of the same origin as looby. See Looby.]

1. Any one heavy, clumsy, or sluggish; a clown.

Find Esau such a lout or lob.

Interlude of Jacob and Esau, (1568.) Farewell, thou lob of spirits, I'll begone, Our queen and all her elves come here anon.

Shakspeare. This is the wonted way for quacks and cheats to

gull country lobs. Bp. Gauden, Anti-Baal-Berith, (1661,) p. 12.

Shakspeare. 2. Lob's pound; a prison. Probably a prison for idlers or sturdy beggars.

Crowdero, whom in irons bound, Thou basely threw'st into lob's pound. Hudibras. If he can once compass him, and get him in lobs-pound, he'll make nothing of him, but speak a few hard words to him, and perhaps bind him over to his good behaviour for a thousand years!

Addison, Drummer. 3. A big worm. For the trout the dew worm, which some also call the lob worm, and the brandling are the chief.

Walton, Angler.

To Lob. v. a. To let fall in a slovenly or lazy manner.

The horsemen sit like fixed candlesticks, --- And their poor jades

Lob down their heads, dropping the hides and hips.

Shakspeare, Hen. V. Lo'BBY. n. s. [laube, German.] An open-

ing before a room. His lobbies fill with 'tendance,

Rain sacrificial whisperings in his ear,

Make sacred even his stirrup. Shakspeare, Timon. Before the duke's rising from the table, he stood expecting till he should pass through a kind of lobby between that room and the next, where were divers attending him. Wotton.

Try your back stairs, and let the lobby wait, A stratagem in war is no deceit.

Lo'BCOCK.* n. s. [from lob.] A word of contempt for a sluggish, stupid, inactive person; a lob. It is still a northern Now next, my gallant youths, farewell ;

My lads that oft have cheer'd my heart! My grief of mind no tongue can tell,

To think that I from you must part: I now must leave you all, alas, And live with some old lobcock ass!

Breton, Works of a Young Wit, (1577).

LOBE. n. s. [lobe French; holds.] A division; a distinct part; used commonly for a part of the lungs.

Nor could the lobes of his rank liver swell To that prodigious mass for their eternal meal.

Air bladders form lobuli, which hang upon the bronchia like bunches of grapes; these lobuli constitute the lobes, and the lobes the lungs.

Arbuthnot, on Aliments. From whence the quick reciprocating breath, The lobe adhesive, and the sweat of death. Sewel.

Lo'blolly.* n. s. A kind of seafaring dish. Chambers. An odd mixture of spoon-meat. Exmore dialect. On board the ships of war, water-gruel is called loblolly, and the surgeon's servant or mate the loblolly-boy. Grose.

The first was a feast held every week at several houses; which they called a loblolly-feast, &c. which is as our water-gruel in England; at which feast each did strive to excell another in the difference of making it.

Lett. from the Summer Islands to Prynne, in his Discov. of New Lights, (1645,) p. 8.

Lo'BSTER. † n. s. [Sax. loppertne, lopyrtne; and thus Barrett gives as our word lopster. Alv. 1580.] A crustaceous fish. Those that cast their shell are the lobster, the

crab, and craw-fish. Bacon, Nat. Hist. It happeneth often that the lobster hath the great

claw of one side longer than the other. Brown, Vulg. Err.

Lo'BULE.* n. s. A little lobe. Chambers. LO'CAL. adj. [local, French; locus, Lat.] 1. Having the properties of place.

By ascending, after that the sharpness of death was overcome, he took the very local possession of glory, and that to the use of all that are his, even as himself before had witnessed, I go to prepare a

Hooker. place for you. A higher flight the vent'rous goddess tries, Leaving material world, and local skies.

2. Relating to place.

The circumstance of local nearness in them unto us, might haply enforce in us a duty of greater separation from them than from those Hooker.

Where there is only a local circumstance of wor ship, the same thing would be worshipped suppos ing that circumstance changed. Stilling fleet

3. Being in a particular place.

Dream not of their fight,

As of a duel, or the local wounds Of head, or heel. Milton, P. L. How is the change of being sometimes here, sometimes there, made by local motion in vacuum, without a change in the body moved?

Digby on Bodies.

Loca'LITY. † n. s. [from local.] Existence in place; relation of place, or distance. That the soul and angels are devoid of quantity and dimension; and that they have nothing to

do with grosser locality, is generally opinioned. Glanville.

Fond Fancy's eye, That inly gives locality and form

To what she prizes best. Mason, Eng. Gard. B. 3. These factions - weakened and distracted the locality of patriotism.

Burke, Thoughts on French Affairs. Lo'CALLY. + adv. [from local.] With re-

spect to place.

Being ascended into heaven he is locally there. Confut. of N. Shaxton, (1546,) E. iii. b. O Saviour, whiles thou now sittest gloriously in heaven, thou dost no less impart thyself unto us,

than if thou stoodst visibly by us, than if we stood locally by thee. Bp. Hall, Contempl. B. 4. Whether things in their natures so divers as body and spirit, which almost in nothing communicate, are not essentially divided, though not locally distant, I leave to the readers. Glanville.

To Lo'CATE.* v. a. [loco, locatus, Lat.]

Under this roof the biographer of Johnson, and the pleasant tourist to Corsica and the Hebrides, passed many jovial joyous hours; here he has located some of the liveliest scenes, and most brilliant passages, in his entertaining anecdotes of his friend Samuel Johnson.

Cumberland, Memoirs of himself.

Loca'tion. + n. s. [location, old Fr.; locatio, Lat.] Situation with respect to place; act of placing; state of being placed.

Any determinate location or position of the body. Pearson on the Creed, Art. 6.

To say that the world is somewhere, means no more than that it does exist; this, though a phrase borrowed from place, signifying only its existence,

Loch. † n. s. [Gael. loch; Irish, lough; Welsh, llugh; Sax. luh: Lat. lacus.] A lake. Scottish. See Lough.

A lake or loch that has no fresh water running into it, will turn into a stinking puddle.

Cheyne, Phil. Principles.

Loch.* n. s. [loch, French; but the word is originally Arabick.

1. A liquid confection; a soft medicine, between a syrop and an electuary: called lochet in our old lexicography; and also lohock, or lohoch, as it is also in French. See Lohock.

2. In the plural, loches, the evacuations consequent on the delivery of a woman

in child-bed. λοχεῖα, Greek.]

LOCK. † n. s. [loc, Saxon, the lock of a door; also an enclosure; and a tuft of hair. Serenius deduces it from the Goth. lukan, and Sax. lucan, to shut up, to close; and so Mr. H. Tooke calls it the past participle of the latter. But Serenius also cites the West. Goth. loecka, to shut.

. An instrument composed of springs and bolts, used to fasten doors or chests.

No gate so strong, no lock so firm and fast, But with that piercing noise flew open quit or Spenser, F. Q.

We have locks to safeguard necessaries, And pretty traps to catch the petty thieves.

Shakspeare. As there are locks for several purposes, so are there several inventions in locks, in contriving their wards or guards. Moxon.

2. The part of the gun by which fire is struck.

A gun carries powder and bullets for seven charges and discharges; under the breech of the barrel is one box for the powder, a little before the lock another for the bullets; behind the cock a charger, which carries the powder to the further end of the lock. Grew, Museum.

3. A hug; a grapple.

They must be practised in all the locks and gripes of wrestling, as need may often be in fight to tug or grapple, and to close. Milton on Education.

Any enclosure.

Sergesthus, eager with his beak to press Betwixt the rival galley and the rock, Shuts up th' unwieldy centaur in the lock.

Dryden, Æn. To destroy any sluice or lock on a navigable river, is made felony, to be punished with trans-

portation for seven years. Blackstone. 5. A quantity of hair or wool hanging to-

gether.

Well might he perceive the hanging of her hair in locks, some curled, and some forgotten. Sidney. A goodly cypress, who bowing her fair head over the water, it seemeth she looked into it, and dressed her green locks by that running river.

His grizly locks, long growing and unbound, Disorder'd hung about his shoulders round. Spenser.

The bottom was set against a lock of wool, and the sound was quite deaded. Bacon. They nourish only a lock of hair on the crown

of their heads. Sandys, Trav. A lock of hair will draw more than a cable rope.

Behold the locks that are grown white Beneath a helmet in your father's battles. Addison, Cato.

Two locks that graceful hung behind In equal curls, and well conspir'd, to deck With shining ringlets her smooth ivory neck. Pope. 6. A tuft.

I suppose this letter will find thee picking of daisies, or smelling to a lock of hay. Addison, Spect.

To Lock. v. a. [from the noun.] 1. To shut or fasten with locks.

The garden, seated on the level floor, She left behind, and locking every door, Thought all secure.

2. To shut up or confine, as with locks. I am lockt in one of them;

If you do love me, you will find me out. Shaksp. We do lock

Our former sample in our strong barr'd gates.

Then seek to know those things which make us

And having found them, lock them in thy breast.

The frighted dame he log in secret lock d. Dryden, Ovid.

If the door to a council be kept by armed men, The log in secret lock'd. and all such whose opinions are not liked kept out, the freedom of those within is infringed, and all their acts are as void as if they were locked Dryden, Æn.

One conduces to the poets completing of his work; the other slackens his pace, and locks him up like a knight-errant in an enchanted castle.

Dryden, Ded. to the En. The father of the gods

Confin'd their fury to those dark abodes, And lock'd 'em safe within, oppress'd with moun-Dryden, Æn.

If one third of the money in trade were locked up, must not the landholders receive one third Locke.

Always lock up a cat in a closet where you keep your china plates, for fear the mice may steal in and break them. Your wine lock'd up,

Plain milk will do the feat. 3. To close fast.

Death blasts his bloom, and locks his frozen eyes.

To Lock. v. n.

1. To become fast by a lock. For not of wood, nor of enduring brass, Doubly disparted did it lock and close, That when it locked none might through it pass.

2. To unite by mutual insertion. Either they lock into each other, or slip one upon another's surface; as much of their surface touches

as makes them cohere. LO'CKER. n. s. [from lock.] Any thing

that is closed with a lock; a drawer. I made lockers or drawers at the end of the boat. Robinson Crusoe.

Lo'cket. n. s. [loquet, French.] A small lock; any catch or spring to fasten a necklace, or other ornament.

Where knights are kept in narrow lists, With wooden lockets 'bout their wrists. Hudibras.

Lo'ckram. † n. s. [lock, Su. Goth. locks clipped off wool; and ramr, thick. Serenius.] A sort of coarse cloth. The kitchen malkin pins

Her richest lockram 'bout her reechy neck, Clambering the walls to eye him.

Shakspeare, Coriol.

Lo'ckron. n. s. A kind of ranunculus. Lo'cksmith.* n. s. [lock and smith.] A man whose trade is to make and mend locks.

We may likewise see, in Plato's forenamed instances of his smiths and his wrights, how many several arts there be: - some goldsmiths, some braziers, some farriers, some locksmiths.

Fotherby, Atheom. (1622,) p. 193.

Lo'cky.* adj. [from lock.] Having locks or tufts. Not in use. Sherwood. LOCOMO'TION. + n. s. [locus and motus, Lat.] Power of changing place.

All progression, or animal locomotion, is performed by drawing on, or impelling forward, some part which was before at quiet.

Brown, Vulg. Err. Many in the set locomotions and movements of their days have measured the circuit of it, [the Brown, Chr. Mor. ii. 33.

An excursion to London, upon the footing that locomotion then was, when an hundred miles were a journey of three days, was a matter of some importance. Graves, Recollec. of Shenstone.

LO'COMOTIVE. adj. [locus and moveo, Latin.] Changing place; having the power of removing or changing place.

I shall consider the motion, or locomotive faculty of animals. Derham, Phys. Theol. In the night too, oft he kicks,

Or shews his locomotive tricks, An animal cannot well be defined from any particular organical part, nor from its locomotive

faculty, for some adhere to rocks. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

LOCOMOTI'VITY.* n. s. [from locomotive.]

Power of changing place.

The most superb edifice that ever was conceived or constructed, would not equal the smallest insect, blest with sight, feeling, and locomotivity.

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Lo'cust. n. s. [locusta, Latin.] A devouring insect.

The Hebrews had several sorts of locusts which are not known among us: the old historians and modern travellers remark that locusts are very numerous in Africk, and many places of Asia; that sometimes they fall like a cloud upon the country, and eat up every thing they meet with. Moses describes four sorts of locusts. Since there was a prohibition against using locusts, it is not to be questioned but that these creatures were commonly eaten in Palestine and the neighbouring countries.

Calmet. To-morrow will I bring the locusts into thy Exodus.

Air replete with the steams of animals, rotting, has produced pestilential fevers, such hath likewise been raised by great quantities of dead locusts. Arbuthnot on Air.

Lo'cust-tree. n. s.

The *locust-tree* hath a papilionaceous flower, from whose calyx arises the pointal, which afterwards becomes an unicapsular hard pod, including roundish hard seeds, which are surrounded with a fungous stringy substance.

Miller.

Locu'tion.* n. s. [locutio, Lat. locution, Fr. Cotgrave.] Discourse; manner of speech; phrase.

Under the shadowe of fygurate locution in his gloyre of the electe persons.

Bale on the Revel. P. ii. (1550.) They found shifts as well in the one as the other; tropes, hyperbolical locutions, figures of eloquence, and such like toyes.

Stapleton, Fortr. of Faith, fol. 67. b. He confesses it to be a way of locution made use of by very good authors.

Bp. Wren, Monarchy Asserted, p. 129.

LODESTAR. See LOADSTAR.

LODESTONE. See LOADSTONE. To LODGE. v. a. [logian, Saxon; loger, French.

1. To place in a temporary habitation. When he was come to the court of France, the king stiled him by the name of the duke of York; lodged him, and accommodated him, in a great Bacon, Hen. VII.

2. To afford a temporary dwelling; to supply with harbour for a night. Every house was proud to lodge a knight

3. To place; to plant.

When on the brink the foaming boar I met, And in his side thought to have lodg'd my spear, The desperate savage rush'd within my force, And bore me headlong with him down the rock.

He lodg'd an arrow in a tender breast, That had so often to his own been prest.

Addison, Ov. In viewing again the ideas that are lodged in the memory, the mind is more than passive.

4. To fix; to settle.

By whose fell working I was first advanc'd, And by whose pow'r I well might lodge a fear To be again displac'd. Shakspeare. I can give no reason,

More than a lodg'd hate, and a certain loathing I bear Antonio. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven.

5. To place in the memory.

This cunning the king would not understand, though he lodged it, and noted it, in some par-Bacon, Hen. VII. ticulars.

6. To harbour or cover.

The deer is lodg'd, I've track'd her to her covert; Rush in at once. Addison, Cato.

7. To afford place to.

The memory can lodge a greater store of images, than all the senses can present at one time. Cheune, Phil. Principles.

8. To lay flat.

Though bladed corn be lodg'd, and trees blown down.

Though castles topple on their warders heads.

We'll make foul weather with despised tears; Our sighs, and they, shall lodge the summer corn, And make a dearth in this revolting land. Shakspeare.

To Lodge. v.n.

 To reside: to keep residence. Care keeps his watch in ev'ry old man's eye, And where care lodgeth, sleep will never lie. Shaksneare.

Something holy lodges in that breast, And with these raptures moves the vocal air To testify his hidden residence. Milton, Comus. And dwells such rage in softest bosoms then? And lodge such daring souls in little men? Pope.

2. To take a temporary habitation. Why commands the king,

That his chief followers lodge in towns about him, While he himself keepeth in the cold field?

I know not where he lodges; and for me to devise a lodging, and say, he lies here, or he lies there, were to lie in mine own throat. Shakspeare, Othello.

Thy father is a man of war, and will not lodge with the people. Samuel.

3. To take up residence at night. My lords

And soldiers, stay and lodge by me this night.

Oh, that I had in the wilderness a lodging place of wayfaring men, that I might leave my people!

Here thou art but a stranger travelling to thy country; it is therefore a huge folly to be afflicted, because thou hast a less convenient inn to lodge in by the way. Bp. Taylor.

4. To lie flat.

Long cone wheat they reckon in Oxfordshire best for rank clays; and its straw makes it not subject to lodge, or to be mildewed.

Mortimer, Husbandry.

Lodge, n. s. [logis, French; lodge, Dan. a hut, a shed; log, Celt. a place.] 1. A small house in a park or forest.

He brake up his court, and retired himself, his wife and children, into a certain forest thereby which he calleth his desert, wherein he hath built two fine lodges.

I found him as melancholy as a lodge in a Shakspeare. warren.

He and his lady both are at the lodge, Upon the north side of this pleasant chace

Thus at their shady lodge arriv'd, both stood, Both turn'd, and under open sky ador'd The God that made both sky, air, earth.

Milton, P. L. Whenever I am turned out, my lodge descends upon a lowspirited family.

2. Any small house appendant to a greater: as, the porter's lodge.

LO'DGEABLE.* adj. [from lodge; French, logeable.] Capable of affording a temporary dwelling.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood.

At the furthest end of the town eastward, the ambassadour's house was appointed, but not yet (by default of some of the king's officers) lodgable.

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Sir J. Finett, Philox. (1656,) p. 164. The house is old-fashioned and irregular, but lodgeable and commodious.

Smollett, Humph. Clinker.

Lo'dgement. n. s. [from lodge; logement, 1. Disposition or collocation in a certain

place. The curious lodgement and inosculation of the auditory nerves.

2. Accumulation: collection.

An oppressed diaphragm from a mere lodgement of extravasated matter. Sharp, Surgery.

3. Possession of the enemy's work. The military pedant is making lodgements, and

fighting battles, from one end of the year to the

Lo'DGER. n. s. [from lodge.]

1. One who lives in rooms hired in the house of another.

Base tyke, call'st thou me host? now I scorn the term; nor shall my Nell keep lodgers. Shakspeare, Hen. V.

There were in a family, the man and his wife, three children, and three servants or lodgers.

Those houses are soonest infected that are crowded with multiplicity of lodgers, and nasty families.

The gentlewoman begged me to stop; for that a lodger she had taken in was run mad. Sylla was reproached by his fellow lodger, that whilst the fellow lodger paid eight pounds one shilling and five-pence halfpenny for the uppermost story, he paid for the rest twenty-four pounds

four shillings and four-pence halfpenny.

2. One that resides in any place. Look in that breast, most dirty D-! be fair; Say, can you find but one such lodger there?

Lo'dging. n. s. [from lodge.]

1. Temporary habitation; rooms hired in the house of another.

I will in Cassio's lodging lose this napkin, And let him find it. Shakspeare, Othello. Let him change his lodging from one end of the

town to another, which is a great adamant of acquaintance. At night he came

To his known lodgings, and his country dame.

He desired his sister to bring her away to the lodgings of his friend. Addison, Guardian. Wits take lodgings in the sound of Bow. Pope.

2. Place of residence.

Fair bosom fraught with virtue's richest treasure,

The nest of love, the lodging of delight; The bower of bliss, the paradise of pleasure, The sacred harbour of that heavenly spright.

3. Harbour; covert.

The hounds were uncoupled; and the stag thought it better to trust to the nimbleness of his feet, than to the slender fortification of his lodging.

Convenience to sleep on. Their feathers serve to stuff our beds and

pillows, yielding us soft and warm lodging.

Ray on Creation

Loe. † n. s. See Lowe. To LOFFE.* v.n. To laugh. See To LAUGH.

The whole quire hold their hips, and loffe. Shakspeare, Mids. N. Dream LOFT. † n. s. [lloft, Welsh; or from lift. | 1. A shapeless bulky piece of wood. Dr. Johnson. - Loft, Goth. cubile in supremâ contignatione : loefta, Su. evehere, sursum tollere. Serenius. - The past participle of hligian, Sax. to raise, to elevate. Mr. H. Tooke.

1. A floor.

Eutychus fell down from the third loft. Acts. There is a traverse placed in a loft above. Racon.

2. The highest floor.

To lull him in his slumber soft, A trickling stream from high rock tumbling down, And ever drizzling rain upon the loft, Mixt with a murmuring wind. Spenser, F. Q.

3. Rooms on high.

Passing through the spheres of watchful fire, And hills of snow, and lofts of piled thunder. Milton, Vac. Ex.

A weasel once made shift to slink In at a corn loft, through a chink.

4. On LOFT. See ALOFT.

LO'FTILY. adv. [from lofty.] 1. On high; in an elevated place.

2. Proudly; haughtily.

They speak wickedly concerning oppression; they speak loftily. Psal. lxxiii. 8.

3. With elevation of language or sentiment; sublimely.

My lowly verse may loftily arise, And lift itself unto the highest skies.

Spenser, F. Q.

Lo'ftiness. n. s. [from lofty.] 1. Height; local elevation.

2. Sublimity; elevation of sentiment.

Three poets in three distant ages born; The first in loftiness of thought surpass'd, The next in majesty; in both the last.

3. Pride; haughtiness. Augustus and Tiberius had lofliness enough in their temper, and affected to make a sovereign figure.

Lo'fty. adj. [from loft, or lift.]

1. High; hovering; elevated in place.
Cities of men with lofty gates and towers. Milton, P. L.

See lofty Lebanon his head advance,
See nodding forests on the mountains dance. Pope, Messiah.

2. Elevated in condition or character. Thus saith the high and lofty One.

3. Sublime; elevated in sentiment. He knew

Himself to sing and build the lofty rhime. Milton, Lycidas.

4. Proud; haughty. The eyes of the lofty shall be humbled. Isaiah. Lofty and sour to them that lov'd him not; But to those men that sought him, sweet as sum-

mer. Shakspeare. Man, the tyrant of our sex, I hate,

A lowly servant, but a lofty mate. Dryden, Kn. Tale.

LOG. † n. s. [The original of this word is not known. Skinner derives it from liggan, Saxon, to lie; Junius from logge, Dutch, sluggish; perhaps the Latin, lignum, is the true original. Dr. Johnson. - It is from the Sax. leczan, ponere, to lay. Laz, (a broad, and retaining the sound of the z,) log, from the Saxon, corresponds with post from the Latin. We say, indifferently, " to stand like a post," or "to stand like a log," in our way. Mr. H. Tooke, Div. of Purl. ii. 167.]

Would the lightning had Burnt up those logs that thou'rt injoin'd to pile.

Shakspeare. The worms with many feet are bred under logs of timber, and many times in gardens, where no logs are. Some log, perhaps, upon the waters swam,

An useless drift, which rudely cut within, And hollow'd first a floating trough became, And cross some riv'let passage did begin. Dryd.

2. A piece of wood, about seven or eight inches long, which, with its line, serves to measure the course of a ship at sea.

Log is a machine used to measure the ship's head way, or the rate of her velocity as she advances through the sea. It is composed by a reel and line, to which is fixed a small piece of wood forming the quadrant of a circle.

Hawkesworth, Voyages.

Pope. 3. A Hebrew measure, which held a quarter of a cab, and consequently fivesixths of a pint. According to Dr. Arbuthnot it was a liquid measure, the seventy-second part of the bath or ephah, and twelfth part of the hin.

Calmet. A meat offering mingled with oil, and one log of oil. Log-board.* n. s. A table divided into

five columns, containing an account of a ship's way measured by the log.

Log-Book. * n. s. A register of a ship's way and other naval incidents. LOG-LINE.* n. s. See the second sense of

To Log. * v. n. In the language of the vulgar, to move to and fro. Used in Cornwall and Devon. Polwhele. LOGARI'THMICAL.* adj. [Fr. logarith-LOGARI'THMICK. mique.] Relating to logarithms.

Mr. Walter Warner made an inverted logarithmical table, whereas Brigg's table fills his margin with numbers, increasing by units, and over against them sets their logarithms, which because of incommensurability must needs be either abundant or deficient.

Aubrey, Anecd. ii. 579. LO'GARITHMS. n. s. [logarithme, Fr.

λόγος, and ἄριθμος.]

Logarithms which are the indexes of the ratios of numbers one to another, were first invented by Napier Lord Merchison, a Scottish baron, and afterwards completed by Mr. Briggs, Savilian professor at Oxford. They are a series of artificial numbers, contrived for the expedition of calculation, and proceeding in an arithmetical proporportion, as the numbers they answer to do in a geometrical one: for instance,

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 1 2 4 8 16 32 64 128 256 512 Where the numbers above beginning with (0), and arithmetically proportional, are called logarithms. The additions and subtraction of logarithms answers to the multiplication and division of the numbers they correspond with; and this saves an infinite deal of trouble. In like manner will the extraction of roots be performed, by dissecting the logarithms of any numbers for the square root, and trisecting them for the cube, and so on.

Lo'GGATS. † n. s. pl.

Loggats is the ancient name of a play or game, which is one of the unlawful games enumerated in the thirty-third statute of Henry VIII. It is the same which is now called kettle-pins, in which boys often make use of bones instead of wooden pins, throwing at them with another bone instead of bowling.

This is a game played in several parts of England even at this time. A stake is fixed into the ground; those, who play, throw loggats at it; and he, that is nearest the stake, wins. I have seen it played in different counties at their sheep-shearing feasts.

It is probably from the word log: the game was so called from the loggets or wooden pins made use of in the play.

Whalley.

Did these bones cost no more the breeding, but to play at loggats with them? Shakspeare, Hamlet. LO'GGERHEAD. n. s. [logge, Dutch, stupid, and head; or rather from log, a heavy motionless mass, as blockhead.] A dolt; a blockhead; a thickscul. Where hast been, Hal?-

With three or four loggerheads, amongst three or Shakspeare, Hen. IV. fourscore hogsheads. Says this loggerhead, what have we to do to quench other people's fires? L'Estrange.

To fall to LOGGERHEADS. To scuffle; to To go to LOGGERHEADS. If fight without weapons.

A couple of travellers that took up an ass, fell to loggerheads which should be his master.

Lo'GGERHEADED. adj. [from loggerhead.] Dull; stupid; doltish.

You loggerheaded and unpolish'd groom, what! no attendance? Shakspeare, Tam. of the Shrew. LO'GICK, n. s. [logique, French; logica, Latin, from λόγος.] The art of reason-

ing. One of the seven sciences. Logick is the art of using reason well in our inquiries after truth, and the communication of it Watts, Logick.

Talk logick with acquaintance, And practise rhetorick in your common talk.

Shaksneare. By a logick that left no man any thing which he might call his own, they no more looked upon it as the case of one man, but the case of the king-

Here foam'd rebellious logick, gagg'd and bound. There stript fair rhetorick languish'd on the

ground. Lo'GICAL, adj. [from logick.]

 Pertaining to logick; taught in logick.
 The heretick complained greatly of St. Augus tine, as being too full of logical subtilties. Hooker.

Those who in a logical dispute keep in general terms, would hide a fallacy.

Dryden, Pref. to Ann. Mir. We ought not to value ourselves upon our ability in giving subtile rules, and finding out logical arguments, since it would be more perfection not to want them. 2. Skilled in logick; furnished with lo-

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A man who sets up for a judge in criticism, should have a clear and logical head. Addison, Spectator.

Lo'GICALLY. adv. [from logical.] According to the laws of logick.

How can her old good man With honour take her back again? From hence I logically gather,

The woman cannot live with either.

Logi'cian. n. s. [logicien, French; logicus, Latin.] A teacher or professor of logick; a man versed in logick.

If a man can play the true logician, and have as well judgement as invention, he may do great

If we may believe our logicians, man is distinguished from all other creatures by the faculty of laughter.

Each staunch polemick stubborn as a rock, Each fierce logician still expelling Locke, Came whip and spur. Pope, Dunciad.

A logician might put a case that would serve for an exception.

The Arabian physicians were subtile men, and most of them logicians: accordingly they have given method, and shed subtilty upon their author.

Lo'GMAN. n. s. [log and man.] One whose business is to carry logs.

For your sake

Am I this patient logman? Shakspeare, Tempest.

Lo'GOGRIPHE.* n. s. [λόγος, discourse, and γρίφος, an enigma, from γοίπος, a net, Gr.] A sort of riddle.

Had I compil'd from Amadis de Gaul, -Or spun out riddles, and weav'd fifty tomes

Of logogriphes, and curious palindromes, Thou then hadst had some colour for thy flames On such my serious follies.

B. Jonson, Discoveries.

Lo'GOMACHY. † n. s. [λογομαχία, Gr. logomachie, Fr.] A contention in words; a contention about words.

Forced terms of art did much puzzle sacred theology with distinctions, cavils, quiddities; and so transformed her to a mere kind of sophistry and

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The contentions of the eastern and western

churches about this subject, are but a mere logomachy, or strife about words. Bp. Bramhall, Schism Guarded, p. 403.

I shall not enter into a mere logomachy, or strife about sounds and phrases.

Trapp, Popery truly stated, P. ii. § 1.

Lo'GWOOD. n. s.

Logwood is of a very dense and firm texture; is the heart only of the tree which produces it. It is very heavy, and remarkably hard, and of a deep, strong, red colour. It grows both in the East and West Indies, but no where so plentifully as on the coast of the bay of Campeachy. Hill, Mat. Med.

To make a light purple, mingle ceruse with logwood water. Peacham on Drawing.

Lo'HOCK. n. s.

Lohock is an Arabian name for those forms of medicines which are now commonly called eclegmas, lambatives, or linctuses. Quincy.

Lohocks and pectorals were prescribed, and Wiseman, Surgery. venesection repeated.

LOIN. † n. s. [llwyn, Welsh. Dr. Johnson. - Our word was originally lend; lends being the loins. See LENDS. Callander derives the Sax. and Germ. lendenu.

and lenden, from leinga "to extend, the loins being the length of the trunk of the body."

1. The back of an animal carved out by the butcher.

So have I seen in larder dark Of veal a lucid loin, Replete with many a brilliant spark,

As wise philosophers remark, At once both stink and shine. Ld. Dorset.

2. Loins; the reins.

My face I'll grime with filth, Blanket my loins. Shakspeare, K. Lear. Thou slander of thy heavy mother's womb! Thou loathed issue of thy father's loins!

Shakspeare, Rich. III. Virgin mother, hail !

High in the love of heaven! yet from my loins Thou shalt proceed, and from thy womb the Son Of God Most High. A multitude, like which the populous north

Pour'd never from her frozen loins, to pass Rhene, or the Danaw, when her barbarous sons Came like a deluge on the south. Milton, P. L.

To LOTTER. † v. n. [leuteren, loteren, Teut. to linger; lata, Gothick, tardy, slow.] To linger; to spend time carelessly; to idle.

Sir John, you loiter here too long, being you are to take soldiers up in the countries. Shaksp.

Whence this long delay?

You loiter while the spoils are thrown away.

Dryden. If we have gone wrong, let us redeem the mistake; if we have loitered, let us quicken our pace, and make the most of the present opportunity. Rogers.

To LO'ITER.* v. a. To consume in trifles; to waste carelessly.

Mark how he spends his time, whether he unactively loiters it away. Locke.

What have we found In life's austerer hours, delectable As the long day so loiter'd.

Hurdis, Village Curate.

LO'ITERER. n. s. [from loiter.] A lingerer; an idler; a lazy wretch; one who lives without business; one who is sluggish and dilatory.

Give gloves to thy reapers a largess to cry, And daily to loiterers have a good eye.

Tusser, Husb. The poor, by idleness or unthriftiness, are riotous spenders, vagabonds, and loiterers. Hayward. Where hast thou been, thou loiterer?

Though my eyes clos'd, my arms have still been open'd

To search if thou wert come, Providence would only enter mankind into the useful knowledge of her treasures, leaving the rest to employ our industry, that we live not like idle loiterers, and truants.

Ever listless loiterers, that attend No cause, no trust, no duty, and no friend,

To LOLL.† v. n. [Of this word the etymology is not known. Perhaps it might be contemptuously derived from lollard, a name of great reproach before the Reformation; of whom one tenet was, that all trades not necessary to life are unlawful. Dr. Johnson, - Serenius, with great probability, cites the Iceland, lolla, to be slowly moved, loll, a slow step, as the origin of our word.]

1. To lean idly; to rest lazily against any

So hangs and lolls, and weeps upon me: so shakes and pulls me. Shakspeare, Othello. He is not lolling on a lewd love bed, But on his knees at meditation.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. Close by a softly murmuring stream, Where lovers us'd to loll and dream, Hudibras. To loll on couches, rich with cytron steds, And lay your guilty limbs in Tyrian beds.

Void of care he lolls supine in state, And leaves his business to be done by fate.

Dryden. But wanton now, and lolling at our ease, We suffer all the inveterate ills of peace. Dryden. A lazy lolling sort Of ever listless loiterers, Pope, Dunciad.

2. To hang out. Used of the tongue hanging out in weariness or play. The triple porter of the Stygian seat,

With lolling tongue lay fawning at thy feet. Dryden. With harmless play amidst the bowls he pass'd And with his lolling tongue assay'd the taste.

Dryden. To Loll. v. a. To put out. Used of the tongue exerted.

All authors to their own defects are blind, Hadst thou but, Janus-like, a face behind, To see the people, when splay mouths they make, To mark their fingers pointed at thy back, Their tongues loll'd out a foot. Drude Dryden, Pers.

By Strymon's freezing streams he sat alone, Trees bent their heads to hear him sing his wrongs,

Fierce tigers couch'd around, and loll'd their fawning tongues. Dryden, Virg.

LO'LLARD.*) n. s. [lollaerd, Teut. lol-LO'LLER. lardus, low Latin. Some contend, that this word was derived from Walter Lolhard, a German, who began to dogmatize at the beginning of the fourteenth century; others, from the Germ. loben, to praise, and herra Lord, because the lollards travelled about from place to place, singing holy hymns; Chaucer, from lolium, cockle or tares, as if these persons were the tares sown in Christ's vineyard; and others from the old Germ. lullen or lollen, to sing, and the termination hard, with which many of the high Dutch words end; from the manner, as already stated, of their singing hymns, or, as some think, from their custom also of chanting requiems to the souls of the dead. Du Cange believes the word to be of German origin; and agrees with Killian's lollaerd, (mussitator,) a mumbler of prayers, lollen, signifying also to mumble, to hum.] A name given to the first reformers of the Roman Catholick religion in England; a reproachful appellation of the followers of Wicliffe. See LOLLARDY.

I smell a loller in the wind, quoth he: -He shal no gospel glosen here ne teche : -He wolde sowen som difficultee, Or springen cocle in our clene corne And therfore, hoste, I warne thee beforne.

Chaucer, Shipm. Prol. They are of him [the pope] cursed with book, bell, and candle, out of his heaven, as Pasquin calleth, and this natural life, as lollords and heretikes not worthy the benefite of temporall quiet, Anderson, Expos. on Benedictus, (1573,) fol. 59.

In his lectures he [H. Crompe] called the heretikes lollards. Fox, Acts and Mon. of Wicliffe. Dr. Wiclif dying at Lutterworth Dec. 31, 1384, his followers were soon after distinguished, or rather reproached, by the nickname of lollards. Lewis, Life of Bp. Pecock, p. 10.

Lo'LLARDY. * n. s. [from lollard.] The doctrine of lollards; a name given to what, before the Reformation, was deemed heresy.

Beware that thou be not oppressed

With antichriste's lollardie. Gower, Conf. Am. B.5. The spirit of popery, not Christianity, was to be seen in the zeal of the enemies to lollardy.

Young on Idolat. Corruptions, ii. 331. To Lo'LLOP.* v. n. To move heavily; to walk in a heavy, lounging manner; to lean idly; and in a general sense to idle. A low word, formed from loll, and used in many places. See Craven Dial.

Brockett, and Moore.

LOMBA'RDICK.* adj. [from the Lombards.] Applied to one of the ancient alphabets derived from the Roman, and relating

to the manuscripts of Italy.

Writing in Italy was uniform until the irruption of the Goths, when it was disfigured by the taste of that barbarous people. In 569, the Lombards having possessed themselves of all that part of the empire, except Rome and Ravenna, 2. Disposition to solitude. introduced another form of writing, which is termed Lombardic. As the popes used the Lombardic manner in their bulls, the appellation of Roman was sometimes given to it in the eleventh century. Though the dominion of the Lombards continued no longer than about two hundred and six years, the name of their writing was still current beyond the Alps, from the seventh century to the beginning of the thirteenth, and then ceased.

As to the Lombardic character, we have not a book that I know of, written in it, I mean agreeable to the specimens of it in Mabillon de Re diplomatica; nor did I ever see any in any other place. In Sir J. Cotton's (I perceive by your catalogue) there be several. — Several of our MSS, are said by Dr. Langbain to be written in Lombardic letters; but they are the common text or square hand, about 400 years old, vastly different from Mabillon, as I suppose yours are also.

H. Wanley to Dr. Smith, (1697,) Aubrey's Anec. i.85. LOMP. n. s. A kind of roundish fish.

LO'NDONER.* n. s. [from London.] A native of London; an inhabitant of London.

What was the speech amongst the Londoners Concerning the French journey.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. The felicity of Queen Elizabeth may be much imputed to the rare temper and moderation of men's minds in those days; for the pulse of the common people, and Londoners, did beat nothing so high as it did afterwards, when they grew pampered with so long peace and plenty. Howelt, Lett. iv. 12.

Some Londoners, whom they extolled to the skies for their wit, I knew, passed in town for silly fellows. Addison, Freehold. No. 22.

o'ndonism.* n. s. A mode of expression said to be peculiar to London.

The subject is, to shew, that the humble and accepted dialect of London, the Londonisms, as I may call them, are far from being reproachable in themselves, however they may appear to us not born within the sound of Bow-bell.

Pegge, Anec. of the Eng. Language. LONE.† adj. [contracted from alone.] 1. Solitary; unfrequented; having no

company. Here the lone hour a blank of life displays.

Thus vanish sceptres, coronets, and balls, And leave you in lone woods, or empty walls.

2. Single; not conjoined or neighbouring to others.

No lone house in Wales, with a mountain and a rookery, is more contemplative than this court.

3. Formerly denoting single; unmarried;

or in widowhood. Moreover this Glycerie is a lone woman.

Kyffin, Trans. of Terence, (1588). A hundred mark is a long loan for a poor lone Shakspeare, Hen. IV. P. II. woman to bear. Queen Elizabeth being a lone woman, and having few friends, refusing to marry.

Title to a Collect. of Records, (1642). Lone.* \ \ n. s. Our northern words for Lo'nnin. \ \ \ a lane.

Lo'neliness. n. s. [from lonely.] 1. Solitude; want of company.

The huge and sportful assembly grew to him a tedious loneliness, esteeming nobody since Daiphantus was lost.

1. Solitary.

I see The mystery of your loneliness, and find Your salt tears' head. Shaksveare. LO'NELY. adj. [from lone.]

I go alone, Like to a lonely dragon; that his fen Makes fear'd and talk'd of more than seen.

Shakspeare. Why thus close up the stars That nature hung in heaven, and fill'd their lamps With everlasting oil, to give due light To the misled and lonely traveller? Milton, Com.
Time has made you dote, and vainly tell

Of arms imagin'd, in your lonely cell. Dryd, Æn. 2. Addicted to solitude.

When, fairest princess, You lonely thus from the full court retire, Love and the graces follow to your solitude. Rowe. LO'NENESS. † n. s. [from lone.] Solitude; dislike of company.

One that doth wear away himself in loneness.

Fletcher, Faithful Shepherdess. Those that would make loneness acceptable, by advising men, as through a prospective, to behold the greatness of structures and bravery of courts,

through the humility of a cottage.

Sir R. Tempest on Solitariness, p. 95. I can love both fair and brown, -Her who loves loneness best. Donne, Poems, p. 7.

If of court-life you knew the good, You would leave loneness. Ibid. p. 131.

LO'NESOME. † adj. [from lone.] Solitary; dismal.

They dance as they were wood, Around an huge black goat, in lonesome wood, By shady night, far from or house or town. More, Pre-exist. of the Soul. st. 49.

You either must the earth from rest disturb, Or roll around the heavens the solar orb; Else what a dreadful face will nature wear! How horrid will these lonesome seats appear!

LO'NESOMELY.* adv. [from lonesome.] In a dismal or solitary manner.

Lo'nesomeness.* n. s. [from lonesome.] State or quality of being lonesome.

The darkness and lonesomeness of the night, is no improper similitude; 'tis a pretty emblem of our mortality. Killingbeck, Serm. p. 96. our mortality.

LONG. † adj. [long, French; longus, Lat. Dr. Johnson. — The past participle of the Sax. lengian, extendere, producere. Nor can any other derivation be found for the Latin longus. Mr. H. Tooke, Div. of Purl. ii. 374. - Mr. Tooke has omitted to notice the M. Goth. lagg, logg, of which the first g is pronounced like our n; and from which long should seem to be immediately derived.]

1. Not short; used of time.

He talked a long while, even till break of day. He was desirous to see him of a long season. St. Luke, xxiii.

2. Not short; used of space.

Empress, the way is ready, and not long. Milton, P. L.

3. Having one of its geometrical dimensions in a greater degree than either of the other.

His branches became long because of the waters.

We made the trial in a long necked phial left open at the top.

4. Of any certain measure in length. Women eat their children of a span long. Lam. ii. 20.

These, as a line, their long dimensions drew, Streaking the ground with sinous trace.

Milton, P. L. The fig-tree spreads her arms, Branching so broad and long. Milton, P. L.

A ponderous mace, Full twenty cubits long, he swings around. Pope.

5. Not soon ceasing, or at an end.

Man goeth to his long home. Ecclus. xii. 5. Honour thy father and thy mother, that thy days may be long upon the land. Exodus, xx. 12.

They open to themselves at length a way Up hither, under long obedience tried.

Milton, P. L. Him after long debate of thoughts revolv'd Irresolute, his final sentence chose. Milton, P. L. Long and ceaseless hiss. Milton, P. L.

6. Dilatory.

Death will not be long in coming, and the cove-

nant of the grave is not shewed unto thee. Ecclus. xiv. 12.

7. Tedious in narration.

Chief mastery to dissect, With long and tedious havock, fabled knights. Milton, P. L. Reduce, my muse, the wandering song,

A tale should never be too long.

8. Continued by succession to a great

But first a long succession must ensue. Milton, P. L.

9. [From the verb, To long.] Longing; desirous; or perhaps, long continued, from the disposition to continue looking at any thing desired.

Praying for him, and casting a long look that way, he saw the galley leave the pursuit. Sidney. By every circumstance I know he loves;

Yet he but doubts, and parlies, and casts out Many a long look for succour.

10. [In musick and pronunciation.] Protracted: as a long note; a long syllable.

11. Affectedly deliberate: rather an expression of contempt.

There is nothing to be done, according to them, in the common way; and let the matter in hand

be what it will, it must be carried with an air of importance, and transacted, if we may so speak, with an ostentatious secrecy. These are your persons with long heads, who would fain make the world believe their thoughts and ideas very much superiour to their neighbours! Tatler, No. 191.

Long. + adv.

1. To a great length in space.

The marble brought, erects the spacious dome, Or forms the pillars long-extended rows, On which the planted grove and pensile garden grows.

2. Not for a short time.

With mighty barres of long-enduring brass. Fairfax. When the trumpet soundeth long, they shall

come up to the mount. Exod. xix. 13. The martial Ancus

Furbish'd the rusty sword again,

Resum'd the long-forgotten shield. Dryden. One of these advantages, which Corneille has laid down, is the making choice of some signal and long-expected day, whereon the action of the Druden.

play is to depend. So stood the pious prince unmov'd, and long Sustain'd the madness of the noisy throng.

The muse resumes her long-forgotten lays, And love, restor'd, his ancient realm surveys.

Dryden. No man has complained that you have discoursed too long on any subject, for you leave us in an eagerness of learning more. Dryden.

Persia left for you The realm of Candahar for dower I bought, That long-contended prize for which you fought.

It may help to put an end to that long-agitated and unreasonable question, whether man's

Locke. will be free or no? Heaven restores To thy fond wish the long-expected shores.

Pope, Odyssey.

3. In the comparative, it signifies for more time; and the superlative, for most time. When she could no longer hide him, she took for him an ark of bulrushes.

Eldest parents signifies either the eldest men and women that have had children, or those who have longest had issue. Locke.

4. Not soon.

Not long after there arose against it a tempestuous wind. Acts, xxvii. 14.

5. At a point of duration far distant.

If the world had been eternal, those would have been found in it, and generally spread long ago, and beyond the memory of all ages. Say, that you once were virtuous long ago!

Philips, Briton. A frugal, hardy people. 6. [For along; au long, Fr.] All along;

throughout: of time. Them among There sat a man of ripe and perfect age,

Who did them meditate all his life long. Spenser, F. Q.

Some say, that ever 'gainst that season comes, Wherein our Saviour's birth is celebrated, The bird of dawning singeth all night long, And then they say no spirit walks abroad, The nights are wholesome, then no planets strike, No fairy takes, no witch hath power to charm, So hallow'd, and so gracious is the time. Shaksneare, Hamlet.

He fed me all my life long to this day.

Forty years long was I grieved with this generation.

7. Owing to; in consequence of: an abbreviation of along; not from the Sax. zelanz, a fault, as Dr Johnson has hastily asserted, but from ze-lang, long of; not meaning by the fault, by the failure, as he has further mistated it; and not a substantive, as he makes it. See the seventh sense of Along.

But if it is alonge on me, That ye unavanced be, Or els if it be longe on you, The soth shall be preved nowe.

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 5. Respective and wary men had rather seek quietly their own, and wish that the world may go well so it be not long of them, than with pains and hazard make themselves advisers for the common Hooker.

Maine, Bloys, Poictiers, and Tours are won away.

Long all of Somerset, and his delay.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. Mistress, all this coil, is long of you. Shakspeare. If we owe it to him that we know so much, it is

perhaps long of his fond adorers that we know so little more.

Long.* n. s.

1. A character of musick, usually equal to two breves.

Dryden, En. 2. As Dr. Johnson has placed, what I have made the seventh sense of the adverb, as a noun substantive; it seems necessary here to refer the reader to what I have there proved.

> To Long. + v. n. [gelangen, German, to ask. Skinner. - Icel. "langa, epter," to desire; langen, desire. Serenius. - So the Saxon, langian ærrep, to long after, to desire greatly: Ur nu langian mæg ærren røylcum bazum. Nobis nunc desiderare licet tales dies. Oros. 2. 5. Lye, edit. Manning. It is a secondary meaning of langian to draw out, to protract.] To desire earnestly; to wish, with eagerness continued: with for or after before the thing desired.

Fresh expectation troubled not the land With any long'd for change, or better state.

Shaksneure. And thine eyes shall look, and fail with longing for them. Deut. xxviii. 32. If earst he wished, now he longed sore.

Fairfax. The great master perceived, that Rhodes was the place the Turkish tyrant longed after. Knolles, Hist. If the report be good, it causeth love,

And longing hope, and well assured joy. His sons, who seek the tyrant to sustain,

And long for arbitrary lords again, He dooms to death deserv'd. Dryden, Æn. Glad of the gift, the new made warrior goes,

And arms among the Greeks, and longs for equal Else whence this pleasing hope, this fond desire,

This longing after immortality? Addison, Cato. There's the tie that binds you; You long to call him father : Marcia's charms

Work in your heart unseen, and plead for Cato.

Nicomedes longing for herrings, was supplied with fresh ones by his cook, at a great distance Arbuthnot. from the sea. Through stormy seas

I courted dangers, and I long'd for death. A. Philips.

To Long.* v. n. [langen, German.] To belong. This word is often written, as if it were merely an abbreviation of be-

The clothes, and the remenant all, That to the sacrifice longen shall.

Chaucer, Kn. Tale.

Commandements that longen to God.

Lib. Festiv. fol. 23. b. But he me first through pride, and puissance strong,

Assayl'd, not knowing what to armes doth long.

Spenser, F. Q. vi. ii. 8. But wit's ambition longeth to the best. Davies. Longani'mity. † n. s. [longanimitas, Lat. longanimité. Fr.] Forbearance; patience of offences.

The Almighty, in his goodnesse and mercy, giveth tyme and space to men that are wylling to repent, and endureth offenders with great patience and longanimity to bring them to righteousnesse of lyfe. Wootton, Chr. Manual, (1576,) K. ii.

It had overcome the patience of Job, as it did

the meekness of Moses, and surely had mastered any but the longanimity and lasting sufferance of Brown, Vulg. Err. God.

That innocent and holy matron had rather go clad in the snowy white robes of meekness and longanimity, than in the purple mantle of blood. Howell, Eng. Tears.

LO'NGBOAT. n. s. The largest boat belonging to a ship.

At the first descent on shore, he did countenance the landing in his longboat. They first betray their masters, and then, when they find the vessel sinking, save themselves in

the longboat. L'Estrange. LONGE.* n. s. [French.] A thrust with a sword. Butler, in his remains, writes

it longee. It is a trifling and needless He attacked Mr. Darnel with great fury, and

at the first longe ran him up the hilt.

LONGE VAL.* adj. [longævus, Lat.]
LONGE VOUS. Long-lived.

Leaving no histories of those longevous generations, when men might have been properly historians, when Adam might have read long lectures into Methuselah, and Methuselah unto Brown, Chr. Mor. iii. 1. Those primitive long@val and antediluvian man-

tigers, who first taught science to the word. Arbuthnot and Pope, Mart. Scriblerus.

[longævus, Latin.] Longe'vity. n. s. Length of life.

That those are countries suitable to the nature of man, and convenient to live in, appears from the longevity of the natives. Ray on Creation. The instances of longevity are chiefly amongst

Arbuthnot on Aliments. the abstemious,

Longi'Manous. adj. [longuemain, French; longimanus, Lat.] Longhanded: having long hands.

The villainy of this Christian exceeded the persecution of heathens, whose malice was never so longimanous as to reach the soul of their enemies, or to extend unto the exile of their Brown, Vulg. Err. elysiums.

LONGI'METRY. n. s. [longus and μετρέω, longimetrie, French.] The art or practice of measuring distances.

Our two eyes are like two different stations in longimetry, by the assistance of which the distance between two objects is measured.

Cheyne, Phil. Principles.

Lo'nging. n. s. [from long.] Earnest desire; continual wish.

When within short time I came to the degree of uncertain wishes, and that those wishes grew to unquiet longings, when I would fix my thoughts upon nothing, but that within little varying they should end with Philoclea.

I have a woman's longing, An appetite that I am sick withal, To see great Hector in the weeds of peace.

Shakspeare.

The will is left to the pursuit of nearer satisfactions, and to the removal of those uneasinesses which it then feels in its want of, and longings after them.

With Lo'ngingly. adv. [from longing.] incessant wishes.

To his first bias longingly he leans,

And rather would be great by wicked means. Dryden.

Longinguitas, Lat.] Remoteness; not nearness. Cockeram. Longinquity of region doth cause the examination of truth to be over-dilatory

Barrow on the Pope's Supremacy.

Lo'ngish. adj. [from long.] Somewhat

LO'NGITUDE. n. s. [longitude, French; longitudo, Latin.]

1. Length; the greatest dimension.

The ancients did determine the longitude of all rooms, which were longer than broad, by the double of their latitude. Wotton, Architect.

The variety of the alphabet was in mere longitude only; but the thousand parts of our bodies may be diversified by situation in all the dimensions of solid bodies; which multiplies all over and over again, and overwhelms the fancy in a new abyss of unfathomable number. This universal gravitation is an incessant and

uniform action by certain and established laws, according to quantity of matter and longitude of distance, that it cannot be destroyed nor impaired.

2. The circumference of the earth measured from any meridian.

Some of Magellanus's company were the first that did compass the world through all the degrees of longitude.

3. The distance of any part of the earth to the east or west of any place. To conclude;

Of longitudes, what other way have we,

. But to mark when and where the dark eclipses be? His was the method of discovering the longitude by bomb vessels.

Arbuthnot and Pope, Mart. Scrib. 4. The position of any thing to east or

The longitude of a star is its distance from the . first point of numeration toward the east, which first point, unto the ancients, was the vernal equi-Brown, Vul. Err.

LONGITU'DINAL. adj. [from longitude; longitudinal, French.] Measured by the length; running in the longest direction. Longitudinal is opposed to tranverse: these vesiculæ are distended, and their longitudinal diameters straitened, and so the length of the whole muscle shortened.

Lo'nglived.* adj. [long and live.] Having great length of life, or existence. When stag, and raven, and the longliv'd tree,

Compar'd with man, died in minority.

Donne, Poems, p. 206. I could gaze a day Upon his armour that hath so reviv'd

My spirits, and tells me that I am long-liv'd In his appearance. B. Jonson, Masques at Court.

Lo'ngly. + adv. [from long.] 1. Tediously; of much continuance. Mr. Steevens, noticing the second use of this adverb by Shakspeare, says that he had met with no other instance of it. This sense, which is the more obvious meaning, is given by Cotgrave and Sherwood.

2. Longingly; with great liking.

Master, you look'd so longly on the maid, Perhaps, you mark not what's the pith of all. Shaksneare.

Lo'ngness.* n. s. [from long.] Length; Cotgrave, and Sherwood. extension. He brought with him a plot of the enemy's, which in haste I caused to be drawn out; but because of the longness of the work, I caused him to leave the town undone.

Sidney, St. Pap. (Lett. 1601,) vol. ii. p. 233. Lo'ngsome.† adj. [langrum, Saxon; lang-saem, Teut.] Tedious; wearisome by

its length.

They found the war so churlish and longsome, as they grew then to a resolution, that, as long as England stood in state to succour those countries, they should but consume themselves in an endless Bacon, War with Spain.

The residue of his longsome treatise is spent

upon the council of Constantinople. Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Marr. Clergy, p. 197.

When chill'd by adverse snows, and beating

We tread with weary steps the longsome plain.

Lo'ngsomeness.* n. s. [from longsome.] Tediousness.

That the longsomeness of suits in ecclesiastical courts may be restrained.

Hist. of Conformity, (1681,) p. 22.

LO'NGSHANKED.* adj. [long and shank.] Having long legs.

That pigmy king of Poland fought more victorious battles than any of his longshanked prede-Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 318.

Lo'ngspun.* adj. [long and spun.] Carried to an excessive length; tedious.

The longspun allegories fulsome grow, While the dull moral lies too plain below. Addison. Acc. of Eng. Poets.

Longsu'fferance.* n. s. [long and sufferance.] Clemency: longsuffering.

The goodness, patience, and longsufferance of Com. Prayer, Commination. This my longsufferance, and my day of grace, They who neglect and scorn, shall never taste. Milton, P. L.

Longsu'ffering. adj. [long and suffering.] Patient; not easily provoked.

The Lord God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in goodness. Exod. xxxiv. 6.

Longsu'ffering. n. s. Patience of offence; clemency.

We infer from the mercy and longsuffering of God, that they were themselves sufficiently secure of his favour.

Lo'ngtail. n. s. [long and tail.] Cut and long tail: a canting term for one or another. A phrase, I believe, taken from dogs, which belonging to men not qualified to hunt, had their tails cut.

He will maintain you like a gentlewoman.

Aye, that I will, come cut and longtail under the degree of a squire. Shaksp. M. Wives of Windsor.

Lo'NGTONGUED.* adj. [long and tongue.] Babbling.

A long-tongu'd babbling gossip!

Titus Andronicus. Lo'NGWAYS. adv. [This and many other words so terminated are corrupted from wise.] In the longitudinal direction.

This island stands as a vast mole, which lies longways, almost in a parallel line to Naples. Addison on Italy.

Longwi'nded. adj. [long and wind.] Long-breathed: tedious.

My simile you minded, Which, I confess, is too longwinded. Swift. Lo'ngwise. adv. [long and wise.] In the longitudinal direction.

They make a little cross of a quill, longwise of that part of the quill which hath the pith, and crosswise of that piece of the quill without pith.

He was laid upon two beds, the one joined longwise unto the other, both which he filled with his length. Hakewill.

Lo'ning.* n. s. A lane. Still used in the north of England, as in Scotland. See

Lo'nish.* adj. [from lone.] Somewhat lonely.

He had spent the summer at Cassington in a in a lonish and retired condition.

Life of A. Wood, p. 76. Loo. n. s. A game at cards.

A secret indignation, that all those affections of the mind should be thus vilely thrown away upon a hand at loo. Addison. In the fights of loo.

To Loo.* v. a. [from the noun.] To beat the opponents by winning every trick at the game.

I'll play the cards come next my fingers -Fortune could never let Ned loo her, When she had left it wholly to her.

Well, now who wins? - why, still the same -For Sal has lost another game.

Shenstone to a Friend. Lo'obily. adj. [looby and like.] Awkward: clumsv.

The plot of the farce was a grammar school, the master setting his boys their lessons, and a loobily country fellow putting in for a part among the L'Estrange.

Lo'oby. † n. s. [Of this word the derivation is unsettled. Skinner mentions lapp, German, foolish; and Junius, llabe, a clown, Welsh, which seems to be the true original, unless it come from lob. Dr. Johnson. - Serenius notices the derivation which Junius offers, and adds to it the Icel. lubbe, "hirsutus et incomptus nebulo." Minsheu classes together lob, lobcock, and lubber, for a clown; but looby was not used in his time.] A lubber; a clumsy clown.

Great loubies and long, that loth were to swinke. Vis. of P. Ploughman, sign. A. i. b. The vices trace

From the father's scoundrel race. Who could give the looby such airs? Were they masons, were they butchers?

LOOF. + n. s. [loo, Fr. Cotgrave, "the loof of a ship; bouter de loo, to sail near the wind."] That part aloft of the ship which lies just before the chesstrees, as far as the bulk head of the castle. Sea Dict.

To Loof. v. a. [from the noun.] To bring a ship close to the wind.

She once being loof'd, The noble ruin of her magick, Antony, Claps on his sea-wing, and like a doting mallard,

Leaving the fight in height, flies after her. Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop.

To LOOK. † v. n. [locan, Saxon, lygen, Germ. gloggua, Icel. respicere: ab antiquiss. hla, gla, nitorem et splendorem involvente. Serenius. But see also Loescheri Lit. Celt. p. 22. "Lug lucem Gallis notavit, Armoricis et Cambris

eadem vox superest, necnon sequentia; luched, fulgor, luchad, oculus, amlug, conspicuus. Majores nostri dicebant lüken, rem conspicuam intueri; unde hodienum Suevis lugen est videre. Conspirat Latinum lucere."]

 To direct the eye to or from any object: when the present object is mentioned, the preposition after look is either on or at; if it is absent, we use for; if distant, after: to was sometimes used anciently for at.

Your queen died, she was more worth such

gazes

Than what you look on now. Shaksp. Wint. Tale.

The gods look down, and the unnat'ral scene
They laugh at. Shakspeare, Coriol.

Abimelech looked out at a window, and saw Isaac.

Genesis.

Mine iniquities have taken hold upon me, so that I am not able to look up. Psal. xl. 12: He was ruddy, and of a beautiful countenance,

and goodly to look to. 1 Sam. xvi. 12.

The fathers shall not look back to their children.

Jeremiah. He had looked round about on them with anger. St. Mark, iii.

The state would cast the eye, and look about to see whether there were any head under whom it might unite.

Bacon.

Fine devices of arching water without spilling, be pretty things to look on, but nothing to health.

Bacon, Ess.

Froth appears white, whether the sun be in the meridian, or any where between it and the horizon, and from what place sever the beholders look apon it.

Boyle on Colours.
They'll rather wait the running of the river dry, than take pains to look about for a bridge.

Thus pond'ring, he look'd under with his eyes,
And saw the woman's tears. Dryden, Kn. Tale.
Bertram; if thou dar'st look out

Bertram; if thou dar'st look out Upon you slaughter'd host. Dryden, Span. Friar. I cannot, without some indignation, look on an ill copy of an excellent original; much less can I

behold with patience Virgil and Homer abused to their faces, by a botching interpreter. Drydden. Intellectual beings, in their constant endeavours after true felicity, can suspend this prosecution in

after true felicity, can suspend this prosecution in particular cases, till they have looked before them, and informed themselves, whether that particular thing lie in their way to their main end. Looke.

There may be in his reach a book containing

There may be in his reach a book; containing pictures and discourses capable to delight and instruct him, which yet he may never take the pains to look into.

Looke.

Towards those who communicate their thoughts in print, I cannot but look with a friendly regard, provided there is no tendency in their writings to vice.

Addison, Freeholder.

A solid and substantial greatness of soul looks down with a generous neglect on the censures and applauses of the multitude.

Addison, Spect.

I have nothing left but to gather up the reliques of a wreck, and look about me to see how few friends I have left.

Pope to Swift.

The optick nerves of such animals as look the same way with both eyes, as of men, meet before they come into the brain; but the optick nerves of such animals as do not look the same way with both eyes, as of fishes, do not meet.

2. To have power of seeing.

Fate sees thy life lodg'd in a brittle glass, And looks it through, but to it cannot pass.

3. To direct the intellectual eye.

In regard of our deliverance past, and our danger present and to come, let us look up to God, and every man reform his own ways.

Bacon, New Atlantis.

We are not only to look at the bare action, but at the reason of it.

Stilling fleet.

The man only saved the pigeon from the hawk, that he might eat it himself; and if we look well about us, we shall find this to be the case of most mediations.

L'Estrange.

They will not look beyond the received notions of the place and age, nor have so presumptuous a thought as to be wiser than their neighbours.

Every one, if he would look into himself, would find some defect of his particular genius. Looke. Change a man's view of things; let him look into the future state of bliss or misery, and see

God, the righteous Judge, ready to render every man according to his deeds.

Locke.
To expect.

If he long deferred the march, he must look to fight another battle before he could reach Oxford.

Clarendon.

5. To take care; to watch.

Look that ye bind them fast. Shakspeare. He that gathered a hundred bushels of apples, had thereby a property in them: he was only to look that he used them before they spoiled, else he robbed others.

6. To be directed with regard to any object.

Let thine eyes look right on, and let thine eyelids look straight before thee. Prov. iv. 25.

7. To have any particular appearance; to seem.

I took the way,

Which through a path, but scarcely printed, lay; And look'd as lightly press'd by fairy feet. Dryd.
That spotless modesty of private and publick life, that generous spirit, which all other Christians

life, that generous spirit, which all other Christians ought to labour after, should book in us as if they were natural.

Sprat.

Piety, as it is thought a way to the favour of God; and fortune, as it looks like the effect either of that, or at least of prudence and courage, beget authority.

Temple.

Cowards are offensive to my sight; Nor shall they see me do an act that looks Below the courage of a Spartan king.

Dryden, Cleom.
To complain of want, and yet refuse all offers of a supply, looks very sullen.

Burnet, The. of the Earth.

Should I publish any favours done me by your lordship, I am afraid it would look more like vanity than gratitude.

Addison:

Something very noble may be discerned, but it looketh cumbersome. Felton on the Classicks. Late, a sad spectacle of woe, he trod The desart sands, and now he looks a god.

From the vices and follies of others, observe how such a practice *looks* in another person, and remember that it *looks* as ill, or worse, in yourself,

This makes it look the more like truth, nature being frugal in her principles, but various in the effects thence arising. Cheyne, Phil. Principles.

To have any air, mien, or manner.

Nay look not big, nor stamp, nor stare, nor fret,
I will be master of what is mine own.
What haste looks through his eyes?

So should he look that seems to speak things strange.

Shakspeare.

Give me your hand, and trust me you look well, and bear your years very well. Skaksp. Hen. IV. Can these, or such, be any aids to us?

Look they as they were built to shake the world, Or be a moment to our enterprize? B. Jonson.
Though I cannot tell what a man says; if he will be sincere, I may easily know what he looks.

It will be his lot to look singular in loose and licentious times, and to-become a bye-word.

Atterbury.

 To form the air in any particular manner, in regarding or beholding. I welcome the condition of the time, Which cannot look more hideously on me, Than I have drawn it in my fantasy.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

That which was the worst now least afflicts me;
Blindness, for had I sight, confus'd with shame
How could I once look up, or heave the head?

Milton, S. A.

These look up to you with reverence, and would
be animated by the sight of him at whose soul
they have taken fire in his writings. Swift to Pope.

10. To Look about one. To be alarmed; to be vigilant.

It will import those men who dwell careless to look about them; to enter into serious consultation, how they may appet that rain. There is the Pick

how they may avert that ruin. Decay of Chr. Piety.

If you find a wasting of your flesh, then look about you, especially if troubled with a cough.

Harvey on Consumptions.

John's cause was a good milch cow, and many a man subsisted his family out of it: however, John began to think it high time to look about him. Arbuthnot, Hist. of J. Bull.

11. To Look after. To attend; to take care of; to observe with care, anxiety, or tenderness.

Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth.

St. Luke.

Politeness of manners, and knowledge of the world, should principally be looked after in a tutor.

Locke on Education.

A mother was wont to indulge her daughters, when any of them desired dogs, squirrels, or birds; but then they must be sure to look diligently after them, that they were not ill used.

Locke on Education.

My subject does not oblige me to look after the water, or point forth the place whereunto it is now retreated.

Woodward.

12. To Look black. To frown; to shew sign of dislike or disgust.

She hath abated me of half my train;

Look'd black upon me; struck me with her tongue,

Most serpent-like, upon the very heart.

Shakspeare, K. Lear.
The bishops thereat repined, and looked black.
Holinshed, Hist. iii. 1157.

13. To Look for. To expect.

Phalantus's disgrace was engrieved, in lieu of comfort, of Artesia, who telling him she never tooked for other, bad him seek some other mistress.

Being a labour of so great difficulty, the exact performance thereof we may rather wish than look for.

Hooker.

Shalt feel our justice, in whose easiest passage Look for no less than death. Shaksp. Wint. Tale.

In dealing with cunning persons, it is good to say little to them, and that which they least look for.

Bacon, Essays.

for.

This mistake was not such as they looked for; and, though the error in form seemed to be consented to, yet the substance of the accusation might be still insisted on.

Clarendon.

Inordinate anxiety, and unnecessary scruples in confession, instead of setting you free, which is the benefit to be looked for by confession, perplex you the more.

Dp. Taylor
**Look now for no enchanting voice, nor feer

The bait of honied words.

Drown'd in deep despair,

He dates not offer one repenting prayer: Amaz'd he lies, and sadly looks for death.

I must with patience all the terms attend,
Till mine is call'd; and that long look'd for day
Is still encumber'd with some new delay.

Dryden, Juv.
This limitation of Adam's empire to his line,
will save those the labour who would look for one

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heir amongst the race of brutes, but will very little contribute to the discovery of one amongst men.

14. To Look into. To examine; to sift; to inspect closely; to observe narrowly. His nephew's levies to him appear'd

To be a preparation 'gainst the Polack; But better look'd into, he truly found

It was against your highness. Shakspeare, Hamlet. The more frequently and narrowly we look into the works of nature, the more occasion we shall have to admire their beauty. Atterbury. It is very well worth a traveller's while to look

into all that lies in his way. Addison on Italy. 15. To Look on. To respect; to esteem;

to regard as good or bad.

Ambitious men, if they be checked in their desires, become secretly discontent, and look upon men and matters with an evil eye. Bacon, Ess. If a harmless maid

Should ere a wife become a nurse,

nothing but self-denial and the cross.

Her friends would look on her the worse. Prior. 16. To Look on. To consider; to con-

ceive of; to think. I looked on Virgil as a succinct, majestick writer;

one who weighed not only every thought, but every word and syllable. Dryden. He looked upon it as morally impossible, for persons infinitely proud to frame their minds to an impartial consideration of a religion that taught

Do we not all profess to be of this excellent religion? but who will believe that we do so, that shall look upon the actions, and consider the lives of the greatest part of Christians? Tillotson.

In the want and ignorance of almost all things, they looked upon themselves as the happiest and wisest people of the universe.

Locke, on Hum. Understanding. Those prayers you make for your recovery are to be looked upon as best heard by God, if they move him to a longer continuance of your sick-Wake, Prep. for Death.

17. To Look on. To be a mere idle spec-

I'll be a candle-holder, and look on. Shakspeare. Some come to meet their friends, and to make merry; others come only to look on.

Bacon, Apophthegms.

18. To Look over. To examine; to try one by one.

Look o'er the present and the former time,

If no example of so vile a crime Appears, then mourn.

Dryden, Juv. A young child, distracted with the variety of his play-games, tired his maid every day to look

19. To Look out. To search; to seek. When the thriving tradesman has got more than he can well employ in trade, his next thoughts are to look out for a purchase.

Where the body is affected with pain or sickness, we are forward enough to look out for remedies, to listen to every one that suggests them and immediately to apply them. Atterbury.

Where a foreign tongue is elegant, expressive, and compact, we must look out for words as beautiful and comprehensive as can be found.

Felton on the Classicks. The curious are looking out, some for flattery, some for ironies, in that poem; the sour folks think they have found out some. Swift to Pope.

To Look out. To be on the watch. Is a man bound to look out sharp to plague himself? Collier.

1. To Look to. To watch; to take care of. There is not a more fearful wild fowl than your lion living; and we ought to look to it. Shaksp. Who knocks so loud at door?

Look to the door there, Francis. Shaksp. Hen. IV.

Let this fellow be looked to: let some of my people have a special care of him.

Shakspeare, Tw. Night. Uncleanly scruples fear not you; look to't. Shakspeare.

Know the state of thy flocks, and look well to thy herds.

When it came once among our people, that the

state offered conditions to strangers that would stay, we had work enough to get any of our men to look to our ship. Bacon

If any took sanctuary for case of treason, the the king might appoint him keepers to look to him in sanctuary.

The dog's running away with the flesh, bids the cook look better to it another time. L'Estrange.

For the truth of the theory I am in nowise concerned; the composer of it must look to that.

Woodward.

22. To Look to. To behold.

To LOOK. v. a.

1. To seek; to search for.

Looking my love, I go from place to place, Like a young fawn that late hath lost the hind, And seek each where.

2. To turn the eye upon. Let us look one another in the face.

2 Kings, xiv. 8. 3. To influence by looks.

Such a spirit must be left behind! A spirit fit to start into an empire, And look the world to law. Dryden, Cleom.

4. To Look out. To discover by searching. Casting my eye upon so many of the general bills as next came to hand, I found encouragement from them to look out all the bills I could.

Graunt, Bills of Mortality. Whoever has such treatment when he is a man, will look out other company, with whom he can be

Look. interj. [properly the imperative mood of the verb: it is sometimes look ye.] See! lo! behold! observe!

Look, where he comes, and my good man too; he's as far from jealousy as I am from giving him Shakspeare.

Look you, he must seem thus to the world: fear not your advancement. Shakspeare.

Look, when the world hath fewest barbarous people, but such as will not marry, except they know means to live, as it is almost every where at this day, except Tartary, there is no danger of inundations of people. Bacon, Ess.

Look you! we that pretend to be subject to a constitution, must not carve out our own quality; for at this rate a cobler may make himself a lord. Collier on Pride.

LOOK. † n. s.

1. Air of the face; mien; cast of the countenance.

Thou cream-fac'd loon,

Where got'st thou that goose look ? Shakspeare. Thou wilt save the afflicted people, but will bring down high looks. Psal. xviii. 27

Then gracious Heaven for nobler ends design'd, Their looks erected, and their clay refin'd.

J. Dryden, Jun. And though death be the king of terrors, yet pain, disgrace, and poverty, have frightful looks, able to discompose most men. Locke

2. The act of looking or seeing.

Then on the croud he cast a furious look, And wither'd all their strength. When they met they made a surly stand,

And glar'd, like angry lions, as they pass'd, And wish'd that ev'ry look might be their last.

View. With out. This leads to a little tower, -the dressing room of the sultana. It is a small square cabinet, in the middle of an open gallery, from which it receives light by a door and three windows. The look-out charming.

Swinburne, Trav. through Spain, L. 23, 4. Watch. With out: as, they kept a good look-out.

LO'OKER. † n. s. [from look.]

1. One that looks.

For though infusion of celestial powre The duller earth it quickneth with delight, And lifefull spirits privily doth poure

Through all the parts, that to the lookers' sight They seem to please. Spenser, Hymns. Those curious arched chambers, in which these lookers or beholders dwell. Smith on Old Age, p.93.

I have ever observed, that your grave lookers are the dullest of men. D. of Buckingham, Rehearsal.

2. LOOKER on. Spectator, not agent.

Shepherds poor pipe, when his harsh sound testifies anguish, into the fair looker on, pastime not passion enters. Such labour is then more necessary than plea-

sant, both to them which undertake it, and for the lookers on. Hooker.

My business in this state Made me a looker on here in Vienna;

Where I have seen corruption boil and bubble Till it o'er-run the stew. Shaksp. Meas. for Meas. Did not this fatal war affront thy coast,

Yet sattest thou an idle looker on? Fairfax. The Spaniard's valour lieth in the eyes of the looker on; but the English valour lieth about the soldier's heart: a valour of glory and a valour of natural courage are two things.

The people love him; The lookers on, and the enquiring vulgar, Will talk themselves to action. Denham, Sophy.

He wish'd he had indeed been gone, And only to have stood a looker on. Addison, Ov.

Lo'oking.* n. s. [from look.] Expectation. With for.

A certain fearful looking for of judgement.

Heb. x. 27.

Lo'oking-glass.* n. s. [look and glass.] Mirror; a glass which shews forms reflected.

Command a mirror hither straight, That it may shew me what a face I have. - Go some of you and fetch a looking-glass.

Shakspeare. There is none so homely but loves a looking-

We should make no other use of our neighbour's faults, than of a looking-glass to mend our own

manners by. The surface of the lake of Nemi is never ruffled with the least breath of wind, which perhaps, to-

gether with the clearness of its waters, gave it formerly the name of Diana's looking-glass. Addsion on Italy.

LOOM. † n. s. [from glomus, a bottom of thread. Minsheu. Lome is a general name for a tool or instrument. Junius. And therefore Junius or Dr. Johnson might have added the Sax. zeloma, goods, any utensil, or household-stuff.]

1. The frame in which the weavers work their cloth.

He must leave no uneven thread in his loom. or by indulging to any one sort of reproveable discourse himself, defeat all his endeavours against the rest. Gov. of the Tongue.

Minerva, studious to compose Her twisted threads, the web she strung, And o'er a loom of marble hung, .

A thousand maidens ply the purple loom, To weave the bed, and deck the regal room.

2. Household-stuff; furniture; hence the expression heir-loom. See Heirloom.

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3. Loom Gale. [In naval language.] A LO'OPHOLED. adj. [from loophole.] Full gentle, easy gale of wind.

To Loom. v. n. [leoman, Saxon.] To appear large at sea. Spoken of a ship at a distance. Awful she looms, the terror of the main.

Pye, Carmen Seculare.

LOOM. n. s. A bird.

A loom is as big as a goose; of a dark colour, dappled with white spots on the neck, back, and wings; each feather marked near the point with two spots; they breed in Farr Island.

Grew, Museum.

Loon. n. s. [This word, which is now used only in Scotland, is the English word lown. See Lown. A sorry fellow: a scoundrel; a rascal.

Thou cream-fac'd loon!

Where got'st thou that goose look? Shakspeare, Macbeth.

The false loon, who could not work his will By open force, employ'd his flattering skill : I hope, my lord, said he, I not offend Are you afraid of me that are your friend?

Dryden. This young lord had an old cunning rogue, or, as the Scots call it, a false loon of a grandfather, that one might call a Jack of all trades.

Arbuthnot, Hist. of J. Bull.

LOOP. † n. s. [from loopen, Dutch, to run. Dr. Johnson. - Hibern. lup, amentum; Icel. lope, pensum lanificii, lippa, filum digitis ducere. Serenius.]

1. A double through which a string or lace is drawn; an ornamental double or

Nor any skill'd in loops of fingering fine, Might in their diverse cunning ever dare With this, so curious network, to compare.

Make me to see't, or at least to prove it, That the probation bear no hinge, nor loop, To hang a doubt on. Shakspeare, Othello. Bind our crooked legs in hoops

Made of shells, with silver loops. An old fellow shall wear this or that sort of cut in his clothes with great integrity, while all the rest of the world are degenerated into buttons, pockets, and loops.

2. A small aperture, in ancient castles, to spy the enemy, or to fire ordnance from, or to admit light.

Some at the loops durst scarce outpeep. Fairfax, Tass. xi. 32.

LO'OPED. adj. [from loop.] Full of holes. Poor naked wretches, wheresoe'er you are, That 'bide the pelting of this pitiless storm How shall your houseless heads and unfed sides, Your loop'd and window'd raggedness, defend you From seasons such as these? Shakspeare, K. Lear.

LO'OPHOLE. n. s. [loop and hole.]

1. Aperture; hole to give a passage. The Indian herdsman, shunning heat, Shelters in cool, and tends his pasturing herds; At loopholes cut through thickest shade

Milton, P. L.

Ere the blabbing Eastern scout The nice morn on the Indian steep,

From her cabin'd loophole peep. Milton, Comus. Walk not near you corner house by night; for there are blunderbusses planted in every loophole, that go off at the squeaking of a fiddle. Dryden, Span. Friar.

2. A shift; an evasion.

Needless, or needful, I not now contend, For still you have a loophole for a friend. Dryden.

of holes; full of openings, or void

Cannot but put y' in mind of wedlock. Hudibras.

This uneasy loophol'd gaol, In which y' are hamper'd by the fetlock,

LOORD. † n. s. [loerd, Dutch; lourdaut, French; lurdan, Erse; a heavy, stupid, or witless fellow. D. Trevoux derives lourdaut from lorde or lourde, a village in Gascoigny, the inhabitants of which were formerly noted robbers, say they. But dexterity in robbing implies some degree of subtilty, from which the Gascoigns are so far removed, that they are aukward and heavy to a proverb. The Erse imports some degree of knavery, but in a ludicrous sense, as in English, you pretty rogue; though in general it denotes reproachful heaviness, or stupid laziness. Spenser's Scholiast says, loord was wont, among the old Britons, to signify a lord; and therefore the Danes, that usurped their tyranny here in Britain, were called, for more dread than dignity, lurdans, i. e. lord Danes, whose insolence and pride was so outrageous in this realm, that if it fortuned a Briton to be going over a bridge, and saw the Dane set foot upon the same, he must return back till the Dane was clean over, else he must abide no less than present death: but being afterward expelled, the name of lurdane became so odious unto the people whom they had long oppressed, that, even at this day, they use for more reproach to call the quartan ague the fever lurdane. So far the Scholiast, but erroneously. From Spenser's own words, it signifies something of stupid dulness rather than magisterial arrogance. Macbean. - Dr. Johnson might have added to the remark of Macbean, that stupidity was a principal feature in the lurdane's character:

"In every house lord Dane did then rule all:

" Whence laysie lozels LURDANES now we call.

Mir. for Magistrates, p. 588. Loord indeed is no other than the Teutonick word luyaerd, or loer, loerd, an idle, slothful fellow; hence the Fr. lourd, stupid, blockish; Ital. lordo, foul, filthy, lordone, a "lubberly, slovenly, filthy fellow," Florio, 1598. Serenius makes the Goth. lort, filth, the origin. See also Lurdan.] A drone.

Siker, thou's but a lazy loord, And rekes much of thy swinke,

That with fond terms and witless words To blear mine eyes dost think. Spenser, Shep. Cal.

Loos.* n. s. [los, old Fr. Lacombe; laus, Latin. Mr. H. Tooke, however, considers this word as the past participle of the Sax. hliran, to celebrate, and as the origin of the Lat. laus.] Praise; renown. Obsolete.

Hercules that had the grete loos. That much he feared, least reproachfull blame With foule dishonour him mote blot therefore;

Besides the losse of so much loss and fame, As through the world thereby should glorifie his Spenser, F. Q. vi. xii. 12.

To LOOSE. v. a. [leran, Sax.]

1. To unbind; to untie any thing fastened. The shoes of his feet I am not worthy to loose. Canst thou loose the bands of Orion?

Who is worthy to loose the seals thereof? Rev. v. 2.

This is to cut the knot when we cannot loose it. Rurnet.

2. To relax.

The joints of his loins were loosed. Daniel. 3. To unbind any one bound. Loose him, and bring him to me. St. Luke.

4. To free from imprisonment.

The captive hasteneth that he may be loosed. Isminh. He loosed, and set at liberty, four or five kings of the people of that country, that Berok kept in Abbot.

5. To free from any obligation. Art thou loosed from a wife? seek not a wife.

1 Cor. 6. To free from any thing that shackles the mind.

Ay; there's the man, who, loos'd from lust and pelf,

Less to the pretor owes than to himself.

Dryden, Pers. 7. To free from any thing painful. Woman, thou art loosed from thy infirmity. St. Luke.

8. To disengage.

When heaven was nam'd, they loos'd their hold Then sprung she forth, they follow'd her amain,

To Loose. v. n. To set sail; to depart

by loosing the anchor. Ye should have hearkened, and not have loosed

The emperour, loosing from Barcelona, came to the port of Mago, in the island of Minorca.

Loosing thence by night, they were driven by contrary winds back into his port. Ralegh.

Loose. † adj. [from the verb.]

1. Unbound; untied.

If he should intend his voyage towards my wife, I would turn her loose to him; and what he gets more of her than sharp words, let it lie on my Shakspeare.

Lo! I see four men loose walking. Dan. iii. 25.

2. Not fast; not fixed.

Those few that clashed might rebound after the collision; or if they cohered, yet by the next conflict might be separated again, and so on in an eternal vicissitude of fast and loose, though without ever consociating into the bodies of planets.

3. Not tight; as, a loose robe. If ever I said loose-bodied gown, sew me in the

skirts of it. Shakspeare, Tam. of the Shrew. The Greek historian sets her [Boadicea] in the field, on a high heap of turves, in a loose-bodied gown declaiming, a spear in her hand.

Milton, Hist. of Eng. B. 2.

4. Not crouded; not close. With extended wings a host might pass, With horse and chariots, rank'd in loose array. Milton, P. L.

5. Wanton; not chaste.

Fair Venus seem'd unto his bed to bring Her, whom he waking evermore did ween To be the chastest flower that ay did spring On earthly branch, the daughter of a king, Now a loose leman to vile service bound.

Spenser, F. Q.

When loose epistles violate chaste eyes, She half consents who silently denies

Dryden, Ovid. 6. Not close; not concise; lax.

If an author be loose and diffuse in his style, the translator needs only regard the propriety of the language.

7. Vague; indeterminate; not accurate. It is but a loose thing to speak of possibilities without the particular designs; so is it to speak of lawfulness without the particular cases.

Bacon, Holy War. It seems unaccountable to be so exact in the quantity of liquor where a small error was of little concern, and to be so loose in the doses of powerful medicines. Arbuthnot.

8. Not strict; not rigid.

Because conscience, and the fear of swerving from that which is right, maketh them diligent observers of circumstances, the loose regard whereof is the nurse of vulgar folly. Hooker.

9. Unconnected; rambling.

I dare venture nothing without a strict examination; and am as much ashamed to put a loose indigested play upon the publick, as to offer brass money in a payment. Dryden.

Vario spends whole mornings in running over loose and unconnected pages, and with fresh curiosity is ever glancing over new words and ideas, and yet treasures up but little knowledge.

Watts on the Mind.

10. Lax of body; not costive.

What hath a great influence upon the health, is going to stool regularly: people that are very loose have seldom strong thoughts or strong bodies. Locke on Education.

11. Disengaged; not enslaved.

Their prevailing principle is, to sit as loose from pleasures, and be as moderate in the use of them, Atterbury. as they can.

12. Disengaged from obligation: commonly with from; in the following line with of.

Now I stand Loose of my vow; but who knows Cato's thoughts?

Addison. 13. Free from confinement.

They did not let prisoners loose homeward. Isaiah.

Wish the wildest tempests loose; That thrown again upon the coast, I may once more repeat my pain. Prior.

14. Remiss: not attentive. 15. To break LOOSE. To gain liberty.

If to break loose from the conduct of reason, and to want that restraint of examination which keeps us from chusing the worse, be liberty, madmen and fools are only the freemen.

Like two black storms on either hand, Our Spanish army and the Indians stand; This only space betwixt the clouds is clear, Where you, like day, broke loose from both appear.

16. To let Loose. To set at liberty; to set at large; to free from any restraint. And let the living bird loose into the open field.

We ourselves make our fortunes good or bad; and when God lets loose a tyrant upon us, or a sickness, if we fear to die, or know not to be pa-

tient, the calamity sits heavy upon us.

Bp. Taylor, Holy Living. In addition and division, either of space or duration, it is the number of its repeated additions or divisions that alone remains distinct, as will appear to any one who will let his thoughts loose in the vast expansion of space, or divisibility of matter. Locke.

If improvement cannot be made a recreation, they must be let loose to the childish play they fancy; which they should be weaned from, by being made surfeit of it.

Loose. † n. s. [the past participle of liusan,] Goth. lýran, Saxon; amittere, dimittere. Mr. H. Tooke, Div. of Purl. ii. 254.]

1. Liberty; freedom from restraint. Come, and forsake thy cloying store, And all the busy pageantry

That wise men scorn, and fools adore:

Come, give thy soul a loose, and taste the pleasures of the poor. Dryden, Hor.

Lucia, might my big-swoln heart Vent all its griefs, and give a loose to sorrow, Marcia could answer thee in sighs. Addison, Cato.

The fiery Pegasus disdains To mind the rider's voice, or hear the reins;

When glorious fields and opening camps he views, He runs with an unbounded loose. Poets should not, under a pretence of imitating the antients, give themselves such a loose in lyricks,

as if there were no connection in the world. Felton on the Classicks.

2. Dismission from any restraining force. Air at large maketh no noise, except it be sharply percussed; as in the sound of a string, where air is percussed by a hard and stiff body, and with a sharp loose.

Their arrows finely pair'd, for timber and for feather,

With birch and brazil piec'd, to fly in any weather; And shot they with the round, the square, or forket

The loose gave such a twang, as might be heard a Drayton, Polyolb. S. 26. mile.

Lo'osely. adv. [from loose.]

1. Not fast; not firmly; easily to be dis-

I thought your love eternal: was it ty'd So loosely, that a quarrel could divide?

Dryden, Aur. 2. Without bandage.

Her golden locks for haste were loosely shed About her ears. Spenser, F. Q.

3. Without union or connection.

Part loosely wing the region, part more wise In common, rang'd in figure, wedge their way. Milton, P. L.

He has within himself all degrees of perfection that exist loosely and separately in all second beings.

4. Irregularly.

A bishop, living loosely, was charged that his conversation was not according to the apostles'

5. Negligently; carelessly.

We have not loosely through silence permitted things to pass away as in a dream. Hooker. The chiming of some particular words in the memory, and making a noise in the head, seldom happens but when the mind is lazy, or very loosely and negligently employed.

6. Unsolidly; meanly; without dignity. A prince should not be so loosely studied, as to remember so weak a composition.

7. Unchastely.

The stage how loosely does Astræa tread, Who fairly puts all characters to bed?

Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

To Lo'osen. v. n. [from loose.] To part; to tend to separation. When the polypus appears in the throat, extract

it that way, it being more ready to loosen when pulled in that direction than by the nose. Sharp, Surgery.

To Lo'osen. v. a. [from loose.]

1. To relax any thing tied. 2. To make less coherent.

After a year's rooting, then shaking doth the tree good, by loosening of the earth. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Locke. 3. To separate a compages.

From their foundation loosing to and fro, They pluck'd the seated hills with all their load.

Milton, P. L. She breaks her back, the loosen'd sides give way, And plunge the Tuscan soldiers in the sea.

Dryden, Æn.

4. To free from restraint.

It resolves those difficulties which the rules beget; it loosens his hands, and assists his understanding. Dryden, Dufresnoy. 5. To make not costive.

Fear looseneth the belly; because the heat re-tiring towards the heart, the guts are relaxed in the same manner as fear also causeth trembling. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Lo'oseness. n. s. [from loose.]

1. State contrary to that of being fast or

The cause of the casting of skin and shell should seem to be the looseness of the skin or shell, that sticketh not close to the flesh. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

2. Latitude; criminal levity.

A general looseness of principles and manners hath seized on us like a pestilence, that walketh not in darkness, but wasteth at noon-day.

3. Irregularity; neglect of laws.

He endeavoured to win the common people, both by strained curtesy and by looseness of life. Hayward.

4. Lewdness; unchastity.

Courtly court he made still to his dame, Pour'd out in looseness on the grassy ground, Both careless of his health and of his fame.

5. Diarrhœa; flux of the belly. Taking cold moveth looseness by contraction of Bacon, Nat. Hist.

the skin and outward parts. In pestilent diseases, if they cannot be expelled by sweat, they fall likewise into looseness. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Fat meats, in phlegmatick stomachs, procure looseness and hinder retention.

Arbuthnot on Aliments.

Lo'osestrife, † n. s. [lysimachia, Latin.] An herb. The royal loose-strife, royal gentian, grace

Our gardens. Tate, Cowley.

To LOP. † v. a. [It is derived by Skinner from laube, German, a leaf; by Serenius from the Goth. hleipa; Helsing. dial. lop, cortex, leopa, decorticare.

1. To cut the branches of trees. Gentle niece, what stern ungentle hands Have lopp'd and hew'd, and made thy body bare Of her two branches, those sweet ornaments?

Shaksneare.

Like to pillars, Or hollow'd bodies, made of oak or fir, With branches lopp'd, in wood or mountain fell'd. Milton, P. L.

The plants, whose luxury was lopp'd, Or age with crutches underprop'd. Cleaveland. The oak, growing from a plant to a great tree, Locke.

and then lopped, is still the same oak. The hook she bore, instead of Cynthia's spear, To lop the growth of the luxuriant year.

2. To cut any thing. The gardener may lop religion as he pleases.

Howell.

So long as there's a head, Hither will all the mounting spirits fly;

Lop that but off. Dryden, Sp. Friar. All that denominated it paradise was lopped off by the deluge, and that only left which it enjoyed in common with its neighbour countries.

Woodward, Nat. Hist. Rhyme sure in needless bonds the poet ties,

Procrustes like, the ax or wheel applies, To lop the mangled sense, or stretch it into size. Lop. + n. s. [from the verb.] 1. That which is cut from trees. Or siker thy head very tottie is, So on thy corbe shoulder it leans amiss; Now thyself hath lost both lop and top, Als my budding branch thou wouldest crop.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. Nor should the boughs grow too big, because they give opportunity to the rain to soak into the tree, which will quickly cause it to decay, so that you must cut it down, or else both body and lop will be of little value. Mortimer.

2. [loppe, Saxon.] A flea. Lore. pret. of leap. Obsolete. With that sprang forth a naked swain, With spotted wings like peacock's train, And laughing lope to a tree.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. Lo'PPER. † n. s. [from lop.] One that cuts trees. [arborator, Latin.] Hence lopper on the hautie hill Shall sing with voice on high. Huloet, Tr. of Virg.

Lo'PPERED. † adj. Coagulated; as, loppered milk. Ainsworth. Thus it is still called in Scotland. Dr. Johnson. It is lappered in Scotland, and loppered in Lancashire. Radically the same, Dr. Jamieson says, with the Icel. hlaup, coagulum, liquor coagulatus, from hleipe, coagulo.

Lo'PPINGS.* n. s. pl. [from lop.] Tops of branches lopped off. Cotg. and Sherwood.

LOQUA'CIOUS. adj. [loquax, Latin.] 1. Full of talk; full of tongue.

To whom sad Eve, Confessing soon; yet not before her judge Bold, or loquacious, thus abash'd reply'd.

Milton, P. L In council she gives licence to her tongue, Loquacious, brawling, ever in the wrong. Dryden.

2. Speaking. Blind British bards, with volant touch Traverse loquacious strings, whose solemn notes Provoke to harmless revels. Philips.

3. Apt to blab; not secret.

Loqua'ciousness.* n. s. [from loquacious.] Loquacity; too much talk.

LOQUA'CITY.† n. s. [loquacité, French. Cotgrave; loquacitas, Latin. Too much

Why loquacity is to be avoided, the wise man gives sufficient reason, for in the multitude of words there wanteth not sin. Ray on Creation. Too great loquacity, and too great taciturnity

LORD.† n. s. [hlarops, Saxon. Johnson. - "lavardur, Icel. herus, dominus; à laefe, lave, area, horreum; à lad, terra, et warda; alii, nec incommodé." Serenius. Thus Verelius derives lavardur, from lad, land, and vard, a guardian; and the G. Andr. considers the word quasi lavagardr, horrei œconomus, from lave, a barn, a storehouse. Others view loaf as the origin of this word. See LADY. Junius thus deduces it from hlaf, and ord, initium, origo, q. d. he who administers bread; Stiernhielm, from hlaf, and waerd, an host. Mr. H. Tooke, observing that hlar is the past participle of the Saxon hliman, to raise, says that hlarons is a compound word of hlar, raised or elevated, and one, (ortus,) source, origin, birth. Lord therefore means high-born, or of an exalted origin. Div. of Purl. ii. 158. A learned commentator of elder times has made the following remark on lord: "Adonai, lord, is of the former word Eden, a base or pillar which sustaineth any thing: this title sheweth, that the Lord, who created all things, doth also sustain and preserve them. Our English word lord hath much like force, being contracted of the old Saxon laford, which cometh of laef, to sustain." Leigh's Critica Sacra, edit. 1650. p. 4. col. 1.]

1. Monarch; ruler; governour. Man over man

He made not lord. Milton, P. L. Of Athens he was lord, Dryden, Kn. Tale. We have our author's only arguments to prove, that heirs are lords over their brethren. They call'd their lord Actaon to the game, He shook his head in answer to the name.

O'er love, o'er fear, extends his wide domain, Unconquer'd lord of pleasure and of pain. Vanity of Human Wishes.

2. Master; supreme person. But now I was the lord Of this fair mansion, master of my servants, Queen o'er myself; and even now, but now, This house, these servants, and this same myself Are yours, my lord. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven.

3. A tyrant; an oppressive ruler. Now being assembled into one company, rather without a lord than at liberty to accomplish their misery, they fall to division. Hayward. 'Tis death to fight, but kingly to control

Lord like at ease, with arbitrary power, To peel the chiefs, the people to devour. Dryden.

4. A husband. I oft in bitterness of soul deplor'd My absent daughter, and my dearer lord.

Pope, Odyss. 5. One who is at the head of any business; an overseer. Grant harvest lord more by a penny or two,

To call on his fellows the better to doo. Tusser, Husb.

A nobleman.

Thou art a lord, and nothing but a lord. Shaks. 7. A general name for a peer of England. Nor were the crimes objected against him so clear, as to give convincing satisfaction to the major part of both houses, especially that of the lords.

King Charles. 8. A baron, as distinguished from those of higher title.

9. An honorary title applied to officers, as lord chief justice, lord mayor, lord 2. Haughty; proud; insolent. chief baron.

10. A ludicrous title, given by the vulgar to a humpbacked person; traced, however, the Greek λορδός, crooked. See Du Cange in V. LURDUS. And Whiter's Etym. Magn. p. 338.

To LORD. v. n. To domineer; to rule despotically: with over before the sub-

ject of power.

Unrighteous lord of love! what law is this, That me thou makest thus tormented be? The whiles she lordeth in licentious bliss Of her free will, scorning both thee and me.

I see them lording it in London streets. Shaks. Those huge tracks of ground they lorded over, begat wealth, wealth ushered in pride.

Howell, Voc. Forest. They had by this possess'd the towers of Gath, And lorded over them whom now they serve.

I should rather choose to be tumbled into the dust in blood, bearing witness to any known truth of our Lord, than by a denial of truths, through blood and perjury, wade to a sceptre, and lord it ina throne.

But if thy passions lord it in thy breast, Art thou not still a slave? Dryden, Pers. The valour of one man the afficted throne Imperial, that once lorded o'er the world, Sustain'd.

The civilizers! the disturbers say, The robbers, the corrupters of mankind! Proud vagabonds! who make the world your home, And lord it where you have no right.

Philips, Briton. To LORD.* v. a. To invest with the dignity and privileges of a lord.

He being thus lorded Not only with what my revenue yielded, But what my power might else exact, — like one, Who having, unto truth, by telling of it, Made such a sinner of his memory To credit his own lie, -he did believe Shakspeare, Tempest. He was the duke. .The Yorkshire men happily may like his (lord

Ewre,) being lorded. Second Narrat. of the late Parl. &c. (1658,) p. 20.

Lo'RDING. † n. s. [from lord.] 1. Sir; master; an ancient mode of address.

Now, lordinges, trewely, Ye ben to me welcome right hertily, Chaucer, C. T. Prol.

Listen, lordings, if ye list to weet Spenser, F. Q. He call'd the worthies then, and spake them so:

Lordings, you know I yielded to your will. Fairfax, Tasso.

2. A little lord; a lord in contempt or ridicule. I'll question you

Of my lord's tricks, and yours, when you were You were pretty lordings then!

Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. As if they would turn the world upside down; and put the steeple into the bell, and bell into the clapper, beggars on horseback, and lordings lackey. Favour, Antiq. over Novelty, (1619,) p. 514. To lordings proud, I tune my lay,

Who feast in bower or hall; Though dukes they be, to dukes I say, That pride will have a fall. Swift-

LO'RDLIKE.* adj. [lord and like.] 1. Befitting a lord.

Feare to lose the lordlyke lyvynges of thys worlde.

Confut. of N. Shaxton, (1546,) D. v. b. Lordlike at ease, with arbitrary power,

To peel the chiefs, the people to devour. Dryden, Iliad.

Lo'RDLING. n. s. A diminutive lord. Traulus, of amphibious breed, By the dam from lordlings sprung,

Swift.

By the sire exhal'd from dung. Lo'RDLINESS. n. s. [from lordly.] 1. Dignity; high station.

Thou vouchsafest here to visit me, Doing the honour of thy lordliness

To one so weak. Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. 2. Pride; haughtiness.

Balaam being also the false prophet, and set here for the pope and his clergy, agrees excellently well with the lordliness of him in this Pergamenian period, wherein he trode upon the necks of emperours, and kicked their crowns off with his feet.

More, on the Seven Churches, Pref. Lo'RDLY. adj. [from lord.] Milton. S. A. I. Befitting a lord.

Lordly sins require lordly estates to support them.

2. Proud; haughty; imperious; insolent. Bad, as yourself, my lord; An't like your lordly, lord protectorship! Shaksp.

Of me as of a common enemy, So dreaded once, may now exasperate them,

I know not; lords are lordliest in their wine. Milton, S. A. Expect another message more imperious,

More lordly thundering than thou well wilt bear. Milton, S. A.

Every rich and lordly swain, With pride wou'd drag about her chain. Swift. Lo'RDLY. adv. Imperiously; despotically; proudly.

So when a tiger sucks the bullock's blood, A famish'd lion, issuing from the wood, Roars lordly fierce, and challenges the food.

Dryden.

Lo'RDSHIP. n. s. [from lord.]

1. Dominion; power. Let me never know that any base affection should get any lordship in your thoughts. Sidney.

It being set upon such an insensible rising of the ground, it gives the eye lordship over a good large circuit.

They which are accounted to rule over the Gentiles, exercise lordship over them, and their great ones exercise authority upon them.

St. Mark, x. 42. Needs must the lordship there from virtue slide. Fairfax.

2. Seigniory; domain. How can those grants of the king be avoided without wronging of those lords which had those lands and lordships given them.

Spenser on Ireland. There is lordship of the fee wherein the master doth much joy, when he walketh about his own What lands and lordships for their owner know My quandam barber, but his worship now

3. Title of honour used to a nobleman not a duke.

I assure your lordship, The extreme horror of it almost turn'd me To air, when first I heard it.

B. Jonson, Catiline. I could not answer it to the world, if I gave not your lordship my testimony of being the best husband now living.

4. Titulary compellation of judges, and some other persons in authority and office.

LORE. † n. s. [lope, learning, Sax. from læpan, to learn.]

1. Lesson; doctrine; instruction. And, for the modest lore of maidenhood

Bids me not sojourn with these armed men. Oh whither shall I fly?

The law of nations, or the love of war. Fairfax. Calm region once, And full of peace: now tost, and turbulent !

For understanding rul'd not; and the will Heard not her lore! but in subjection now Milton, P. L. To sensual appetite. The subtile fiend his lore

Soon learn'd, now milder, and thus answer'd Wilton. smooth.

Lo! Rome herself, proud mistress now no more Of arts, but thund'ring against heathen lore

2. Workmanship.

In her right hand a rod of peace she bore, About the which two serpents weren wound, Entrayled mutually in lovely lore.

Spenser, F. Q. iv. iii. 42.

LORE. + pret. and part. [lopen, roplonen, from leopan, Sax.] Lost; left. Obsolete. "Wonne or lore." Plowman's Tale. 3. To be deprived of. Neither of them she found where she them lore. Spenser, F. Q.

Lo'rel. † n. s. [from leopan, Sax.] An abandoned scoundrel, Obsolete. Dr. Johnson. — It is the Cornish term for a vagrant. Sometimes it is, in our lexicography, explained by losel; both indeed originally meaning what we now call, "a lost man;" and is rendered into the Latin perditus, perditissimus. See Losel. Every lorell shapeth hym to finde newe fraudes. Chaucer, Boeth.

Siker thou speak'st like a lewd lorell Of heaven to deemen so:

How be I am but rude and borrell,

Yet nearer ways I know. Spenser, Shep. Cal. Lo'resman.* n. s. [lore and man.] Instructor. Not now in use.

The lorseman of the shepherdes,

Was of Arcade, and hight Pan.

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 5. To LO'RICATE. + v. a. [loricatus, lorico, Lat.] To plate over; to arm one with a coat of defence.

Nature hath loricated, or plaistered over, the sides of the tympanum in animals with ear-wax, to stop and entangle any insects that should attempt to creep in there.

LORICA TION.* n. s. [loricatio, Lat.] A surface like mail.

These cones [of the ceda] have —— the entire lorication smoother couched than those of the fir-Evelyn, ii. iv. 1.

LO'RIMER.† n. s. [lormier, French.] A The woman that deliberates is lost. Addison.

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9. To bewilder, so that the way is no properly signified a maker of bits, spurs, and metal-mountings for bridles and saddles.

Lo'RING.* n. s. [from lore.] Instructive discourse.

That all they, as a goddess her adoring, Her wisdome did admire, and hearkned to her Spenser, F. Q. v. vii. 42.

Lo'rior. † n. s. [loriot, French.] The bird called witwal. [galgulus.] Cotgrave. LORN. pret. part. and pass. [lopen, Sax. from leopan.] Left; forsaken; lost.
I curse the stound

That ever I cast to have lorne this ground. Spenser, Shep. Cal. Sept.

Who after that he had fair Una lorn, Through light misdeeming of her loyalty. Spenser, F. Q.

But thou, lorn stream whose sullen tide, No sedge-crown'd sisters now attend, Now waft me from the green hill's side, Whose cold turf hides the buried friend. Collins on the Death of Thomson

Lo'sable. adj. [from lose.] Subject to

privation. Consider whether motion, or a propensity to it, be an inherent quality belonging to atoms in gene

ral, and not losable by them. To LOSE. v. a. pret. and part. lost. [Gothick, liusan; Sax. leopian, lopian.]

To forfeit by unsuccessful contest: the contrary to win.

I fought the battle bravely which I lost, And lost it but to Macedonians. Dryden. The lighten'd coursers ran; They rush'd, and won by turns, and lost the day.

2. To forseit as a penalty. In this sense is Paradise lost.

Fame - few, alas! the casual blessing boast, So hard to gain, so easy to be lost !

He lost his right hand with a shot, and, instead thereof, ever after used a hand of iron.

Knolles, Hist. Who conquer'd him, and in what fatal strife The youth, without a wound, could lose his life.

4. To suffer diminution of.

If salt have lost its savour, wherewith shall it be St. Matthew. 5. To possess no longer: contrary to keep.

They have lost their trade of woollen drapery.

No youth shall equal hopes of glory give, The Trojan honour and the Roman boast, Admir'd when living, and ador'd when lost.

Dryden. We should never lose sight of the country, though sometimes entertained with a distant prospect of it.

6. To miss, so as not to find.

Venus wept the sad disaster Of having lost her favourite dove. 7. To separate or alienate. It is perhaps

in this sense always used passively, with to before that from which the separation

But if to honour lost 'tis still decreed For you my bowl shall flow, my flock shall bleed;

Judge and assert my right, impartial Jove.

Pope, Odyss. When men are openly abandoned, and lost to all shame, they have no reason to think it hard, if their memory be reproached.

8. To ruin; to send to perdition. In spite of all the virtue we can boast,

longer known.

I will go lose myself,

And wander up and down to view the city. Shaksneure.

Nor are constant forms of prayer more likely to flat and hinder the spirit of prayer and devotion, than unpremeditated and confused variety to distract and lose it. King Charles.

When the mind pursues the idea of infinity, it uses the ideas and repetition of numbers, which are so many distinct ideas, kept best by number from running into a confused heap, wherein the mind loses itself. But rebel wit deserts thee oft in vain,

Lost in the maze of words he turns again. 10. To deprive of.

How should you go about to lose him a wife he loves with so much passion.

11. Not to employ; not to enjoy.

The happy have whole days, and those they use, The unhappy have but hours, and these they lose. To lose these years which worthier thoughts re-

To lose that health which should those thoughts inspire.

12. To squander, to throw away. I no more complain,

Time, health, and fortune are not lost in vain.

13. To suffer to vanish from view. Like following life in creatures we dissect, We lose it in the moment we detect. Pope. Oft in the passion's wild rotation tost,

Our spring of action to ourselves is lost.

14. To destroy by shipwreck. The coast

Where first my shipwreck'd heart was lost. Prior. 15. To throw away; to employ ineffectu-

He has merit, good nature, and integrity that are too often lost upon great men, or at least are not all three a match for flattery. Pope, Letters. 16. To miss; to part with, so as not to re- Lo'sing.* n. s. [loring, Saxon.] Loss;

These sharp encounters, where always many more men are lost than are killed or taken prisoners, put such a stop to Middleton's march, that he was glad

17. To be freed from; as, to lose a fever. His seely back the bunch has got

Which Edwin lost before. Parnel.

To Lose. v. n.

1. Not to win.

We'll hear poor rogues

Talk of court news, and we'll talk with them too, Who loses, and who wins; who's in, who's out. Shakspeare.

2. To decline; to fail.

Wisdom in discourse with her Loses discountenanc'd, and like folly shews.

Lo'sel. † n. s. [from the Sax. lopian, to perish, to be lost. What occasion is there for pronouncing this a corruption of lorel, when the derivation is so clear? Mr. Douce supposes the similarity of the letters r and z, in ancient manuscripts, to have occasioned the two 4. Destruction. words lorel, and losel, or lozel.] A scoundrel; a sorry worthless fellow. A word now obsolete.

Such losels and scatterlings cannot easily, by any sheriff, be gotten, when they are challenged for any such fact. Spenser on Ireland.

A lozel wandering by the way

One that to bounty never cast his mind,

Ne thought of honour ever did essay

His baser breast. Spenser, F. Q. Be not with work of losels' wit defam'd,

Ne let such verses poetry be named. Spenser, Hubb. Tale.

By Cambridge a towne I do know,

Whose losses by lossels doth shew More heere then is needful to tell. Tusser, Husb.

A gross hag ! And, losel, thou art worthy to be hang'd,

That wilt not stay her tongue.

Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. The rude hand of many an idle lozel, that dares adventure to portray that sacred beautie.

Los, Bl. of Br. Beauty, (1614,) p. 51.

Lo'senger.* n. s. [from the Sax. learunge, lying; lozengier, Fr. a beguiler, Cotgrave. 7 A deceiver; a flatterer. Obsolete. Cockeram.

Alas! ye lordes, many a false flatour Is in your court, and many a lozengeour.

Chaucer, Non. Pr. Tale.

Lo'ser. n. s. [from lose.] One that is deprived of any thing; one that forfeits any thing; one that is impaired in his possession or hope: the contrary to winner or gainer.

With the losers let it sympathize,

For nothing can seem foul to those that win.

Shukspeare. No man can be provident of his time that is not prudent in the choice of his company; and if one of the speakers be vain, tedious, and trifling, he that hears, and he that answers, are equal losers their time. Bp. Taylor, Holy Living. It cannot last, because that act seems to have of their time.

been carried on rather by the interest of particular countries, than by that of the whole, which must be a loser by it. Temple.

A bull with gilded horns, Shall be the portion of the conquering chief, A sword and helm shall chear the loser's grief.

Dryden. Losers and malecontents, whose portion and inheritance is a freedom to speak. South. diminution.

The fear of the Lord goeth before the obtaining of authority; but roughness and pride is the losing thereof. Ecclus. x. 21. leoran, to lose.

1. Detriment; privation; diminution of good: the contrary to gain.

The only gain he purchased was to be capable of loss and detriment for the good of others

An evil natured son is the dishonour of his father that begat him; and a foolish daughter is born to his loss. Ficelais.

The abatement of price of any of the landholder's commodities, lessens his income, and is a Locke.

2. Miss; privation.

If he were dead, what would betide of me? No other harm but loss of such a lord.

- The loss of such a lord includes all harms. Shakspeare.

3. Deprivation; forfeiture. Loss of Eden, till one greater man

Restore it, and regain. Milton, P. L.

Her fellow ships from far her loss descried; But only she was sunk, and all were safe beside.

Dryden. There succeeded an absolute victory for the English, with the slaughter of above two thousand of the enemy, with the loss but of one man, though not a few hurt.

5. Fault; puzzle: used only in the following phrase.

Not the least transaction of sense and motion in man, but philosophers are at a loss to comprehend. South, Serm.

Reason is always striving, and always at a loss, while it is exercised about that which is not its proper object. Dryden. A man may sometimes be at a loss which side to close with. Baker on Learning

6. Useless application.

It would be loss of time to explain any farther our superiority to the enemy in numbers of men and horse.

Lo'ssful.* adj. [loss and full.] Detrimental: noxious.

Aught that might be lossful or prejudicial to us. Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 277.

Lo'ssless.* adj. [loss and less.] Exempt from loss. Rebellion rages in our Irish province; but,

with miraculous and lossless victories of few against many, is daily discomfited and broken. Milton, Apol. for Smectymnuus.

Lost. participial adj. [from lose.] No longer perceptible.

In seventeen days appear'd your pleasing coast.

And woody mountains, half in vapours lost.

Pope, Odyss.

LOT. † n. s. [hlaut, Gothick; hlor, Saxon; lot, Dutch. Dr. Johnson. - The past participle of the Sax. hliban, to cover. Mr. H. Tooke .- " The English word lot cometh of the Hebrew laat, to hide or cover, or to lie hid; because a lot is of obscure and doubtfull things." Leigh, Critica Sacra, 1650, p. 119. col. 1.]

1. Fortune; state assigned. Kala, at length conclude my lingering lot: Disdain me not, although I be not fair, Who is an heir of many hundred sheep, Doth beauty keep which never sun can burn, Nor storms do turn.

Our own lot is best; and by aiming at what we have not, we lose what we have already. L'Estrange. Prepar'd I stand; he was but born to try The lot of man, to suffer and to die.

Pope, Odyss.

Loss. † n. s. [lor, Sax. from the verb 2. A die, or any thing used in determining chances.

Aaron shall cast lots upon the two goats; one lot for the Lord, and the other lot for the scape-

Their tasks in equal portions she divides, And where unequal, there by lots decides.

Dryden, Virg. Ulysses bids his friends to cast lots, to shew, that he would not voluntarily expose them to so imminent danger.

3. A chance. See LOTTERY.

If you have heard your general talk of Rome, And of his friends there, it is lots to blanks My name hath touch'd your ears; it is Menenius.

Shakspeare, Coriol.

4. A portion; a parcel of goods as being drawn by lot: as, what lot of silks had you at the sale? 5. Proportion of taxes; as to pay scot

and lot.

Anone cometh another -

And wyth her doth bryng Mele, salt, or other thing, Her harnest girdle, her wedding ring,

To pay for hir scot, As cometh to her lot. Skelton, Poems, p. 131.

To Lor.* v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To assign; to set apart.

A just reward, such as all times before Have ever lotted to those wretched folks. Sackville, Gorboduc.

They appoint no time for their release, but patiently abide his *lotted* leisure. Anderson, Expos. on Benedictus, (1573,) fol. 54. b.

2. To distribute into lots; to catalogue: as, the goods are lotted.

3. To portion.

Some sense, and more estate, kind Heaven To this well lotted peer hath given.

Lote tree, or Nettle tree. † n. s. [lote, Fr. Cotgrave.]

1. A plant. See Lotos.

The leaves of the lote tree are like those of the nettle. The fruit of this tree is not so tempting to us, as it was to the companions of Ulysses: the wood is durable, and used to make pipes for wind instruments: the root is proper for hafts of knives, and was highly esteemed by the Romans for its beauty and use. Next comes the Lote-tree, in whose dusky hue,

Her black and sun-burnt country you might view. Tate's Cowley.

A little muddy fish, like an eel; an eelpout: also a small scaled fish.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood. LOTH.* See LOATH.

LO'TOS. † n. s. [Latin.] See LOTE. The trees around them all their food produce,

Lotos, the name divine, nectareous juice. Pope, Odyss.

There appear to have been two distinct species of lotus designed by the term, [lotos i] because Herodotus and Pliny, in particular, describe a marked difference between them: the one being an aquatic plant, whose root and seeds were eaten, in Egypt; the other, the fruit of a shrub or small tree, on the sandy coast of Lybia.

Rennel on the Geograph. of Herodotus.

Lo'TION. n. s. [lotio, Latin; lotion, Fr.]

A lotion is a form of medicine compounded of aqueous liquids, used to wash any part with. Quincy. In lotions in women's cases, he orders two

portions of hellebore macerated in two cotylæ of Arbuthnot on Coins.

LO'TTERY. † n. s. [lotterie, Fr. from lot.] 1. A game of chance; a sortilege; dis-

tribution of prizes by chance; a play in which lots are drawn for prizes.

Let high sighted tyranny range on,

Till each man drop by lottery.

Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs. The lottery that he hath devised in these three chests of gold, silver, and lead, will never be chosen by any but whom you shall rightly love.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. Fortune, that with malicious joy Does man, her slave, oppress, Still various and unconstant still.

Promotes, degrades, delights in strife,

Dryden, Hor. And makes a lottery of life. Every warriour may be said to be a soldier of fortune, and the best commanders to have a lottery for their work.

2. Allottery; allotment. Not now in use. If beauty, wisdom, modesty, can settle The heart of Antony, Octavia is

A blessed lottery to him. Shaksp. Ant. and Cleop.

Fainting under Fortune's false lottery. Beaum. and Fl. Hon. Man's Fortune.

Lo'vable.* adj. [from love.] Amiable; worthy to be loved. Sherwood.

Lo'vage. n. s. [levisticum, Latin.] A

LOUD. † adj. [hlub, Sax. the past participle of the verb to low, or to bellow; hlopan, behlopan, lowed, low'd. What we now write loud, was formerly, and more properly, written low'd. Mr. H. Tooke, Div. of Purl. ii. 39. Su. Goth. liud; Teut. luyde; Germ. laut.]

1. Noisy; striking the ear with great force.

They were instant with loud voices, requiring that he might be crucified. St. Luke, xxiii. 23. The numbers soft and clear,

Gently steal upon the ear;

Now louder, and yet louder rise, And fill with spreading sounds the skies.

Pope, St. Cecilia. 2. Clamorous; turbulent.

She is loud and stubborn; her feet abide not in her house. Proverbs.

Loup.* adv. Noisily; so as to strike the ear with great force.

The guests loud laughing, who can then be eard?

Davies, Wit's Pilgrim, sign. V. 2. heard ?

Contending on the Lesbian shore, His prowess Philomelides confess'd, And loud acclaiming Greeks the victor bless'd.

[Lo'udly. adv. [from loud.]

1. Noisily; so as to be heard far. The soldier that philosopher well blam'd Who long and loudly in the schools declaim'd.

2. Clamorously; with violence of voice. I read above fifty pamphlets, written by as many presbyterian divines, loudly disclaiming

LO'UDNESS. n. s. Noise; force of sound; turbulence; vehemence or furiousness of clamour.

Had any disaster made room for grief, it would have moved according to prudence, and the proportions of the provocation: it would not have sallied out into complaint or loudness. To LOVE. v. a. [lupan, Sax.]

1. To regard with passionate affection, as that of one sex to the other.

Good shepherd, tell this youth what 'tis to love. -

- It is to be made all of sighs and tears; It is to be made all of faith and service;

It is to be all made of fantasy, All made of passion, and all made of wishes; All adoration, duty, and obedience;

All humbleness, all patience, all impatience, All purity, all trial, all observance.

I could not love I'm sure One who in love were wise. The jealous man wishes himself a kind of deity

to the person he loves; he would be the only employment of her thoughts. Addison To regard with the affection of a

friend. None but his brethren he, and sisters, knew,

Whom the kind youth prefer'd to me, And much above myself I lov'd them too.

3. To regard with parental tenderness.

He that loveth me shall be loved of my father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him. St. John.

4. To be pleased with; to delight in. Wit, eloquence, and poetry,

Arts which I lov'd. He lov'd my worthless rhimes, and, like a friend Would find out something to commend. Cowley-5. To regard with reverent unwillingness

to offend.

Love the Lord thy God with all thine heart. Deut. vi. 5.

To Love.* v. n. To delight; to take pleasure.

Fish used to salt water delight more in fresh; we see that salmons and smelts love to get into rivers, though against the stream.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. The prophets prophesy falsely, and the priests bear rule by their means; and my people love to Jerem. v. 31.

Love. n. s. [from the verb.]

1. The passion between the sexes.

Hearken to the birds love-learned song, The dewie leaves among! Spenser, Epithalam. While idly I stood looking on,

Shakspeare. I found the effect of love in idleness. My tales of love were wont to weary you;

I know you joy not in a love discourse. I look'd upon her with a soldier's eye, That lik'd, but had a rougher task in hand

Than to drive liking to the name of love. Shaksn. What need a vermeil-tinctur'd lip for that, Love-darting eyes, or tresses like the morn? Milton, Comus.

Love quarrels oft in pleasing concord end, Not wedlock treachery, endang'ring life.

Milton, S. A. A love potion works more by the strength of Collier on Popularity. charm than nature. You know you are in my power by making love.

Let mutual joys our mutual trust combine, And love, and love-born confidence be thine. Pope, Cold is that breast which warm'd the world be-

And these love-darting eyes must roll no more,

2. Kindness; good-will; friendship. What love, think'st thou, I sue so much to get?

My love till death, my humble thanks, my prayers; That love which virtue begs, and virtue grants. Shakspeare.

God brought Daniel into favour and tender love with the prince. Dan. i. 9. The one preach Christ of contention, but the other of love. Phil. i. 17.

By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.

St. John, xiii. 35. Unwearied have we spent the nights,

Till the Ledean stars, so fam'd for love, Wonder'd at us from above. Cowley.

3. Courtship. Demetrins

Made love to Nedar's daughter Helena, And won her soul. Shaksp. Mids. N. Dream. If you will marry make your loves to me,

Shakspeare, K. Lear. My lady is bespoke. The enquiry of truth, which is the love-making or wooing of it; the knowledge of truth, the preference of it; and the belief of truth, the enjoying of it, is the sovereign good of human nature.

4. Tenderness; parental care.

No religion that ever was, so fully represents the goodness of God, and his tender love to mankind, which is the most powerful argument to the love of God.

5. Liking; inclination to: as the love of one's country.

In youth, of patrimonial wealth possest, The love of science faintly warm'd his breast.

Fenton.

Bacon, Essays.

6. Object beloved. Open the temple gates unto my love.

Spenser, Epithal. If that the world and love were young,

And truth in every shepherd's tongue; These pretty pleasures might me move, To live with thee, and be thy love. Ralegh.

The banish'd never hopes his love to see.

The lover and the love of human kind. 7. Lewdness.

He is not lolling on a lewd love bed, But on his knees at meditation.

Shakspeare, Rich. III.

8. Unreasonable liking. The love to sin makes a man sin against his

own reason. vn reason. Bp. Taylor, Holy Living. Men in love with their opinions may not only suppose what is in question, but allege wrong matter of fact.

9. Fondness; concord.

Come, love, and health to all ! -Then I'll sit down: give me some wine; fill full.

Shall I come unto you with a rod, or in love, and in the spirit of meekness? 1 Cor. iv. 21.

10. Principle of union.

Love is the great instrument of nature, the bond and cement of society, the spirit and spring of the universe: love is such an affection as cannot so properly be said to be in the soul, as the soul to be in that; it is the whole man wrapt up into one

11. Picturesque representation of love. The lovely babe was born with every grace:

Such was his form as painters, when they show Their utmost art, on naked loves bestow

Dryden, Ovid.

12. A word of endearment. 'Tis no dishonour, trust me, love, 'tis none;

Dryden, Don Sebustian. I would die for thee.

13. Due reverence to God.

I know that you have not the love of God in Love is of two sorts, of friendship and of desire; the one betwixt friends, the other betwixt

lovers; the one a rational, the other a sensitive love: so our love of God consists of two parts, as esteeming of God, and desiring of him. Hammond.

The love of God makes a man chaste without

plines; he reaches at glory without any other arms but those of love. Bn. Taylor.

14. A kind of thin silk stuff. Ainsworth. This leaf held near the eye, and obverted to the light, appeared so full of pores, with such a transparency as that of a sieve, a piece of cypress, Boyle on Colours.

Lo'veapple. † n. s. A plant. Miller. Love-apple, though its flower less fair appears, Its golden fruit deserves the name it bears.

Tate's Cowley.

Lo'veday.* n. s. [love and day.] A day, in old times, appointed for the amicable settlement of differences. "Si ante judicium capiatur dies amoris." Bracton. And, "agayn the fourme of a love-day taken bytween the same parties." Rot. Parl. 13 H. 4. n. 13. Tyrwhitt. In lovedays, there coude he mochel help.

Chaucer, C. T. Prol. I can holde lovedayes, and heare a reve's reke-Vis. of P. Plowman.

nynge.
This day, all quarrels die, Andronicus; I do remit these young men's heinous faults: Lavinia, though you left me like a churl, I found a friend; and sure as death I swore, I would not part a bachelor from the priest. Come, if the emperor's court can feast two brides, You are my guest, Lavinia, and your friends: This day shall be a loveday, Tamora.

Titus Andronicus.

LOVEFA'VOUR.* n. s. [love and favour.] Something given to be worn in token of love.

Deck'd with love-favours. Bp. Hall, Sat. i. 2. Love-in-idleness.* n. s. A kind of violet. A little western flower, -

Before, milk-white; now purple with love's wound:

And maidens call it love-in-idleness.

Shakspeare, Mids. N. Dream. Lo'veknot. n. s. [love and knot.] A complicated figure, by which affection interchanged is figured.

Lo'velass.* n. s. [love and lass.] Sweetheart; lass beloved.

So soone as Tython's love-lasse gan display Her opall colours in her Eastern throne.

Mir. for Mag. p. 776. Lo'veless.* adj. [love and less.]

1. Without love; void of the passion be-

tween the sexes. He wanted nothing but a lady, on whom he might bestow his service and affection; for the knight-errant that is loveless, resembles a tree that

wants leaves and fruit, or a body without a soul.

Shelton, Tr. of D. Quixote, i. 1.

Ye loveless bards, intent with artful pains To form a sigh, or to contrive a tear, Forego your Pindus! Shenstone, Eleg. 1.

2. Without endearment; without tender-

Not in the bought smiles Of harlots, loveless, joyless, unendear'd.

Milton, P. L.

3. Void of kindness.

How rules therein thy breast so quiet state, Spite leagu'd with mercy, love with lovelesse hate? P. Fletcher, Pisc. Ecl. iii. 14

Lo'veletter. n. s. [love and letter.] Letter of courtship.

Have I escaped loveletters in the holyday time

of my beauty, and am I now a subject for them?

The children are educated in the different notions of their parents; the sons follow the father, while the daughters read loveletters and romances to their mother. Addison, Spect.

amaranth. See the first sense of AMA-

Lo'velily. adv. [from lovely.] Amiably; in such a manner as to excite love. Thou look'st

Lovelily dreadful. Otway, Ven. Preserved. Lo'veliness. n. s. [from lovely.] Amiableness; qualities of mind or body that excite love.

Carrying thus in one person the only two bands of good-will, loveliness and lovingness. When I approach Sidney.

Her loveliness, so absolute she seems, That what she wills to do, or say, Seems wisest, virtuousest, discreetest, best.

Milton, P. L. If there is such a native loveliness in the sex, as to make them victorious when they are in the wrong, how resistless is their power when they are on the side of truth?

Lo'velock.* n. s. [love and lock.] A term for a particular sort of curl, worn by the men of fashion in the reigns of Elizabeth and James the First; against which Prynne wrote a laborious pamphlet in 1628, maintaining that utter ruin must be the portion of his coun-trymen, if they did not leave off to nourish their lovelocks! See also To CA-LAMISTRATE. The mode continued bevond the date of Prynne's ridiculous indignation. Lily seems to have somewhat anticipated, in the following passage, part of the vogue of the present times.

How, sir, will you be trimmed? will you have your beard like a spade or a bodkin? a penthouse on your upper lip, or an alley on your chin? a low curl on your head like a bull, or dangling like a spaniel? your mustachoes sharpe at the endes, like shoemakers' aules, or hanging down to your mouth, like goates flakes? your lovelocks wreathed with a silken twist, or shaggie to fall on your shoulders? ur shoulders? Lily, Midas, (1592.) Prodigal in apparel, "purê lotus," neat combed

and curled, with powdered hairs, "comptus et calamistratus," with a long lovelock, a flower in his ear, perfumed gloves.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 539. Lo'velorn. adj. [love and lorn.] Forsaken of one's love.

The love-lorn nightingale, Nightly to thee her sad song mourneth well.

Milton, Comus. Lo'vely. adj. [from love. Sax. luplic.]

Amiable; exciting love. The breast of Hecuba, When she did suckle Hector, look'd not lovelier

Than Hector's forehead. Shakspeare, Coriol. Saul and Jonathan were lovely and pleasant in their lives, and in their death they were not divided. 5 Sam.

The flowers which it had press'd Appeared to my view,

More fresh and lovely than the rest, That in the meadows grew. Denham. The Christian religion gives us a more lovely

character of God than any religion ever did. Tillotson. The fair

With cleanly powder dry their hair; And round their lovely breast and head Fresh flow'rs their mingl'd odours shed. Lo'vely.* adv. [luflice, Sax.] Charmingly; beautifully.

The defecated liquour -Spouts into subject vessels, lovely clear. Philips, Cider, B. 2.

the laborious arts of fasting, and exterior disci- |Love_lies-a-bleeding.* n. s. A kind of Lo'vemonger. n. s. [love and monger.] One who deals in affairs of love.

Thou art an old lovemonger, and speakest skil-Shakspeare. Lo'vequick.* adj. [love and quick.] With the eagerness of love.

[She] sees not him her soul desir'd to see; And yet hope spent makes her not leave to look: At last her lovequick eyes, which ready be,

Fasten on one. Daniel, Civ. War, B.2. Lo'ver. n. s. [from love.]

1. One who is in love.

Love is blind, and lovers cannot see The pretty follies that themselves commit-

Let it never be said, that he whose breast Is fill'd with love, should break a lover's rest.

2. A friend; one who regards with kind-I tell thee, fellow,

Thy general is my lover: I have been The book of his good act, whence men have read His fame unparallel'd, haply amplified. Shakspeare.

3. One who likes any thing. To be good and gracious, and a lover of know. ledge, are amiable things.

Burnet, Theory of the Earth. Lo'ver. n. s. An opening. See Lou-

Lovese'cret. n. s. [love and secret.] Secret between lovers.

What danger, Arimant, is this you fear? Or what lovesecret which I must not hear?

Dryden, Aur. Lo'veshaft.* n. s. [love and shaft.] The arrow of Cupid. A certain aim he took

At a fair vestal throned by the west, And loos'd his loveshaft smartly from his bow. Shakspeare, Mills. N. Dream.

Lo'vesick. adj. [love and sick.] Disordered with love; languishing with amorous desire.

See, on the shore inhabits purple spring, Where nightingales their lovesick ditty sing. Dryden.

To the dear mistress of my lovesick mind, Her swain a pretty present has design'd. Dryden, Virg.

Of the reliefs to ease a lovesick mind, Flavia prescribes despair. Granville.

Lo'vesome + adj. [lurrume, Sax. sweet, agreeable.] Lovely. Adopted by Dryden from Chaucer. A word not now perhaps in use. Nothing new can spring

Without thy warmth, without thy influence bear, Or beautiful or lovesome can appear. Dryd. Luc.

Lo'vesong. n. s. [love and song.] Song expressing love.

Poor Romeo is already dead!

Stabb'd with a white wench's black eye, Run through the ear with a lovesong. Shakspeare. Lovesong weeds and satyrick thorns are grown, Where seeds of better arts were early sown.

Lo'vesuit. n. s. [love and suit.] Courtship. His lovesuit hath been to me

As fearful as a siege. Shakspeare, Cymb. Lo'vetale. n. s. [love and tale.] Narrative

of love. The lovetale

Infected Sion's daughters with like heat: Whose wanton passions in the sacred porch Ezekiel saw. Milton, P. L. Cato's a proper person to entrust

Addison.

A lovetale with.

Lo'verhought. n. s. [love and thought.] Amorous fancy.

Away to sweet beds of flowers, Lovethoughts lie rich when canopied with bowers. Shakspeare.

LOVETO'KEN.* n. s. [luretacin, Sax.] present in token of love.

Thou hast given her rhymes, And interchang'd lovetokens with my child. Shakspeare, Mids. N. Dream.

Lo'veroy. n. s. [love and toy.] Small presents given by lovers.

Has this amorous gentleman presented himself with any lovetoys, such as gold snuff-boxes?

Arbuthnot and Pope.

Lo'VETRICK. n. s. [love and trick.] Art of expressing love. Other disports than dancing jollities! Other lovetricks than glancing with the eyes.

Lough. + n. s. [Welsh, llwch; Irish, louch, loch, an inlet of water, a large collection of water, a lake. Lough has been adopted into the Irish maps from the English surveyors, who could not pronounce the Irish word louch. G. Chalmers. The word, however, is also the Icel. laug, and Su. Goth. log, a lake. Hence our lough. See also Ihre in V. LAG.] A lake; a large inland standing water. A people near the northern pole that won,

Whom Ireland sent from loughes and forests hore, Divided far by sea from Europe's shore. Fairfax. Phil. Trans. Lough Ness never freezes.

Lough.* pret. of to laugh. Laughed. See also Too LOFFE.

Eche of hem at other's sinne lough.

Chaucer, Pard. Tale. After that he [Lazarus] was restored to the miseryes of this life agayne, he never lough, but was in contynuall heavyness. Bp. Fisher.

Lo'ving. part. adj. [from love.] 1. Kind; affectionate.

So loving to my mother,

That he would not let ev'n the winds of heaven Visit her face too roughly. Shakspeare, Hamlet. This earl was of great courage, and much loved of his soldiers, to whom he was no less

Hayward.

loving again. 2. Expressing kindness.

The king took her in his arms till she came to herself, and comforted her with loving words. Esth. xv. 8.

Lo'ving-kindness. n. s. Tenderness ; favour; merey. A scriptural word.

Remember, O Lord, thy tender mercies, and thy loving-kindnesses. Ps. xxv. 6.

He has adapted the arguments of obedience to the imperfection of our understanding, requiring us to consider him only under the amiable attributes of goodness and lovingkindness, and to adore him as our friend and patron. Rogers.

Lo'vingly. adv. [from loving.] Affection-

ately; with kindness.

The new king, having no less lovingly performed all duties to him dead than alive, pursued on the siege of his unnatural brother, as much for the revenge of his father as for the establishing of his own quiet.

It is no great matter to live lovingly with goodnatured and meek persons; but he that can do so with the froward and perverse, he only hath true charity. Bp. Taylor.
O'VINGNESS. † n. s. [from loving.] Kind-

ness; affection.

Carrying thus in one person the only two bands of good-will, loveliness, and lovingness. Sidney.

Solyman, by cunning spite Of Rossa's witchcrafts, from his heart had banish'd,

Justice of kings, and lovingness of fathers. Ld. Brooke, Mustapha.

LOUIS D'OR.† n. s. [French.] A golden coin of France, valued at about twenty shillings; first struck in 1640; and in 1700 rated in England at the value of seventeen shillings. See Leake on English money.

If he is desired to change a louis d'or, he must consider of it. Spectator.

Lound.* adj. See Lownd.

To LOUNGE. † v. n. [lunderen, Dutch, to loiter. Dr. Johnson. - We have in our old dictionaries a lunges or lungis, which was used for a lubber, an idle fellow. See Barret, Sherwood, and even Bailey. This is the French longis, which Menage explains by "homme musart, et qui envoyé en quelque endroit met un long temps à revenir;" and thus deduces it from the Lat. longus. Cotgrave's longis is a dreaming, drowsy fellow. Hence lounge, which however is of no great age in our language.] To idle; to live

We lounged about the room among a parcel of two-legged things so much below our notice, as not to be worth our attention, or even our regarding that we had engrossed theirs. Student, i. 143.

Lo'unger. † n. s. [from lounge.] An idler. I will roar aloud, and spare not, to the terrour of at present a very flourishing society of people called lowngers; gentlemen, whose observations are mostly itinerant, and who think they have already too much good sense of their own to be in need of staying at home to read other people's. Guardian, No. 124.

If she is still followed by the same idle tribe of gaping lowngers, I may venture to pronounce her a celebrated Oxford beauty. Student, i.257.

To Lour.* v. n. To be clouded; to frown. See To Lower. But lour ought to be the orthography.

Lo'urdan, * See Lurdan.

LOUSE. n. s. plural lice. [lur, Saxon; luys, Dutch.] A small animal, of which different species live on the bodies of men, beasts, and perhaps of all living creatures.

There were lice upon man and beast. Exod. viii. 18.

Frogs, lice, and flies must all his palace fill With loath'd intrusion. Milton, P. L.

It is beyond even an atheist's credulity and impudence to affirm, that the first men might proceed out of the tumours of trees, as maggots and flies are supposed to do now, or might grow upon trees; or perhaps might be the lice of some prodigious animals whose species is now extinct.

Bentley. Not that I value the money the fourth part of the skip of a louse,

To Louse. v. a. [from the noun.] To clean from lice.

As for all other good women, that love to do but little work, how handsome it is to louse themselves in the sunshine, they that have been but a while in Ireland can well witness.

Spenser on Ireland. You sat and lous'd him all the sun-shine day.

Lo'usewort. n. s. The name of a plant, called also rattle and cock's comb.

Lo'usily. adv. [from louse.] In a paltry, mean, and scurvy way.

Lo'usiness. † n. s. [from lousy.] The state of abounding with lice.

Trees (especially fruit-bearers) are infested with the measels - to this commonly succeeds lousiness. Evelyn, ii. 7.6.

Lo'usy. † adj. [from louse.]

1. Swarming with lice; over-run with lice Let him be daub'd with lace, live high, and whore,

Sometimes be lousy, but be never poor.

Dryden, Juv. Sweet-briar and gooseberry are only lousy in dry times, or very hot places.

Mortimer, Husbandry. 2. Mean; low born; bred on the dung-

I pray you now remembrance on the lousy knave mine host.

A lousy knave, to have his gibes and his mock-Shakspeare.

3. Mean, contemptible, applied to things.
A title it is mete for soche lowsye lerning as Bale, Yet a Course, &c. fol. 15.

LOUT. † n. s. [loet, Teut. Lye, and Dr. Johnson. — The past participle of to low; lowed; low'd, lowt, t for d; the lowt is a lowed person. Mr. H. Tooke, Div. of Purl. ii. 345, 346. — So Spelman and Junius considered the Saxon, hluran, to bow, as the origin of this substantive, from the homage or obeisance required by the superior from an inferiour. But the derivation of our word is much more probably, as Dr. Jamieson has also noticed, from the Germ. leute, common people, a servant; Sax. leob.] A mean awkward fellow; a bumpkin; a clown.

Pamela, whose noble heart doth disdain, that the trust of her virtue is reposed in such a lout's hands, had yet, to shew an obedience, taken on shepherdish apparel. This lowt, as he exceeds our lords, the odds

Is, that we scarce are men, and you are gods. Shakspeare.

I have need of such a youth, That can with some discretion do my business;

For 'tis no trusting to you foolish lovet. Shaksp. Thus wail'd the louts in melancholy strain. Gay, Past.

To Lour. + v. n. [hluran, Sax. to bend; luta, Su. Goth. But Mr. Tooke considers it to be nothing more than the past participle of to low; " to do, or to bear one's self, as the lowed person, i. e. the lowt, does."] To pay obeisance; to bend; to bow; to stoop; to submit. Not obsolete, as Dr. Johnson asserts; being yet used in the north of England.

I serve, I bow, I looke, I loute,

Myn eie foloweth hir aboute.

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 4. So lowted he unto his lord. Spenser, Shep. Cal. He fair the knight saluted, louting low,

Who fair him quitted, as that courteous was. Spenser, F. Q.

Under the sand-bag he was seen, Louting low, like a for'ster green. B. Jonson. The palmer, grey with age, with countenance

lowling low, His head ev'n to the earth before the king did bow.

To Lour. + v.a. This word seems in Shakspeare to signify, to overpower. Dr. Johnson. - It does; and is counte-

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nanced by the following passage, which has escaped the notice of the commentators; where it evidently means to

For few there were that were so much re-

doubted,

Whom double fortune lifted vp and louted. Mir. for Mag. p. 303.

I am lowted by a traitor villain,

And cannot help the noble chevalier.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. P. I.

LO'UTISH. adj. [from lout.] Clownish; bumpkinly.

This loutish clown is such, that you never saw so ill-favoured a visar; his behaviour such, that he

is beyond the degree of ridiculous. With the Lo'utishly.† adv. [from lout.] air of a clown; with the gait of a bump-

kin; like a lubber. Huloet. Lo'utishness.* n.s. [from loutish.] Clownishness: behaviour of a bumpkin.

Incivility and rusticity is not sottishness, except it be accompanied with lurden-like loutishness.

World of Wonders, (1608,) p. 24. Lo'uver.* n. s. [from l'ouvert, French, an opening.] An opening for the smoke to go out at in the roof of a cottage. In the north of England, an opening at the top of a dove-cote. Written also lover and loover. See Barret's Alv. 1580.

But darknesse dred and daily night did hover Through all the inner parte wherein they dwelt, Ne lightned was with window, nor with lover, But with continuall candle light, which delt

A doubtful sense of things.

Spenser, F. Q. vi. x. 42. An envious man having caught his neighbour's pigeons in a net, pluckt off their tails, and let them go; which, though they could fly forward home, yet were soon after found dead in the devecote, famish'd for want of food, as unable to fly up perpendicularly, and so out at the lover.

Fuller's Worthies in Northamptonshire. The ancient manner of building in Cornwall was, to set hearths in the midst of rooms for chimneys, which vented the smoke at a louver in the Carew, Serv. of Cornwall.

LOW.† adj. [lau, Dan. lo, Icel. laeg, Dutch; lag, Su. Goth. from the Goth. ligan, to lie, according to some.]

1. Not high.

Their wandering course now high, now low, then hid,

Milton, P. L. Progressive retrograde.

2. Not rising far upwards.

It became a spreading vine of low stature. Ezek, xvii. 6.

3. Not elevated in place or local situation. O mighty Cæsar! do'st thou lye so low? Are all thy conquests, glories, triumphs, spoils,

Shrunk to this little measure? Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs.

Equal in days and nights, except to those Beyond the polar circles; to them day Had unbenighted shone, while the low sun, To recompence his distance, in their sight Had rounded still th' horizon, and not known Or east or west. Milton, P. L.

Whatsoever is washed away from them is carried down into the lower grounds and into the sea, and nothing is brought back.

Burnet, Th. of the Earth.

4. Descending far downwards; deep. The lowest bottom shook of Erebus

Milton, P. I So high as heav'd the tumid hilts, so low, Down sunk a hollow bottom, broad and deep, Capacious bed of waters.

His volant touch Instinct through all proportions low and high,

Fled and pursu'd transverse the resonant fugue Milton, P. L. 5. Not deep; not swelling high; shallow:

As two men were walking by the sea-side at low water, they saw an oyster, and both pointed at L'Estrange

It is low ebb sure with his accuser, when such peccadillos are put in to swell the charge.

Atterbury.

Addison on Italy.

6. Not of high price: as, corn is low. 7. Not loud; not noisy.

used of water.

As when an open air we blow, The breath, though strain'd, sounds flat and low: But if a trumpet take the blast,

It lifts it high, and makes it last. The theatre is so well contrived, that, from the very deep of the stage, the lowest sound may be heard distinctly to the farthest part of the audience; and yet, if you raise your voice as high as you please, there is nothing like an echo to cause

8. In latitudes near to the line.

confusion.

They take their course either high to the north, or low to the south. Abbot, Desc. of the World.

9. Not rising to so great a sum as some other accumulation of particulars. Who can imagine, that in sixteen or seventeen

hundred years' time, taking the lower chronology, that the earth had then stood, mankind should be propagated no farther than Judæa? Burnet, Th. of the Earth.

10. Late in time: as, the lower empire.

11. Dejected: depressed. His spirits are so low his voice is drown'd,

He hears as from afar, or in a swoon, Like the deaf murmur of a distant sound. Dryd. Though he before had gall and rage,

Which death or conquest must assuage; He grows dispirited and low,

He hates the fight, and shuns the foe.

2. Impotent; subdued. To be worst,

The lowest, most dejected, thing of fortune, Stands still in esperance, Shaksneare. Why but to awe,

Why but to keep ye low and ignorant.

Milton, P. L. To keep them all quiet, he must keep them in greater awe and less splendor; which power he will use to keep them as low as he pleases, and at no more cost than makes for his own pleasure. Graunt, Bills of Mortaliy.

13. Not elevated in rank or station; ab-

He wooes both high and low, both rich and poor. Shakspeare. Try in men of low and mean education, who

have never elevated their thoughts above the spade. 14. Dishonourable: betokening meanness

of mind: as low tricks.

Yet sometimes nations will decline so low From virtue, which is reason, that no wrong, But justice, and some fatal course annexed, Deprives them of their outward liberty, Their inward lost. Milton, P. L.

15. Not sublime; not exalted in thought or diction.

He has not so many thoughts that are low and vulgar, but, at the same time, has not so many thoughts that are sublime and noble.

Addison, Spect. In comparison of these divine writers, the noblest wits of the heathen world are low and dull. Felton on the Classicks.

Milton, P. L. 16. Submissive; humble; reverent.

I bring them to receive

From thee their names, and pay their fealty With low subjection. Milton, P. L. From the tree her step she turn'd;

But first low reverence done, as to the pow'r That dwelt within. Milton, P. L.

17. A term applied to certain members of the church, in contradistinction to high. See the 24th sense of High.

1. Not aloft; not on high.

There under ebon shades and low-brow'd rocks. As ragged as thy locks,

In dark Cimmerian desert ever dwell. Milton, L'All.

My eyes no object met But low-hung clouds, that dipt themselves in rain. To shake their fleeces on the earth again. Dryden. No luxury found room

In low-roof'd houses, and bare walls of lome.

Vast yellow offsprings are the German's pride; But hotter climates narrower frames obtain. And low-built bodies are the growth of Spain.

We wandering go through dreary wastes, Where round some mouldering tow'r pale ivy creeps.

And low-brow'd rocks hang nodding o'er the deeps. Pope.

2. Not at a high price; meanly. It is chiefly used in composition.

Proud of their numbers and secure in soul! The confident and over-lusty French;

Do the low-rated English play at dice? Shakspeare, Hen. V.

This is the prettiest low-born lass, that ever Ran the greensward; nothing she does or seems, But smacks of something greater than herself,

Too noble for this place. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.
Whenever I am turned out, my lodge descends upon a low-spirited creeping family. Swift. Corruption, like a general flood,

Shall deluge all; and avarice creeping on, Spread like a low-born mist, and blot the sun.

3. In times approaching towards our own. In that part of the world which was first inhabited, even as low down as Abraham's time, they wandered with their flocks and herds. Locke.

4. With a depression of the voice. Lucia, speak low, he is retir'd to rest.

Addison, Cato. 5. In a state of subjection.

How comes it that, having been once so low brought, and thoroughly subjected, they afterwards lifted up themselves so strongly again? Spenser on Ireland.

To Low. v. a. [from the adjective.] To sink; to make low. Probably misprinted for lower. Dr. Johnson. - Swift perhaps chose to adopt the old verb, of which Dr. Johnson has offered no other notice than the last of the following citations; where it is certainly a justifiable word.

Ech that enhaussith him schal be lowid; and he that mekith him schal be highed.

Wicliffe, St. Luke, xiv. He that high hearts loweth

With fyrie darts, which he throweth, Cupido.

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 4. The value of guineas was lowed from one-andtwenty shillings and sixpence to one and-twenty

To Low. v. n. [hlopan, Saxon. The adjective low, not high, is pronounced lo, and would rhyme to no: the verb low, to bellow, lou; and is by Dryden rightly rhymed to now.] To bellow as a cow.

Doth the wild ass bray when he has grass? or loweth the ox over his fodder? Job, vi. 5. Fair Io grac'd his shield, but Io now, With horns exalted stands, and seems to low-

Had he been born some simple shepherd's heir, The lowing herd, or fleecy sheep his care. Prior.

LOW.* n. s. [lohe, German.] Flame; fire; heat. Yet used in the north and west of England. See also Low-Bell.

Lo'wbell. † n. s. [lohe, German; lez, Sax.; or log, Icelandick, a flame, and bell.] A kind of fowling in the night, in which the birds are wakened by a bell, and lured by a flame into a net. Low denotes a flame in Scotland, and some parts of England.

In a still evening, about eight of the clock, when the moon shines not, take your lowbell of a moderate size, that it may be well managed by one

man in one hand.

The Experienced Fowler, (1697,) p. 97. Her beauty, and her drum, to foes

Did cause amazement double: As timorous larks amazed are With light, and with a lowbell.

Ballad of St. George for England.

To Lo'wbell.* v. a. [from the noun.] To scare as with a lowbell.

To be thus lowbelled with panick frights, to be thus tremblingly dismayed where there is no place of fear - is a mighty disproportion of men's fa-Hammond, Works, iv. 579.

Lowe. The termination of local names.

Lowe, loe, comes from the Saxon hleap, a hill, heap, or barrow; and so the Gothick hlaiw is a monument or barrow. Gibson's Camden.

Hence punber-hlap, Houndslow, canum tumulus: Leob sive Lube-hlap, Ludlow, populi tumulus; Mene-hlap, Merlow or Marlow, mariscis circumdatus tumulus, &c. Lye, edit. Manning, in V. hlæp.

To Lo'WER. v. a. [from low.]

1. To bring low; to bring down by way of submission.

As our high vessels pass their watery way, Let all the naval world due homage pay; With hasty reverence their top-honours lower, Confessing the asserted power.

2. To suffer to sink down.

When water issues out of the apertures with more than ordinary rapidity, it bears along with it such particles of loose matter as it met with in its passage through the stone, and it sustains those particles till its motion begins to remit, when by degrees it lowers them, and lets them fall.

Woodward. 3. To lessen; to make less in price or

The kingdom will lose by this lowering of interest, if it makes foreigners withdraw any of their

Some people know it is for their advantage to Child on Trade lower their interest.

To Lo'WER. v. n. To grow less; to fall; to sink.

The present pleasure,

By revolution low'ring, does become The opposite of itself. Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop.

To LO'WER. + v. n. [It is doubtful what was the primitive meaning of this word: if it was originally applied to the appearance of the sky, it is no more than to grow low, as the sky seems to do in dark weather: if it was first used of the countenance, it may be derived from the Dutch loeren, to look askance: the ow sounds as ou in hour; in the word lower, when it means to grow, or make low, the ow sound as o in more. Dr. Johnson. -The word is primarily perhaps from the Saxon hleape, the face, the front, the brow; and should be written lour. Chaucer uses loure in the sense of to be discontented.

LOW

1. To appear dark, stormy, and gloomy; 1. Humbly; without pride.

to be clouded.

Now is the winter of our discontent Made glorious summer by this sun of York; And all the clouds that lowered upon our house, In the deep bosom of the ocean buried.

Shakspeare, Rich. III.
The lowering spring, with lavish rain, Beats down the slender stem and bearded grain.

When the heavens are filled with clouds, and all nature wears a lowering countenance, I withdraw myself from these uncomfortable scenes. Addison.

The dawn is overcast, the morning lowers, And heavily in clouds brings on the day.

Addison, Cato. If on St. Swithin's feast the welkin lours, And every penthouse streams with hasty showers, Twice twenty days shall clouds their fleeces drain.

2. To frown; to pout; to look sullen.

There was Diana when Actæon saw her, and one of her foolish nymphs, who weeping, and withal lowering, one might see the workman meant to set forth tears of anger. He mounts the throne, and Juno took her place,

But sullen discontent sat lowering on her face; Then, impotent of tongue, her silence broke, Thus turbulent in rattling tone she spoke.

Lo'wer. † n. s. [from the verb.]

1. Cloudiness; gloominess.

The gladsome sun bath not so many flowers; Nor Autumn ripen'd grapes; nor Winter's lowers So many nipping winds. Summary of Du Bart. (1621,) Pref.

2. Cloudiness of look.

Philoclea was jealous for Zelmane, not without so mighty a lower as that face could yield. Sidney.

Lo'weringly. † adv. [from lower.] With Sherwood. cloudiness; gloomily. Lo'WERMOST. adj. [from low, lower, and

most.] Lowest.

Plants have their seminal parts uppermost, living creatures have them lowermost.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. It will also happen, that the same part of the pipe which was now lowermost, will presently become higher, so that the water does ascend by descending; ascending in comparison to the whole instrument, and descending in respect of its several Wilkins, Dædalus.

Lo'wery.* adj. [from lower.] Threatening to be wet or stormy; overcast. Used in many places. See also Brockett and Moore.

Lo'wing.* n. s. [from To low.] The cry of black cattle.

The lowing of the oxen which I hear.

1 Sam. xv. 14. The maids of Argos, who, with frantick cries, And imitated lowings, fill'd the skies. Roscommon.

Lo'wland. n. s. [low and land.] country that is low in respect of neighbouring hills; the marsh. What a devil is he?

His errand was to draw the lowland damps,

And noisome vapours, from the foggy fens, Then breathe the baleful stench with all his force.

No nat'ral cause she found from brooks or bogs, Or marshy lowlands, to produce the fogs. Dryden. Lo'wlihood.* n. s. [lowly, and hood or head.] Humble or low state. Obsolete.

For who can fain in under lowlyhede,

Ne failith not to findin grace and spede. Chaucer, Compl. of the Bl. Knight.

Lo'wlily. adv. [from lowly.] Meanly; without dignity. Lo'wliness. n. s. [from lowly.]

1. Humility; freedom from pride. Lowliness is young ambition's ladder, Whereto the climber upward turns his face. Shaksneare.

The king-becoming graces, As justice, verity, temperance, stableness, Bounty, perseverance, mercy, lowliness, Devotion, patience, courage, fortitude; I have no relish of them. Shakspeare Shakspeare, Macbeth. Eve

With lowliness majestick, from her seat, And grace, that won who saw to wish her stay, Milton, P. L.

If with a true Christian lowliness of heart, and a devout fervency of soul, we perform them, we shall find, that they will turn to a greater account to us, than all the warlike preparations in which

2. Meanness; want of dignity; abject de-

They continued in that lowliness until the division between the two houses of Lancaster and York

The lowliness of my fortune has not brought me

to flatter vice; it is my duty to give testimony to

Lo'wry. † adj. [from low.] 1. Humble; meek; mild.

Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart. St. Matt. xi. 29. He did bend to us a little, and put his arms abroad: we of our parts saluted him in a very

lowly and submissive manner, as looking that from him we should receive sentence of life or death. Bacon, New Atlantis.

With cries they fill'd the holy fane; Then thus with lowly voice Ilioneus began.

The heavens are not pure in his sight, and he charges even his angels with folly; with how lowly a reverence must we bow down our souls before so excellent a Being, and adore a Nature so much superiour to our own!

2. Mean; wanting dignity; not great. For from the natal hour distinctive names, One common right the great and lowly claims.

3. Not lofty; not sublime.

For all who read, and reading not disdain, These rural poems, and their lowly strain, The name of Varus oft inscrib'd shall see.

Dryden, Silenus.

4. Not elevated in local situation; low. Where Ufens glides along the lowly lands. Dryden, Æn.

Lo'wly. adv. [from low.] 1. Not highly; meanly; without grandeur;

without dignity. I will show myself highly fed, and lowly taught;

I know my business is but to the court. Shakspeare. 'Tis better to be lowly born,

And range with humble livers in content, Than to be perk'd up in a glistering grief, And wear a golden sorrow. Shaks. Hen. VIII.

2. Humbly; meekly; modestly.

Heaven is for thee too high To know what passes there; be lowly wise: Think only what concerns thee, and thy being, Milton, P. L.

Another crowd Preferr'd the same request, and lowly bow'd. Pope. Lown. + n. s. [liun, Irish; loen, Dutch, a stupid drone. Dr. Johnson. — Mr. H. Tooke calls it, like lowt, the past participle of to low. - Dr. Jamieson conjectures the Saxon læpens, Goth. leygands, a traitor, a betrayer, as the origin of our lown.] A scoundrel; a rascal. Not in use, Dr. Johnson says. It still

to Grose, in the north of England. King Stephen was a worthy peer, His breeches cost him but a crown; He held them sixpence all too dear; With that he call'd the taylor lown.

Old Song in Shakspeare. We should soon have both lord and lown, if the peevish baggage would but give way to customers. Shakspeare, Pericles.

Lownd.* adj. [logn, Icel. lugn, Su. Goth. serenity of the air. See Dr. Jamieson, in V. Loun. | Calm and mild; out of the wind; under cover or shelter. Used in several parts of the north of England; and sometimes written, like its original,

Lo'wness. n. s. [from low.]

1. Contrariety to height; small distance from the ground.

They know

By the height, the lowness, or the mean, if dearth, Or foison follow. r foison follow. Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop.
The lowness of the bough where the fruit cometh,

maketh the fruit greater, and to ripen better; for you shall even see, in apricots upon a wall, the greatest fruits towards the bottom.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. In Gothic cathedrals, the narrowness of the arch makes it rise in height, the lowness opens it in

2. Meanness of character or condition, whether mental or external.

Nothing could have subdu'd nature To such a lowness but his unkind daughter.

Shakspeare.

Now I must To the young man send humble treaties,

And palter in the shift of lowness. 3. Want of rank; want of dignity.

The name of servants has of old been reckoned to imply a certain meanness of mind, as lowness of South. 4. Want of sublimity; contrary to lofti-

ness of style or sentiment.

His style is accommodated to his subject, either high or low; if his fault be too much lowness, that of Persius is the hardness of his metaphors. Dryden.

5. Submissiveness.

The people were in such lowness of obedience as subjects were like to yield, who had lived almost four-and-twenty years under so politick a king as his father.

6. Depression; dejection

Hence that poverty and lowness of spirit to which a kingdom may be subject, as well as a particular person.

Lowspi'rited. adj. [low and spirit.] Dejected; depressed: not lively; not vivacious; not sprightly.

Severity carried to the highest pitch breaks the mind; and then in the place of a disorderly young fellow, you have a lowspirited moped creature.

Locke.

Lowr.* See Lour, and To Lour. To Lowr.

LOWTHO'UGHTED. adj. [low and thought.] Having the thoughts with-held from sublime or heavenly meditations: mean of sentiment : narrow-minded.

Above the smoke and stir of this dim spot, Which men call earth, and with lowthoughted care, Strive to keep up a frail and feverish being.

O grace serene! Oh virtue heavenly fair, Divine oblivion of lowthoughted care ! Fresh blooming hope, gay daughter of the sky, And faith our early immortality.

means a heavy, stupid fellow, according Loxodro'MICK. n. s. [λοξὸς and δρόμος.] Loxodromick is the art of oblique sailing by the rhomb, which always makes an equal angle with every meridian; that is when you sail, neither directly under the equator, nor under one and the same meridian, but across them: hence the table of rhumbs, or the transverse tables of miles, with the table of longitudes and latitudes, by which the sailor may practically find his course, distance, latitude, or longitude, is called

> LO'YAL. † adj. [loyal, French; lael, old French; legalis, Lat. Roquefort, Gloss.

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loxodromick.

1. Obedient; true to the prince. Of Gloster's treachery, And of the loyal service of his son, When I inform'd him, then he call'd me sot.

Shakspeare. The regard of duty in that most loyal nation overcame all other difficulties. Knolles. Loyal subjects often seize their prince,

Yet mean his sacred person not the least offence.

2. Faithful in love; true to a lady, or lover. Hail, wedded love! - by thee Founded in reason loyal, just, and pure, Relations dear, and all the charities

Of father, son, and brother, first were known. Milton, P. L. There Laodamia with Evadne moves,

Unhappy both, but loyal in their loves. Dryden, Æn.

Lo'YALIST. n. s. [from loyal.] One who professes uncommon adherence to his king. The cedar, by the instigation of the loyalists, fell

out with the homebians. Howell, Voc. Forest.

LO'YALLY. adv. [from loyal.] fidelity; with true adherence to a king; with fidelity to a lover.

The circling year I wait, with ampler stores, And fitter pomp, to hail my native shores; Then by my realms due homage would be paid, For wealthy kings are loyally obey'd.

Lo'yalty. n. s. [loiaulté, French.]

1. Firm and faithful adherence to a prince. Though loyalty, well held, to fools does make Our faith meer folly; yet he that can endure To follow with allegiance a fall'n lord,

Does conquer him that did his master conquer. Shakspeare. He had never had any veneration for the court, but only such loyalty to the king as the law re-

Clarendon. Abdiel, faithful found Unshaken, unseduc'd, unterrified, Milton, P. L.

His loyalty he kept. For loyalty is still the same, Whether it win or lose the game; True as the dial to the sun, Although it be not shone upon.

Hudilmas.

2. Fidelity to a lady, or lover.

LOZEL.* See LOSEL. LO'ZENGE. † n. s. [losenge, French. Of unknown etymology. Dr. Johnson. -Morin mentions, from Menage, Scaliger's conjecture of losanges or lausanges being a corruption of lauranges, " à cause de leur resemblance à une feuille de laurier:" but proposes at the same time a conjecture of his own as to the the derivation: "peut-être a-t-on dit losange pour loxangle, comme on dit acutangle, obtusangle. Dans ce cas, il

Lat. angulus, q. d. angle oblique." A rhomb.

The best builders resolve upon rectangular squares, as a mean between too few and too many angles; and through the equal inclination of the sides, they are stronger than the rhomb or losenge. Wotton, Architecture.

viendroit du Gr. λοξός, oblique, et du

2. Lozenge is a form of a medicine made into small pieces, to be held or chewed in the mouth till melted or wasted.

3. A cake of preserved fruit: both these are so denominated from the original form, which was rhomboidal.

4. A four-cornered figure, in heraldry, like a pane of glass in old casements, in which the arms of women are now usually painted.

Ypainted all with amorettes, And with lozingis, and scochons.

Chaucer, Rom. R. 893.

Lo'zenged.* adj. [lozengé, Fr.] Having the shape of a lozenge. Cotgrave.

Lo'zengy.* adj. In heraldry, having the field or charge covered with lozenges.

LP. a contraction for lordship.

Lu. n. s. A game at cards. See Loo. Ev'n mighty pam who kings and queens o'er-And mow'd down armies in the fights of lu.

LU'BBARD. n. s. [from lubber.] A lazy sturdy fellow. Yet their wine and their victuals those cur-

mudgeon lubbards

Lock up from my sight, in cellars and cupboards.

LU'BBER. † n. s. [of this word the best derivation seems to be from lubbed, said by Junius to signify in Danish fat. Dr. Johnson. - Lubber is the same as looby, and lob; Icel. lubbe, "hirsutus et incomptus nebulo." Serenius. Huloet calls a lout "a lowber, or lourdeine, rusticus, tardus, &c." And Minsheu combines in one "a lobbe, lubber, lobcocke, and clowne;" giving them the Greek origin of high, λωβητήρ. But See Los.] A sturdy drone; an idle, fat, bulky losel; a booby.

For tempest and showers deceiveth a many, And lingering lubbers loose many a penie.

Tusser, Husb. These chase the smaller shoals of fish from the main sea into the havens, leaping up and down, puffing like a fat lubber out of breath.

Carew, Surv. of Cornwall.

They clap the lubber Ajax on the shoulder, As if his feet were on brave Hector's breast, And great Troy shrinking.

Shakspeare, Troil. and Cress. A notable lubber thou reportest him to be. Shakspeare.

Tell how the drudging goblin sweat; -His shadowy fail hath thresh'd the corn, That ten day labourers could not end; Then lies him down the lubber fiend?

Milton, L'All. Venetians do not more uncouthly ride,

Than did your lubber state mankind bestride. Dryden. How can you name that superannuated lubber? Congreve.

LU'BBERLY. + adj. [from lubber.] Lazy

and bulky; awkward.
I came at Eton to marry Mrs. Anne Page; and she's a great lubberly boy. Shakspeare. Not such idle, lubberly sots, as later times

pestered the world withal.

Seldon on Drayton's Polyolb. S. 11. Those modest, lubberly boys, who seem to want spirit, become at length more shining men; and at school generally go through their business with more ease to themselves, and more satisfaction to Goldsmith, Ess. 7. their instructors.

LU'BBERLY. adv. Awkwardly; clumsily. Merry Andrew on the low rope copies lubberly the same tricks which his master is so dexterously performing on the high.

To LU'BRICATE. † v. a. [from lubricus, Latin.] To make smooth or slippery; Cockeram. to smoothe. There are aliments which, besides this lubricat-

ing quality, stimulate in a small degree.

Arbuthnot on Aliments. The patient is relieved by the mucilaginous and saponaceous remedies, some of which lubricate, and others both lubricate and stimulate.

Sharp, Surgery. Rest, Man's rich restorative; his balmy bath, That supples, lubricates, and keeps in play,

The various movements of this nice machine; Which asks such frequent periods of repair. Young, N. Th. 9.

LU'BRICATOR.* n. s. [from To lubricate.]

That which lubricates.

Water, when simple, is insipid, inodorous, colourless and smooth; it is found, when not cold to be a great resolver of spasms, and lubricator of the fibres: this power it probably owes to its smoothness.

Burke on the Subl. and Beaut. P. iv. § 21. To LUBRI'CITATE. v. a. [from lubricus. Latin.] To smooth; to make slippery.

LUBRI'CITY. † n. s. [from lubricus, Lat. lubricité, French.]

1. Slipperiness; smoothness of surface.

Bullokar.

2. Aptness to glide over any part, or to facilitate motion. Both the ingredients are of a lubricating na-

ture; the mucilage adds to the lubricity of the oil, and the oil preserves the mucilage from inspissa-Ray on Creation.

3. Uncertainty; slipperiness; instability. It is strange to consider the lubricity of popular Wotton, Lett. (in 1628,) Rem. p. 444.

The manifold impossibilities and lubricities of matter cannot have the same conveniences in any

He that enjoyed crowns and knew their worth, excepted them not out of the charge of universal vanity; and yet the politician is not discouraged at the inconstancy of human affairs, and the Glanville, Apol. lubricity of his subject.

A state of tranquillity is never to be attained but by keeping perpetually in our thoughts the certainty of death, and the lubricity of fortune.

4. Wantonness; lewdness.

[They] incline and allure men to lubricity and debauched courses. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 357. From the lechery of these fauns, he thinks that satire is derived from them, as if wantonness and lubricity were essential to that poem which ought in all to be avoided.

LU'BRICK. adj. [lubricus, Latin.]

1. Slippery; smooth on the surface.

A throng Of short thick sobs, whose thundering volleys float, And roll themselves over her lubrick throat, In panting murmurs. Crashaw, Del. of the Muses.

Uncertain; unsteady.I will deduce him from his cradle through the deep and lubrick waves of state, till he is swallowed in the gulf of fatality.

Wotton, Life of D. of Buckingham. 3. Wanton; lewd. [lubrique, French.]

Why were we hurried down This lubrick and adulterate age; Nay, added fat pollutions of our own, To encrease the steaming ordures of the stage?

Lu'bricous. adj. [lubricus, Latin.] 1. Slippery; smooth.

The parts of water being voluble and lubricous as well as fine, it easily insinuates itself into the tubes of vegetables, and by that means introduces into them the matter it bears along with it. Woodward, Nat. Hist.

2. Uncertain.

The judgement being the leading power, if it be stored with lubricous opinions instead of clearly conceived truths, and peremptorily resolved in them, the practice will be as irregular as the con-Glanville, Scepsis.

LUBRIFICA'TION. n. s. [lubricus, and fio, Latin. The act of smoothing.

A twofold liquor is prepared for the inunction and lubrification of the heads of the bones; an oily one, furnished by the marrow; a mucilaginous, supplied by certain glandules seated in the articu-Ray on Creation.

LUBRIFA'CTION. n. s. [lubricus and facio, Lat.] The act of lubricating or smooth-

The cause is lubrifaction and relaxation, as in medicines emollient, such as milk, honey, and

Luce. † n. s. [lucius, Lat. à λυκός, Gr. quia est quasi lupus inter pisces. Vossius. Hence also the French lucel, lucet, a young pike. Luce is very old in our language.] A pike full grown.

Many a breme, and many a luce in stew.

Chaucer, C. T. Prol. The mighty luce, or pike, is taken to be the tyrant, as the salmon is the king, of the fresh waters. Walton, Angler.

They give the dozen white luces in their coat.

Shakspeare. LU'CENT. adj. [lucens. Latin.] Shining; bright; splendid.

I meant the day-star should not brighter rise, Nor lend like influence from his lucent seat.

B. Jonson, Epig. 76.

A spot like which perhaps Astronomer in the sun's lucent orb, Through his glaz'd optick tube yet never saw. Milton, P. L.

Lu'cerne.* n. s. [luzerne, Span. medica, in Latin; so called because it came originally from Media.] A plant remarkable for quick growth; bearing a purplish flower; the hay of which is eminent for the fattening of cattle.

Harte has been much out of order these last three or four months, but is not the less intent upon sowing his lucerne. Ld. Chesterfield.

U'CID. adj. [lucidus, Latin; lucide, French.

1. Shining; bright; glittering.

Over his lucid arms A military vest of purple flow'd;

Livelier than Melibean. Milton, P. L. It contracts it, preserving the eye from being injured by too vehement and lucid an object, and again, dilates it for the apprehending objects more remote in a fainter light.

If a piece of white paper, or a white cloth, or the end of one's finger, he held at the distance of about a quarter of an inch, or half an inch, from that part of the glass where it is most in motion, the electrick vapour which is excited by the frictian of the glass against the hand, will, by dashing against the white paper, cloth, or finger, be put into such an agitation as to emit light, and make the white paper, cloth, or finger, appear lucid, like a glow-worm.

The pearly shell its lucid globe unfold, And Phœbus warm the ripening ore to gold.

2. Pellucid; transparent.

On the fertile banks

Of Abbana and Pharphar, lucid streams.

Milton, P. L. On the transparent side of a globe, half silver and half of a transparent metal, we saw certain strange figures circularly drawn, and thought we could touch them, till we found our fingers

stopped by that lucid substance. Swift, Gulliv. Trav.

3. Bright with the radiance of intellect; not darkened with madness.

The long dissentions of the two houses, which, although they had had lucid intervals and happy pauses, yet they did ever hang over the kingdom, ready to break forth.

Some beams of wit on other souls may fall, Strike through, and make a lucid interval; But Shadwell's genuine night admits no ray,

His rising fogs prevail upon the day. I believed him in a lucid interval, and desired he would please to let me see his book.

A few sensual and voluptuous persons, may, for a season, eclipse this native light of the soul; but can never so wholly smother and extinguish it, but that, at some lucid intervals, it will recover itself again, and shine forth to the conviction of their conscience. Bentley.

LUCI'DITY. † n. s. [from lucid.] Splendour; brightness. Dict.

What we call wit shews itself with such a pointed effulgence in the eyes, that there is scarce a man living, whose portion of it is not determinable from their natural lucidity.

Philos. Lett. on Physiognomy, (1751,) p. 230.

Lu'cidness.* n. s. [from lucid.] Transparency; clearness.

The spaciousness of their souls that are extended in perfect contemplation, is aptly figured by that property of the sea; their equanimity and clearness, by the smoothness and lucidness of glass. W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. P. i. (1648,) p. 385.

Lucife'RIAN.* adj. [from Lucifer, a name of the devil.] Devilish. A word formerly much used; now obsolete.

Hence men of art deprave each other's skill, Sith it they view with luciferian eyes.

Davies, Wit's Pilgrimage, sign. P. 3. What luciferian pride in him, a man of sin, to admit, yea to delight in, the same

Sheldon, Mir. of Antichrist, (1616,) p. 171.

That all that luciferian exorcism be blotted out: - that very "luciferina," or devilish exorcism is reprinted.

Bp. Taylor, Diss. against Popery, ch. 2. § 10. It savours too much of the luciferian presump-Ld. North, Light to Paradise, p. 90.

Luci'ferous. adj. [lucifer, Lat.] Giving light; affording means of discovery.

The experiment is not ignoble, and luciferous enough, as shewing a new way to produce a volatile salt,

LUCI'FEROUSLY.* adv. [from luciferous.] So as to discover.

Embrace not the opacous and blind side of opinions, but that which looks most luciferously or influentially unto goodness.

Brown, Chr. Mor. iii, 3.

LUCI'FICK. adj. [lux and facio, Latin.] Making light; producing light.

When made to converge, and so mixed to-gether; though their lucifick motion be continued, yet by interfering, that equal motion, which is the colorifick, is interrupted.

LU'CIFORM.* adj. [lux, lucis, Latin, and form.] Having the nature of light.

Plato speaketh of the mind or soul as a driver that guides and governs a chariot, which is, not unfitly, styled avyosites, a luciform ethereal vehicle, or $\delta\chi\eta\mu\alpha$, terms expressive of the purity, lightness, subtilty, and mobility, of that fine celestial nature, in which the soul immediately resides and operates. Bp. Berkeley, Siris, § 171.

LUCK.† n. s. [geluck, Dutch. Junius, and Dr. Johnson. - Luck, good or bad, is merely the past participle of the Saxon, læccan, to catch; and means something, any thing, caught. Instead of saying, that a person has had good luck; it is not uncommon to say, he has had a good catch. Mr. H. Tooke, Div. of Purl. ii. 357. - Such an expression may be still used among the vulgar, and the reasoning upon this deduction is plausible. But the derivation from geluck, which is from the old verb ghelucken, to prosper, is not to be hastily dismissed. Wachter thus derives the Germ. gluck, good fortune, (under which word he notices our luck, the Swed. lycka, and the Sax. inf. lück, from gleichen, to please. "Hoc sanè primum et præ-cipuum est," he well observes, "in rebus secundis, ut nobis placeant. Quid enim refert, qualis sit status noster, si nobis videtur malus?" In like manner, Thre derives the Su. Goth. lyckas, to prosper, from lika, to please. Ungluck, is the Germ. for bad luck. See also Killan in V. Ghe-luck.

1. Chance; accident; fortune; hap; casual event.

He forc'd his neck into a noose, To shew his play at fast and loose; And when he chanc'd t'escape, mistook

For art and subtlety, his luck. Hudibras. Some such method may be found by human industry or luck, by which compound bodies may be resolved into other substances than they are divided into by the fire. Boyle.

2. Fortune, good or bad. Glad of such luck the luckless lucky maid, A long time with that savage people staid, To gather breath in many miseries. Spenser, F. Q. Farewell; good luck go with thee, Shakspeare.

I did demand what news from Shrewsbury. He told me, that rebellion had ill luck, And that young Harry Percy's spur was cold.

Shakspeare. That part of mankind who have had the justice, or the luck, to pass, in common opinion, for the wisest, have followed a very different scent.

Such, how highly soever they may have the luck to be thought of, are far from being Israelites indeed. South.

The guests are found too numerous for the treat, But all, it seems, who had the luck to eat,

Swear they ne'er tasted more delicious meat. Tate. Juv.

Lu'ckily. adv. [from lucky.] Fortunately; by good hap.

It is the pencil thrown luckily full upon the horse's mouth, to express the foam, which the painter with all his skill could not form.

Dryden, Dufresnoy. It happens luckily for the establishment of a new race of kings upon the British throne, that the first of this royal line has all high qualifications.

Lu'ckiness. n. s. [from lucky.] fortune; good hap; casual happiness. He who sometimes lights on truth, is in the right but by chance; and I know not whether the luckiness of the accident will excuse the irregularity of his proceeding.

Lu'ckless. adj. [from luck.] Unfortunate; unhappy.

Glad of such luck, the luckless lucky maid, A long time with that savage people staid, To gather breath in many miseries. Spenser, F. Q. Never shall my thoughts be base,

Though luckless, yet without disgrace. What else but his immoderate lust of power, Pray'rs made and granted in a luckless hour? Dryden

Lu'cky. adj. [from luck; geluckig, Dutch.] Fortunate; happy by chance. But I more fearful, or more lucky wight,

Dismay'd with that deformed, dismal sight, Spenser, F. Q. Fled fast away. Perhaps some arm more lucky than the rest,

May reach his heart, and free the world from bondage.

LU'CRATIVE. adj. [lucratif, French; lucrativus, Lat, Gainful; profitable; bringing money.

The trade of merchandize being the most lucrative, may bear usury at a good rate; other contracts not so.

The disposition of Ulysses inclined him to pursue the more dangerous way of living by war, than the more lucrative method of life by agri-

LU'CRE. n. s. [lucrum, Latin.] Gain; profit; pecuniary advantage. In an ill sense.

Malice and lucre in them Have laid this woe here. Shakspeare, Cymb. They all the sacred mysteries of Heaven To their own vile advantages shall turn,

Of lucre and ambition. Milton, P. L. A soul supreme in each hard instance tried, Above all pain, all anger, and all pride, The rage of power, the blast of publick breath,

The lust of lucre, and the dread of death. Pope. To Lu'cre.* v. n. [from the noun,] To

have a desire of pecuniary advantage. Not in use.

[They] frame themselves to every chaunge, thereby to satisfy their lacring lust. Anderson, Expos. on Benedict. (1573,) fol. 75. b.

Lucri'ferous. † adj. [lucrum and fero, Latin.] Gainful; profitable.

Opening treasures with the key of lucriferous inventions.

Sir W. Petty, Adv. to Hartlib, (1648,) p. 23. Silver was afterwards separated from the gold, but in so small a quantity, that the experiment, the cost and pains considered, was not lucriferous. Boyle.

Lucri'fick. adj. [lucrum and facio, Lat.]

Producing gain.
LUCTA'TION.† n. s. [luctation, Fr. Cotgrave; from luctor, Latin.] Struggle; effort : contest. Cockeram.

This act requires the intention of our mine, thoughtfulness, and a diligent luctation and contention with ourselves,

Farindon, Serm. (1657,) p. 418.

LU'CTUAL.* adj. [luctus, Latin, mourning.] Lamentable. Not in use. The turbulent and luctual times, which were

towards the end and period of his life and reign. Sir G. Buck, Hist. Rich. III. p. 41.

To LU'CUBRATE. † v. n. [lucubror, Lat.] To watch; to study or work by candle-light. Cockeram.

LUCUBRA'TION. † n. s. [lucubratio, Latin.] Study by candle-light; nocturnal study: any thing composed by night.

Life is, since he is gone, But a nocturnal lucubration.

Cleaveland, Eleg. on Abp. Laud.

Thy lucubrations have been perused by several of our friends.

LUCUBRA'TORY. adj. [lucubratorius, from lucubror, Lat.] Composed by candle-

You must have a dish of coffee, and a solitary candle at your side, to write an epistle lucubratory to your friend.

LU'CULENT. † adj. [luculentus, Latin.]

1. Clear; transparent; lucid. This word is perhaps not used in this sense by any other writer. Dr. Johnson. - It should seem, from the enlarged edition of Bullokar's Expositor in 1656, that this was anciently a received sense, luculent being defined "bright, clear, fair, beautiful, famous." And luculent along
Thomson, Winter-

The purer rivers flow.

2. Certain; evident.

They are against the obstinate incredulity of the Jews, the most luculent testimonies that the Christian religion bath. A luculent oration he made of the miseries of

this, and happiness of that other life.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 218. LUDI'BRIOUS.* adj. [ludibriosus, Latin.]

Ridiculous. Needless it shall be to refute this fancy, which

falleth to the ground of itself as a ludibrious folly of the man.

Tooker, Fabr. of the Church, (1604,) p. 119.

LU'DICROUS. adj. [ludicer, Latin.] Burlesque; merry; sportive; exciting laughter.

Plutarch quotes this instance of Homer's judgement, in closing a ludicrous scene with decency and instruction.

Lu'dicrously, † adv. [from ludicrous.] Sportively; in burlesque; in a manner that may excite laughter.

To see the buffoonery or action correspond so

ludicrously with the musick.

Drummond, Trav. p. 52. Cicero ludicrously describes Cato as endeavouring to act in the commonwealth upon the school paradoxes, which exercised the wits of the junior 1. A kind of small fish. students in the Stoick philosophy.

Lu'dicrousness. † n. s. [from ludicrous.] Burlesque; sportiveness; merry cast or manner; ridiculousness.

The ludicrousness and fugitiveness of our wanton reason might otherwise find out many starting-holes. More, Ant. against Idolatry, ch. 1.

Boileau used to hint among his intimate friends, that he thought the reason why Homer sometimes introduced his gods and goddesses in scenes of ludicrousness, was to soften the general severity of his poem, and to relieve the reader from the perpetual prospect of the slaughters and deaths with which the Iliad abounded,

Dr. Warton on Dryden's Transl. of Iliad.

LUDIFICA'TION. n. s. [ludificor, Lat.] The act of mocking, or making sport with another.

LUDI'FICATORY.* adj. [ludificatoire, Fr. Cotgrave; from ludificor, Lat. | Mock-

ing; making sport; trifling.

In the sacraments of the church there is nothing empty or vain, nothing ludificatory, but all thoroughly true. Barrow, iii. 39.

LUFF. + n. s. [lofa, Gothick.] The palm of the hand, used in the north of England, and in Scotland.

To Luff. † v. n. [or loof.] To keep close to the wind. Sea term.

Contract your swelling sails, and luff to wind.

The ship, luffing too near the great island, on a sudden stuck fast on a rock.

Randolph's Isl. in the Archipelago, p. 61. To LUG. + v.a. [aluccan, Saxon, to pull; loga, Swedish, the hollow of the hand. Dr. Johnson. - It is more probably the Su. Goth. lugga, to pull or drag by the hair; zeluzzian, Sax. to pull, to pluck.]

1. To hale or drag; to pull with rugged violence.

You gods! why this Will lug your priests and servants from your sides. Shakspeare.

Thy bear is safe, and out of peril, Though lugg'd indeed, and wounded very ill.

When savage bears agree with bears, Shall secret ones lug saints by th' ears? Hudibras. See him drag his feeble legs about

Like hounds ill coupled: Jowler lugs him still

Through hedges. Whose pleasure is to see a strumpet tear

A cynick's beard, and lug him by the hair. Dryd. Either every single animal spirit must convey a whole representation, or else they must divide the image amongst them, and so lug off every one his share.

2. To pull or shake by the ears. Barret's Alv. 1580. So in the north of England, "to pull by the ears: I'll lug thee, if thou dost so." Pegge.

I'm as melancholy as gib cat or a lugg'd bear. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. P. I.

3. To Lug out. To draw a sword, in burlesque language.

But buff and beltmen never know these cares, No time, nor trick of law, their action bars; They will be heard, or they lug out and cut.

To Lug. v. n. To drag; to come heavily: perhaps only misprinted for lags. My flagging soul flies under her own pitch,

Like fowl in air, too damp, and lugs along, As if she were a body in a body.

Lug. + n. s.

They feed on salt unmerchantable pilchards, tag worms, lugs, and little crabs.

Carew, Surv. of Cornwall.

2. The ear. Dr. Johnson confines the use of this word to Scotland, without any example; but it is certainly common enough in England. [from the verb lug.]

There's no man colour smells, or sees a sound, Nor sucks the labour of the honey-bee With's hungry lugs, nor binds a gaping wound With's slippery eye-balls: every faculty And object have their due analogy.

More, Life of the Soul, ii. 97. With hair in character, and lugs in text. Cleaveland.

3. A land measure; a pole or perch. That ample pit, yet far renown'd

For the large leap which Debon did compel Coulin to make, being eight lugs of ground. Spenser, F. Q.

Any thing Lu'ggage. n. s. [from lug.] cumbrous and unwieldy that is to be carried away; any thing of more weight than value.

Come bring your luggage nobly on your back. Shakspeare.

What do you mean To doat thus on such luggage? Shaksp. Tempest. Think not thou to find me slack, or need

Thy politick maxims, or that cumbersome Luggage of war there shewn me. Milton, P. R. How durst thou with that sullen luggage

O' th' self, old ir'n, and other baggage, To oppose thy lumber against us?

The mind of man is too light to bear much certainty among the ruffling winds of passion and opinion; and if the luggage be prized equally with the jewels, none will be cast out till all be shipwrecked. Glanville. A lively faith will bear aloft the mind,

And leave the luggage of good works behind.

I am gathering up my luggage, and preparing for my journey. Swift to Pope.

Lu'GSAIL.* n. s. A square sail hoisted occasionally on a yard which hangs nearly at right angles with the mast.

Lugu'brious. † adj. [lugubre, French; lugubris, Lat.] Mournful; sorrowful.

To act no passionate, lugubrious, tragical part, whatever secular provocation cross us on the stage. Hammond, Works, iv. 546.

A demure, or rather a lugubrious look, a whining tone, makes up the sum of many men's humiliations. Decay of Chr. Piety. Most of them [pictures] represent devout lugu-

brious events. Swinburne, Trav. through Spain, L. 41.

LUKE, or Leuke.* adj. [plæc, Saxon.] Not fully hot. See LUKEWARM.

Prompt. Parv. LU'KENESS, or LE'UKENESS.* n. s. [from 2. To compose; to quiet; to put to rest. luke.] Moderate warmth. Ort. Vocab.

LU'KEWARM.† adj. [The original of this word is doubted. Warmth, in Sax. is hleod; in old Frisick hlij; in Dutch liewte; whence probably our luke, to which warm may be added, to determine, by the first word, the force of the second; as we say, boiling hot. Dr. Johnson. - It is from the Saxon, plæc, warm: which was also pleonastically accompanied with papm, viz. plæc-papm: whence: our luke-warm. See Lye, edit. Manning. See also Lew.]

1. Moderately or mildly warm; so warm as to give only a pleasing sensation,

Water is not sodeynly by the fyre made hote to the uttermost, but fyrste cometh bytwene a lytell warmenes, as we myght saye luke warme, whiche is neyther very hote, nor very colde, but in a meane bytwene both. Bp. Fisher, Ps. p. 49.

A dreary corse, whose life away did pass, All wallow'd in his own, yet lukewarm blood, That from his wound yet welled fresh alas! Spenser, F. Q.

May you a better feast never behold, You knot of mouth friends; smoke and lukewarm water

Is your perfection. Shakspeare, Timon. Bathing the body in lukewarm water is of great advantage to contemperate hot and sharp humours. Wiseman, Surgery.

Whence is it but from this attractive power that water, which alone distils with a gentle lukewarm heat, will not distil from salt of tartar without a great heat? Newton, Opticks.

Indifferent; not ardent; not zealous. If some few continue stedfast, it is an obedience so lukewarm and languishing, that it merits not the name of passion. Dryden.

This sober conduct is a mighty virtue Addison, Cato. In lukewarm patriots. LUKEWARMLY. † adv. [from the adjective.]

Sherwood. With moderate warmth. 2. With indifference.

LU'KEWARMNESS. n. s. [from lukewarm.]

1. Moderate or pleasing heat.

2. Indifference: want of ardour. Some kind of zeal counts all merciful modera-

tion lukewarmness. King Charles. The defect of zeal is lukewarmness, or coldness in religion; the excess is inordinate heat and spiritual fury.

Go dry your chaff and stubble, give fire to the zeal of your faction, and reproach them with luke-Swift.

To LULL. v. a. [lulla, Su. Goth. lallo, Lat. See also Lullaby.]

1. To compose to sleep by a pleasing sound: to draw to sleep. This is the sound; to draw to sleep. oldest sense of the word.

In her barme this litel child she laid, With ful sad face, and gan the child to blisse, And lulled it, and after gan it kisse.

There trickled softly down

A gentle stream, whose murmuring wave did play Emongst the pumy stones, and made a sound To tull him soft asleep, that by it lay.

Spenser, F. Q. Such sweet compulsion doth in musick lie, To hull the daughters of necessity. Milton, Arcades.

These, lull'd by nightingales, embracing slept. Milton, P. L. In England we very frequently see people lulled

aleep with solid and elaborate discourses of piety, who would be warmed and transported out of themselves by the bellowings and distortions of enthusiasm. Addison, Spect. No. 407.

Fortune false doth lull them in her lap. Mir. for Mag. p. 32%.

To find a foe it shall not be his hap, And peace shall lull him in her flowery lap.

Milton, Vac. Ex. No more these scenes my meditations aid,

Or lull to rest the visionary maid. By the vocal woods and waters lull'd,

And lost in lonely musing in a dream.

Thomson, Spring.

Lull.* n. s. [from the verb.] Power or quality of soothing.

My lord, your stay was long, and yonder lu l Of falling waters tempted me to rest.

Young, Revenge.

Lu'LLABY. † n. s. [Lallus, Lat. "Quemi nutricum fuisse deum contendit Turnebus." From lull: it is observable, that the nurses call sleep by by; lullaby is therefore lull to sleep. Dr. Johnson.— " Dr. Johnson is probably mistaken in supposing that the nurses' by signifies sleep, otherwise than as a contraction of lullaby. It is to be wished, that Mr. Holt White had favoured us with some proof that to lull originally signified to sleep, and that its present sense, to compose to sleep by a pleasing sound, is but a secondary one, retained after the primitive import had become obsolete. The same ingenious critic proceeds to state that by means house, and therefore lullaby is to go to house or cradle. There is so much plausibility in this conjecture, that it is almost a pity to be obliged to dissent from it. Though it cannot be disputed that by signifies a dwelling, it is presumed that this sense is as unconnected with the word in question as Dr. Johnson's sleep. It would be a hopeless task to trace the origin of the northern verb to lull, which means to sing gently; but it is evidently connected with the Gr. λαλεω, to speak, or λαλλη, the sound made by the beach at sea. Thus much is certain, that the Roman nurses used the word lalla to quiet their children, and feigned a deity called Lallus, whom they invoked on that occasion: the lullaby, or tune itself, was called by the same name. As lallare meant to sing lalla, to lull might in like manner denote the singing of the nurse's lullaby to induce the child to sleep. - In an old ballad, printed by Mr. Ritson, Anc. Songs, p. 198., the burden is lully, lullaby, lullyby, sweete baby; from which it seems probable, that lullaby is only a comparatively modern contraction of lully baby, the first word being the legitimate offspring of the Rom. lalla." Douce. Illustr. of Shakspeare, vol. 2.

p. 111.] A song to still babes. Only that noise heavens' rolling circles kest, Sung lullaby, to bring the world to rest. Fairfax. Philomel, with melody,

Sing in your sweet lullaby;

Lulla, lulla, lullaby; lulla, lulla, lullaby. Shaksp. If you will let your lady know I am here to speak with her, and bring her along with you, it may make my bounty further. — Marry, Sir, lullahy to your bounty till I come again. Shaksp. Whiles hounds, and horns, and sweet melodious

Be unto us, as is a nurse's song

Of lullaby, to bring her babe to sleep.

Titus Andronicus. Drinking is the lullaby used by nurses to still crying children. Locke on Education.

LU'LLER.* n. s. [from lull.] A dandler; one who fondles children.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood. Lum.* n. s. The chimney of a cottage. Northumberland. Pegge. Used in Yorkshire also, and in Scotland; and is supposed by Sibbald to be from the Sax. feom, light, "scarcely any other light being admitted, excepting through this refers it to the Welsh llumon, a chimney, "which Owen deduces from llum, that which shoots up, or ends, in a point."

LUMBA'GO. n. s. [lumbi, Latin, the loins.] Lumbagos are pains very troublesome

about the loins, and small of the back, such as precede ague fits and fevers: they are most commonly from fullness and acrimony, in common with a disposition to yawnings, shudderings, and erratick pains in other parts, and go off with evacuation, generally by sweat, and other critical discharges of fevers.

Quincy. LU'MBAL.* \ adj. [lumbaris, Lat. from lum-LU'MBAR. | bi, the loins.] In anatomy, pertaining to the loins.

LU'MBER.† n. s. [loma, ʒeloma, Saxon, household-stuff; lommering, the dirt of Earth may ind an house, Dutch. 7

Any thing useless or cumbersome; any thing of more bulk than value; old stuff. Cockeram.

The very bed was violated By the coarse hands of filthy dungeon villains, And thrown amongst the common lumber. Otway. One son at home

Concerns thee more than many guests to come. If to some useful art he be not bred, He grows mere lumber, and is worse than dead.

Dryden.

Few hands will rid the lumber of the poor. If God intended not the precise use of every single atom, that atom had been no better than a

piece of lumber. The poring scholiasts mark; Wits, who, like owls, see only in the dark; A lumber-house of books in every head. Pope, Dunciad.

2. Harm; mischief. Lancashire. Pegge. To Lu'mber. v. a. [from the noun.] To heap like useless goods irregularly. Fallow ground is (usually) an indigested thicket,

lumbered all over with weeds, and briars, and thorns, and thistles. Sedgwicke, Serm. (1642,) p. 5. In Rollo we must have so much stuff lumbered together, that not the least beauty of tragedy can appear.

To LU'MBER. v. n. To move heavily, as burthened with his own bulk.

First let them run at large, Nor lumber o'er the meads, nor cross the wood.

LU'MBRICAL.* adj. [from lumbricus, Lat. a worm.] In anatomy, denoting muscles of the hands and feet, which, on account of their smallness and figure, have derived this name of resemblance to worms. |2. A shapeless mass. LU'MINARY. n. s. [luminare, Latin, lumi-

naire, Fr.7 1. Any body which gives light.

The great luminary Dispenses light from far. Milton, P. L.

2. Any thing which gives intelligence. Sir John Graham, I know not upon what lu-minaries he espied in his face, dissuaded him from

All men's honou marriage.

3. Any one that instructs mankind. The circulation of the blood, and the weight and spring of the air, had been reserved for a late happy discovery by two great luminaries of this

hole in the roof." But Dr. Jamieson | To LU'MINATE. * v. a. [lumino, Lat.] To give light to; to illuminate.

> Cockeram. LUMINA'TION. n. s. [from lumen.] Emission of light. Dict. To LU'MINE.* v. a. [lumino, Lat.] To il-

luminate; to lighten intellectually. With admiration of their passing light,

Blinding the eyes, and lumining the spright. Spenser, Hymn of Heavenly Love.

LU'MINOUS. adj. [lumineux, Fr.] 1. Shining; emitting light.

Fire burneth wood, making it first luminous, then black and brittle, and lastly, broken and in-Its first convex divides

The luminous inferiour orbs inclos'd,

From chaos. Milton, P. L. How came the sun to be luminous? Not from the necessity of natural causes. Bentley.

Earth may, industrious of herself, fetch day, Travelling east; and with her part averse From the sun's beam, meet night; her other part

Still luminous by his ray. Maton, P. L.

3. Shining; bright.

The most luminous of the prismatick colours are the yellow and orange: these affect the senses more strongly than all the rest together.

Newton, Opticks. LU'MINOUSLY. * adv. [from luminous.] In a bright or shining manner.

Thy neighbour has remov'd his wretched store, Lu'MINOUSNESS.* n. s. [from luminous.] we hands will rid the lumber of the poor.

Brightness; emission of light: as, the luminousness of the sea: a philosophical

> That luminousness that appears in some eyes. Spence, Crito.

LUMP. n. s. [lompe, Teut.]

1. A small mass of any matter.

The weed kal is by the Egyptians used first for fuel, and then they crush the ashes into lumps like a stone, and so sell them to the Venetians.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. Without this various agitation of the water, how could lumps of sugar or salt cast into it be so perfectly dissolved in it, that the lumps themselves totally disappear? A wretch is prisoner made;

Whose flesh torn off by lumps, the ravenous foe In morsels cut.

Every fragrant flower, and odorous green, Were sorted well, with lumps of amber laid be-

To conceive thus of the soul's intimate union with an infinite being, and by that union receiving of ideas, leads one into as gross thoughts, as a country maid would have of an infinite butterprint, the several parts whereof being applied to her lump of butter, left on it the figure or idea

there was present need of.

Hence, heap of wrath, foul indigested lump; As crooked in thy manners as thy shape.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. Why might there not have been, in this great mass, huge lumps of solid matter, which, without any form or order, might be jumbled together? Keil against Burnet.

All men's honours

Lie like one lump before him, to be fashion'd

Into what pinch he please. Shaksp. Hen. VIII.

It is rare to find any of these metals pure; but copper, iron, gold, silver, lead, and tin, all promiscuously in one lump. Woodward, Nat. Hist.

Bentley. 4. The whole together; the gross,

If my readers will not go to the price of buying my papers by retail, they may buy them in the Addison.

Other epidemical vices are rife and predominant only for a season, and must not be ascribed to buman nature in the lump. Bentley, Serm.

The principal gentlemen of several counties are stigmatized in a lump, under the notion of being papists.

To LUMP. v. a. To take in the gross, without attention to particulars.

The expences ought to be lumped together.

Ayliffe, Parergon.

Boccalini, in his political balance, after laying France in one scale, throws Spain into the other, which wanted but very little of being a counterpoise the Spaniards upon this reckoned, that if Spain of itself weighed so well, they could not fail of success when the several parts of the monarchy were lumped in the same scale.

LU'MPFISH. † n. s. [lump and fish.] A sort of fish: thick, and very ill-shaped; called also the sucker, and the sea-owl. LU'MPING. adj. [from lump.] Large;

heavy; great. A low word. Nick, thou shalt have a lumping pennyworth. Arbuthnot.

LU'MPISH. † adj. [lompsch, Teut. stupidus, piger. Kilian.] Heavy; gross; dull; unactive; bulky.

Lifting up his lompish head.

Spenser, F. Q. i. i. 43. Out of the earth was formed the flesh of man, and therefore heavy and lumpish.

Ralegh, Hist. of the World. Sylvia is lumpish, heavy, melancholy. Shakspeare.

Love is all spirit: fairies sooner may Be taken tardy, when they night tricks play,

Than we; we are too dull and lumpish. Suckling. Little terrestrial particles swimming in it after the grossest were sunk down, which, by their heaviness and lumpish figure, made their way more

How dull and how insensible a beast Is man, who yet wou'd lord it o'er the rest? Philosophers and poets vainly strove

In every age the lumpish mass to move. Dryden. Lumpishly dav. [from lumpish.] With

heaviness; with stupidity. Sherwood. LU'MPISHNESS. † n. s. [from lumpish.] Stupid heaviness.

The Lord was well acquainted with the dulnesse and lumpishnesse of our hearts.

Exposit. of Solomon's Song, (1585,) p. 209. Such repugnancy and resistance there is yet remaining in those, which are most obedient; such heaviness and lumpishness in those which are most ready and diligent.

Harmar, Transl. of Beza, p. 59. LU'MPY. adj. [from lump.] Full of lumps; full of compact masses.

One of the best spades to dig hard lumpy clays, but too small for light garden mould. Mortimer, Husbandry.

LU'NACY. † n. s. [from luna, the moon.] A kind of madness influenced by the moon; madness in general.

Love is merely madness, and deserves as well

a dark house and a whip as madmen do; and the reason why they are not so punished and cured is, that the lunacy is so ordinary, that the whippers Shakspeare, As you like it. are in love too. Your kindred shun your house,

As beaten hence by your strange lunacy. If we bid all reason, and history, and human helps and acquisitions, quite adieu, the world will never be rid of religious lunacies and fancies.

More, Conj. Cabb. (1653,) p. 251. There is difference of lunacy: I had rather be mad with him, that when he had nothing, thought VOL. II.

all the ships that came into the haven his, than with you, who, when you have so much coming in, think you have nothing.

LU'NAR. † } adj. [lunaire, Fr. lunaris, Lu'NARY. } Lat.]

1. Relating to the moon. They that have resolved that these years were

but lunary years, viz. of a month, or Egyptian years, are easily confuted. Ralegh, Hist. of the World. Then we upon our globe's last verge shall go, And view the ocean leaning on the sky;

From thence our rolling neighbours we shall

And on the lunar world securely pry. Dryden. 2. Being under the dominion of the moon. They have denominated some herbs solar and

some lunar, and such like toys put into great Bacon, Nat. Hist. The figure of its seed much resembles a horseshoe, which Baptista Porta had thought too low a

signification, and raised the same unto a lunary representation. Brown, Vulg. Erre 3. Resembling the moon; orbed like the

The lunar horns that bind

The brow of Isis, cast a blaze around. Dryden, Ov.

In their right hand a pointed dart they wield; The left, for ward, sustains a lunar shield. Dryden, En.

LU'NARY. n. s. [lunaria, Latin; lunaire, French.] Monwort.

Then sprinkles she the juice of rue With nine drops of the midnight dew,

From lunary distilling. Drayton, Nymphid. LU'NATED. + adj. [from luna.] Formed

like a half moon. A sort of cross, which our heralds do not dream of; which is a cross lunated after this

Brown, Trav. (1685,) p. 54. Lu'natick.† adj. [lunatique, Fr. lunaticus, Latin.] Mad; having the imagination

influenced by the moon. Lord have mercy on my sone, for he is lunatyk.

Wicliffe, St. Matt. xvii. Bedlam beggars, from low farms,

Sometimes with lunatick bans, sometimes with prayers, Shaksneare.

Enforce their charity. Lu'natick. n. s. A madman.

The lunatick, the lover, and the poet, Are of imagination all compact:

One sees more devils than vast hell can hold; Shakspeare, Mids. N. Dream The madman.

I dare ensure any man well in his wits, for one in the thousand that he shall not die a lunatick in Bedlam within these seven years; because not above one in about one thousand five hundred Graunt, Bills of Mortality. have done so. See the blind beggar dance, the cripple sing,

The sot a hero, lunatick a king. The residue of the yearly profits shall be laid out in purchasing a piece of land, and in building thereon an hospital for the reception of idiots and

Luna'tion. n. s. [lunaison, French; luna, Latin.] The revolution of the moon.

Lunaticks.

If the lunations be observed for a cycle of nineteen years, which is the cycle of the moon, the same observations will be verified for succeeding cycles Holder on Time for ever.

Lunch.† n. s. [Minsheu derives it Luncheon.] from lonja, Spanish; Skinner from kleinken, a small piece, Teut. It probably comes from clutch or clunch. Dr. Johnson. - Minsheu's derivation seems to be the true one. The Spanish LUNGS. + n. s. pl. [lungen, Saxon; long, lonja, a great slice, is particularly applied to bacon. See Lonja, Dict. Acad.

Españ. And thus, in our early usage of luncheon: "Witnesse their double chynnes, and fat lunchions of flesh on their bodies." The Cautelles of the Masse, 8vo. 1584. Serenius, however, notices the Swed. luns, kluns, massa.]

1. As much food as one's hand can hold. " When hungry thou stood'st staring like an oaf, I slic'd the luncheon from the barley loaf; With crumbled bread I thicken'd well the mess.

2. A kind of meal between breakfast and dinner. Now a common colloquial expression. Formerly it was an afternoon's repast, between dinner and supper.

Lune. † n. s. [luna, Lat.]

1. Any thing in the shape of an half

A troop of Janizaries strew'd the field,

Fall'n in just ranks or wedges, lunes, or squares, Firm as they stood.

2. Fit of lunacy or frenzy; mad freak. The French say of a man fanstastical or whimsical, Il a des lunes. Hanmer. These dangerous, unsafe lunes o'the king!

Beshrew them ! He must be told on't, and he shall: the office Shaksp. Wint. Tale. Becomes a woman best.

A leash: as, the lune of a hawk. [Su. Goth. lina, funis.]

LU'NET.* n. s. [from luna, Lat.] A little moon; an attendant upon a planet.

There have been further discoveries made of the visible and material heavens, in these later ages, than ever were known to our predecessors; who could never have believed, that there were such lunets about some of the planets, as our late perspectives have descried.

Bp. Hall, Peacemaker, § 10. LUNE'TTE. n. s. [French.] A small

half moon.

Lunette is a covered place made before the courtine, which consists of two faces that form an angle inwards, and is commonly raised in fosses full of water, to serve instead of a fausse braye, and to dispute the enemy's passage: it is six toises in extent, of which the Trevoux. parapet is four.

Lung.* n. s. See Lungs.

LUNGE.* n. s. See Longe. 1. A thrust.

2. A violent kick of a horse.

Lu'ngeous.* adj. [of uncertain etymology.] Spiteful; malicious. Derbyshire, and Leicestershire. Grose. And, I believe, in Cheshire.

Lu'ngis.* n. s. [longis, Fr. longone, Ital. from λογ/άζω, to be slow, Trippault; from longus, q. d. to be a long time about an affair, Menage. See To Lounge.] Alubber. Barret, Alv. 1580. A dreaming, drowsy fellow; also, one who being sent on an errand is long in returning. Cotgrave, and Sherwood. Not now in use, though obvious in the modern lounger.

Dutch; lung, German. The singular number in our language is rarely used.

It occurs in the summary of Du Bartas, 1621, p. 284. "The lung is nourished by a spiritual and vaporous blood." Again, "The lung is the instrument of the voice."]

1. The lights; the part by which breath is

inspired and expired.

More would I, but my lungs are wasted so, That strength of speech is utterly denied me.

Shakspeare. The bellows of his lungs begin to swell, Nor can the good receive nor bad expel. Dryden. Had I a hundred mouths, a hundred tongues, And throats of brass inspir'd with iron lungs; I could not half those horrid crimes repeat, Nor half the punishments those crimes have met.

Dryden.

2. Formerly a cant term for a person; denoting a large and strong-voiced man, as Coles has observed; and also a chymical servant, a sort of under workman in the art.

That is his fire-drake,

His lungs, his zephyrus, he that puffs his coals. B. Jonson, Alchemist.

Lu'ngen. adj. [from lungs.] lungs; having the nature of lungs; drawing in and emitting air, as the lungs in an animal body.

The smith prepares his hammer for the stroke, While the lung'd bellows hissing fire provoke.

Lung-grown. adj. [lung and grown.]

The lungs sometimes grow fast to the skin that lines the breast within; whence such as are detained with that accident are lung-grown.

Harvey on Consumptions. Lu'ngwort.† n. s. [lunzen-pypt, Saxon; pulmonaria, Latin.] A plant. Miller. Luniso'lar. adj. [lunisolaire, French; luna and solaris, Latin.] Compounded of the revolution of sun and moon.

LUNT. n. s. [lonte, Dutch.] The matchcord with which guns are fired.

LU'PINE. n. s. [lupin, French; lupinus,

Latin.] A kind of pulse.

It has a papilionaceous flower, out of whose empalement rises the pale, which afterward turns into a pod filled with either plain or spherical seeds: the leaves grow like fingers upon the foot stalks.

When Protogenes would undertake any excellent piece, he used to diet himself with peas and lupines, that his invention might be quick and Peacham on Drawing.

Where stalks of lupines grew, Th' ensuing season, in return, may bear

The bearded product of the golden year. Dryden, Georg.

LU'PINE.* adj. [lupinus, Latin.] Like a

Their physiognomy is canine, &c. lupine, or leonine; for, we read, some men had lionly looks.

Bp. Gauden, Life of Bp. Brownrigg, p. 236.

LURCH. n. s. [This word is derived by Skinner from l'ourche, a game of draughts, much used, as he says, among the Dutch; ourche he derives from arca; so that, I suppose, those that are lost are left in lorche, in the lurch or box; whence the use of the word.

To leave in the Lurch. To leave in a

without help. A ludicrous phrase.

Will you now to peace incline, And languish in the main design,

Denham. And leave us in the lurch? But though thou'rt of a different church, I will not leave thee in the lurch. Hudibras.

Have a care how you keep company with those that, when they find themselves upon a pinch, will leave their friends in the lurch.

Can you break your word with three of the honestest best meaning persons in the world? It is base to take advantage of their simplicity and credulity, and leave them in the lurch at last.

Arbuthnot, Hist. of J. Bull. Flirts about town had a design to cast us out of the fashionable world, and leave us in the lurch, by some of their late refinements. Addison, Guardian.

To Lurch. v. n. [loeren, Dutch; or rather

from the noun.

1. To shift; to play tricks.

I myself, sometimes leaving goodness on my left-hand, and hiding mine honour in my necessity, and fain to shuffle, to hedge, and to lurch.

2. To lie in wait: we now rather use lurk. While the one was upon wing, the other stood lurching upon the ground, and flew away with the L'Estrange.

To Lurch. v. a. [lurcor, Lat.]

1. To devour; to swallow greedily.

Too far off from great cities may hinder business; or too near lurcheth all provisions, and maketh every thing dear.

2. To defeat; to disappoint. A word now used only in burlesque. [from the game lurch.]

He waxed like a sea:

And, in the brunt of seventeen battles since, He lurcht all swords o'the garland. Shak. Coriol.
God never designed the use of them to be continual; by putting such an emptiness in them, as should so quickly fail and lurch the expectation.

This is a sure rule, that will never deceive or lurch the sincere communicant.

3. To steal privily; to filch; to pilfer. LU'RCHER. † n. s. [from lurch.]

1. One that watches to steal, or to betray

or entrap. Is not love a lurcher, that taketh men's stomachs

away that they cannot eat, their spleen that they cannot laugh, their hearts that they cannot fight, their eyes that they cannot sleepe? Lily, Endimion.

His thefts some tradesman spies, Swift from his play the scudding lurcher flies; Whilst every honest tongue Stop thief resounds.

2. A dog that watches for his game.

I cannot represent those worthies more naturally than under the shadow of a pack of dogs, made up of finders, lurchers, and setters.

3. [Lurco, Latin.] A glutton; a gormandizer. Not now used. LU'RDAN.* n. s. [lourdin, old French, stupid, clownish; lourdat, a dunce; lurdus, low Lat. from lourd; Teut. loerd. See LOORD. Serenius derives the word from the Goth. lort, stercus.] A clown; a blockhead; a lazy person; a worthless person. Used in Lancashire and other parts of the north.

Lo! here we have the kynge's seale : What, lurden, art thou wode?

Old Song of Adam Bell, P. ii.
Lourdans or clownes attired in their ordinary worky-day clothes.

Florio, Transl. of Montaigne, p. 228.

forlorn or deserted condition; to leave [Lu'RDAN.*] adj. [lourdin, Fr.] Blockish; LU'RDY. stupid; lazy; sluggish.

Cotgrave, and Grose. LURE. n. s. [leurre, French; lore, Dutch.] 1. Something held out to call a hawk.

My faulcon now is sharp and passing empty And, till she stoop, she must not be full-gorg'd, For then she never looks upon her lure. This lure she cast abroad, thinking that this

fame and belief would draw, at one time or other, some birds to strike upon it. Bacon, Hen. VII.

A great estate to an heir, is as a lure to all the birds of prey round about to seize on him. Bacon.

This stiffneck'd pride, nor art nor force can

Nor high-flown hopes to reason's lure descend. A falconer Henry is, when Emma hawks; With her of tarsels, and of lures he talks. Prior.

2. Any enticement; any thing that promises advantage. How many have with a smile made small account

Of beauty, and her lures, easily scorn'd All her assaults, on worthier things intent?

Milton, P. R. Luxury

Held out her lure to his superiour eye, And griev'd to see him pass contemptuous by. Madden.

To Lure. † v. n. [from the noun.] To call hawks.

Standing near one that lured loud and shrill, I had suddenly an offence, as if somewhat had broken, or been dislocated in my ear, and immediately after a loud ringing. Bacon.

These falconers clammering up and down, from hill to hill, and buring all along, lighted at last upon a large pleasant valley.

Howell, Instruct. For. Trav. p. 134.

To Lure. † v. a.

1. To bring hawks to the lure.

With empty hond men may no haukes lure. Chaucer, Wife of Bath's Prol.

2. To attract; to entice; to draw. [lura, allicere, Goth. Serenius. 7

A little matter will lure or scare the common people into civil and religious fashions, if they have easy leaders and bold dictators.

Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 154. As when a flock

Of ravenous fowl, though many a league remote,

Against the day of battle, to a field Where armies lie encamp'd, come flying, lur'd With scent of living carcasses. Milton, P. L.

A man spent one day in labour, that he might pass the other at ease; and lured on by the pleasure of this bait, when he was in vigour he would provide for as many days as he could. Temple. Should you lure

From this dark haunt, beneath the tangled roots Of pendent trees, the monarch of the brook, Behoves you then to ply your finest art. Thomson.
Volumes on shelter'd stalls expanded lie,

And various science lures the learned eye.

Gay, Trivia.

Lu'rid. adj. [luridus, Latin.] Gloomy; dismal. Not used. dismal. Slow settling o'er the lurid grove,

Unusual darkness broods. Thomson, Summer.

To LURK. + v. n. [probably lurch and lurk are the same word. See To Lurch. Dr. Johnson. - Lurch may be from loeren; or rather from the Danish lurer, to lurk, to watch, to lie sneaking, or in ambush; whence lur, an ambush. See Dr. Jamieson in V. To Loure, where it is observed that Serenius and Ihre both trace our word to the Su. Goth. lurk.

See also Spegel, Gloss. Su. Goth. Lu'sciousness. n.s. [from luscious.] Im-V. Lurken.] To lie in wait; to lie moderate sweetness.

hidden; to lie close.

Far in land a savage nation dwelt, That never tasted grace, nor goodness felt; But like wild beasts, lurking in loathsome den, And flying fast as roebuck through the fen, Spenser, F. Q.

Millbrook lurketh between two hills, a village of some eighty houses, and borrowing his name from a mill and little brook running there through. Carew, Surv. of Cornwall.

They lay not to live by their worke,

But theevishly loiter and lurke.

Tusser, Husbandry. If sinners entice thee, consent not; if they say, let us lay wait for blood, let us lurk privily for the Prov. i. 11. The wife, where danger or dishonour lurks,

Safest and seemliest by her husband stays. Milton, P. L.

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The lurking gold upon the fatal tree. Dryden, Æn.

The king unseen

Lurk'd in her hand, and mourn'd his captive queen;

He springs to vengeance. I do not lurk in the dark: I am not wholly unknown to the world: I have set my name at

LU'RKER. † n. s. [from lurk.] A loiterer; one that lies in wait: a thief that lies in

If this lawless lurker had ever had any taste of

the civil or canon law.

Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Marr. Clergy, p. 129. It was well known what a bold lurker schism Milton, Reas. of Ch. Gov. B. 1.

LU'RKINGPLACE. n. s. [lurk and place.] Hiding place; secret place.

Take knowledge of all the lurkingplaces where 1 Sam. xxiii. 28. he hideth himself.

LU'RRY.* n. s. [I know not the etymology.] A crowd; a throng; a heap. And is the lurry of lawyers quite worn out?

World of Wonders, (1608.) p. 195.

A lurry and rabble of poor farthing friars, who have neither rent nor revenue.

Ibid. p. 187. We are not to leave duties for no duties, and to

turn prayer into a kind of lurry. Milton, Iconoclastes, ch. 16.

LU'SCIOUS. † adj. [from delicious, say some; but Skinner more probably derives it from luxurious, corruptly pronounced. Dr. Johnson. - It is probably from the old word lush, juicy, succulent, rank, lusty. See Lush. Luscious is usually written lushious in our old lexicography.]

1. Sweet, so as to nauseate.

Pert wit and luscious eloquence have lost their Burnet, Pastoral Care.

2. Sweet in a great degree.

The food that to him now is as luscious as loches, shall shortly be as bitter as colloquintida. Shakspeare, Othello.

With brandish'd blade rush on him, break his

And shed the luscious liquor on the ground. Milton, Comus. Blown roses hold their sweetness to the last,

And raisins keep their luscious native taste.

3. Pleasing; delightful.

He will bait him in with the luscious proposal of some gainful purchase.

Lu'sciously. † adv. [from luscious.] Sweet-Sherwood. ly to a great degree.

Can there be greater indulgence in God, than to embitter sensualities whose lusciousness intoxicates us, and to clip wings which carry us from Decay of Chr. Piety.

Peas breed worms by reason of the lusciousness and sweetness of the grain. Mortimer, Husbandry. Lu'sern. n. s. [lupus cervarius, Latin.] A

Lush. † adj. Of a dark, deep, full colour, opposite to pale and faint; from lousche. Dr. Johnson from Hanmer. - But the word has no connection with the Fr. lousche, and no reference to colour, where Shakspeare applies it to the grass, in the solitary instance of the word given by Dr. Johnson. It appears to have been usually applied to plants, and to denote their juicy, full, succulent, and rank state. All the old editions of Shakspeare read "lushious woodbine," in the Mids. Night's Dream; where modern criticism has substituted lush. Lush and foggy is the blade,

And cheers the husbandman with hope

Golding, Transl. of Ovid, (1587.) Shrubs lush, and almost like a grystle.
Golding, Transl. of Jul. Solinus, (1587.) How lush and lusty the grass looks? how green? Shakspeare, Tempest. LUSK. + adj. [lasche, French; from the

Goth. loskr, sluggish, crafty. Serenius.] Idle; lazy; worthless. Dict.

LUSK.* n. s. [from the adjective.] A lubber; a sot; a lazy fellow.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood. Els had we never had so many lecherous luskes among them.

Bale, Acts of Eng. Vot. P. i. fol. 61. b. To Lusk. * v. n. [from the noun.] To be idle; to lie idle, unemployed; to be

He is my foe; friend thou not him, nor forge him arms, but let

Him luske at home unhonoured.

Warner, Albion's Eng. (1596,) p. 147. Themis selfe

Would be cashier'd from one poor scrap of pelfe: If that she were incarnate in our time, She might luske scorned in disdained slime, Shaded from honour.

Marston, Scourge of Vill. (1599,) ii. 5. Not that I mean to feign an idle God, That lusks in heaven, and never looks abroad, That crowns not virtue, and corrects not vice; -- but I conceive

In God care, counsel, justice, mercy, might, To punish wrongs, and patronize their right.

inclinable to laziness or indolence. Any swineherd's brat, that lousie came

To luskish Athens.

Marston, Scourge of Vill. (1599,) i. 3. Lu'skishly. adv. [from luskish.] Lazily; indolently.

Lu'skishness. † n.s. [from luskish.] A disposition to laziness.

He shooke off luskishness; and, courage chill, Kindling afresh, gan battell to renew. Spenser, F. Q. vi. i. 35.

Luso'RIOUS. † adj. [lusorius, Latin.] Used in play; sportive.

Many too nicely take exceptions at cards, tables, and dice, and such mixt lusorious lots; whom Gataker well confutes.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 271.

Things more open to exception, yet unjustly condemned as unlawful; such as the lusorious lots, dancing and stage-plays. Bp. Sanderson.

Lu'sory. † adj. [lusorius, Latin.] Used in

How bitter have some been against all lusory lots, or any play with chance!

Ep. Taylor, Artif. Handsomeness, p. 120. They supply it with their lances in lusory skir. mishes on horseback, wherein their dexterity cannot be too much admired.

L. Addison, West Barbary, p. 218. There might be many entertaining contrivances for the instruction of children in geometry and geography, in such alluring and lusory methods, which would make a most agreeable and lasting Watts on the Mind. impression.

LUST. †. n. s. [lurt, Saxon; lust, Dutch; from the Gothick, lustus desire; and not the participle of the Sax. lyrtan, to list, to desire, as Mr. H. Tooke pretends. See the first sense of the word.]

1. Desire; inclination; will. This primary sense is not noticed by Dr. Johnson. Seamen yet use this sense in respect to the inclination of the ship, when she heels.

He that hath more lust to cry.
Sidney, Dial. between two Shepherds. And Nemertea learned well to rule her lust. Spenser, F. Q. iv. xi. 51.

Little lust had she to talk of aught. Spenser, F. Q. v. vi. 21.

Let me be privileg'd by my place, and message, To be a speaker free; when I am hence,

I'll answer to my lust. Shakspeare, Tr. and Cress.
I will divide the spoil; my lust shall be satisfied Exod. XV. 9. upon them.

2. Carnal desire.

This our court, infected with their manners, Shews like a riotous inn; epicurism and lust Make it more like a tavern or a brothel, Than a grac'd palace. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

Lust, and rank thoughts. Shakspeare, Cymb. They are immoderately given to the lust of the flesh, making no conscience to get bastards. Abbot. When a temptation of lust assaults thee, do not resist it by disputing with it, but fly from it, that is, think not at all of it.

Bp. Taylor, Holy Living.

3. Any violent or irregular desire.

The ungodly, for his own lust, doth persecute the poor: let them be taken in the crafty wiliness they imagined.

Virtue was represented by Hercules: he is

drawn offering to strike a dragon; by the dragon are meant all manner of lusts. Peucham on Drawing. All weigh our acts, and whate'er seems unjust,

Impute not to necessity, but lust. Dryden, Ind. Emp. Pope. The lust of lucre.

Sylvester, Du Bartas, (1621,) p. 141.

Lu'skish, adj. [from lusk.] Somewhat 4. Vigour; active power; lustiness. Not used.

Trees will grow greater, and bear better fruit, if you put salt, or lees of wine, or blood, to the root: the cause may be the increasing the lust or spirit of the root.

To Lust. † v. n. [Sax. lurtan; Goth. lustan.

1. To desire carnally. This is she,

That with her lust wins infamy. If lusting love be so disgrac't, Die before you live unchast: For better die with honest fame, Than lead a wanton life with shame.

Greene, Philomela, (1615.) Inconstant man, that loveth all he saw, And lusted after all that he did love. Roscommon.

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2. To desire vehemently.

Giving sometimes prodigally; not because he loved them to whom he gave, but because he Sidney. lusted to give.

The Christian captives in chains could no way move themselves, if they should unadvisedly lust after liberty.

3. To list; to like. Out of use.

Their eyes swell with fatness; and they do Psal. lxxiii. 7. even what they lust. 4. To have irregular dispositions, or de-

The mixed multitude fell a lusting; and the children of Israel also wept, and said, Who shall give us flesh to eat? The spirit that dwelleth in us lusteth to envy.

Jam. iv. 5. Lu'ster.* n. s. [from lust.] One who is

inflamed with lust.

Hear, and fear, all lusters after strange women! Dr. Clerke, Serm. (1637,) p. 499. LU'STFUL. † adj. [lust and full. Sax. lurerull.

1. Libidinous; having irregular desires. Turning wrathful fire to lustful heat,

With beastly sin thought her to have defil'd.

Spenser. F. Q. There is no man that is intemperate or lustful, but besides the guilt likewise stains and obscures his soul.

2. Provoking to sensuality; inciting to lust.

Thence his lustful orgies he enlarg'd

Milton, P. L.

3. Vigorous. Not in use. The want of lustful health Could not be half so griefful to your grace, As these most wretched tidings that I bring.
Sackville, Trag. of Gorboduc, (1561.)

LU'STFULLY. adv. [from lustful.] With sensual concupiscence.

LU'STFULNESS. † n. s. [from lustful. Sax. lurerulner.] Libidinousness. Sherwood. LU'STIHEAD. †) n. s. [from lusty.] Vi-LU'STIHOOD. gour; sprightliness;

corporal ability To see thee succeed in thy father's stead,

And flourish in flowres of lustihead.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. A goodly personage, Now in his freshest flower of luslihead,

Fit to inflame fair lady with love's rage. Spenser. Reason and respect Make livers pale, and lustihood deject. Shakspeare.

I'll prove it on his body; Despight his nice fence, and his active practice,

His May of youth and bloom of lustyhood. Shakspeare.

Frenchmen have been neighing after the constitutions of their neighbours in their lawless lus-Pursuits of Literature.

Lu'stily + adv. [lurclice, Sax.] Stoutly; with vigour; with mettle.

Old Hubberdin, as he was dauncing with his doctours lustilie in the pulpit, against the hereticks, how he stampt and tooke on I cannot tell, but crash quoth the pulpit, downe commeth the dauncer, and there lay Hubberdin not dauncing but sprawling in the midst of his audience.

Fox, Acts and Mon. of Bp. Latimer. I determine to fight lustily for him.

Shakspeare, Hen. V.

Now, gentlemen, Let's tune, and to it *lustily* a while. Barbarossa took upon him that painful journey, which the old king lustily performed. He has fought lustily for her, and deserves her, Southerne.

LU'STINESS. n. s. [from lusty.] Stoutness; sturdiness; strength; vigour of body.

Fresh Clarion being ready dight, —
[He] with good speed began to take his flight, Over the fields in his frank lustiness.

Spenser, Muiopotmos. Where there is so great a prevention of the ordinary time, it is the lustiness of the child; but when it is less, it is some indisposition of the mo-Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Cappadocian slaves were famous for their lustiness, and being in good liking, were set on a stall to shew the good habit of their body, and made to play tricks before the buyers, to shew their ac-Dryden, Pers. tivity and strength.

Lu'stless. † adj. [from lust.] Not vigorous; weak; languid; lifeless.

Lustless, far from game. Gower, Conf. Am. B. 4. The rather lambs bene starved with cold, All for their maister is lustlesse and old.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. In his lustlesse limbs, through evil guise, A shaking fever raign'd continually.

Spenser, F. Q. The throstle, with shrill sharps, as purposely

To awake the lustlesse sun: or chiding, that so long

He was in coming forth. Drayton, Polyolb. S. 13. LU'STRAL. adj. [lustrale, French; lustralis, Latin.] Used in purification.

His better parts by lustral waves refin'd, More pure, and nearer to ethereal mind. Garth.

To LU'STRATE. * v. a. [lustro, Latin.] To purify.

The parts of this work, as fast as I could finish them, were lustrated by your gracious eye, and consummated by your judicious observations.

Ld. Herbert, Hen. VIII. Dedication. When we have found this execrable thing, which hath brought all our plagues on us, then we must purge, and cleanse, and lustrate the whole city for its sake. Hammond, Works, iv. 638,

LUSTRA'TION. n. s. [lustration, French; lustratio, Lat.] Purification by water.

Job's religious care, His sons assembles, whose united prayer, Like sweet perfumes, from golden censors rise :

He with divine lustrations sanctifies. Sandys, Par. of Job. That spirits are corporeal seems a conceit dero-

gative unto himself, and such as he should rather labour to overthrow; yet thereby he establisheth the doctrine of lustrations, amulets, and charms. Brown, Vulg. Err.

Should Io's priest command. A pilgrimage to Meroe's burning sand;

Through desarts they wou'd seek the secret spring, And holy water for lustration bring. Dryden, Juv. What were all their lustrations but so many solemn purifyings, to render both themselves and their sacrifices acceptable to their gods?

South, Serm. By ardent prayer, and clear lustration,

Purge the contagious spots of human weakness; Impure no mortal can behold Apollo.

LU'STRE. n. s. [lustre, French.] 1. Brightness; splendour; glitter.

You have one eye left to see some mischief on

him. - Lest it see more preventit; out, vile gelly!

where is thy lustre now? Shakspeare, K. Lear. To the soul time doth perfection give, And adds fresh lustre to her beauty still.

The scorching sun was mounted high, In all its lustre, to the noonday sky. Addison, Ov. Pass but some fleeting years, and these poor

Where now without a boast some lustre lies:

No longer shall their little honours keep,

But only be of use to read or weep. Pring. All nature laughs, the groves are fresh and fair, The sun's mild *lustre* warms the vital air. Pope,

2. A sconce with lights. Ridotta sips, and dances till she see The doubling lustres dance as quick as she.

Pope, Hor. 3. Eminence: renown.

His ancestors continued about four hundred years, rather without obscurity than with any great lustre. Wotton.

I used to wonder how a man of birth and spirit could endure to be wholly insignificant and obscure in a foreign country, when he might live with lustre in his own. 4. [from lustre, Fr. lustrum, Latin.] The

space of five years. Both of us have closed the tenth lustre, and it

is time to determine how we shall play the last act of the farce. Bolingbroke. To Lu'stre.* v. a. [from the noun.] To

render bright; to illuminate. In the same instant that God made the sun, With it this glorious light we see begun,

Which lustred half the earth.

Heywood, Hier. of Angels, (1635,) p. 122. Lu'string. n. s. [from lustre.] A shining silk; commonly pronounced lutestring. Lu'strous.† adj. [from lustre. Fr. lustreux. Donne has written our word lustrious: " a lustrious beauty and excellency of workmanship." Hist. of the Septuagint, ed. 1633, p. 62.] Bright; shining; lu-

Noble heroes, my sword and yours are kin, good sparks and lustrous. Shakspeare, All's well. The more lustrous the imagination is, it filleth and fixeth the better. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

LU'STRUM.* n. s. [Latin.] A space of five years; properly, the completion of fifty months.

Allowing for each of those a lustrum or quinquenal. Gregory, Posthum. p. 140. Prolonging them, with greater comfort, to so many years or lustras. Smith on Old Age, p. 264. We push time from us, and we wish him back ;

Lavish of lustrums, and yet fond of life. Young, Night Th. 2.

Lu'stwort. n. s. [lust and wort.] An herb. Lu'sry. † adj. [lustigh, Teut.]

1. Stout ; vigorous ; healthy ; able of body. If lusty love should go in quest of beauty, Where should he find it fairer than in Blanch? Shakspeare.

Making thee young and lusty as an eagle. Psalmis.

We yet may see the old man in a morning, Lusty as health, come ruddy to the field,

And there pursue the chase. 2. Beautiful; handsome. This and the

two following senses are unnoticed by Dr. Johnson; and indeed they are now not used. Laodomie, his lustie wife.

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 4. So lovedst thou the lusty Hyacint; So lovedst thou the faire Coronis deare.

Spenser, F. Q. 3. Pleasant; delightful.

How fresh my flowers bene'spred, Dyed in lilly white and cremsin red, With leaves engrained in lustic green.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. 4. Saucy; sturdy. The confident and over lusty French

Do the low-rated English play at dice. Shakspeare, Hen. V. stubborne and lustie in the campe.

North, Transl. of Plutarch. LU'TANIST. † n. s. [from lute.] One who plays upon the lute.

The lutenists therefore are men of fine genius. Tatler, No. 153.

I can call the lutanist and the singer, but the sounds that pleased me yesterday weary me to-day. Johnson, Rasselas, ch. 2.

LUTA'RIOUS. adj. [lutarius, Latin.]

1. Living in mud.

2. Of the colour of mud.

A scaly tortoise-shell, of the lutarious kind.

LUTA'TION. * n. s. [lutatus, Lat.] The method of cementing chymical vessels close together. See To LUTE.

LUTE. † n. s. [luth, lut, French. Dr. Johnson .- Some derive this word from the Arab. a-oude, whence the Spanish laud or laut, supposed by Bochart to be the chelys or testudo of the ancients. See Shaw's Travels, 4to. p. 203. The German laute is also testudo, and the verb lauten, sonum modulare sive id fiat ore sive instrumento. See Wachter. The Su. Goth. word is luta.]

1. A stringed instrument of musick. Orpheus with his lute made trees, And the mountain tops that freeze,

Bow themselves when he did sing. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

May must be drawn with a sweet countenance, upon his head a garland of roses, in one hand a Peacham. teste.

In a sadly pleasing strain

Let the warbling lute complain. Pope, St. Cacilia. A lute string will bear a hundred weight without rupture, but at the same time cannot exert Arbuthnot. its elasticity. Lands of singing, or of dancing slaves,

Love-whispering woods, and lute-resounding Pope, Dunciad. waves.

2. [from lut, French; lutum, Lat.] A composition like clay, with which chemists close up their vessels.

Some temper tute, some spacious vessels move, These furnaces erect, and those approve. Garth. To Lute.† v. a. [from the noun. French, buter.] To close with lute, or chemist's

clay. Take a vessel of iron, and let it have a cover of iron well luted, after the manner of the chemists. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Iron may be so heated, that being closely luted in a glass, it shall constantly retain the fire.

Wilkins, Math. Magic. Then appeared a large glass-bottle, wherein was luted up a famous necromancer.

L' Estrange, Tr. of Quevedo, p. 48. med than lutanist.] A player on the lute. Huloet and Barret thus define the luter. Dr. Johnson notices neither that nor lutist.

His [Strada's] imitation of Claudian in expressing a controversy between a lutist and a nightingale. Hakewill on Providence, p. 254. nightingale.

Lu'TESTRING.* n. s.

1. The string of a lute. Sherwood. And see the example from Arbuthnot in

2. A kind of silk. SEE LUSTRING.
There goes Mrs. Roundabout; I mean the fat lady in the lutestring trollope.

Goldsmith, Ess. 15.

Cassius's soldiers did shew themselves verie ubborne and lustic in the campe.

LUTHERAN.** n. s. One who adheres to the doctrine and discipline of Luther. See LUTHERANISM.

I know her son,

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. A spleeny Lutheran. The Lutherans constantly pressed the unsophisticated tenet of the atonement, not contractedly in a calvinistical, but comprehensively in a Christian point of view. Laurence, Serm. 3.

LU'THERAN.* adj. Denoting the doctrine

or followers of Luther.

The king desired the Lutheran divines to approve his second marriage; they begged his excuse in writing. Burnet, Hist. of the Ref. B. 2.

If we contemplate them [the Articles of the Church of England] in this view, or rather such of them as will become the subject of investigation, we find, that far from being framed according to the system of Calvin in preference to all others, they were modelled after the Lutheran in opposition to the Romish tenets of the day.

Laurence, Serm. 1.

LU'THERANISM.* \ \ n. s. The doctrine of Lu'therism. \ \ Luther. Protestantism is divided into Lutheranism and Calvinism, so called from Luther and Calvin, the two distinguished reformers Guthrie. of the sixteenth century. Lutherism increased daily in the university.

A. Wood, Ann. Univ. Ox. in 1526. In this country, where the light of literature could not be concealed, nor the love of truth suppressed, Lutheranism found numerous proselytes, who were known by the appellation of "the men of the new learning." Laurence, Serm. 1.

LU'THERN.* n. s. [lucarne, Fr. lucerna, Lat.] An architectural term for a sort of window over the cornice, in the roof of a building. See the third sense of

LU'TULENT. adj. [lutulentus, Latin.] Muddy; turbid.

To LUX. To LUXATE. \ v. a. [luxer, French; To put out of joint; to disjoint.

Consider well the *luxated* joint, which way it slipped out; it requireth to be returned in the same manner.

Descending careless from his couch, the fall, Lux'd his neck-joint, and spinal marrow bruis'd.

LUXA'TION. † n. s. [luxation, Fr. Cotgrave; from luxo, Latin.]

1. The act of disjointing.

If the straining and luxation of one joint can so afflict us, what shall the racking of the whole body, and the torture of the soul?

Bp. Hall, Heaven upon Earth. Why this mangling and luxation of passages? Bentley, Phil. Lips. § 50.

If thou wert laid up of the gout, or some rupture, or luxation of some limb, thou wouldst not complain to keep in. Bp. Hall, Balm of Gilead. This joint may be kept from luxation

Smith on Old Age, p. 59. The undue situation, or connexion of parts, in fractures and luxations, are to be rectified by chirurgical means.

LUXE. † n. s. [French; luxus, Latin.] Luxury; voluptuousness. Not used. Dr. Johnson says, citing only Prior. But Shenstone uses it; though indeed it is a word unworthy of English usage. The pow'r of wealth I try'd

And all the various luxe of costly pride. Prior.

Above or Persian luxe, or Attic art, The rude majestic monument arose.

LUXU'RIANCE.† \ n. s. [from luxurians, Luxu'RIANCY.] Latin. This word is noticed by Heylin, in 1656, as unusual and uncouth. But luxuriancy had been used some years before that date.] Exuberance; abundant or wanton plenty or growth.

Shenstone, Eleg. 21.

The rankness and luxuriancy of our tempers in this kind ought rather to be the subject of our extirpation, than a ground for our manuring and

W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. P. 1. (1648,) p. 143. A fungus prevents healing only by its luxu-Wiseman. Flowers grow up in the garden in the greatest luxuriancy and profusion. Spectator.

While through the parting robe the alternate breast

In full luxuriance rose.

Thomson, Summer.

LUXU'RIANT. adj. [luxurians, Lat.] Exuberant; superfluously plenteous. A fluent and luxuriant speech becomes youth

Bacon, Ess. well, but not age. The mantling vine

Lays forth her purple grape, and gently creeps Milton, P. L. Luxuriant.

If the fancy of Ovid be luxuriant, it is his cha-Dryden, Pref. to Ov. Ep. racter to be so. Prune the luxuriant, the uncouth refine,

But show no mercy to an empty line.

LUXU'RIANTLY.* adv. [from luxuriant.]

The auburn locks, and the taper arms, of the Saxon dame are most luxuriantly illustrated. Warton, Rowley Enq. p. 81.

To Luxu'riate. + v. n. [luxurior, Latin.] To grow exuberantly; to shoot with superfluous plenty.

I could more willingly have luxuriated, and better satisfied myself and others.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. To the Reader. For all this harm, which apparently follows surfeiting and drunkenness, see how we rage and luxuriate in this kind!

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 71. Corn luxuriates in a better mould,

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 454. The tongue, that nimble interpreter of the mind, when it doth most luxuriate in variety of expressions, is yet so bounded, that of necessity it must utter all conceptions of the mind in a few words.

Hartlib, Reform. of Schools, (1642,) p. 47.
'Tis worth enough, if a young gallant can Look big, luxuriate, and write gentleman!

Beaumont, Psyche, xvi. 30. The gay girl, as was her fate, Doth wanton and luxuriate.

Lovelace, Luc. Posth. p. 46. Alexander the Great, reflecting on his friends degenerating into sloth and luxury, told them that it was a most slavish thing to luxuriate, and a most royal thing to labour.

Barrow, vol. iii. S. 19.

Luxu'rious. adj. [luxurieux, Fr. luxuriosus, Lat.]

1. Delighting in the pleasures of the table. 2. Administring to luxury.

Those whom last thou saw'st In triumph, and luxurious wealth, are they First seen in acts of prowess eminent,

And great exploits; but of true virtue void. Milton, P. L.

The luxurious board.

3. Lustful: libidinous.

She knows the heat of a luxurious bed : Her blush is guiltiness, not modesty. Shakspeare.

I grant him bloody, Luxurious, avaricious, false, deceitful. Shakspeare. 4. Voluptuous; enslaved to pleasure.

Luxurious cities, where the noise Of riot ascends above their loftiest towers.

Milton, P. L.

5. Softening by pleasure.
Repel the Tuscan foes, their city seize, Dryden. Protect the Latians, in luxurious ease.

6. Luxuriant; exuberant. Till more hands

Aid us, the work under our labour grows Luxurious by restraint. Milton, P. L.

Luxu'Riously. adv. [from luxurious.] De-

liciously; voluptuously. Hotter hours — you have Luxuriously pick'd out. Shaksp. Ant. and Cleop.

Where mice and rats devour'd poetick bread, And with heroick verse luxuriously were fed.

He never supt in solemn state; Nor day to night luxuriously did join.

Dryden. LUXU'RIOUSNESS.* n. s. [from luxurious.]

Voluptuousness; lewdness. Sherwood. When dead's the strength of England's yeomanry

When inundation of luxuriousness Fats all the world with such gross beastliness; Who can abstain? what modest brain can hold, But he must make his shamefac'd muse a scold! Marston, Scourge of Vill. (1599,) i. 2.

LU'XURY. n. s. [luxuré, old French; luxuria, Latin.]

1. Voluptuousness; addictedness to plea-

Egypt with Assyria strove

In wealth and luxury. Milton, P. L. Riches expose a man to pride and luxury, and a foolish elation of heart. Addison, Spect.

2. Lust: lewdness.

Urge his hateful luxury,

His bestial appetite in change of lust, Which stretch'd unto their servants, daughters, Shakspeare.

3. Luxuriance; exuberance.

Young trees of several kinds set contiguous in a fruitful ground, with the luxury of the trees will incorporate.

4. Delicious fare.

He cut the side of the rock for a garden, and by laying on it earth, furnished out a kind of luxury for a hermit.

Ly. A very frequent termination both of names of places and of adjectives and adverbs; when ly terminates the name of a place, it is derived from leaz, Sax. a field. Gibson. When it ends an adjective or adverb, it is contracted from lich, like: as, beastly, beastlike; plainly, plainlike.

Ly'AM.* n. s. [called also leam, and lyme. See LIMEHOUND, and LIMMER, Perhaps from the Saxon ligan, ducere, to lead.] A kind of thong or leash for holding a hound in hand.

My dog-hook at my belt to which my lyam's

ty'd, My sheaf of arrows by, my wood-knife by my side, My hound then in my lyam.

Drayton, Muse's Elizium.

LYCA'NTHROPY. † n. s. [lycanthropie, Fr. λύκος, a wolf, and ἀνθρωπος, a man, Gr.] A kind of madness, in which men have the qualities of wild beasts.

The world is a wide wilderness, wherein we

them men; they are beasts. It is contrary to the delusions of lucanthrony; there, he that is a man

thinks himself a beast. Bp. Hall, St. Paul's Combat.
I must resent the calamities of the time, and the desperate case of this nation, who seem to have fallen quite from the very faculty of reason, and to be possessed with a pure lycanthropy, with a wolvish kind of disposition to tear one another in Howell, Lett. i. vi. 58. this manner.

He sees like a man in his sleep, and grows as much the wiser as the man that dreamt of a lycanthropy, and was for ever after wary not to come near a river. By. Taylor.

Dr. John Freind [has] given, from Ætius and Oribasius, a description of the madness called lycanthrony, of which one of the most striking symptoms was, to wander amongst the sepulchres of the dead. Warburton, Serm. 27. the dead.

LY'DIAN.* adj. Denoting a species of the ancient musick; meaning a soft and slow kind of air.

And ever, against eating cares,

Lap me in soft Lydian airs. Milton, L' All. Softly sweet in Lydian measure,

Soon he sooth'd the soul to pleasure. Dryden, Ode. The Lydian mood is now in most request Philips, Theat. Poet. Pref.

I have mixed unawares too much of the Phrygian; I might change it to the Lydian, and soften their riotous tempers: but it is enough: learn from this sample to speak with veneration of ancient musick?

Arbuthnot and Pope, Mart. Scriblerus.

To LyE.* See To LIE.

LY'ING. † n. s. [from lie, whether it signifies to be recumbent, or to speak falsely, or otherwise. 7

They will have me whipt for speaking true, thou wilt have me whipt for lying, and sometimes I am whipt for holding my peace.

Shakspeare, K. Lear. Many tears and temptations befal me by the lying in wait of the Jews. Acts, xx. 19.

The doctor has practised both by sea and land, and therefore cures the green-sickness and lyings-Spectator.

LY'INGLY.* adv. [from lying.] Falsely; Sherwood. without truth.

Lyke. adj. for like. Spenser.

Lym.* n. s. [from leam or lyme. See LIMEHOUND.] A bloodhound. Mastiff, greyhound, mongrel grim,

Hound, or spaniel, brach, or lym.

Shakspeare, K. Lear. LYMPH. n. s. [lymphe, French; lympha, Latin.] Water; transparent colourless liquor.

When the chyle passeth through the mesentery, it is mixed with the lymph, the most spirituous and elaborated part of the blood.

Arbuthnot on Aliments.

LY'MPHATED. adj. [lymphatus, Lat.] Mad. Dict.

LYMPHA'TICK.† n. s. [lymphatique, Fr. from lympha, Latin.]

1. The lymphaticks are slender pellucid tubes, whose cavities are contracted at small and unequal distances: they are carried into the glands of the mesentery, receiving first a fine thin lymph from the lymphatick ducts, which dilutes the chylous fluid. Cheyne, Phil. Principles. Upon the death of an animal, the spirits may

sink into the veins, or lymphaticks and glandules.

converse with wild and savage creatures: we think | 2. A lunatick. [lymphaticus, Lat. mad.]

All nations have their lymphatics of some kind or other. Ld. Shaftesbury. Erroneous fancy shap'd her wild attire;

From Bethlem's walls the poor lymphatic stray'd. Shenstone, Eleg. 16.

LYMPHA'TICK.* adj.

1. Denoting the vessels called lympha-

The circulation of the blood, the milky and lymphatick vessels, the motion of the heart, &c. Ellis, Knowl. of Divine Things, p. 342.

2. Mad; raving; extravagant; enthusiastick.

A negro stood by us trembling, whom we could see now and then lift up his hands and eyes, muttering his black art, as we apprehended, to some hobgoblin; but, when we least suspected, [he] skipt out, and as in a lymphatick rapture unsheathed a long skean or knife. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 27.

Horace either is, or feigns himself, lymphatic. Ld. Shaftesbury.

LY'MPHEDUCT n. s. [lympha and ductus, Lat.] A vessel which conveys the lymph. The glands,

All artful knots, of various hollow threads, Which lympheducts, an artery, nerve, and vein, Involv'd and close together wound, contain.

Blackmore.

LY'NDEN tree. [tilia, Lat.] A plant. See LIND.

LYNX. n. s. [Latin.] A spotted beast, remarkable for speed and sharp sight.

He that has an idea of a beast with spots, has but a confused idea of a leopard, it not being thereby sufficiently distinguished from a lynx. Locke.

What modes of sight betwixt each wide extreme, The mole's dim curtain, and the lynx's beam.

LYRE. n. s. [lyre, Fr. lyra, Lat.] A harp; a musical instrument to which poetry is, by poetical writers, supposed to be sung.

With other notes than to the Orphean lyre. Milton, P. L.

My softest verse, my darling lyre, Upon Uphelia's toilet lay. He never touch'd his lyre in such a truly chro-

matick manner as upon that occasion. Arbuthnot and Pope, Mart. Scrib.

LY'RICAL. adj. [lyricus, Latin; lyrique, Ly'RICK] French.] Pertaining to a harp, or to odes or poetry sung to a harp; singing to a harp.

All his trophies hung and acts enroll'd In copious legend, or sweet lyrick song.

Milton, S. A. Somewhat of the purity of English, somewhat of more equal thoughts, somewhat of sweetness in the numbers; in one word, somewhat of a finer turn, and more lyrical verse, is yet wanting. Dryd. The lute neglected, and the lyrick muse,

Love taught my tears in sadder notes to flow, And tun'd my heart to elegies of woe.

LY'RICK. n. s. A poet who writes songs to the harp.

The greatest conqueror in this nation, after the manner of the old Grecian lyricks, did only compose the words of his divine odes, but set them to

musick himself. Addison. LY'RIST. n. s. [lyristes, Latin.]

cian who plays upon the harp.

His tender theme the charming lyrist chose Minerva's anger, and the direful woes Which voyaging from Troy the victors bore. Pope-

by compression of the lips; as, mine, tame, camp: it is never mute.

M.* A numeral letter signifying one

thousand.

MAB.* n. s.

1. The gueen of the fairies, in the superstitious mythology of elder days; probably derived from the Welsh mab, anciently signifying a little child.

O, then, I see queen Mab hath been with you: She is the fairies' midwife; and she comes

In shape no bigger than an agate stone On the fore-finger of an alderman.

Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul. Her chariot of a snail's fine shell, Which for the colours did excell,

The fair queen Mab becoming well. Drayton, Nymphidia.

This is Mab, the mistress fairy That doth nightly rob the dairy.

B. Jonson, Entert. at Altrope. With stories told of many a feat,

How faery Mab the junkets eat. Milton, L'All. 2. A slattern. North. Ray, and Grose.

See Mob. To MAB. * v.a. To dress carelessly. North.

Ray, and Grose. To Ma'BBLE.* v. a. To wrap up. See To

MOBBLE.

Their heads and faces are mabled in fine linen, that no more is to be seen of them than their eyes. Sandys, Travels.

MACARO'NI.* n. s. [Ital. maccaroni.] 1, A kind of paste meat boiled in broth, and dressed with butter, cheese, and spice. Florio, Ital. Dict. 1598. A favourite dish among the Italians; and now common, in our own country, at dinners; a sort of vermicelli.

· He doth learn to make strange sauces, to eat anchovies, maccaroni, &c.

B. Jonson, Cynthia's Revels.

2. A sort of droll or fool; and thence the application of the word to a fop. [maccarone, Ital.] See also MACAROON.

There is a set of merry drolls whom the common people of all countries admire, and seem to love so well, that they could eat them, according to the old proverb; I mean those circumforaneous wits whom every nation calls by the name of that dish of meat which it loves best. In Holland, they are termed "pickled herrings;" in France, "Jean pottages;" in Italy, "maccaronies;" and in Great Britain, "Jack puddings."

Addison, Spect. No. 47. You are a delicate Londoner; you are a macca-

roni; you can't ride.

Boswell, Tour to the Hebr. p. 84. MACARO'NICK.* n. s. [macaronique, Fr.;

from the Ital. maccaroni.] 1. A confused heap or mixture of several MACE.† n. s. Cotgrave, and Sherwood. things.

MAC of burlesque.

To be travestied or turned into burlesque or ma-

Bp. Ward, Apol. for the Myst. of the Gos. (1673,) p. 42.

MACARO'NICK.* adj. [macaronique, Fr. The adjective in both languages is modern: not so the substantive.] Denoting a kind of burlesque poetry, intermixing several languages, latinizing words of vulgar use, and modernizing Latin words. Dr. Johnson, in macaroon, has considered this application as derived from the person, the macaroni, whom he calls a coarse, rude, low fellow; but it is much more probably from the combination, the mixed food, maccaroni.

Our author gives an account of this new species of poetry, since called macaronic.

Warton, Hist. E. P. ii. 357. MACARO'ON. † n. s. [maccaroni, Italian.]

macaronick poetry, in which the language is purposely corrupted. Dr. Johnson. -But see MACARONICK. Donne means not such a person as Johnson has described, but a pert, meddling fellow; a busy body; and the poet has placed the accent on the first syllable. But it was also accented on the last.

Like a big wife at sight of loathed meat, Ready to travail; so I sigh and sweat, To hear this macaron talk in vain: for yet, Either my humour or his own to fit; -He names a price for every office paid, He saith our wars thrive ill because delay'd. Donne, Poems, p. 132.

A macaroon, And no way fit to speak to clouted shoon. El. on Donne's Death by R. B. Donne's Poems,

(ed. 1650.) 2. A kind of sweet biscuit, made of flour, almonds, eggs, and sugar. [from the Italian word; whence macaron, French.]

MACA'w.† n. s. A large species of parrot, distinguished also by the length of its tail. There are three sorts of this bird Chambers. brought over into Europe.

Where pheasants, parrots, and macaws unfold, Their many-colour'd plumes, suffus'd with gold.

MACAW-TREE. n. s.

A species of the palm-tree, very common in the Carribee islands, where the negroes pierce the tender fruit, whence issues a pleasant liquor; and the body of the tree affords a solid timber, supposed by some to be a sort of ebony. Miller.

[mazza, Saxon; maça, Spanish.]

Has, in English, one unvaried sound, 2. Ludicrous mixture of languages; a kind | 1. An ensign of authority borne before magistrates.

Who mightily upheld that royal mace, Which now thou bearest.

2. [mace, old French; massa, Latin.] A heavy blunt weapon; a club of metal.

Some have an axe, and some a mace of stele. Chaucer, Kn. Tale.

O murderous slumber! Lay'st thou thy leaden mace upon my boy

That plays thee musick? Shakspeare, Jul. Cas.
The Turkish troops breaking in with their ymitars and heavy iron maces, made a most bloody execution. Knolles.

Death with his mace petrifick smote.

Milton, P. L. With his mace their monarch struck the ground;

With inward trembling earth receiv'd the wound, And rising streams a ready passage found.

Dryden. The mighty maces with such haste descend, They break the bones and make the armour bend. Dryden.

1. A coarse, rude, low fellow; whence 3. [macis, Lat. and old French.] A kind of spice.

The nutmeg is inclosed in a threefold covering, of which the second is mace: it is thin and membranaceous, of an oleaginous, and a yellowish colour: it has an extremely fragrant, aromatick, and agreeable smell, and a pleasant but acrid and Hill, Mat. Med. oleaginous taste.

Water, vinegar, and honey, is a most excellent sudorifick: it is more effectual with a little mace Arbuthnot.

MACEA'LE. n. s. [mace and ale.] Ale spiced with mace.

I prescribed him a draught of maceale, with hopes to dispose him to rest. Wiseman, Surgery. MA'CEBEARER. n. s. [mace and bear.] One who carries the mace before persons in authority.

I was placed at a quadrangular table opposite to the mace-bearer.

To MA'CERATE. † v. a. [macero, Latin; macerer, French.]

1. To make lean; to wear away.

Recurrent pains of the stomach, megrims, and other recurrent head-aches, macerate the parts, and render the looks of patients consumptive and pining.

Harvey on Consumptions.

2. To mortify; to harass with corporal hardships.

No such sad cares, as wont to macerate And rend the greedie minds of covetous men, Do ever creepe into the shepherd's den.

Spenser, Virgil's Gnat. Sorrow which contracts the heart, macerates the soul, subverts the good estate of the body, hindering all the occupations of it, causing melancholy, and many times death itself.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 25. Covetous men are all fools: for what greater folly can there be, or madness, than for such a man to macerate himself when he need not?

Burton, Anat. of Mel.

Out of an excess of zeal they practise mortifi- | cations; they macerate their bodies, and impair their health.

3. To steep almost to solution.

A vessel - wherein the meat must be macerated for a certain season. Smith on Old Age, p. 84. In lotions in women's cases, he orders two portions of hellebore, macerated in two cotylæ of Arbuthnot.

MA'CERATION. † n. s. [maceration, French; from macerate.]

1. The act of wasting, or making lean.

2. Mortification; corporal hardship.

The faith itself, being clear and serene from all clouds of ceremonies, yet retaineth the use of fastings, abstinencies, and other macerations and humiliations of the body, as things real and not urative. Bacon, Advan. of Learning, B. 2. What maceration is there here, with fears and figurative. jealousies? Bp. Hall, Of Contentation, § 26. Envy is not pleasure, but the maceration of the Feltham, Res. ii. 56.

Long fastings, and macerations of the flesh. Howell, Lett. iv. 36.

3. Maceration is an infusion either with or without heat, wherein the ingredients are intended to be almost wholly dissolved. Quincy.

He took only a maceration of rhubarb, infused into a draught of white wine and beer.

Rawley, Life of Lord Bacon, (1657.) They beat the whole plant in a mortar, roots, stalks, flowers, leaves and all, till it be reduced to a confused mass. Then after maceration, fermentation, separation, and other workings of art, there is extracted a kind of ashes or salt,

Gregory, Notes on Script. (ed. 1684,) p. 126. The saliva serves for a maceration and dissolution of the meat into a chyle. Ray on Creation.

Mace-reed. n. s. [typha.] An herb. Machiave'lian.* n. s. [from Nicholas Machiavel, a Florentine, of the fifteenth century; who inculcated the most detestable notions, and encouraged the "art of reigning tyrannically." was an enemy to religion, as well as to sound politicks; for he taught, that the most solemn obligations might be broken, and that no scruples should be entertained of any action that might compass a design.] A follower of the opinions of Machiavel. Bullokar.

Subtle Machiavelians, and those which are fre-

quently called the prudent.

Sir M. Sandys, Ess. (1634,) p. 46. As our Saviour said, to forewarn all revolters, "Remember Lot's wife;" so say I, to forewarn all arch-politicians, and cunning Machiavelians of this world, Remember poor Naboth's vineyard. Junius, Sin Stigmat. (1639,) p. 626.

MACHIAVE LIAN.* adj. Denoting the notions of Machiavel; crafty; subtle; 2. An engine. roguish.

My brain Italianates my barren faculties To Machiavelian blackness.

The Valiant Welshman, (1615.) A most barbarous fellow, using Machiavelian atheism.

Bp. Morton, Discharge, &c. (1633,) p. 208.

MA'CHIAVELISM.* n. s. [machiavelisme, French; from Machiavel. The notions of Machiavel; cunning roguery. See See Machiavelian.

MA'CHINAL. adj. [from machina, Latin.] | MACHI'NERY. 7 n. s. [from machine.] Relating to machines.

To MA'CHINATE. v. n. [machinor, Lat. machiner, Fr.] To plan; to conconspire against. Cotgrave.

How long will you machinate ! Persecute with causeless hate! Sandys, Ps. p. 96.

Machina'tion. n. s. [machinatio, Lat. machination, French; from machinate.] Artifice: contrivance; malicious scheme.

If you miscarry Your business of the world hath so an end, And machination ceases. Shakspeare, K. Lear. O from their machinations free,

That would my guiltless soul betray; From those who in my wrongs agree, And for my life their engines lay.

Sandys, Paraph. Ps. Be frustrate all ye stratagems of hell, And devilish machinations come to nought.

Milton, P. R. How were they zealous in respect to their temporal governors? Not by open rebellion, not by private machinations; but in blessing and submitting to their emperors, and obeying them in all things but their idolatry.

Ma'chinator.* n. s. [machinator, Lat. machinateur, Fr.] One who plots or forms schemes.

This is the design and the mischievous issue, which to cover and propagate, the cunning ma-chinator pretends the exaltation of the freeness of that grace which he designs to dishonour and Glanville, Serm. x. p. 380.

MACHINE. † n. s. [machina, Latin; machine, French. This word is pronounced masheen. Dr. Johnson. - But formerly it had the Latin accent, viz. on the first syllable. See the example from Ben Jonson. Dr. Johnson's earliest example is junior by nearly half a century

1. Any complicated work in which one part contributes to the motion of an-

But who hath them interpreted, and brought Lucan's whole frame unto us, and so wrought, As not the smallest joint or gentlest word In the great mass or machine there is stirr'd? B. Jonson, Verses pref. to May's Lucan, (1627.)

We are led to conceive this great machine of the world to have been once in a state of greater simplicity, as to conceive a watch to have been once in its first materials.

In a watch's fine machine, The added movements which declare How full the moon, how old the year, Derive their secondary power From that which simply points the hour

In the hollow side Selected numbers of their soldiers hide; With inward arms the dire machine they load, And iron bowels stuff the dark abode.

3. Supernatural agency in poems.

The changing of the Trojan fleet into waternymphs is the most violent machine in the whole Æneid, and has given offence to several criticks. Addison, Spect.

The marvellous fable includes whatever is supernatural, and especially the machines of the gods.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood. 4. One name for a stage coach.

Dict. 1. Enginery; complicated workmanship; self-moved engines.

The Arabians were also famous for other machitrive; to form schemes; to plot; to 2. The machinery signifies that part which

the deities, angels, or demons, act in a poem. Dryden - gives an account of his design of

writing an epick poem on the actions either of Arthur or the Black Prince, and of the machinery he intended to have used on that occasion. Dr. J. Warton.

MACHI'NING.* adj. [from machine.] Denoting the machinery of a poem.

Of Venus and Juno, Jupiter and Mercury, I say nothing; for they were all machining work.

Dryden on Epic Poetry.
MA'CHINIST.† n. s. [machiniste, French; from machina, Latin. A constructor of engines or machines.

Has the insufficiency of machinists hitherto disgraced the imagery of the poet?

Steevens on Shakspeare's Macbeth.

MA'CILENCY. n. s. [from macilent.] Lean-

MA'CILENT. adj. [macilentus, Latin.] Lean.

MACK.* n. s. [A corruption of make, common in the north of England. Westmoreland and Craven Dialects, &c.] A sort; a kind; a fashion.

MA'CKEREL. † n. s. [mackereel, Dutch; maguereau, French.

A sea-fish.

Some fish are gutted, split, and kept in pickle; as whiting and mackerel.

Carew, Surv. of Cornwall. Law ordered that the Sunday should have rest; And that no nymph her noisy food should sell, Except it were new milk or mackerel.

King, Cookery. Sooner shall cats disport in water clear, And speckled mackerels graze the meadows fair, Than I forget my shepherd's wonted love.

Gay, Pastorals. 2. A pander; a pimp. [maquerel, old Fr.

Minsheu.] Obsolete. MACKEREL Gale seems to be, in Dryden's

cant, a strong breeze; such, I suppose, as is desired to bring mackerel fresh to market. They set up every sail;

The wind was fair, but blew a mackerel gale. Dryden, Hind and Panther. MACKEREL Sky.* A sky streaked or

marked like a mackerel.

Let "water'd" signify a sky that has many high, thin, and small clouds, looking almost like water'd tabby, called in some places a mackerel Hooke, in Sprat's Hist. R. Soc. p. 177.

Prior. MACRO'LOGY.* n. s. [μακοός, long, and λόγος, discourse, Gr.] Long and tedious talk without matter. Bullokar, edit. 1656. It is, in rhetorick, a redundant or too copious style.

Dryden. MA'CROCOSM.† n. s. [macrocosme, French; μακςδός, and κόσμος.] The whole world, or visible system, in opposition to the microcosm, or world of man.

Throughout all this vast macrocosm.

Watson, Quodlibets, (1602,) p. 274. There is a very rigid and strict analogy and conformity between the macrocosm and the microcosm, the world and man.

Spenser on Prodigies, p. 70.

MACTA'TION. † n. s. [mactatus, Latin.] The act of killing for sacrifice.

Here they call Cain's offering, which is described and allowed to be of the fruits of the ground only, Svolav, a sacrifice, or mactation. Shuckford on the Creation, Pref. p. ciii.

MA'CULA. n. s. [Latin.]

1. A spot.

And lastly, the body of the sun may contract some spots or maculæ greater than usual, and by that means be darkened.

Burnet, Theory of the Earth. 2. [In physick.] Any spots upon the skin, whether those in fevers or scorbutick habits.

To MA'CULATE. v. a. [maculo, Latin.] To stain: to spot.

They would not maculate the honour of theyr people with such a reproche.

Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 80. b.

MA'CULATE. * adj. [from the verb; maculatus, Lat.] Spotted; stained.

Arm. My love is most immaculate white and red.

Moth. Most maculate thoughts, master, are masked under such colours.

Shakspeare, Lov. Lab. Lost.

MACULA'TION. † n. s. [maculation, old French.] Stain; spot; taint. I will throw my glove to death himself,

That there's no maculation in thy heart. Shakspeare, Tr. and Cress.

MA'CULE. n. s. [macula, Latin.] A spot;

a stain. MAD. † adj. [zemaad, Saxon; matto, Ital. Dr. Johnson. - " It is merely mæcc, mæb, (d for t,) the past tense and past participle of the Sax. metan, somniare, to mete, to dream. The verb mete was formerly in common use for dream. 'I fell eftsones a slepe, and sodainly me mette.' Vis. of P. Pl. ' As he satte and woke, his spirite mete that he her saugh.' Chaucer, Tr. and Cress .- The Ital. matto is the same Sax. participle, with the Italian terminating vowel. The decided opinion of Menage and Junius, that matto is derived from the · Greek μάταιος, is overruled in my mind, by the consideration of the time when the word matto was first introduced into the Italian language: for the Greek derivatives, in that language, proceed to it through the Latin. And in the Latin, there is nothing which resembles matto. Mr. H. Tooke, Div. of Purl. ii. 341.-Mr. Tooke has here overlooked the true etymon. Serenius derives our word from the Goth. mod, anger; whence our mood for rage, or heat of mind; moody, passionate, angry; mobian, Saxon, to be angry. Thus also Mr. Haslam, in his Observations on Madness, refers to the Gothick word, without noticing the preceding sophistry of Mr.

Yet sawe I modnesse laghyng in his rage. Chauc. Kn. Tale, fol. 1561. p. 6. There is so great a resemblance between anger and violent madness, that there is | 2. To be wild.

Tooke; and adds, "It is true that we

have now converted the o into a, and

write the word mad: but mod was an-

nothing which could more probably have led to the adoption of the term." Observ. &c. 1809, p. 3. The word modnesse, however, which Mr. Haslam has cited, is not the genuine reading of the old poet. The best manuscripts, and correct editions, of Chaucer, read wodeness or woodness, which is the ancient term for madness; and modnesse is most undoubtedly an oversight or errour.]

1. Disordered in the mind; broken in the understanding; distracted; delirious without a fever.

Alack, sir, he is mad.

-'Tis the time's plague when madmen lead the blind. Shaksneare.

This musick mads me, let it sound no more; For though it have help'd madmen to their wits, In me, it seems, it will make wisemen mad.

Shakspeare. Cupid, of thee the poets sung,

Thy mother from the sea was sprung;

But they were mad to make thee young. Denham. We must bind our passions in chains, lest like mad-folks they break their locks and bolts, and do all the mischief they can.

Bp. Taylor, Worthy Communicant. A bear, enrag'd at the stinging of a bee, ran

like mad into the bee-garden, and over-turn'd all L'Estrange. Madmen ought not to be mad;

But who can help his frenzy?

Dryden, Span. Friar. But some strange graces and odd flights she

Was just not ugly, and was just not mad. Pope.

2. Expressing disorder of mind. His gestures fierce

He mark'd, and mad demeanour when alone. Milton, P. L.

3. Over-run with any violent or unreasonable desire: with on, after, of, perhaps better for, before the object of desire.

It is the land of graven images, and they are mad upon their idols. The world is running mad after farce, the ex-

tremity of bad poetry, or rather the judgement that is fallen upon dramatick writing.

Dryden, Pref. to Cleomenes. The people are not so very mad of acorns, but that they could be content to eat the bread of civil Rymer.

4. Enraged; furious.

They that are mad upon me are sworn together against me. Ps. cii. 8.

Holy writ represents St. Paul as making bavock of the church, and persecuting that way unto the death, and being exceedingly mad against them. Decay of Chr. Piety.

To MAD. v.a. [from the adjective.] To make mad; to make furious; to enrage. O villain! cried out Zelmane, madded with finding an unlooked-for rival.

This will witness outwardly, As strongly as the conscience does within,

To the madding of her lord. Shakspeare, Cym. This mads me, that perhaps ignoble hands Have overlaid him, for they could not conquer.

To MAD. t v. n.

1. To be mad; to be furious.

Many of them seiden, he hath a devel, and mad-Wicliffe, St. John, X.

The madding wheels Of brazen chariots rag'd: dire was the noise Milton, P. L. Of conflicts! She, mixing with a throng

Of madding matrons, bears the bride along. Dryden.

Here grows melampode every where, And teribinth good for goates; The one my madding kids to smere, The next to heale their throates.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. July.

MAD. †7 n. s. [matha, Goth. mada, Saxon, MADE. [maade, mad, Dutch.] An earthworm. Essex. Ray, and Grose.

MA'DAM. † n. s. [ma dame, French, my dame.] The term of compliment used in address to ladies of every degree. It was anciently spoken as in French, with the accent upon the last syllable. Dr. Johnson. - It was anciently also used for mistress, or lady, without being the term of compliment. And vulgarly it is now so used: as, she is a proud madam. She became a gloryouse madame of the earth.

Bale, Yet a Course, (1543,) fol. 38. b. They have alwaies for lucre's sake gloriously garnished their holy mother, the madame of mis-chiefe. Bale on the Revel. P. i. sign. A. vi. b. Certes, madame, ye have great cause of plaint.

Madam, once more you look and move a queen! Philips, Distrest Mother.

adj. [mad and brain.] MA'DBRAIN. hotheaded.

> I gave my hand oppos'd against my heart, Unto a madbrain Rudesby, full of spleen. Shakspeare, Tam. of the Shrew. He let fall his book,

And as he stoop'd again to take it up, This madbrain'd bridegroom took him such a cuff, That down fell priest and book.

Shakspeare, Tam. of the Shrew.

MA'DCAP. n. s. [mad and cap; either taking the cap for the head, or alluding to the caps put upon distracted persons by way of distinction.] A madman; a wild hotbrained fellow.

That last is Biron, the merry madcap lord; Not a word with him but a jest. The nimble-footed madcap prince of Wales, And his comrades, that daft the world aside, Shakspeare, Hen. IV. And bid it pass.

To MA'DDEN. v. n. [from mad.] To become mad; to act as mad.

The dog-star rages, nay 'tis past a doubt, All Bedlam or Parnassus is let out; Fire in each eye, and papers in each hand, They rave, recite, and madden round the land.

To Ma'dden. v. a. To make mad. Such mad'ning draughts of beauty,
As for a while overwhelm'd his raptur'd thought.

Thomson. Ma'dder. n. s. [mabbene, Sax.] A plant.

The flower of the madder consists of one single leaf, which is cut into four or five segments, and expanded at the top; the flower-cup afterwards becomes a fruit, composed of two juicy berries closely joined together, containing seed for the most part, hollowed like a navel; the leaves are rough, and surround the stalks in whorles.

Madder is cultivated in vast quantities in Holland: what the Dutch send over for medicinal use is the root, which is only dried; but the greatest quantity is used by the dyers, who have it sent in coarse powder.

To Ma'ddle.* v. n. To forget; to wander; to be in a kind of confusion. Common in Cumberland, and other parts of

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ciently employed:

the north. See Craven Dial. and Brockett's N. C. Words.

Made, participle preterite of make. Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents;

but that the works of God should be made mani-St. John, ix. 3.

MADEFA'CTION. n. s. [madefacio, Latin.] The act of making wet.

To all madefaction there is required an im-

madefier, Fr. Cotgrave. To moisten; to make wet. Cockeram.

MADE'IRA Wine.* A rich wine made at the island of Madeira.

A cup of Madeira, and a cold capon's leg. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. P. I.

MADEMOISE'LLE.* n. s. [French; ma damoiselle, an ancient term of compliment to young ladies.] A miss; a young girl.

Courtiers and court ladies with their grooms and mademoiselles. Milton, Apol. for Smectymnuus. I cannot fancy that miss in a boarding-school is more an economist than mademoiselle in a nun-Goldsmith, Ess. 15.

MADGEHO'WLET. † n. s. [machette, Fr. Cotgrave.] An owl. See Howlet.

headed; full of fancies.

Out, you madheaded ape! A weasel hath not such a deal of spleen. As you are toss'd with. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. P.I.

MA'DHOUSE. n. s. [mad and house.] A house where madmen are cured or con-

fined. A fellow in a madhouse being asked how he came there? Why, says he, the mad folks abroad are too many for us, and so they have mastered all the sober people, and cooped them up here,

MA'DID.* adj. [madidus, Latin.] Wet; moist; dropping. Not used. Bailey.

MA'DLY. + adv. [from mad.] 1. Without understanding; furiously. He wav'd a torch aloft, and madly vain,

Sought godlike worship from a servile train. Dryden.

2. Wildly; in disorder. Her matted tresses madly spread, To every sod which wraps the dead Collins, Ode 5. She turns her joyless eyes.

MA'DMAN. n. s. [mad and man.] A man deprived of his understanding.

They shall be like madmen, sparing none, but 11 sporting. 2 Esdr. xvi. 71. still sporting. He that eagerly pursues any thing, is no better

He who ties a madman's hands, or takes away

his sword, loves his person while he disarms his frenzy.

MA'DNESS. n. s. [from mad.]

1. Distraction; loss of understanding; perturbation of the faculties.

Why, woman, your husband is in his old lunes again: he so buffets himself on the forehead, that any madness I ever yet beheld seemed but tameness and civility to this distemper.

Shakspeare, Mer. Wives of Windsor. There are degrees of madness as of folly, the disorderly jumbling ideas together, in some more,

2. Fury; wildness of passion; rage.

The power of God sets bounds to the raging of the sea, and restrains the madness of the people. King Charles.

He rav'd with all the madness of despair, He roar'd, he beat his breast, and tore his hair. Druden.

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MADO'NA.* \ n. s. [Italian; i. e. mia MADO'NNA. \ ma donna, my lady.]

1. A name given to pictures of the Virgin Mary. The Italian painters are noted for drawing the

Madonnas by their own wives or mistresses. Rymer, View of Tragedy, p. 157.

To MA'DEFY. v. a. [madefio, Latin; 2. Term of compliment, like madam. Not in use.

Olivia. Go to, you're a dry fool; I'll no more of you: besides, you grow dishonest.

Clown. Two faults, madonna, that drink and

good counsel will amend. Shakspeare, Tw. Night. MADRI'ER. + n. s. [madrier, Fr. a plank, or piece of timber, whose grain is full of crooked and speckled streaks. Cotgrave. From materiarium, Lat.] "L'isle Madera a été dite demesme de materia,

parcequ'elle est fertile en bois." Menage.] 1. Madrier, in war, is a thick plank armed with iron plates, having a cavity sufficient to receive the mouth of the petard when charged, with which it is applied against a gate, or other thing intended

to be broken down. Bailey. MADHE'ADED.* adj. [mad and head.] Hot- 2. A long plank of broad wood used for supporting the earth in mining, carrying on saps, and the like. Chambers.

> MA'DRIGAL. † n. s. [madrigal, Spanish and French, from mandra, Latin; whence it was written anciently mandriale, Italian. Dr. Johnson. - Others refer the word to the Italian madriali, i. e. alla madre, hymns to the virgin mother. Italians also use madrigali, which Florio translates, "a kind of short songs or ditties in Italy." A pastoral song; any light airy short song.

A madrigal is a little amorous piece, which contains a certain number of unequal verses, not tied to the scrupulous regularity of a sonnet, or subtilty of an epigram: it consists of one single rank of verses, and in that differs from a canzonet, which consists of several strophes, which return in the same order and number. Bailey.

Waters, by whose falls Birds sing melodious madrigals. Thyrsis, whose artful strains have oft delay'd The huddling brook to hear his madrigal.

Milton, Comus. Their tongue is light and trifling in comparison of the English; more proper for sonnets, madrigals, and elegies, than heroick poetry.

Ma'dwort. n. s. [mad and wort.] An

Mære. adv. It is derived from the Saxon mep, famous, great, noted: so ælmere is all famous; æthelmere, famous for nobility. Gibson's Camden.

MAESTO'SO.* [Ital.] A musical term, directing the part to be played with yet with strength and firmness.

To MA'FFLE. + v. n. [maffelen, Teut. balbutire. Kilian. This word was in use nearly two centuries before the time of Ainsworth, whom alone Dr. Johnson cites as authority for it. See also To FAFFLE.] To stammer. The word is still used in the north of England.

Huloet, and Cockeram. [He] so stammered, or maffled in his talke, that he was not able to bring forth a readie word. Barret, Tr. of Sueton. in V. Stammer, Alv. (1580.) MA'FFLER. n. s. [from the verb.] A stammerer.

Ainsworth. MAGAZI'NE.† n. s. [magazin, French; magazino, Italian; from the Arabick machsan, a treasure.]

I. A storehouse; commonly an arsenal or armoury, or repository of provisions.

If it should appear fit to bestow shipping in those harbours, it shall be very needful that there be a magazine of all necessary provisions and ammunitions. Ralegh, Essays. Plain heroick magnitude of mind:

Their armories and magazines contemns

Milton, S. A. Some o'er the publick magazines preside, And some are sent new forage to provide. Dryden, Virg.

Useful arms in magazines we place, All rang'd in order, and dispos'd with grace.

His head was so well stored a magazine, that nothing could be proposed which he was not master of.

2. Of late [that is, in the year 1737,] this word, Dr. Johnson says, has signified a miscellaneous pamphlet, from a periodical miscellany called The Gentleman's Magazine, and published under the name of Sylvanus Urban, by Edward Cave. This miscellany, which gave rise to the London, the Lady's, and various other Magazines, still continues, as Dr. Johnson said of it in his Life of Cave, to enjoy the favour of the world, and is one of the most successful and lucrative pamphlets which literary history has upon record.

We essayists, who are allowed but one subject at a time, are by no means so fortunate as the writers of magazines, who write upon several. Goldsmith, Ess. 9.

MAGAZI'NER.* n. s. [from magazine.] One who writes an article for a magazine. A bad word.

If a magaziner be dull upon the Spanish war, he soon has us up again with the Ghost in Cock-Lane: if the reader begins to doze upon that, he is quickly roused by an Eastern tale.

Goldsmith, Ess. 9. MAGE. n. s. [magus, Latin; mage, Fr.] A magician.

The hardy Mayd (with love to frend) First entering, the dreadful mage there found Deep busied 'bout worke of wondrous end.

Spenser, F. Q. iii. iii. 14,

MA'GGOT. n.s. [magrod, Welsh; millepeda, Latin; maša, Sax.]

1. A small grub, which turns into a fly. Out of the sides and back of the common caterpillar we have seen creep out small maggots. Ray on Creation.

From the sore although the insect flies, It leaves a brood of maggots in disguise. grandeur, and consequently slow, but 2. Whimsy; caprice; odd fancy. A low

Taffata phrases, silken terms precise, Three pil'd hyperboles, spruce affectation, Figures pedantical, these summer flies. Have blown me full of maggot ostentation; I do forswear them.

Henceforth my wooing mind shall be exprest In russet yeas, and honest kersy noes. Shakspeare.

To reconcile our late dissenters, Our breth'ren though by other venters, Unite them and their different maggots,

As long and short sticks are in faggots. Hudibras. She pricked his maggot, and touched him in the tender point; then he broke out into a violent passion.

MA'GGOTTINESS. n. s. [from maggotty.] The state of abounding with maggots. MA'GGOTTY. adj. [from maggot.]

1. Full of maggots.

2. Capricious; whimsical. A low word. To pretend to work out a neat scheme of thoughts with a maggotty unsettled head, is as ridiculous as to think to write strait in a jumbling

MA'GGOTTYHEADED.* adj. [maggotty and head. Having a head full of fancies.

He [Aubrey] was a shiftless person, roving and magoticheaded, and sometimes little better than Life of A. Wood, p. 209 MA'GI.* n. s. pl. [Latin.] Wise men of

the East.

Not only the philosophers among the Greeks, but even the magi in the extremest east. Fotherby, Atheom. p. 36.

The inspired magi from the orient came, Preferr'd my star before their Mithra's flame, And at my infant feet devoutly fell.

Sandys, Christ's Passion, p. 2. MA'GIAN.* adj. [from magi.] Denoting the magi of the East.

A future resurrection was the belief of the magian sect so famous all over the east.

Peters on Job, (2d ed. 1757,) p. 406. Cyrus was a Persian, had been brought up in the religion of his country, and was probably addicted to the magian superstition of two independent Beings. Bp. Watson, Apol. for the Bible, p. 160. MA'GICAL. † adj. [magicus, Latin; magique,

French. 1. Acting, or performing by secret and invisible powers, either of nature, or the

agency of spirits.
I'll humbly signify what, in his name,
That magical word of war, we have effected.

They beheld unveiled the magical shield of your Ariosto, which dazzled the beholders with too much brightness; they can no longer hold up their Dryden.

By the use of a looking-glass, and certain attire made of cambrick, upon her head, she attained to an evil art and magical force in the motion of her

2. Applied to persons using enchantment. Not common.

Some of the natives are doubtless magical; and this reason I give for it: Another gentleman and myself one evening sitting under a tree to avoid a storm, (for at that time it thundered and rained excessively,) a negro stood by us trembling, whom we could see now and then lift up his hands and eyes, muttering his black art, as we apprehended, to some hobgoblin; but, when we least suspected, skipped out, and as in a lymphatick rapture unsheathed a long skean or knife, which he brandished about his head seven or eight times, and after muttering as many spells put it up again; then kissed the earth three times: which done, he rose; and upon a sudden the skie cleared, and no more noise affrighted us.

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 27.

MA'GICALLY. adv. [from magical.] According to the rites of magick; by en-

chantment.

In the time of Valens, divers curious men, by the falling of a ring magically prepared, judged that one Theodorus should succeed in the empire.

MAGI'CIAN. † n. s. [magicien, Fr. Cotgrave; and so Chaucer writes the word; magicus, Latin. 7 One skilled in magick; an enchanter; a necromancer.

What black magician conjures up this fiend To stop devoted charitable deeds?

Shakspeare, Rich. III.

An old magician, that did keep The Hesperian fruit, and made the dragon sleep; Her potent charms do troubled souls relieve,

And, where she lists, makes calmest souls to grieve.

There are millions of truths that a man is not concerned to know; as, whether Roger Bacon was a mathematician or a magician.

MA'GICK. † n. s. [magia, Latin; magie, French; which language has the adjective magique, as in the old dictionary of Cotgrave.

1. The art of putting in action the power of spirits: it was supposed that both good and bad spirits were subject to magick; yet magick was in general held unlawful; sorcery; enchantment.

She once being looft, The noble ruin of her magick, Antony,

Claps on his sea wing. Shaksp. Ant. and Cleop.
What charm, what magick, can over-rule the force of all these motives?

The secret operations of natural powers. The writers of natural magick attribute much to the virtues that come from the parts of living creatures, as if they did infuse immaterial virtue into the part severed.

Ma'gick.† adj. [magicus, Latin; magique,

1. Acting or doing by powers superiour to the known power of nature; enchanted; necromantick.

Upon the corner of the moon There hangs a vaporous drop, profound; I'll catch it ere it come to ground; And that distill'd by magick slights Shall raise such artificial sprights, As hy the strength of their illusion, Shall draw him on to his confusion.

Shakspeare, Macbeth. Like castles built by magick art in air, That vanish at approach, such thoughts appear.

2. Done or produced by magick. And the brute earth would lend her nerves, and

Till all thy magick structures rear'd so high, Were shatter'd into heaps.

MAGISTE'RIAL. † adj. [magisterial, old French; from magister, Latin.]

1. Such as suits a master.

Such a government is paternal, not magisterial. King Charles. He bids him attend as if he had the rod over

him; and uses a magisterial authority while he instructs him. Dryden.

2. Lofty; arrogant; proud; insolent; despotick.

We are not magisterial in opinions, nor, dictatorlike, obtrude our notions on any man.

Brown, Vulg. Err. Pretences go a great way with men that take fair words and magisterial looks, for current pay-L'Estra

Those men are but trepanned who are called to govern, being invested with authority, but bereaved of power; which is nothing else but to mock and betray them into a splendid and magisterial way of being ridiculous.

3. Chemically prepared, after the manner of a magistery.

Of corals are chiefly prepared the powder ground upon a marble, and the magisterial salt, to good purpose in some fevers: the tincture is no more than a solution of the magisterial salt.

Grew, Museum. MAGISTE'RIALLY. adv. [from magisterial.]

Arrogantly; with an air of authority. A downright advice may be mistaken, as if it were spoken magisterially. Bacon, Adv. to Villiers.

Over their pots and pipes, they claim and engross all wholly to themselves, magisterially censuring the wisdom of all antiquity, scoffing at all piety, and new modelling the world.

South.

MAGISTE'RIALNESS. † n. s. [from magisterial. Haughtiness; airs of a master.

Peremptoriness is of two sorts; the one a magisterialness in matters of opinion and speculation, the other a positiveness in relating matters of fact : in the one we impose upon men's understandings, in the other on their faith.

Gov. of the Tongue, p. 188. He chargeth him with too much precipitancy and magisterialness in judging.

Nelson, Life of Bp. Bull, p. 225. MA'GISTERY. n. s. [magisterium, Latin.]

Magistery is a term made use of by chymists to signify sometimes a very fine powder, made by solution and precipitation; as of bismuth, lead, &c. and sometimes resins and resinous substances; as those of jalap, scamony, &c. but the most genuine acceptation is to express that preparation of any body wherein the whole, or most part is, by the addition of somewhat, changed into a body of quite another kind; as when iron or copper is turned into crystals of Quincy. Mars or Venus.

Paracelsus extracted the magistery of wine, exposing it unto the extremity of cold; whereby the aqueous parts will freeze, but the spirit be uncongealed in the centre.

The magistery of vegetables consists but of the more soluble and coloured parts of the plants that afford it.

MA'GISTRACY. n. s. [magistratus, Latin.]
Office or dignity of a magistrate.

You share the world, her magistracies, priesthoods.

Wealth, and felicity, amongst you, friends.

He had no other intention but to dissuade men from magistracy, or undertaking the publick offices of state. Some have disputed even against magistracy

Atterbury. Duelling is not only an usurpation of the divine

prerogative, but it is an insult upon magistracy and Richardson, Clarissa. good government.

MA'GISTRAL.* adj. [magistral, French; magistralis, low Latin.]

1. Authoritative; suiting a magistrate or master: magisterial. Cotgrave.

The whole race or corporation of sheep have sent four ambassadors to this court : --- whereupon a great and goodly magistral ram of Lincolnshire, in an articulate bleating voice, uttered these words. Transl. of Boccalini, (1626,) p. 99.

Masterly; artificial; skilful; cunning.

This sense is also given by Cotgrave. Opiates, juleps, apozems,

Magistral syrups. B. Jonson, Sejanus. MA'GISTRAL.* n. s. A sovereign medicine: an artificial preparation. See the second sense of Magistral. Not in use.

I find a vast chaos of medicines, a confusion of receipts and magistrals, amongst writers, appropriated to this disease. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 891.

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A cure and magistral against melancholy beyond the syrup. Whitlock, Mann. of the Engl. p. 106. MAGISTRA'LITY.* n. s. [from magistral.] Despotick authority in opinions.

Those who seek truths, and not magistrality. Bacon on Learning.

Ma'GISTRALLY. † adv. [from magistral.]

Despotically; authoritatively; magisterially. What a presumption is this for one, who will

not allow liberty to others, to assume to himself such a license to controul so magistrally.

Bp. Bramhall, against Hobbes.

MA'GISTRATE. † n. s. [magistrat, old French; magistratus, Latin.] A man publickly invested with authority; a governour; an executor of the laws.

They choose their magistrate! And such a one is he, who puts his shall, His popular shall, against a graver bench

Than ever frown'd in Greece. Shakspeare, Coriol.

I treat here of those legal punishments which magistrates inflict upon their disobedient subjects. Decay of Chr. Piety.

MAGISTRA'TICK.* adj. [from magistrate.] Having the authority of a magistrate.

Both civil and religious acts study to conciliate to themselves a majesty, and reverence, by habits and ornaments; by comely robes and costly vests; which, though they are not of the internal and essential glory which is in magistratick or ecclesiastick power and order, (which are both divine.) yet are so far not only convenient, but almost necessary, as they help to keep both laws and religion from contempt, and from that vulgar insolence to which seditious and atheistical humours are subject. Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 169.

MA'GNA CHA'RTA.* n. s. [Latin.] The great charter of liberties granted to the people of England in the ninth year of Henry the Third, and confirmed by Edward the First.

The walls, instead of being adorned with pictures and maps, were hung with many acts of parliament written in golden letters. At the upper and of the hall was the Magna Charta, with the Act of Uniformity on the right hand, and the Act of Toleration on the left. Addison, Spect. No. 3.

MAGNA'LITY. n. s. [magnalia, Latin.] A great thing; something above the com-mon rate. Not used.

Too greedy of magnalities, we make but favourable experiments concerning welcome truths.

MAGNANI'MITY. n. s. [magnanimité, Fr.; magnanimitas, Latin.] Greatness of mind; bravery; elevation of soul.

With deadly hue, and armed corse did lye, In whose dead face he read great magnanimity.

Spenser, F. Q. Let but the acts of the ancient Jews be but indifferently weighed, from whose magnanimity, in causes of most extreme hazard, those strange and unwonted resolutions have grown, which, for all circumstances, no people under the roof of heaven did ever hitherto match. Hooker.

They had enough reveng'd, having reduc'd Their foe to misery beneath their fears, The rest was magnanimity to remit,

If some convenient ransom were propos'd.

Milton, S. A. Exploding many things under the name of trifles, is a very false proof either of wisdom or magnanimity, and a great check to virtuous actions with regard to fame.

MAGNA'NIMOUS. adj. [magnanimus, Latin.] Great of mind; elevated in sentiment; brave.

To give a kingdom hath been thought Greater and nobler done, and to lay down Far more magnanimous, than to assume.

In strength All mortals I excell'd, and great in hopes, With youthful courage, and magnanimous thoughts Of birth from heaven foretold, and high exploits. Milton, S. A.

Magnanimous industry is a resolved assiduity and care, answerable to any weighty work.

Grew, Cosmol. MAGNA'NIMOUSLY. adv. [from magnanimous.] Bravely; with greatness of mind.

A complete and generous education fits a man to perform justly, skilfully, and magnanimously, all the offices of peace and war.

Milton on Education.

Milton, P. R.

MA'GNES.* See MAGNET.

Magne'sia.* n. s. [magnesie, French.] A white alcaline earth, used in medicine,

gently purgative.

MA'GNET. † n. s. [magnes, Lat.] Spenser calls it the magnes-stone; and it is so given in Sherwood's dictionary, 1632. The Latin magnes is thought to be from the city of Magnesia in Lydia, where the stone is said to have been first found. Magnet is the Su. Goth. as well as the English word.] The loadstone; the MAGNI'FICAL+ adj. [magnificus, Latin.] stone that attracts iron. MAGNI'FICK. Illustrious; grand; great;

Two magnets, heav'n and earth, allure to bliss, The larger loadstone that, the nearer this. Dryden. It may be reasonable to ask, Whether obeying the magnet be essential to iron?

MAGNE'TICAL. adj. [from magnet.] 1. Relating to the magnet.

Review this whole magnetick scheme.

Blackmore. Water is nineteen times lighter, and by consequence nineteen times rarer, than gold; and gold is so rare as very readily, and without the least opposition, to transmit the magnetick effluvia, and easily to admit quicksilver into its pores, and to let water pass through it. Newton, Opticks. 2. Having powers correspondent to those

of the magnet.

The magnet acts upon iron through all dense bodies not magnetick, nor red hot, without any diminution of its virtue; as through gold, silver, lead, glass, water. Newton, Opticks.

3. Attractive: having the power to draw things distant.

The moon is magnetical of heat, as the sun is of cold and moisture. Bacon, Nat. Hist. She should all parts to reunion bow;

She, that had all magnetick force alone,

To draw and fasten hundred parts in one. Donne. They, as they move tow'rds his all-chearing

Turn swift their various motions, or are turn'd By his magnetick beam.

4. Magnetick is once used by Milton for

Draw out with credulous desire, and lead At will the manliest, resolutest breast,

As the magnetick hardest iron draws. Milt. P. R.

MAGNE'TICALLY.* adv. [from magnetical.] By the power of attraction.

Many green wounds - magnetically cured. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 94.

MAGNE'TICALNESS.* (n. s. [from magne-MAGNE'TICKNESS. | tical. | Quality of being magnetick, or attractive.

The magnetickness of their external success.

It related not to the instances of the magneticalness of lightning. Hist. of the Royal Soc. iv. 258.

MA'GNETISM. † n. s. [from magnet; magnetisme, modern French.]

1. The tendency of the iron towards the magnet, and the power of the magnet to produce that tendency. Very likely that gravity proceeds from a kind

of magnetism, and attractive virtue in the earth. Glanville, Pre-exist. p. 130.

Let them tell us then what is the chain, the cement, the magnetism, what they will call it, the invisible tie of that union, whereby matter and an incorporeal mind, things that have no similitude nor alliance to each other, can so sympathize by a mutual league of motion and sensation! No, they will not pretend to that. Bentley, Serm. ix.

Many other magnetisms, and the like attractions through all the creatures of nature.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

2. Power of attraction.

By the magnetism of interest our affections are irresistibly attracted. Glanville, Scepsis.

Ma'GNIFIABLE. adj. [from magnify.] Worthy to be extolled or praised. Un-Number, though wonderful in itself, and suf-

ficiently magnifiable from its demonstrable affection, hath yet received adjections from the multiplying conceits of men.

noble. Proper, but little used.

They hoped that through liberality of the king, or of the nobles, a more magnifical building, able to receive the multitude of that university, should have been erected.

Fulke, Answ. to Frarine, (1580,) p. 42. The house that is to be builded for the Lord must be exceeding magnifical, of fame and glory throughout all countries. 1 Chron. xxii. 5. That magnifick feast which Ahasuerus made for

an hundred and eighty days to the nobles and princes of his empire. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 300. In this magnifick state his progress he

Through his usurp'd world did pretend to make. Beaumont, Psyche, ix. 168. Thrones, dominations, princedoms, virtues,

pow'rs! If these magnifick titles yet remain,

Not merely titular. Milton, P. L. O parent! these are thy magnifick deeds; Thy trophies! Milton, P. L.

To Magni'ficate. * v. a. [magnifico, Lat.] To praise extremely; to commend highly. Not in use.

I cannot with swoln lines magnificate

Mine owne poor worth.

Marston. Scourge of Vill. Pr. B. 2. (1599.) [He] that with oath

Magnificates his merit. B. Jonson, Poetaster.

MAGNI'FICENCE. n. s. [magnificentia, Latin.] Grandeur of appearance; splendour. This desert soil

Wants not her hidden lustre, gems, and gold, Nor want we skill or art, from whence to raise Magnificence. Milton, P. L.

Not Babylon, Nor great Alcairo, such magnificence Equall'd in all her glories to enshrine

Belus or Serapis, their gods; or seat Their kings, when Egypt with Assyria strove In wealth and luxury. Milton, P. L.

One may observe more splendour and magnificence in particular persons' houses in Genoa, than in those that belong to the publick.

Waterhous, Com. on Fortescu, (1663,) p. 187. MAGNI'FICENT. adj. [magnificus, Lat.]

1. Grand in appearance; splendid: pomp-

Man he made, and for him built

Milton, P. L. Magnificent this world. It is suitable to the magnificent harmony of the universe, that the species of creatures should, by gentle degrees, ascend upward from us toward his perfection, as we see they gradually descend from us downwards.

Immortal glories in my mind revive, When Rome's exalted beauties I descry,

Magnificent in piles of ruin lie. Addison.

2. Fond of splendour; setting greatness to shew.

If he were magnificent, he spent with an aspiring intent: if he spared, he heaped with an aspiring intent.

MAGNI'FICENTLY. adv. [from magnificent.] Pompously; splendidly.

Beauty a monarch is,

Which kingly power magnificently proves, By crowds of slaves and peopled empire's loves.

We can never conceive too highly of God; so neither too magnificently of nature, his handywork. Grew, Cosmol.

MAGNI'FICO. † n. s. [Italian.] A grandee of Venice.

The duke himself, and the magnificoes Of greatest port, have all proceeded with him.

Shakspeare. All but the old magnifico Volpone.

B. Jonson, Fox. If the Venetians have their senate and magnifi-

coes, they [the bees] have the same. Partheneia Sacra, (1633,) p. 71.

MA'GNIFIER. † n. s. [from magnify.]

1. One that encreases, or enlarges. A merry heart is one of the three Salernitan doctors, Dr. Merriman, Dr. Diet, and Dr. Quiet, which cures all diseases; [and] is a great magnifier of honest mirth.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 297. 2. One that praises; an encomiast; an

extoller.

Which erroneous doctrine many of our modern divines have dictated privately to their magnifiers of manuscripts

Stafford, Niobe, P. ii. (1611,) p. 109. The primitive magnifiers of this star were the Egyptians, who notwithstanding chiefly regarded it in relation to their river Nilus.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

3. A glass that encreases the bulk of any object.

The imagination is a greater magnifier than a Shenstone. microscopic glass.

To MA'GNIFY. + v. a [magnifico, Latin; magnifier, French.]

11. To praise greatly; to extol highly.

My soul doth magnify the Lord. St. Luke, i. 46. 2. To make great; to exaggerate; to am-

plify. The ambassadour, making his oration, did so magnify the king and queen, as was enough to glut the hearers. Bacon. Why art thou proud, O dust and vanity, vile

carth, stink lapped up in silk, magnified dung, gilded rottenness! Dr. White, Serm. (1615,) p. 67.

3. To exalt; to elevate; to raise in estimation.

The Lord his God was with him, and magnified 2 Chron. i. 1. him exceedingly.

Greater now in thy return, Than from the giant-angels: thee that day Thy thunders magnified, but to create
Is greater than created to destroy. Milton, P. L.

4. To raise in pride or pretension.

He shall exalt and magnify himself above every Dan. xi. 36 If ye will magnify yourselves against me, know

now that God hath overthrown me. Job, xix. 5. He shall magnify himself in his heart.

5. To encrease the bulk of any object to the eye.

They magnyfien hemmes, [in the present version, enlarge the borders of their garments.

Wicliffe, St. Matt. xxiii. 5. How these red globules would appear, if glasses could be found that could magnify them a thousand times more, is uncertain. Locke.

By true reflection I would see my face; Why brings the fool a magnifying glass?

The greatest magnifying glasses in the world are a man's eyes, when they look upon his own

As things seem large which we through mists

descry, Dulness is ever apt to magnify. Pope, Ess. on Criticism.

6. A cant word for to have effect.

My governess assured my father I had wanted for nothing; that I was almost eaten up with the green-sickness: but this magnified but little with my father.

MAGNI'LOQUENCE.* n. s. \(\text{magniloquentia} \), Lat.] A lofty manner of speaking: boasting. Cockeram. Our author might have seen how all the other

sects ridiculed this magniloquence of Epicurus, as inconsistent with his whole system. Bentley, Phil. Lips. § 44.

MA'GNITUDE. n. s. [magnitudo, Lat.]

Greatness; grandeur.

He with plain heroick magnitude of mind, And celestial vigour arm'd, Their armories and magazines contemns.

2. Comparative bulk.

This tree hath no extraordinary magnitude, touching the trunk or stem; it is hard to find any one bigger than the rest. Ralegh, Hist. of the World.

Milton, S. A.

Never repose so much upon any man's single counsel, fidelity and discretion, in managing affairs of the first magnitude, that is, matters of religion and justice, as to create in yourself, or others, a diffidence of your own judgement.

King Charles. When I behold this goodly frame, this world, Of heaven and earth consisting; and compute Their magnitudes; this earth a spot, a grain, An atom, with the firmament compar'd.

Milton, P. L. Convince the world that you're devout and true; Whatever be your birth, you're sure to be

A peer of the first magnitude to me. Dryden, Juv. Conceive these particles of bodies to be so disposed amongst themselves, that the intervals of empty spaces between them may be equal in magnitude to them all; and that these particles may be composed of other particles much smaller, which have as much empty space between them as equals all the magnitudes of these smaller par-Newton, Opticks.

Magno'LIA.* n. s. An exotick plant, commonly called the laurel-leaved tulip tree, Miller specifies four kinds of it.

G. Mason. The rich magnolias claim

W. Mason, English Garden. The station. MA'GOT-PIE.* See MAGPIE.

Ma'GPIE. † n. s. [from pie, pica, Latin, and mag, contracted from Margaret, as phil is used to a sparrow, and poll to a parrot. Dr. Johnson. - Mr. Steevens calls it a contraction of the old French magot; and our word was also magot-pie, as in the example from Shakspeare's Macbeth, where Dr. Johnson has given it magpies instead of magot-pies. Minsheu and Cotgrave call this bird a magatapie. Yet it is most likely from mag, a colloquial expression in some places for chatter; especially as the bird is also known by the vulgar name of chatterpie.] A bird sometimes taught to talk. Augurs, and understood relations, have

By magot-pies, and choughs, and rooks, brought

The secret'st man of blood. Shakspeare, Macbeth. Dissimulation is expressed by a lady wearing a vizard of two faces, in her right-hand a magpie, which Spenser described looking through a lat-Peacham on Drawing. So have I seen in black and white,

A prating thing, a magpie hight,

Majestically stalk;

A stately, worthless animal,

That plies the tongue, and wags the tail, All flutter, pride, and talk. Swift.

MA'GYDARE. n. s. [magudaris, Lat.] An

Ainsworth. herb. Maho'gany.* n. s. A reddish wood brought from some of the West India islands, and the continent on the south

of the gulf of Mexico. In French, Bois d' Acajou. There are many beautiful varieties [of timbers]

adapted for cabinet work ; - among others, the bread-nut, the wild-lemon, and the well-known Guthrie, of Jamaica.

MAHO'MEDAN.* n. s. A mussulman; a MAHO'METAN. professor of the religion of Mahomet. MAHU'METAN. MAHO'METIST. Our old lexicography

writes the word Mahumetan. The most usual, though not correct, way of writing it, is Mahometan. "I call him every where Mahomet, although Mohammed be the alone true and proper pronunciation of the name." Prideaux's Life of Mahomet, Pref.

The subjection of Papists to their judges doth no more prove their religion to be true, than the obedience of Mahometists to their superiours both in cases of religion, and of the commonwealth, doth justify their sect to be of the religion of God. Fulke, Retentive, &c. (1580,) p. 84.

It is the custom of the Mahometans, if they see any printed or written paper upon the ground, to take it up, and lay it aside carefully, as not knowing but it may contain some piece of their Alcoran, Addison, Spect. No. 85.

The Mahomedans are enthusiasts.

Guthrie, of Egypt. MAHO'METAN.* adj. Denoting the followers or the religion of Mahomet.

My purpose was to give an account first of the controversies, which miserably divided those Eastern churches; and then of that grievous calamity and ruin, which happened to them thereupon, through that deluge of Mahometan tyranny and delusion which overwhelmed all those provinces in which they were planted.

Prideaux, Life of Mahomet, Pref. p. xv.

MAHO'METANISM.* MAHO'METISM.

MAHO'METRY.

n. s. The religion of Mahometans.

MAHU'METISM. The standers by, to joy his initiation into Mahometry, salute him by the name of mussulman. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 307. Pity, that so noble a place, and so populous, should continue so long uncivilized and corrupted by Mahometism and Gentilism; which, as with an impure breath, has infected the whole island. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 22.

Who now sustains a Persian storm: There hell (that made it) suffers schism: This war, forsooth, was to reform Mahumetism.

Fanshaw, Poems, (1676,) p. 210. That abominable imposture of Mahometism. Prideaux, Life of Mahomet, Pref. p. 9. He thought popery and Mahometanism were

equally dangerous to Christianity.

Warton, Hist. E. P. iii. 170. To MAHO'METANIZE.* v. a. \[from mahometan. To render conformable to any mode or custom of the Mahometans.

From these differential marks, I am inclined to suspect that our old structures have been newnamed, and mahometanised without sufficient

proof of their Arabic origin.

Swinburne, Trav. through Spain, L. 44. MA'HOUND.* n. s. A contemptuous name of old for Mahomet; sometimes also used by our ancestors for the devil, and sometimes for any savage character. It is said to have been common in the religious interludes. See TERMAGANT. Like Mahound in a play,

No man dare him withsay. Skelton, Poems, p. 158. When judgement in causes of religion is committed to soche monstruous mahoundes, what

godlynesse can followe?

Bale, Yet a Course, &c. (1543,) fol. 5. He gan to curse and sweare,

And vow by Mahoune that he should be slaine.

Spenser, F. Q. MAID.† n. s. [Icel. megda; Saxon, MAI'DEN.] mæzben, mæben; Dutch, mæzben, mæben; Dutch, maegd. See May. Our maid was formerly may.

1. An unmarried woman; a virgin.

Your wives, your daughters Your matrons, and your maids, could not fill up The cistern of my lust, Shakspeare, Macbeth. This is a man old, wrinkled, faded, wither'd,

And not a maiden, as thou say'st he is. Shakspeare. I am not solely led

By nice direction of a maiden's eyes. Shakspeare. She employed the residue of her life to repairing of highways, building of bridges, and endow-

ing of maidens.

Your deluded wife had been a maid;
Down on the bridal bed a maid she lay,

A maid she rose at the approaching day.

Dryden, Juv. Let me die, she said,

Rather than lose the spotless name of maid. Dryden.

2. A woman servant.

My maid Nerissa and myself, mean time, Will live as maids and widows. Shakspeare. Old Tancred visited his daughter's bow'r;

Her cheek, for such his custom was, he kiss'd Then bless'd her kneeling, and her maids dismiss'd. Dryden.

Her closet and the gods share all her time, Except when, only by some maids attended, She seeks some shady solitary grove. Rowe. A thousand maidens ply the purple loom, To weave the bed, and deck the regal room.

Prior. 3. Female. [mæben-cild, Sax.]

If she bear a maid child.

Lev. xii. 5.
At sea in childbed died she, but brought forth A maid child call'd Marina. Shakspeare. Pericles. 4. In some places, maiden is the name of a tub in which linen is washed.

MAID. † n. s. [raia vel squatina minor.]
A species of skate fish.

The - mayd, and mullet, dainty fish. Drayton, Polyolb. S. 25.

MA'IDEN. † adj.

1. Consisting of virgins.

Nor was there one of all the nymphs that rov'd O'er Mænalus, amid the maiden throng Addison, Ov. More favor'd once.

2. Fresh; new; unused; unpolluted. He fleshed his maiden sword. Shakspeare.

When I am dead, strew me o'er With maiden flowers, that all the world may know

I was a chaste wife to my grave. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

By this maiden blossom in my hand I scorn thee and thy fashion. Shaksp. Hen. VI.

3. Applied to assizes; meaning where no

person is condemned to die.

MA'IDEN. * adj. [not a corruption of the old French magne, or mayne, as Mr. Warton has asserted; but rather perhaps the Saxon, mægen, great, strong; mægn, strength. But Mr. Archdeacon Nares, in his Glossary, says, that the word "as applied to a fortress, or fortified town, meant properly one that had never been taken, or was deemed impregnable; and still holds, in military language." Strong; impregnable.

At Cattle Well near Wooller - is an intrenchment called by this same name of the maiden

stle. Wallis, Hist. of Northumberland.
The old Roman camp near Dorchester in Dorsetshire, a noble work, is called maiden castle, the capital fortress in those parts. We have maiden down in Somersetshire with the same signification. Warton, Hist. E. P. iii. 13.

To speak or act To MA'IDEN.* v. n.

demurely like a maiden.

The courteous citizen bade me to his feast, With hollow words, and overly request: " Come, will ye dine with me this holy day?" I yielded, though he hop'd I would say nay; For had I mayden'd it, as many use, Loath for to grant, but loather to refuse; " Alack, sir, I were loath; another day, -" I should but trouble you, - pardon me, if you

No pardon should I need: for, to depart He gives me leave, and thanks too, in his heart !

Bp. Hall, Sat. iii. 3.

MA'IDENHAIR. n. s. [maiden and hair; adiantum.] This plant is a native of the southern parts of France and in the Mediterranean, where it grows on rocks, and old ruins, from whence it is brought for medicinal use.

June is drawn in a mantle of dark grass green, upon his head a garland of bents, king's-cup, and maidenhair. Peacham.

Ma'idenhead. Ma'idenhode. > n. s. [from maiden.] MA'IDENHOOD. J

1. Virginity; virginal purity; freedom from contamination.

And, for the modest lore of maidenhood, Bids me not sojourn with these armed men. Oh whither shall I fly; what sacred wood Shall hide me from the tyrant? or what den?

Fairfax. She hated chambers, closets, secret mewes, And in broad fields preserv'd her maidenhead.

Example, that so terrible shews in the wreck of maidenhood, cannot for all that dissuade succession, but that they are limed with the twigs that threaten

Maidenhood she loves, and will be swift To aid a virgin. Milton, Comus. 15

2. Newness; freshness; uncontaminated state. This is now become a low word.

The devil and mischance look big Upon the maidenhead of our affairs.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. Some who attended with much expectation, at their first appearing have stained the maidenhead of their credit with some negligent performance.

Hope's chaste kiss wrongs no joy's maidenhead, Then spousal rites prejudge the marriage-bed.

MAI'DENLINESS.* n. s. [from maidenly.] The behaviour of a maiden; gentleness; modesty. Sherwood. Ma'IDENLIP. n. s. [lappago.] An herb.

Ainsworth. MA'IDENLIKE.* adj. [maiden and like; mæbenlic, Saxon.] Like a maiden; modest; decent.

A little before the beginning of this interval did Honorius the third appoint the Carmelites to go in white, that they might look more maidenlike: and decreed that they should be called the family of the Virgin. More, Expos. of the Sev. Churches, p. 79.

MA'IDENLY. † adj. [maiden and like; mæbenlic, Sax.] Like a maid; gentle; modest; timorous; decent.
'Tis not maidenly;

Our sex as well as I, may chide you for it.

Shakspeare. You virtuous ass, and bashful fool; must you be blushing? what a maidenly man at arms are you become?

Under the veil of maydenly priesthood.

Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Marr. Clergy, p. 164.
That same maidenly saint was subject to the

like manner of scandal. Sir J. Harrington, Br. View of the Church, p. 180.

An handsome, modest, maidenly Christian. Hammond, Works, iv. 564.

MA'IDENLY.* adv. In a maidenlike man-Maydenly demure,

Of woman-hede the lure. Skelton, Poems, p. 41. MA'IDHOOD. n. s. [from maid.] Virginity. By maidhood, honour, and every thing,

I love thee. Shakspeare, Tw. Night. MAIDMA'RIAN. † n. s. [puer ludius, Lat.]

A kind of dance, so called from a buffon dressed like a man, who played tricks to the populace. Dr. Johnson. -Maid Marian was originally a woman, the queen of the May; one of the company of our old Morris dancers; but, as Mr. Steevens has observed, after the morris degenerated into a piece of coarse buffoonery, and Maid Marian was personated by a strumpet or clown, this once elegant queen obtained the name of Malkin, or Maukin. See MAL-

So the hobbihorse, and so the maid-marian was attired in colours.

Old Meg of Heref. for a Mayd-Mar. (1609,) B.4.b. For womanhood, maid-marian may be the

deputy's wife of the ward to thee. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. P. 1.

Great was the number of the preachers, [during Cromwell's usurpation;] for a lying spirit made both some lords, and their coachmen; some mechanicks and their apprentices; yea, some mistresses, and their maid-maukins, all gifted in that kind: which were not able to discern and distinguish between faith and faction, reformation and rebellion, conscience and conspiracy, holiness and hypocrisy.

Dr. Griffith, Samaritan Revived, (1660,) p. 23. A set of morrice-dancers danced a maids Temple. with a tabor and pipe.

MA'IDPALE. adj. [maid and pale.] Pale like a sick virgin.

Change the complexion of her maidpale peace Shakspeare. To scarlet indignation.

MAIDSE'RVANT. n. s. A female servant. It is perfectly right what you say of the indifference in common friends, whether we are sick or well; the very maidservants in a family have the same notion.

MAJESTA'TICAL.* adj. [majestas, ma-MAJESTA'TICK. jestatis, Lat.] Great in appearance; having dignity.

In the earth of the house of my majestatick Pococke on Hosea, (1685,) p. 120. He placed a great part of the glory of his

majestatical presence in the temple. Scott's Works, (ed. 1718,) ii. 493.

MAJE'STICAL. adj. [from majesty.] MAJE'STICK.

1. August; having dignity; grand; imperial; regal; great of appearance.

They made a doubt Presence majestical would put him out: For, quoth the king, an angel shalt thou see, Yet fear not thou, but speak audaciously. Shaksp. Get the start of the majestick world, And bear the palm alone. Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs.

We do it wrong, being so majestical, To offer it the shew of violence.

Shakspeare, Hamlet. In his face

Sate meekness, heighten'd with majestick grace. Denham.

A royal robe he wore with graceful pride, Embroider'd sandals glitter'd as he trod, And forth he mov'd, majestick as a god.

Pope, Odyss.

2. Stately; pompous; splendid. It was no mean thing which he purposed; to perform a work so majestical and stately was no small charge.

3. Sublime; elevated; lofty.

Which passage doth not only argue an infinite abundance, both of artizans and materials, but likewise of magnificent and majestical desires in Wotton. every common person. The least portions must be of the epick kind;

all must be grave, majestical, and sublime. Dryd. Maje'sticalness.* \ n. s. [from majes-

tical.] State or MAJE'STICKNESS. - ∮ manner of being majestick.

He was pleased with the gravity and majestickness of our order.

Oldenburg to Boyle, Boyle's Works, v. 307. MAJE'STICALLY. adv. [from majestical.] With dignity; with grandeur.

From Italy a wand'ring ray Of moving light illuminates the day Northward she bends, majestically bright, Granville. And here she fixes her imperial light. So have I seen in black and white

A prating thing, a magpie hight, Majestically stalk ;

A stately, worthless animal, That plies the tongue, and wags the tail, All flutter, pride, and talk. Swift

MA'JESTY. † n. s. [majesté, old French; majestas, Latin.]

1. Dignity; grandeur; greatness of appearance; an appearance awful and solemn. The voice of the Lord is full of majesty. Psal. xxix. 4.

The Lord reigneth; he is clothed with majesty. Ps. xciii. MAÎ

Thick clouds and dark, doth Heav'n's all-ruling

Chuse to reside, his glory unobscur'd, And with the majesty of darkness round Milton, P. L. Covers his throne. Great, without pride, in sober majesty. Pope.

2. Power; sovereignty. Thine, O Lord, is the power and majesty.

1 Chron. xxix. To the only wise God be glory and majesty. Jude, 25.

He gave Nebuchadnezzar thy father majesty.

3. Dignity; elevation of manner. The first in loftiness of thought surpass'd,

The next in majesty. 4. The title of kings and queens. The use of majesty has been ascribed to Gondemar king of the Visigoths, and to the kings of Lorraine in the seventh century; but in France is not traceable 1. Privation of some essential part; lamebefore the year 1360; and, according to Camden, "majesty came hither in the time of King Henry the Eighth, as sacred majesty lately in our memory. See Douce's Illustr. of Shakspeare, ii.12. Selden has adduced an instance of our word so early as in the reign of Henry

Most royal majesty, I crave no more than what your highness offer'd, Shakspeare, K. Lear. Nor will you tender less. I have a garden opens to the sea.

From whence I can your majesty convey

the Second.

To some nigh friend. Waller He, who had been always believed a creature of the queen, visited her majesty but once in six Clarendon.

I walk in awful state above The majesty of heaven. Dryden.

MAIL. n. s. [maille, French; maglia, Italian; from maille, the mesh of a net. Skinner.

1. A coat of steel net work worn for de-

Being advised to wear a privy coat, the duke gave this answer, That against any popular fury, a shirt of mail would be but a silly defence. Wotton.

2. Any armour. We stript the lobster of his scarlet mail. Gay. Some shirts of mail, some coats of plate put on, Some don'd a cuirass, some a corslet bright.

Some wore coat-armour, imitating scale, And next their skin were stubborn shirts of mail; Some wore a breast-plate. Dryden, Kn. Tale.

3. A postman's bundle; a bag; and in modern times the postman himself, or the conveyance by which the bag of letters is sent. [male, mallette, French; from male, Goth. saccus viatici. Serenius.]

There is a mail come in to-day, with letters Tatler, No. 1. dated Hague.

4. A rent. [mal, Sax. tributum.] So used in the north of England.

5. A spot. [mal, Sax. macula.] MAILED, OF MOLE.

To MAIL. v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To arm defensively; to cover, as with

The mailed Mars shall on his altar sit Up to the ears in blood. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

2. To bundle in a wrapper. I am thy married wife, And thou a prince, protector of this land; Methinks I should not thus be led along, Mail'd up in shame, with papers on my back. Shakspeare.

MA'ILED.* adj. [from mail, a spot; maelen, Teut. to paint; malen, Germ. to spot.] Spotted; speckled. Obsolete. Sherwood.

To MAIM. v. a. [maitan, Gothick, to cut off; mehaigner, to maim, old French: mehaina, Armorick; mancus, Latin.] To deprive of any necessary part; to cripple by loss of a limb: originally written from the French mayhem.

You wrought to be a legate; by which power You maim'd the jurisdiction of all bishops

Shakspeare. The multitude wondered when they saw the dumb to speak, the maimed to be whole, and the lame to walk; and they glorified God. St. Matt. xv. 31.

MAIM. n. s. [from the verb.]

ness produced by a wound or ampu-

Surely there is more cause to fear, lest the want thereof be a maim, than the use a blemish. Hooker. Humphrey, duke of Glo'ster, scarce himself, That bears so shrewd a maim; two pulls at once;

A lady banish'd, and a limb lopt off? Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

2. Injury; mischief.

Not so deep a maim, As to be cast forth in the common air, Shakspeare, Rich. II. Have I deserved.

3. Essential defect.

A noble author esteems it to be a maim in history that the acts of parliament should not be recited.

MA'IMEDNESS.* n. s. [from maimed.] State of being lame or maimed.

Freedom from all defects and imperfections, diseases, and distempers, infirmities and deformities, maimedness and monstrous shapes.

Bolton, Last and Learned Work, (1633,) p. 129. Feigned and counterfeited maimedness and inability. More, Myst. of Godl. (1660,) p. 509.

MAIN. † adj. [magne, old French; magnus, Lat. Dr. Johnson .- It is the Sax. mæzen, great, mighty, powerful; mæzn, strength; magn, Icel. the same, from mega, to be able.]

1. Principal; chief; leading.

In every grand or main public duty which God requireth of his church, there is, besides that matter and form wherein the essence thereof consisteth, a certain outward fashion, whereby the same is in decent manner administered. Hooker. There is a history in all men's lives,

Figuring the nature of the times deceased; The which observ'd a man may prophesy, With a near aim, of the main chance of things Shakspeare, Hen. IV. As yet not come to life.

He is superstitious grown of late, Quite from the main opinion he had once Of fantasy, of dreams, and ceremonies.

Shakspeare. There arese three notorious and main rebellions, which drew several armies out of England. Davies on Ireland.

The nether flood, Which now divided into four main streams, Milton, P. L. Runs diverse.

I should be much for open war, O peers, If what was urg'd

Main reason to persuade immediate war, Milton, P. L. Did not dissuade me most.

All creatures look to the main chance, that is, T.' Estrange. food and propagation.

Our main interest is to be as happy as we can, Tillotson. and as long as possible.

Nor tell me in a dying father's tone, Be careful still of the *main* chance, my son; Put out the principal in trusty hands; Live on the use, and never dip thy lands.

Whilst they have busied themselves in various learning, they have been wanting in the one main thing.

Baker.

Not is it only in the main design, but they have

Dryden, Pers.

Nor is it only in the main design, but they have followed him in every episode.

Pope.

Mighty; huge; overpowering; vast.
Think, you question with a Jew,
You may as well go stand upon the beach,
And bid the main flood bate his usual height.
Shakspeare.

See'st thou what rage
Transports our adversary whom no bounds,—
——nor yet the main abyss,
Wide interrupt, can hold?

Milton, P. L.

3. Gross; containing the chief part.

We ourself will follow
In the main battle, which on either side,

In the man battle, which on either side,
Shall be well winged with our chiefest horse.

Shakspeare.
All abreast

Charg'd our main battle's front.

Shakspee

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. 4. Important; forcible.

This young prince, with a train of young noblemen and gentlemen, but not with any main army, came over to take possession of his new patrimony.

Davies on Ireland.

duct, through a duct, through a

That, which thou aright
Believ'st so main to our success, I bring.

Milton, P. L.

Main. † n. s. [mæzn, Sax.]

The gross; the bulk; the greater part.
 The main of them may be reduced to language, and an improvement in wisdom, by seeing men.

2. The sum; the whole; the general.

They allowed the Liturgy and government of the church of England as to the main.

These notions concerning coinage have, for the main, been put into writing above twelve months.

3. The ocean; the great sea, as distinguished from bays or rivers.
A substitute shines brightly as a king,

Until a king be by; and then his state Empties itself, as doth an inland brook Into the main of waters.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven.

Where's the king?

Bids the wind blow the earth into the sea;

Or swell the curled waters 'boye the main,
That things might change? Shakspeare, K. Lear.

He fell and struggling in the sea.

He fell, and struggling in the main, Cry'd out for helping hands, but cry'd in vain. Dryden.

Say, why should the collected main Itself within itself contain? Why to its caverns should it sometimes creep, And with delighted silence sleep. On the lov'd bosom of its parent deep.

4. Violence; force.

He gan advance,
With huge force, and with importable main,
And towards him with dreadful fury prance.

Spenser, F. Q.

With might and main,

He hasted to get up again.

With might and main they chac'd the murderous fox,

With brazen trumpets, and inflated box. Dryden.

5. A hand at dice. [main, French; "faire et lever la main, to take up the trick at cards," Cotgrave; from manus, Latin, the hand.]

Were it good,
To set the exact wealth of all our states,
All at one cast; to set so rich a main
In the nice hazard of one doubtful hour.

To pass our tedious hours away,
We throw a merry main. Ld. Dorset, Song.
Writing is but just like dice,

Shakspeare.

And lucky mains make people wise:
That jumbled words if fortune throw them,
Shall, well as Dryden, form a poem.

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6. A cockfighting match. [probably from the French à la main, signifying "a battle off hand." See Brand's Popular Antiq. i. 481.]

Those monstrous barbarities, the battle-royal and Welsh main, still continue among us in full force: a striking disgrace to the manly character of Britons.

Brand, Pop. Antiq. i. 480.

7. The continent; the main land.

In 1589, we turned challengers, and invaded the main of Spain. Bacon, War with Spain. Goes it against the main of Poland, sir?

Shakspeare, Hamlet.
Curiosities brought by Captain Robert Knox from Tunquin, upon the main of China.

Hist. R. Soc. iv. 226.
8. A hamper.
9. A course: a duct.

Perfecting any channel, course, main, cut, or

duct, through any of the grounds.

Acts of Parl. 16 Geo. III. c. 56. p. 1272.

MA'INLAND. n. s. [main and land.] Continent. Spenser and Dryden, seem to accent this word differently.

Ne was it island then,
But was all desolate, and of some thought,
By sea to have been from the Celtick mainland
brought.

Spenser, F. Q.

Those whom Tyber's holy forests hide, Or Circe's hills from the mainland divide.

MA'INLY.† adv. [from main.]

Chiefly; principally.
 A brutish vice.

Inductive mainly to the sin of Eve. Millon, P. L.
They are mainly reducible to three, More.
The metallick matter now found in the perpendicular intervals of the strata, was originally lodged in the bodies of those strata, being interspersed amongst the matter, whereof the said strata mainly consist.

Woodward, Nat. Hist.

2. Greatly; hugely; mightily.

The geaunt strooke so maynly mercilesse,
That could have overthrowne a stony towre.

Spenser, \vec{F} . Q. i. vii. 12. It was observed by one, that himself came hardly to a little riches, and very easily to great riches: for when a man's stock is come to that, that he can expect the prime of markets, and overcome those bargains, which for their greatness, are few men's money, and be partner in the industries of younger men, he cannot but increase mainly.

Bacon.

MA'INMAST. n. s. [main and mast.] The chief or middle mast.

One dire shot, Close by the board the prince's mainmast bore.

A Dutchman upon breaking his leg by a fall from a mainmast, told the standers-by it was a mercy it was not his neck.

Spectator.

MA'INPERNABLE.† adj. [a corruption of the French main prendre. See Mainprise.] Bailable; that may be admitted to give surety.

Ma'inpernor. n. s. Surety; bail.

He enforced the earl himself to fly, till twentysix noblemen became mainpernors for his appearance at a certain day; but he making default, the uttermost advantage was taken against his sureties.

Davies on Ireland.

Ma'INPRISE. n. s. [main and pris, French.]
Delivery into the custody of a friend,
upon security given for appearance;
hail.

Sir William Bremingham was executed for treason, though the earl of Desmond was left to mainprize.

Davies.

Give its poor entertainer quarter;
And, by discharge or mainprize, grant
Delivery from this base restraint.

Hudibras.

To Ma'INPRISE. v. a. To bail.

MA'INSAIL. n. s. [main and sail.] The sail of the mainmast.

They committed themselves unto the sea, and

hoisted up the mainsail to the wind, and made toward shore.

MA'INSHEET. n. s. [main and sheet.] The sheet or sail of the mainmast.

Strike, strike, the topsail, let the mainsheet fly, And furl your sails.

Dryden.

To MA'INSWEAR.* v. n. [manypepian, Sax.; "meinserri, Goth, perjurium." Serenius.] To swear falsely. North. Grose. "Mainsworn, forsworn." Blount's Law Dict.

To MAINTAIN. v. a. [maintenir, Fr.]

1. To preserve; to keep; not to suffer to change.

The ingredients being prescribed in their substance, maintain the blood in a gentle fermentation, reclude oppilations, and mundify it. Harvey.

2. To defend; to hold out; to make good; not to resign.

This place, these pledges of your love maintain.

Dryden.

God values no man more or less, in placing bim

high or low, but every one as he maintains his post.

Grew, Cosmol. Sacra.

To vindicate; to justify; to support

If any man of quality will maintain upon Edward earl of Glo'ster, that he is a manifold traitor, let him appear.

Shakspeare.

trator, let him appear.

These possessions being unlawfully gotten, could not be maintained by the just and honourable law of England.

Davies.

Lord Roberts was full of contradiction in his temper, and of parts so much superior to any in the company, that he could too well maintain and justify those contradictions.

Clarendon.

Maintain
My right, nor think the name of mother vain.

Dryden.

4. To continue; to keep up; not to suffer to cease.

Maintain talk with the duke, that my charity be not of him perceived. Shakspeare, K. Leur. Some did the song, and some the choir maintain.

Beneath the laurel shade. Dryden.
5. To keep up; to support the expence

of.

I seek not to wax great by others waining;

Sufficeth, that I have maintains my estate,
And sends the poor well pleased from my gate.

Shakspeare

What concerns it you if I wear pearl and gold? I thank my good father I am able to maintain it.

Shakspeare.

6. To support with the conveniences of life.

If e.

It was St. Paul's choice to maintain himself by his own labour.

Hooker.

If a woman maintain her husband, she is full of anger and much reproach.

It is hard to maintain the truth, but much harder to be maintained by it.

Could it women to be the maintained by it.

harder to be maintained by it. Could it ever yet feed, clothe, or defend its assertors? South.

7. To preserve from failure.

Here ten thousand images remain Without confusion, and their rank maintain.

Blackmore. To Mainta'in. v. n. To support by argument; to assert as a tenet.

In tragedy and satire I maintain against some of our modern criticks, that this age and the last have excelled the ancients. Dryden, Juv.

MAINTA'INABLE.† adj. [from maintain.] MA'JOR.† n. s. Defensible; justifiable.

Being made lord lieutenant of Bulloine, the walls sore beaten and shaken, and scarce maintainable, he defended the place against the Dau-Hayward.

pretation be maintainable.

Mede on Churches, (1638,) p. 14.

MAINTA'INER. n. s. [from maintain.] Supporter; cherisher.

He dedicated the work to Sir Philip Sidney, a special maintainer of all learning.

E. K. on Spenser's Shep. Cal. The maintainers and cherishers of a regular devotion, a true and decent piety. South, Serm.

Ma'intenance. † n. s. [maintenance, Fr.; manutentio, and manutentia, Lat. "which signify the upholding of a cause or person; metaphorically drawn from succouring a young child that learns to go by one's hand." Cowel.]

1. Support; protection; defence.

They knew that no man might in reason take upon him to determine his own right, and according to his own determination proceed in maintainance thereof. Hooker

The beginning and cause of this ordinance amongst the Irish was for the defence and maintenance of their lands in their posterity.

Spenser on Ireland.

2. Supply of the necessaries of life; sustenance: sustentation.

It was St. Paul's choice to maintain himself, whereas in living by the churches maintenance, as others did, there had been no offence committed.

God assigned Adam maintenance of life, and then appointed him a law to observe. Those of better fortune not making learning

their maintenance, take degrees with little improvement.

3. Continuance; security from failure. Whatsoever is granted to the church for God's honour and the maintenance of his service, is South. granted to God.

The MA'INTOP. n. s. [main and top.] top of the mainmast.

From their maintop joyful news they hear Of ships, which by their mould bring new sup-

Dictys could the maintop-mast bestride, , And down the ropes with active vigour slide.

MA'INYARD. n. s. [main and yard.] The yard of the mainmast.

With sharp hooks they took hold of the tackling which held the mainyard to the mast, then rowing, they cut the tackling, and brought the Arbuthnot. mainyard by the board.

MA'JOR. adj. [major, Lat.]

1. Greater in number, quantity, or extent. They bind none, no not though they be many, saving only when they are the major part of a general assembly, and then their voices being more in number, must oversway their judgements Hooker. who are fewer.

The true meridian is a major circle passing through the poles of the world and the zenith of VOL. II.

any place, exactly dividing the east from the Brown, Vulg. Err.

In common discourse we denominate persons and things according to the major part of their character: he is to be called a wise man who has but few follies. Watts, Logick

2. Greater in dignity. Fall Greek, fall fame, honour, or go, or stay, My major vow lies here.

Shakspeare, Troil. and Cres.

1. The officer above the captain; the lowest field officer.

A mayor or head officer of a town. Obsolete.

A thing not unworthy observation, if the inter- 3. The first proposition of a syllogism, containing some generality.

The major of our author's argument is to be understood of the material ingredients of bodies.

4. Major-general. The general officer of the second rank.

Major-general Ravignan returned with the French king's answer.

5. Major-domo. n. s. [majeur-dome, Fr.] One who holds occasionally the place of master of the house.

The king sent some of his prime nobles, and other gentlemen, to attend the prince in quality of officers, as one to be his major-domo, (his steward, another to be master of the horse, and so to inferiour officers.

Howell, Lett. (dat. 1623,) i. iii. 15. Let him have nothing to do with any house or family, (though never so great and so much in power,) where the devil is major-domo, and go-South, Serm. vi. 369.

MAJORA'TION. n. s. [from major.] Encrease; enlargement.

There be five ways of majoration of sounds: enclosure simple; enclosure with dilatation; communication; reflection concurrent; and approach Bacon, Nat. Hist. to the sensory.

MAJO'RITY. † n. s. [from major.]

1. The state of being greater.

It is not plurality of parts without majority of parts that maketh the total greater. Grew, Cosmol. Sacra.

2. The greater number. [majorité, Fr.]

It was highly probable the majority would be so wise as to espouse that cause which was most agreeable to the publick weal, and by that means Addison hinder a sedition.

As in senates so in schools, Majority of voices rules.

Decent executions keep the world in awe; for that reason the majority of mankind ought to be Arbuthnot. hanged every year.

3. [From majores, Lat.] Ancestry. Of evil parents an evil generation, a posterity not unlike their majority; of mischievous progenitors, a venomous and destructive progeny.

[Majorité, Fr. "full age." Cotgrave.]

Brown, Vulg. Err.

Full age; end of minority. During the infancy of Henry the IIId, the barons were troubled in expelling the French:

but this prince was no sooner come to his majority, but the barons raised a cruel war against him. Davies on Ireland.

5. First rank. Obsolete.

Douglas, whose high deeds, Whose hot incursions, and great name in arms, Holds from all soldiers chief majority, And military title capital. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

6. The office of a major.

MA'ISTER.* n. s. [mærcep, Sax.] A master. So master and its derivatives were formerly written. See MASTER, MAS-TERFUL, and MASTERY.

Spenser, F. Q. The maisters of her art.

MA'ISTRESS.* n. s. The old word for mistress. Chaucer uses it. See Mis-

MAIZE, or Indian Wheat. n. s.

The whole maize plant has the appearance of a reed. This plant is propagated in England only as a curiosity, but in America it is the principal support of the inhabitants, and consequently propagated with great care. Miller. Maize affords a very strong nourishment, but

more viscous than wheat. Arbuthnot on Aliments. To MAKE. + v. a. [macan, Saxon; machen,

German; maken, Dutch: " ab antiquissimo Goth. mega, valere." Serenius.] 1. To create.

Let us make man in our image. Gen. i. 26. The Lord hath made all things for himself.

Prov. xvi. 4.

Remember'st thou Thy making, while the Maker gave thee being? Milton, P. L.

2. To form of materials.

He fashioned it with a graving tool, after he Exod. xxxii. 4. had made it a molten calf. God hath made of one blood all nations of men.

We have no other measure, save one of the moon, but are artificially made out of these by compounding or dividing them. Holder on Time.

3. To compose: as, parts, materials or ingredients.

One of my fellows had the speed of him; Who, almost dead for breath, had scarcely more

Than would make up his message. Shakspeare, Macbeth. The heaven, the air, the earth, and boundless

Make but one temple for the Deity. Waller.

A pint of salt of tartar, exposed unto a moist

air, will make more liquor than the former measure will contain. 4. To form by art what is not natural.

There lavish nature, in her best attire,

Pours forth sweet odours, and alluring sights; And art with her contending, doth aspire T' excel the natural with made delights. Spenser.

5. To produce or effect as the agent. If I suspect without cause, why then make sport at me; then let me be your jest.

Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor. When their hearts were merry they said, Call

for Sampson, that he may make us sport. Judg. xvi. 25. Give unto Soloman a perfect heart to build the

palace for the which I have made provision. 1 Chron. xxix. 19.

Thou hast set signs and wonders in the land of Egypt, and hast made thee a name. Jer. xxxii. 20.

Joshua made peace, and made a league with Joshua

Both combine To make their greatness by the fall of man. Dryd.

Egypt, mad with superstition grown,

Tate, Juv. Makes gods of monsters.

6, To produce as a cause.

Wealth maketh many friends; but the poor is separated from his neighbour. Prov. xix. 4. A man's gift maketh room for him, and bringeth him before great men. Prov. xviii. 16.

The child taught to believe any occurrence to

be a good or evil omen, or any day of the week lucky, hath a wide inroad made upon the soundness of his understanding.

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7. To do; to perform: to practise; to use in action.

Though she appear honest to me, yet in other places she enlargeth her mirth so far, that there is shrewd construction made of her.

Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor. She made haste, and let down her pitcher.

Gen. xxiv. 46. We made prayer unto our God. Neh. iv. 9. He shall make a speedy riddance of all in the Zeph. i. 18.

They all began to make excuse.

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St. Luke, xiv. 18.

It hath pleased them of Macedonia and Achaia to make a certain contribution for the poor.

Rom. xv. 26. The Venetians, provoked by the Turks with divers injuries, both by sea and land, resolved, without delay, to make war likewise upon him. Knolles, Hist.

Such musick as before was never made, But when of old the sons of morning sung.

Milton. All the actions of his life were ripped up and surveyed, and all malicious glosses made upon all he had said, and all he had done. Clarendon.

Says Carneades, since neither you nor I love repetitions, I shall not now make any of what else was urged against Themistius. Boyle.

The Phoenicians made claim to this man as theirs, and attributed to him the invention of letters. Hale.

What hope, O Pantheus! whither can we run! Where make a stand? and what may yet be done? Dryden.

While merchants make long voyages by sea To get estates, he cuts a shorter way.

To what end did Ulysses make that journey? Æneas undertook it by the commandment of his father's ghost. Druden.

He that will make a good use of any part of his life, must allow a large portion of it to recreation.

Make some request, and I, Whate'er it be, with that request comply. Addison. Were it permitted, he should make the tour of

the whole system of the sun. Arbuthnot and Pope, Mart. Scrib.

8. To cause to have any quality.

She may give so much credit to her own laws, as to make their sentence weightier than any bare and naked conceit to the contrary.

I will make your cities waste.

Lev. xxvi. 31. Hooker.

Her husband hath utterly made them void on he day he heard them. Numb. xxx. 12. When he had made a convenient room, he set it

in a wall, and made it fast with iron.

Wis. xiii. 15. He made the water wine. St. John, iv. 46. He was the more inflamed with the desire of battle with Waller, to make even all accounts,

Clarendon. I bred you up to arms, rais'd you to power,

Permitted you to fight for this usurper All to make sure the vengeance of this day, Which even this day has ruin'd.

Dryden, Span. Friar. In respect of actions within the reach of such a power in him, a man seems as free as it is possible for freedom to make him.

9. To bring into any state or condition.

I have made thee a god to Pharaoh. Exod. vii. 1.

Joseph made ready his chariot, and went up to meet Israel. Gen. xlvi. 20. Who made thee a prince and a judge over us.

Exod. ii. Ye have troubled me to make me to stink among the inhabitants. Gen. xxxiv. 30.

He made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant. Phil. ii. 7. He should be made manifest to Israel.

St. John, i. 31.

Though I be free from all men, yet have I made myself servant unto all, that I might gain 1 Cor. ix. 19.

He hath made me a by-word of the people.

Job, xvii. 6. Make ye him drunken; for he magnified himself against the Lord. Jer. xlviii. 26. Joseph was not willing to make her a public St. Matth. i. 19.

By the assistance of this faculty we have all those ideas in our understandings, which, though we do not actually contemplate, yet we can bring in sight, and make appear again, and be the objects of our thoughts.

The Lacedemonians trained up their children to hate drunkenness by bringing a drunken man into their company, and shewing them what a beast he made of himself.

10. To form; to settle; to establish.

Those who are wise in courts Make friendships with the ministers of state, Nor seek the ruins of a wretched exile.

11. To hold; to keep.

Deep in a cave the sybil makes abode. Dryden. 12. To secure from distress; to establish in riches or happiness. In this sense, formerly much used with mar, by way of contrast, i. e. save or destroy.

Unequall were her handes twaine : That one did reach, the other push'd away : That one did make, the other marr'd againe.

Spenser, F. Q. iv. i. 29. In vaine I seeke my duke's love to expound, The more I seek to make, the more I marr'd.

Harington, Ariosto, v. 19. He hath given her this monumental ring, and thinks himself made in the unchaste composition.

This is the night, That either makes me, or foredoes me quite. Shakspeare,

Each element his dread command obeys, Who makes or ruins with a smile or frown, Who as by one he did our nation raise, So now he with another pulls us down. Dryden.

13. To suffer; to incur.

The loss was private that I made ; 'Twas but myself I lost; I lost no legions,

Dryden. He accuseth Neptune unjustly, who makes shipwreck a second time. 14. To commit.

I will neither plead my age nor sickness in ex-

cuse of the faults which I have made. Dryden. 15. To compel; to force; to constrain.

That the soul in a sleeping man should be this moment busy a thinking, and the next moment in a waking man not remember those thoughts, would need some better proof than bare assertion to make it be believed.

They should be made to rise at their early hour; but great care should be taken in waking them, that it be not done hastily.

16. To intend; to purpose to do. In this sense it is used only in interrogation. What dost thou here now make?

Spenser, F. Q. vii vi. 25. But what make you here?

Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor. Who brought thee hither? and what makest thou in this place? Judges, xviii. 3.

He may ask this civil question, friend !-What dost thou make a shipboard? to what end?

Gomez; what mak'st thou here with a whole brotherhood of city-bailiffs? Dryden, Span. Friar.

17. To raise as profit from any thing. He's in for a commodity of brown pepper; of which he made five marks ready money.

Shaksneare. Did I make a gain of you by any of them I

If Auletes, a negligent prince, made so much, what must now the Romans make, who govern it so wisely. Arbuthnot.

If it is meant of the value of the purchase, it was very high; it being hardly possible to make so much of land, unless it was reckoned at a very low price.

18. To reach; to tend to; to arrive at: a kind of sea term.

Acosta recordeth, they that sail in the middle can make no land of either side.

Brown, Valg. Err. I've made the port already, And laugh securely at the lazy storm. Dryden.

They ply their shatter'd oars
To nearest land, and make the Libyan shores.

Dryden. Did I but purpose to embark with thee, While gentle zephyrs play in prosperous gales; But would forsake the ship, and make the shore, When the winds whistle, and the tempests roar?

19. To gain.

The wind came about, and settled in the west for many days, so as we could make little or no I have made way

To some Philistian lords, with whom to treat. Milton, S. A.

Now mark a little why Virgil is so much concerned to make this marriage, it was to make way for the divorce which he intended afterwards.

Dryden, En. 20 To force; to gain by force.

Rugged rocks are interpos'd in vain; He makes his way o'er mountains, and contemns Unruly torrents, and unforded streams.

Dryden, Virg. The stone wall which divides China from Tartary, is reckoned nine hundred miles long, running over rocks, and making way for rivers through mighty arches. Temple.

21. To exhibit,

When thou makest a dinner, call not thy friends but the poor. St. Luke, xiv. 12,

22. To pay; to give.

He shall make amends for the harm that he hath done. Leviticus.

23. To put; to place.

You must make a great difference between Hercules's labours by land, and Jason's voyage by sea for the golden fleece.

Bacon, War with Spain.

24. To turn to some use. Whate'er they catch,

Their fury makes an instrument of war.

Dryden, En.

25. To incline to; to dispose to.

It is not requisite they should destroy our reason, that is, to make us rely on the strength of

nature, when she is least able to relieve us. Brown, Vulg. Err.

26. To effect as an argument.

Seeing they judge this to make nothing in the world for them. You conceive you have no more to do than,

having found the principal word in a concordance, introduce as much of the verse as will serve your turn, though in reality it makes nothing for you. Swift.

27. To represent; to show.

He is not that goose and ass that Valla would Baker, Refl. on Learning. make him.

28. To constitute.

Our desires carry the mind out to absent good, according to the necessity which we think there is of it, to the making or encrease of our happiness.

29. To amount to.

Whatsoever they were, it maketh no matter to me : God accepteth no man's person. Gal. ii. 16. 30. To mould'; to form.

Lye not erect but hollow, which is in the making of the bed; or with the legs gathered up, which is the more wholesome. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Some undeserved fault

I'll find, about the making of the bed. Shakspeare. They mow fern green, and burning of them to ashes, make the ashes up into balls with a little Mortimer.

31. To fasten; to bar: an expression used in several of the midland counties.

Make the doors upon a woman's wit, and it will out at the casement. Shakspeare, As you like it. The doors are made against you.

Shakspeare, Com. of Err. 32. To MAKE away. To kill; to destroy. He will not let slip any advantage to make away him whose just title, ennobled by courage and goodness, may one day shake the seat of a never-secure tyranny.

Clarence was, by practice of evil persons about the king his brother, called thence away, and soon after, by sinister means, was clean made away.

Spenser on Ireland.

He may have a likely guess, How these were they that made away his brother. Shakspeare,

Trajan would say of the vain jealousy of princes that seek to make away those that aspire to their succession, that there was never king that did put Bacon to death his successor.

My mother I slew at my very birth, and since have made away two of her brothers, and happily to make way for the purposes of others against Hayward. Give poets leave to make themselves away.

Roscommon.

What multitude of infants have been made away by those who brought them into the world. Addison.

33. To Make away. To transfer. Debtors,

When they never mean to pay,

Waller To some friend make all away. 34. To Make account. To reckon; to believe.

They made no account but that the navy should be absolutely master of the seas.

Bacon, War with Spain.

35. To Make account of. To esteem; to regard.

36. To Make free with. To treat without ceremony.

The same who have made free with the greatest names in church and state, and exposed to the world the private misfortunes of families. Dunciad.

37. To MAKE good. To maintain; to defend; to justify.

The grand master, guarded with a company of most valiant knights, drove them out again by force, and made good the place.

Knolles, Hist. of the Turks. When he comes to make good his confident undertaking, he is fain to say things that agree very Boyle. little with one another.

I'll either die, or I'll make good the place. Dryden.

As for this other argument, that by pursuing one single theme they gain an advantage to express, and work up, the passions, I wish any example he could bring from them could make it Dryden on Dram. Poesy. I will add what the same author subjoins to

make good his foregoing remark. Locke on Education.

38, To Make good. To fulfil; to accom-

This letter doth make good the friar's words.

no consequence. They made light of it, and went their ways.

St. Matth. xxii. 40. To MAKE love. To court; to play the gallant.

How happy each of the sexes would be, if there was a window in the breast of every one that makes or receives love. Addison, Guardian.

To make the for-41. To Make a man. tune of a person. Still a common expression.

Were I in England now, and had but this fish painted, not a holiday fool there but would give a piece of silver; there would this monster make a man; any strange beast there makes a man; when they will not give a doit to relieve a lame beggar, they will lay out ten to see a dead Indian.

Shakspeare, Tempest. We are all made men.

Shakspeare Mids. N. Dream. What poor man would not carry a great burthen of gold to be made a man for ever

42. To Make merry. To feast; to partake of an entertainment.

A hundred pound or two, to make merry withal? Shakspeare

The king went to Latham to make merry with his mother and the earl. Bacon, Hen. VII. A gentleman and his wife will ride to make merry with his neighbour, and after a day, those two go to a third: in which progress they encrease

like snowballs, till through their burthensome weight they break. Carew, Surv. of Cornw.

foster.

The king hearing of their adventure, suddenly falls to take pride in making much of them, extolling them with infinite praises. The bird is dead

That we have made so much on!

Shakspeare, Cymb It is good discretion not to make too much of any man at the first, Bacon, Essays.

The easy and the lazy make much of the gout; and yet making much of themselves too, they take care to carry it presently to bed, and keep it

44. To Make of. What to make of, is, how to understand.

That they should have knowledge of the languages and affairs of those that lie at such a distance from them, was a thing we could not tell what to make of.

I past the summer here at Nimmeguen, without the least remembrance of what had happened to me in the spring, till about the end of September, and then I began to feel a pain I knew not what to make of, in the same joint of my

There is another statue in brass of Apollo, with a modern inscription on the pedestal, which I know not what to make of. Addison, on Italy

I desired he would let me see his book : he did so, smiling: I could not make any thing of it. Tatler,

Upon one side were huge pieces of iron, cut into strange figures, which we knew not what to

45. To MAKE of. To produce from ; to effect.

I am astonished, that those who have appeared against this paper have made so very little of it.

46. To Make of. To consider; to account; to esteem.

Makes she no more of me than of a slave?

39. To Make light of. To consider as of 47. To Make of. To cherish; to foster; not used.

Xaycus was wonderfully beloved and made of by the Turkish merchants, whose language he had learned.

48. To Make over. To settle in the hands of trustees.

Widows who have tried one lover, Trust none again till th' have made over.

The wise betimes make over their estates. Make o'er thy honour by a deed of trust,

And give me seizure of the mighty wealth.

Hudibras.

49. To Make over. To transfer.

The second mercy made over to us by the second covenant, is the promise of pardon. Hammond. Age and youth cannot be made over: nothing but time can take away years, or give them. Collier.

My waist is reduced to the depth of four inches, by what I have already made over to my neck. Addison, Guardian.

Moor, to whom that patent was made over, Swift. was forced to leave off coining.

50. To Make out. To clear; to explain; to clear to one's self.

Make out the rest, - I am disordered so, I know not farther what to say or do.

Dryden, Ind. Emp. Antiquaries make out the most ancient medals from a letter with great difficulty to be discerned. It may seem somewhat difficult to make out the

bills of fare for some suppers. Arbuthnot on Coins.

43. To Make much of. To cherish; to 51. To Make out. To prove; to evince.

There is no truth which a man may more evidently make out to himself, than the existence Though they are not self-evident principles,

yet, what may be made out from them by a wary deduction, may be depended on as certain and infallible truths.

Men of wit and parts, but of short thoughts and little meditation, distrust every thing for fiction that is not the dictate of sense, or made out immediately to their senses. Burnet.

We are to vindicate the just providence of God in the government of the world, and to endeavour, as well as we can, upon an imperfect view of things, to make out the beauty and harmony of all the seeming discords and irregularities of the Tillotson, Serm. divine administration.

Scaliger hath made out, that the history of Troy was no more the invention of Homer than of Dryden. In the passages from divines, most of the

reasonings which make out both my propositions are already suggested. Atterbury. I dare engage to make it out, that they will have

their full principal and interest at six per cent. 52, To Make sure of. To consider as

certain. They made as sure of health and life, as if both

of them were at their disposal. Dryden. 53. To Make sure of. To secure to one's

possession. But whether marriage bring joy or sorrow,

Make sure of this day and hang to-morrow.

54. To Make up. To get together. How will the farmer be able to make up his rent at quarter-day?

55. To Make up. To reconcile; to com-

I knew when seven justices could not make up Shakspeare, As you like it. a quarrel.

Dryden. | 56. To MAKE up. To repair. 4 T 2

I sought for a man among them that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me

57. To MAKE up. To compose, as ingredients.

These are the lineaments of flattery, which do together make up a face of most extreme deformity. Gov. of the Tongue.

He is to encounter an enemy made up of wiles and stratagems; an old serpent, a long experienced deceiver.

Zeal should be made up of the largest measures of spiritual love, desire, hope, hatred, grief, indignation.

Oh he was all made up of love and charms: Whatever maid could wish, or man admire.

Addison. Harlequin's part is made up of blunders and absurdities. Addison.

Vines, figs, oranges, almonds, olives, myrtles, and fields of corn, make up the most delightful little landskip. Addison.

Old mould'ring urns, racks, daggers, and dis-

Make up the frightful horror of the place. Garth. The parties among us are made up on one side of moderate whigs, and on the other of presby-

58. To Make up. To shape.

A catapotium is a medicine swallowed solid, and most commonly made up in pills.

Arbuthnot on Coins.

59. To Make up. To supply; to make less deficient.

Whatsoever, to make up the doctrine of man's salvation, is added as in supply of the Scripture's insufficiency, we reject it. Hooker.

I borrowed that celebrated name for an evidence to my subject, that so what was wanting in my proof might be made up in the example. Glanville.

Thus think the crowd, who, eager to engage, Take quickly fire, and kindle into rage; Who ne'er consider, but without a pause Make up in passion what they want in cause.

Dryden. If his romantick disposition transport him so far as to expect little or nothing from this, he might however hope, that the principals would make it up in dignity and respect. Swift.

60. To compensate; to balance.

If they retrench any the smaller particulars in their ordinary expence, it will easily make up the halfpenny a-day which we have now under consideration. Addison, Spect. Thus wisely she makes up her time,

Mis-spent when youth was in its prime. Granville. There must needs be another state to make up the inequalities of this, and to salve all irregular appearances, Atterbury.

61. To Make up. To settle; to adjust. The reasons you allege, do more conduce To the hot passion of distemper'd blood, Than to make up a free determination

'Twixt right and wrong. Shaksp. Troil. and Cress. Though all at once cannot See what I do deliver out to each, Yet I can make my audit up, that all From me do back receive the flour of all,

He was to make up his accounts with his lord, and by an easy undiscoverable cheat he could provide against the impending distress. Rogers, Serm.

62. To Make up. To accomplish; to conclude; to complete.

There is doubt how far we are to proceed by collection before the full and complete measure of 3. To operate; to act as a proof or arguthings necessary be made up. Hooker. Is not the lady Constance in this troop?

I know she is not; for this match made up, Her presence would have interrupted much. Shakspeare.

On Wednesday the general account is made up | and printed, and on Thursday published.

Graunt, Bills of Mortality. This life is a scene of vanity, that soon passes away, and affords no solid satisfaction but in the consciousness of doing well, and in the hopes of another life: this is what I can say upon experience, and what you will find to be true when you come to make up the account.

63. This is one of the words so frequently occurring, and used with so much latitude, that its whole extent is not easily comprehended, nor are its attenuated and fugitive meanings easily caught and restrained. The original sense, including either production or formation, may be traced through all the varieties of application.

To MAKE. v. n.

1. To tend; to travel; to go any way.

Oh me, lieutenant; what villains have done this? I think, that one of them is hereabouts,

And cannot make away. Shakspeare, Othello. I do beseech your majesty make up,

Lest your retirement do amaze your friends.

Shakspeare. The earl of Lincoln resolved to make on where the king was, to give him battle, and marched towards Newark. There made forth to us a small boat, with about

Bacon, New Atlantis. eight persons in it. Warily provide, that while we make forth to that

which is better, we meet not with that which is Bacon, Ess. A wonderful erroneous observation that maketh

about, is commonly received contrary to expe-

Make on, upon the heads Of men, struck down like piles, to reach the lives Of those remain and stand. B. Jonson, Catiline. The Moors, terrified with the hideous cry of the soldiers making toward land, were easily beaten

from the shore. When they set out from mount Sinai they made northward unto Rishmah. Brown, Vulg. Err.

Some speedy way for passage must be found;

Make to the city by the postern gate.

Dryden

The bull

His easier conquest proudly did forego; And making at him with a furious bound, From his bent forehead aim'd a double wound.

Dryden. Too late young Turnus the delusion found Far on the sea, still making from the ground.

A man of a disturbed brain seeing in the streets one of those lads that used to vex him, stepped into a cutler's shop, and seizing on a naked sword made after the boy.

Seeing a country gentleman trotting before me with a spaniel by his horse's side, I made up to

The French king makes at us directly, and keeps a king by him to set over us. Addison. A monstrous boar rush'd forth; his baleful eyes Shot glaring fire, and his stiff-pointed bristles

Rose high upon his back; at me he made, Whetting his tusks. Smith, Phæd. and Hippol.

And leave me but the bran. Shakspeare, Coriol. 2. To contribute; to have effect.

Whatsoever makes nothing to your subject, and is improper to it, admit not into your work.

Blinded as he is by the love of himself to believe that the right is wrong, and wrong is right, when it makes for his own advantage.

ment, or cause.

It is very needful to be known, and maketh unto the right of the war against him. Where neither the evidence of any law divine, nor the strength of any invincible argument, otherwise found out by the light of reason, nor any notable publick inconvenience doth make against that which our own laws ecclesiastical have instituted for the ordering of these affairs; the very authority of the church itself sufficeth. Hooker.

That which should make for them must prove, that men ought not to make laws for church regiment, but only keep those laws which in Scripture they find made.

Let us follow after the things which make for Rom. xiv. 19.

Perkin Warbeck finding that time and temporizing, which, whilst his practices were covert, made for him, did now, when they were discovered, rather make against him, resolved to try some exploit upon England. Bacon, Hen. VII. A thing may make to my present purpose.

Boyle. It makes to this purpose, that the light-conserving stones in Italy must be set in the sun before

they retain light. What avails it me to acknowledge, that I have not been able to do him right in any line; for even my own confession makes against me.

Dryden, Ded. to the En. 4. To shew; to appear; to carry appear-

Joshua and all Israel made as if they were beaten before them, and fled. Josh. viii. 15. It is the unanimous opinion of your friends,

that you make as if you hanged yourself, and they will give it out that you are quite dead. Arbuthnot, John Bull.

5. To compose poetry; to make by the imagination; to versify: a very old usage

of this word. To solace him somtime, as I do when I make.

Vis. of P. Plowman, fol. 60. The god of shepherds, Tityrus, is dead, Who taught me homely, as I can, to make.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. June. Besides her peerless skill in making well,

And all the ornaments of wondrous wit Such as all womankind did far excel.

Spenser, Colin Claut. A poet is a maker, as the word signifies; and who cannot make, that is, invent, hath his name for nothing. Dryden, on Epick Poetry.

6. To Make away with. To destroy; to kill; to make away. This phrase is im-

The women of Greece were seized with an unaccountable melancholy, which disposed several of them to make away with themselves. Addison, Spect.

To Make for. To advantage; to favour. Compare with indifferency these disparities of times, and we shall plainly perceive, that they make for the advantage of England at this present time.

Bacon, War with Spain. None deny there is a God, but those for whom it maketh that there were no God. Bacon, Ess.

I was assur'd, that nothing was design'd Against thee but safe custody and hold; That made for me, I knew that liberty Would draw thee forth to perilous enterprises.

Milton, S. A.

8. To Make up for. To compensate; to be instead.

Have you got a supply of friends to make up for those who are gone? Swift to Pope.

9. To Make with. To concur.

Antiquity, custom, and consent, in the church of God, making with that which law doth establish, are themselves most sufficient reasons to uphold the same, unless some notable publick inconvenience enforce the contrary.

MAKE. n.s. [from the verb.] Form; structure; nature.

Those mercurial spirits, which were only lent the earth to shew men their folly in admiring it, possess delights of a nobler make and nature, which antedate immortality. Glanville

Upon the decease of a lion the beasts met to chuse a king: several put up, but one was not of make for a king; another wanted brains or strength. L'Estrange

Is our perfection of so frail a make,
As every plot can undermine and shake? Dryden. Several lies are produced in the loyal ward of Portsoken of so feeble a make, as not to bear carriage to the Royal Exchange. Addison, Freeholder.

It may be with superior souls as with gigantick, which exceed the due proportion of parts, and, like the old heroes of that make, commit something near extravagance.

Make. † n. s. [maca, zemaca, Sax. make, Su. Goth. and Icel. mage, Dan. a companion, an equal; so our old Pr. Parv. defines a make " a match."] A companion; a mate; a match; a consort; an equal; a friend.

And if so fall the chevetain be take On eyther side, or elles sleth his make,

No longer shall the tourneying ylast.

Chaucer, Kn. Tale. To wedden me, if that my make die. Chaucer, Wife of Bath's Prol.

January hath fast in armes take His freshe May, his paradis, his make.

Chaucer, March. Tale. Certes, madam, I sholde have great joie, yf ye

had such a prynce to your make. King Appolyn of Tyre, (1510.) The elf, therewith astonied,

Upstarted lightly from his looser make, And his unsteady weapons gan in hand to take. Spenser, F. Q.

Bid her therefore herself soon ready make, To wait on love amongst his lovely crew; Where every one that misseth then her make,

Shall be by him amerc'd with penance due. Snenser

For since the wise town, Has let the sports down, Of May games and morris, The maids and their makes At dances and wakes, Had their napkins and posies,

MA'KEABLE.* adj. [from make.] Effectible; Cotgrave, and Sherwood. MA'LACHITE. n. s. feasible. MA'KEBATE. n. s. [make and debate.] Breeder of quarrels.

Love in her passions, like a right makebate, whispered to both sides arguments of quarrel.

Outrageous party-writers are like a couple of makebates, who inflame small quarrels by a thou-

MA'KELESS.* adj. [make and less.]

1. Matchless; not to be equalled. In beautie first so stode she makeless.

Chaucer, Tr. and Cr. i. 173.

2. Without a mate; deprived of a mate. The world will wail thee, like a makeless wife. Shakspeare, Sonnet 9.

MA'KEPEACE. n.s. [make and peace.] Peacemaker: reconciler. To be a makepeace shall become my age.

Shakspeare, Rich. II.

MA'KER. † n. s. [from make.] 1. The Creator.

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. Both in him and all things, as is meet,

The universal Maker we may praise. Milton, P. L.

This the divine Cecilia found, And to her Maker's praise confin'd the sound. Such plain roofs as piety could raise,

And only vocal with the Maker's praise. Pope. The power of reasoning was given us by our Maker to pursue truths. Watts, Logick.

2. One who makes any thing.

Every man in Turkey is of some trade; Sultan Achmet was a maker of ivory rings.

Notes on the Odyssey. I dare promise her boldly what few of her makers of visits and compliments dare to do.

Pope, Letters.

3. One who sets any thing in its proper state.

You be indeed makers or marrers of all men's manners within the realm. Ascham, Schoolmaster. 4. A poet; or, as in Huloet's old dictionary, an "author of comedies, plays, &c." Expert being growne

In musicke; and besides, a curious maker knowne. Drayton, Polyolb. S. 15.

We require in our poet, or maker (for that title our language affords him elegantly with the Greek) a goodness of natural wit. B. Jonson, Discoveries.

A poet is a maker, as the word signifies; and who cannot make, that is, invent, hath his name Dryden on Epick Poetry. for nothing. Here all is life and motion; here we behold the

true poet or maker. Dr. Warton, Ess. on Pope. MA'KEWEIGHT. n. s. [make and weight.]

Any small thing thrown in to make up weight.

Me lonely sitting, nor the glimmering light Of makeweight candle, nor the joyous talk Of loving friend delights.

Ma'king.* n. s. [macung, Sax.]

1. Composition; structure; form. By the archbishop of Canterbury She had all the royal makings of a queen.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

True friendship is that of a direct contrary making; 'tis a concurrence and agreement in virtue, not in vice. Whole Duty of Man, Sund. 15. § 19. 2. A poem.

Besechynge him lowly of mercy and pyté Of this rude makynge to take compassion. The Churle and the Byrde, s. d.

And the wipers for their noses. B. Jonson, Owls. MALADMINISTRA'TION.* See MALEAD. MINISTRATION.

This stone is sometimes intirely green, but lighter than that of the nephritick stone, so as in colour to resemble the leaf of the mallow, μαλάχη, from which it has its name; though sometimes it is veined with white, or spotted with blue Woodward, Meth. Fossils. or black. Ma'Laga.* n. s. A kind of wine imported

from Malaga in Spain. MA'LADY. n. s. [maladie, Fr.] A disease;

a distemper; a disorder of body; sick-

Better it is to be private In sorrow's torments, than ty'd to the pomp of a

palace, Nurse inward maladies, which have not scope to be

breath'd out. Physicians first require, that the malady be known thoroughly, afterwards teach how to cure Spenser. and redress it.

Say, can you fast? your stomachs are too young: And abstinence engenders maladies. Shakspeare.

An accidental violence of motion, has removed that malady that has baffled the skill of physicians.

Love's a malady without a cure; Fierce love has pierc'd me with his fiery dart, He fires within, and hisses at my heart. Dryden. MALE, in composition, signifies ill; from Pope. MALA'NDERS. n. s. [malandre, old Fr.; male, Latin; male, old French.

from mal andare, Italian, to go ill.] A dry scab on the pastern of horses.

For a cure against warts and malanders. Secrets of Maister Alexis, (1562,) P. III. fol. 40.

MA'LAPERT. † adj. [mal and pert.] Saucy; quick with impudence; sprightly without respect or decency.

Peace, master marquis, you are malapert; Your fire-new stamp of honour is scarce current. Shakspeare.

If thou dar'st tempt me further, draw thy sword, · What, what? nay, then, I must have an ounce or two of this malapert blood from you.

Shakspeare, Tw. Night. When the wives be stubborn, froward, and malipert, their husbands are compelled thereby to abhor and fly from their own houses.

Homilies, on the State of Matrimony. Howsoever he be bitterly censured by Marinus Marsennus, a malapert friar.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 453. Are you growing malapert? Will you force me make use of my authority?

Dryden, Span. Friar. MA'LAPERTLY. † adv. [from malapert.]

Impudently; saucily. So boldly dare controule, And so malapertly withstand

Skelton, Poems, p. 161. The kynges own hand.

Ma'lapertness.† n. s. [from malapert.] Liveliness of reply without decency; quick impudence; sauciness.

Imputing unto them not boldness, but malipert-Fotherby, Atheom, (1622,) p. 169. That it was malipertness to pretend to more

wisdom than so many statesmen.

Fuller, Holy State, p. 458. A malepert presbyterian since this plot; nothing of malepertness before. Life of A. Wood, p. 281 Malapertness, tricking, or violence learnt among Locke on Educ. § 70.

MALAPROPO'S.* adv. [mal and apropos, Fr.] Unsuitably.

The French afford you as much variety on the same day; but they do it not so unseasonably, or malapropos, as we. Dryden, Ess. Dram. Poesy.

Το ΜΑΙΑ'ΧΑΤΕ. υ. α. [μαλάτλω.] Το soften, or knead to softness, any body. MALAXA'TION. n. s. [from malaxate.] The

act of softening.

MALE. adj. [male, French; masculus Latin.] Of the sex that begets, not bears young; not female. Which shall be heir of the two male twins, who

by the dissection of the mother, were laid open to the world? You are the richest person in the commonwealth:

you have no male child; your daughters are all married to wealthy patricians. Swift, Examiner. MALE. † n. s.

1. The he of any species,

In most the male is the greater, and in some few the female. There be more males than females, but in differ-

Graunt, Bills of Mortality ent proportions. 2. A budget; whence the present word mail, for a bag of letters. See MAIL. and MALET. This is the orthography

of our old lexicography, in conformity to its derivation, (male, French,) and to the early use of the word. I have relikes and pardon in my male.

Chaucer, Pard. Tale.

Open the males, yet guard the treasure sure. Tamburlane, (1590.)

MALEADMINISTRA'TION. + n. s. Bad ma-

nagement of affairs.

From the practice of the wisest nations, when a prince was laid aside for maleadministration, the nobles and people did resume the administration of the supreme power.

A general canonical denunciation, is that which is made touching such a matter as properly belongs to the ecclesiastical court, for that a subject denounces his superior for maleadministration, or Ayliffe, Parergon. a wicked life.

Manifestly tending to fix all the blame of the maladministration, in the latter part of Edward the Third's reign, upon the same set of men, who had been called to account for it, and punished in the parliament of 1376.

Lowth, Life of Wykeham, § 5.

MA'LECONTENT:† \ adj. [male and content; MALECONTE'NTED. [malcontent, old Fr.] Discontented; dissatisfied.

Brother Clarence, how like you our choice, That you stand pensive, as half malecontent.

Poor Clarence! Is it for a wife That thou art malecontent? I will provide thee.

The king, for securing his state against mutinous and malecontented subjects, who might have refuge in Scotland, sent a solemn ambassage to conclude a peace.

The malecontented multitude with their petition speeds not. Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 71. It makes me malecontent and desperate.

Fanshaw, Past. Fid. p. 64. This is the design of the words, either to satisfy

or silence this malecontented enquiry. South, Serm. vii. 289.

The usual way in despotick governments is to confine the malecontent to some castle. Addison, Freeholder.

MA'LECONTENT.* n. s. One who is dissatisfied; one whom nothing pleases. Huddibras, more like a malecontent,

Did see and grieve at his bold fashion.

Spenser, F. Q. ii, ii. 37.

Here comes now the malecontent, a singular fellow, and very formall in all his demeanours; one that can reproove the world with but a word, the follies of the people with a shrug

Riche, Faults & Nothing but Faults, (1606,) p. 7. They cannot signalize themselves as malecontents, without breaking through all the softer vir-Addison, Freeholder.

Were all sweet and sneaking courtiers, or were all sour malecontents; in either case the publick would thrive but ill.

Bp. Berkeley, Max. of Patriotism, § 36.

MALECONTE'NTEDLY. adv. [from malecontent. With discontent.

MALECONTE'NTEDNESS. n. s. [from malecontent.] Discontentedness; want of affection to government.

They would ascribe the laying down my paper to a spirit of malecontentedness. Spectator.

Maledi'cency.* n. s. [maledicentia, Lat.] Reproachful speech; proneness to reproach.

We are now to have a taste of the maledicency of Luther's spirit from his book against Henry the Atterbury, Character of Luther.

MALEDI'CENT.* adj. [maledicens, Latin.] Speaking reproachfully; slanderous.

Possessed with so furious, so maledicent, and so slovenly spirits. Sir E. Sandys, State of Religion. MALEDI'CTED. adj. [maledictus, Latin.] Accursed.

MALEDI'CTION. n. s. [malediction, French; maledictio, Latin.] Curse; execration; denunciation of evil,

Then let my life long time on earth maintained

To wretched me, the last, worst malediction. Sidney. The true original cause, divine malediction, laid by the sin of man, upon these creatures which God hath made for the use of man, was above the reach of natural capacity. Hooker.

In Spain they stayed near eight months, during which Buckingham lay under millions of maledictions; which, upon the prince's arrival in the west, did vanish into praises.

MALEFA'CTION. n. s. [male and facio, Lat.] A crime; an offence.

Guilty creatures at a play Have, by the very cunning of the scene, Been struck so to the soul, that presently

They have proclaimed their malefactions. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

MALEFA'CTOR. n. s. [male and facio, Lat.] An offender against law; a criminal; a guilty person.

A jaylor to bring forth Some monstrous malefactor.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. Fear his word,

As much as malefactors do your sword,

Roscommon. It is a sad thing when men shall repair to the ministry, not for preferment but refuge; like malefactors flying to the altar, only to save their

If their barking dog disturb her ease, The unmanner'd malefactor is arraign'd.

Dryden, Juv. The malefactor goat was laid

On Bacchus' altar, and his forfeit paid. Dryden. MA'LEFICE.* n. s. [French; maleficium, Latin.] Any wicked act; artifice; enchantment.

If he were refreined by sikenesse, or malefice of rcerie. Chaucer, Parson's Tale.
He crammed them with crums of benefices.

And fill'd their mouths with meeds of malefices. Spenser, Hubb. Tale.

MALE'FICENT.* adj. [maleficus, Latin.] Wicked; doing evil.

Let us apply to the unjust, what we have said above, of a mischievous or maleficent nation.

Burke, Extr. from Vattel, § 70. To Malefi'ciate.* v. a. [from maleficium, Latin.] To bewitch.

A third dares not venture to walk alone, for fear he should meet the devil, a thief, be sick; fears all old women as witches; and every black dog or cat he sees, he suspecteth to be a devil; every person that comes near him is maleficiated every creature, all intent to hurt him, seek his ruin!

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 181.
MALEFICIA'TION.* n. s. [from maleficiate.] Witchcraft. See also MALEFICE.

Irremediable impotency ---- whether by way of perpetual maleficiation, or casualty.

Bp. Hall, Cases of Consc. D. 4. C. 10. MALE'FICK. adj. [maleficus, Latin.]
MALE'FIQUE. Mischievous; hurtful.

MALE'NGINE.* n. s. [French, malengin.] Guile; deceit.

But the chaste damzell, that had never priefe Of such malengine and fine forgerve, Did easely believe her strong extremitye.

Spenser, F. Q. iii. i. 53. The admiral through private malice and malengine was to lose his life

Milton, Of Ref. in Eng. B. 1. MALEPRA'CTICE. n. s. [male and practice.] Practice contrary to rules.

MALESPI'RITED.* adj. [male and spirit.] Having the spirit and courage of a man; highminded,

The youths are of themselves hot, violent, Full of great thought; and that male-spirited dame, Their mother, slacks no means to put them on.

B. Jonson, Sejanus. MA'LET.* n. s. [malette, French.] A budget; a portmanteau. See MAIL.

He lifted up a saddle-cushion, and a portmantue fast to it, which were half rotten. - The knight was possessed with a marvelous desire to know who was the owner of the malet." Shelton, D. Quix. iii. 9.

To MA'LETREAT.* See To MALTREAT. MALE'VOLENCE. n. s. [malevolentia, Lat.] Ill will; inclination to hurt others; malignity. The son of Duncan

Lives in the English court; and is receiv'd Of the most pious Edward with such grace, That the malevolence of fortune nothing Takes from his high respect. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

MALE'VOLENT. adj. [malevolus, Lat.] IIIdisposed towards others; unfavourable: malignant.

I have thee in my arms

Though our malevolent stars have struggled hard, And held us long asunder. Dryden, K. Arthur. MALE'VOLENTLY. adv. [from malevolence.] Malignly; malignantly; with ill-will.

The oak did not only resent his fall, but vindicate him from aspersions malevolently cast upon

MALE'VOLOUS.* adj. [malevolus, Latin; malivole, French.] Malevolent; malicious. In use more than two centuries since, as by Cotgrave and Sherwood; and revived, in modern times, by a writer of high distinction. I have brought also into the Dictionary of our Language, the opposite to this word, benevolous.

Hitherto we see these malevolous critics keep Warburton on Prodigies, p. 109. their ground.

MA'LICE. n. s. [malice, French; malitia, Latin.

1. Badness of design; deliberate mischief. God hath forgiven me many sins of malice, and therefore surely he will pity my infirmities.

Bp. Taylor, Holy Living. 2. Ill intention to any one; desire of hurting.

Duncan is in his grave; Malice domestick, foreign levy, nothing Can touch him further ! Shakspeare, Macbeth.

When Satan, who late fled before the threats Of Gabriel out of Eden, now improv'd In meditated fraud and malice, bent On man's destruction, maugre what might hap

Of heavier on himself, fearless return'd. Milton, P. L.

To Ma'LICE. v. a. [from the noun.] To regard with ill-will. Obsolete, but formerly much used.

The cause why he this fly so maliced, Was that his mother which him bore and bred, The most fine-fingered workman on the ground, Arachne, by his means, was vanquished.

Spenser, Muiopotmos. I am so far from malicing their states,

That I begin to pity them.

B. Jonson, Every Man out of his Humour. We malice them not; we are not enemies unto Bp. Jewel, Serm. (1611,) p. 203.

MALI'CIOUS. adj. [malicieux, French; maliciosus, Latin.] Ill-disposed to any one; intending ill; malignant.
We must not stint

Our necessary actions, in the fear To cope malicious censurers; which ever, As ravenous fishes do a vessel follow That is new trimm'd. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

I grant him bloody, Sudden, malicious, smacking of every sin Shakspeare, Macbeth. That has a name. Thou knowest,

What hath been warn'd us, what malicious foe, Envying our happiness, and of his own Despairing, seeks to work us woe and shame.

The air appearing so malicious in this morbifick

conspiracy, exacts a more particular regard. Harvey on Consumptions. MALI'CIOUSLY. adv. [from malicious.]

With malignity; with intention of mischief. An intrigue between his majesty and a junto of ministers maliciously bent against me, broke out,

and had like to have ended in my utter destruction. MALI'CIOUSNESS. † n. s. [from malicious.] Malice; intention of mischief to another.

Lay aside all maliciousnesse, guile, and dissimulation. Knight, Tr. of Truth, (1580,) fol. 62. Not out of envy or maliciousness,

Do I forbear to crave your special aid. Herbert. MALI'GN. adj. [maligne, Fr.; malignus, Latin: the g is mute or liquescent.]

1. Unfavourable; ill-disposed to any one; malicious.

Witchcraft may be by operation of malign spirits. Bacon.

Such as, to set forth
Great things by small, if nature's concord broke, Among the constellations war were sprung, Two planets, rushing from aspect malign Of fiercest opposition, in mid sky,

Should combat, and their jarring spheres con-Milton, P. L. Of contempt, and the malign hostile influence it has upon government, every man's experience

will inform him. South. 2. Infectious; fatal to the body; pesti-

lential. He that turneth the humours back, and maketh the wound bleed inwards, endangereth malign ulcers, and pernicious imposthumations.

To Mali'GN. + v. a. [from the adjective.]

1. To regard with envy or malice. The people practise what mischiefs and villanies they will against private men, whom they malign, by stealing their goods, or murdering

em. Spenser on Ireland.
It is hardly to be thought that any governour them. should so malign his successor, as to suffer an evil

to grow up, which he might timely have kept under.

Spenser on Ireland. Strangers conspired together against him, and maligned him in the wilderness. Ecclus. xlv. 18.

If it is a pleasure to be envied and shot at, to

be maligned standing, and to be despised falling; then is it a pleasure to be great, and to be able to dispose of men's fortunes.

2. To mischief; to hurt; to harm.

Fruit-trees too much maligned by the arsenical Boyle, Style of H. Script. p. 87.

To Mali'GN.* v. n. To entertain malice. This odious fool, when he meets with aught above the cogitation of his reading, leaves the noisome stench of his rude slot behind him, maligning that any thing should be spoke or understood above his own genuine baseness.

Milton, Colasterion.

MALI'GNANCY. n. s. [from malignant.] 1. Malevolence; malice; unfavourable-

My stars shine darkly over me; the malignancy of my fate might, perhaps, distemper yours; therefore I crave your leave, that I may bear my evils alone. Shakspeare. 2. Destructive tendency.

The infection doth produce a bubo, which, according to the degree of its malignancy, either proves easily curable, or else it proceeds in its Wiseman, Surgery.

MALI'GNANT. adj. [malignant, French.]

1. Malign; envious; unpropitious; malicious; mischievous; intending or ef-

O malignant and ill-boading stars!

Now art thou come unto a feast of death. Shakspeare.

Not friended by his wish to your high person, His will is most malignant, and it stretches Beyond you to your friends.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. To good malignant, to bad men benign.

Milton, P. L. They have seen all other notions besides their own represented in a false and malignant light, whereupon they judge and condemn at once. Watts, Impr. of the Mind.

2. Hostile to life; as, malignant fevers.

They hold, that the cause of the gout is a malignant vapour that falls upon the joint; that the swelling is a kindness in nature, that calls down humours to damp the malignity of the vapours, and thereby assuage the pain. Temple. vapours, and thereby assuage the pain. Let the learn'd begin

The enquiry, where disease could enter in; How those malignant atoms forc'd their way, What in the faultless frame they found to make their prey?

MALI'GNANT. † n. s.

1. A man of ill intention; malevolently disposed.

Occasion was taken, by certain malignants, secretely to undermine his great authority in the church of Christ.

2. It was a word used of the defenders of the church and monarchy by the rebel sectaries in the civil wars.

How will dissenting brethren relish it? What will malignants say? Hudibras, i. ii.

MALI'GNANTLY. adv. [from malignant.] With ill intention; maliciously; mischievously.

Now arriving At place of potency, and sway o'the state, If he should still malignantly remain Fast foe to the Plebeians, your voices might Shakspeare, Coriol.

Be curses to yourselves. MALI'GNER. † n. s. [from malign.]

1. One who regards another with ill will. The envious maligners of your majesty's felicity. Earl of Carlisle to the King, (1623,) Cabal, p. 269. I thought it necessary to justify my character in point of cleanliness, which my maligners call in question.

2. Sarcastical censurer.

Maligners of the higher powers, such as Sainct Jude calleth contemners of lordeshippe.

Fulke, Retentive, (1580,) p. 111.
Such as these are philosophers' maligners, who pronounce the most generous contemplations, needless unprofitable subtleties.

Glanville, Apology.

MALI'GNITY. n. s. [malignité, French.]

1. Malice: maliciousness.

Deeds are done which man might charge aright On stubborn fate, or undiscerning might, Had not their guilt the lawless soldiers known, And made the whole malignity their own. Tickell.

2. Contrariety to life; destructive tendency.

Whether any tokens of poison did appear, reports are various; his physicians discerned an invincible malignity in his disease. Hayward.

No redress could be obtained with any vigour proportionable to the malignity of that far-spread

3. Evilness of nature.

This shews the high malignity of fraud, that in the natural course of it tends to the destruction of common life, by destroying trust and mutual con-

MALI'GNLY. † adv. [from malign.] Enviously; with ill will; mischievously.

Such are evermore the unworthye wayes of thys world, malygnelye to blame men for their wel doinge. Bale, Yet a Course, &c. (1543,) fol. 52. Lest you think I railly more than teach,

Or praise malignly arts I cannot reach; Let me for once presume t' instruct the times.

Ma'LISON.* n. s. [old French, malison, a curse.] A malediction. Obsolete.

God will yeve his malison to swiche lordeshippes as susteine the wickedness of their servants. Chaucer, Parson's Tale.

MA'LKIN. † n. s. [from mal, of Mary, and kin, the diminutive termination. Dr. Johnson. -- Dr. Johnson's etymology is, I apprehend, erroneous. The kitchenwench very naturally takes her name from this word, a scuillon; another of her titles is in like manner derived from escouillon, the French term for the utensil called a malkin. Malone. - It may perhaps be derived from the Sax. mal, a spot, and the termination kin. G. Chalmers.] A kind of mop made of clouts for sweeping ovens; thence a frightful figure of clouts dressed up; thence a dirty wench. See MAID MA-

The kitchen malkin pins Her richest lockram 'bout her reechy neck, Clambering the walls to eye him.

Shakspeare, Coriol. None would look on her,

But cast their gazes on Marina's face; Whilst ours was blurted at, and held a malkin. Shakspeare, Pericles.

MALL. n. s. [malleus, Lat. a hammer.]

1. A kind of beater or hammer.

He took a mall, and after having hollowed the handle, and that part which strikes the ball, he enclosed in them several drugs. Addison, Spect.

2. A stroke; a blow. Not in use. With mighty mall,

The monster merciless him made to fall.

Spenser, F. Q. Give that reverend head a mall,

Of two or three against a wall.

3. A walk where they formerly played with malls and balls. Moll is, in Icelandick, an area or walk spread with

This the beau monde shall from the mall survey, And hail with musick its propitious ray. Pope.

To MALL. t. v. a. [See To MAUL.] To beat or strike with a mall.

MA'LLARD. n. s. [malart, French.] The drake of the wild duck.

Antony

Claps on his sea-wing, and like a doting mallard, Leaving the fight in height, flies after her.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. The birds that are most easy to be drawn are

mallard, shoveler, and goose Peacham on Drawing. Arm your hook with the line, and cut so much

of a brown mallard's feather as will make the Walton, Angler.

MALLEABI'LITY. n. s. [from malleable.] Quality of enduring the hammer; quality of spreading under the hammer.

Supposing the nominal essence of gold to be a body of such a peculiar colour and weight, with the malleability and fusibility, the real essence is that constitution on which these qualities and their union depend.

MA'LLEABLE. adj. [malleable, French; from malleus, Lat. a hammer.] Capable of being spread by beating; this is a quality possessed in a most eminent degree by gold, it being more ductile than any other metal; and is opposite to friability or brittleness. Quincy.

Make it more strong for falls, though it come not to the degree to be malleable. The beaten soldier proves most manful,

That like his sword endures the anvil; And justly's held more formidable,

The more his valour's malleable. If the body is compact, and bends or yields inward to pression, without any sliding of its parts, it is hard and elastick, returning to its figure, with a force rising from the mutual attraction of its parts; if the parts slide upon one another, the body is malleable or soft.

Newton, Opticks. Ma'lleableness. n. s. [from malleable.] Quality of enduring the hammer; mal-

leability; ductility.

The bodies of most use that are sought for out of the earth are the metals, which are distinguished from other bodies by their weight, fusibility, and

To Ma'lleate. v. a. I from malleus, Lat. To hammer; to forge or shape by the hammer.

Look upon every circumstance in the story of Pharaoh, and we cannot find one which was not as a hammer to malleate and soften his stony Farindon, Serm. 1647, p. 218. He first found out the art of melting and mallealing metals, and making them useful for tools.

MALLEA'TION.* n. s. \(\text{Tmalleation}, \text{French}, \) Cotgrave; from malleate.] Act of beat-

His squire - by often malleations, hammerings, poundings, and threshings, might in good time be

beaten out into the form of a gentleman. Gayton on D. Quix. (1654,) p. 67. MA'LLET. † n. s. [maillet, French; malleus, Latin.] A wooden hammer.

The vessel soddered up was warily struck with a wooden mallet, and thereby compressed. Boyle. Their left-hand does the calking iron guide,

The rattling mallet with the right they lift. Dryd. Ma'LLOWS. n. s. [malva, Latin; malepe, Saxon.] A plant.

Shards or mallows for the pot,

That keep the loosen'd body sound. Dryden. MA'LMSEY. † n. s. [from Malvasia, a city of Peloponnesus. A kind of wine was called malvasy, or malvesy; Ital. malvosio; Teut. malvasey; and another sort of wine made in Provence had the same name. So, in our old lexicography, "Malvesey, malmsey wine." Huloet.]

1. A sort of grape.

2. A kind of wine.

With him he brought a jubbe of Malvesie, And eke another ful of fine Vernage.

Chaucer, Shipm. Tale. Metheglin, wort, and malmsey. Shaksneare. MALT. † n. s. [mealt, Sax.; mout, Dutch. Dr. Johnson. - It is nothing, says Mr. H. Tooke, "but the French word mouiller, to wet or moisten: mouillé, anglicised, becoming mouilled, mouill'd, mould: then moult, mault, malt: wetting or moistening of the grain is the first and necessary part of the process in making what we therefore term malt." Diversions of Purley, ii. 70. — There is much ingenuity in this deduction, which is applied also to mould, evidently with greater force; for that word was written mowle, and moule; thus marking precisely, as it were, its origin. See Mould, and To Mould. But the Sax. mealt, or malt, as well as the Teut. malt, seem to point out the origin of the present word: and these may have been easily formed from the Greek μαλάττω, to soften, to make soft.] Grain steeped in water and fermented, then dried on a

Beer hath malt first infused in the liquor, and is afterwards boiled with the hop. Bacon, Nat. Hist. MA'LTDUST. n. s. [malt and dust.]

Malt-dust is an enricher of barrenland, and a great improver of barley. Mortimer, Husb.

MA'LTFLOOR. n.s. [malt and floor.] A floor to dry malt.

Empty the corn from the cistern into the malt-Mortimer.

To MALT, v. n. 1. To make malt.

2. To be made malt.

To house it green it will mow-burn, which will make it malt worse. MA'LTALENT.* n. s. [old Fr. maltalent.]

Ill humour; spleen, Obsolete. Her malice and her maletalent.

Chaucer, Rom. R. 273. So forth he went,

With heavy looke, and lumpish pace, that plaine In him bewrai'd great grudge and maltalent, Spenser, F. Q. iii. iv. 61.

MA'LTDRINK. n. s. [malt and drink.]

All maltdrinks may be boiled into the consistence of a slimy syrup. Floyer on the Humours. MA'LTHORSE. n.s. [malt and horse.] It seems to have been, in Shakspeare's time, a term of reproach for a dull dolt. You peasant swain, you whoreson, you malt-

horse drudge. Shaks. Tam. of the Shrew. Mome, malthorse, capon, coxcomb, idiot, patch.

MA'LTMAN. \ n. s. [from malt. One who MA'LTSTER. \ makes malt. Sir Arthur the maltster ! how fine it will sound.

Tom came home in the chariot by his lady's side; but he unfortunately taught her to drink brandy, of which she died; and Tom is now a journeyman maltster.

To MALTRE'AT.* v. a. [male and treat.] To use with roughness or unkindness. The sheriffs of London - not only refused to

deliver Ferrers, but maltreated the serjeant. Bp. Ellys, Tracts on Liberty, P. ii. p. 105.
MA'LTWORM.* n.s. [malt and worm.] A

tippler. A word of contempt.

None of these mad, mustachio, purple-hued maltworms.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. P. I. Good fellows in a tavern or an alehouse, and know not otherwise how to bestow their time but in drinking; maltworms, men-fishes, or watersnakes, like so many frogs in a puddle!

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 901.

mouillé, the past participle of the verb | MALVA'CEOUS. adj. [malva, Latin.] Relating to mallows.

> MALVERSA'TION. + n. s. [French.] Bad shifts; mean artifices; wicked and fraudulent tricks.

A man turned out of his employment by Sir John Clavering for malversation in office.

Burke, Speech on Mr. Fox's E. India Bill. MAM. n. s. [mamma, Latin: this word is said to be found MAMMA'. for the compellation of mother in all languages; and is therefore supposed to be the first syllables that a child pronounces. The fond word for mother.

Poor Cupid sobbing scarce could speak; Indeed, mamma, I did not know ye;

Alas! how easy my mistake? I took you for your likeness Chloe. Prior. Little masters and misses are great impediments to servants; the remedy is to bribe them, that they may not tell tales to papa and mamma.

Swift, Rules to Servants. Ma'maluke.* n. s. [mamaluc, Fr. mamalucco, Ital, from the Arab, mamluc, subject, under the command of another.] One of those, who were originally slaves or mercenary soldiers, and usurped the sovereignty of Egypt in the thirteenth century, and maintained their usurpation till the beginning of the sixteenth: they are said to have been originally Circassian or Mingrelian slaves; and have, in modern times, been called the military force of Egypt. They have both fought against that enemy of the world's happiness, Napoleon Buonaparte; and they have also joined the French.

He [Saladine] sent to the Circassians by the lake of Meotis, near Taurica Chersonesus, and thence brought many slaves of able and active bodies. — These slaves he trained up in military discipline, most of them being Christians, once baptized; but afterwards, untaught Christ, they learned Mahomet; and so became the worse foes to religion for once being her friends. These proved excellent soldiers and special horsemen,

and are called mammalukes. Fuller, Holy War, p. 97. 'Tis sung, there is a valiant mamaluke. In foreign land. Hudibras, i. 1.

MAMME'E tree. n. s.

The mammee tree hath a rosaceous flower, which afterwards becomes an almost spherical fleshy fruit, containing two or three seeds inclosed in hard rough shells.

To MA'MMER.* v. n. [perhaps a corruption of mander. See To MAUNDER.] To stand in suspense; to hesitate.

When she daygnes to send for him, then mammering he doth doate.

Drant, Tr. of Horace, ii. 3. (1567.)

I wonder in my soul, What you could ask me, that I should deny,

Or stand so mammering on. Shakspeare, Othello. MA'MMERING.* n. s. [from mammer.] Con-

fusion; amazement; hesitation. If he stand in amaze and mammering to hear

such gibbrish, and more to see all this mummery acted upon the stage, I blame him not.

World of Wond. (1608,) p. 326.

Ma'mmer. † n. s. [from mam or mamma. Dr. Johnson. See also Minsheu. A corruption of Mahomet, according to others. See MAWMET.] A puppet; a figure dressed up.

A wretched puling fool

Shakspeare Rom. and Jul. A whining mammet. They are not natural but artificial women, not women of flesh and blood, but rather puppets or mammets, consisting of raggs and clowts compact Stubbes, Anat. of Abuses.

MA'MMIFORM. adj. [mammiforme, French; mamma and forma, Lat.] Having the shape of paps or dugs.

MAMMI'LLARY. † adj. [mammillaire, Fr.

mammillaris, Lat. 7

1. Belonging to the paps or dugs.

2. Denoting two small protuberances like nipples found under the fore ventricles of the brain, and supposed to be the organs of smelling.

The mammillary teats in the brain are the proper receptacles of odours; the passage unto them

is the external cartilage.

Dr. Robinson, Endoxa, (1658,) p. 131.

MA'MMOCK.+ n. s. [of unknown ety-

mology.] A shapeless piece.

Camels' flesh they sell in the buzzars roasted upon scuets, or cut in mammocks and carbonadoed, Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 310.

The purest image of thy holiness they have first tossed and tumbled into corners, then cut and mangled into mammocks.

Arnway, Tabl. of Moderat. (1661,) p. 178. The ice was broken into large mammocks

James's Voyage.

To MA'MMOCK. † v. a. [from the noun.] To tear; to break; to pull to pieces. I saw him run after a gilded butterfly; and -

he did so set his teeth, and tear it! O, I warrant, how he mammocked it! Shakspeare, Coriol. The surfeited priest scruples not to paw and

mammock the sacramental bread.

Milton, Of Ref. in Eng. B. 1. MA'MMON. + n. s. [Syriack.] Riches. If therefore ye have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your

St. Luke, xvi. 11. trust the true riches? MA'MMONIST.* n. s. [from mammon.] A

worldly-minded person.

Those base submissions that the covetous mammonist, or cowardly trembler, drudges under. Hammond, Works, iv. 479.

Let him come to the converted mammonist, and ask him which he finds the better treasury.

Decay of Chr. Piety, p. 105. I am none of those mammonists who adore white and red earth, and make their prince's picture their idol that way. Howell, Lett. i. vi. 60.

MAN. † n. s. [man, mon, Saxon. Dr. Johnson. - M. Goth. manna; Icel. man, madr; from the Goth. magan, to be "Ab antiquo mannen, Sueth. manna, cujus vestigia supersunt in ubermannen, oefwermanna, vincere." Wachter, and Serenius. - " Man (inquit Becan.) fit à men, id est, ago, duco; præcipuum enim viri est officium ut se et cætera omnia animalia ducat et gubernet." Kilian. Thus a connexion between the Greek μένος, strength, and man; and between the Latin manus, the hand, and man, has been supposed: a power of guiding, directing, restraining, or confining, i. e. strength and skill, being in man. See Wachter, in V. MAN. And Whiter's Etym. Magn. p. 125.386.] 1. Human being.

The king is but a man as I am; the violet smells to him as it doth to me; the element shews to him as it doth to me, all his senses have Shakspeare.

but human conditions. VOL. II.

All the west bank of Nilus is possessed by an idolatrous, man-eating nation.

Brerewood on Languages. A creature of a more exalted kind

Was wanted yet, and then was man design'd, Dryden, Ov. Conscious of thought. Nature in man capacious souls hath wrought,

And given them voice expressive of their thought; In man the God descends, and joys to find The narrow image of his greater mind.

Creech, Manilius. A combination of the ideas of a certain figure, with the powers of motion, and reasoning joined to substance, make the ordinary idea of a man.

On human actions reason though you can, It may be reason, but it is not man. Pope, Epist.

2. Not a woman.

Bring forth men children only! For thy undaunted metal should compose Shakspeare, K. Lear. Nothing but males.

I had not so much of man in me, But all my mother came into mine eyes,

And gave me up to tears. Shakspeare, Hen. V. Every man child shall be circumcised.

Gen. xvii.10. Ceneus, a woman once, and once a man,

But ending in the sex she first began. Dryden, Æn.

A long time since the custom began, among people of quality, to keep men cooks of the French nation.

3. Not a boy.

The nurse's legends are for truths receiv'd, And the man dreams but what the boy believ'd.

4. A servant; an attendant; a dependant. Now thanked be the great god Pan, Which thus preserves my loved life,

Thanked be I that keep a man Who ended hath this bloody strife: For if my man must praises have,

What then must I that keep the knave? Sidney. My brother's servants

Were then my fellows, now they are my men. Shakspeare.

Such gentlemen as are his majesty's own sworn servants should be preferred to the charge of his majesty's ships; choice being made of men of valour and capacity rather than to employ other men's men. Ralegh, Ess.

I and my man will presently go ride Far as the Cornish mount.

5. A word of familiar address, bordering on contempt.

You may partake of any thing that we say: We speak no treason, man. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

6. It is used in a loose signification like the French on, one, any one.

This same young sober-blooded boy doth not

love me, nor a man cannot make him laugh. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. A man in an instant may discover the assertion

to be impossible. More, Divine Dial. He is a good-natured man, and will give as much as a man would desire. Stilling fleet.

By ten thousand of them a man shall not be able to advance one step in knowledge.

Tillotson, Serm.

Our thoughts will not be directed what objects to pursue, nor be taken off from those they have once fixed on; but run away with a man, in pursuit of those ideas they have in view.

A man would expect to find some antiquities; but all they have to show of this nature is an old rostrum of a Roman ship.

A man might make a pretty landscape of his own plantation.

7. One of uncommon qualifications. William of Wykeham. Manners maketh man. I dare do all that may become a man; Who dares do more is none.

- What beast was't then

That made you break this enterprise to me?

When you durst do it, then you were a man; And, to be more than what you were, you would Be so much more the man. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

He tript me behind, being down, insulted, rail'd. And put upon him such a deal of man,

Shakspeare, K. Lear. That worthied him. Will reckons he should not have been the man he is, had not he broke windows, and knocked down constables, when he was a young fellow. Addison, Spect.

8. A human being qualified in any particular manner.

Thou art but a youth, and he a man of war from his youth. 1 Sam. xvii. 33.

9. Individual.

In matters of equity between man and man, our Saviour has taught us to put my neighbour in the place of myself, and myself in the place of my neighbour. 10. Not a beast.

Thy face, bright Centaur, autumn's heats retain, The softer season suiting to the man.

Creech, Manilius. 11. Wealthy or independent person: to this sense some refer the following passage of Shakspeare, others to the

sense next foregoing. There would this monster make a man; any strange beast there makes a man. Shak. Tempest. What poor man would not carry a great burthen of gold to be made a man for ever? Tillotson.

12. When a person is not in his senses, we say, he is not his own man. Ainsworth. 13. A movable piece at chess or draughts.

14. MAN of war. A ship of war.

A Flemish man of war lighted upon them, and Carew, Surv. of Cornwall. overmastered them.

MAN-MIDWIFE.* n. s. A strange compound, denoting the man who discharges the office of a midwife. It is now frequently converted into the finical accoucheur. Bishop Hall may be considered as giving rise, in some degree, to the present expression. Addison makes a man an housewife. See the third sense of Housewife.

This man was not their midwife.

Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Marr. Clergy, p. 160. She took it in her head to change her sex. This was soon done by the help of a sword and a pair of breeches. I have reason to believe that her first design was to turn man-midwife. Tatler, No. 226.

To Man. v. a. [from the noun. Saxon mannian.]

1. To furnish with men.

Your ships are not well mann'd;

Your mariners are muleteers, or reapers. Shaks. There stands the castle by youd tuft of trees, Mann'd with three hundred men. Shak. Rich. II.

A navy, to secure the seas, is mann'd; And forces sent. . Daniel, Civ. War.

It hath been agreed, that either of them should send certain ships to sea well manned, and apparelled to fight. Hayward.

Their ships go as long voyages as any, and are for their burdens as well manned. Ralegh, Ess. He had manned it with a great number of tall

soldiers, more than for the proportion of the castle. Bacon.

They man their boats, and all their young men

The Venetians could set out thirty men of war, a hundred gallies, and ten galeases; though I cannot conceive how they could man a fleet of half the number. Addison on Italy.

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Timoleon forced the Carthaginians out, though they had manned out a fleet of two hundred men of war. Arbuthnot.

2. To guard with men.

See, how the surly Warwick mans the wall.

Shakspeare. The summons take of the same trumpet's call, To sally from one port, or man one publick wall.

3. To fortify; to strengthen. Dr. Johnson, under this sense, cites a passage from Milton, where the word is move.

Theodosius having manned his soul with proper reflexions, exerted himself in the best manner he could to animate his penitent. Addison, Spect.

4. To tame a hawk.

Another way I have to man my haggard, To make her come, and know her keeper's call; That is, to watch her. Shakspeare.

5. To attend; to serve; to wait on as a man or servant.

Thou whoreson mandrake, thou art fitter to be worn in my cap than to wait at my heels: I was never manned with agate till now.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

They distil their husband's land In decoctions, and are mann'd With ten empiricks in their chamber,

Lying for the spirit of amber. B. Jonson, Forest.

6. To direct in hostility; to point; to aim. Obsolete. Man but a rush against Othello's breast,

And he retires. Shakspeare, Othello.

MA'NACLE. † n. s. [manicle, old French; manicæ, from manus, Latin. Our own word was thus formerly oftener manicle than manacle. Chain for the hands: shackles.

For my sake wear this glove, For my sake well.
It is a manacle of love.
Thou

Shakspeare, Cymb.

Must, as a foreign recreant, be led

With manacles along our street. Shakspeare, Coriol. Doctrine unto fools is as fetters on the feet, and like manacles on the right hand. Ecclus. xxi. 19. Nothing but gyves and manicles in the freest Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 22.

The law good men count their ornament and protection; others, their manacles and oppression. King Charles.

Those manicles put on him were exceedingly inconvenient for a grinder in a mill.

Smith on Old Age, p. 115.

To MA'NACLE. v. a. [from the noun.] To chain the hands; to shackle.

We'll bait thy bears to death, And manacle the bearward in their chains,

Shakspeure.

I'll manacle thy neck and feet together,

Is it thus you use this monarch, to manacle and shackle him hand and foot? Arbuthnot and Pope.

To MA'NAGE. † v. a. [menager, French; from manus, the hand, Latin.

i. To conduct; to carry on.

The fathers had managed the charge of idolatry against the heathens. Let her at least the vocal brass inspire,

And tell the nations in no vulgar strain, What wars I manage, and what wreaths I gain.

2. To train a horse to graceful action. He rode up and down gallantly mounted, ma-

naging his horse, and charging and discharging his They vault from hunters to the manag'd steed.

3. To govern; to make tractable.

Let us stick to our point, and we will manage 12. Governable; tractable. Bull I'll warrant you. Arbuthnot, John Bull. 4. To wield; to move or use easily.

Long tubes are cumbersome, and scarce to be easily managed. Neuton. 5. To husband; to make the object of

There is no more to manage / If I fall,

It shall be like myself; a setting sun

Should leave a tract of glory in the skies. *Dryden*. The less he had to lose, the less he car'd,

To manage loathsome life, when love was the reward. 6. To treat with caution or decency: this

is a phrase merely Gallick; not to be imitated. Dr. Johnson. - Bishop Hurd has disregarded Dr. Johnson's censure of this usage.

Notwithstanding it was so much his interest to manage his protestant subjects in the country, he made over his principality to France.

Addison on Italy.

To the Hollanders she [Queen Elizabeth] could talk big; and it was not her humour to manage those over whom she had gained an ascendant. Hurd, Dial. iv. on the Gold. Age of Q. Eliz.

To Ma'NAGE. v. n. To superintend affairs; to transact.

Leave them to manage for thee, and to grant What their unerring wisdom sees thee want.

Dryden. Ma'nage. n. s. [mesnage, menage, French.] 1. Conduct; administration.

To him put The manage of my state. Shakspeare, Tempest.

This might have been prevented, With very easy arguments of love, Which now the manage of two kingdoms must

With fearful, bloody issue arbitrate. Shakspeare, K. John.

For the rebels which stand out in Ireland. Expedient manage must be made, my liege, Ere further leisure yield them further means.

Shakspeare. Young men, in the conduct and manage of actions, embrace more than they can hold, and stir more than they can quiet. Bacon, Ess.

The plea of a good intention will serve to sanctify the worst actions; the proof of which is but too manifest from that scandalous doctrine of the jesuits concerning the direction of the intention, and likewise from the whole manage of the late rebellion.

2. Use; instrumentality.

To think to make gold of quicksilver is not to be hoped; for quicksilver will not endure the manage of the fire.

3. Government of a horse. In thy slumbers

I heard thee murmur tales of iron wars, Speak terms of manage to the bounding steed. Shaksneare.

The horse you must draw in his career with his numage and turn, doing the curvetto. Peacham.

4. Discipline; governance.

Whenever we take a strong biass, it is not out of a moral incapacity to do better, but for want of a careful manage and discipline to set us right at L'Estrange.

Stilling fleet. MA'NAGEABLE. + adj. [from manage.] 1. Easy in the use; not difficult to be

wielded or moved. The conditions of weapons and their improvement are, that they may serve in all weathers; and that the carriage may be light and manageable.

Bacon, Ess. Very long tubes are, by reason of their length, apt to bend, and shake by bending so as to cause a continual trembling in the objects, whereas by contrivance the glasses are readily manageable.

Newton, Opticks.

Not to forbid the ingenuous operations of buman art and invention, -- so far as they are manageable within the limits of moral intentions and religious ends.

Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 76.
The courage of a Christian is truly rational and manly, founded in religion and true principles of reason; and so is a thousand times more manageable and useful, than that which ariseth only out of temper, and complexion.

Scott's Works, (ed. 1718.) ii. 5. Many of us seem to borrow our passions from bears, tigers, and lions, rather than from more manageable animals.

Skelton, Deism Revealed, Dial, viii.

Ma'nageableness. n. s. [from manageable.]

1. Accommodation to easy use,

This disagreement may be imputed to the greater or less exactness or manageableness of the instruments employed.

2. Tractableness; easiness to be governed. MA'NAGEMENT. n. s. [menagement, Fr.]

1. Conduct; administration.

An ill argument introduced with difference, will procure more credit than the profoundest science with a rough, insolent, and noisy manage-Locke on Education.

The wrong management of the earl of Godolphin was the only cause of the union.

2. Prudence; cunning practice.

Mark with what management their tribes divide; Some stick to you, and some to t'other side.

3. Practice; transaction; dealing. He had great managements with ecclesiasticks in the view of being advanced to the pontificate. Addison on Italy.

Ma'nager. n. s. [from manage.]

1. One who has the conduct or direction of any thing. A skilful manager of the rabble, so long as they

have but ears to hear, needs never enquire whether they have any understanding. The manager opens his sluice every night, and

distributes the water into the town. Addison An artful manager, that crept between

His friend and shame, and was a kind of screen.

2. A man of frugality; a good husband. A prince of great aspiring thoughts: in the main, a manager of his treasure, and yet bountiful, from his own motion, wherever he discerns merit.

Temple. The most severe censor cannot but be pleased with the prodigality of Ovid's wit; though he could have wished, that the master of it had been

a better manager. Dryden. MA'NAGERY. n. s. [managerie, French.] 1. Conduct; direction; administration.

They who most exactly describe that battle, give so ill an account of any conduct or discretion in

the managery of that affair, that posterity would receive little benefit in the most particular relation of it. Clarendon. 2. Husbandry; frugality.
The court of Rome has, in other instances, so

well attested its good managery, that it is not credible crowns are conferred gratis.

Decay of Chr. Piety. 3. Manner of using.

No expert general will bring a company of raw, untrained men into the field, but will, by little bloody skirmishes, instruct them in the manner of the fight, and teach them the ready managery of Decay of Chr. Piety. their weapons. Ma'nakin.* See Manikin.

MANA'TION. n. s. [manatio, Latin.] The act of issuing from something else.

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To Manch, or Munch.* See To Mounch. In some places mounch is pronounced munch or manch. See Jennings's W. C. Words.

MANCHE. n. s. [French.] A sleeve.

MA'NCHET. † n. s. [michet, Fr. Skinner, and Dr. Johnson. - More probably a corruption of main cheat, i. e. principal kind of cheat. Archæol. vol. xv. p. 10. See CHEAT-BREAD. A small loaf of fine bread.

Take a small toast of manchet dipped in oil of sweet almonds.

I love to entertain my friends with a frugal collation; a cup of wine, a dish of fruit, and a More, Divine Dial. A paste made only of crums of bread, which should be of pure fine manchet. Walton, Angler.

[mancanilla, MANCHINE'EL tree. n. s.

Latin.

The manchineel tree is a native of the West Indies, and grows to the size of an oak: its wood is of a beautiful grain, will polish well and last long, and is therefore much esteemed: in cutting down those trees, the juice of the bark must be burnt out before the work is begun: for it will raise blisters on the skin, and burn holes in linen; and if it should flie into the eyes of the labourers, they are in danger of losing their sight: the fruit is of the colour and size of the golden pippen; many Europeans have suffered, and others lost their lives by eating it: the leaves abound with juice of the same nature; cattle never shelter themselves, and scarcely will any vegetable grow under their shade; yet goats Miller. eat this fruit without injury.

To MA'NCIPATE.† v. a. [mancipo, Lat.; manciper, old French.] To enslave; to

bind; to tie.

They voluntary mancipate and sell themselves. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 160. Although the regular part of nature is seldom varied, yet the meteors, which are in themselves more unstable, and less mancipated to stated motions, are often times employed to various ends.

Hale, Orig. of Mankind. MANCIPA'TION. + n. s. [from mancipate.] Slavery; involuntary obligation.

Cockeram. They [the Romans] fortified themselves against all incursions, - and prevailed against all mankind

to their mancipation under them. Waterhous, Comm. on Fortescu, p. 187.

MA'NCIPLE. † n. s. [manceps, Latin; which signified particularly the superintendant of a public bakehouse, and from thence a baker in general. Tyrwhitt. And see Du Cange in V. MANCEPS.] The steward of a community; the purveyor; it is particularly used of the purveyor of a college.

A gentil manciple was ther of a temple, Of which achatours mighten take ensemple For to ben wise in buying of vitaille.

Chaucer, C. T. Prol. They come furnished with no more experience than they learnt between the cook and the man-Milton, Of Ref. in Eng. B. 2. ciple. Milton, Of Ref. in Their manciple fell dangerously ill,

Bread must be had, their grist went to the mill:

This Simkin moderately stole before, Their steward sick, he robb'd them ten times more.

Betterton, Miller of Trompington. MANDA'MUS. + n. s. [Latin.] A writ granted by the court of king's bench in the name of the king; so called from the initial word.

I thought it my duty to returne our most humble thankes to your grace, for your late seasonable and effectual assistance in reverting the mandamus sent to Oriel-college.

Letter in Warton's Life of Bathurst, p. 100.

MANDARI'N. † n.s. [mandarim, or mandador, a commander, Portuguese: by persons of which country this name was given to Chinese people of distinction; mandar, to command, from the Latin mandare.] A Chinese nobleman or magistrate.

Out of these are chosen all their chief officers, and mandarines both civil and military. Temple.

MA'NDATARY. n. s. [mandataire, Fr. from mando, Latin.] He to whom the pope has, by his prerogative, and proper mento musicale. Vocab. Della Crusca.] has, by his prerogative, and proper right, given a mandate for his benefice. Ayliffe.

MA'NDATE. † n. s. [mandat, French; mandatum, Latin.

1. Command.

Her force is not any where so apparent as in express mandates or prohibitions, especially upon advice and consultation going before.

The necessity of the times cast the power of the three estates upon himself, that his mandates should pass for laws, whereby he laid what taxes Howell, Voc. For. he pleased.

2. Precept, charge; commission, sent or transmitted.

Who knows. If the scarce bearded Cæsar have not sent His powerful mandate to you.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. This Moor,

Your special mandate, for the state affairs, Shakspeare, Othello. Hath hither brought. He thought the mandate forg'd, your death con-

Dryden. This dream all powerful Juno sends, I bear

Her mighty mandates, and her words you hear. Dryden. Director. MANDA'TOR. n. s. [Latin.]

A person is said to be a client to his advocate, but a master and mandator to his proctor. Ayliffe, Parergon.

MA'NDATORY. † adj. [mandare, Lat.] Preceptive; directory.

It doth not appear that he usurped more than a mandatory nomination of the bishop to be con-Abp. Usher on Ordination, p. 221. secrated.

MA'NDATORY.* n. s. One to whom a commandment or charge is given; as, to an apparitor, or other messenger, to ex-Bullokar. ecute a citation. Sending their mandatory with a musquetier to

doctor Hammond's lodging, they commanded him to appear before them.

Fell, Life of Hammond, § 1.

To Ma'nder.* See To Maunder.

MA'NDIBLE. † n. s. [mandibula, Lat.; mandibule, old Fr.] The jaw; the instrument of manducation.

There are two jaw bones, which are called the upper and nether mandible.

Smith on Old Age, p. 76. He saith, only the crocodile moveth the upper jaw, as if the upper mandible did make an articulation with the cranium. Grew. Museum.

MANDI'BULAR. † adj. [from mandibula, Lat.] Belonging to the jaw.

They consider and compute the many parts, joints, sinews; - parts similar, dissimilar, guttural, dental, mandibular.

Gayton on D. Quix. (1654,) p. 103. MA'NDIL.* n.s. [mandille, old French. From the Persian. See MANTLE.] A sort of mantle.

Gratifying them with a horse, a sword, a mandil, or the like. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 293.

Mandi'Lion. † n. s. [mandiglione, Italian.] A soldier's coat. Skinner. A loose garment; a sleeveless jacket. Ainsworth. It is from the Persian. See MANDIL, and MANTLE.

MA'NDMENT.* n. s. [mandement, old Fr.; from mando, Latin.] Commandment; direction. Obsolete.

One of these least maundementis.

Wicliffe, St. Matt. v. Without mandement. Chaucer, Fr. Tale.

A kind of citern.

Mandra'gora.† }
Ma'ndrake. } n. s. [mandragoras, Latin; mandragôre, French. manopagopa, Saxon.] A plant.

The flower of the mandrake consists of one leaf in the shape of a bell, and is divided at the top into several parts; the root is said to bear a resemblance to the human form. The reports of tying a dog to this plant, in order to root it up, and prevent the certain death of the person who dares to attempt such a deed, and of the groans emitted by it when the violence is offered, are equally Miller. fabulous.

Among other virtues, mandrake has been falsely celebrated for rendering barren women fruitful: it has a soporifick quality, and the ancients used it when they wanted a narcotick of the Hill, Mat. Med. most powerful kind. Would curses kill, as doth the mandrake's groan,

I would invent as bitter searching terms, As curst, as harsh, and horrible to hear. Shakspeare.

Not poppy, nor mandragora, Nor all the drowsy syrups of the world, Shall ever med'cine thee to that sweet sleep.

Shaksneare. Come, violent death,

Serve for mandragora to make me sleep. Webster, Dutchess of Malfy, (1923.) And shrieks like mandrakes, torn out of the earth.

That living mortals, hearing them, run mad.

Shakspeare. Go, and catch a falling star, Get with child a mandrake root. Donne.

MA'NDREL. n. s. [mandrin, French.] An instrument to hold in the lathe the

substance to be turned.

Mandrels are made with a long wooden shank, to fit stiff into a round hole that is made in the work, that is to be turned; this mandrel is a shank, or pin mandrel:

MA'NDUCABLE.* adj. [from manduco, Lat.] That may be eaten; fit to be eaten.

Not forbearing to eat any manducable creature. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 53. To MA'NDUCATE. + v. a. [manduco,

Lat.] To chew; to eat. 4 U 2

It is gravel in the teeth, and a man must drink the blood of his own gums, when he manducates such unwholesome, such unpleasant fruit.

Bp. Taylor. Serm. (1653,) p. 252. MANDUCA'TION. + n. s. [manducatio, Lat.] Eating; chewing.

Manducation is the action of the lower jaw in chewing the food, and preparing it in the mouth before it is

received into the stomach.

As good popery κατὰ γεάμμα, as ever papist conceived of transubstantiation or oral manducation. Mountagu, App. to Cas. (1625,) p. 261. The more solid food needs greater manducation. Smith on Old Age, p. 82.

As he who is not a holy person does not feed upon Christ, it is apparent that our manducation must be spiritual, and therefore so must the food, and consequently it cannot be natural flesh.

Bp. Taylor, Worthy Communicant. MANE. n. s. [maene, Dutch.] The hair which hangs down on the neck of horses or other animals.

Dametas was tossed from the saddle to the mane of the horse, and thence to the ground. Sidney.

A currie comb, maine comb, and whip for a

The weak wanton Cupid Shall from your neck unloose his am'rous fold; And, like a dew-drop from the lion's mane, Be shook to air. Shakspeare, Troil. and Cress.

The horses breaking loose, ran up and down with their tails and manes on a light-fire. Knolles, Hist. of the Turks.

A lion shakes his dreadful mane. And angry grows. Waller.

For quitting both their swords and reins. They grasp'd with all their strength the manes.

MA'NEATER. n. s. [man and eat.] cannibal; an anthropophagite; one that feeds upon human flesh.

MA'NED. adj. [from the noun.] Having a

MANE'GE.* n. s. [French.] A place where horses are trained, or horsemanship taught; a riding-school.

If the weather is very hot, you may leave your riding at the manege till your return to Paris.

Ld. Chesterfield.

MANE'RIAL.* adj. [manerium, Latin.] Manorial; which is another way of writing the word.

Hence we may conclude, that beside the church, there was a domestic or manerial chapel belonging to the old family-seat at Astorley,

Warton, Hist. of Kiddington, p. 20. MA'NES. + n. s. [Latin.] Ghost; shade;

that which remains of man after death. Hail, O ye holy manes! hail again

Paternal ashes. Dryden, Virg. Some sages have thought it pious to preserve a certain reverence for the manes of their deceased friends; and have withdrawn themselves from the rest of the world, at certain seasons, to commemorate in their own thoughts such of their acquaintance who have gone before them out of this Tatler, No. 181.

MA'NFUL. † adj. [man and full.] Bold; stout; daring.

A handful

It had devour'd, 'twas so manful. Hudibras. The Jews, observing a manful resolution and majesty in his countenance, asked him some particulars concerning his parents, condition, and

Anderton, Hist. of the Iconoclasts, (1671,) p. 29. MA'NFULLY. adv. [from manful.] Boldly; stoutly.

Artimesia behaved herself manfully in a great fight at sea, when Xerxes stood by as a coward.

I slew him manfully in fight, Without false 'vantage, or base treachery.

Shakspeare. He that with this Christian armour manfully fights against, and repels, the temptations and assaults of his spiritual enemies; he that keeps his conscience void of offence, shall enjoy peace here and for ever. Ray on Creation.

MA'NFULNESS. + n. s. [from manful.] Stoutness: boldness.

Daniel, then byshoppe of Wynchestre, sent this Wenefridus to Rome, with his letters of commendation for his manfulness there shewed.

Bale, Acts of Eng. Vot. P. 1. (1550,) fol. 57.

MANG.* n. s. [perhaps from the Saxon, menzean, to mingle. Brockett's N. C. Words.] A mash of bran or malt. Grose. Barley or oats ground with the husks, given to dogs and swine. Brockett. A northern word.

Ma'nganese.† n. s. [manganesia, low Lat. 7

Manganese is a metal, very brittle, of a gravish colour, and of considerable brilliance. The word manganese is often applied to the native black oxide of this metal, which is a commonly-occurring ore. See the Journal of Science, &c. No. 20. p. 286.

Manganese is rarely found but in an iron vein. Woodward.

Mangco'rn. n. s. [mengen, Dutch, to mingle. Corn of several kinds mixed: as, wheat and rye. It is generally pronounced mung corn.

MANGE. n. s. [demangeaison, Fr.] The itch or scab in cattle.

The sheep died of the rot, and the swine of the B. Jonson. Tell what crisis does divine

The rot in sheep, or mange in swine. Hudibras. Ma'nger. n. s. [mangeoire, French.] The place or vessel in which animals are fed with corn.

A churlish cur got into a manger, and there lay growling to keep the horses from their pro-

Ma'nginess. † n. s. [from mangy.] Scabbiness; infection with the manage.

To MA'NGLE. v. a. [mangelen, Dutch, to be wanting; mancus, Lat. Dr. Johnson. - Mangel, Germ. and Su. defectus, ab antiq. Celt. man, defectus. Serenius. Mr. Malone believes it to be a corruption of manquel: "Whom [Edw. son of Hen. VI.] they that stood about sodainly murthered, and piteously manquelled." Hall's Chronicle, 1550.] To lacerate; to cut or tear piece-meal; to butcher.

Cassio, may you suspect
Who they should be, that thus have mangled you? Shakspeare.

Your dishonour Mangles true judgment, and bereaves the state Of that integrity which should become it. Shakspeare.

Afterward they brought the fifth also, and 2 Macc. vii. 15. Thoughts my tormentors, arm'd with deadly

Mangle my apprehensive tenderest parts,

Exasperate, exulcerate, and raise Dire inflammation, which no cooling herb, Or medicinal liquor can assuage. Milton, S. A. .

The triple porter of the Stygian seat, With lolling tongue, lay fawning at thy feet, And, seiz'd with fear, forgot his mangled meat.

What could swords or poisons, racks or flame, But mangle and disjoint this brittle frame! More fatal Henry's words; they murder Emma's fame. It is hard, that not one gentleman's daughter

should read her own tongue; as any one may find, who can hear them when they are disposed to mangle a play or a novel, where the least word out of the common road disconcerts them. Swift.

They have joined the most obdurate consonants without one intervening vowel, only to shorten a syllable; so that most of the books we see now-adays, are full of those manglings and abbreviations.

Inextricable difficulties occur by mangling the sense, and curtailing authors. Baker on Learning.

To Ma'ngle.* v. a. [mangeln, Germ. manghelen, Teut. "Manghelen het lijnwaet, levigare, complanare, polire lintea." Kilian. To smooth linen: to calender.

MA'NGLE.* n. s. A rolling-press for smoothing linen; a calender. The instrument in Germany is mandler, mange, and mangel; in Italy mangano, which Florio renders "a kind of press to press buckram, fustian, or dried linen-cloth, to make it have a lustre or gloss. World of Words, 1598.

MA'NGLER. † n. s. [from mangle.] hacker; one that destroys bunglingly. Your freethinkers at that rate are the greatest manglers of authors. Bentley, Phil. Lips. § 38.

Since after thee may rise an impious line, Coarse manglers of the human face divine; Paint on, till fate dissolve thy mortal part, And live and die the monarch of thy art. Tickell.

Ma'ngo. † n. s. [mangostan, French. Dr. Johnson. - Kempfer derives the name from the mangoust, or Indian ichneumon, which is said to eat of this root when bitten by the viper named naja; the root being called a remedy against the poison of serpents; and that the plant thus obtained the name of mango from that being the Portuguese name for the mangoust.] A fruit of the East Indies brought to Europe pickled.

The fruit with the husk, when very young, makes a good preserve, and is used to pickle like

What lord of old wou'd bid his cook prepare Mangoes, potargo, champignons, cavare.

MA'NGONEL.* n.s. [mangoneau, old Fr. mangonel, modern; from μάγγανον, Gr. a machine.] An engine which threw large stones, and was employed to batter walls. Obsolete.

Withouten stroke it mote be take Of trepeget or mengonell. Chaucer, Rom. R.6279.

Ma'ngonism.* n. s. [mangonisme, French, "the craft of trimming or setting out saleable things." Cotgrave.] The art off setting of any thing. Not in use.

Let gentlemen and ladies who are curious, trust little by mangonism, insuccations, or medicine, to alter the species of flowers considerably.

Evelyn, Kal. Hor. March.

To Ma'ngonize. * v. n. [mangonizo, Lat.] mangonner, Fr.] To polish a thing to make it sell the better. Not in use.

Cockeram.

No, you mangonizing slave, I will not part from 'em : you'll sell them, &c. B. Jonson, Poetaster. Ma'ngrove* n. s. A plant which grows in saltwater rivers, both in the East and West Indies.

Ma'ngy. † adj. [from mange.] Infected

with the mange; scabby.

In wretched beggary, And maungy misery,

Skelton, Poems, p. 81. In lousy lothsumnesse. Away, thou issue of a mangy dog!

I swoon to see thee. Shakspeare, Timon. MANHA'TER. n. s. [man and hater.] Misanthrope; one that hates mankind.

Ma'nhood. n. s. [from man.]

1. Human nature.

In Seth was the church of God established; from whom Christ descended, as touching his manhood.

Not therefore joins the son Manhood to Godhead, with more strength to foil Milton, P. L. Thy enemy.

2. Virility; not womanhood.

'Tis in my pow'r to be a sovereign now, And, knowing more, to make his manhood bow. Dryden.

3. Virility; not childhood.

Tetchy and wayward was thy infancy; Thy school-days frightful, desp'rate, wild and furious

Thy prime of manhood daring, bold and ventur-Shakspeare.

By fraud or force the suitor train destroy, And starting into manhood, scorn the boy.

Pope, Odyss.

4. Courage; bravery; resolution; forti-

Nothing so hard but his valour overcame; which he so guided with virtue, that although no man was spoken of but he for manhood, he was called the courteous Amphialus.

MA'NIA.* } n. s. [µavía, Greek; manie, MA'NIE. } French.] Madness. Our old word is manie. Cockeram.

Mania, the most violent and acute species of delirium, arising from a perturbation of the imagination and judge-Chambers.

Nought only like the lover's maladie Of Ereos, but rather ylike manie, Engendred of humours melancolike.

Chaucer, Kn. Tale. MA'NIABLE.* adj. [maniable, French.]

Manageable; tractable. Not in use. As to the will of man, it is that which is most maniable and obedient.

Bacon's Works, (ed. Rawley, 1657,) p. 228.

MANI'ACAL. † adj. [maniacus, Latin; ma-[niac, old Fr. Roquefort.] Ma'NIACK. Raging with madness; mad to rage; Cockeram. brainsick.

Epilepsis and maniacal lunacies usually conform to the age of the moon. Grew, Cosmol. Sacra. MA'NIACK.* n. s. A mad person.

Scornful she spoke; and, heedless of reply,

The lovely maniac bounded o'er the plain. Shenstone, Eleg. 16.

Maniche'an.* } n. s. [from Manes, a Per-Maniche'e. } n. s. [from Manes, a Per-sian, educated among the maji; of whom he was one, before he embraced Christianity.] One of the followers of Manes, who taught that there were two principles of all things, coeternal and coequal, the one good, the other evil; that two equipollent deities ruled the world; and other gross and impious errours.

The Manichees held man in all things dragged by a necessity of destiny. Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 97. Could the wild Manichean own that guide, The good would triumph, and the ill subside!

Maniche'an. * adj. Relating to the Manicheans.

What has been said is methinks sufficient to ruin the Manichean cause, and exclude the independent principle of evil. Wollaston, Religion of Nature.

MA'NICHEISM. * n. s. [from Manichee.] The

impious doctrine of the Manichees. Which doctrine of J. S. is condemned by his adversaries, even of Rome, as the pith of Manicheism. Puller, Moderat. of the Ch. of Eng. p. 143. Bayle — has artfully employed all that force

and acuteness of argument, which he certainly possessed, in promoting the gloomy and uncomfortable scheme of scepticism or Manicheism.

Dr. Warton, Ess. on Pope.

Ma'nichord.* n. s. [manicordion, Fr. "an old-fashioned clarichord." Cotgrave. A musical instrument, like a spinet. It has been confounded with the monochord, as if it were an instrument of one string only. See Monochord. It has taken the name, most probably, from the Lat. manus, the hand, and chord. Its strings, like those of the clarichord, were covered with little pieces of cloth, to deaden or soften the sound: whence it is called the dumb spinet; and was much used in nunneries, by reason that the nuns, who were learning to play upon it, might not disturb the silence of other cells. See Grassineau's Mus.

MA'NICON.* n. s. [manicon, Lat.] A kind of night-shade; an herb so called from its making people mad.

Bewitch Hermetick men to run Stark staring mad with manicon. Hudibras, iii. 1.

MA'NIFEST. adj. [manifestus, Latin.]

1. Plain; open; not concealed; not doubtful; apparent.

They all concur as principles, they all have their forcible operations therein, although not all in like apparent and manifest manner. That which may be known of God is manifest

in them; for God hath shewed it unto them. Rom. i. 19.

He was fore-ordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for 1 Pet. i. 20. VOU.

He full Resplendent all his father manifest

Milton, P. L. Express'd. Thus manifest to sight the God appear'd. Dryden, Æn.

I saw, I saw him manifest in view, His voice, his figure, and his gesture knew. Dryden.

2. Detected: with of. Calistho there stood manifest of shame, And, turn'd a bear, the northern star became,

MA'NIFEST. † n.s. [manifeste, Fr. manifesto, Italian.] Declaration; publick protest-

You authentick witnesses I bring, Of this my manifest: that never more This hand shall combat on the crooked shore.

A manifest, shewing the reasons for declaring war against the king of Sweden. Book, so entitled, fol. publ. in 1675.

To Ma'nifest. v. a. [manifester, French; manifesto, Lat.] To make appear; to make publick; to shew plainly; to dis-Thy life did manifest, thou lov'dst me not;

And thou wilt have me die assured of it.

Shakspeare. He that loveth me I will love him, and mani-St. John, xiv. 21. fest myself to him.

He was pleased himself to assume, and manifest his will in our flesh, and so not only as God from heaven, but God visible on earth, to preach reformation among us.

This perverse commotion

Must manifest thee worthiest to be heir Of all things. Milton, P. L.

Were he not by law withstood, He'd manifest his own inhuman blood.

Druden, Juv. It may be part of our employment in eternity, to contemplate the works of God, and give him

the glory of his wisdom manifested in the creation. Ray on Creation. Manife'stable.* See Manifestible.

Manifesta'tion. n. s. [manifestation, Fr.; from manifest.] Discovery; publication; clear evidence.

Though there be a kind of natural right in the noble, wise and virtuous, to govern them which are of servile disposition; nevertheless, for mani-festation of this their right, the assent of them who are to be governed seemeth necessary. Hooker.

As the nature of God is excellent, so likewise is it to know him in those glorious manifestations of himself in the works of creation and providence.

The secret manner in which acts of mercy ought to be performed, requires this public manifestation of them at the great day.

MANIFE'STIBLE. + adj. [properly manifestable, Dr. Johnson observes. And so the learned Henry More writes it. Dr. Johnson cites only Sir T. Brown. Easy to be made evident.

This is manifestible in long and thin plates of steel perforated in the middle, and equilibrated,

There is no other way than this that is manifestable either by Scripture, reason, or experience. More, Conj. Cabb. (1653,) p. 241.

MA'NIFESTLY. adv. [from manifest.] Clearly; evidently; plainly.

We see manifestly, that sounds are carried with

Sects, in a state, seem to be tolerated because they are already spread, while they do not manifestly endanger the constitution.

MA'NIFESTNESS. n. s. [from manifest.]
Perspicuity; clear evidence.

MANIFE'STO. n. s. [Italian.] Publick protestation; declaration.

It was proposed to draw up a manifesto, setting forth the grounds and motives of our taking arms.

MA'NIFOLD. † adj. [many and fold. Sax. manizreals.]

1. Of different kinds; many in number; multiplied; complicated.

When his eyes did her behold,

Her heart did seem to melt in pleasures manifold. Spenser.

Terrour of the torments manifold, In which the damned souls he did behold. Spenser. If that the king

Have any way your good deserts forgot, Which he confesseth to be manifold, He bids you name your griefs.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. If any man of quality will maintain upon Edward earl of Gloucester, that he is a manifold traitor, let him appear. Shakspeare.

They receive manifold more in this present time, and in the world to come life everlasting.

St. Luke, xviii. 30. To represent to the life the manifold use of friendship, see how many things a man cannot do himself

My scope in this experiment is manifold. Boyle. We are not got further than the borders of the mineral kingdom, so very ample is it, so various and manifold its productions. Woodward, Nat. Hist.

2. Milton has an uncommon use of it. They not obeying Incurr'd, what cou'd they less? the penalty;

And manifold in sin deserv'd to fall. Milton, P. L. MA'NIFOLDED. adj. [many and fold.] Hav-

ing many complications or doubles. His puissant arms about his noble breast, And manifolded shield, he bound about his wrist. Spenser, F. Q.

MA'NIFOLDLY. + adv. [manifeablice, Sax.] In a manifold manner.

They were manifoldly acknowledged the savers of that country.

The scarfs and the bannerets about thee did manifoldly dissuade me from believing thee a ship of too great a burthen. Shakspeare, All's Well.

MA'NIFOLDNESS.* n. s. [from manifold.] State of being manifold; multiplicity. Sherwood.

Mani'glions. n. s. pl. [in gunnery.] Two handles on the back of a piece of ordnance, cast after the German form.

MA'NIHOT.* \(n. s. A plant in the West Indies. Miller, and Mason.

The manioc grows to the size of a large shrub, or small tree, and produces roots somewhat resembling parsnips. After carefully squeezing out the juice, these roots are grated down to a fine powder, and formed into cakes, called cassada bread. — One species of manioc is altogether free of any poisonous quality, and may be eaten without any preparation, but that of roasting it in the

MANI'LIO.*) n. s. A kind of ring or Mani'lle. | bracelet worn by persons in Africa and Asia.

Their arms and legs are chained with manilios and armolets of silver, brass, ivory, and the like. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 114.

Their arms and legs chained with manilios or voluntary bracelets. Ibid. p. 204.

MA'NIKIN. n. s. [manneken, Teut.] A little man.

This is a dear manikin to you, sir Toby. - I have been dear to him, lad, some two thousand strong. Shakspeare, Tw. Night.

MA'NIPLE † n. s. [maniple, manipule, old French, manipulus, Latin. 7

1. A handful.

I ha' seen him wait at court there with his maniples

Of papers and petitions. B. Jonson, Magn. Lady. 2. A small band of soldiers.

They view'd those troops afar, March on well rank'd, and marshall'd for a war, Not in loose maniples, but ready all To stand, or give a charge. May, Lucan, B. 10.

Until he see our small divided maniples cutting through at every angle of his ill united and unwieldy brigade. Milton, Areopagitica.

The very maniples forsooth are to break ranks without orders. Bentley, Phil. Lips. § 54. 3. A fanon; a kind of ornament worn

about the arm of the mass-priest.

They must have oyle, candles, basens, &c. maniples, miters, bookes

Dering on the Ep. to the Heb. (1576,) Cc. iii. Their stoles, maniples, vestments.

Sheldon, Mir. of Antichrist, (1616,) p. 27.

MANI'PULAR. adj. [from manipulus, Lat.] Relating to a maniple.

MANIPULA'TION.* n. s. [manipulatim, Lat. by bands or companies, or in heaps.] In mines, the manner of digging silver out of the earth.

MA'NKILLING.* adj. [man and kill.] Used to kill men.

Cursed be the poet, who first honoured, with the name of a hero, a mere Ajax, a mankilling Dryden, Ded. to the D. of Ormond.

MANKI'LLER. n. s. [man and killer.] Mur-

To kill mankillers man has lawful power, But not the extended licence to devour.

Dryden, Fab. MANKI'ND. † n. s. [man and kind. Sax. mancynn. The poets have sometimes placed the accent on the first syllable of mankind. Shakspeare affords an example in the adjective, and Milton in the substantive.

1. The race or species of human beings. From them I will not hide My judgements, how with mankind I proceed;

As how with peccant angels late they saw. Milton, P. L. Erewhile perplex'd with thoughts what would

Of me and all mankind; but now I see His day, in whom all nations shall be blest.

Milton, P. L. Plato witnesseth, that soon after mankind began to increase, they built many cities.

Ralegh, Hist. of the World. All mankind alike require their grace, All born to want; a miserable race. Pope, Odyss.

2. Humanity. Not in use.

You, whose minds are good, And have not forc'd all mankind from your breasts That yet have so much stock of virtue left, To pity guilty states, when they are wretched: Lend your soft ears to hear, and eyes to weep, Deeds done by men beyond the acts of furies. B. Jonson, Sejanus.

MA'NKIND. † adj. [man, Sax. denotes wickedness, as well as man.] Resembling man not woman in form or nature; masculine: often applied by our old poets to the female sex in a bad sense, and in some parts of England still denoting violent, ferocious, women. Sometimes it is an epithet for a ferocious man. In the sense of mischievous, it was also formerly applied to beasts.

He saw mightic deere, that seemed to be mankind, which ranne at him.

Frobisher, First Voyage, (1578,) p. 48. A mankind witch! Hence with her, out o'door: A most intelligencing bawd. Shaksp. Wint. Tale. Pallas, nor thee, I call on, mankind maid

B. Jonson, For. Song, 10. Are women grown so mankind?

Beaum. and Fl. Woman-Hater. See, see this mankind strumpet. Fairfax, Tass.

Good signior Cornelio, be not too manland against your wife. Chapman, All Fools.

MA'NLIKE. † adj. [man and like.]

1. Having the complexion and proper qualities of man. Such a right manlike man, as nature, often erring, yet shews she would fain make.

He fishes, drinks, and wastes

The lamp of night in revels: is not more manlike Than Cleopatra, Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. Under his forming hand a creature grew, Manlike, but different sex. Milton, P. L.

2. Becoming a man. Civil manlike exercise, which might stir up, and

discipline, and ripen the strength they have. Hammond, Works, iv. 561.

MA'NLESS. † adj. [man and less.] 1. Without men; not manned.

Sir Walter Ralegh was wont to say, the Spaniards were suddenly driven away with squibs; for it was no more but a stratagem of fire-boats manless, and sent upon the armada at Calais by the favour of the wind in the night, that put them in such terror, as they cut their cables. 2. Unbecoming a man.

That pusillanimity and manless subjugation. Waterhouse, Apol. for Learn. (1653,) p. 82.

MA'NLINESS. † n. s. [from manly.] Dignity; bravery; stoutness.

Feed your wrath, sir, rather than your lust; It is a vice comes nearer manliness.

B. Jonson, Fox. If men want manliness to expostulate the right Millon, Tetrachordon. of their due ransom. Young master, willing to shew himself a man, lets himself loose to all irregularities; and thus courts credit and manliness in the casting off the modesty he has till then been kept in. Locke.

MA'NLING.* n. s. [from man.] A little

Augustus often called him his witty manling, for the littleness of his stature. B. Jonson, Discoveries.

MA'NLY. adj. [from man.]

1. Manlike; becoming a man; firm; brave; stout; undaunted; undismayed.

As did Æneas old Anchises bear, So I bear thee upon my manly shoulders. Shaksp. Lets briefly put on manly readiness, And meet i'th' hall together. Shake

Shaksp. Macbeth. Serene and manly, harden'd to sustain The load of life, and exercis'd in pain.

Dryden, Juv. See great Marcellus! how inur'd in toils, He moves with manly grace. Dryden, Æn.

2. Not womanish; not childish. I'll speak between the change of man and boy With a reed voice; and turn two mincing steps Into a manly stride. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven.

MA'NLY. adv. [from man.] With courage like a man.

Ma'nna. n. s. [Hebrew.]

Manna is properly a gum, and is honey-like juice concreted into a solid form, seldom so dry but it adheres to the fingers: its colour is whitish, or brownish, and it has sweetness, and with it a sharpness that renders it agreeable: manna is the product of two different trees, both varieties of the ash: when the heats are free from rain, these trees exsudate a white honey juice, which concretes into what we call manna. It is but lately that the world were convinced of the mistake of manna being an aërial produce, by an experiment being

made by covering a tree with sheets in the manna season, and the finding as much manna on it afterwards as on those which were open to the air and dew.

It would be well inquired, whether manna doth fall but upon certain herbs or leaves only.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. The manna in heaven will suit every man's Locke.

MA'NNER. n. s. [maniere, French.]

1. Form; method.

In my divine Emilia make me blest, Find thou the manner, and the means prepare, Possession, more than conquest, is my care.

2. Custom; habit; fashion.

As the manner of some is. Heb. x. 25.

3. Certain degree.

It is in a manner done already; For many carriages he hath dispatch'd To the sea-side. Shakspeare, K. John. The bread is in a manner common

1 Sam. xxi. 5 If the envy be general in a manner upon all the ministers of an estate, it is truly upon the state itself.

This universe we have possest, and rul'd In manner at our will, the affairs of earth.

Milton, P. R. Augustinus does in a manner confess the charge.

4. Sort; kind.

All manner of men assembled here in arms against God's peace and the king's: we charge you to repair to your dwelling places.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. A love that makes breath poor, and speech unable,

Beyond all manner of so much I love you.

Shakspeare What manner of men were they whom ye slew? Judges.

The city may flourish in trade, and all manner of outward advantages.

5. Formerly, in the preceding sense, without of. In modern editions of the Bible, of has been foisted in, where this old form occurs in Leviticus. Notwithstanding Dr. Johnson's omission of this usage of manner, I should not have expected, in some recent editions of our authorized 12. To take in or with the MANNER. To version of the Scriptures, the alteration of a particular expression which our venerable translators thought proper to repeat; at least not till a new version had been allowed.

A maner Latin corrupt was her speche. Chaucer, Man of Lawes Tale. Three maner wayes Almighty God deleth with Bp. Fisher, Ps. p. 8. Ye shall cat no manner fat of ox, of sheep, or of Levit. vii. 23. This is the law for all manner plague of leoprosy.

Levit. xiv. 54.

6. Mien: cast of the look.

Air and manner are more expressive than words. Richardson, Clarissa. Some men have a native dignity in their manner, which will procure them more regard by a look, than others can obtain by the most imperious com-Richardson, Clarissa.

7. Peculiar way; distinct mode of persons. It can hardly be imagined how great a difference was in the humour, disposition, and manner, of the army under Essex, and the other under Waller.

Some few touches of your lordship, which I have endeavoured to express after your manner, have made whole poems of mine to pass with appro-Dryden, Juv.

As man is known by his company, so a man's company may be known by his manner of expressing himself.

8. Way; mode: of things.

The temptations of prosperity insinuate themselves after a gentle, but very powerful, manner.

9. In the plural: character of the mind.

His princes are as much distinguished by their manners as by their dominions; and even those among them, whose characters seem wholly made up of courage, differ from one another as to the particular kinds. Addison.

10. In the plural: general way of life; morals; habits.

The kinds of musick have most operation upon manners: as, to make them warlike, to make them soft and effeminate. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Every fool carries more or less in his face the signature of his manners, more legible in some than

We bring our manners to the blest abodes, And think what pleases us must please the gods.

Bacon, Ess. 11. In the plural: ceremonious behaviour: studied civility.

The time will not allow the compliment,

Which very manners urge. Shakspeare, K. Lear. These bloody accidents must excuse my manners, That so neglected you. Shakspeare, Othello. Our griefs and not our manners reason now. Shakspeare.

Ungracious wretch,

Fit for the mountains and the barbarous caves,

Where manners ne'er were preach'd. Shakspeare. Dear Kate, you and I cannot be confined within the weak list of a country's fashion: we are the makers of manners, Kate. Shakspeare, Hen. V. Good manners bound her to invite

The stranger dame to be her guest that night.

None but the careless and the confident would rush rudely into the presence of a great man: and shall we, in our applications to the great God, take that to be religion, which the common reason of mankind will not allow to be manners? South. Your passion bends

Its force against your nearest friends; Which manners, decency, and pride,

Have taught you from the world to hide. Swift.

catch in the actual commission of a crime; to be caught in the fact. [written mainour, in our old law-books; from the French manier, to seize with the hand; though a learned friend observes that maniour, as Hawkins writes the word, is proper; that a thief taken in the manner is said, in our old statutes, to be "pris ove maynovre," 1 Hen. 4. c. 20.; and that it is probably from the old Norman word manouvrer, to hold or occupy. Kelham gives the ancient French expression thus; "ove manour, with the mainour, with the goods in their hands."

The matter is to me, sir, as concerning Jaquenetta: the manner of it is, I was taken with the Shakspeare, Love's Lab. Lost.

And there be no witness against her, neither she Num. v. 13. he taken with the manner. If I melt into melancholy while I write, I shall be taken in the manner; and I sit by one too tender to these impressions.

To MA'NNER.* v. a. [from the noun.] To instruct in morals; to form; "to be mannered, imbui bonis moribus."]

Beseeching you

To give her princely training, that she may be Manner'd as she is born. Shakspeare, Pericles. He is one

The truest manner'd, such a holy witch,

That he enchants societies to him. Shaksp Cymb. MA'NNERIST.* n. s. [from manner.] An artist who performs all his works in one unvaried manner.

Not such a likeness, as, through Hayman's

(Dull mannerist,) in Christians, Jews, and Turks, Churchill, Gotham. Cloys with a sameness. Ma'nnerliness. n. s. [from mannerly.] Civility; ceremonious complaisance.

Others out of mannerliness and respect to God, though they deny this universal soul of the universe, yet have devised several systems of the universe. Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

MA'NNERLY. adj. [from manner.] Civil; ceremonious; complaisant.

Tut; tut; here's a mannerly forbearance. Shakspeare.

Let me have

What thou think'st meet, and is most mannerly.

Fools make a mock at sin, affront the God whom we serve, and vilify religion; not to oppose them, by whatever mannerly names we may palliate the offence, is not modesty but cowardice, and a traiterous desertion of our allegiance to Christ. Rogers.

MA'NNERLY. † adv. Civilly; without rudeness; ceremoniously.

When we've supp'd, We'll mannerly demand thee of thy story. Shaksp.

He mannerly desired him to depart in kindness, as he came. Proceedings against Garnet, (1606,) N. iv. b.

Better it is to lap one's pottage like a dog, than to eat it mannerly, with a spoon of the devil's giving. Fuller, Holy State, p. 352.

Ma'nnikin.† n. s. [manneken, Teut. mannequin, French. See MANIKIN.] A little man; a dwarf.

MA'NNISH.† adj. [from man.] 1. Human; belonging to the human species.

It was a figure Most liche to mannishe creature; But as of beautie heavenliche,

It was most to an aungell liche. Gower, Conf. Am. B. 6. The proverbe sayth; for to don sinne is mannish. but certes to persevere long in sinne is werke of Chaucer, Tale of Melibeus.

2. Having the appearance of a man; bold; masculine; impudent.

Nature hath proportioned her without any fault; vet altogether seemed not to make up that harmony that Cupid delights in; the reason whereof might seem a mannish countenance, which overthrew that lovely sweetness, the noblest power of womankind, far fitter to prevail by parley than by battle.

A woman, impudent and mannish grown, Is not more loath'd than an effeminate man.

Shakspeare. When mannish Mevia, that two-handed whore, Astride on horseback hunts the Tuscan boar.

Dryden, MANŒU'VRE.* n. s. [Fr.; manouvrier, a handicraft-man; manovra, Ital. manopera, low Latin, î. e. manûs opera.] Originally in the French language, the service of a vassal to his lord; then, an operation of military tacticks, a stratagem, in which sense we use it, and apply it also to naval skill in managing a ship; and thence any kind of manage-

Thus to make them the principal, not the secondary theatre of their manœuvres for securing a determined majority in parliament.

Burke, Speech on the Duration of Parliaments.

To Manœu'vre.* v. n. [from the noun; manouvrer, Norm. Fr. [to hold.] To manage military or naval tacticks skilfully; to carry on any operation adroitly.

MA'NOR. n. s. [manoir, old French; manerium, low Latin; maner, Armorick.

Manor signifies, in common law, a rule or government which a man hath over such as hold land within his fee. Touching the original of these manors, it seems, that, in the beginning, there was a certain compass of ground granted by the king to some man of worth, for him and his heirs to dwell upon, and to exercise some jurisdiction, more or less, within that compass, as he thought good to grant; performing him such services, and paying such yearly rent for the same, as he by his grant required: and that afterwards this great man parcelled his land to other meaner men, injoining them again such services and rents as he thought good: and by that means, as he became tenant to the king, so the inferiors became tenants to him: but those great men, or their posterity, have alienated these mansions and lands so given them by their prince, and many for capital offences have forfeited them to the king; and thereby they still remain in the crown, or are bestowed again upon others. But whosoever possesses these manors, the liberty belonging to them is real and predial, and therefore remains, though the owners be changed. In these days, a manor rather signifies a jurisdiction and royalty incorporeal, than the land or site: for a man may have a manor in gross, as the law terms it, that is, the right and interest of a court-baron, with the perquisites thereto belonging.

My parks, my walks, my manors that I had, Ev'n now forsake me; and of all my lands Is nothing left me? Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

Kinsmen of mine, By this so sicken'd their estates, that never They shall abound as formerly. O many Have broke their backs with laying manors on them

For this great journey. Shakspeare, Rich. II. MA'NOR-HOUSE.* \(\) n. s. The house of MA'NOR-SEAT. the lord or owner of the manor.

Hail the poor muses' richest manor-seat !

I am of opinion that this family of De Williamscot took its name from Williamscot, commonly called Willescot, a hamlet in the parish of Cropredy, near Banbury, where is still an ancient manor-house. Warton, Hist. of Kiddington, p. 36.

Mano'rial.* adj. [from manor.] Belonging to a manor; denoting a manor.

Ma'nqueller. † n. s. [Sax. manchellene, from man and cpellan.] A murderer; a mankiller; a manslayer.

He sent a manqueller, and commaundide that Jones head were brought in a disch.

Wicliffe, St. Mark, vi. 27.

This was not Kayne the manqueller, but one of a gentler spirit and milder sex, to wit, a woman.

MANSE. + n. s. [manse, old French; mansio, Lat.]

1. Farm and land.

This lady died at her capital manse at Fencot hear Bicester, in the year 1111. Warton, Hist. of Kiddington, p. 30.

2. A parsonage house.

Finding a manse or parsonage house wanting, he offered 2001, toward providing one.

Life of Bp. Kennet, p. 50. Donations of glebes and manses were made, Ornaments of Churches considered, (1761,) p. 89.

MA'NSION. n. s. [mansio, Latin.] 1. The lord's house in a manor.

2. Place of residence; abode; house. All these are but ornaments of that divine

spark within you, which being descended from heaven, could not elsewhere pick out so sweet a

A fault no less grievous, if so be it were true, than if some king should build his mansion-house by the model of Solomon's palace. To leave his wife, to leave his bahes,

His mansion, and his titles in a place, From whence himself does fly? he loves us not.

Thy mansion wants thee, Adam, rise First man, of men innumerable ordain'd; First father! call'd by thee, I come thy guide To the garden of bliss, thy seat prepar'd,

Milton, P. L. A mansion is provided thee; more fair Than this, and worthy Heaven's peculiar care, Not fram'd of common earth. 3. Residence; abode.

These poets near our princes sleep,

And in one grave their mansions keep. Denham. To Ma'nsion. * v. n. [from the noun.] To dwell as in a mansion.

Visible as the clouds of heaven, and other meteors; as also the rest of the creatures mansioning therein.

Mede, Paraphr. of St. Peter, (1642,) p. 16. MA'NSIONRY.* n. s. [from mansion.] Place of residence. Not in use.

The temple-haunting martlet does approve, By his lov'd mansionry, that the heaven's breath Smells wooingly here. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

Ma'nslaughter. n.s. [man and slaughter.] 1. Murder: destruction of the human

The whole pleasure of that book standeth in open manslaughter and bold bawdry.

Ascham, Schoolmaster. To overcome in battle, and subdue Nations, and bring home spoils, with infinite Manslaughter, shall be held the highest pitch Of human glory. Milton, P. L.

2. [In law.] The act of killing a man not wholly without fault, though without malice: punished by forfeiture.

When a man, throwing at a cock, killed a by-stander, I ruled it manslaughter. Foster.

Ma'nslayer. † n. s. [manglaza, Saxon.] One that has killed another. Cities for refuge for the manslayer.

Numb. xxxv. 6. The foul blood of a wicked manslayer. Bp. Hall, Cases of Consc. D. 2. C. 1.

MA'NSTEALER.* [man and steal.] One that steals and sells men.

For manstealers, for liars, for perjured persons. 1 Tim. i. 10.

MA'NSTEALING.* part. adj. Stealing men, in order to sell them.

Manstealing Tartars, who plentifully furnish the Turkish dominion [with slaves]. Brown, Trav. (1685,) p. 49.

MA'NSUETE.† adj. [mansuetus, Latin. The word is very old in our language, and not applied merely to animals in the sense of tame, and the like, as the solitary instance given from Ray by Dr. Johnson might induce the reader to suppose.] Mild; gentle; goodnatured; tame; not ferocious; not wild.

She said eke, she was fain with him to mete. And stode forth stil, mild, muet, and mansuete. Chaucer, Tr. and Cress. v. 194.
This holds not only in domestick and manuete

birds; for then it might be thought the effect of cicuration or institution, but also in the wild. Ray on the Creation.

MA'NSUETUDE.† n. s. [mansuetude, Fr.; mansuetudo, Lat.] Mildness; gentleness; tameness. Dr. Johnson has unjustly confined this word also to ani-

Arm in arm with magnificence goeth magna-

nimity, waited upon by mansuelude.

Bryskett, Disc. of Civ. Life, (1606,) p. 228.

Mansuelude, or mildness, tempereth the fury of Ibid. p. 223. I use all mildness or mansuetude in admo-

nishing. Hammond of Fraternal Admonit. § 15. The angry lion did present his paw,

Which by consent was given to mansuetude; The fearful hare her ears, which by their law Humility did reach to fortitude.

To Ma'nswear. See To Mainswear. MA'NTEL. † n. s. [mantel, old French; or rather the German word mantel. "Germanis mantel non pallium modò significat, sed etiam id omne quod aliud circumdat: hinc murus arcis atque structura quæ focum investit mantel ipsis dicitur." V. Ducange in V. Man-TUM. Work raised before a chimney to conceal it, whence the name, which originally signifies a cloak. See MAN-TLE.

From the Italians we may learn how to raise fair mantels within the rooms, and how to disguise the shafts of chimnies. Wotton, Architecture. If you break any china on the mantletree or

cabinet, gather up the fragments. MA'NTELET. † n. s. [mantelet, French.]

1. A small cloak worn by women, Dr. Johnson says. It was also a short mantle worn by men. A mantelet upon his shoulders hanging.

Chaucer, Kn. Tale. 2. [In fortification.] A kind of movable penthouse, made of pieces of timber sawed into planks, which being about three inches thick, are nailed one over another to the height of almost six feet: they are generally cased with tin, and set upon little wheels; so that in a siege they may be driven before the pioneers, and serve as blinds to shelter them from the enemy's small shot; there are other mantelets covered on the top, whereof the miners make use to approach the walls of a town or castle.

Harris. MANTI'GER. + n. s. [not from man and tiger, as Dr. Johnson pronounces it; but a misapprehension of the Lat. mantiehora, Fr. manticore, which means a furious beast of a very different kind. "That word (man-tiger), replied Martin, is a corruption of the mantichora of the ancients, the most noxious animal that ever infested the earth," &c. Arbuthnot and Pope, Mart. Scribl. Mantiger is sometimes written mantegar.] A large monkey or baboon.

Near these was placed—the black prince of Monomotapas; by whose side were seen the glaring cat-a-mountain, and the man-mimicking mantizer.

Arbuthnot and Pope.

MA'NTLE.† n. s. [mæntel, Saxon; mantel, old French; mantellum, Latin, supposed to be from the Greek μανδύας, a word adopted from the Persian, and denoting a kind of military vestment. See also Mandil.] A kind of cloak or garment thrown over the rest of the dress.

We, well-cover'd with the night's black mantle, At unawares may beat down Edward's guard, And seize himself. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

Poor Tom drinks the green mantle of the standing pool.

The day begins to break, and night is fled,
Whose pitchy mantle over-veil'd the earth.

Their actions were disguised with mantles, very usual in times of disorder, of religion and justice.

Hayward.

The herald and children are clothed with mantles of sattin; but the herald's mantle is streamed with gold.

Bacon.

By which the beauty of the earth appears, The divers colour'd mantle which she wears.

Sandys.

Before the sun,
Before the heavens thou wert, and at the voice
Of God, as with a mantle didst invest
The rising world of waters dark and deep,
Won from the void and formless infinite.

Upon loosening of his mantle the eggs fell from him at unawares, and the eagle was a third time defeated.

L'Estrange.

Dan Pope for thy misfortune griev'd, With kind concern and skill has weav'd A silken web; and ne'er shall fade Its colours; gently has he laid The mantle o'er thy sad distress,

And Venus shall the texture bless. Prior
A spacious veil from his broad shoulders flew,
That set the unhappy Phaeton to view;
The flaming chariot and the steeds it shew'd,

And the whole fable in the mantle glow'd.

To MA'NTLE.† v. a. [from the noun; manteler, old French.] To cloke; to cover; to disguise.

The mantled meadows mourne;
Their sundry colours tourne.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. Nov.

As the morning steals upon the night,
Melting the darkness; so their rising senses,
Begin to chase the ign'rant fumes that mantle
Their clearer reason. Shakspeare, Tempest.
I left them

I'the filthy mantled pool beyond your cell, "There dancing up to th' chins.

Shakspeare, Tempest.

To MA'NTLE. v. n. [the original of the signification of this word is not plain.

Skinner considers it as relative to the expansion of a mantle: as, the hawk mantleth; she spreads her wings like a mantle.]

1. To spread the wings as a hawk in pleasure.

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The swan with arched neek, "
Between her white wings mantling, rows
Her state with oary feet. Milton, P. L.

To joy; to revel.
 My frail fancy fed with full delight
 Doth bathe in bliss, and mantleth most at ease;

Ne thinks of other heaven, but how it might Her heart's desire with most contentment please. Spenser.

3. To be expanded; to spread luxuriantly.

The pair that clad

Each shoulder broad, came mantling o'er his breast

With regal ornament. Milton, P. L.
The mantling vine

Lays forth her purple grape, and gently creeps
Luxuriant.

Milton, P. L.

I saw them under a green mantling vine,
That crawls along the side of yon small hill,
Plucking ripe clusters,
Milton, Comus.
You'll sometimes meet a fop of nicest tread,

Whose mantling peruke veils his empty head.

And where his mazy waters flow, He gave the mantling vine to grow A trophy to his love. Fenton, Ode to Lord Gower.

4. To gather any thing on the surface; to froth.

There are a sort of men whose visages Do cream and mantle like a standing pond; And do a wilful stilness entertain,

With purpose to be drest in an opinion
Of wisdom, gravity, profound conceit.

Shaksp.
It drinketh fresh, flowereth, and mantleth exceedingly.

Bacon.

From plate to plate your eye-balls roll, And the brain dances to the mantling bowl.

5. To ferment; to be in sprightly agit-

When mantling blood Flow'd in his lovely cheeks; when his bright

Sparkled with youthful fires; when every grace Shone in the father, which now crowns the son. Smith

MA'NTLING.* n.s. In heraldry, the representation of a mantle, or any drapery, that is drawn about a coat of arms.

MA'NTO.* n. s. [Italian.] A robe; a cloak.

He presents him with a white horse, a manto or black coole, [cowl,] a pastoral staff, &c. Ricaut, State of the Gr. Ch. p. 96.

MA'NTUA.† n. s. [this is perhaps corrupted from manteau, Fr. Dr. Johnson.

— It may be from the Greek μανδύας, or μανδύα, as mantle is. See MANTLE. But Richelet's explanation of manteau must not be overpassed: "Manteau de femme; sorte de longue robe plissée que portent les femmes." Dict. Fr. 1685.] A lady's gown.

Not Cynthia, when her mantua's pinn'd awry, E'er felt such rage, resentment, and despair, As thou, sad virgin! for thy ravish'd hair. Pope.

How naturally do you apply your hands to each other's lappets, ruffles, and manituas. Swift.

MA'NTUAMAKER. n. s. [mantua and marker]. One who makes gowns for

maker.] One who makes gowns for women.

By profession a mantua-maker: I am em-

ployed by the most fashionable ladies.

Addison, Guardian.

MA'NUAL. adj. [manualis, Latin; manuel, Fr.]

1. Performed by the hand.

The speculative part of painting, without the assistance of manual operation, can never attain to that perfection which is its object.

MAN

Dryden, Dufresnoy.

2. Used by the hand.

The treasurer obliged himself to procure some declaration under his majesty's sign manual.

MA'NUAL. n. s. A small book, such as may be carried in the hand.

This manual of laws, stiled the confessor's laws, contains but few heads.

Hale, Comm. Law of England.

In those prayers which are recommended to the use of the devout persons of your church, in the manuals and offices allowed them in our own language, they would be careful to have nothing they thought scandalous.

Ma'NJARY.** adj. [manuarius, Lat.] Per-

formed by the hand.

Xenophon hath given us a very pregnant instance, but in a manuary art; yea, and that one of the meanest, to wit, the art of shoemaking.

Fotherby, Atheom. p. 192.

To one the knowledge of liberal arts; to another

the exquisiteness of manuary skill.

Bp. Hall, Breathings of the Devout Soul, § 28.

Manu'bial. adj. [manubiæ, Latin.] Belonging to spoil; taken in war. Dict.

MANU'BRIUM. n. s. [Latin.] A handle.

Though the sucker move easily enough up and down in the cylinder by the help of the manubrium, yet if the manubrium be taken off, it will require a considerable strength to move it. Boyle.

MANUDU'CTION. n.s. [manuductio, Lat.]
Guidance by the hand.

We find no open tract, or constant manuduction, in this labyrinth. Brown, Vulg. Err.

That they are carried by the manuduction of a

rule, is evident from the constant regularity of their motion.

Glanville.

This is a direct manuduction to all kind of sin,

by abusing the conscience with undervaluing persuasions concerning the malignity and guilt even of the foulest.

South.

MANUDU'CTOR.* n. s. [manuductor, Latin.] Conductor; guide.

Love be your manuductor; may the tears
Of penitence free you from [all] future fears.

Jordan's Poems, (before 1660.)

MA'NUFACT.* n. s. [manus and factum, Latin.] Any thing made by art. Not in use.

A great part of the linen manufact is done by women and children.

Maydman, Naval Speculations, (1691,) p. 312.

Manufa'ctory.* n.s. [from manufacture.]

1. The practice of making any piece of workmanship.

To give ease and encouragement to manufactory at home. Ld. Bolingbroke, Sp. of Patriotism, p. 190.

2. The place where a manufactory is car-

The place where a manufactory is carried on.
 There are sundry manufactories in Berlin.

There are sundry manufactories in Berlin.
Guthrie, Prussia.

Manufa'ctory.* adj. Engaged in workmanship; employed in any manufacture.

manship; employed in any manufacture. Servile and manufactory men, that should serve the uses of the world in handicrafts. Lord's Hist. of the Banians, (1630,) p. 70.

MANUFA'CTURE. n. s. [manus and fa-

cio, Latin; manufacture, French.]

1. The practice of making any piece of workmanship.

2. Any thing made by art.

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Heaven's power is infinite : earth, air, and sea, | MANU'RAGE.* n. s. [from manure.] Cul-The manufacture mass the making power obey. The peasants are clothed in a coarse kind of

canvas, the manufacture of the country.

Addison on Italy.

To MANUFA'CTURE. v. a. [manufacturer, French. 1. To make by art and labour; to form

by workmanship.

2. To employ in work; to work up: as, we manufacture our wool.

To MA'NUFACTURE.* v. n. To be engaged in any manufacture.

Lord Gardenstone has encouraged the building of a manufacturing village.

Boswell, Tour to the Hebrides.

Manufa'cturer. n. s. [manufacturier, Fr. manufacturus, Latin.] A workman; an artificer.

In the practices of artificers and the manufacturers of various kinds, the end being proposed. we find out ways of composing things for the several uses of human life.

To MA'NUMISE. v. a. [manumitto, Lat.] To set free: to dismiss from slavery.

A constant report of a danger so eminent run through the whole castle, even into the deep dungeons, by the compassion of certain manumised slaves. Knolles.

He presents To thee renown'd for piety and force, Poor captives manumis'd, and matchless horse.

Manumi'ssion. n. s. [manumission, Fr.; manumissio, Latin.] The act of giving liberty to slaves.

Slaves were iron rings until their manumission or preferment. Brown, Vulg. Err. The pileus was somewhat like a night-cap, as

the symbol of liberty, given to slaves at their manumission.

To Ma'numit. † v. a. [manumitto, Latin.] To release from slavery. This is a word of older and better authority than manumise; and is what has obtained in modern times.

If a man doth manumit his handmaid under a condition that she shall never marry, yet she may marry. Dr. Taylor in Fox's Acts and Monuments.

Come, manumit thy plumy pinion.

Marston, Sat. (1598,) S. 4.

Lungs, I will manumit thee from the surface. B. Jonson, Alchemist.

The whole creature — doth groan, and as it were travail in pain, until it be delivered from the bondage of corruption, and manumitted or set free to partake of the glorious liberty of the sons of Spencer on Prodigies, p. 67.

Manumit and release him from those drudgeries to vice, under which those remain who live without God. Gov. of the Tongue.

Thou wilt beneath the burthen bow,

And glad receive the manumitting blow

On thy shav'd slavish head. Dryden, Juv. But I shall observe in general, that inclosures may be traced backward to causes operating in very distant periods: to the rebellious barons in the twelfth century, who manumitted their vassals and gave them free land, in order to conciliate their interest against the king.

Warten, Hist. of Kiddington, p. 26.
A pack of manumitted slaves.

Burke, Speech for the Relief of Protestant Dissenters.

MANU'RABLE. adj. [from manure.] Capable of cultivation.

This book gives an account of the manurable lands in every manor. Hale, Orig. of Mankind. tivation.

This isle had Brutaine unto name: And, with his Trojans, Brute began manurage of the same. Warner, Albion's England.

MANU'RANCE. † n. s. [from manure.] Agriculture; cultivation. An obsolete word, worthy of revival, Dr. Johnson says, citing only the example from Spenser; which might lead one to suppose, that no other authority could be found for it. But it is a word well authorized.

Corn and cattle for the only manurance, tillage,

and pasturage of such ferms.

Acts of Parl. 21 Hen. VIII. c. xiii. § 8. Although there should none of them fall by the sword, yet they being kept from manurance, and their cattle from running abroad, by this hard restraint they would quickly devour one another.

Spenser on Ireland.
The more sweetness he will find in putting forward manurance and husbanding of the grounds. Bacon on the Plantation in Ireland, (1606.)

To MANU'RE. v. a. [manouvrer, Fr.] 1. To cultivate by manual labour.

They mock our scant manuring, and require More hands than ours to lop their wanton growth. Milton, P. L.

2. To dung; to fatten with composts. Fragments of shells, reduced by the agitation of the sea to powder, are used for the manuring of land. Woodward.

3. To fatten as a compost. Revenge her slaughter'd citizens, Or share their fate: the corps of half her senate

Manure the fields of Thessaly, while we Sit here, deliberating in cold debates.

Addison, Cato.

MANU'RE. n. s. [from the verb.] Soil to be laid on lands; dung or compost to fatten land.

When the Nile from Pharian fields is fled, The fat manure with heav'nly fire is warm'd

Mud makes an extraordinary manure for land that is sandy. Mortimer, Husbandry.

MANU'REMENT. n. s. [from manure.] Cultivation; improvement.

The manurement of wits is like that of soils, where before the pains of tilling or sowing, men consider what the mould will bear. Wotton on Education.

MANU'RER. n. s. [from the verb.] He

who manures land; a husbandman, MA'NUSCRIPT. n. s. [manuscrit, French; manuscriptum, Latin. A book written,

not printed. A collection of rare manuscripts, exquisitely written in Arabick, and sought in the most remote parts by the diligence of Erpenius, the most excellent linguist, were upon sale to the jesuits.

Wotton. Her majesty has perused the manuscript of this

opera, and given it her approbation. MA'NUTENENCY.* n. s. [manutentia, Lat.]

Support; maintenance.

Mercy first, that God spared us, and preserved us so long. For without his divine manutenency, our strongest fabricks had fallen immediately upon their very builders. Abp. Sancroft, Serm. p. 83.

Ma'ny. adj. comp. more, superl. most. [mæniz, Saxon.]

1. Consisting of a great number; numerous; more than few.

Our enemy, and the destroyers of our country, slew many of us. Judg. xvi. 24.

When many atoms descend in the air, the same cause which makes them be many, makes them be light in proportion to their multitude.

Digby on the Soul.
Sufficient that thy prayers are heard, and death, Thus due by sentence, when thou did'st transgress, Defeated of his seizure many days Giv'n thee of grace, wherein thou may'st repent, And one bad act with many deeds well done

May'st cover. Milton, P. L. The apostles never give the least directions to Christians to appeal to the bishop of Rome for a determination of the many differences which, in

those times, happened among them. Tillotson. 2. Marking number indefinite, or com-

Both men and women, as many as were willinghearted, brought bracelets. Exod. XXXV. 22. This yet I apprehend not, why to those

Among whom God will deign to dwell on earth, So many and so various laws are given; So many laws argue so many sins. Milton, P. L.

. Powerful: with too, in low language. They come to vie power and expence with those that are too high and too many for them.

L'Estrange, Fab. MA'NY. n. s. [This word is remarkable in the Saxon for its frequent use, being written with twenty variations: mænezeo, mænezo, mænizeo, mænizo, mænizu, mænio, mæniu, mænýzeo, manezeo, manizu, manize, manizo, menezeo, menezo, menezu, menizeo, menizo, menizu, menio, meniu. Lye. - " Many is supposed by Lye to be derived from man; 'ac propriè de hominum multitudine usurpatum:' and thence, according to him, transferred to other things. But many is merely the past participle of the Sax. mengan, miscere, to mix, to mingle: it means mixed or associated (for that is the effect of mixing) understand company, or any uncertain and unspecified number of any things." Mr. H. Tooke, Div. of Purl. ii. 386. - Many is the Gothick manag, whence also the Germ. manige, as well as the Saxon and English words. 1. A multitude; a company; a great num-

ber; people.

After him the rascal many ran, Heaped together in rude rabblement.

O thou fond many ! with what loud applause Didst thou heat heav'n with blessing Bolingbroke. Shakspeare.

I had a purpose now To lead our many to the holy land; Lest rest and lying still might make them look Too near into my state. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. A care-craz'd mother of a many children.

The vulgar and the many are fit only to be led or driven, but by no means fit to guide themselves.

There parting from the king, the chiefs divide, And wheeling east and west, before their many ride.

He is liable to a great many inconveniences every moment of his life. Tillotson, Seeing a great many in rich gowns, he was amazed to find that persons of quality were up

Addison, Freeholder so early.

2. Retinue of servants; household; family. fold French, magnie, maisnie, mesnie, meinie, a family: in this sense the Saxon is not found.] It is more properly written meiny. See MEINY.

His meinie, which that herden this affray, Chaucer, Sompn. Tale. Came leping in. The kings before their many rode. Dryden.

3. Many, when it is used before a singular noun, seems to be a substantive. In conversation, for many a man they say a many men. In the north of England a many, and a many people, is common. Thou art a collop of my flesh,

And for thy sake have I shed many a tear.

He is beset with enemies, the meanest of which is not without many and many a way to the wreak-L'Estrange, Fab. Broad were their collars too, and every one

Was set about with many a costly stone. Dryden. Many a child can have the distinct clear ideas of two and three long before he has any idea of

4. Many is used much in composition. MA'NYCOLOURED. adj. [many and colour.]

Having various colours.

Hail manycoloured messenger, that ne'er Do'st disobey the voice of Jupiter,

He hears not me, but on the other side A manycolour'd peacock having spied, Leaves him and me.

The hoary majesty of spades appears; Puts forth one manly leg, to sight reveal'd,
The rest his manycolour'd robe conceal'd. Pope.

MA'NYCORNERED. adj. [many and corner.] Polygonal; having corners more than twelve: the geometricians have particular names for angular figures up to those of twelve corners.

Search those manycorner'd minds, Where woman's crooked fancy turns and winds.

Ma'nyheaded. adj. [many and head.] Having many heads.

Some of the wiser seeing that a popular licence is indeed the manyheaded tyranny, prevailed with the rest to make Musidorus their chief. Sidney.

The proud Duessa came High mounted on her manyheaded beast. Spenser, F. Q.

The manyheaded beast hath broke, Or shaken from his head, the royal yoke.

Denham. Those were the preludes of his fate, That form'd his manhood to subdue

The hydra of the manyheaded hissing crew.

MA'NYLANGUAGED. adj. [many and language.] Having many languages. Seek Atrides on the Spartan shore; He, wandering long, a wider circle made,

And manylanguag'd nations has survey'd. Pope, Odyssey. MA'NYPEOPLED. adj. [many and people.]

Numerously populous. He from the manypeopled city flies; Contemns their labours, and the drivers' cries.

MA'NYTIMES, an adverbial phrase. Often;

frequently. They are Roman catholick in the device and legend, which are both manytimes taken out of

the Scriptures. MAP. n. s. [mappa, low Latin.] A geographical picture on which lands and seas are delineated according to the longitude and latitude.

Zelmane earnestly entreated Dorus, that he would bestow a map of his little world upon her, that she might see whether it were troubled with such unhabitable climes of cold despairs, and hot rages, as hers was.

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I will take the map of Ireland, and lay it before me, and make mine eyes my schoolmasters, to give my understanding to judge of your plot.

Spenser on Ireland. Old coins are like so many maps for explaining the ancient geography. Addison on Anc. Coins.

O'er the map my finger taught to stray,

Cross many a region marks the winding way; From sea to sea, from realm to realm I rove And grow a mere geographer by love.

To MAP. v. a. [from the noun.] To delineate; to set down.

I am near to the place where they should meet, if Pisanio have mapp'd it right.

Shakspeare, Cymbeline. He thinks it not needful to map out before the traveller every town and village of all the shires, through which be should pass; but only sets down those that lie in his road. Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 387.

MA'PLE tree. n. s. [acer.]
The maple tree hath jagged or angular leaves; the seeds grow two together in hard-winged vessels: there are several species; the greater maple is falsely called the sycamore tree: the common maple is frequent in hedge-rows. Miller. The platane round,

The carver holme, the maple seldom inward sound. Spenser, F. Q.

Of the rottenest maple wood burnt to ashes they make a strong lye. Mortimer, Husbandry.

Ma'PPERY. n. s. [from map.] The art of planning and designing. Hanmer. The still and mental parts,

That do contrive how many hands shall strike When fitness calls them on;

They call this bedwork, mappery, closet war.

To MAR. v. a. [amyppan, Saxon, from map, damage, loss.] To injure; to spoil; to hurt; to mischief; to damage.

Loss is no shame, nor to be less than foe, But to be lesser than himself, doth mar Both loser's lot, and victor's praise also.

The master may here only stumble, and perchance fall in teaching, to the marring and maiming of the scholar in learning.

Ascham, Schoolmaster. When priests are more in words than matter, When brewers mar their malt with water. Shaksp. I pray you mar no more trees with writing

songs in their barks. - I pray you mar no more of my verses with

reading them ill-favouredly.

Shakspeare, As you like it. Beware thine honour, be not then disgrac'd, Take care thou mar not when thou think'st to

Aumarle became the man that all did mar, Whether through indiscretion, chance, or worse.

The ambition to prevail in great things is less harmful than that other, to appear in every thing; for that breeds confusion, and mars business, when great in dependencies. Bacon, Essays. O! could we see how cause from cause doth

spring! How mutually they link'd and folded are:

And hear how oft one disagreeing string The harmony doth rather make than mar! Davies. Ire, envy, and despair,

Marr'd all his borrow'd visage, and betray'd Milton, P. L. Him counterfeit. Had she been there, untimely joy through all

Men's hearts diffus'd, had marr'd the funeral.

Mother! 'Tis much unsafe my sire to disobey: Not only you provoke him to your cost, But mirth is marr'd, and the good cheer is lost. Dryden.

Pope - has not only misrepresented the story but marred the character of the poem. Warton, Hist. E. P. i. 390.

MAR.* n. s.

1. A blot; an injury. [from the verb.] My will to write shall match the mars I make Ascham, Lett. (1551.) in it, [the letter.]

2. [Mir, Goth. mare; myra, Su. palus. Serenius. A mere or small lake. North.

MARANA'THA. n. s. [Syriack.] It signifies, the Lord comes, or, the Lord is come: it was a form of the denouncing or anathematizing among the Jews. St. Paul pronounces, If any love not the Lord Jesus Christ, let him be anathema maranatha, which is as much as to say, May'st thou be devoted to the greatest of evils, and to the utmost severity of God's judgements; may the Lord come quickly to take vengeance of thy crimes.

MARA'SMUS. n. s. [μαρασμός, from μαραίνω.] A consumption, in which persons waste much of their substance. Pining atrophy,

Marasmus, and wide-wasting pestilence.

Milton, P. L. A marasmus imports a consumption following a fever; a consumption or withering of the body by reason of a natural extinction of the native heat, and an extenuation of the body, caused through an immoderate heat.

MARA'UDER.* n. s. [maradeur, French, from the old word maraud, a scoundrel, a rogue, a vagabond a beggar. Cotgrave. It has been pretended that the word has its name from a Count de Merodé, a brutal and licentious officer, in the time of Gustavus Adolphus, and that it should be written merodeurs. Harte's Life of Gustavus Adolphus, vol. ii. p. 70. But the word was common long before that time, as the dictionary of Cotgrave shews. Roquefort cites the still more ancient French word marander, i.e. " marauder, chercher à voler, à escroquer, chercher des aventures, chercher de quoi vivre; les soldats dise encore, aller en maraude, ou marauder, pour piller, escroquer." Marauder is therefore the orthography. Coles has marrow for a knave or beggarly rascal. Dict. 1685.] A plunderer; a pillager.

We ought to write merodeurs, [from the pretended etymology of Merodé,] and not marauders.

Harte, Hist. of Gust. Adolphus.

MARA'UDING.* adj. [marauder, French.] Roving about in quest of plunder; robbing; destroying.

MARAVE'DI.* n. s. [Arab.] A small Spanish copper coin, of less value than our farthing.

MA'RBLE. n. s. [marbre, French; marmor, Latin. 7

 Stone used in statues and elegant buildings, capable of a bright polish, and in a strong heat calcining into lime.

He plies her hard, and much rain wears the Shaksneare. Thou marble hew'st, ere long to part with breath,

And houses rear'st, unmindful of thy death.

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Some dry their corn infected with the brine, Then grind with marbles, and prepare to dine.

Dryden. The two flat sides of two pieces of marble will more easily approach each other, between which there is nothing but water or air, than if there be a diamond between them; not that the parts of the diamond are more solid, but because the parts of water being more easily separable, give way to the approach of the two pieces of marble.

2. Little balls supposed to be of marble, with which children play.

Marbles taught them percussion, and the laws of motion; nut-crackers the use of the leaver.

Arbuthnot and Pone.

3. A stone remarkable for the sculpture or inscription; as, the Oxford marbles.

MA'RBLE. adi. 1. Made of marble.

Pygmalion's fate revers'd is mine, His marble love took flesh and blood, All that I worshipp'd as divine, That beauty, now 'tis understood, Appears to have no more of life, Than that whereof he fram'd his wife.

Waller.

2. Variegated, or stained like marble. Shall I see far-fetched inventions? shall I labour to lay marble colours over my ruinous thoughts? or rather, though the pureness of my virgin-mind be stained, let me keep the true simplicity of my

The appendix shall be printed by itself, stitched, and with a marble cover.

To Ma'rble. v. a. [marbrer, Fr. from the noun.] To variegate, or vein like marble.

Very well sleeked marbled paper did not cast any of its distinct colours upon the wall with an equal diffusion.

Marian Marbled with sage the hardening cheese she press'd, And yellow butter Marian's skill profess'd.

Gay, Pastorals. MA'RBLEHEARTED. adj. [marble and heart.] Cruel; insensible; hard hearted.

Ingratitude! thou marblehearted fiend, More hideous, when thou shew'st thee in a child, Than the sea monster. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

MA'RCASITE. n. s.

The term marcasite has been very improperly used by some for bismuth, and by others for zink: the more accurate writers however always express a substance different from either of these by it, sulphureous and metallick. The marcasite is a solid hard fossil, naturally found among the veins of ores, or in the fissures of stone: the variety of forms this mineral puts on is almost endless. There are however only three distinct species of it; one of a bright gold colour, another of a bright silver, and a third of a dead white: the silvery one seems to be peculiarly meant by the writers on the Materia Medica. Marcasite is very frequent in the mines of Cornwall, where the workmen call it mundick, but more in Germany, where they extract vitriol and sulphur from it.

The writers of minerals give the name pyrites and marcasites indifferently to the same sort of body: I restrain the name of pyrites wholly to the nodules, or those that are found lodged in strata that are separate: the marcasite is part of the matter that either constitutes the stratum, or is lodged in the perpendicular fissures. Woodward, Met. Fossils. 3. Deliberate or laborious walk.

The acid salt dissolved in water is the same with oil of sulphur per campanum, and abounding much in the bowels of the earth, and particularly in mar casites, unites itself to the other ingredients of the marcasite, which are bitumen, iron, copper, and earth, and with them compounds alum, vitriol, and sulphur: with the earth alone it compounds alum: with the metal alone, and metal and earth together, it compounds vitriol; and with the bitumen and earth it compounds sulphur; whence it comes to pass, that marcasites abound with those three Newton, Opticks.

Here marcasites in various figures wait, To ripen to a true metallick state. Garth, Dispens.

March. n. s. [from Mars.] The third month of the year.

March is drawn in tawny, with a fierce aspect, a helmet upon his head, to shew this month was dedicated to Mars. Peacham on Drawing.

To MARCH. v. n. [marcher, French, for varicare, Menage; from Mars, Junius.]

1. To move in military form.

Well march we on, To give obedience where 'tis truly ow'd. Shaksp. He marched in battle array with his power against Arphaxad. Jud. i. 13.

Maccabeus marched forth, and slew five-andtwenty thousand persons. 2 Mac. xii. 26. My father, when some days before his death

He ordered me to march for Utica, Wept o'er me.

2. To walk in a grave, deliberate, or stately manner.

Plexirtus finding that if nothing else, famine would at last bring him to destruction, thought better by humbleness to creep where by pride he could not march. Doth York intend no harm to us,

That thus he marcheth with thee arm in arm? Shakspeare.

Our bodies, every footstep that they make, March towards death, until at last they die. Davies. Like thee, great son of Jove, like thee, When clad in rising majesty

Thou marchest down o'er Delos' hills. Prior. The power of wisdom march'd before. Pope, Odyss.

To MARCH. v. a.

1. To put in military movement.

Cyrus marching his army for divers days over mountains of snow, the dazzling splendour of its whiteness prejudiced the sight of very many of his Boyle on Colours.

2. To bring in regular procession. March them again in fair array, And bid them form the happy day;

The happy day design'd to wait

On William's fame, and Europe's fate. To MARCH.* v. n. To border; to join. See the fifth sense of MARCH.

That was in a stranger londe, Which marcheth upon Chimerie.

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 4.

MARCH. † n. s. [marcher, French.]

 Military movement; journey of soldiers. These troops came to the army harassed with a long and wearisome march, and cast away their arms and garments, and fought in their shirts.

Bacon, War with Spain. Who should command, by his Almighty nod, These chosen troops, unconscious of the road, And unacquainted with the appointed end, Their marches to begin, and thither tend.

Grave and solemn walk.

Waller was smooth, but Dryden taught to join The varying verse, the full resounding line, The long majestick march, and energy divine. Pope.

We came to the roots of the mountain, and had a very troublesome march to gain the top of it. Addison on Italy.

4. Signal to move.

The drums presently striking up a march, they make no longer stay, but forward they go directly.

5. Marches, without singular. [marka, Gothick; meanc, Saxon: marche, Fr. Barbazan and Roquefort assert that this word undoubtedly comes from the Latin margine, the ablative case of margo, a margin; but it is from the Gothick word in the sense of a mark defining a boundary; and thus we use landmark. Borders; limits; confines.

They of those marches -Shall be a wall sufficient to defend

Our inland from the pilfering borderers. Shaksp. The English colonies were enforced to keep continual guards upon the borders and marches

It is not fit that a king of an island should have any marches or borders but the four seas.

Davies on Ireland.

Ma'rcher. n. s. [from marcheur, French.] President of the marches or borders.

Many of our English lords made war upon the Welshmen at their own charge: the lands which they gained they held to their own use; they were called lords marchers, and had royal liberties. Davies on Ireland.

MA'RCHING.* n. s. [from march.] Military movement; passage of soldiers.

All that heard the noise of their multitude, and the marching of the company, and the rattling of the harness, were moved; for the army was very great and mighty. 1 Macc. vi. 41.

MA'RCHIONESS. † n. s. [feminine, formed by adding the English female termination to the Latin marchio. Dr. Johnson .- The old Fr. marchioness is used for marquisat. Our marchioness was formerly marquisse, as in the genuine edition of Bacon's Apophthegms; in which Dr. Johnson has given the word, from a modernized one, marchioness. And in Chaucer, markisesse. See MAR-QUIS.] The wife of a marquis; a lady raised to the rank of marquis.

Thé king's majesty Does purpose honour to you, no less flowing Than marchioness of Pembroke.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. No marchioness, but now a queen.

Milton, Epit. M. of Winchester. The lady marchioness, his wife, solicited very

diligently the timely preservation of her husband. MA'RCHPANE. † n. s. [massepane, French;

in which language the word is old; supposed to be from the Latin massa pura.] A kind of sweet bread or biscuit, such as we now call a macaroon; a sort of confection.

Along whose ridge such bones are met, Like comfits round in marchpane set.

Good thou, save me a piece of marchpane. Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul.

This marchpane is very good to procure sleep, and it refresheth and nourisheth the body withal. Ferrand on Love Melancholy, (1640,) p. 362.

MA'RCID. adj. [marcidus, Latin.] Lean; pining; withered.

A burning colliquative fever, the softer parts being melted away, the heat continuing its adusa marcid fever.

He on his own fish pours the noblest oil; That to your marcid dying herbs assign'd. By the rank smell and taste betrays its kind.

Ma'RCOUR. n. s. [marcor, Latin.] Leanness; the state of withering; waste of flesh.

Considering the exolution and languor ensuing the action of venery in some, the extenuation and marcour in others, it much abridgeth our days Brown, Vulg. Err.

A marcour is either imperfect, tending to a lesser withering, which is curable; or perfect, that is, an entire wasting of the body, excluding all means of cure.

MARD.* See MERD.

MARE. n. s. [mape, Saxon.]

1. The female of a horse. A pair of coursers born of heavenly breed,

Whom Circe stole from her celestial sire, By substituting mares, produc'd on earth, Whose wombs conceiv'd a more than mortal birth.

2. [From mara, the name of a spirit imagined by the nations of the north to torment sleepers.] A kind of torpor or stagnation, which seems to press the stomach with a weight; the night hag. Mab, his merry queen by night,

Bestrides young folks that lie upright, In elder times the mare that hight, Which plagues them out of measure.

Drayton, Nymphid. Mushrooms cause the incubus, or the mare in Bacon, Nat. Hist. the stomach.

MARE.* Used for more in the north of England. [mane, Sax.]

Ma'reschal, † n. s. [mareschal, French, derived by most etymologists from mere, Teut. equus, equa, a horse or mare, and scalc, a servant, and so came to denominate the distinguished officer called master of the horse, and thence a commander in chief. See MARSHALL. A chief commander of an army.

O William, may thy arms advance, That he may lose Dinant next year, And so be mareschal of France. MA'RGARITE.† n. s. [margarita, Latin;

marguerite, French.] A pearl. Like to a marchaunt that seeketh gode marga-

Wicliffe, St. Matt. xiii. The one, the margarite or pearl; the other, the cabinet or ark to keep this jewell.

Bp. King, Vine Palatine, (1614,) p. 6. Silver is the second metal, and signifies purity; among the planets it holdeth with luna, among precious stones with the margarite or pearl.

Peacham on Blasoning. MA'RGARITES. n. s. [bellis.] An herb. Ainsworth.

MA'RGENT. \ n.s. [margo, Latin; marge, MA'RGIN. French.

1. The border; the brink; the edge; the

He drew his flaming sword, and struck At him so fiercely, that the upper marge Of his sevenfolded shield away it took.

Spenser, F. Q.

Never since Met we on hill, in dale, forest or mead, Or on the beachy margent of the sea. Shakspeare. An airy crowd came rushing where he stood, Which fill'd the margin of the fatal flood. Dryden, En.

tion upon the drier and fleshy parts, changes into | 2. The edge of a page left blank, or filled | with a short note.

> As much love in rhime, As would be cramm'd up in a sheet of paper Writ on both sides the leaf, margent and all.

Shakspeare. Reconcile those two places, which both you and the margins of our Bibles acknowledge to be pa-

rallel. He knows in law, nor text, nor margent. Swift.

3. The edge of a wound or sore.

All the advantage to be gathered from it is only from the evenness of its margin, the purpose will be as fully answered by keeping that under only. Sharp, Surgery.

To MA'RGENT.* \ v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To mark or note in the margin of a book.

I present it in one whole entire hymne, distinguishing it only by succession of yeares, which I have margented through the whole storie.

Mir. for Mag. p. 774.

2. To border.

Its water was clear and limpid, and beautifully margin'd with the tender grass.

Bourne, Antiq. of the Com. People, p. 65. MA'RGINAL. adj. [marginal, French; from

margin.] Placed or written on the margin. We cannot better interpret the meaning of these

words than Pope Leo himself expoundeth them, whose speech concerning our Lord's ascension may serve instead of a marginal gloss.

What remarks you find worthy of your riper observation, note with a marginal star, as being worthy of your second year's review.

Watts, Logick.

MA'RGINALLY.* adv. [from marginal.] In the margin of the book.

Such quotations of places to be marginally set down, as shall serve for the fit reference of one scripture to another.

Abp. Newcomb, View of the Bib. Translat. p. 99. To MA'RGINATE.* v. a. [from margin.] To make brims or margents. Cockeram.

MA'RGINATED. adj. [marginatus, Lat. from margin.] Having a margin.

MA'RGRAVE.† n. s. [marck and graff, German.] A title of sovereignty in Germany in its original import, keeper of the marches or borders.

The chief and head of them was the margrave (as they call him) of Bruges.

Robinson, Tr. of More's Utopia, Pref. (1551.) MA'RIETS. n. s. [violæ marianæ.] A kind of violet.

MA'RIGOLD. n. s. [Mary and gold; caltha, Latin.] A yellow flower, devoted, I suppose, to the virgin.

The marigold hath a radiated discous flower; the petals of them are, for the most part, crenated, the seeds crooked and rough; those which are uppermost long, and those within short: the leaves are long, intire, and for the most part, Miller. succulent.

Your circle will teach you to draw truly all spherical bodies. The most of flowers; as, the Peacham. rose and marigold.

The marigold, whose courtier's face Echoes the sun, and doth unlace Cleaveland. Her at his rise.

Fair is the marigold, for pottage meet.

Gay, Pastorals.

To MA'RINATE. v. a. [mariner, French.] To salt fish: and then preserve them in oil or vinegar.

Why am I styl'd a cook, if I 'm so loth To marinate my fish, or season broth?

King, Cookery.

MAR'INE. † adj. [marin, Fr. marinus, Lat. Formerly this word was accented on the first syllable.] Belonging to the sea.

With loud clamour to the marine shore The armed people clustred in thicke swarmes. Mir. for Mag. p. 819.

The king was desirous that the ordinances of England and France, touching marine affairs, might be reduced into one form. Hayward.

Vast multitudes of shells, and other marine

bodies, are found lodged in all sorts of stone. Woodward.

No longer Circe could her flame disguise, But to the suppliant god marine replies. Garth, Ovid.

Mari'ne. † n. s. [la marine, French.]

Sea affairs.

Nearchus, who commanded Alexander's fleet, and Onesicrates his intendant-general of marine, have both left relations of the state of the Indies Arbuthnot.

2. A soldier taken on shipboard to be employed in descents upon the land.

MA'RINER. † n. s. [from mare, Lat. marinier, French; mapinap, Saxon.] A seaman; a sailor.

The merry mariner unto his word Soon hearkened, and her painted boat straightway Turn'd to the shore. Spenser, F. Q.

We oft deceive ourselves, as did that mariner, who, mistaking them for precious stones, brought home his ship fraught with common pebbles from the Indies.

His busy mariners he hates, His shatter'd sails with rigging to restore.

What mariner is not afraid,

To venture in a ship decay'd? Ma'rjoram. n. s. [marjorana, Lat. mar-

jolaine, Fr.] A fragrant plant of many kinds; the bastard kind only grows

The nymphs of the mountains would be drawn, upon their heads garlands of honeysuckles, woodbine, and sweet marjoram. Peacham on Drawing.

MA'RISH.† n. s. [marisawis, Gothick; menre, Saxon; maersche, Dutch.] A bog; a fen; a swamp; watery ground; a marsh; a morass; a moor.

The flight was made towards Dalkeith; which way, by reason of the marish, the English borse were least able to pursue. Hayward.

When they had avenged the blood of their brother, they turned again to the marish of Jordan.

1 Mac. ix. 42. Lodronius, carried away with the breaking in of the horsemen, was driven into a marish; where, being sore wounded, and fast in the mud, he had done the uttermost.

His limbs he coucheth in the cooler shades; Oft, when heaven's burning eye the fields invades, Sandy's Paraphrase. To marishes resorts. From the other hill

To their fix'd station, all in bright array, The cherubim descended; on the ground Gliding meteorous, as evening mist, Ris'n from the river, o'er the marish glides, And gathers ground fast at the labourer's heel. Milton, P. I. MA'RISH. adj. Moorish; fenny; boggy; swampy.

It hath been a great endangering to the health of some plantations, that they have built along the sea and rivers, in marish and unwholesome grounds. Bacon, Essays.

The fen and quagmire so marish by kind, Are to be drained. Tusser, Husbandry.

MA'RITAL. adj. [maritus, Latin; marital, As much for mock as mark. French.] Pertaining to a husband; 5. Conveniency of notice. incident to a husband.

If any one retains a wife that has been taken in the act of adultery, he incurs the guilt of the crime of bawdry. But because repentance does consist in the mind, and since Christian charity, as well as marital affection, easily induces a belief thereof, this law is not observed.

It has been determined by some unpolite professors of the law, that a husband may exercise his marital authority so far, as to give his wife moderate correction. Art of Tormenting.

MA'RITATED. adj. [from maritus, Latin.] Having a husband. Dict.

MARI'TIMAL. adj. [maritimus, Lat. ma-MA'RITIME. [ritime, Fr.]

1. Performed on the sea; marine.

I discoursed of a maritimal voyage, and the passages and incidents therein. Ralegh, Essays.

2. Relating to the sea; naval.

At the parliament at Oxford, his youth, and want of experience in maritime service, had somewhat been shrewdly touched.

Wotton, Life of D. of Buckingham.

3. Bordering on the sea.

The friend, the shores maritimal Sought for his bed, and found a place upon which play'd

The murmuring billows. Chapman, Iliad. Ercoco, and the less maritime kings,

Milton, P. L. Monbaza and Quiloa. Neptune upbraided them with their stupidity and ignorance, that a maritime town should neglect the patronage of him who was the god of the seas.

MARK. n. s. [marc, Welsh; meanc, Saxon: mercke, Dutch; marque, French.]

1. A token by which any thing is known.

Once was proclaimed throughout all Ireland, that all men should mark their cattle with an open several mark upon their flanks or buttocks, so as if they happen to be stolen, they might appear Spenser on Ireland. whose they were.

In the present form of the earth there are certain marks and indications of its first state; with which, if we compare those things that are recorded in sacred history, we may discover what the earth was in in its first original.

The urine is a lixivium of the salts in a human body, and the proper mark of the state and quantity of such salts; and therefore very certain indications for the choice of diet may be taken from Arbuthnot on Aliments. the state of urine.

2. A stamp; an impression.

But cruel fate, and my more cruel wife, To Grecian swords betray'd my sleeping life: These are the monuments of Helen's love, The shame I bear below, the marks I bore above.

'Twas then old soldiers cover'd o'er with scars, The marks of Pyrrhus, or the Punick wars, Thought all past services rewarded well, If to their share at least two acres fell.

Dryden, Juv. At present there are scarce any marks left of a subterraneous fire, for the earth is cold, and overrun with grass and shrubs. Addison on Italy.

3. A proof; an evidence.

As the confusion of tongues was a mark of separation, so the being of one language is a mark Bacon. of union.

The argonauts sailed up the Danube, and from thence passed into the Adriatick, carrying their ship Argo upon their shoulders; a mark of great ignorance in geography among the writers of that Arbuthnot on Coins.

MAR

4. Notice taken.

The laws Stand like the forfeits in a barber's shop, Shakspeare.

Upon the north sea bordereth Stow, so called per eminentiam, as a place of great and good mark Carew, Surv. of Cornwall.

6. Any thing at which a missile weapon is directed.

France was a fairer mark to shoot at than Ireland, and could better reward the conqueror. Davies on Ireland.

Be made the mark For all the people hate, the prince's curses.

7. The evidence of a horse's age.

At four years old cometh the mark of tooth in horses, which hath a hole as big as you may lay a pea within it; and weareth shorter and shorter every year, till at eight years old the tooth is smooth. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

8. [Marque, French.] Licence of reprisals.

[Marc, French.] A sum of thirteen shillings and fourpence.

We give thee for reward a thousand marks.

Thirty of these pence make a mancus, which some think to be all one with a mark, for that manca and mancusa is translated, in ancient books, Camden, Rem.

Upon every writ for debt or damage, amounting to forty pounds or more, a noble is paid to fine; and so for every hundred marks more, a noble.

10. A character made by those who cannot write their names.

Here are marriage-vows for signing; Set your marks that cannot write.

Dryden, K. Arthur. Lorenzo sign'd the bargain with his mark. Young.

To MARK. v.a. [merken, Dutch; meanccan. Saxon; marquer, French.]

1. To impress with a token or evidence. Will it not be receiv'd,

When we have mark'd with blood those sleepy two Of his own chamber, and us'd their very daggers, That they have don 't? Shakspeare, Macbeth For our quiet possession of things useful, they are naturally marked where there is need.

Grew, Cosmol. Sacra.

2. To notify as by a mark.

That which was once the index to point out all virtues, does now mark out that part of the world where least of them resides. Decay of Chr. Piety.

3. To note; to take no notice of. Alas, poor country

Where sighs, and groans, and shricks, that rend the air

Are made, not mark'd. Shakspeare, Macbeth. Mark them which cause divisions contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned, and avoid Rom. xvi. 17.

4. To heed; to regard as valid or important.

Now swear, and call to witness Heav'n, hell, and earth, I mark it not from one That breathes beneath such complicated guilt.

To MARK. v.n. To note; to take notice.

Men mark when they hit, and never mark when they miss, as they do also of dreams.

Bacon, Ess. Mark a little why Virgil is so much concerned. to make this marriage; it is to make way for the divorce which he intended afterwards. Druden.

MA'RKABLE.* adj. [marquable, Fr. Cotgrave. 7 Remarkable. Not in use.

Sherwood. He would strike them - with some markable

Sir E. Sandy's State of Religion, F. 2. b. MA'RKER. † n. s. [marquer, French, from mark.

1. One that puts a mark on any thing.

2. One that notes, or takes notice. Mathematicians are the same thing to mecha-

nicks, as markers at tennis-courts are to game-sters.

Butler, Charact. Rem. MA'RKET. † n. s. [anciently written mer-

cat, of mercatus, Latin. Dr. Johnson .-The word is the Sax. mapker, which escaped the notice of Serenius, who gives the "Germ. markt, forum; Cambr. and Sueth. marknad; Goth. markad, nundinæ; vox antiquiss. à mark, marca, quâ unice pecuniam numerabant vet."]

1. A publick time, and appointed place, of buying and selling.

It were good that the privilege of a market were given to enable them to their defence; for there is nothing doth sooner cause civility than many market towns, by reason the people repairing often thither will learn civil manners. Spenser.
Mistress, know yourself, down on your knees,

And thank Heaven, fasting, for a good man's

For I must tell you friendly in your ear, Sell when you can, you are not for all markets.

Shakspeare. They counted our life a pastime, and our time here a market for gain. Wisd. xv. 12. If one bushel of wheat and two of barley will, in the market, be taken one for another, they are of equal worth. Locke.

2. Purchase and sale.

With another year's continuance of the war, there will hardly be money left in this kingdom to turn the common markets, or pay rents. Temple. The precious weight

Of pepper and Sabæan incense take, And with post-haste thy running market make, Be sure to turn the penny. Dryden, Pers.

3. Rate; price. [marché, French.] 'Twas then old soldiers, cover'd o'er with scars, Thought all past services rewarded well, If, to their share, at least two acres fell,

Their country's frugal bounty; so of old Was blood and life at a low market sold. Dryden, Juv.

To MA'RKET. v. n. To deal at a market; to buy or sell; to make bargains.

MA'RKET-BELL. n. s. [market and bell.] The bell to give notice that trade may begin in the market.

Enter, go in, the market-bell is rung. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

MA'RKET-CROSS. n. s. [market and cross.] A cross set up where the market is held.

These things you have articulated, Proclaim'd at market-crosses, read in churches, To face the garment of rebellion With some fine colour.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. MA'RKET-DAY. n. s. [market and day.] The day on which things are publickly

bought and sold.

Fool that I was, I thought imperial Rome, Like Mantua, where on market-days we come, And thither drive our lambs.

Dryden, Virg. He ordered all the Lacquese to be seized that were found on a market-day in one of his frontier Addison on Italy.

MA'RKET-FOLKS. n s. [market and folks.] People that come to the market. Poor marketfolks, that come to sell their corn.

Shakspeare.

MA'RKET-MAID. n. s. [market and maid.] A woman that goes to buy or sell.

You are come A market-maid to Rome, and have prevented

The ostentation of our love. Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop.

MA'RKET-MAN. n. s. [market and man.] One who goes to the market to sell or

Be wary how you place your words, Talk like the vulgar sort of market-men, That come to gather money for their corn.

Shaksneare. The market-man should act as if his master's whole estate ought to be applied to that servant's business.

MA'RKET-PLACE. n. s. [market and place.] Place where the market is held.

The king, thinking he had put up his sword, because of the noise, never took leisure to hear his answer, but made him prisoner, meaning the next morning to put him to death in the market-place.

The gates he order'd all to be unbarr'd, And from the market-place to draw the guard.

Behold the market-place with poor o'erspread, The man of Ross divides the weekly bread.

MA'RKET-PRICE. \ n. s. [market and price Ma'rKET-RATE. \ or rate.] The price

at which any thing is currently sold. Money governs the world, and the market-price is the measure of the worth of men as well as of L'Estrange.

He that wants a vessel, rather than lose his market will not stick to have it at the market-

MA'RKET-TOWN. n. s. A town that has the privilege of a stated market; not a village.

Nothing doth sooner cause civility in any country than market-towns, by reason that people re-pairing often thither will learn civil manners of Spenser. the better sort.

No, no, the pope's mitre my master Sir Roger seized, when they would have burnt him at our

MA'RKETABLE. adj. [from market.]

1. Such as may be sold; such for which a buyer may be found.

A plain fish, and no doubt marketable. Shaksp.

2. Current in the market.

The pretorian soldiers arrived to that impudence, that after the death of Pertinax they made open sale of the empire, as if it had been of com-Decay of Chr. Piety. mon marketable wares.

The marketable value of any quantities of two commodities are equal, when they will exchange one for another.

MA'RKMAN.† } n. s. [mark and man.]

1. A man skilful to hit a mark.

In sadness, cousin, I do love a woman. -I aim'd so near when I suppos'd you lov'd.

- A right good marksman.

Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul.

Whom nothing can procure, When the wide world runs bias from his will, To writhe his limbs, and share, not mend the ill;

This is the marksman, safe and sure, Who still is right, and prays to be so still.

An ordinary marksman may know certainly when he shoots less wide at what he aims.

Dryden. 2. One who cannot write his name, but makes his mark or sign for it.

In the original Solemn League and Covenant, which hath been lately discovered, and is now in the British Museum, there are abundance of marksmen, all of whom, from their abhorrence of popery at that time, leave the cross unfinished, and sign in the shape of the letter T.

Nicolson and Burn, Hist. of Cumb. (1777,) p. 324.

MARL. n. s. [marl. Welsh; mergel, Dutch; marga, Latin; marle, marne, Fr. in Saxon, mepz is marrow, with an allusive signification, marl being the fatness of the earth.]

Marl is a kind of clay, which is become fatter, and of a more enriching quality, by a better fermentation, and by its having lain so deep in the earth as not to have spent or weakened its fertilizing quality by any product. Marl is supposed to be much of the nature of chalk, and is believed to be fertile from its salt and oily quality.

Quincy. We understand by the term marle simple native earths, less heavy than the boles, or clays, not soft and unctuous to the touch, nor ductile while moist, dry and crumbly between the fingers, and readily diffusible in water.

Marl is the best compost, as having most fatness, and not heating the ground too much.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Mortimer.

Uneasy steps Over the burning marl, not like those steps Milton, P. L On heaven's azure. To MARL. v. a. [from the noun.] To

manure with marl. Improvements by marling, liming, and draining, have been since money was at five and six per cent.

Sandy land marled will bear good pease.

To MARL. v. n. [from marline.] To fasten the sails with marline. MA'RLEON.* See MERLIN.

MA'RLINE. n. s. [meann. Skinner.] Long wreaths of untwisted hemp dipped in pitch, with which the ends of cables are guarded against friction.

Some the gall'd ropes with dawby marline bind, Or searcloth masts with strong tarpawling coats.

MA'RLINESPIKE. n. s. A small piece of iron for fastening ropes together, or to open the bolt rope when the sail is to Bailey. be sewed in it.

MA'RLPIT. n. s. [marl and pit.] Pit out of which marl is dug.

Several others, of different figures, were found; part of them in a rivulet, the rest in a marlpit in a Woodward.

MA'RLY. † adj. [from marl.] Abounding with marl.

The fat and marly mold. Drayt. Polyolb. S. 3. The oak thrives best on the richest clay, and will penetrate strangely to come at a marly bottom.

MA'RMALADE. \ n.s. [marmelade, Fr. mar-MA'RMALET. melo, Portuguese, a

Marmalade is the pulp of quinces boiled into a consistence with sugar: it is subastringent, grateful to the Quincy.

MARMORA'TION. n. s. [marmor, Latin.] Incrustation with marble. Dict.

MARMO'REAN. adj. [marmoreus, Lat.] Made of marble. Dict.

MA'RMOSET. + n. s. [marmouset, French, from marmot, a monkey.] A small monkey.

Whilst they were on ship-board, a marmoset chanced upon the book, as it was negligently laid by, which wantonly playing therewith, plucked out certain leaves, and tore them in pieces.

Robinson, Tr. of More's Utop. (1551,) ii. 7. Marmosets and mumping apes.

Marston, Scourge of Vill. (1599,) iii. 9. I will instruct thee how

To snare the nimble marmozet. Shaksp. Tempest. He past, appears some mincing marmoset,

Made all of clothes and face. B. Jonson, Cynth. Revels. Apes of less learning, to form comedians and dancing-masters; and marmosets, court pages, and

young English travellers. Arbuthnot and Pope. Mart. Scribl.

MARMO'T. } n. s. [Italian, mar-marmotta.]

The marmotto, or mus alpinus, as big or bigger than a rabbit, which absconds all winter, doth live upon its own fat. Ray on Creation.

MA'RQUETRY. n. s. [marqueterie, French.] Chequered work; work inlaid with variegation.

MA'RQUESS.†) n. s. [marquis, French; MA'RQUIS. f marchio, Latin; margrave, German. The spelling of this word was formerly markis, as in Chaucer; and markisesse, for marchioness: then marquess, which method of writing it is now also used by some.

1. In England one of the second order of nobility, next in rank to a duke.

None may wear ermine but princes, and there is a certain number of ranks allowed to dukes, marquisses, and earls, which they must not exceed. Peacham on Drawing.

Marc or merc signifying a bound or limit, hence is supposed the original of that honorary title of marquess, which is as much as a lord of the fron-Selden on Drayton's Polyolb. S. 7.

2. Formerly a marchioness also. [marquise, French.

You shall have Two noble partners with you: the old dutchess

Of Norfolk, and the lady marquess Dorset. Shakspeare.

From a private gentlewoman he made me a marquisse, and from a marquisse a queen; and now he intends to crown my innocency with the glory of martyrdom.

Bacon, Apophthegms, (ed. 1625.) The first and last woman that was created a marquess, was the lady Ann Boleyn. Spelman.

MA'RQUISATE. † n. s. [marquisat, French.]

The seigniory of a marquis. The duke of Savoy pretendeth colourably enough to the foresaid whole marquisat.

Wotton, Rem. p. 416.

MA'RRER. n. s. [from mar.] One who spoils or hurts any thing.

You be indeed makers, or marrers, of all men's | manners within the realm. Ascham, Schoolmaster.

MA'RRIABLE.* adj. [marriable, Fr. Cotgrave.] Marriageable. Not in use.

Huloet, and Sherwood. MA'RRIAGE. † n. s. [mariage, French; maritugium, low Latin, from maritus.] The act of uniting a man and woman for life; state of perpetual union.

The marriage with his brother's wife Has crept too near his conscience.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. If that thy bent of love be honourable,

Thy purpose marriage, send me word to-morrow. Shakspeare.

The French king would have the disposing of the marriage of Bretagne, with an exception, that he should not marry her himself.

Some married persons, even in their marriage, do better please God than some virgins in their state of virginity: they, by giving great example of conjugal affection, by preserving their faith unbroken, and by educating children in the fear of God, please God in a higher degree than those virgins whose piety is not answerable to their opportunities. Taylor.

I propose that Palamon shall be, In marriage join'd with beauteous Emily. Dryd. MA'RRIAGE is often used in composition.

In a late draught of marriage-articles, a lady stipulated with her husband, that she shall be at liberty to patch on which side she pleases.

Addison, Spect. I by the honour of my marriage-bed,

After young Arthur claim this land for mine. Shakspeare.

To these whom death again did wed, This grave's the second marriage-bed: For though the hand of fate could force 'Twixt soul and body a divorce, It could not sever man and wife,

Because they both liv'd but one life. There on his arms and once lov'd portrait lay, Thither our fatal marriage-bed convey. Denham.

Thou shalt come into the marriage-chamber.

Tob. vi. 16. Neither her worthiness, which in truth was

great, nor his own suffering for her, which is wont to endear affection, could fetter his fickleness : but, before the marriage-day appointed, he had taken to wife Baccha, of whom she complained. Sidney. Virgin, awake! the marriage-hour is nigh.

Give me, to live and die, A spotless maid, without the marriage-tie. Dryd. MA'RRIAGEABLE. † adj. [from marriage.]

1. Fit for wedlock; of age to be married. She is not yet marriageable.

Expos. of Solomon's Song, (1585,) p. 263. Every wedding, one with another, produces four children, and that is the proportion of children which any marriageable man or woman may be presumed shall have.

Î am the father of a young heiress, whom I begin to look upon as marriageable. Spectator. When the girls are twelve years old, which is the marriageable age, their parents take them home.

2. Capable of union.

They led the vine To wed her elm; she, spous'd, about him twines Her marriageable arms, and with her brings

Her dower, the adopted clusters to adorn His barren leaves. Milton, P. L.

MA'RRIED. adj. [from marry.] Conjugal; connubial.

Thus have you shunn'd the married state.

MA'RROW. n. s. [mepz, Saxon; smerr, Erse; smergh, Scottish.

All the bones of the body which have any considerable thickness have either a large cavity, or they are spongious, and MA'RROWLESS. adj. [from marrow.] Void full of little cells; in both the one and the other there is an oleagenous substance, called marrow, contained in proper vesicles or membranes, like the fat: in the larger bones this fine oil, by the gentle heat of the body, is exhaled through the pores of its small bladders, and enters some narrow passages, which lead to some fine canals excavated in the substance of the bone, that the marrow may supple the fibres of the bones, and render them less apt to break. Quincy. Would he were wasted, marrow, bones, and all,

That from his loins no hopeful branch may spring.

The skull hath brains as a kind of marrow within it: the back-bone hath one kind of marrow, and other bones of the body hath another: the jawbones have no marrow severed, but a little pulp of marrow diffused. Pamper'd and edified their zeal

With marrow puddings many a meal. Hudibras. He bit the dart, and wrench'd the wood away, The point still buried in the marrow lay

Addison, Ov. MA'RROW. †. In the Scottish dialect, to this day, a fellow, companion, or associate, as also an equal match; he met with his marrow; from mari, husband, French. Dr. Johnson. - It is also a word of the north of England. " These gloves or shoes are not marrows, i. e. are not fellows." Coles, Ray, and Grose.

Though buying and selling doth wonderful wel, Yet chopping and changing I cannot commend With theef or his marrow for fear of il end.

To Ma'rrow.* v. a. To fill as it were with marrow and fatness: to glut.

What mean these strict reformers thus to spend their hour-glasses, and bawl against our harmless cups? to call our meetings riots, and brand our civil mirth with styles of loose intemperance? whilst they can sit at a sister's feast, devour and gormandize beyond excess, and wipe the guilt from off their marrowed mouths, and clothe their surfeits in the long fustian robes of a tedious grace! Quarles, Judg. and Mercy, The Drunkard.

MA'RROWBONE. † n. s. [bone and marrow.] 1. Bone boiled for the marrow.

A cook they hadden with them for the nones, To boile the chickenes and the mariebones. Chaucer, T. C. Prol.

2. In burlesque language, the knees. Dr. Johnson. - I'll bring him down upon his marrow-bones, that is, I'll make him bend his knees as he does to the Virgin Mary. See also MARRY. Brandt, Popular Antiquities.

What men could have held laughing to have seen an Egyptian on his maribones adoring a dog, or praying to an oxe?

Lightfoot, Miscell. (1629.) p. 182. Upon this he fell down upon his marrowbones, and begged of Jupiter to give him a pair of horns.

Down on your marrowbones, upon your allegiance; and make an acknowledgement of your offences; for I will have ample satisfaction. Dryden, Span. Friar.

MA'RROWFAT. n. s. A kind of pea. Ma'rrowish.* adj. [from marrow.] the nature of marrow.

The brain is a soft, marrowish, and white sub-Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 19.

of marrow. Avaunt!

Thy bones are marrowless, thy blood is cold: Thou hast no speculation in those eyes, Which thou dost glare with. Shakspeare, Mach.

MA'RROWY.* adj. [from marrow.] 1. Pithy; full of strength or sap.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood. 2. Medullary; of the nature of marrow. Those marrowy filaments lying parallel to one another cannot, of themselves, be supposed in any degree elastick.

Kinneir's Essay on the Nerves, (1739,) p. 30.

MA'RRY.* interj. A term of asseveration in common use; which was originally, in popish times, a mode of swearing by the Virgin Mary, q. d. by Mary. Brand. Mary, I defy that false monk dan John. Chaucer, Shipm. Tale.

Wilt thou be pleas'd To hearken once again the suit I made thee? Ste. Marry will I: kneel and repeat it; I will stand, and so shall Trinculo. Shakspeare, Tempest. Marry, once before he won it of me with false Shakspeare, Much Ado.

The zodiacke of his life is like that of the sun, marry, not half so glorious. Overbury, Prisoner. How do you like me now?

- Like you? marry - I don't know. Southerne, Oronooko.

To MA'RRY. v. a. [marier, French; maritor, Lat.]

1. To join a man and woman; as performing the rite.

What! shall the curate control me? Tell him, that he shall marry the couple himself. Gay, What d'ye call it.

2. To dispose of in marriage.

When Augustus consulted with Mecænas about the marriage of his daughter Julia, Mecænas took the liberty to tell him, that he must either marry his daughter to Agrippa, or take away his life; there was no third way, he had made him so great. Bacon, Ess.

3. To take for husband or wife. You'd think it strange if I should marry her. Shakspeare. As a mother shall she meet him, and receive

him as a wife married of a virgin. Ecclus. xv. 2.

To Ma'RRY. v. n. To enter into the conjugal state. He hath my good will,

And none but he, to marry with Nan Page. Shakspeare.

Let them marry to whom they think best. Num. xxxvi. 6.

Virgil concludes with the death of Turnus; for after that difficulty was removed, Æneas might marry, and establish the Trojans.

Dryden, Dufresnoy. Mars.* n. s. [Latin.]

1. One of the planets.

Mars his true moving, even as in the heavens, So in the earth to this day is not known.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. P. I.

2. Among chymists, the term for iron. MARSH, are derived from the Saxon MARS, mepre, a fen, or fenny place.

Mas, Gibson's Camden. Marsh. n. s. [meprc, Sax. See Marish.] A fen; a bog; a swamp; a watery tract

of land. In their courses make that round, In meadows and in marshes found,

Of them so call'd the fayry ground, Of which they have the keeping.

Drayton, Nymphid. Worms for colour and shape, alter even as the ground out of which they are got; as the marsh worm and the stag worm. Walton, Angler.

We may see in more conterminous climates

great variety in the people thereof; the up-lands in England yield strong, sinewy, hardy men; the marsh-lands, men of large and high stature.

Hale, Orig. of Mankind. Your low meadows and marsh-lands you need not lay up till April, except the spring be very wet, and your marshes very poachy.

Mortimer, Husbandry.

MARSH-MALLOW. n. s. [althæa, Latin.] It is in all respects like the mallow, but its leaves are more soft and woolly. Miller.

Marsh Marigold. n. s. [populago, Lat.]
This flower consists of several leaves, which are placed circularly, and expand in form of a rose, in the middle of which rises the pointal, which becomes a membranaceous fruit, in which there are several cells, for the most part bent downwards, collected into little heads and full of seeds.

And set soft hyacinths with iron-blue, To shade marsh-marigalds of shining hue. Dryden.

MA'RSHAL.† n. s. [mareschal, Fr. See MARESCHAL. Serenius calls it "Antiq. Franc. vox, à Goth. mar, equus, and skall vel skale, servus, administrator." So Selden: "The name of marshal or mareschal is agreed to descend from two Teutonick words, (which was the same with the old French,) mare, which signified as much as our general name of horse, and scalck, that in the old German and Gothick tongues signified a servant." Duello, ch. 9. " Marshal was at first the name of a smith, farrier, or one that dressed horses; but it climbed by degrees to that height, that the chiefest commanders of the gendarmery and militia of France are come to be called marshals; which about a hundred years since were but two in all, whereas now they are twelve." Howell, Lett. iv. 19.]

1. The chief officer of arms.

The duke of Suffolk claims To be high steward; next the duke of Norfolk To be earl marshal.

2. An officer who regulates combats in the

Dares their pride presume against my laws, As in a listed field to fight their cause? Unask'd the royal grant; no marshal by, As kingly rites require, nor judge to try. Dryden.

3. Any one who regulates rank or order at a feast, or any other assembly. Through the hall there walked to and fro

A jolly yeoman, marshal of the same, Whose name was Appetite; he did bestow Both guests and meats, whenever in they came, And knew them how to order without blame.

Spenser, F. Q. 4. An harbinger; a pursuivant, one who

goes before a prince to declare his coming, and provide entertainment. Her face, when it was fairest, had been but as a marshal to lodge, the love of her in his mind,

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which now was so well placed as it needed no help of outward harbinger.

5. A commander in chief of military forces. Marshal Harcourt and the duke of Berwick were preparing to go into Alsace and Dauphiné, but their troops were in want of all manner of Tatler, No. 5.

To Ma'RSHAL. v. a. [from the noun.] 1. To arrange; to rank in order.

Multitude of jealousies, and lack of some pre-dominant desire, that should marshal and put in order all the rest, maketh any man's heart hard to find or sound.

It is as inconceivable how it should be the directrix of such intricate motions, as that a blind man should marshal an army. Glanville, Scepsis.

Anchises look'd not with so pleas'd a face, In numb'ring o'er his future Roman race,

And marskalling the heroes of his name, As in their order, next to light they came. Dryden.

2. To lead as an harbinger. Thou marshal'st me the way that I was going.

Ma'rshaller. n. s. [from marshal.] One that arranges; one that ranks in order. Dryden was the great refiner of English poetry, and the best marshaller of words.

Trapp, Pref. to the Æneis.

MA'RSHALSEA. n. s. [from marshal.] The prison in Southwark belonging to the marshal of the king's household.

MA'RSHALSHIP. n. s. [from marshal.] The office of a marshal.

MARSHE'LDER. n. s. A gelder-rose, of 1. A large kind of weesel, whose fur is

which it is a species.

MARSHRO'CKET. n. s. A species of water- 2. [Martelet, Fr.] A kind of swallow that cresses.

MA'RSHY. adj. [from marsh.]

1. Boggy; wet; fenny; swampy. Though here the marshy grounds approach your

And there the soil a stony harvest yields.

Dryden, Virg. It is a distemper of such as inhabit marshy, fat, low, moist, soils, near stagnating water. Arbuthnot on Diet.

2. Produced in marshes.

Feed

With delicates of leaves and marshy weed. Dryd. MART. † n. s. [contracted from market.]

1. A place of publick traffick. Christ could not suffer that the temple should serve for a place of mart, nor the apostle of Christ that the church should be made an inn. Hooker.

If any born at Ephesus Be seen at Syracusan marts and fairs,

Shakspeare. Ezechiel, in the description of Tyre, and the exceeding trade that it had with all the East, as the only mart town, reciteth both the people with whom they commerce, and also what commodities every country yielded.

Many come to a great mart of the best horses. Temple.

The French, since the accession of the Spanish monarchy, supply with cloth the best mart we had in Europe.

2. Bargain; purchase and sale. I play a merchant's part,

And venture madly on a desperate mart. Shaksp. 3. Letters of mart. Licence of reprisals. 3. Belonging to war; not civil; not ac-A corruption of mark. See the eighth sense of Mark. And Cotgrave, " Droict de marque, power to seize the body and goods of another.'

To pick out letters of mart, and to have commission to kill and slay, &c.

Bp. Gauden, Hierasp. (1653,) p. 80. To MART. v. a. [from the noun.] traffick; to buy or sell.

Sooth when I was young I wou'd have ransack'd

The pedlar's silken treasury, you've let him go, And nothing marted with him. Shaksp. Wint. Tale.

Cassius, you yourself, Do sell and mart your offices for gold

To undeservers. Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs. Poor brats were slaves, of bondmen that were born,

And marted, sold. Marston, Scourge of Vill. (1599,) i. 2.

Your christening of bells, marting of pardons, tossing of beads.

Roy Hall, Epist. D. i. Ep.1.

To Mart.** v. n. To trade dishonour-

If he shall think it fit, A saucy stranger, in his court, to mart Shakspeare, Cymb. As in a stew.

MA'RTAGON.* n.s. A kind of lily. The roscid and honey drops observable in the flowers of martagon. Sir T. Brown, Miscell. p. 20.

To MA'RTEL.* v. n. [martellare, Italian; martelo, low Lat. marteler, Fr. from malleus, Lat. a hammer.] To strike; to make a blow.

Her dreadful weapon she to him addrest, Which on his helmet martelled so hard, That made him low incline his lofty crest, And bow'd his batter'd visour to his brest. Spenser, F. Q. iii. vii. 42.

much valued.

builds in houses; a martlet.

A churchwarden, to express St. Martin's in the Fields, caused to be engraved, on the communion cup, a martin, a bird like a swallow, sitting upon a mole hill between two trees. Peacham on Blazoning.

MA'RTIAL. adj. [martial, French; martialis, Lat.]

1. Warlike; fighting; given to war; brave.

Into my feeble breast

Come gently, but not with that mighty rage Wherewith the martial troopes thou dost infest, And hearts of great heroes dost enrage.

Spenser, F. Q.

The queen of martials, And Mars himself conducted them.

Chapman, Iliad. It hath seldom been seen, that the far southern people have invaded the northern, but contrariwise; whereby it is manifest, that the northern tract of the world is the more martial region.

His subjects call'd aloud for war; But peaceful kings o'er martial people set, Each other's poize and counterbalance are. Dryd. 2. Having a warlike show; suiting war.

See His thousands, in what martial equipage

They issue forth! Steel bows and shafts their

Of equal dread in flight or in pursuit. Milton, P. R.

When our country's cause provokes to arms, How martial musick every bosom warms. Pope.

cording to the rules or practice of peaceable government.

Let his neck answer for it, if there is any martial law in the world. Shakspeare, Hen. V. They proceeded in a kind of martial justice

with enemies offering them their law before they Bacon, Holy War. drew their sword. 4. Borrowing qualities from the planet

Mars.

The natures of the fixed stars are astrologically differenced by the planets, and esteemed martial or jovial according to the colours whereby they answer these planets. Brown

5. Having parts or properties of iron, which is called Mars by the chymists. MA'RTIALISM.* n. s. [from martial.] Bravery; chivalry; warlike exercises.

Such a young Alexander for affecting martialism and chivalrie; such a young Josiah for religion

Prince, Creation of the P. of Wales, (1610,) D.2.

MA'RTIALIST. † n. s. [from martial.] A warriour; a fighter.

While those bold martialists, that for their fame, In skill of warre affaires were so renown'd, Did by their swords immortalize her name.

Mir. for Mag. p. 853, He was a swain, whom all the Graces kist, A brave, heroick, worthy martialist.

Browne, Brit. Past. i. 5. He was indeed one of the queen's martialists, 1. To put to death for virtue or true proand did very good service in Ireland.

Naunton, Fragm. Regalia, of Ld. Sussex.
Many brave adventurous spirits fell for love of her; amongst others the high-hearted martialist, who first lost his hands, then one of his chiefest limbs, and lastly his life. Howell.

MA'RTINET.† \ n. s. [martinet, French.]

1. A kind of swallow. Barret notices martinet in this sense, Alv. 1580.

This guest of summer, The temple-haunting martlet does approve By his lov'd mansionry, that heaven's breath Smells wooingly here. No jutting frieze, Buttress, nor coigne of vantage, but this bird Hath made his pendant bed, and procreant cradle. Where they most breed and haunt, I have observ'd The air is delicate. Shakspeare, Macbeth. As in a drought the thirsty creatures cry, And gape upon the gather'd clouds for rain;

Then first the martlet meets it in the sky. And with wet wings joys all the feather'd train.

2. In military language, a martinet is a precise or strict disciplinarian; so called from an officer of that name, whom Voltaire describes as the regulator of the French infantry under Louis the Fourteenth. It is modern in English, and has the accent on the last syllable.

MA'RTINGAL. n. s. [martingale, French.] It is a broad strap made fast to the girths under the belly of a horse, and runs between the two legs to fasten the other end, under the noseband of the

Ma'rtinmas.† n.s. [Captinur-mærra, Sax. Martin and mass.] The feast of St. Martin; the eleventh of November; commonly corrupted to martilmass or martlemass.

Martilmas beefe doth bear good tacke, When countrey folke do dainties lacke.

Tusser, Husb. The Turks their butchers, and themselves the martinmass beeves. Fuller, Holy War, p. 135. MA'RINETS. n. s. They are small lines fastened to the leetch of the sail, to

bring that part of the leetch which is next to the yard-arm close up to the yard, when the sail is to be furled.

ΜΑ'RTYR. † n. s. [maptyp, Saxon, μάς Τυς, Greek.] One who by his death bears witness to the truth.

if not to conquer as a soldier, yet to suffer as a King Charles. Thus could not the mouths of worthy martyrs

Brown. be silenced. Nearer heav'n his virtues shone more bright,

Like rising flames expanding in their height, The martyrs' glory crown'd the soldiers' fight. Dryden.

To be a martyr signifies only to witness the truth of Christ ! but the witnessing of the truth was then so generally attended with persecution, that martyrdom now signifies not only to witness, but to witness by death. South, Serm.

The first martyr for Christianity was encouraged, in his last moments, by a vision of that divine person for whom he suffered.

Addison on the Christian Religion. Socrates,

Truth's early champion, martyr for his God. Thomson.

To MA'RTYR. v. a. [from the noun.]

fession.

The primitive Christians - before the face of their enemies would acknowledge no other title but that, though hated, reviled, tormented, martured for it. Pearson on the Creed, Art. 2.

2. To torment; to murder; to destroy. Me, and wretched Palamon,

That Theseus martireth in prison. Chaucer, Kn. Tale.

Amoret, whose gentle heart Thou martyrest with sorrow and with smart.

Spenser, F. Q. You could not beg for grace. Hark, wretches, how I mean to martyr you:

This one hand yet is left to cut your throats. Shakspeare.

If to every common funeral, By your eyes martyr'd, such grace were allow'd, Your face would wear not patches, but a cloud.

Martyr'd with the gout. Pope.

MA'RTYRDOM. n. s. [from martyr.] The death of a martyr; the honour of a martyr; testimony born to truth by voluntary submission to death.

If an infidel should pursue to death an heretick professing Christianity only for Christian profession sake, could we deny unto him the honour of martyrdom?

Now that he hath left no higher degree of earthly honour, he intends to crown their inno-Bacon. cency with the glory of martyrdom.

Herod, whose unblest

Hand, O! what dares not jealous greatness? tore A thousand sweet babes from their mother's breast, The blooms of martyrdom. Crashaw. Wars, hitherto the only argument

Heroick deem'd; chief mastery to dissect With long and tedious havock falled knights In battles feign'd; the better fortitude Of patience and heroic martyrdom Milton, P. L.

What mists of providence are these So saints, by supernatural power set free, Dryden. Are left at last in martyrdom to die.

To MA'RTYRIZE.* v. a. [martyriser, Fr.]

To offer as a sacrifice. To her my heart I nightly martyrize. Spenser, Colin Clout.

MA'RTYROLOGE.* n. s. [martyrologe, Fr. μάςτυρ, a martyr, and λόγος, discourse, narration.] A catalogue or register of martyrs.

Add that old record from an ancient martyrologe of the church of Canterbury.

Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Marr. Clergy, p. 335.

Prayers and tears may serve a good man's turn; | MARTYROLO'GICAL. * adj. [from marturology.] Registering as in a martyrology; containing a list.

If once you render yourself a pupil to whining love, he will read you such contrary politicks, as shall persuade you to make a league with misery, and embrace beggary for a friend; and after this you are capable of no higher honour, than to be registered in one of his martyrological ballads, and sung by dairymaids to a pitiful tune.

Osborne, Advice to a Son, (1658,) p. 70.

MARTYRO'LOGIST. + n. s. [martyrologiste. French.] A writer of martyrology. It is recorded by Fox, the martyrologist, as a

memorable occurrence. Warton, Hist. E. P. ii. 436. MARTYRO'LOGY. n. s. [martyrologie, Fr.

martyrologium, Lat.] A register of martyrs. In the Roman martyrology we find at one time

many thousand martyrs destroyed by Dioclesian, being met together in a church, rather than escape by offering a little incense at their coming out. Stilling fleet.

MA'RTYRLY.* adj. [from martyr.] Like a martyr.

They would blemish the piety of the first martyrly composers of the Liturgy.

Bp. Gauden, on the Lit. of the Ch. of Eng. (1661,) p.3. MA'RVEL. † n. s. [merveille, French.] A wonder; any thing astonishing. Little in use.

A marvel it were, if a man could espy, in the whole Scripture, nothing which might breed a probable opinion, that divine authority was the same way inclinable. Hooker. I am scarce in breath, my lord.

- No marvel, you have so bestirr'd your valour; you cowardly rascal! Shakspeare, K. Lear. No marvel

My lord protector's hawks do towre so well.

The praises of knightly heroism, the marvels of romantic fiction, and the complaints of love.

Warton. MA'RVEL of Peru. A flower. Ainsworth. The marvel of the world comes next in view,

At home, but stil'd the Marvel of Peru. Tate's Cowley.

To MA'RVEL. v. n. [merveiller, French.]

Shaksp. Coriol.

To wonder; to be astonished. Disused. You make me marvel. Shakspears. Harry, I do not only marvel where thou spendest thy time, but also how thou art accompanied. Shakspeare.

The countries marvelled at thee for thy songs, proverbs, and parables. Ecclus. xlvii. 17. MA'RVELLOUS. † adj. [merveilleux, French.]

1. Wonderful; strange; astonishing.

- The army marvelled at it.

She has a marvellous white hand, I must con-Shakspeare. This is the Lord's doing; it is marvellous in our eyes.

2. Surpassing credit. The marvellous fable includes whetever is supernatural, and especially the machines of the gods.

Pope, Pref. to the Iliad.

3. The marvellous is used, in works of criticism, to express any thing exceeding natural power, opposed to the pro-

bable. 4. Formerly used adverbially for exceed-

ingly, wonderfully.

He hath shewed me marvellous great kindness

in a strong city.

She finds, although I cannot, Ps. xxxi. 23.

Shakspeare, Rich. III.

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MA'RVELLOUSLY. adv. [from marvellous.] | 3. A mixture for a horse. Wonderfully; strangely.

You look not well, seignior Antonio; You have too much respect upon the world; They lose it that do buy it with much care.

Believe me, you are marvellously chang'd. Shaksp. The encouragement of his too late successes with which he was marvellously elated. Clarendon.

MA'RVELLOUSNESS. n. s. [from marvellous.] Wonderfulness; strangeness; astonishingness.

MA'RY-BUD.* n. s. The marigold.
And winking mary-buds begin

To ope their golden eyes. Shakspeare, Cymb. Ma'scle.* n. s. An heraldick figure; a lozenge as it were perforated.

To MA'SCULATE.* v. a. [from masculus, Latin. This is an old and proper word, in opposition to our emasculate, to effeminate.] To make strong. Cockeram. MA'SCULINE † adj. [masculin, French;

masculinus, Latin.] 1. Male; not female.

Pray God, she prove not masculine ere long!

His long beard noteth the air and fire, the two masculine elements, exercising their operation upon pature being the feminine. Peacham on Drawing. O! why did God,

Creator wise! that peopled highest heaven With spirits masculine, create at last This novelty on earth, this fair defect

Milton, P. L. Of nature? 2. Resembling man; virile; powerful; not

soft; not effeminate. Queen Anne, your mother, a lady of a great

and masculine mind. Wotton, Paneg. on K. Ch. I. Rem. p. 144.

This has altogether as masculine an influence upon the manners and practices of men. South, Serm. ix. 76.

You find something bold and masculine in the air and posture of the first figure, which is that of Nothwithstanding his eloquent and masculine

defence, he [the earl of Surrey] was condemned. Warton, Hist. E. P. iii. 9.

3. [In grammar.] It denotes the gender appropriated to the male kind in any word, though not always expressing

The English language, with singular propriety, following nature alone, applies the distinction of masculine and feminine only to the names of Lowth. animals; all the rest are neuter.

MA'SCULINELY. adv. [from masculine.] Like a man.

Aurelia tells me, you have done most mascu-

linely, B. Jonson, Catiline And play the orator. MA'SCULINENESS. n. s. [from masculine.] Mannishness; male figure or behaviour.

MASH. † n. s. [masche, Dutch.] 1. The space between the threads of a 5. A dramatick performance, written in a

net, commonly written mesh.

To defend against the stings of bees, have a net knit with so small mashes, that a bee cannot get through.

2. Any thing mingled or beaten together into an undistinguished, or confused body. [from mischen, Dutch, to mix, or mascher, French.]

I have made a fair mash on't!

B. Jonson, Every Man in his Humour. Carcasses were scattered on her surface; some, blown from the tops of high mountains; others, bruised to mash; all ruined and destroyed. Lord's Hist. of the Banians, (1630,) p. 88.

Put half a peck of ground malt into a pail, then put to it as much scalding water as will wet it well; stir it about for half an hour till the water is very sweet, and give it the horse lukewarm: this mash is to be given to a horse after he has taken a purge, to make it work the better; or in the time of great sickness, or after hard labour. Farrier's Dict.

When mares foal, they feed them with mashes, and other moist food. Mortimer, Husbandry.

To Mash. v. a. [mascher, French.]

1. To beat into a confused mass.

The pressure would be intolerable, and they would even mash themselves and all things else

To break the claw of a lobster, clap it between the sides of the dining-room door: thus you can do it without mashing the meat.

Swift, Dir. to the Footman. 2. To mix malt and water together in brewing.

What was put in the first mashing-tub draw off, as also that liquor in the second mashing-tub. Mortimer, Husbandry.

MA'SHY.* adj. [from mash.] Produced

by crushing, or pressure. Then comes the crushing swain; the country

And foams unbounded with the mashy flood, That by degrees fermented, and refin'd, Round the rais'd nations pours the cup of joy.

MASK. n. s. [masque, French.]

floats.

1. A cover to disguise the face; a visor. Now Love pulled off his mask, and shewed his face unto her, and told her plainly that she was his prisoner.

Since she did neglect her looking-glass, And throw her sun-expelling mask away The air hath stary'd the roses in her cheeks,

And pitch'd the lily tincture of her face. Shaksp. Could we suppose that a mask represented never so naturally the general humour of a character, it can never suit with the variety of passions that are incident to every single person in the whole course Addison on Italy. of a play.

2. Any pretence or subterfuge. Too plain thy nakedness of soul espy'd,

Why dost thou strive the conscious shame to hide, By masks of eloquence, and veils of pride? Prior. 3. A festive entertainment, in which the

company is masked.

Will you prepare for this masque to-night? 4. A revel; a piece of mummery; a wild

bustle. They in the end agreed,

That at a masque and common revelling, Which was ordain'd, they should perform the deed. This thought might lead me through the world's

vain mask. Content, though blind, had I no other guide.

Milton, Sonnet.

tragick style without attention to rules or probability.

Thus I have broken the ice to invention, for the lively representation of floods and rivers necessary for our painters and poets in their pictures, poems, comedies, and masks.

To Mask. v. a. [masquer, French.] 1. To disguise with a mask or visor.

What will grow of such errors as go masked under the cloke of divine authority, impossible it is that the wit of man should imagine, till time have brought forth the fruits of them. 'Tis not my blood

Wherein thou see'st me masked. Shakspeare, Coriol.

Him he knew well, and guess'd that it was she; But being mask'd he was not sure. Shakspeare.

The old Vatican Terence has, at the head of every scene, the figures of all the persons, with their particular disguises; and I saw an antique statue masked, which was perhaps designed for Gnatho in the Eunuch, for it agrees exactly with the figure he makes in the manuscript. Addison.

2. To cover; to hide.

I to your assistance do make love, Masking the business from the common eye, For sundry weighty reasons. Shakspeare, Macbeth. As when a piece of wanton lawn,

A thin aerial veil is drawn O'er beauty's face, seeming to hide, More sweetly shows the blushing bride: A soul whose intellectual beams

No mists do mask, no lazy steams. To Mask. + v. n.

1. To revel; to play the mummer.

Thy gown? Why, ay; come, taylor, let us see't; What masking stuff's here! Shakspeare. These ladies maskers toke each of them one of

Crashaw.

the Frenchemen to daunce, and to maske. Cavendish, Life of Wolsey.

Masking habits, and a borrow'd name, Contrive to hide my plenitude of shame. 2. To be disguised any way.

The shadie woods, in which the birds to build their nests were seene,

Whose waving heads in air shot up were crown'd with youthfull greene,

Now clad in coate of motlie hue did maske in poore array;

Rough Boreas with his blustering blasts had blown their leaves away,

Mir. for Mag. p. 555.

MA'SKER. n. s. [from mask.] One who revels in a mask; a mummer. Tell false Edward,

That Lewis of France is sending over maskers,

To revel it with him and his new bride. Shaksp. Let the scenes abound with light, and let the maskers that are to come down from the scene have some motions upon the scene before their Racon. coming down.

The maskers come late, and I think will stay, Like fairies, till the cock crow them away. Donne.

Ma'skered.* adj. Decayed. See Mosk-ERED.

Ma'skery.* n. s. [from masker.] The dress or disguise of a masker.

Methinks I hear swart Martius cry, Souping along in war's feign'd maskerie,

By Lais' starrie front he'll forthwith die ! Marston, Scourge of Vill. (1599,) iii. 8.

Ma'skhouse.* n. s. [mask and house.] Place where masks are performed. Masks were so much the fashion in the times of the first James and Charles, that maskhouse was then probably as common as playhouse.

If it were but some maskhouse, wherein a glorious (though momentany) show were to be presented, neither white staves nor halberts could keep you out. Bp. Hall, Contempl. B. 4.

MA'SLIN. + adj. [corrupted from miscellane. Dr. Johnson. - It is more probably from the Sax. myclic, various; mistus, Latin, mixed; Teut. masteluyn, farrago. See MASTLIN.] Composed of various kinds; as, maslin bread, made of wheat and rye.

MA'SON. r n. s. [maçon, French; machio, low Latin. Latin etymologists refer the word to machina, a scaffold for building. Sheringham, our countryman, in his Origines Britannicæ, as Serenius has

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also observed, would carry it to the Scyth. mossyn, ædes, a house; and M. Huet has also offered mas, an old word for a house; but Du Cange con- 1. A diversion in which the company is siders maceria, an enclosure of stone, as the origin of the word.]

1. A builder with stone.

Many find a reason very wittily before the thing be true; that the materials being left rough, are more manageable in the mason's hand than if they had been smooth.

A mason that makes a wall meets with a stone that wants no cutting, and places it in his work.

2. One of a society bearing the epithet of free and accepted; of which the origin is pretended to be as early as the building of Solomon's temple, and the insignia are principally a builder's tools.

The lawyers, like the freemasons, may be supposed to take an oath not to tell the secret.

Ld. Halifax.

I reckon, next week we shall hear you are a free-mason. Gray to Walpole.

MASO'NICK.* adj. [from mason.] Relating to the society of free-masons.

MA'SONRY. † n. s. [maconerie, French.] The craft or performance of a mason.

Wasteful war shall statues overturn. And broils root out the work of masonry.

Shakspeare, Sonnet 55.

MA'SORAH.* n.s. [masorah, Lat. from the Hebrew: which is "from masar, he delivered; spoken of things which men commit to the charge of another, yet reserving a power to have it recovered again." Mather, Vindic. of the Holy Bible, 1723, p. 256. In the Jewish theology, a work on the Bible by several learned rabbins.

These sections of the law are quoted, by the

masorah, instead of chapters.

Mather, Vind. of the H. Bible, p. 60.
The masorah is a critical learning of the wise men among the ancient Jews, relating to the Hebrew text of the Old Testament; by which the verses, words, and letters of the text are numbered; and every variety is taken notice of in the proper place, in order to preserve its genuine reading. Ibid. p. 256.

MASORE'TICAL.* adj. [from masorah.] Belonging to the masorah; denoting the labour of those who composed that work.

They observed, that these scribes had noticed five words, where vau is redundant. This masoretical note is mentioned in the Talmud.

Mather, Vind. of the H. Bible, p. 258.

MA'SORITE.* n. s. [masseretha, Lat. from masorah.] One of those who composed the masorah.

The Masorites extended their care to the vowels, that none might irregularly point the divine books;

they did the same as to the accents.

Mather, Vind. of the H. Bible, p. 257. The Masorites seem to have been a succession of critics, professing a traditionary science of reading the Scripture, as the Cabalists did of interpreting it. Gray on the Old Test. Introduction.

MASQUERA'DE. † n. s. [not from masque, French, as Dr. Johnson states it, but from mascarade; or rather from the Italian mascherata, mascarata, as that is from the Arab. mascar, buffoonery. Hence our old word was masquerada, and meant a ridiculous exhibition. Dr. 14. Congeries; assemblage indistinct. Johnson cites, under the first sense, only the example from Pope.]

masked; a piece of mummery.

The name only being left to serve for a part of

the masquerada of an high mass. Harmar, Transl. of Beza, (1587,) p. 134. All this statelie masquerada. Ibid. p. 155.

What guards the purity of melting maids, In courtly balls and midnight masquerades, Safe from the treacherous friend, and daring spark,

The glance by day, the whisper in the dark.

2. A kind of Spanish diversion on horseback.

The masquerade is an exercise they learned from the Moors; performed by squadrons of horse, seeming to charge each other with great fierceness, with bucklers in their left hands, and a kind of cane in their right. Ld. Clarendon, Life, i. 223. 3. Disguise.

I was upon the frolick this evening, and came

to visit thee in masquedrade.

Dryden, Span. Friar. Truth, of all things the plainest and sincerest, is forced to gain admittance in disguise, and court us in masquerade. Felton on the Classicks.

To MASQUERA'DE. v. n. [from the noun.]

1. To go in disguise.

A freak took an ass in the head, and he goes into the woods, masquerading up and down in a L'Estrange.

2. To assemble in masks.

I find that our art hath not gained much by the happy revival of masquerading among us. Swift. To Ma'squerade.* v. a. To put into

His next shift therefore is to change its [sin's] complexion, to masquerade vice, and to make it wear the habit and shape of that virtue it most re-Killingbeck, Serm. p. 229.

MASQUERA'DER. † n. s. [from masquerade.] A person in a mask; a buffoon.

The most dangerous sort of cheats are but masqueraders under the vizor of friends. L'Estrange. The late masquerader in the Haymarket did not, could not, more effectually expose them both.

Bp. Nicolson, to Bp. Hoadly, Collect. of Papers, p. 4. The dreadful masquerader, thus equipt,
Out sallied on adventures. Young, Night Th. 5.

MASS. † n. s. [masse, French; massa, Lat.] 1. A body; a lump; a continuous quan-

If it were not for these principles, the bodies of the earth, planets, comets, sun, and all things in them, would grow cold and freeze, and become inactive masses. Newton, Opticks.

Some passing into their pores, others adhering in lumps or masses to their outsides, so as wholly to cover and involve it in the mass they together constituted. Woodward, Nat. Hist.

2. A large quantity.

Thy sumptuous buildings, and thy wife's attire, Have cost a mass of public treasury.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. He discovered to me the richest mines which the Spaniards have, and from whence all the mass of gold that comes into Spain is drawn,

Ralegh, Ess. He had spent a huge mass of treasure in transporting his army. Davies on Ireland.

3. Bulk; vast body.

The Creator of the world would not have framed so huge a mass of earth but for some reasonable creatures to have their habitation.

Abbot, Desc. of the World. This army of such mass and charge,

Led by a delicate and tender prince. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

The whole knowledge of groupes, of the lights and shadows, and of those masses which Titian calls a bunch of grapes, is, in the prints of Reubens, exposed clearly to the sight. Dryden. At distance, through an artful glass,

To the mind's eye things well appear; They lose their forms, and make a mass

Confus'd and black, if brought too near. Prior. Where flowers grow, the ground at a distance seems covered with them, and we must walk into it before we can distinguish the several weeds that spring up in such a beautiful mass of colours. Addison, Freeholder.

5. Gross body; the general; the bulk. Comets have power over the gross and mass of

things; but they are rather gazed upon than wisely observed in their effects. Bacon, Ess. Where'er thou art, he is; th' eternal mind

Acts through all places; is to none confin'd: Fills ocean, earth, and air, and all above, And through the universal mass does move.

The mass of the people have opened their eyes, and will not be governed by Clodius and Curio.

If there is not sufficient quantity of blood and strength of circulation, it may infect the whole mass of the fluids.

6. [Missa, Lat. mærre, Saxon: as mærreboc, mærre-bpeohr, the mass-book, massbread. "Missa idem ac missio, sicut remissam pro remissione dicebant antiqui. - Ex allatis satis constat missam à missione dici, et populi dimissionem significare. Frustra nititur Genebrardus hanc missæ etymologiam convellere quasi nimis frigidam, et modicæ reverentiæ erga tantum mysterium." V. Cardinal. Bona de Rebus Liturg. p. 6.] The service of the Romish church at the celebration of the eucharist: at first used for the dismission or sending away the people, either before or after the communion.

Burnished gold is that manner of gilding which we see in old parchment and mass books, done by monks and priests; who were very expert here-Peacham on Drawing.

He infers, that then Luther must have been unpardonably wicked in using masses for fifteen Atterbury.

This is to prevent the solitary masses, which had been introduced by the church of Rome, where the priest says mass, and receives the sacrament himself, though there be none to communicate with him. Wheatley on the Comm. Prayer, ch. 6. § 30.

7. A festival. [mærre, Saxon.] See Lam-MAS. Retained also in Candlemas, Michaelmas, and Martinmas.

To Mass. v. n. [from the noun.] To celebrate mass.

He was accused of his cardinals, that he massed without consecration.

Bale, Acts of Eng. Vot. P. i. (1560,) fol. 59. b. Abolishinge or putting downe the massing sacrifices for the dead.

Hunting of Purgatory, (1561,) fol. 5. He cannot love the Lord Jesus with his heart, which lendeth one ear to his apostles, and another to false apostles; which can brook to see a minglemangle of religion and superstition, ministers and massing priests, light and darkness, truth and

errour, traditions and Scriptures. Hooker, Serm. 1. On St. Jude. Their massing furniture they took from the law,

lest having an altar and a priest, they should want vestments.

To Mass. v. a. [from the noun.] It seems once to have signified to thicken; to

strengthen.

They feared the French might, with filling or massing the house, or else by fortifying, make such a piece as might annoy the haven. Hayward. MA'SSACRE. n. s. [massacre, French; from mazzare, Italian.]

1. Carnage; slaughter; butchery; indis-

criminate destruction.

Of whom such massacre Make they, but of their brethren, men of men. Milton, P. L. Slaughter grows murder, when it goes too far,

And makes a massacre what was a war.

Dryden, Ind. Emp.

2. Murder.

The tyrannous and bloody act is done; The most arch deed of piteous massacre, That ever yet this land was guilty of. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

To Ma'ssacre. v. a. [massacrer, French, from the noun.] To butcher; to slaughter indiscriminately.

I'll find a day to massacre them all And raze their faction and their family.

Shakspeare. Christian religion, now crumbled into fractions, may, like dust, be irrecoverably dissipated, if God do not countermine us, or we recover so much sobriety as to forbear to massacre what we pretend to Ne. Decay of Chr. Piety.

After the miserable slaughter of the Jews, at the

destruction of Jerusalem, they were scattered into all corners, oppressed and detested, and sometimes massacred and extirpated. Atterbury.

Ma'ssacrer.* n. s. [massacreur, Fr.] One who commits butchery, or indiscriminate destruction.

Jurors and presidents of revolutionary tribunals, regicides, assassins, massacrers.

Burke on a Regicide Peace. Ma'sser.* n. s. [from mass.] A priest who celebrates mass. Obsolete.

A good masser, and so forth; but no true gospel preacher.

Bale, Yet a Course, (1543,) fol. 38. Ma'sseter.* n. s. [masseter, Fr. Cotgrave; from the Gr. μασσάομαι, to eat.] A muscle of the lower jaw.

One wonderful pair of muscles, called the masseters, - inserted into this lower mandible, and so are able to move it upward; to the right, to the left; forward, backward, and consequently round about; and so performing that action which we

call mastication or chewing. Smith on Old Age, p. 77.

The strength of the crural and masseter-muscles

in lions and tigers.

Arbuthnot and Pope, Mart. Scribl. MA'SSICOT. n. s. [French.]

Massicot is ceruss calcined by a moderate degree of fire; of this there are three sorts, arising from the different degrees of fire applied in the operation. White massicot is of a yellowish white, and is that which has received the least calcination; yellow massicot has received more, and gold-coloured massicot still more.

Ma'ssiness.† n. s. [from massy, mas-Ma'ssiveness. } n. s. [from massy, mas-sive; French, massivité, which Cotgrave renders massiveness; but the English word is also in the older dictionary of Huloet.] Weight; bulk; ponderousness.

It was more notorious for the daintiness of the provision served in it, than for the massiness of the

The block of stone in which the basin of immersion is excavated, is of unusual massiness. Warton, Hist of Kiddington, p. 15.

MA'SSIVE. adj. [massif, Fr.] Heavy; MA'SSY. weighty; ponderous; bulky; continuous.

If you would hurt,

Your swords are now too massy for your strength, And will not be uplifted. Shakspeare, Tempest. Perhaps these few stones and sling, used with invocation of the Lord of Hosts, may countervail the massive armour of the uncircumcised

Gov. of the Tongue. No sideboards then with gilded plate were press'd,

No sweating slaves with massive dishes dress'd.

The more gross and massive parts of the terrestrial globe, the strata of stone, owe their order to Woodward, Nat. Hist. the deluge.

If these liquors or glasses were so thick and massy that no light could get through them, I question not but that they would, like all other opaque bodies, appear of one and the same colour in all positions of the eye. Newton, Opt. Newton, Opt.

The intrepid Theban hears the bursting sky, Sees yawning rocks in massy fragments fly, And views astonish'd from the hills afar,

The floods descending, and the wat'ry war. Pope, Statius.

MAST. + n. s. [mast, mât, French; mærc, Saxon; mast, Su. Goth.] 1. The beam or post raised above the

vessel, to which the sail is fixed. Ten masts attach'd make not the altitude That thou hast perpendicularly fallen.

Shakspeare, K. Lear. He dropp'd his anchors and his oars he ply'd; Furl'd every sail, and drawing down the mast, Dryden, Hom. His vessel moor'd.

2. The fruit of the oak and beech. It has in this sense no plural termination. [Saxon, mærce, nuts, berries, acorns, by metathesis from mats, Gothick, food. Lve, edit. Manning.]

The oaks bear mast, the briars scarlet hips: The bounteous housewife, nature, on each bush

Lays her full mess before you. Shakspeare, Timon. Trees that bear mast, and nuts, are more lasting than those that bear fruits; as oaks and beeches last longer than apples and pears. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

When sheep fed like men upon acorns, a shepherd drove his flock into a little oak wood, and up he went to shake them down some mast.

L'Estrange, Fab. The breaking down an old frame of government, and erecting a new, seems like the cutting down an old oak and planting a young one : it is true, the grandson may enjoy the shade and the mast, but the planter, besides the pleasure of imagination, Temple, Miscell. has no other benefit. Wond'ring dolphins o'er the palace glide;

On leaves and mast of mighty oaks they brouze, And their broad fins entangle in the boughs.

Ma'sted. adj. [from mast.] Furnished with masts.

MA'STER. n. s. [meester, Dutch; maistre, French; magister, Latin. Dr. Johnson. - Saxon, mærten, used as early as in the reign of Alfred, Dr. Jamieson says; and may be from mærc, most, greatest, as the Latin magister is evidently from magis, more; thus separating our word from etymological dependance on the Latin.]

One who has servants: opposed to man

or servant.

But now I was the lord Of this fair mansion, master of my servants, Queen o'er myself; and even now, but now, This house, these servants, and this same myself Are yours, my lord. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. Shakspeare, K. Lear. Take up thy master. My lord Bassanio gave his ring away Unto the judge that begg'd it; The boy, his clerk, begg'd mine;

And neither man nor master would take aught But the two rings. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. 2. A director; a governour. If thou be made the master of a feast, be among

Ecclus. xxxii. 1. of thou my friend, my genius, come along,

O thou my friend, my genius, come along,

Pope. them 'as one of the rest. Thou master of the poet, and the song.

3. Owner; proprietor; with the idea of governing.

An orator, who had undertaken to make a panegyrick on Alexander the Great, and who had employed the strongest figures of his rhetorick in the praise of Bucephalus, would do quite the contrary to that which was expected from him; because it would be believed, that he rather took the horse for his subject than the master. Dryden, Dufresnoy.

4. A lord; a ruler.

Wisdom and virtue are the proper qualifications in the master of a house. Guardian. There Cæsar, grac'd with both Minervas, shone, Cæsar, the world's great master, and his own.

Excuse The pride of royal blood, that checks my soul: You know, alas! I was not born to kneel, To sue for pity and to own a master.

5. Chief; head. Chief master-gunner am I of this town, Something I must do to procure me grace.

As a wise master-builder I have laid the foundation, and another buildeth thereon. 1 Cor. iii. 10.

The best sets are the heads got from the very tops of the root; the next are the runners, which spread from the master-roots. Mortimer, Husb. 6. Possessor.

When I have thus made myself master of a hundred thousand drachms, I shall naturally set myself on the foot of a prince, and will demand the grand vizier's daughter in marriage.

Addison, Spect. The duke of Savoy may make himself master

of the French dominions on the other side of the Rhone. 7. Commander of a trading ship.

An unhappy master is he that is made cunning by many shipwrecks; a miserable merchant, that is neither rich nor wise, but after some bank-Ascham, Schoolmaster.

A sailor's wife had chesnuts in her lap; Her husband's to Aleppo gone, master o'th' Tiger. Shakspeare.

8. One uncontrolled.

Let every man be master of his time Shakspeare, Macbeth. Till seven at night. Great and increasing; but by sea

He is an absolute master.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. 9. A compellation of respect, formerly; but now generally applied to an in-

Master doctor, you have brought those drugs.

Stand by, my masters, bring him near the king. Shakspeare. Masters play here, I will content your pains,

Something that's brief; and bid, good morrow. Shaksneare,

10. A young gentleman. If gaming does an aged sire entice, Then my young master swiftly learns the vice. Dryden.

Master lay with his bedchamber towards the south sun; miss lodged in a garret, exposed to the north wind.

Where there are little masters and misses in a house, they are impediments to the diversions of the servants; the remedy is to bribe them that they may not tell tales.

11. One who teaches; a teacher: correlative to scholar or learner.

Very few men are wise by their own counsel, or learned by their own teaching; for he that was only taught by himself had a fool to his master.

B. Jonson, Discoveries. To the Jews join the Egyptians, the first masters of learning,

Masters and teachers should not raise difficulties to their scholars; but smooth their way, and help them forwards.

12. A man eminently skilful in practice or science.

The great mocking master mock'd not then, When he said, Truth was buried here below.

Spenser and Fairfax, great masters of our lan-guage, saw much farther into the beauties of our numbers than those who followed. A man must not only be able to judge of words and style, but he must be a master of them too;

he must perfectly understand his author's tongue, and absolutely command his own. Dryden. He that does not pretend to painting, is not

touched at the commendation of a master in that profession.

No care is taken to improve young men in their own language, that they may thoroughly understand, and be masters of it. Locke on Education.

13. A title of dignity in the universities; as, master of arts.

14. An official title in the law: as, master of the rolls; a master in chancery.

To MA'STER. v. a. [from the noun.] 1. To be a master; to rule; to govern.

Ay, good faith,

And rather father thee, than master thee. Shaksp. 2. To conquer; to overpower; to subdue.

Thrice blessed they that master so their blood, To undergo such maiden pilgrimage. Shakspeare.

The princes of Germany did not think him sent to command the empire, who was neither able to rule his insolent subjects in England, nor master his rebellious people of Ireland. Davies on Ireland. Then comes some third party, that masters both

plaintiff and defendant, and carries away the booty. L'Estrange.

Honour burns in me, not so fiercely bright, But pale as fires when master'd by the light.

Obstinacy and wilful neglects must be mastered, even though it cost blows. Locke on Education.

A man can no more justly make use of another's necessity, than he that has more strength can seize upon a weaker, master him to his obedience, and, with a dagger at his throat, offer him death or slavery.

The reformation of an habitual sinner is a work of time and patience; evil customs must be mastered and subdued by degrees. Calamy, Serm.

3. To execute with skill.

I do not take myself to be so perfect in the transactions and privileges of Bohemia, as to be fit to handle that part; and I will not offer at that I cannot master.

To Ma'ster.* v. n. To excel in any thing; to be skilful in practice or sci-

They talk of fencing, and the use of arms, The art of urging and avoiding harms, The noble science, and the mastering skill Of making just approaches how to kill.

B. Jonson, Underwoods.

MASTER-HAND. n. s. The hand of a man eminently skilful.

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Musick resembles poetry, in each Are nameless graces which no methods teach, And which a master-hand alone can reach. Pope.

MASTER-JEST. n. s. Principal jest. Who shall break the master-jest

And what, and how, upon the rest. MASTER-KEY. n. s. The key which opens many locks, of which the subordinate keys open each only one. This master-key

Frees every lock, and leads us to his person. Dryden.

MASTER-SINEW. n. s.

The master-sinew is a large sinew that surrounds the hough, and divides it from the bone by a hollow place, where the wind-galls are usually seated, which is the largest and most visible sinew in a horse's body; this oftentimes is relaxed or restrained. Farrier's Dict.

MASTER-STRING. n. s. Principal string.

He touch'd me, Even on the tenderest point; the master-string That makes most harmony or discord to me. I own the glorious subject fires my breast. Rowe. MASTER-STROKE. n. s. Capital perform-

Ye skilful masters of Machaon's race, Who nature's mazy intricacies trace Tell how your search has here eluded been, How oft amaz'd and ravish'd you have seen, The conduct, prudence, and stupendous art, And master-strokes in each mechanick part. Blackmore.

MASTER-TEETH. n. s. [master and teeth.] | MA'STERPIECE. n. s. [master and piece.] The principal teeth.

Some living creatures have their master-teeth indented one within another like saws; as lions and

Master-touch.* n. s. Capital or principal performance.

I have here only mentioned some mastertouches of this admirable piece. Tatler, No. 156. MASTER-WORK.* n. s. Principal perform-

Here, by degrees, his master-work arose, Whatever arts and industry can frame.

Thomson, Cast. of Indolence, ii. 19. MA'STERDOM. † n. s. [from master, mæz-

rtepbom, Saxon.] Dominion; rule. Not in use. You shall put

This night's great business into my dispatch, Which shall to all our nights and days to come Give solely sovereign sway and masterdom. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

MA'STERFUL.* adj. [master and full.] 1. Imperious; using the authority and power of a tyrant, lord, or master; employing violence.

Either they [husbands] ben full of jelousie, Or maisterfull, or lovin novelrie.

Chaucer, Tr. and Cress. ii. 756. The masterful rebels were discomfited. Knolles, Hist. of the Turks.

The hero's blood is not to be controll'd; Ev'n in a child, 'tis madly masterful.

2. Having the skill of a master; artful. Variety (as both musick and rhetorick teacheth us) erects and rouses an auditory, like the master ful running over many chords and divisions. Milton, Animadv. Rem. Defence.

MA'STERLESS. † adj. [from master.]

1. Wanting a master or owner.

The wofull dwarfe, which saw his maister's

When all was past, took up his forlorne weed; His mightie armour, missing most at need; His silver shield, now idle, maisterlesse.

Spenser, F. Q. i. vii. 19. The foul opinion

You had of her pure honour, gains, or loses, Your sword or mine; or masterless leave both To who shall find them. Shakspeare, Cymbeline.

Where the commodity found bath no owner, it justly falls to the right of the first finder; for both the place and the thing are masterless.

Bp. Hall, Cases of Consc. D. 1. C. 4.

Ungoverned; unsubdued. MA'STERLINESS. n. s. [from masterly.]

Eminent skill. MA'STERLY. adv. With the skill of a

master. Thou dost speak masterly

Young though thou art. Shakspeare. I read a book; I think it very masterly written. Swift. MA'STERLY. adj. [from master]

1. Suitable to a master; artful; skilful.

As for the warmth of fancy, the masterly figures, and the copiousness of imagination, he has exceeded all others. Dryden.

That clearer strokes of masterly design, Of wise contrivance, and of judgement shine In all the parts of nature we assert, Than in the brightest works of human art.

Blackmore. A man either discovers new beauties, or receives stronger impressions from the masterly strokes of a great author every time he peruses Addison, Spect.

2. Imperious; with the sway of a master.

1. Capital performance; any thing done or made with extraordinary skill.

This is the masterpiece, and most excellent part. of the work of reformation, and is worthy of his majesty.

'Tis done; and 'twas my masterpiece, to work
My safety, 'twixt two dangerous extremes:

Denham, Sophy,

Denham, Sophy.

Let those consider this who look upon it as a piece of art, and the masterpiece of conversation, to deceive, and make a prey of a credulous and wellmeaning honesty.

This wonderous masterpiece I fain would see; This fatal Helen, who can wars inspire.

Dryden, Aureng. The fifteenth is the masterpiece of the whole metamorphoses. Dryden. In the first ages, when the great souls, and mas-

terpieces of human nature, were produced, men shined by a noble simplicity of behaviour.

Addison.

2. Chief excellence.

Beating up of quarters was his masterpiece. Clarendon.

Dissimulation was his masterpiece; in which he so much excelled, that men were not ashamed with being deceived but twice by him. Clarendon.

Ma'stership. † n. s. [from master.]

1. Dominion; rule; power.

2. Superiority; pre-eminence. For Python slain he Pythian games decreed,

Where noble youths for mastership should strive, To quoit, to run, and steeds and chariots drive.

3. Chief work. Two youths of royal blood, renown'd in fight, The mastership of heav'n in face and mind.

Dryden. 4. Skill; knowledge.

You were used To say extremity was the trier of spirits; That when the sea was calm all boats alike Shew'd mastership in floating. Shakspeare, Coriol.

5. A title of ironical respect.

How now, Signior Lawrence? what news with your mastership ? Shakspeare. 6. Headship of a college or hospital.

Not unwillingly to accept collegiate masterships in the university, rich lectures in the city.

Milton, Hist. of Eng. B. 3. Some of the former bishops of Winchester had preferred to it their nephews and kinsmen, not rightfully as to the mastership of an hospital, but as to an ecclesiastical benefice.

Lowth, Life of Wykeham, § 3. Ma'sterwort. n. s. [master, and pipt,

Saxon.] A plant.

Masterwort is raised of seeds, or runners from Mortimer, Husb. MA'STERY. n. s. [maistrie, French; from

master.

1. Dominion; rule.

If divided by mountains, they will fight for the mastery of the passages of the tops, and for the Ralegh, Ess. towns that stand upon the roots.

2. Superiority; pre-eminence.

If a man strive for masteries, yet is he not crowned except he strive lawfully. 2 Tim. ii. 5. This is the case of those that will try masteries with their superiors, and bite that which is too hard.

Good men I suppose to live in a state of mortification, under a perpetual conflict with their bodily appetites, and struggling to get the mastery over

3. Skill; dexterity.

Chief mast'ry to dissect, With long and tedious havock, fabled knights, Milton, P. L. In battles feign'd. He could attain to a mastery in all languages, and sound the depths of all arts and sciences.

To give sufficient sweetness, a mastery in the language is required: the poet must have a magazine of words, and have the art to manage his few vowels to the best advantage. Dryden. 4. Attainment of skill or power.

The learning and mastery of a tongue being unpleasant in itself, should not be cumbered with Locke.

other difficulties.

MA'STFUL, adj. [from mast.] Abounding in mast, or fruit of oak, beech, or chesnut.

Some from seeds inclos'd on earth arise, For thus the mastful chesnut mates the skies.

Dryden. MASTICA'TION. n. s. [masticatio, Lat.]

The act of chewing.

In birds there is no mastication, or comminution of the meat in the mouth; but in such as are not carnivorous it is immediately swallowed into the crop or craw, and thence transferred into the Ray on the Creation.

Mastication is a necessary preparation of solid aliment, without which there can be no good di-Arbuthnot.

MA'STICATORY. n. s. [masticatoire, Fr.] A medicine to be chewed only, not swallowed.

Remember masticatories for the mouth. Bacon. Salivation and masticatories evacuate considerably; salivation many pints of phlegm in a day, and very much by chewing tobacco.

Floyer on Humours.

Ma'stick. n. s. [mastic, French.]

1. The lentisk tree; an evergreen of the Greek isles, Italy, and some parts of France. Unnoticed by Dr. Johnson; who confines also the second meaning to the gum of the trees in Scio.

together? who answered, under a mastick tree. Hist. of Susanna, ver. 54.

The sight of a few date and mastick trees exceedingly refreshing us.

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 126. Knotty pines, fragrant masticks, kingly oaks. Ibid. p. 130.

2. A kind of gum gathered from trees of the same name.

Coriat's report, that mastick is found no where

but in Scio, was here refuted. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 126. This island [Scio] produces the most excellent mastick in the world: it proceeds from the lentiscus, which in other parts of the world produces the like gum.

Ricaut, State of the Greek Church, p. 358. We may apply intercipients, upon the temples, of mastich; frontals may also be applied.

Wiseman, Surgery.

3. A kind of mortar or cement.

As for the small particles of brick and stone, the least moistness would join them together, and turn them into a kind of mastich, which those insects could not divide. Addison.

MA'STICOT. n. s. [marum, Latin.] See MASSICOTT.

Grind your masticot with saffron in gum water.

Masticot is very light, because it is a very clear yellow, and very near to white.

Dryden, Dufresnoy.

MA'STIFF. + n. s. mastives, plural. [mastin, French; mastino, Italian. Dr. Johnson. - Dr. Jamieson pleasantly notices the etymology, in Manwood's Forest Laws, of this word, viz. mase or maze, and thief, i. e. to scare away robbers. He might have added the same quaint deduction from Lily's Euphues. But still the real etymon is wanting. Minsheu, (adverting to the French mastin,) considers it as abbreviated from maison tenant, i. e. keeping the house; at the same time noticing another derivation from the Latin miscendo, mistus, mixed, the mastiff being descended from a wolf and a dog. Florio, translating the Italian mastino, calls it a "mastie dog."] A dog of the largest size; a bandog; dog kept to watch the house.

As savage bull, whom two fierce mastives bait, When rancour doth with rage him once engore, Forgets with wary ward them to await, But with his dreadful horns them drives afore.

When rank Thersites opes his mastiff jaws, We shall hear musick, wit, and oracle. Shaksp. When we knock at a farmer's door, the first answer shall be his vigilant mastiff.

More, Antid. against Atheism.
Soon as Ulysses near th' enclosure drew, With open mouths the furious mastives flew.

Pope, Odyss. Let the mastiffs amuse themselves about a sheep's skin stuffed with hay, provided it will keep them from worrying the flock.

MA'STLESS. † adj. [from mast.]

1. Having no mast.

Shall I, like a mastless ship at sea, Go every way, and not the way I would? Soliman and Perseda, (1599.)

2. Bearing no mast. Her shining hair, uncomb'd, was loosely spread, A crown of mastless oak adorn'd her head

Under what tree sawest thou them companying | Ma'stlin. † n. s. [from mesler, French, to mingle; or rather corrupted from miscellane. Dr. Johnson. - More probably from the Saxon migthe, various; mistus, Latin, mixed; masteluyn, Teut. farrago. See also Maslin, Meslin, and Mislin.]

1. Mixed corn; as, wheat and rye. The tother for one lofe hath twaine

Of mastlin, of rie, and of wheat. Tusser, Husb. 2. Mixed metal.

What's best to contain the quicksilver? -It must not be iron, - nor brass, nor copper, nor mastlin, nor mineral.

Brewer, Com. of Lingua, (1657,) E. 8. b.

MA'STRESS.* n. s. [maistresse, French. So our old word was written; maistress, mastress, mistress. A mistress; a go-

This maid, of which I tell my tale expresse, She kept herself, her neded no maistresse.

Chaucer, Doct. Tale. Historyes are, as testyfyeth Cicero, the mastresses of lyfe and exposytours of tymes.

Bale, Pref. to Leland's Itin. (1549.)

Ma'sty.* adj. [from mast.] Full of mast; well stored with acorns. Not in use. Sherwood, and Cotgrave in V. GLAN-DEUX.

MAT. n. s. [meatte, Saxon; matte, German; matta, Latin.] A texture of sedge,

flags, or rushes.

The women and children in the west of Conwall make mats of a small and fine kind of bents there growing, which serve to cover floors and walls. Carew, Surv. of Cornwall.

In the worst inn's worst room, with mat half hung,

The floors of plaister, and the walls of dung.

To MAT. v.a. [from the noun.]

To cover with mats.

Keep the doors and windows of your conservatories well matted, and guarded from the piercing Evelyn, Kalendar.

2. To twist together; to join like a mat. I on a fountain light,

Whose brim with pinks was platted; The banks with daffadillies dight, With grass like sleave was matted. Drayton, Qu. of Cynthia.

Sometimes beneath an ancient oak, Or on the matted grass he lies; No god of sleep he did invoke, The stream that o'er the pebbles flies, With gentle slumber crowns his eyes. Druden. He look'd a lion with a gloomy stare, And o'er his eye-brows hung his matted hair.

The spleen consisteth of muscular fibres, all matted, as in the skin, but in more open work. Grew, Cosmol.

MA'TACHIN. † n. s. [French.] An old dance; a kind of Pyrrhick or military dance, in the 16th century, according to Roquefort; both the dance, and the dancer, Cotgrave. "It was well known in France and Italy by the name of the dance of fools, or matachins; who were habited in short jackets with gilt-paper helmets, long streamers tied to their shoulders, and bells to their legs. They carried in their hands a sword and buckler, with which they made a clashing noise, and performed various quick and sprightly evolutions." Douce, Illustr. of Shakspeare, vol. ii. p. 435.

ing: this was a fight that did imitate the matachin; for they being but three that fought, every one had two adversaries striking him who struck the third.

Ma'tadore. n. s. [matador, a murderer, Spanish.] One of the three principal cards in the games of ombre and quadrille, which are always the two black aces, and the deuce in spades and clubs, and the seventh in hearts and diamonds.

Now move to war her sable matadores, In show like leaders of the swarthy Moors. Pope.

MATCH. † n. s. [meche, French; miccia, Italian; probably from mico, to shine, Latin: surely not, as Skinner conjectures, from the Saxon maca, a companion, because a match is a companion to a gun. Dr. Johnson. - It may seem strange that, after this plain statement, Dr. Johnson should have been so misunderstood in some modern publications of note, as in one to have his authority cited for the absurd etymon in this instance of maca, and in another to be abused for confounding it with that word: but so it is. Dr. Johnson had merely placed it as the first meaning of the substantive match, but with a sufficient discrimination of etymology from the rest; and is free from the mistake imputed to him. He might have added the Iceland. mak, unctura, from the Greek μύξα, mucus; which seems to be the etymon rather than the Latin mico, to shine.] Any thing that catches fire; generally a card, rope, or small chip of wood dipped in melted sulphur.

Try them in several bottles matches, and see which of them last longest without stench. Bacon. He made use of trees as matches to set Druina a fire.

Being willing to try something that would not cherish much fire at once, and would keep fire much longer than a coal, we took a piece of match, such as soldiers use.

MATCH. n. s. [maca, Saxon. See Make.] 1. One equal to another; one able to contest with another.

Government mitigates the inequality of power, and makes an innocent man, though of the lowest rank, a match for the mightiest of his fellowsubjects. Addison.

The old man has met with his match. Spectator. The natural shame that attends vice, makes them zealous to encourage themselves by numbers, and form a party against religion: It is with pride they survey their increasing strength, and begin to think themselves a match for virtue.

Rogers.

2. One that suits or tallies with another.

3. A marriage.

The match Were rich and honoturable; besides, the gentleman Is full of virtue, bounty, worth, and qualities, Beseeming such a wife as your fair daughter.

Love doth seldom suffer itself to be confined by other matches than those of its own making.

With him she strove to join Lavinia's hand, But dire portents the purpos'd match withstand. Dryden,

4. One to be married.

She inherited a fair fortune of her own, and was very rich in a personal estate, and was looked upon as the richest match of the West. Clarendon.

Whoever saw a matachin dance to imitate fight- | 5. [From μάχη, a fight; or from maca, Saxon, one equal to another.] A contest; a game; any thing in which there is contest or opposition.

Shall we play the wantons with our woes, And make some pretty match with shedding tears? Shaksveare

The goat was mine, by singing fairly won. A solemn match was made; he lost the prize.

To MATCH. v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To be equal to.

No settled senses of the world can match The pleasure of that madness.

Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. O thou good Kent, how shall I live and work To match thy goodness? life will be too short, And every measure fail me. Shakspeare, K. Lear. 2. To shew an equal.

No history or antiquity can match his policies and his conduct.

3. To oppose as equal.

Eternal might To match with their inventions they presum'd So easy, and of his thunder made a scorn.

Milton, P. L. What though his heart be great, his actions gallant,

He wants a crown to poise against a crown, Birth to match birth, and power to balance power. Dryden.

The Shepherd's Calendar of Spenser is not to be matched in any modern language. Dryden. 4. To suit; to proportion.

Let poets match their subject to their strength, And often try what weight they can support. Roscommon.

Mine have been still Match'd with my birth; a younger brother's hopes.

Employ their wit and humour in chusing and matching of patterns and colours.

5. To marry; to give in marriage. Great king,

I would not from your love make such a stray, To match you where I hate. Shakspeare, K. Lear. Thou dost protest thy love, and would'st it show By matching her, as she would match her foe. Donne.

Them willingly they would have still retain'd, And match'd unto the prince. Daniel, Civ. War. When a man thinks himself matched to one who should be a comfort to him, instead thereof he finds in his bosom a beast. South, Serm. A senator of Rome, while Rome surviv'd,

Would not have match'd his daughter with a king. Addison.

To Match. v. n.

1. To be married.

A thing that may luckily fall out to him that hath the blessing to match with some heroicalminded lady.

I hold it a sin to match in my kindred. Shaksp. Let tigers match with hinds, and wolves with sheep,

And every creature couple with his foe.

Dryden, Span. Friar. All creatures else are much unworthy thee, They match'd, and thou alone art left for me.

2. To suit; to be proportionate; to tally. MA'TCHABLE. † adj. [from match.]

1. Suitable; equal; fit to be joined. Ye, whose high worths, surpassing paragon,

Could not on earth have found one fit for mate, Ne but in heaven matchable to none, Why did ye stoop unto so lowly state?

Spenser, Sonnet 66. You shall not find one any way matchable with my beloved.

Expos. of Solomon's Song, (1585,) p. 136.

Sir Walter Ralegh, so far as he hath gone in the History of the World, is matchable with the best of the ancients. Hakewill on Providence, p. 251. 2. Correspondent.

Those at land that are not matchable with any upon our shores, are of those very kinds which are found no where but in the deepest parts of the sea. Woodward, Nat. Hist.

MA'TCHER.* n. s. [from match.] One who matches or joins.

A very unequal matcher of innocent souls with brutish bodies. Annot. on Glanville, &c. (1682,) p. 7.

MA'TCHLESS.† adj. [from match.]

1. Having no equal.

This happy day two lights are seen, A glorious saint, a matchless queen. Much less, in arms, oppose thy matchless force. When thy sharp spurs shall urge thy foaming horse.

2. Unequal; not matched; not alike. Not in use.

Als as she double spake, so heard she double, With matchlesse eares deformed and distort : -And as her ears, so eke her feet were odde, And much unlike. Spenser, F. Q. iv. i. 28.

MA'TCHLESSLY. adv. In a manner not to be equalled.

MA'TCHLESSNESS. n. s. [from matchless.] State of being without an equal.

MA'TCHLOCK.* n. s. [match and lock.] The lock of the musket in former times, holding the match or piece of twisted rope, prepared to retain fire.

MA'TCHMAKER. n. s. [match and make.] 1. One who contrives marriages.

You came to him to know If you should carry me, or no; And would have hir'd him and his imps, To be your matchmakers and pimps. Hudibras.

2. One who makes matches to burn.

MATE. † n. s. [maca, Saxon, a match, an equal; maet, Dutch; mate, Icel. a friend: from the Su. Goth. make, an equal, Wachter: from mota, to meet, to come together; and thus the Icel. motamant, a guest. Lye, and Serenius.]

1. A husband or wife. I that am frail flesh and earthly wight, Unworthy match for such immortal mate,

Myself well wote, and mine unequal fate. Spenser, F. Q. 2. A companion, male or female.

Go, base intruder! over-weening slave! Bestow thy fawning smiles on equal mates. Shaksp. My competitor In top of all design, my mate in empire,

Friend and companion in the front of war. Shaksp. You knew me once no mate

For you; there sitting where you durst not soar. Milton, P. L. Damon, behold you breaking purple cloud;

Hear'st thou not hymns and songs divinely loud? There mounts Amyntas, the young cherubs play About their godlike mate, and sing him on his way. Leave thy bride alone:

Go, leave her with her maiden mates to play At sports more harmless, till the break of day. Dryden.

3. The male or female of animals.

Part single, or with mate; Graze the sea-weed their pasture, and through groves

Of coral stray. Milton, P. L. Pliny tells us, that elephants know no copulalation with any other than their own proper mate. Ayliffe; Parergon. 4. One that sails in the same ship.

What vengeance on the passing fleet she pour'd, The master frighted, and the mates devour'd.

5. One that eats at the same table.

 The second in subordination in a ship: as, the master's mate; the chirurgeon's mate.

7. [Mat, French. See CHECKMATE.] At the game of chess, the term used when the king is reduced to such a pass that there is no way for him to escape, and so the game is ended.

In bashfulness, the spirits do a little go and come; but with bold men, upon like occasion, they stand at stay; like a stale at chess where it is no mate, but yet the game cannot stir.

Bacon, Ess. Of Boldness.

To MATE. v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To match; to marry.

Ensample make of him, your hapless joy, And of myself now mated as you see,

Whose prouder vaunt, that proud avenging

Did soon pluck down, and curb'd my liberty.

Spenser, F. Q.

The hind that would be mated by the lion,
Must die for love. Shakspeare, All's Well.
2. To be equal to.

Some from seeds inclos'd on earth arise,

For thus the mastful chesnut makes the skies.

Dryd

Parnassus is its name; whose forky rise

Mounts through the clouds, and mates the lofty
skies:

High on the summit of this dubious cliff, Deucalion wafting moor'd his little skiff.

Dryder

3. To oppose; to equal.

I, i'the way of loyalty and truth, Dare mate a sounder man than Surrey can be, And all that love his follies.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

4. [Mater, French; matar, Spanish.] To subdue; to confound; to crush. Not in use.

That is good deceit

Which mates him first, that first intends deceit.

Shakspeare.

My sense she has mated, and amaz'd my sight.

Shakspeare.

Why this is strange; go call the abbess hither; I think you are all mated, or stark mad. Shaksp.

The great effects that may come of industry and perseverance, who knoweth not? For audacity doth almost bind and mate the weaker sort of minds.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

MA'TELESS.* adj. [mate and less.] With out a companion; wanting a mate.

Here Philomel doth her shrill treble sing; The thrush a tenor; off a little space,

Some mateless dove doth numer out the base.

Peacham, Minerv. Britan. (1612.)
MATE'RIAL. adj. [materiel, French, ma-

terialis, Latin.]
1. Consisting of matter; corporeal; not

spiritual.

When we judge, our minds we mirrors make, And as those glasses which material be, Forms of material things do only take,

For thoughts or minds in them we cannot see.

Davies.

That these trees of life and knowledge were material trees, though figures of the law and the gospel, it is not doubted by the most religious and learned writers.

Raleght

2. Important; momentous; essential: with to before the thing to which relation is

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We must propose unto all men certain petitions, incident and very material in causes of this nature.

Hooker.

Hold them for catholicks or hereticks, it is not a thing either one way or another, in this question, material.

Hooker.

What part of the world soever we fall into, the ordinary use of this very prayer hath, with equal continuance, accompanied the same, as one of the principal and most material duties of honour done to Christ.

Hooker.

It may discover some secret meaning and intent therein, very material to the state of that government.

Spenser.

The question is not, whether you allow or disallow that book, neither is it material. Whitgift.

allow that book, neither is it material. Whitgift

He would not stay at your petitions made;

His business more material.

Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

Neither is this a question of words, but infinitely material in nature, Bacon, Nat. Hist.

I pass the rest, whose every race and name,

And kinds, are less material to my theme.

Dryden, Virg.

As for the more material faults of writing, though I see many of them, I want leisure to amend them.

Dryden.

I shall, in the account of simple ideas, set down only such as are most material to our present purpose.

Locke.

In this material point, the constitution of the English government far exceeds all others. Swift.

 Not formal: as, though the material action was the same, it was formerly different.

MATE'RIALS. n. s. [this word is scarcely used in the singular; materiaux, French.] The substance of which any thing is made.

The West Indians, and many nations of the Africans, finding means and materials, have been taught, by their own necessities, to pass rivers in a boat of one tree. Ralegh.

Intending an accurate enumeration of medical materials, the omission hereof affords some probability it was not used by the ancients.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

David, who made such rich provision of materials for the building of the temple, because he had dipt his hands in blood, was not permitted to lay a stone in that sacred pile.

South.

That lamp in one of the heathen temples the

art of man might make of some such material as the stone asbestus, which being once enkindled, will burn without being consumed. Wilkins.

The materials of that building very fortunately

ranged themselves into that delicate order, that it must be a very great chance that parts them.

Tillotson.

Simple ideas, the materials of all our know-ledge, are suggested to the mind only by sensation and reflection.

Locke.

Such a fool was never found, Who pull'd a palace to the ground, Only to have the ruins made

Materials for an house decay'd.

MATE'RIALISM.* n. s. [from material.]
The opinions of a materialist.

I am sorry as you seem to be, that our acquaintance harped so much on the subject of materialism.

Gray, Letter to Stonehewer.

MATE'RIALIST.† n. s. [from material.]
One who denies spiritual substances.

He was bent upon making Memmius a mate-

The materialists, among modern philosophers, have maintained that the soul is, like the body, mortal; that when the body ceases to live, the whole man ceases to exist; but the general belief

of mankind has, in all ages and countries, been, that the soul existed after death.

MATERIA'LITY. n. s. [materialité, Fr. from material.] Corporeity; material existence; not spirituality.

Considering that corporeity could not agree with this universal subsistent nature, abstracting from all materiality in his ideas, and giving them an actual subsistence in nature, he made them like angels, whose essences were to be the essence, and to give existence to corporeal individuals; and so each idea was embodied in every individual of its species.

Digby.

To MATE'RIALIZE.* v. a. [from material.]
To form into matter or substance.

Having with wonderful art and beauty materialized, if I may so call it, a scheme of abstracted notions, and clothed the most nice refined conceptions of philosophy in sensible images.

Tatler, No. 154.

By this means we materialize our ideas. Guardian, No. 172.

MATE'RIALLY. adv. [from material.]

1. In the state of matter.

I do not mean that any thing is separable from a body by fire that was not materially pre-existent in it.

Boyle.

2. Not formally.

Though an ill intention is certainly sufficient to spoil and corrupt an act in itself materially good, yet no good intention whatsoever can rectify or infuse a moral goodness into an act otherwise evil.

South, Serm.

3. Importantly; essentially.

All this concerneth the customs of the Irish very materially; as well to reform those which are evil, as to confirm and continue those which are good.

Spenser on Ireland.

MATE'RIALNESS.† n. s. [from material.]

I. State of being material.

2. Importance.

This affidavit is not sufficient as to the inability or materialness of the witnesses.

State Tr. Couns. Strange, in Proc. against T. Bainbridge, (1729.)

MATE'RIATE. | adj. [materiatus, Latin.]
MATE'RIATED. | Consisting of matter.
After long inquiry of things immerse in matter,

interpose some subject which is immateriate or less materiate, such as this of sounds, to the end that the intellect may be rectified, and become not partial.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.
Their materiated structure, and its rare com-

posure. Whitlock, Mann. of the Engl. p. 337.
MATERIA'TION. n. s. [from materia, Lat.]

The act of forming matter.

Creation is the production of all things out of nothing; a formation not only of matter but of form, and a materiation even of matter itself.

MATE/RNAL. adj. [maternel, French; maternus, Latin.] Motherly; befitting or pertaining to a mother.

or pertaining to a mother.

The babe had all that infant care beguiles,

And early knew his mother in her smiles:
At his first aptness the maternal love

At his first aptness the maternal love Those rudiments of reason did improve. Dryden.

MATE'RNITY.† n. s. [maternité, French; from maternus, Latin.] The character or relation of a mother.

Her charity was the cause of her maternity.

Partheneia Sacr. (1689,) p. 47.

MAT-FE'LON. n. s. [matter, to kill, and felon, a thief.] A species of knap-weed

growing wild.

MATH.* n. s. [mæŏ, Saxon, from mapan.]

A mowing. Used in composition; as,

aftermath, lattermath.

MATHEMA'TICAL. 7 adj. [mathemati-MATHEMA'TICK. | cus, Latin. | Considered according to the doctrine of the mathematicians.

The east and west, Upon the globe, a mathematick point Only divides: thus happiness and misery, And all extremes, are still contiguous.

Denham, Sophy. It is as impossible for an aggregate of finites to comprehend or exhaust one infinite, as it is for the greatest number of mathematick points to amount to or constitute a body. Boule.

I suppose all the particles of matter to be situated in an exact and mathematical evenness. Bentley.

MATHEMA'TICALLY. adv. [from mathematick.] According to the laws of the mathematical sciences.

We may be mathematically certain, that the heat of the sun is according to the density of the sun-beams, and is reciprocally proportional to the square of the distance from the body of the sun.

MATHEMATI'CIAN. n. s. [mathematicus, Latin; mathematicien, French. A man versed in the mathematicks.

One of the most eminent mathematicians of the age assured me, that the greatest pleasure he took in reading Virgil was in examining Æneas's voyage by the map. Addison, Spect.

MATHEMA'TICKS. n. s. [μαθημα]ική.] That science which contemplates whatever is capable of being numbered or measured; and it is either pure or mixt: pure considers abstracted quantity, without any relation to matter; mixt is interwoven with physical consider-

The mathematicks and the metaphysicks Fall to them, as you find your stomach serves Shakspeare.
Pope.

See mystery to mathematicks fly. MA'THER.* n. s.

Bran-liquors are used to mealy dying stuffs, such as mather is, being the powder or fecula of a root. Sir W. Petty, in Sprat's Hist. R. S. p. 193.

MA'THES. n. s. [chamamælum sylvestre.] An herb. Ainsworth. MA'THESIS. n. s. [μάθησις.] The doctrine

of mathematicks.

Mad mathesis alone was unconfined. MA'TIN. adj [matine, French; matutinus, Latin.] Morning; used in the morn-

Up rose the victor angels, and to arms The matin trumpet sung. Milton, P. L. I waste the matin lamp in sighs for thee,

Thy image steals between my God and me.

MA'TIN. n. s. Morning.

The glow-worm shews the mattin to be near, And 'gins to pale his uneffectual fire. Shakspeare.

MA'TINS. n. s. [matines, French.] Morning worship.

The winged choristers began

To chirp their mattins. By the pontifical, no altar is consecrated without reliques: the vigils are celebrated before them, and the nocturn and mattins, for the saints whose the reliques are. Stilling fleet.

That he should raise his mitred crest on high, And clap his wings, and call his family To sacred rites; and vex th' etherial powers

With midnight mattins, at uncivil hours. Dryd. MA'TRASS. n. s. [matrass, French.]

Matrass is the name of a chemical glass vessel made for digestion or distillation, being sometimes bellied, and sometimes rising gradually tapered into a conical figure.

Protect from violent storms, and the too parching darts of the sun, your pennached tulips and ranunculus's, covering them with mattrasses. Evelyn, Kalendar.

MA'TRICE.† n. s. [matrice, Fr. Cotgrave; matrix, Latin.]

1. The womb; the cavity where the fœtus is formed.

If the time required in vivification be of any length, the spirit will exhale before the creature be mature, except it be enclosed in a place where it may have continuance of the heat, and closeness that may keep it from exhaling; and such places are the wombs and matrices of the females.

2. A mould; that which gives form to MA'TRIMONY. n. s. [matrimonium, Lat.] something inclosed.

Erpenius's printed books are already sold; and his matrices of the oriental tongues are bought by Elzevir the printer.

Abp. Usher to Dr. Ward, (1626,) Lett. 99. Stones that carry a resemblance of cockles, were formed in the cavities of shells; and these shells have served as matrices or moulds to them.

MA'TRICIDE. n. s. [matricidium, Lat.] 1. Slaughter of a mother.

Nature compensates the death of the father by the matricide and murther of the mother. Brown, Vulg. Err.

2. [Matricida, Latin; matricide, French.] A mother-killer. Ainsworth.

To MATRI'CULATE. v. a. [from matricula: " à matrix, quòd eâ velut matrice contineantur militum nomina." Ainsworth. To enter or admit to a membership of the universities of England; to enlist; to enter into any society, by setting down the name.

He, after some trial of his manners and learning, thought fit to enter himself of that college, and after to matriculate him in the university. Walton, Life of Sanderson.

MATRI'CULATE. n. s. [from the verb.] A man matriculated.

Suffer me, in the name of the matriculates of that famous university, to ask them some plain

MATRI'CULATE.* adj. Admitted into, or enrolled in, any society, by setting down the name.

Why should she take shame,

That her goodly name Honourably reported, Should be set and sorted

To be matriculate with ladies of estate? Skelton, Poems, p. 50.

MATRICULA'TION. n. s. [from matriculate.]

The act of matriculating. A scholar absent from the university for five

years, is struck out of the matriculation book; and, upon his coming de novo to the university, ought to be again matriculated.

MATRIMO'NIAL. adj. [matrimonial, French; from matrimonium, Lat.] Suitable to marriage; pertaining to marriage; connubial; nuptial; hymeneal.

If he relied upon that title, he could be but a king at curtesy, and have rather a matrimonial than a regal power, the right remaining in his Bacon, Hen. VII.

So spake domestick Adam in his care, And matrimonial love. Milton, P. L.

Since I am turn'd the husband, you the wife; The matrimonial victory is mine

Which, having fairly gain'd, I will resign. Dryden MATRIMO'NIALLY. adv. [from matrimonial.] According to the manner or

laws of marriage. He is so matrimonially wedded unto his church.

that he cannot quit the same, even on the score of going into a religious house. Ayliffe, Parergon.

MATRIMO'NIOUS.* adj. [from matrimony.] Pertaining to marriage. Not in use. Moses, as if foreseeing the miserable work that

man's ignorance and pusillanimity would make in this matrimonious business, and endeavouring his utmost to prevent it, condescends in this place to such a methodical and school-like way of defining and consequencing, as in no place of the whole Milton, Tetrachordon. law more.

Marriage; the nuptial state; the contract of man and wife; nuptials.

If any of you know cause or just impediment why these two persons should not be joined together in holy matrimony, ye are to declare it.

Common Prayer. MA'TRIX. n. s. [Latin ; matrice, French.] Womb; a place where any thing is generated or formed; matrice.

If they be not lodged in a convenient matrix, they are not excited by the efficacy of the sun. Brown, Vulg. Err.

MA'TRON. † n. s. [matrone, French; matrona, Latin.]

1. A wife, simply. Dr. Johnson has taken no notice of this sense in our language, which is the primary one of the Latin Bacon uses matronal in reference to this meaning.

That this woman may be loving and obedient to her husband, and in all quietness, sobriety, and peace, be a follower of holy and godly matrons.

Comm. Pr. Form of Solemn. of Matrimony.

Our first father - press'd her matron lip With kisses pure. Milton, P. L. 2. An elderly lady.

Come, civil night, .
Thou sober suited matron, all in black.

Shaksp. Your wives, your daughters, Your matrons and your maids, could not fill up The cistern of my lust. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

She was in her early bloom, with a discretion very little inferior to the most experienced mairons.

3. An old woman.

A matron sage Supports with homely food his drooping age. Pope, Odyss.

4. A term for a nurse in hospitals. MA'TRONAL. † adj. [matronal, French, Cotgrave; matronalis, Latin.] Suitable to a

matron; constituting a matron. He had heard of the beauty and virtuous be-

haviour of the queen of Naples, the widow of Ferdinando the younger, being then of matronal years of seven-and-twenty.

To MA'TRONIZE.* v. a. [from matron.] To render matronlike, or sedate.

Childbed matronizes the giddiest spirits. Richardson, Familiar Lett. 187. MA'TRONLIKE.* adj. [matron and like.]

Becoming a wife or matron; sedate; modest; grave.

Now matronlike both manners and attire.

Sir J. Harington to his Wife, Epigr. 50. Whereas religion should go arrayed in a grave matronlike habit, they have clad her rather like a wanton courtisan in light dresses.

Howell, Instruct. For. Trav. p. 17.

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That ancient, serious, matronlike instrument, Tatler, No. 157. MA'TRONLY. + adj. [matron and like.] Grave; serious; becoming a wife or

Painting, polishing, and pruning, beyond a matronly comeliness or gravity.

Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 72. Noted by all the neighbourhood for an absolute . wife; a grave, solemn, matronly Christian.

Hammond, Works, iv. 564. The matronly wife plucked out all the brown hairs, and the younger the white. L'Estrange. MATRO'SS. n. s.

Matrosses, in the train of artillery, are a sort of soldiers next in degree under the gunners, who assist about the guns in traversing, spunging, firing, and loading them: they carry firelocks, and march along with the store-waggons as a guard, and as assistants, in case a waggon should break. Bailey.

MA'TTER. n. s. [matiere, French; ma-· teria, Lat.

1. Body; substance extended.

If then the soul another soul do make, Because her pow'r is kept within a bound, She must some former stuff or matter take,

But in the soul there is no matter found. Davies. It seems probable to me, that God in the beginning formed matter in solid, massy, hard, impenetrable, moveable particles, of such sizes and figures, and with such other properties, and in such proportion to space as most conduced to the end for which he formed them; and that those primitive particles being solids are incomparably harder than any porous bodies compounded of them, even so very hard as never to wear or break in pieces, no ordinary power being able to divide what God himself made one in the first creation.

Some have dimensions of length, breadth, and depth, and have also a power of resistance, or exclude every thing of the same kind from being in the same place: this is the proper character of Watts, Logick. matter or body,

2. Materials; that of which any thing is

The upper regions of the air perceive the collection of the matter of tempests before the air

3. Subject; thing treated.

The subject or matter of laws in general is thus far forth constant, which matter is that for the ordering whereof laws were instituted. Hooker.

I have words to speak in thy ear will make thee dumb; yet are they much too light for the matter. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

Son of God, Saviour of men! Thy name Shall be the copious matter of my song.

Milton, P. L. It is matter of the greatest astonishment to ob-

serve the common boldness of men. Decay of Chr. Piety.

I shall turn

Full fraught with joyful tiding of these works, New matter of his praise and of our songs.

This is so certain in true philosophy, that it is matter of astonishment to me how it came to be

4. The whole; the very thing supposed. He grants the deluge to have come so very near the matter, that but very few escaped.

Tillotson. 5. Affair; business: in a familiar sense.

To help the matter, the alchemists call in many Bacon, Nat. Hist. vanities out of astrology. Matters succeeded so well with him, that every body was in admiration to see how mighty rich he was grown.

Never was any thing gotten by sensuality and sloth in matter of profit or reputation.

L'Estrange. A fawn was reasoning the matter with a stag, why he should run away from the dogs.

Some young female seems to have carried matters so far, that she is ripe for asking advice.

Spectator. If chance herself should vary,

Observe how matters would miscarry.

6. Cause of disturbance.

Where art thou? What's the matter with thee? Shakspeare What's the matter, you dissentious rogues,

That rubbing the poor itch of your opinion, Shakspeare, Coriol. Make yourselves scabs.

7. Subject of suit or complaint.

Slender, I broke your head; what matter have you against me? - Marry, sir, I have matter in my head against

If the craftsman have a matter against any man, the law is open; let them implead one another. Acts, xix. 38.

In armies, if the matter should be tried by duel between two champions, the victory should go on the one side; and yet if tried by the gross, it would go on the other.

8. Import; consequence; importance; mo-

If I had had time to have made new liveries, I would have bestowed the thousand I borrowed of you: but it is no matter, this poor shew doth Shakspeare, Hen. IV. And please yourselves this day;

No matter from what hands you have the play. Dryden.

A prophet some, and some a poet cry, No matter which, so neither of them lye, From steepy Othrys' top to Pilus drove His herd.

Pleas'd or displeas'd, no matter now 'tis past; The first who dares be angry breathes his last.

9. Thing; object; that which has some particular relation, or is subject to particular consideration.

The king of Armenia had in his company three of the most famous men for matters of arms.

Plato reprehended a young man for entering into a dissolute house; the young man said, Why for so small a matter? Plato replied, But custom is no small matter.

Many times the things deduced to judgement may be meum and tuum, when the reason and consequence thereof may trench to point of estate. I call matter of estate not only the parts of sovereignty, but whatsoever introduceth any great alteration, or dangerous precedent. Bacon, Essays.

It is a maxim in state, that all countries of new acquest, till they be settled, are rather matters of burden than of strength. Bacon, War with Spain.

10. Question considered.

Upon the whole matter, it is absurd to think that conscience can be kept in order without frequent examination.

11. Space or quantity nearly computed. Away he goes to the market-town, a matter of seven miles off, to enquire if any had seen his ass.

L' Estrange. I have thoughts to tarry a small matter in town, to learn somewhat of your lingo.

Congreve, Way of the World,

12. Purulent running; that which is formed by suppuration. [In the Craven dialect "madder, from the Welsh madredd, purulent matter. The Craven pronunciation is much more appropriate than that in common use. The etymon also

is preferable to the French matiere, as given by Dr. Johnson." Craven Dial.

In an inflamed tubercle in the great angle of the left eye, the matter being suppurated, I opened Wiseman, Surgery.

13. Upon the MATTER. A low phrase now out of use. Considering the whole; with respect to the main; nearly.

In their superiors it quencheth jealousy, and layeth their competitors asleep; so that upon the matter, in a great wit deformity is an advantage to Bacon, Essays. Upon the matter, in these prayers I do the same

thing I did before, save only that what before I spake without book I now read. Bp. Sanderson. The elder, having consumed his whole fortune,

when forced to leave his title to his younger brother, left upon the matter nothing to support it.

Waller, with Sir William Balfour, exceeded in horse, but were, upon the matter, equal in foot.

If on one side there are fair proofs, and no pretence of proof on the other, and that the difficulties are most pressing on that side which is destitute of proof, I desire to know, whether this be not upon the matter as satisfactory to a wise man as a

MATTER-OF-FACT Man.* n. s. A term of modern times for a grave and precise narrator, remarker, or enquirer; one who sticks to the matter of any fact.

There was besides a sort of flying squadron of plain, sensible, matter-of-fact men, confined to no club. Graves, Recollect. of Shenstone, p. 17. One of our company, a doctor of divinity, and a plain matter-of-fact man.

Boswell, Life of Johnson.

To Ma'TTER. v. n. [from the noun.]

1. To be of importance; to import. It is used with only it, this, that, or what

It matters not, so they deny it all; And can but carry the lye constantly.

B. Jonson, Catiline. It matters not how they were called, so we Locke. know who they are. If Petrarch's muse did Laura's wit rehearse;

And Cowley flatter'd dear Orinda's verse; She hopes from you - Pox take her hopes and fears,

I plead her sex's claim: what matters hers?

2. To generate matter by suppuration. Deadly wounds inward bleed, each slight sore mattereth. The herpes beneath mattered, and were dried up with common epuloticks. Wiseman, Surgery.

To MA'TTER. v. a. [from the noun.] To

regard; not to neglect: as, I matter not that calumny. Laws my Pindarick parents matter'd not.

Bramston.

MA'TTERLESS.* adj. [matter and less.] Void of matter. All fine noise

Of verse, mere matterless and tinkling toys. B. Jonson, Horace.

MA'TTERY. † adj. [from matter.] 1. Important; full of matter.

Away with your mattery senses, Momus; they are too grave and wise for this meeting.

B. Jonson, Poetaster.

2. Purulent; generating matter. Huloet. The putrid vapours colliquate the phlegmatick humours of the body, which transcending to the lungs, causes their mattery cough.

Harvey on Consumptions.

MA'TTOCK. + n. s. [martuc, Saxon.] An instrument of husbandry, used in digging; a kind of pickaxe, having the ends of the iron part broad instead of MA'TURATIVE. † adj. [maturatif, Fr. Cotpointed.

Give me that mattock, and the wrenching iron.

You must dig with mattock and with spade, And pierce the inmost centre of the earth,

Shakspeare. The Turks laboured with mattocks and pickaxes to dig up the foundation of the wall.

Knolles, Hist. of the Turks. To destroy mountains was more to be expected from earthquakes than corrosive waters, and condemneth the judgement of Xerxes, that wrought through mount Athos with mattocks.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

MA'TTRESS. † n. s. [matras, French; mattras, Welsh. Dr. Johnson .- Sir J. Chardin, describing the manner of travelling in Persia, says that when they are about to remove from the inn where they have slept, - the valet de chambre puts up the masras, which is a kind of portmantle where the bed and bed cloathes are put up with as much convenience as in a chest; of which one horse will carry two. See his Travels, vol. i. p. 385.] A kind of quilt made to

Content with a trucklebed, or a mattress in the garret. Howell, Instr. For. Trav. (1642,) p. 199. Their mattresses were made of feathers and straw, and sometimes of furs from Gaul. Arbuthnot.

Nor will the raging fever's fire abate, With golden canopies and beds of state; But the poor patient will as soon be found On the hard mattress, or the mother ground.

To MA'TURATE.* v. a. [maturatus, Lat. from maturo.] To ripen; to bring to perfection.

Great things are not achieved and maturated by force or agility of body, but by prudence and subtilty of brain.

Waterhouse, Apol. for Learn. (1653,) p. 131. Such is the last product of a tree, perfectly maturated by time and sun. Bp. Berkeley, Siris, § 38.

MATURA'TION. † n. s. [maturation, Fr. Cotgrave; from maturo, Lat.]

1. The state of growing ripe.

One of the causes why grains and fruits are more nourishing than leaves is, the length of time in which they grow to maturation.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. There is the maturation of fruits, the maturation of drinks, and the maturation of imposthumes; as also other maturations of metals.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. Maturation is especially observed in the fruits of trees, which are then said to be ripe, when the seeds are fit to be sown again.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 21.

2. The act of ripening.

Transplanting, meliorating the tastes, smells, &c. of plants; accelerating of germination and mcturation in them.

Sir W. Petty, Adv. to Hartlib, p. 14. The temperate zones have no heat to spare in summer; it is very well if it be sufficient for the maturation of fruits. Bentley, Serm. 8.

3. [In physick.] Maturation, by some physical writers, is applied to the suppuration of excrementitious or extravasated juices into matter, and differs from concoction or digestion, which is the raising to a greater perfection the alimentary and natural juices in their proper canals.

grave; from maturo, Lat.]

1. Ripening; conducive to ripeness.

Between the tropicks and equator their second summer is hotter, and more maturative of fruits than the former.

2. Conducive to the suppuration of a sore. Butter is maturative, and is profitably mixed with anodynes and suppuratives.

MATU'RE. adj. [maturus, Lat.] 1. Ripe; perfected by time.

When once he was mature for man: In Britain where was he,

That could stand up his parallel,

Or rival object be? Shakspeare, Cymbeline. Their prince is a man of learning and virtue, mature in years and experience, who has seldom vanity to gratify. Mature the virgin was of Egypt's race,

Grace shap'd her limbs, and beauty deck'd her face.

How shall I meet, or how accost the sage, Unskill'd in speech, nor yet mature of age.

Pope, Odyss.

2. Brought near to completion. This lies glowing, and is mature for the violent breaking out. Shakspeare, Coriol.

Here i'the sands Thee I'll rake up; and in the mature time, With this ungracious paper strike the sight Of the death-practis'd duke. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

3. Well-disposed; fit for execution; welldigested.

To MATU'RE. v. a. [maturo, Lat.]

1. To ripen; to advance to ripeness. Prick an apple with a pin full of holes, not deep, and smear it a little with sack, to see if the virtual heat of the wine will not mature it.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. 2. To advance towards perfection. Love indulg'd my labours past,

Matures my present, and shall bound my last.

To MATU'RE.* v. n. To become ripe; to be perfected.

Go on "sowing the seed with measur'd step" and unabating care. It may take root, where you least expect; and grow and mature, where you Mapleton, Adv. to a Student, p. 55. see it not.

MATU'RELY. † adv. [from mature.]

Ripely; completely.

2. With counsel well-digested.

Consult before thou enterprise any thing; and, after thou hast taken counsel, it is expedient to do it maturely. Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 72.

A prince ought maturely to consider, when he enters on a war, whether his coffers be full, and his revenues clear of debts. Swift.

3. Early; soon. A Latinism.

We are so far from repining at God, that he hath not extended the period of our lives to the longevity of the antediluvians; that we give him thanks for contracting the days of our trial, and receiving us more maturely into those everlasting habitations above.

MATU'RITY. † n. s. [maturité, French; maturitas, Lat.] Ripeness; completion.

Maturity is a meane betweene two extremities, wherein nothing lacketh or exceedeth; and is in such estate, that it may neither increase nor minish without losing the denomination of maturity. The Greeks in a proverb do express it properly in two words, which I can none otherwise interpret in English but Speede thee slowly.

Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 71. b.

It may not be unfit to call some of young years to train up for those weighty affairs, against the time of greater maturity. Bacon, Adv. to Villiers.
Impatient nature had taught motion

Impatient nature nad taugus and To start from time, and cheerfully to fly

Crashaw.

Various mortifications must be undergone, many difficulties and obstructions conquered, before we can arrive at a just maturity in religion.

Rogers, Serm. MA'TUTINAL.* adj. [matutinel, French; MA'TUTINE. matutinus, Latin.] Relating to the morning.

Their [the stars'] matutine and vespertine moons.

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 227. Another matutinal expression in ancient use

was, Give you good day.

Pegge, Anecd. of the Eng. Language.
MA'UDLIN. adj. [Maudlin is the corrupt appellation of Magdalen, who is drawn by painters with swoln eyes, and disordered look; a drunken countenance, seems to have been so named from a ludicrous resemblance to the picture of Magdalen.] Drunk; fuddled; approaching to ebriety.

And the kind maudling crowd melts in her praise. Southerne, Spartan Dame. She largely, what she wants in words, supplies With maudlin eloquence of trickling eyes.

Roscommon. MA'UDLIN. n. s. [ageratum, Lat.] A plant. The flowers of the maudlin are digested into loose umbels. Miller.

MA'UGRE. adv. [malgré, Fr.] In spite of; notwithstanding. It is now out of use. This, maugre all the world, will I keep safe;

Or some of you shall smoke for it in Rome. Shakspeare.

Maugre thy strength, place, youth, and eminence;

Thy valour, and thy heart; thou art a traitor.

I through the ample air, in triumph high Shall lead hell captive; maugre hell! and show The pow'rs of darkness bound, Milton, P. L. Maugre all which, 'twas to stand fast,

As long as monarchy should last. Hudibras.

He prophesied of the success of his gospel: which, after his death, immediately took root, and spread itself every-where, maugre all opposition or persecution.

Ma'vis. n. s. [mauvis, French.] A thrush, or bird like a thrush. An old word. The world that cannot deem of worthy things, When I do praise her, say I do but flatter;

So doth the cuckow, when the mavis sings, Begins his witless note apace to clear.

Spenser, Sonn. In birds, kites have a resemblance with hawks, and blackbirds with thrushes and mavises.

Ma'ukin.* n.s. [See Malkin.] A dishclout; a drag to sweep an oven. Cotgrave. Used still in some parts of England for a scarecrow; a figure made up of clouts or patches: hence a coarse or dirty wench; called also vulgarly a mawks.

A crooked carcass, a maukin, a witch, a rotten post, an hedge-stake, may be so set out and tricked up, that it shall make as fair a shew, as much enamour as the rest: many a silly fellow is so taken.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 478. MAUL. † n. s. [malleus, Latin.] A heavy

hammer; commonly written mall. A man that beareth false witness is a maul, a

sword, and sharp arrow. Prov. xxv. 18. The prelates, as they would have it thought, are the only mauls of schism.

Milton, Reas. of Ch. Gov. B. 1.

To MAUL. + v. a. [mauljan, Goth. mola,] Icel. to beat, to bruise; from malleus, Latin. To beat; to bruise; to hurt in a coarse or butcherly manner.

We do maul and vex one another.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 103. Some other obscure prince, not as yet come to play in the world, shall have the lustre from God to maul this great empire.

Fuller, Holy War, p. 286. The most direct and efficacious way to ruin any man, is to misrepresent him; and it often so falls out, that it wounds on both sides, and not only mauls the person misrepresented, but him also to whom he is misrepresented. South, Serns. ii. 349.

Will he who saw the soldier's mutton fist, And saw thee maul'd, appear within the list,

To witness truth? Dryden, Juv. Once every week poor Hannibal is maul'd, The theme is given, and strait the council's call'd, Whether he should to Rome directly go. Dryden, Juv.

I had some repute for prose And, till they drove me out of date,

Could maul a minister of state. Swift, Miscel. But fate with butchers plac'd thy priestly stall, Meek modern faith, to murder, hack and maul.

MAUL-STICK.* n.s. [from the Germ. mahlen, Su. Goth. maela, to paint.] stick by which painters keep their hand steady in working.

MAULGRE.* adv. So Spenser has written

adj. [perhaps from moln, South, Serm. ii. 604.]
Teut. caries, et pulvis lig- MAUNDAY-THURSDAY.† n. s. [derived by MAUM.
MA'UMISH. ni cariosi. Kilian.] Soft; mellow; rotten. Maum and maumy are thus used in the north of England. The former, Grose observes, is "mellow, attended with a degree of dryness." Maumish is used by L'Estrange in the form of mawmish, and in the sense of nauseous and provoking disgust, as well as rotten or putrid.

The flesh was mawnish and rotten. L'Estrange. It is one of the most nauseous, mawnish mortifications, for a man to have to do with a punctual, L'Estrange.

finical fop.

MAUNCH.* n. s. [See MANCHE.] A sort of loose sleeve.

Long vests in large plats or folds, and ample sleeves like unto the ancient maunch or surplice. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 141.

Maund. † n. s. [manb, Saxon; mande, and menne, French; from manus, Lat. the hand.] A handbasket.

A thousand favours from a maund she drew, Of amber, crystal, and of bedded jet.

Shakspeare, Lover's Complaint. A mound charg'd with household merchandise. Bp. Hall, Sat. iv. 2.

Or many maunds full of his mellow fruit. Bp. Hall, Sat. v. 1.

There filling maunds with cowslips. Herrick, Hesperides.

To MAUND.* v. n. [maundier, French, to beg; mendians, Norm. Fr. beggars.] To mutter, as beggars do; to mumble; to use unintelligible terms. Maunding, in the Canting Dictionary, is begging. See also To MAUNDER.

A rogue, A very canter, Sir, one that maunds B. Jonson, Staple of News. Upon the pad.

To Ma'under. v. n. [Dr. Johnson derives this word in its first meaning from maudire, Fr. to curse; Serenius, from the Su. Goth. mana, provocare, exor-

MAU

1. To grumble; to murmur.

He made me many visits, maundering as if I had done him a discourtesy in leaving such an Wiseman, Surgery.

2. To wander about in a thoughtful manner; to talk confusedly; [perhaps from the Gael. mandagh, a stutterer.] A northern word. It is written both maunder and mander. See Lancashire and Craven Dial. Brockett's N. C. Words, and Westmoreland Gloss.

3. To beg. [maundier, French.]

Beg, beg, and keep constables waking; maunder for butter-milk!

Beaum. and Fl. Th. and Theodoret. MA'UNDER.* n. s. [from To maund.] A

beggar. Gloucestershire. Springlove, the great commander of the maun-

ders. Broome, Jovial Crew.
Their maunders used to say, Think me worthy.
Gregory's Learned Works, (1684,) p. 60.

MA'UNDERER. n. s. [from maunder.] A murmurer; a grumbler.

Ma'undering.* n. s. [from maunder.] Complaint.

The maunderings of discontent are like the voice and behaviour of a swine, who, when he feels it rain, runs grumbling about, and by that indeed discovers his nature, but does not avoid the storm.

Spelman from mande, a handbasket, in which the king was accustomed to give alms to the poor: by others from dies mandati, the day on which our Saviour gave his great mandate, That we should love one another.] The Thursday before Good-friday.

He treateth, in his secunde parte, the maundye of Chryste with his apostles upon Shere Thursday. More, Answ. to Tyndal on the Souper of our Lord, Pref.

Here the monks their maundie make, with sundrie solemne rights

And signs of great humilitie : -Each one the other's feete doth wash, &c.

Tr. of Naogeorgus's Popish Kingdome, fol. 51. This day is called [dies mandati] mandate or maunday Thursday, from the commandment which our Saviour gave his apostles to commemorate the sacrament of his supper, which he this day instituted after the celebration of the passover; - or from that new commandment which he gave them, to love one another, after he had washed their feet, in token of the love he bore to them.

Wheatly on the Comm. Pr. ch. 5. § 14. MAUSOLE'AN.* adj. [from mausoleum.]

Monumental. Herses, heralds, black mourners, solemnities,

obelisks, and mausolean tombs.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 330. MAUSOLE' UM. † n. s. [Latin; mausolée, French. A name which was first given to a stately monument erected by his queen Artemisia, to her husband Mausolus, king of Caria.] A pompous funeral monument.

Erect no mausoleums: for his best Monument is his spouse's marbled breast.

Dryden on the Death of Ld. Hastings.

MA'UTHER.* n. s. [moer, Danish, a girl; or rather from the Goth. mawi, the same. A foolish young girl. Dr. Johnson notices mother as thus used, under Ma'wkish adj. [perhaps from maw.]

the eighth sense of that word. It is a Norfolk word.

Kas. Away, you talk like a foolish mauther. Sur. Sir, all is truth she says.

B. Jonson, Alchymist.

MAW.† n. s. [maga, Sax.; mag, Su. Goth.] 1. The stomach of animals, and of human beings in contempt. Dr. Johnson. -Why Dr. Johnson should have said " in contempt," is difficult to guess. The word is very old in our language; and the citations which I add from Chaucer, Sackville, Bishop Hall, Purchas, Beaumont and Fletcher, and an admirable Discourse in 1644, as well as those before given, will shew that no particular contempt is implied in the usage of the

There is but litel Latin in my mawe. Chaucer, Shipm. Prol.

Satisfied from hunger of her maw Sackville, Induct. Mir. for Mag.

So oft in feasts with costly changes clad, To crammed maws a sprat new stomach brings.

We have heats of dungs and of bellies and mawes of living creatures, and of their bloods.

To be jovial when God calls to mourning, to glut our maw, when he calls to fasting, to glitter when he would have us sackclothed and squalid, he hates it to the death. Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 69.

The remainder, by consuming one another, were (a strange remedy) preserved from con-sumption: every tenth man being by lot tythed to the shambles, and more returning to their fellows' mawes, than on their own legs.

Purchas, Pilgrim. (1617,) p. 403. I have no maw to marriage, yet this rascal,

Tempts me extremely.

Beaum. and Fl. Mons. Thomas. Drinesse of bones, blackness of skin, wringing Seasonable Serm. (1644,) p. 17. Though plenteous, all too little seems,

To stuff this maw, this vast unhidebound corps Milton, P. L.

The serpent, who his maw obscene had fill'd, The branches in his curl'd embraces held. Dryd.

2. The craw of birds.

Granivorous birds have the mechanism of a mill; their maw is the hopper which holds and softens the grain, letting it down by degrees into the stomach, where it is ground by two strong muscles; in which action they are assisted by small stones, which they swallow for the purpose. Arbuthnot.

3. An old game at cards.

The king being at the game of maw.

Sir A. Weldon, Court of K. James, p. 111. They respect not him, except it be to play a game at chess, primero, saunt, maw, or such like. Brewer, Com. of Ling. iii. 2.

MAWK.* n. s. [matk, Su. Goth. maddick, Dan. a worm and a maggot.]

1. A maggot. North. See also MAD.

Called

2. A slattern. See MAUKIN. vulgarly, in several parts of England, a marnhes.

MA'WKIN.* See MAUKIN.

MA'wKINGLY.* adj. [from mawk.] Slatternly; slovenly; like a mawks.

Some silly souls are prone to place much piety in their mawkingly plainness, and in their cen-soriousness of others who use more comely and costly curiosities.

Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 87.

The same mawkish joys in the same track are

found. Dryden, Lucret. Like a faint traveller, whose dusty mouth

Grows dry with heat, and spits a mawkish froth. Addison, Georg. Flow, Welsted, flow, like thine inspirer, beer,

So sweetly mawkish, and so smoothly dull. Pope. MA'wkishness. n. s. [from mawkish.]

Aptness to cause loathing. MA'WKY.* adj. [from mawk.] Maggotty;

full of maggots. North.

Yorksh. Gloss. and Grose. MA'WMET.† n.s. [or mammet; from mam or mother. Dr. Johnson. — It is a corruption of Mahomet; and mawmet, in contempt of that person, was first an idol, (then a puppet,) as mawmetry was the worship of idols. This word was also written mawment, and is still found in this form in the north of England.] A puppet, anciently an idol.

Unleful worschipping of mawmetis.

Wicliffe, 1 Pet. iv. In all their temples the mawments shall fall down. Parfre, Myst. of Candlemas-Day, (1512.) Suche a mawment,

Carried in a tent. Skelton, Poems, p. 84. There you shall find in every corner a maumet, at every door a beggar, in every dish a priest.

Bp. Hall, Epist. D. 1. Ep. 5. MA'WMETRY.* n. s. [from mawmet.] The

religion of Mahomet: and thence employed for idolatry. Obsolete. In destruction of Maumetrie,

And in encrease of Christes law dere, They ben according so as ye may here.

Chaucer, Man of Lawes Tale.
In his coffre is his maumet. And certes the sin of maumetrie is the first that God defended in the ten commandments, as bereth witnesse Exod. ch. 20. Thou shalt have no false goddes, &c.

Chaucer, Pars. Tale. Throwing away the rags of mawmetry.

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 39. Ma'wmish.† adj. See Maum.

MAW-WORM. n. s. [maw and worm.]

Ordinary gut-worms loosen, and slide off from, the intern tunick of the guts, and frequently creep into the stomach for nutriment, being attracted thither by the sweet chyle; whence they are called stomach or maw-worms.

Harvey on Consumpt. Ma'xillar. 7 adj. [maxillaris, Latin.] MA'XILLARY. S Belonging to the jaw-

The greatest quantity of hard substance continued is towards the head; there is the skull, the teeth, and the maxillary bones. Bacon, Nat. Hist. MA'xim. n. s. [maxime, French; maximum, Lat.] An axiom; a general principle; a leading truth.

This maxim out of love I teach. It is a maxim in state, that all countries of new acquest, till settled, are rather matters of burden than strength.

Yet, as in duty bound, they serve him on; Nor ease, nor wealth, nor life itself regard, For 'tis their maxim, love is love's reward.

That the temper, the sentiments, the morality of men, is influenced by the example and disposition of those they converse with, is a reflexion which has long since passed into proverbs, and been ranked among the standing maxims of human wisdom. Rogers.

Apt to give satiety; apt to cause loath- | MA'XIMUM.* n. s. [Latin.] In mathematicks, the greatest quantity attainable in any given case: opposed to minimum. Used also generally.

Good legislation is the art of conducting a nation to the maximum of happiness, and the minimum of misery.

Colquhoun on Indigence, p. 49.

MAY.† auxiliary verb, preterite might. [magan, Gothick; magan, Sax.; mogen, Dutch; maa, Danish.]

1. To be at liberty; to be permitted; to be allowed: as, you may do for me

[per me licet] all you can. He that is sent out to travel with the thoughts of a man, designing to improve himself, may get into the conversation of persons of condition.

Locke on Education. 2. To be possible; in the words may be. It may be, I shall otherwise bethink me.

3. To be by chance.

Be the workmen what they may be, let us speak of the work. Bacon, Essays. How old may Phillis be, you ask,

Shakspeare.

Whose beauty thus all hearts engages? To answer is no easy task,

For she has really two ages. 4. To have power.

This also tendeth to no more but what the king may do: for what he may do is of two kinds; what he may do as just, and what he may do as possible. Make the most of life you may. Bourne.

A word expressing desire.

May you live happily and long for the service of your country. Dryden, Ded. to the Æn.

6. Formerly used for can.

Their exceeding mirth may not be told. Spenser, F. Q. From thence it comes, that this babe's bloody

May not be cleans'd with water of this well. Spenser, F. Q.

MAY-be.† Perhaps; it may be that; it MAY-hap. may happen. In the north of England, particularly in Cumberland and Westmoreland, the expression is

May-be, that better reason will assuage The rash revenger's heart, words well dispos'd Have secret power to appease inflamed rage.

Spenser, F. Q. May be the amorous count solicits her In the unlawful purpose. Shakspeare, All's well. 'Tis nothing yet, yet all thou hast to give; Then add those may-be years thou hast to live.

Dryden, Hind and Panther. What they offer is bare may-be and shift, and scarce ever amounts to a tolerable reason. Creech.

MAY. † n. s. [Maius, Lat.]

1. The fifth month of the year; the confine of Spring and Summer.

May must be drawn with a sweet and amiable countenance, clad in a robe of white and green, embroidered with daffidils, hawthorns, and bluebottles. Peacham.

Hail! bounteous May, that dost inspire Mirth and youth, and warm desire; Woods and groves are of thy dressing,

Hill and dale doth boast thy blessing. Milton, Ode. 2. The early or gay part of life.

If now the May of my years much decline. Sidney, Astrophel and Stella.

On a day, alack the day! Love, whose month is ever May, 'Spied a blossom passing fair, Playing in the wanton air.

Shakspeare, Lov. Lab. Lost.]

Maids are May when they are maids, But the sky changes when they are wives, Shaksneare.

My liege Is in the very May-morn of his youth, Ripe for exploits. Shakspeare, Hen. V. I'll prove it on his body, if he dare; Despight his nice fence, and his active practice, His May of youth, and bloom of lustihood.

Shakspeare, Much Ado.

You met me With equal ardour in your May of blood. Beaum. and Fl. Span. Curate.

I am in the May of my abilities, And you in your December. Massinger, Guardian.

3. A virgin; a maid; a young woman. [mawi, Goth.; mai, may, Sax.] Ob-Now, lady bright, to whom all woful crien.

Thou glory of womanhed, thou faire may. Chaucer, Man of Lawes Tale. Truly Creseide, swete maie,

Whom I have ay with all my might vserved. Chaucer, Tr. and Cress. v. 1719. His daughter sheene;

The fayrest may she was that ever went. Spenser, Shep. Cal. Nov. 4. The flower of the hawthorn.

To May. v. n. [from the noun.] To gather flowers on May morning.

When merry May first early calls the morn, With merry maids a maying they do go. Sidney. Cupid with Aurora playing,

As he met her once a maying. Milton, L'All. MAY-BLOOM.* n. s. [May and bloom.]

The flower of the hawthorn. MAY-BUG. n. s. [May and bug.] A chafer.

Ainsworth. MAY-DAY. n. s. [May and day.] The first

of May.
'Tis as much impossible, Unless we sweep them from the door with cannons,

To scatter 'em, as 'tis to make 'em sleep On May-day morning. Shakspeare:

MAY-FLOWER. n. s. [May and flower.] A

The plague, they report, hath a scent of the May-flower. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

MAY-FLY. n. s. [May and fly.] An insect.
He loves the May fly, which is bred of the cod-Walton, Angler. worm or caddis.

MAY-GAME. n. s. [May and game.] Diversion; sport; such as are used on the first of May.

The king this while, though he seemed to account of the designs of Perkin but as a Maygame, yet had given order for the watching of beacons upon the coasts. Like early lovers, whose unpractis'd hearts

Were long the May-game of malicious arts, When once they find their jealousies were vain, With double heat renew their fires again. Dryd.

MAY-LADY.* n. s. [May and lady.] The queen or lady of the May, in the old May-games.

A choir of bright beauties in spring did appear,

To choose a May-lady to govern the year. Dryden, Lady's Song. MAY-LILY. n. s. [ephemeron.] The same

with lily of the valley. MAY-POLE. n. s. [May and pole.] Pole to

be danced round in May. Amid the area wide she took her stand,

Where the tall May-pole once o'er-look'd the strand. MAY-WEED. n. s. [May and weed.] A

species of chamomile, called also stinking chamomile, which grows wild.

The Maie-weed doth burne, and the thistle doth

The fitches pull downward both rie and the wheat.

MA'YHEM.* n.s. An old law term: the act of maining. See To MAIM.

MAYOR.† n.s. [maieur, old French; major, Lat.] The chief magistrate of a corporation, who, in London and York,

is called Lord Mayor. When the king once heard it; out of anger, He sent command to the lord mayor strait To stop the rumour. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

The mayor locked up the gates of the city. To be the mayor of some poor paltry town.

MA'YORALTY. n. s. [from mayor.] The

office of a mayor. the burgesses to the parliament.

Carew, Surv. of Cornwall There was a sharp prosecution against Sir William Capel, for misgoverning in his mayoralty. Bacon, Hen. VII.

MA'YORESS. 7 n. s. [from mayor.] The wife of the mayor.

Old Mrs. Petulant desired both her daughters to mind the moral; then whispered Mrs. Mayoress, to mind the moral; then winsport.

This is very proper for young people to see.

Tatler, No. 16.

MA'ZARD. n. s. [maschoire, Fr.] A jaw. Hanmer

Now my lady Worm's chapless, and knockt about the mazard with a sexton's spade.

Shakspeare, Hamlet. Where thou might'st stickle without hazard Of outrage to thy hide and mazard.

To Ma'zard. * v. a. [from the noun.] To knock on the head. A low expression. I heard some talk of the carpenters' way, and I attempted that; but there the wooden rogues let a huge trap-door fall o' my head: If I had not been a spirit, I had been mazarded.

B. Jonson, Masques at Court.

MAZE. n. s. [missen, Dutch, to mistake; mare, a whirlpool. Skinner.]

1. A labyrinth; a place of perplexity and winding passages.
Circular base of rising folds, that tower'd

Fold above fold, a surging maze. Milton, P. L. The ways of Heaven are dark and intricate, Puzzled with mazes and perplex'd with errour; Our understanding searches them in vain.

He, like a copious river, pour'd his song. O'er all the mazes of enchanted ground.

2. Confusion of thought; uncertainty;

perplexity. He left in himself nothing but a maze of long-

ing, and a dungeon of sorrow. Sidney.

While they study how to bring to pass that religion may seem but a matter made, they lose themselves in the very maze of their own discourses, as if reason did even purposely forsake them, who of purpose forsake God, the author thereof.

Hooker. I have thrust myself into this maze,

Haply to wive and thrive as best I may. Shakspeare.

Others apart sat on a hill retir'd, In thoughts more elevate, and reason'd high Of providence, foreknowledge, will and fate,

Fix'd fate, free-will, foreknowledge absolute, And found no end, in wandering mazes lost. Milton, P. L.

To MAZE. + v. a. [from the noun.] To bewilder; to confuse.

I foryete all that I can, And stonde like a mased man.

Gower, Conf. Am. B 6. Much was I maz'd to see this monster kind, In hundred forms to change his fearful hue. Spenser.

I'm maz'd. B. Jonson, Fox. Indeed! so late! the sluggard maz'd replies, Brushing the dews of slumber from his eyes.

Neville, Imit. of Juv. (1769,) p. 78. To MAZE.* v. n. To be bewildered; to be confounded. Obsolete.

Ye mase, ye masen, good sire, quoth she, Chaucer, March. Tale.

Wou'dst thou not rather chuse a small renown, MA'ZEDNESS.* n. s. [from maze.] Confusion; astonishment. Obsolete. She ferde as she had stert out of a slepe,

Til she out of her masednesse abraid. Chaucer, Cl. Tale. It is incorporated with a mayoralty, and nameth MA'ZER. † n. s. [maeser, Dutch, a knot of maple; maser, Su. Goth. the same; and and thence the cup. V. Spegel, Gloss. Su. Goth.] A maple cup.

Then, lo! Perigot, the pledge which I plight, A mazer ywrought of the maple ware, Wherein is enchased many a fair sight

Of bears and tygers that make fierce war. Spenser, Shep. Cal. Virgil observes, like Theocritus, a just decorum both of the subject and the persons, as in the third pastoral, where one of his shepherds describes a bowl, or mazer, curiously carved. Dryden.

Perplexed MA'zy. † adj. [from maze.] with windings; confused.

I wont to raunge amid the muzie thicket.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. Dec. How from that saphire fount the crisped brooks, Rolling on orient pearl and sands of gold, With mazy errour under pendant shades, Ran nectar.

The Lapithæ to chariots add the state Of bits and bridles, taught the steed to bound, To run the ring, and trace the mazy round Dryden.

M.D. Medicinæ doctor, doctor of physick.

1. The oblique case of I. Me, only me, the hand of fortune bore,

Unblest to tread an interdicted shore. Pope, Odys. For me the fates severely kind, ordain A cool suspense.

2. Me is sometimes a kind of ludicrous expletive.

He thrusts me himself into the company of three or four gentlemanlike dogs, under the duke's Shakspeare.

He presently, as greatness knows itself, Steps me a little higher than his vow

Made to my father, while his blood was poor.

I, acquainted with the smell before, knew it was Crab, and goes me to the fellow that whips the I followed me close, came in foot and hand, and,

with a thought, seven of the eleven I paid. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

3. It is sometimes used ungrammatically for I; as methinks.

Me rather had, my heart might feel your love, Than my unpleas'd eye see your courtesy.

4. A colloquial expression without for; as, do me such a thing; spell me such a

Me'Acock. † n. s. [mes coq, Fr. Skinner; others from meek.] An uxorious or effeminate man; a coward.

As stout as a stock-fish, as meek as a meacock. Aprius and Virginia, (1575). A meacocke is he, who dread'th to see bloudshed.

Mir. for Mag. p. 418. They are like my husband; mere meacocks, Glapthorne, Hollander.

ME'ACOCK.adj. Tame; timorous; cowardly. 'Tis a world to see,

How tame, when men and women are alone, A meacock wretch can make the curstest shrew.

MEAD. † n. s. [miæd, Icel. mebo. mebu, Saxon; mede, meth, German; meethe, Dutch; meddeglyn, metheglin, Welsh; hydromeli, Lat.] A kind of drink made of water and honey.

Though not so solutive a drink as mead, yet it will be more grateful to the stomach.

He sheers his over-burden'd sheep; Or mead for cooling drink prepares,

Dryden. Of virgin honey in the jars.

l n. s. [mæb, mæbepe, Sax; MEAD.† ME'ADOW. \ madte, matte, Teut. from meida, Icel. to mow, Serenius; from mæpan, Sax. the same, Mr. H. Tooke.] Ground somewhat watery, not plowed, but covered with grass and flowers; pasture, or grass land, annually mown Mead is a word chiefly for hay. poetical.

Where all things in common do rest, Corne feild with the pasture and mead, Yet what doth it stand you in stead?

Tusser, Husb. A band select from forage drives

A herd of beeves, fair oxen, and fair kine, Millon, P. L. From a fat meadow ground.

Paints her, 'tis true, with the same hand which spreads, Like glorious colours, through the flow'ry meads,

When lavish nature with her best attire Cloaths the gay spring, the season of desire.

Yet ere to-morrow's sun shall shew his head, The dewy paths of meadows we will tread, For crowns and chaplets to adorn thy bed. Dryden.

Meadow-saffron. n. s. [colchicum, Lat.] A plant.

The meadow-saffron hath a flower consisting of one leaf, shaped like a lily, rising in form of a small tube, and is gradually widened into six segments; it has likewise a solid, bulbous root, covered with a membranous skin. Miller.

Meadow-sweet. n. s. [ulmaria, Latin.] A plant.

MEADOW-WORT.* n. s. A plant; another name for the meadow-sweet.

Some other wild that grow; As burnet all abroad, and meadow-wort.

Drayton, Polyolb. S. 15.

ME'AGER. + adj. [maigre, French; macer, Latin. Dr. Johnson. - The Saxon language has both mæzep and mæzpe; the writers, therefore, of meager or meagre are both justifiable. The Su. Goth. is mager, the Teut. maegher.]

Lean; wanting flesh; starven. [Thou] art so lean and meagre waxen late, That scarce thy legs uphold thy feeble gate. Spenser, Hubb. Tale.

Now will the canker sorrow eat my bud, And chase the native beauty from his cheek, And he will look as hollow as a ghost, As dim and meagre as an ague's fit.

Shakspeare, K. John. Meagre were his looks

Sharp misery had worn him to the bones.

Whatsoever their neighbour gets, they lose, and the very bread that one eats makes t'other meager. L'Estrange.

Fierce famine with her meagre face, And fevers of the fiery race. In swarms th' offending wretch surround, All brooding on the blasted ground: And limping death, lash'd on by fate, Comes up to shorten half our date. Dryden. 2. Poor; hungry.

Canaan's happy land, when worn with toil, Requir'd a sabbath year to mend the meagre soil.

To Me'AGER. † v. a. [from the adjective.] To make lean.

A man meagered with long watching and painful labour. Knolles, Hist. of the Turks. His ceaseless sorrow for the unhappy maid Meagred his look, and on his spirits prey'd.

Dryden, Ovid. ME'AGERLY.* adv. [from meager.] Poorly; barrenly.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood. O physick's power, which (some say) hath restrain'd

Approach of death, alas! thou helpest meagerly. Sidney, Arcad. b. 4.

Me'AGERNESS. † n. s. [from meager.] 1. Leanness; want of flesh.

It produces - restless thoughts, paleness, meagerness, neglect of business, and the like.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 612. They were famished into such a meagerness. Hammond, Works, iv. 647.

2. Scantness; bareness.

Poynings, the better to make compensation of the meagerness of his service in the wars by acts of of peace, called a parliament. Bacon, Hen. VII.

MEAK. n. s. A hook with a long handle. A meake for the pease, and to swing up the brake. Tusser, Husb.

MEAL. n. s. [mæl, Saxon, repast or portion.]

1. The act of eating at a certain time. Boaz said unto her, at meal time, Come eat, and dip thy morsel.

The quantity of aliment necessary to keep the animal in a due state of vigour, ought to be divided into meals at proper intervals.

Arbuthnot on Aliments.

2. A repast; the food eaten. What strange fish

Hath made his meal on thee? Shaksp. Tempest. Give them great meals of beef, and iron and steel, they will eat like wolves, and fight like Shakspeare, Hen. V. They made me a miser's feast of happiness,

And cou'd not furnish out another meal. Dryden.

3. A part; a fragment.

That yearly rent is still paid into the hanaper, even as the former casualty itself was wont to be, in parcel meal, brought in and answered there.

4. [Oælepe, Saxon; meel, Dutch; mahlen, to grind, German.] The flower or edible part of corn.

In the bolting and sifting of near fourteen years of such power and favour, all that came out could not be expected to be pure and fine meal, but must have a mixture of padar and bran in this lower age of human fragility. Wotton. tub for the mice to come to her, since she could not go to them. L'Estrange.

To MEAL. v. a. [meler, French.] sprinkle; to mingle. Were he meal'd

With that which he corrects, then were he tyran-Shakspeare. nous.

ME'ALMAN. n. s. [meal and man.] One that deals in meal.

ME'ALY. adj. [from meal.]

1. Having the taste or soft insipidity of meal; having the qualities of meal.

The mealy parts of plants dissolved in water

make too viscid an aliment. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

Besprinkled; as with meal.

With four wings, as all farinaceous and mealywinged animals, as butterflies and moths. Brown, Vulg. Err.

Like a gay insect in his summer shine, The fop light fluttering spreads his mealy wings.

MEALY-MOUTHED. † adj. [imagined by Skinner to be corrupted from mildmouthed or mellow-mouthed: but perhaps from the sore mouths of animals, that, when they are unable to comminute their grain, must be fed with meal. Dr. Johnson. — This is not very probable. 4. Low in the degree of any good quality: Our word at first was meal-mouthed: "Ye hypocrits, ye whited walls and painted sepulchres, ye meal-mouthed counterfeits, ye devourers of widows." Harmar, Transl. of Beza's Serm. 1587, p. 315. Again, in a very spirited description by Marston in his second satire, 1598.

"Who would imagine yonder sober man, "That same devout meale-mouth'd precisian.

"That cries good brother, kind sister, makes a duck,

"After the antique grace; can always

" A sacred booke out of his civil hose ;-"Says with a turn'd-up eye a solemne grace

"Of halfe an houre; then, with a silken

"Smiles on the holy crew; and then doth cry

"O manners!"

These extracts serve to shew that mealmouthed denoted one who employed soft, insinuating, artful, hypocritical language. And so Minsheu defines mealmouthed, "fair spoken; cujus verba blanda sunt, et mollia, instar farinæ," i. e. whose words are as soft and as fine as 6. Intervening; intermediate. meal.] Using soft words, concealing the real intention; speaking hypocritically.

He cannot away with tobacco; for he is persuaded (and not much amiss) that 'tis a sparer of bread-corn; which he could find in his heart to transport without licence; but, weighing the penalty, he grows mealy-mouthed, and dares not.

Overbury, Charact. (1627,) sign. N. The truth is, Clayton was false, mealie-mouthed, Life of A. Wood, p. 165. and poor spirited. She was a fool to be mealy-mouthed, where nature speaks so plain. L'Estrange.

MEALYMO'UTHEDNESS. † n. s. [from the adjective.] Hypocrisy in speaking. 18

An old weasel conveys himself into a meal-b for the mice to come to her, since she could minne, Icel. inferiour, less, Serenius; gemein, Germ. vile, from man, a multitude, a rabble, Wachter.

> 1. Wanting dignity; of low rank or birth. She was stricken with most obstinate love to a young man but of mean parentage, in her father's court, named Antiphilus; so mean, as that he was but the son of her nurse, and by that means without other desert, became known of her. Sidney.

This fairest maid of fairer mind; By fortune mean, in nature born a queen. Sidney.

Let pale fac'd fear keep with the mean-born man.

And find no harbour in a royal heart.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. True hope is swift, and flies with swallow wings: Kings it makes gods, and meaner creatures kings, Shakspeure.

2. Low-minded; base; ungenerous: spirit-

The shepherd knows not thunder from a tabor, More than I know the sound of Marcius' tongue From every meaner man. Shakspeare, Coriol. Can you imagine I so mean could prove,

To save my life by changing of my love? Dryden-We fast not to please men, nor to promote any mean worldly interest. Smalridge, Serm.

3. Contemptible; despicable.

The Roman legions, and great Cæsar found, Our fathers no mean foes.

low in worth; low in power.

Some things are good, yet in so mean a degree of goodness, that many are only not disproved nor disallowed of God for them. Hooker.

French wheat is bearded, and requireth the best soil, recompensing the same with a profitable plenty; and not wheat, so termed because it is unbearded, is contented with a meaner earth, and contenting with a suitable gain.

The lands be not holden of her majesty, but by a mean tenure in soccage, or by knight's service at the most.

By this extortion he suddenly grew from a mean to a mighty estate, insomuch that his ancient inheritance being not one thousand marks yearly, he became able to dispend ten thousand pounds. Davies on Ireland.

To peaceful Rome new laws ordain : Call'd from his mean abode his sceptre to sus-

tain. I have sacrificed much of my own self-love, in preventing not only many mean things from seeing the light, but many which I thought tolerable.

5. [Moyen, French.] Middle; moderate; without excess.

He saw this gentleman, one of the properest and best-graced men that ever I saw, being of middle age and a mean stature.

Now read with them those organick arts which enable men to discourse and write, and according to the fittest style of lofty, mean, or lowly.

Milton on Education.

In the mean while the heaven was black with

clouds and wind, and there was a great rain. 1 Kings, xviii. 45. MEAN. † n. s. [moyen, French.]

1. Mediocrity; middle rate; medium. He tempering goodly well

Their contrary dislikes with loved means; Did place them all in order, and compell To keep themselves within their sundry reigns, Together link'd with adamatine chains. Spenser. Oft 'tis seen

Our mean secures us; and our mere defects Prove our commodities. Shakspeare, K. Lear. Temperance with golden square,

Betwixt them both can measure out a mean.

Shakspeare.

There is a mean in all things, and a certain measure wherein the good and the beautiful consist, and out of which they never can depart.

Dryden, Dufresnoy. But no authority of gods or men

Against her then her forces prudence joins, And to the golden mean herself confines.

Allow of any mean in poesie.

Roscommon.

2. Measure; regulation. Not used, Dr. Johnson says; citing only the following passage from Spenser, in which the word signifies (as it was formerly much used, and is not yet entirely out of use,) the tenor part of a musical composition; and not measure, or regulation.

The rolling sea resounding soft, In his big base then fitly answered

And on the rock the waves, breaking aloft, A solemn mean unto them measured.

Spenser, F. Q. A new voluntary descant, so farre out of tune, that it agreeth neither with the tenour, nor meane. Abp. Cranmer, Answ. to Bp. Gardiner, p. 105.

The treble cutteth the air so sharp, as it returneth too swift to make the sound equal; and therefore a mean or tenor is the sweetest. Bacon. Now you are too flat,

And mar the concord with too harsh a descant; There wanteth but a mean to fill your song.

Shakspeare, Two Gent. Ver.
The base and treble married to the mean. Drayton, Baron's Wars, C. 3.

3. Interval; interim; meantime.

But sith this wretched woman overcome, Of anguish rather than of crime hath been, Reserve her cause to her eternal doom,

And in the mean vouchsafe her honourable tomb. Spenser In the mean, (turning to the officer who

scourged him,) while he and I dispute this matter, mind you your business on his back. Dryden, Life of Plutarch.

4. Instrument; measure; that which is

used in order to any end. Pamela's noble heart would needs gratefully make known the valiant mean of her safety.

As long as that which Christians did was good, and no way subject to just reproof, their virtuous conversation was a mean to work the heathens'

conversion unto Christ. It is no excuse unto him who, being drunk, committeth incest, and alledgeth that his wits were not his own; in as much as himself might have chosen whether his wits should by that mean have

been taken from him. I'll devise a mean to draw the Moor

Out of the way, that your converse and business Shakspeare, Othello. May be more free. No place will please me so, no mean of death,

· As here by Cæsar and by you cut off. Shakspeare, Nature is made better by no mean,

But nature makes that mean; so over that art Which, you say, adds to nature, is an art That nature makes. Shakspeare, Wint Tale. The mean might be the easier attained.

Milton, Doct. and Discip. of Divorce.

5. It is often used in the plural, and by some not very grammatically with an adjective singular: the singular is in this sense now rarely used. Dr. Johnson. - The use of the word means, in English, is remarkable, and may be thought capricious. It seems to be of French extraction. The French have le moyen frequently, but seldom les moyens. We, on the contrary, prefer the plural termination, means; yet still To MEAN. + v. n. [menan, Saxon.] VOL. II.

for the most part, though not always, [1. To have in the mind; to purpose. we use it as a noun of the singular number, or as the French le moyen. It is one of those anomalies, which use hath introduced and established, in spite of analogy. We should not be allowed to say - a mean of making men happy. Bp. Hurd, Notes on Addison, Freehold. No. 24.

The more base art thou, To make such means for her as thou hast done, And leave her on such slight conditions.

Shakspeare, By this means he had them the more at vantage, being tired and harassed with a long march.

Bacon, Hen. VII. Because he wanted means to perform any great action, he made means to return the sooner.

Davies on Ireland.

Strong was their plot, Their parties great, means good, the season fit,

Their practice close, their faith suspected not.

By this means not only many helpless persons will be provided for, but a generation will be bred up not perverted by any other hopes. Syrat, Serm. Who is there that hath the leisure and means to collect all the proofs concerning most of the

opinions he has, so as safely to conclude that he hath a clear and full view. A good character, when established, should not

be rested in as an end, but only employed as a means of doing still farther good. Atterbury.

It renders us careless of approving ourselves to God by religious duties, and, by that means, securing the continuance of his goodness.

Atterbury.

6. By all MEANS. Without doubt; without hesitation; without fail.

7. By no MEANS. Not in any degree; not at all.

The wine on this side of the lake is by no means so good as that on the other. Addison on Italy.

8. Means are likewise used for revenue;

fortune; probably from desmenes. Your means are slender, your waste is great. Shakspeare,

For competence of life I will allow you, That lack of means enforce you not to evil; And, as we hear you do reform yourselves, Give you advancement. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

Essex did not build or adorn any house; the queen perchance spending his time, and himself his means.

MEAN-TIME. In the intervening MEAN-WHILE. time; sometimes an 9. MEAN-TIME. adverbial mode of speech. Mean-while

The world shall burn, and from her ashes spring Milton, P. L. New heav'n and earth. Mean-time the rapid heavens roll'd down the

light, And on the shaded ocean rush'd the night.

Dryden. Mean-time her warlike brother on the seas, His waving streamers to the winds displays.

Mean time, in shades of night Æneas lies; Care seiz'd his soul, and sleep forsook his eyes Dryden

Mean-while I'll draw up my Numidian troops, And, as I see occasion, favour thee.

Addison, Cato. The Roman legions were all recalled to help their country against the Goths; mean-time the Britons, left to shift for themselves, and harassed by inroads from the Picts, were forced to call in the Saxons for their defence. Swift.

These delights if thou canst give, Mirth, with thee I mean to live. Milton, L'All.

2. To think; to have the power of thought. And he who now to sense, now nonsense lean-

Means not, but blunders round about a meaning.

To MEAN. v. a.

1. To purpose; to intend; to design. Ye thought evil against me: but God meant it unto good, to save much peeple alive.

Gen. 1. 20. And life more perfect have attain'd than fate Meant me, by venturing higher than my lot. Milton, P. L.

I practis'd it to make you taste your cheer With double pleasure first, prepar'd by fear; So loyal subjects often seize their prince, Yet mean his sacred person not the least offence. Dryden.

2. To intend; to hint covertly; to under-

When your children shall say, What mean you by this service? ye shall say, It is the passover.

I forsake an argument on which I could delight to dwell; I mean your judgement in your choice of friends. Dryden.

Whatever was meant by them, it could not be that Cain, as elder, had a natural dominion over

To Mean.* v. n. [mænan, Sax. dolere.] To moan; to lament. A northern word. Brockett. In the Craven Dialect meaned is bemoaned. And in the old copies of Shakspeare's Mids. Night's Dream, the modern reading of "thus she (Thisbe) moans," is "thus she means." Where see the notes of Ritson and Steevens. See also Dr. Jamieson on this usage of the word in Scotland, Dict. in V. To Mene.

MEA'NDER. n. s. [Meander is a river in Phrygia remarkable for its winding course.] Maze; labyrinth; flexuous passage; serpentine winding; winding course.

Physicians, by the help of anatomical dissections, have searched into those various meanders of the veins, arteries, and integrals of the body. Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

'Tis well, that while mankind Through fate's perverse meander errs, He can imagin'd pleasures find,

To combat against real cares. While ling'ring rivers in meanders glide, They scatter verdant life on either side;

The vallies smile, and with their flowery face, And wealthy births confess the floods embrace. Blackmore

Law is a bottomless pit: John Bull was flattered by the lawyers, that his suit would not last above a year; yet ten long years did Hocus steer his cause through all the meanders of the law, and

To MEA'NDER.* v. a. [from the noun.] To wind: to turn round; to make flexu-

By their meander'd creeks.

Drayton, Polyolb. S. 1. Meander'd ways,

And labyrinth-like turnings. Drayton, Polyolb, S. 12.

A waving glow the bloomy beds display, Blushing in bright diversities of day, With silver-quivering rills meander'd o'er, Pope, Mor. Ess. Ep. 4.

To MEA'NDER.* v. n. To run with a serpentine course; to be winding, or intricate.

Whether we fringe the sloping hill, Or smoothe below the verdant mead ; Whether we break the falling rill,

Shenstone. Or through meandering mazes lead. Conducting them, as the ground naturally meanders, amidst a few forest trees.

Graves, Recoll. of Shenstone, p. 59.

Thou only know'st

That dark meandering maze,

Where wayward Falsehood strays. Mason, Caractacus.

Mea'ndrian.* \ adj. [from meander.] Winding; flexuous. MEA'NDRY.

This serpent, surrepent generation, with their meandrian turnings and windings, their mental reservations. Dean King, Serm. Nov. 5. (1608,) p. 27.

The river Styx, with crooked and meandry turnings, encircleth the palace of the infernal Dis.

Mea'ndrous. † adj. [from meander.] Winding: flexuous.

With virtuous rectitude meandrous falsehood is inconsistent. Loveday's Letters, (1662,) p. 268.

Me'Aning. n. s. [from mean.]

1. Purpose; intention.

I am no honest man, if there be any good meaning toward you. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

2. Habitual intention.

Some whose meaning hath at first been fair, Grow knaves by use, and rebels by despair.

3. The sense; the thing understood.

The meaning, not the name, I call: for thou, Milton, P. L.

Not of the muses nine. Milton, P. L. These lost the sense their learning to display, And those explain'd the meaning quite away.

No word more frequently in the mouths of men than conscience; and the meaning of it is, in some measure, understood: however, it is a word extremely abused by many, who apply other meaningstoit which God Almighty never intended.

4. Sense; power of thinking.

He was not spiteful though he wrote a satyr, For still there goes some meaning to ill-nature. Dryden.

- True no meaning puzzles more than wit. Pope.

ME'ANLY. † adv. [from mean. Sax. mænelice.

 Moderately; not in a great degree. Dr. Metcalfe, master of St. John's College, a man meanly learned himself, but not meanly affectioned to set forward learning in others.

Ascham, Schoolmaster.

In the reign of Domitian, poetry was but meanly cultivated, but painting eminently flourished. Dryden, Dufresnoy.

2. Without dignity; poorly.

It was the winter wild While the heaven-born child,

All meanly wrapt in the rude manger lies. Milton, Ode Nativ.

The Persian state will not endure a king So meanly born. Denham, Sophy.

3. Without greatness of mind; ungene-

Would you meanly thus rely

On power, you know, I must obey.

4. Without respect.

Our kindred, and our very names, seem to have something desirable in them: we cannot bear to have others think meanly of them. Watts, Logick.

Me'Anness. n. s. [from mean.]

1. Want of excellence.

The minister's greatness or meanness of knowledge to do other things, standeth in this place a stranger, with whom our form of Common Prayer hath nothing to do. Hooker.

This figure is of a later date by the meanness of of the workmanship. Addison, on Italy. 2. Want of dignity; low rank; poverty.

No other nymphs have title to men's arts, But as their meanness larger hopes imparts.

Waller.

Poverty, and meanness of condition, expose the wisest to scorn, it being natural for men to place their esteem rather upon things great than good.

3. Lowness of mind.

The name of servants has been reckoned to imply a certain meanness of mind, as well as lowness of condition.

4. Sordidness; niggardliness.

MEANT. pref. and part. pass. of To mean. By Silvia if thy charming self be meant;

If friendship be thy virgin vows extent: O let me in Aminta's praises join;

Her's my esteem shall be, my passion thine. Prior.

Mease. n. s. Probably a corruption of measure: as, a mease of herrings is five hundred. Dr. Johnson from Ainsworth. - Serenius, however, rightly cites the German mass, a measure, as the etymon of this word. See MESS.

ME'ASLE. † n. s. [Dr. Johnson takes no notice of the etymology of this word, merely mentioning the Latin expression of morbilli for the disorder called the measles, and has confined the word to the plural number, with no other signification than that of disease. And, in the first of them, the citation from Shakspeare belongs to the leper, and not to the disease. It is one of our oldest words, applied to a leper, as by Wicliffe, and in P. Plowman; and thus the adjective in the Ort. Vocab, 1514, "Mesell, full of lepre, leprosus;" which is the modern measly. The old French has the same term mesel, a leper. Kelham. But it is from the German, mas, masel, a spot; whence masel, Su. pustules; maselen, Teut.

1. A leper. Obsolete.

Rase ye dede men, cleanse ye mesels.

Wicliffe, St. Matt. x. Blind men seen, crokide goen, mesels be made me. Wicliffe, St. Matt. xi. So shall my lungs

Coin words till their decay, against those meazels Which we disdain should tetter us, yet sought The very way to catch them. Shakspeare, Coriol.

2. In the plural, a critical eruption in a fever, well known in the common practice.

Before the plague of London, inflammations of the lungs were rife and mortal, as likewise the measles. Arbuthnot.

3. A disease of swine.

One, when he had got the inheritance of an unlucky old grange, would needs sell it, and pro-claimed the virtues of it: — nothing ever thrived on it, no owner of it ever died in his bed ; - the swine died of the measles, the sheep of the rot.

B. Jonson, Discoveries. 4. A disease of trees.

Fruit-bearers are often infected with the measles, by being scorched with the sun. Mortimer, Husb.

ME'ASLED. adj. [from measle.] Infected with the measles.

Thou vermin wretched, As e'er in measled pork was hatched; Thou tail of worship that dost grow On rump of justice as of cow,

Hudibras, i. ii. Me'Asledness.* n. s. [from measled.] Diseased state of swine.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood. ME'ASLY. adj. [from measles.] Scabbed

with the measles. Last trotted forth the gentle swine

To ease her against the stump, And dismally was heard to whine, All as she scrubb'd her measly rump.

ME'ASURABLE. † adj. [from measure.]

1. That may be measured; that may admit of computation.

God's eternal duration is permanent and invisible, not measurable by time and motion, nor to be computed by number of successive moments. Bentley, Serm.

2. Moderate; in small quantity.

A measurable mildness or mean in all things. North, Tr. of Philosopher at Court, (1575,) p. 91.

Me'ASURABLENESS. n. s. [from measurable.] Quality of admitting to be mea-

ME'ASURABLY. adv. [from measurable.] Moderately.

Wine measurably drunk, and in season, bringeth gladness of the heart. Ecclus, xxxi. 28.

ME'ASURE. n. s. [mesure, French; mensura, Latin.

1. That by which any thing is measured. A taylor's news,

Who stood with shears and measure in his hand, Standing on slippers, which his nimble haste

Had falsely thrust upon contrary feet. Told of many a thousand. Shakspeare, K. John. A concave measure, of known and denominated

capacity, serves to measure the capaciousness of any other vessel, All magnitudes are capable of being measured;

but it is the application of one to another which makes actual measure. Holder on Time.

When Moses speaks of measures, for example, of an ephah, he presumes they knew what measure he meant: that he himself was skilled in weights and measures, arithmetick and geometry, there is no reason to doubt, Arbuthnot on Coins.

2. The rule by which any thing is adjusted or proportioned.

He lived according to nature, the other by ill customs, and measures taken by other men's eyes By. Taylor. God's goodness is the measure of his providence.

I expect, from those that judge by first sight and rash measures, to be thought fond or insolent.

Glanville, Scepsis. 3. Proportion; quantity settled.

Measure is that which perfecteth all things, because every thing is for some end; neither can that thing be available to any end, which is not proportionable thereunto: and to proportion as Hooker. well excesses as defects are opposite. I enter not into the particulars of the law of

nature, or its measures of punishment, yet there is such a law.

4. A stated quantity: as, a measure of

Be large in mirth, anon we'll drink a measure The table round. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

5. Sufficient quantity.
I'll never pause again,

Till either death hath clos'd these eyes of mine, Or fortune given me measure of revenge. Shaksp. 6. Allotment; portion allotted.

Good Kent, how shall I live and work To match thy goodness? life will be too short,

And every measure fail me. Shakspeare, K. Lear. We will not boast of things without our measur but according to the measure of the rule which God hath distributed to us, a measure to reach even unto you. 2 Cor. x. 13.

If else thou seek'st

Aught, not surpassing human measure, say.

Our religion sets before us, not the example of a stupid stoick, who had, by obstinate principles, hardened himself against all pain beyond the common measures of humanity, but an example of a man like ourselves.

7. Degree; quantity.

I have laid down, in some measure, the description of the old world.

Abbot, Descript. of the World. There is a great measure of descretion to be used in the performance of confession, so that you neither omit it when your own heart may tell you that there is something amiss, nor over-scrupulously pursue it-when you are not conscious to yourself of notable failings.

Bp. Taylor, Guide to a Penitent. The rains were but preparatory in some measure, and the violence and consummation of the deluge depended upon the disruption of the great abyss. Burnet, Theory of the Earth.

8. Proportionate time; musical time. Amaryllis breathes thy secret pains And thy fond heart beats measure to thy strains.

9. Motion harmonically regulated. My legs can keep no measure in delight,

When my poor heart no measure keeps in grief: Therefore no dancing, girl, some other sport.

As when the stars in their æthereal race, At length have roll'd around their liquid space, From the same point of heav'n their course advance,

And move in measures of their former dance.

10. A stately dance. This sense is, I believe, obsolete.

Wooing, wedding, and repenting, is as a Scotch jig, a measure, and a cinque pace; the first suit is hot and hasty, like a Scotch jig, and full as fantastical; the wedding mannerly, modest as a measure,

full of state and anchentry. Shakspeare. Now are our brows bound with victorious

wreaths, Our stern alarms chang'd to merry meetings, Our dreadful marches to delightful measures. Shakspeare.

11. Moderation; not excess.

O love, be moderate, allay thy ecstasy; In measure reign thy joy, scant this excess; I feel too much thy blessing, make it less,

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. For fear I surfeit. Hell hath enlarged herself, and opened her mouth without measure. Tsa. vi. 14.

12. Limit; boundary. In the same sense is the Greek Métpov.

Τρεῖς ἐτίων δεκάδας τριάδας δύο, μέτρον ἔθηκαν Ήμεθέρες Βιοτής μάνδιες αἰθέριοι.

'Αρκεμαι τέτοισιν.

Lord, make me to know mine end, and the measure of my days, what it is, that I may know how Psal, xxxix, 4.

13. Any thing adjusted.

Christ reveals to us the measures according to which God will proceed in dispensing his rewards.

14. Syllables metrically numbered; metre. I addressed them to a lady, and affected the softness of expression, and the smoothness of measure, rather than the height of thought.

Dryden.

measure, should be the smoothest imaginable.

15. Tune; proportionate notes. The joyous nymphs, and light-foot fairies, Which thither came to hear their musick sweet, And to the measures of their melodies Did learn to move their nimble-shifting feet.

Milton, P. L. 16. Mean of action; mean to an end. The original of this phrase refers to the necessity of measuring the ground upon which any structure is to be raised, or any distant effect to be produced, as in shooting at a mark. Hence he that proportioned his means to his end was said to take right measures. By degrees measures and means were confounded, and any thing done for an end, and sometimes any transaction absolutely, is called a measure, with no more propriety than if, because an archer might be said to have was beyond his reach, we should say that it was a bad measure to use a heavy

His majesty found what wrong measures he had taken in the conferring that trust, and lamented

17. To have hard measure; to be hardly treated.

To Me'Asure. v. a. [mesurer, French; mensuro, Latin.]

1. To compute the quantity of any thing by some settled rule.

Archidamus having received from Philip, after the victory of Cheronea, proud letters, writ back that if he measured his own shadow, he would find it no longer than it was before his victory.

Bacon, Apophthegms.

Milton, P. L.

2. To pass through; to judge of extent by marching over.

A true devoted pilgrim is not weary To measure kingdoms with his feeble steps. Shaks.

I'll tell thee all my whole device At the park gate; and therefore haste away, For we must measure twenty miles to-day. Shaks.

The vessel ploughs the sea, And measures back with speed her former way.

3. To judge of quantity or extent, or greatness.

Great are thy works, Jehovah; infinite Thy pow'r! What thought can measure thee, or tongue

Relate thee?

4. To adjust; to proportion.

To secure a contented spirit, measure your desires by your fortunes, not your fortunes by your Bp. Taylor. Silver is the instrument as well as measure of

commerce; and 'tis by the quantity of silver he gets for any commodity in exchange that he measures the value of the commodity he sells. Locke. 5. To mark out in stated quantities.

What thou seest is that portion of eternity which is called time, measured out by the sun, and reaching from the beginning of the world to its consummation. Addison, Spect.

6. To allot or distribute by measure. With what measure you mete, it shall be mea-St. Mat. vii. 2. sured to you again.

mense; immeasurable.

He shut up in measureless content. Compar'd with measureless eternity. J. Hall, Poems, (1646,) p. 71.

The numbers themselves, though of the beroick ME'ASUREMENT. † n. s. [from measure.] Mensuration; act of measuring; result of measuring.

Accurate measurements of all sorts of beautiful

Burke on the Subl. and Beautiful, P. iii. § 4. ME'ASURER. † n. s. [from measure.] One that measures.

The world's bright eye, time's measurer, begun Through watery Capricorn his course to run.

Howell, Poem to K. Ch. I. (1641.) Me'Asuring. adj. [from measure.] It is applied to a cast not to be distinguished in its length from another but by measuring.
When lusty shepherds throw

The bar by turns, and none the rest out-go So far, but that the best are measuring casts, Their emulation and their pastime lasts. Waller.

MEAR.* n. s. A bound. See MERE. To MEAR.* v. a. To divide MERE.

taken wrong measures when his mark MEAT. † n. s. [mæte, mete, food, Saxon; mats, Goth. the same; the past participle, Mr. H. Tooke observes, of matjan, merian, to eat.]

1. Flesh to be eaten.

To his father he sent ten she asses laden with corn, and bread, and meat for his father by the Gen. xlv. 23.

Carniveræ, and birds of prey, are no good meat; but the reason is, rather the cholerick nature of those birds than their feeding upon flesh; for pewets and ducks feed upon flesh, and yet are good Bacon, Nat. Hist.

There was a multitude of excises; as, the vectigal macelli, a tax upon meat. Arbuthnot.

2. Food in general.

Never words were musick to thine ear, And never meat sweet-savour'd in thy taste,

Unless I spake or carv'd. Shaksp. Com. of Err. Meats for the belly, and the belly for meats; but 1 Cor. vi. 13. God shall destroy both.

ME'ATED. adj. [from meat.] Fed; foddered.

Strong oxen and horses, wel shod and wel clad, Wel meated and used. Tusser, Husb. MEATH. † n. s. [See the etymology of

MEAD.] 1. A drink, like mead; or probably the

same. Meath made of honey, or liquorice sodden in

Robinson, Tr. of More's Utopia, (1551,) ii. 1.
For drink the grape

She crushes, inoffensive must, and meaths Milton, P. L. From many a berry.

2. Option; preference. [what one mayeth. Mr. H. Tooke, Div. of Purl. ii. 421.] Used in Lincolnshire. Skinner, and Grose. As, "I give thee the meath of buying.

ME'ATY.* adj. [from meat.] Fleshy, but not fat. Norfolk.

To MEAW. \ v. n. [miaua, Icel. miauler, To MEAWL. \ French.] To cry as a cat. See To MEW. It is vulgarly pronounced, as it was thus formerly written, instead of mewl. See Sherwood's Dict. And thus quack was written

quaake, to represent the sound better. ME'ASURELESS. † adj. [from measure.] Im- ME'AZLING. part. generally called miz-

The air feels more moist when the water is in

small than in great drops; in meazing and soaking rain, than in great showers. Arbuthnot on Air. 5 A 2

MECHA'NICAL. \ adj. [mechanicus, Lat.; MECHA'NICK. \ mechanique, French;

from unxavn.

1. Constructed by the laws of mechanicks. Many a fair precept in poetry, is like a seeming demonstration in mathematicks, very specious in the diagram, but failing in the mechanick opera-

The main business of natural philosophy, is to argue from phenomena without feigning hypotheses, and to deduce causes from effects till we come to the very first cause, which certainly is not mechanical; and not only to unfold the mechanism of the world, but chiefly to resolve these, and such like questions. Newton, Opt.

2. Skilled in mechanicks; bred to manual

labour.

3. Mean; servile; of mean occupation.

Know you not, being mechanical, you ought not walk upon a labouring day, without the sign of your profession? Shakspeare.

Hang him, mechanical salt-butter rogue; I will stare him out of his wits; I will hew him with

my cudgel.

Mechanick slaves, With greasy aprons, rules, and hammers, shall Uplift us to the view. Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop.

To make a god, a hero, or a king, Descend to a mechanick dialect.

Mecha'nick. n. s. A manufacturer; a low workman.

Do not bid me

Dismiss my soldiers, or capitulate

Again with Rome's mechanicks. Shaksp. Coriol. A third proves a very heavy philosopher, who possibly would have made a good mechanick, and have done well enough at the useful philosophy of the spade or the anvil.

MECHA'NICKS. n. s. pl. [mechanica, Latin.] Dr. Wallis defines mechanicks to be the geometry of motion, a mathematical science, which shews the effects of powers, or moving forces, so far as they are applied to engines, and demonstrates the laws of motion.

The rudiments of geography, with something of mechanicks, may be easily conveyed into the minds of acute young persons.

Watts, Impr. of the Mind. Salmoneus was a great proficient in mechanicks; and inventor of a vessel which imitated thunder.

To MECHA'NICALIZE.* v. a. [from mechanical. To render mean or low.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood. MECHA'NICALLY. adv. [from mechanick.] According to the laws of mechanism.

They suppose even the common animals that are in being, to have been formed mechanically, among the rest.

Later philosophers feign hypotheses for explaining all things mechanically, and refer other causes to metaphysicks.

MECHA'NICALNESS. † n. s. [from mecha-

1. Agreeableness to the laws of mechan-

ism. 2. Meanness.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood. MECHANI'CIAN. † n. s. [mechanicien, Fr.] A man professing or studying the construction of machines.

I appeal to painters, mechanicians, mathema-Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 92. Some were figured like male, others like female screws, as mechanicians speak. Boyle.

ME'CHANISM n. s. [mechanisme, French.] 1. Action according to mechanick laws.

After the chyle has passed through the lungs, nature continues her usual mechanism, to convert it into animal substances. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

He acknowledges nothing besides matter and motion; so that all must be performed either by mechanism or accident, either of which is wholly unaccountable. Bentley.

2. Construction of parts depending on each other in any complicated fabrick.

ME'CHANIST.* n. s. [from mechanism.] A mechanician.

The mechanist will be afraid to assert before hardy contradiction, the possibility of tearing down bulwarks with a silk-worm's thread; and the astronomer of relating the rapidity of light, the distance of the fixed stars, and the height of the lunar mountains. Johnson, Rambler, No. 117.

ME'CHLIN.* adj. The epithet given to lace made at Mechlin.

With eager beats his mechlin cravat moves. Town Eclogues.

MECHO'ACAN. n. s. [from the place.]

Mechoacan is a large root, twelve or fourteen inches long: the plant which affords it is a species of bindweed, and its stalks are angular: the root in powder is a gentle and mild purgative.

Hill, Mat. Med.

Meco'nium. n. s. [μηκώνιον.] 1. Expressed juice of poppy.

2. The first excrement of children.

Infants new-born have a meconium, or sort of dark-coloured excrement in the bowels.

Arbuthnot on Diet. ME'DAL. n. s. [medaille, Fr. probably from metallum, Lat.]

1. An ancient coin.

The Roman medals were their current money: when an action deserved to be recorded on a coin, it was stampt and issued out of the mint.

Addison, Guardian. 2. A piece stamped in honour of some remarkable performance.

MEDA'LLICK. adj. [from medal.] Pertaining to medals.

You will never, with all your medallick elo-quence, persuade Eugenius, that it is better to have a pocketful of Otho's than of Jacobus's. Addison on Medals.

MEDA'LLION. n. s. [medaillon, Fr.] A large antique stamp or medal.

Medallions, in respect of the other coins, were the same as modern medals in respect of modern Addison ME'DALLIST. n. s. [medailliste, Fr.] A

man skilled or curious in medals. As a medullist, you are not to look upon a ca-

binet of medals as a treasure of money, but of knowledge. Addison.

To ME'DDLE. + v. n. [middelen, Teut. medla. Su.7

1. To have to do: in this sense it is always followed by with.

It is reported that cassia, when gathered, is put into the skins of beasts newly flayed, which breeding worms, they devour the pith and marrow, and so make it hollow; but meddle not with the back, because it is bitter.

With the power of it upon the spirits of men we will only meddle. Bacon, Nat. Hist. I have thus far been an upright judge, not meddling with the design nor disposition.

2. To interpose; to act in any thing. For my part, I'll not meddle nor make any

Shakspeare. In every turn of state, without meddling on either side, he has always been favourable to me-Dryden.

The civil lawyers have pretended to determine concerning the succession of princes; but, by our author's principles, have meddled in a matter that belongs not to them.

What hast thou to do to meddle with the affairs of my family? to dispose of my estate, old boy? Arhuthmot

3. To interpose or intervene importunely or officiously.

Why should'st thou meddle to thy hurt? 2 Kings, xiv. 10.

It is an honour for a man to cease from strife: but every fool will be meddling. Prov. xx. 3. This meddling priest longs to be found a fool,

Let me shake off th' intrusive cares of day, And lay the meddling senses all aside. Thomson, Winter.

To ME'DDLE. v. a. [from mesler, Fr.] To mix; to mingle. Obsolete. He that had well ycon'd his lere,

Thus meddled his talk with many a teare. Spenser. A meddled state of the orders of the gospel, and ceremonies of popery, is not the best way to banish popery.

ME'DDLER. n. s. [from meddle.] One who busies himself with things in which he has no concern.

Do not drive away such as bring thee information, as meddlers, but accept of them in good

This may be applied to those that assume to themselves the merits of other men's services, meddlers, boasters, and impertinents. L'Estrange.

Me'ddlesome. adj. Intermeddling: as, a meddlesome, busy body. Ainsworth. Christendom could not have been so long, if

there had been so meddlesome a body in it as the pope now is. Barrow, on the Pope's Supremacy.

ME'DDLESOMENESS.* n. s. [from meddlesome.] Officiousness; forwardness to busy one's self, where one has no con-I shall propound some general rules, according

to which such meddlesomeness is commonly blam-Barrow, vol. i. S. 21.

ME'DDLING.* n. s. [from To meddle.] Officious and impertinent interposition.

Let them read over their catechism, and lay aside spite and virulence, gossiping and meddling, calumny and detraction. South, vol. ii. S. 8. Me'dia.* See Medium.

MEDIA'STINE. n. s. [French; mediastinum, Latin.] The fimbriated body about which the guts are convolved.

None of the membranes which invest the inside of the breast but may be the seat of this disease, the mediastine as well as the pleura.

Arbuthnot on Diet. To ME'DIATE. + v. n. [from medius, Latin.

1. To interpose as an equal friend to both parties; to act indifferently between contending parties; to intercede.

It would become his love to interpose For my access, at such a needful hour.

And mediate for my blessing. Shirley, The Brothers. The corruption of manners in the world, we shall find owing to some mediating schemes that

offer to comprehend the different interests of sin and religion. 2. To be between two.

By being crowded, they exclude all other bo-dies that before mediated between the parts of their body. To ME'DIATE. v. a.

1. To effect by mediation.

The earl made many professions of his desire to interpose and mediate a good peace between the Clarendon.

I possess chemists and corpuscularians of advantages by the confederacy I am mediating be-Boyle. tween them.

2. To limit by something in the middle.

They styled a double step, the space from the elevation of one foot to the same foot set down again, mediated by a step of the other foot, a pace, Holder. equal to five feet.

ME'DIATE. adj. [mediat, French; medius, Lat.

1. Interposed; intervening.

Soon the mediate clouds shall be dispell'd; The sun shall soon be face to face beheld. Prior.

2. Middle; between two extremes. Auxious we hover in a mediate state,

Betwixt infinity and nothing. Prior. 3. Acting as a means. Unusual.

The most important care of a new king, was his marriage for mediate establishment of the royal

ME'DIATELY. adv. [from mediate.] By a secondary cause; in such a manner that something acts between the first cause and the last effect.

God worketh all things amongst us mediately by secondary means; the which means of our safety being shipping and sea-forces, are to be esteemed as his gifts, and then only available and beneficial when he vouchsafeth his grace to use Ralegh, Essays.

them aright. Pestilent contagion is propagated immediately by conversing with infected persons, and mediately by pestilent seminaries propagated through the Harvey on Consumptions.

MEDIA'TION. n. s. [mediation, French; from medius, Lat.]

1. Interposition; intervention; agency between two parties, practised by a common friend.

Some nobler token I have kept apart

For Livia and Octavia, to induce Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop.

Their mediation. Noble offices thou may'st effect Of mediation after I am dead,

Between his greatness and thy other brethren.

The king sought unto them to compose those troubles between him and his subjects; they accordingly interposed their mediation in a round and princely manner.

2. Agency interposed; intervenient power. The passions have their residence in the sensitive appetite: for inasmuch as man is a compound of flesh as well as spirit, the soul, during its abode in the body, does all things by the mediation of South, Serm. these passions.

It is utterly unconceivable, that inanimate brute matter, without the mediation of some immaterial being, should operate upon other matter without Bentley. mutual contact.

3. Intercession; entreaty for another. MEDIA'TOR. n. s. [mediateur, Fr.]

1. One that intervenes between two par-

You had found by experience the trouble of all men's confluence, and for all matters to yourself, as a mediator between them and their sovereign. Bacon, Adv. to Villiers.

2. An intercessor; an entreater for another; one who uses his influence in fa-

your of another. It is against the sense of the law, to make saints or angels to be mediators between God and them. Stilling fleet.

3. One of the characters of our blessed Saviour.

A mediator is considered two ways, by nature or by office, as the fathers distinguish. He is a mediator by nature, as partaking of both natures divine and human; and mediator by office, as transacting matters between God and man. Waterland.

Man's friend, his mediator, is design'd, Man's friend, his metaleto,

Both ransom and redeemer voluntary.

Milton, P. L.

MEDIATO'RIAL.† adj. [from mediator.]
ME'DIATORY. Belonging to a me-

This every true Christian longs and breathes after, that these days of sin and misery may be shortened, that Christ would come in his glory, that his mediatory kingdom being fulfilled, it might be delivered up unto the Father.

Bp. Hopkins, Expos. of the Lord's Prayer, p. 47. All other effects of Christ's mediatorial office are

accounted for from the truth of his resurrection. Fiddes, Serm MEDIA'TORSHIP. † n. s. [from mediator.]

The office of a mediator. The necessity of this part of the article is evi-

dent, in that the death of Christ is the most intimate and essential part of the mediatorship. Pearson on the Creed, Art. 4.

MEDIA'TRESS.* n. s. [mediatrice, Fr. Cotgrave.] A female mediator.

Neither dare we associate her as a secondary mediatress with her son.

Sheldon, Miracles of Antichrist, (1616,) p. 125. MEDIA'TRIX. † n. s. [mediatrice, French.]

Sherwood. A female mediator. Knights - invoking them [ladies] as so many advocates and mediatrixes in their conflicts and

Ozel, Tr. of the Life of Cervanies, (1738,) p. 9.
This stately coquet, [Q. Elizabeth,] the guardian of the protestant faith, the terrour of the sea, the mediatrix of the factions of Europe.

Warton, Hist. E. P. iii. 493. Me'decin.* See the second sense of

MEDICINE.

ME'DICABLE.* adj. [medicabilis, Latin.]

That may be healed. ME'DICAL. adj. [medicus, Lat.] Physical; relating to the art of healing; me-

dicinal. In this work attempts will exceed performances, it being composed by snatches of time, as medical Brown, Vulg. Err. vacation would permit.

ME'DICALLY. adv. [from medical.] Physically; medicinally.

That which promoted this consideration, and medically advanced the same, was the doctrine of Hippocrates.

ME'DICAMENT. n. s. [medicament, French; medicamentum, Lat.] Any thing used in healing; generally topical applications.

Admonitions, fraternal or paternal, then public reprehensions; and upon the unsuccessfulness of these milder medicaments, the use of stronger physick, the censures. Hammond.

A cruel wound was cured by scalding medicaments, after it was putrified; and the violent swelling and bruise of another was taken away by Temple, Miscell scalding it with milk.

MEDICAME'NTAL. adj. [medicamenteux, Fr.; from medicament.] Relating to medicine, internal or topical.

MEDICAME'NTALLY. adv. [from medicamental.] After the manner of medicine; with the power of medicine.

The substance of gold is invincible by the powerfullest action of natural heat; and that not only alimentally in a substantial mutation, but also medicamentally in any corporeal conversion. Brown, Vulg. Err.

ME'DICASTER.* n. s. [old Fr. medicastre, charlatan.] One who brags of medicines; a quack.

Many medicasters, pretenders to physick, buy

the degree of doctor abroad.

Whitlock, Mann. of the Engl. (1654,) p. 107. To ME'DICATE. † v. a. [medico, Lat.] To tincture or impregnate with any thing medicinal.

If some infrequent passenger crossed our streets, it was not without his medicated posie at his nose, and his zedoary or angelica in his mouth.

Bp. Hall, Thanksgiv. Serm. (1625.) The fumes, steams, and stenches of London, do so medicate and impregnate the air about it, that it becomes capable of little more.

Graunt, Bills of Mortality. To this may be ascribed the great effects of Arbuthnot on Aliments. medicated waters. Medica'tion. n. s. [from medicate.]

1. The act of tincturing or impregnating with medicinal ingredients.

The watering of the plant with an infusion of the medicine may have more force than the rest, because the medication is oft renewed.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. 2. The use of physick.

He adviseth to observe the equinoxes and solstices, and to decline medication ten days before and after.

Medi'cinable. † adj. [medecinable, Fr. Cotgrave; medicinalis, Lat.] Having the power of physick; able to heal; salutary.

A medicinable moral, that is, the two bookes of Horace his satyres englished, according to the prescription of saint Hierome

Drant, Tr. of Hor. (1566.) God, from whom men's several degrees and pre-eminences do proceed, hath appointed them in his church, at whose hands his pleasure is, that we should receive both baptism, and all other publick medicinable helps of soul.

Hooker, Eccl. Pol. v. § 62. Any impediment will be medicinable to me.

Shakspeare, Much Ado. Old oil is more clear and hot in medicinable use. Racon.

Accept a bottle made of a serpentine stone, which gives any wine infused therein for four-and twenty hours the taste and operation of the Spaw water, and is very medicinable for the cure of the Wotton. spleen.

The hearts and galls of pikes are medicinable.

Medici'nal. † adj. [medicinalis, Latin: this word is now commonly pronounced medicinal, with the accent on the second syllable; but more properly and more agreeably to the best authorities, medicinal on the third. Dr. Johnson. -This is not strictly the case. For Dr. Johnson has introduced an example from Milton, as if the great poet had countenanced medicinal, where the true reading is medcinal, namely in Samson Agonistes; which Milton also had before employed in Comus; though Dr. Johnson has not noticed it. See the edition of Milton's Poetical Works, 1809, vol. v. p. 396. In like manner, two examples from Donne, now added, will shew that medcinal was the pronunciation, even though written medicinal.]

1. Having the power of healing; having Me'dick. † n. s. physical virtue.

Come with words as medicinal as true Honest as either; to purge him of that humour That presses him from sleep.

Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. Since herbs and roots by dying lose not all, But they, yea ashes too, are medicinal.

Donne, Poems, p. 215.

Of medicinal and aromatick twigs. Ibid. p. 263.

The medicinal bitterness hath its ingredients, truth and charity. Bp. Morton, Discharge, &c. p. 247.

And yet more medcinal is it than that Moly. Milton, Comus.

Thoughts my tormentors, arm'd with deadly

Mangle my apprehensive tenderest parts; Exasperate, exulcerate, and raise

Dire inflammation, which no cooling herb Nor medcinal liquor can assuage. Milton, S. A.

The second causes took the swift command, The medicinal head, the ready hand;

All but eternal doom was conquer'd by their art.

2. Belonging to physick.

Learned he was in med'cinal lore, For by his side a pouch he wore, Replete with strange hermetick powder,

That wounds nine miles point-blank with solder.

Such are called medicinal days by some writers, wherein no crisis or change is expected, so as to forbid the use of medicines: but it is most properly used for those days wherein purging, or any other evacuation, is more conveniently complied Quincy.

Medicinal hours are those wherein it is supposed that medicines may be taken, commonly reckoned in the morning fasting, about an hour before dinner, about four hours after dinner, and going to bed; but times are to be governed by the symptoms and aggravation of the distemper.

Quincy. MEDI'CINALLY. † adv. [from medicinal.]

Physically.

Philosophically, medicinally, to shew the causes, symptoms, and several cures of it, [melancholy,] that it may be the better avoided.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. To the Reader. The witnesses that leach-like liv'd on blood. Sucking for them were med'cinally good.

ME'DICINE. † n. s. [medicine, French; medicina, Lat. It is generally pronounced as if only of two syllables, med'cine.]

1. Physick; any remedy administered by a physician.

O, my dear father! restoration, hang Thy medicine on my lips: and let this kiss

Repair those violent harms. Shakspeare, K. Lear. A merry heart doth good like a medicine; but

a broken spirit drieth the bones. Prov. xvii. 22. I wish to die, yet dare not death endure; Detest the medicine, yet desire the cure. Dryden.

2. A physician. [medecin, Fr.] Not in use.

Meet we the medecin of the sickly weal; And with him pour we in our country's purge, Each drop of us. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

To ME'DICINE. v. a. [medeciner, old French; from the noun.] To restore or cure by medicine; to apply medicine 2. To think on; to revolve in the mind. to. Not now perhaps in use. Not all the drowsy syrups of the world,

Shall ever medicine thee to that sweet sleep Which thou ow'dst yesterday. Shaksp. Othello. Thus medicining our eyes, we need not doubt to see more into the meaning.

Milton, Tetrachordon.

1. A plant; a kind of trefoil. [medica, Latin; medique, Fr.]

2. In the plural, the science of medicine. In medicks, we have some confident undertakers to rescue the science from all its reproaches and dishonours, to cure all diseases, &c.

Spencer on Prodigies, (1665,) p. 402.

Medi'ety. n. s. [medieté, French; medietas, Lat.] Middle state; participation of two extremes; half.

They contained no fishy composure, but were made up of man and bird; the human mediety variously placed not only above but below.

Brown, Vulg. Err. MEDI'OCRE.* adj. [French; from mediocris, Lat.] Of moderate degree; of middle rate; middling. A word intro- 1. Deep thought; close attention; conduced perhaps into our language by Swift; as I gather from additions made to the former edition of this dictionary; in which, however, I observed that Swift had used the word mediocrist; and that the French word is old.

The verses - were very mediocre in themselves. Swift, Lett. to Pope.

MEDI'OCRIST.* n. s. [from mediocre, Fr.] One of middling abilities.

He [Hughes] is too grave a poet for me; and I think among the mediocrists in prose as well as Swift, Lett. to Pope. verse. MEDIO'CRITY. n. s. [mediocrité, French; mediocritas, Latin.]

1. Moderate degree; middle rate.

Men of age seldom drive business home to the full period, but content themselves with a mediocrity of success.

There appeared a sudden and marvellous conversion in the duke's case, from the most exalted to the most depressed, as if his expedition had been capable of no mediocrities.

He likens the mediocrity of wit to one of a mean fortune, who manages his store with great parsimony; but who, with fear of running into profuseness, never arrives to the magnificence of living. Dryden, State of Innocence.

Getting and improving our knowledge in substances only by experience and history, is all that the weakness of our faculties in this state of mediocrity, while we are in this world, can attain to.

Moderation; temperance.

Lest appetite, in the use of food, should lead us beyond that which is meet, we owe obedience to that law of reason which teacheth mediocrity in meats and drinks.

When they urge us to extreme opposition against the church of Rome, do they mean we should be drawn unto it only for a time, and afterwards return to a mediocrity. Hooker.

To ME'DITATE. v. a. [mediter, French; meditor, Latin.]

1. To plan; to scheme; to contrive. Some affirmed that I meditated a war; God

knows, I did not then think of war. K. Charles. Like a lion that unheeded lay

Dissembling sleep, and watchful to betray, With inward rage he meditates his prey. Dryden. Before the memory of the flood was lost, men meditated the setting up a false religion at Babel.

Them among

There set a man of ripe and perfect age, Who did them meditate all his life long.

Spenser, F. Q. Blessed is the man that doth meditate good things in wisdom, and that reasoneth of holy Ecclus. xiv. 20.

To Me'ditate. v. n. To think; to muse; to contemplate; to dwell on with in-tense thought. It is commonly used of pious contemplation.

His delight is in the law of the Lord, and in his law doth he meditate night and day. Psal. i. 2. I will meditate also of all thy work, and talk of all thy doings. Psal, İxxvii. 12.

Meditate till you make some act of piety upon the occasion of what you meditate; either get some new arguments against a sin, or some new encouragements to virtue. ncouragements to virtue. Bp. Taylor.

To worship God, to study his will, to meditate

upon him, and to love him; all these being pleasure and peace.

MEDITA'TION. n. s. [meditation, French; meditatio, Latin.]

trivance; contemplation.

to her in anger.
'Tis most true, I left the meditations wherein I was, and spake 2 Esd. x. 5.

That musing meditation most affects

The pensive secresy of desert cell. Milton, Comus. Some thought and meditation are necessary; and a man may possibly be so stupid as not to have God in all his thoughts, or to say in his heart, there is none. Thought employed upon sacred ob-

jects. His name was heavenly contemplation;

Of God and goodness was his meditation.

Spenser, F. Q. Thy thoughts to nobler meditations give, And study how to die, not how to live. Granville.

3. A series of thoughts occasioned by any object or occurrence. In this sense are books of meditations.

ME'DITATIVE. † adj. [from meditate.]

I. Addicted to meditation. Ainsworth. Abeillard was pious, reserved, and meditative. Berington, Hist. of Abeillard.

2. Expressing intention or design. MEDITERRA'NE. adj. [medius and ter-MEDITERRA'NEAN. ra; mediterranée, Fr.] MEDITERRA'NEOUS.

1. Encircled with land.

In all that part that lieth on the north side of the mediterrane sea, it is thought not to be the vulgar tongue. Brerezuond.

2. Inland; remote from the sea.

It is found in mountains and mediterraneous parts; and so it is a fat and unctuous sublimation of the earth.

We have taken a less height of the mountains than is requisite, if we respect the mediterraneous mountains, or those that are at a great distance from the sea.

ME'DIUM. † n. s. [medium, Latin. Sometimes the Latin plural media is used,

instead of the English mediums.] 1. Any thing intervening.

Whether any other liquors, being made mediums, cause a diversity of sound from water, it may be tried. The most barbarous nations, and unpolite

people who knew no arts or sciences, and consequently no artificial media, have known, acknowledged, and worshipped a God.

Bp. Barlow, Rem. p. 547.
I must bring together

All these extremes; and must remove all me-That each may be the other's object.

Seeing requires light and a free medium, and a right line to the objects; we can hear in the dark, immured, and by curve lines.

ward actions, often sees it through a deceitful medium, which is apt to discolour the object.

Addison, Spect. The parts of bodies on which their colours depend, are denser than the medium which pervades Newton, Opticks. their interstices.

Against filling the heavens with fluid mediums, unless they be exceeding rare, a great objection arises from the regular and very lasting motions of the planets and comets in all manner of courses Newton, Opticks. through the heavens.

2. Any thing used in ratiocination, in order to a conclusion; the middle term in an argument, by which propositions are connected.

This cannot be answered by those mediums which have been used. Dryden, Juv. We, whose understandings are short, are forced to collect one thing from another, and in that

process we seek out proper mediums. Baker on Learning.

3. The middle place or degree; the just temperature between extremes.

The just medium of this case lies betwixt the pride and the abjection, the two extremes. L'Estrange.

Me'dlar. † n. s. [from mæb, Saxon; mespilus, Latin.]

1. A tree.

The leaves of the medlar are either whole, and shaped like those of the laurel, as in the manured sorts; or laciniated, as in the wild sorts: the flower consists of five leaves, which expand in form of a rose: the fruits are umbilicated, and are not eatable till they decay; and have, for the most Miller. part, five hard seeds in each. Now will he sit under a medlar tree,

And wish his mistress were that kind of fruit, Which maids call medlars.

Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul.

2. The fruit of that tree.

You'll be rotten ere you be half ripe, And that's the right virtue of the medlar. Shaks.

October is drawn in a garment of yellow and carnation; with a basket of services, mediars, and chesnuts.

No rotten medlars, whilst there be

Cleaveland. Whole orchards in virginity. Men have gather'd from the hawthorn's branch Large medlars, imitating regal crowns.

ME'DLEY. n. s. [from meddle for mingle.] A mixture; a miscellany; a mingled mass. It is commonly used with some To MEED.* v. a. [from the noun.] To

degree of contempt.

Some imagined that the powder in the armory had taken fire; others, that troops of horsemen approached: in which medly of conceits they bare down one upon another, and jostled many into the Hayward. tower ditch.

Love is a medley of endearments, jars, Suspicions, quarrels, reconcilements, wars;

Then peace again. They count their toilsome marches, long fatigues,

Unusual fastings, and will bear no more

This medley of philosophy and war.

Addison, Cato. Mahomet began to knock down his fellow citizens, and to fill all Arabia with an unnatural Addison. medley of religion and bloodshed. There are that a compounded fluid drain

From different mixtures; and the blended streams

Each mutually correcting each, create A pleasurable medley.

Philips.

He, who looks upon the soul through its out- | ME'DLEY. + adj. Mingled; confused. Originally applied to mixed colours. "Medle coloure, mixtura." Prompt. Parv.

He rode but homely in a medlec cote. Chaucer, C. T. Prol.

I'm strangely discompos'd; Qualms at my heart, convulsions in my nerves, Within my little world make medley war.

To Me'dle. \ v.a. To mingle. See To To Me'dly. \ Meddle.

The things taught by Mahumed are so mixt

and confused, that it is no easy task to range them under distinct heads: And yet they are not more medly'd in themselves, than disadvantageously represented by writers.

L. Addison, Life of Mah. p. 83. Medu'llary adj. [medullaire, French; Medu'llary] from medulla, Latin.]

Pertaining to the marrow.

These little emissaries, united together at the cortical part of the brain, make the medullar part, being a bundle of very small, thread-like chanels Cheyne, Phil. Principles.

The back, for the security of that medullary substance that runs down its cavity, is bent after the manner of the catenarian curve.

Cheyne, Phil. Principles.

MEED. † n. s. [meb, Saxon; miete, Teutonick; from the Su. Goth. maeta, to recompense. Serenius.]

1. Reward; recompence. Now rarely used, except by poets.

He knows his meed if he be spide, To be a thousand deaths and shame beside. Spenser, F. Q.

Whether in beauties glory did exceed, A rosy garland was the victor's meede.

Spenser, F. Q.

Thanks to men Of noble minds is honourable meed. Shakspeare. He must not float upon his watery bier Unwept, and welter to the parching wind, Without the meed of some melodious tear.

Milton, Lycidas. If so, a cloak and vesture be my meed, Till his return no title shall I plead. Pope, Odyssey.

2. Merit; desert. See the commentators on Shakspeare.

Plutus, the god of gold, Is but his steward, no meed but he repays Seven-fold above itself.

Shakspeare, Timon of Athens. My meed has got me fame. Shakspeare, Hen. VI. P. III.

merit; to deserve. Not in use.

And yet thy body meeds a better grave. Heywood, Silver Age, (1613.)

MEEK. † adj. [miukr, miuk, soft, Icel. and Su. Goth. See To MEEK.]

1. Mild of temper; not proud; not rough; not easily provoked; soft; gentle.

Moses was very meek above all men. Numb. xii. 3.

But he her fears to cease, Sent down the meek-ey'd peace.

Milton, Ode, Nativ. We ought to be very cautious and meek-spirited, till we are assured of the honesty of our ances-

2. Expressing humility and gentleness. Both confess'd

Humbly their faults, and pardon begg'd, with tears Watering the ground, and with their sighs the air Frequenting, sent from hearts contrite, in sign Of sorrow unfeign'd, and humiliation meek. Milton, P. L.

To MEEK.* v.a. [moeka, Su. Goth. mykia,

Icel. from miuk.] To humble. He that higheth himself schall be mckid; and

he that meketh himself schal be enhaunsid. Wicliffe, St. Matt. xxiii.

Shall not God spare weyk and feble cretures mekyng themselfe, and knowynge theyr owne in-Bp. Fisher, Ps. p. 19. fyrmyte?

To ME'EKEN.† v. a. [from meek.] To make meek; to soften. This word I have found no where else, Dr. Johnson says, citing only the last of the passages from Thomson. It had been in use more than a century before Thomson's time, and Thomson seems to have been fond of the word.

A journey tedious for a strength so young I undertook; -

Climb'd mountains where the wanton kidling dallies, Then with soft steps enseal'd the meeken'd vallies,

In quest of memory. Browne, Brit. Past. ii. 1. Where meeken'd sense, and amiable grace, And lively sweetness dwell. Thomson, Spring.

His sweetest beams The sun sheds equal o'er the meeken'd day. Thomson, Autumn.

The glaring lion saw, his horrid heart

Was meeken'd, and he join'd his sullen joy Thomson.

Mildly; ME'EKLY. adv. [from meek.] gently; not ruggedly; not proudly. Be therefore, O my dear lords, pacify'd, And this mis-seeming discord meekly lay aside.

Spenser, F. Q. No pride does with your rising honours grow, You meekly look on suppliant crowds below.

Stenney.

ME'EKNESS. n. s. [from meck.] Gentleness; mildness; softness of temper. That pride and meekness mixt by equal part,

Do both appear t'adorn her beauty's grace. Svenser. You sign your place and calling, in full seem-

With meekness and humility; but your heart Is cramm'd with arrogancy, spleen, and pride. Shaksneare.

When his distemper attacked him, he submitted to it with great meekness and resignation, as Atterbury. became a Christian.

MEER. adj. [See MERE.] Simple; unmixed.

MEER. n. s. [See MERE.] A lake; a boundary.

ME'ERED adj. Relating to a boundary; meer being a boundary or mark of di-Hanmer. vision.

What, although you fled - why should he follow? The itch of his affection should not then

Have nickt his captainship; at such a point, When half to half the world oppos'd, he being The meered question. Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop.

MEET. † adj. [of obscure etymology.]

1. Fit; proper; qualified: applied both to persons and things. Now rarely used, except as a northern expression.

Ah! my dear love, why do you sleep thus long, When meeter were that you should now awake?

If the election of the minister should be committed to every parish, would they chuse the meetest?

I am a tainted wether of the flock, Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. Meetest for death.

To be known shortens my laid intent, My boon I make it, that you know me not, Till time and I think meet. Shakspeare, K. Lear. What at any time, have you heard her say?

That, sir, which I will not report after her.

- You may to me, and 'tis most meet you should. Shakspeare.

York is meetest man To be your regent in the realm of France.

The eye is very proper and meet for seeing.

2. MEET with. Even with. [from meet, the verb. A very common expression in the midland counties, and signifies, he'll be your match, he'll be even with Steevens.

Niece, you tax Signior Benedick too much; but he'll be meet with you. Shakspeare.

To MEET. † v. a. pret. I met; I have met; particip. met. [meran, Saxon, to find; moeten, Dutch. Dr. Johnson.-It is from the Gothick motjan, to meet.]

1. To come face to face; to encounter, by travelling in opposite directions.

Met'st thou my posts? Shakspeare. His daughter came out to meet him with timbrels and dances. Judges, xi. 34.

Meanwhile our primitive great sire, to meet His godlike guest, walks forth. Milton, P. L.

2. To encounter in hostility. To meet the nois

Of his almighty engine, he shall hear Infernal thunder. Milton, P. L.

So match'd they stood; For never but once more was either like To meet so great a foe. Milton, P. L.

3. To encounter unexpectedly. So judge thou still, presumptuous, till the wrath

Which thou incurr'st by flying, meet thy flight Sevenfold, and scourge that wisdom back to hell. Milton, P. L.

4. To join another in the same place.

Chance may lead where I may meet Some wandering spirit of Heaven by fountain

Or in thick shade retired. Milton, P. L. I knew not, till I met

My friends, at Ceres' now deserted seat. Dryden. Not look back to see,

When what we love we ne'er must meet again. Dryden.

5. To close one with another. The nearer you come to the end of the lake,

the mountains on each side grow higher, till at Addison. last they meet.

6. To find; to be treated with; to light on.

Had I a hundred mouths, a hundred tongues, I could not half those horrid crimes repeat, Nor half the punishments those crimes have met.

Of vice or virtue, whether blest or curst,

Which meets contempt, or which compassion first.

To me no greater joy, Than that your labours meet a prosperous end.

7. To assemble from different parts. This is the right place for the example which follows from Milton, and which the folio editions partly exhibit. But in the quarto editions it is transferred to the third meaning of the neuter verb: and Mr. Malone says, that it surely belongs to the verb neuter. Such a

the whole passage of the poet had been ME'ETING. n. s. [from meet.] duly attended to: in which met is clearly the participle of the verb active meet, i. e. having been assembled together from different parts.

Those two massy pillars With horrible convulsion to and fro He tugg'd, he shook, till down they came and drew

The whole roof after them, with burst of thunder Upon the heads of all who sat beneath, Lords, ladies, captains, counsellors, or priests, Their choice nobility and flower, not only Of this but each Philistian city round, Met from all parts to solemnize this feast.

Milton, S. A.

To MEET. v. n.

1. To encounter; to close face to face. 2. To encounter in hostility.

Then born to distance by the tides of men, Like adamant and steel they meet again. Dryden. 3. To assemble; to come together.

They appointed a day to meet in together. The materials of that building happily met together, and very fortunately ranged themselves

into that delicate order, that it must be a very great chance that parts them. Tillotson.
4. To MEET with. To light on; to find: it includes, sometimes obscurely, the

idea of something unexpected. When he cometh to experience of service abroad, he maketh as worthy a soldier as any nation he

meeteth with. Spenser. We met with many things worthy of observation.

Hercules' meeting with pleasure and virtue, was invented by Prodicus, who lived before Socrates. Addison.

What a majesty and force does one meet with in these short inscriptions: are not you amazed to see so much history gathered into so small a com-Addison on Anc. Medals.

5. To MEET with. To join. Falstaff at that oak shall meet with us. Shaksp. 6. To MEET with. To suffer unexpect-

edly.

He, that hath suffered this disordered spring, Hath now himself met with the fall of leaf, Shakspeare,

A little sum you mourn, while most have met With twice the loss, and by as vile a cheat.

7. To MEET with. To encounter; to engage.

Royal mistress, Prepare to meet with more than brutal fury From the fierce prince. Rowe, Amb. Step-mother.

8. To MEET with. A Latinism. To obviate; occurrere objecto.

Before I proceed farther, it is good to meet with an objection, which if not removed, the conclusion of experience from the time past to the present will not be sound.

9. To advance half way.

He yields himself to the man of business with reluctancy, but offers himself to the visits of a friend with facility, and all the meeting readiness of

Our meeting hearts Consented soon, and marriage made us one. Rowe. 10. To unite; to join: as, these rivers meet at such a place and join.

ME'ETER. n. s. [from meet.] One that accosts another.

There are beside Lascivious meeters, to whose venom'd sound The open ear of youth doth always listen. Shakspeare.

mistake would not have been made, if ME'ETERLY.* adv. See METERLY,

1. An assembly; a convention. If the fathers and husbands of those, whose relief this your meeting intends, were of the household of faith, then their relicts and children ought not to be strangers to the good that is done in it, if they want it. Spratt, Serm. Since the ladies have been left out of all meet-

ings except parties at play, our conversation hath degenerated. 2. An interview. Let's be revenged on him; let's appoint him a

meeting, and lead him on with a fine baited delay. Shakspeare. 3. A conventicle; an assembly of dis-

senters. 4. A conflux : as, the meeting of two rivers.

MEETING-HOUSE. n. s. [meeting and house.] Place where dissenters assemble to wor-

His heart misgave him that the churches were so many meeting-houses; but I soon made him easy.

ME'ETLY. † adv. [from the adjective.] Fitly; properly. You can do better yet; but this is meetly.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. See then all this contrariety of sects meetly well reconciled. Bp. Bedell, Cop. of Cert. Lett. p. 323. ME'ETNESS. † n. s. [from meet.] Fitness;

This worthiness of meetness, fitness, or due disposition for the heavenly glory, comprehends a deep and profound sense of our own utter unworthiness of it. Bp. Bull, Works, i. 384.

Me'GACOSM.* n. s. [μέγας, great, κόσμος, the world, Gr.] The great world. I desire him to give me leave to set forth our microcosm, man, in some such deformed way, as

he doth the megacosm, or great world. Bp. H. Croft, Anim. on Burnet's Theory, 1685, p. 138. Mega'polis.* n. s. [μέγας, great, πόλις, a

city.] A principal city; metropolis. Not in use.

Amadavad - is at this present the megapolis of Cambaya. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 64. ME'GRIM. † n. s. [from hemicrany; Latin, hemicrania; Gr. humpavla; Fr. migrain. Our own word at first was migrim. See

Huloet's Dict.] Disorder of the head. In every megrim or vertigo there is an obtenebration joined with a semblance of turning round.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

There screen'd in shades from day's detested

Spleen sighs for ever on her pensive bed, Pain at her side, and meagrim at her head. Pope. He accused some of giving all their customers colicks and megrims. Tatler, No. 131.

To MEINE. † v. a. [Dr. Johnson merely introduces this word from Ainsworth, without etymology, and without example. It is one of our oldest; and is the Sax. menzan, to mix.] To mingle. Obsolete. The participle, meint or ment.

Of love the sicknesse Is meint with swete and bitternesse, Chaucer, Rom. R. 2296. The salt Medway, that trickling stremes

Adowne the dales of Kent, Till with his elder brother Themes

His brackish waves be meynt.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. July. Amongst the woods and thickets ment.

Spenser, Virgil's Gnat-Me'inv.† n. s. [mesnie, French. See the second sense of the substantive many.

"Greete ghe wel her meyneal chirche," which in our present version is, "the church that is in their house," Rom. xvi. 5.] A family; a retinue; domestick servants.

When Jacob came to a forde, he made all his meyny to goo before. Lib. Festiv. fol. 18. b. Whilest all the world consisted of a few house-

holders, the elder (or father of the family) exer-

cised authoritie over his meyney. Lambard, Arch. p. 2. They summon'd up their meiny; strait took

Commanded me to follow, and attend.

Shakspeare, K. Lear.

Meio'sis.* n. s. [μειώσις, Greek.] A rhetorical figure, of the species of hyper-

The words are a meiosis, and import much more than they express. South, vol. iv. S. 10.

ME'LAMPODE.* n. s. [melampodium, Lat.] The black hellebore.

Here grows melampode every where,

And terebinth, good for goats. Spenser, Shep. Cal. July.

Me'LANAGOGUES. n. s. pl. [from μέλανος and äyω.] Such medicines as are supposed particularly to purge off black choler.

ME'LANCHOLICK. † adj. [from melancholy.] 1. Disordered with melancholy; fanciful;

hypochondriacal; gloomy. Our melancholick friend, Propertius, Hath clos'd himself up in his Cynthia's tomb:

And will by no intreaties be drawn thence. B. Jonson, Poetaster.

If he be mad, or angry, or melancholick, or sprightly, he will paint whatsoever is proportionable to any one. The commentators on old Ari-

Stotle, 'tis urg'd, in judgment vary: They to their own conceits have brought The image of his general thought: Just as the melancholick eye

Sees fleets and armies in the sky.

2. Unhappy; unfortunate; causing sorrow. The king found himself at the head of his army, after so many accidents and melancholick perplex-

3. Dismal. Not noticed by Dr. Johnson. Like the black and melancholick yew-tree, Dost think to root thyself in dead men's graves,

And yet to prosper? Webster, Vittoria Corombona. I was tempted to it, by the melancholique prospect I had of it. Dryden, Lett. ed. Malone, L. 8.

MELANCHOLICK. n. s.

1. A person diseased with melancholy.

We shall accordingly observe omens, the falling of salt, a dream of a funeral, an unlucky day or hour, the voice of the screech-owl, odd noises in the night, to command the most solemn regards of persons whose imagination is more active and busy than their reason; heathens, women, young persons, melancholicks, superstitious or infirm persons, the illiterate multitude.

Spenser on Prodigies, (1665,) p. 75. You may observe, in the modern stories of our religious melancholians, that they commonly pass out of one passion into another, without any manner of reasoning. Scott, Works, (ed. 1718,) ii. 125.

2. A gloomy state of mind.

My condition is much worse than yours, and different I believe from any other man's; and will very well justify the melancholick that, I confess to you, possesses me. Ld. Clarendon, Life, P. ii. VOL. II.

MEL Wicliffe uses the adjective meyneal, ME'LANCHOLILY.* adv. [from melancholy.] In a melancholy manner.

On a pedestal - is set the statue of this young lady, reposing herself in a curious wrought osier chair, all of polished alabaster; melancholily inclining her cheek to her right hand.

Keepe, Monument. Westm. (1683,) p. 62.

Me'lancholiness.* n. s. [from melancholy.] Disposition to gloominess; state of being melancholy.

When a boy, he was playsome enough; but withall he had then a contemplative melancholiness. Aubrey, Acc. of Hobbes, Anec. ii. 600. This false persuasion in the quakers of being

immediately inspired, arises from the melancholiness of their temper.

Hallywell, Acc. of Familism, (1673.) p. 105.

MELANCHO'LIOUS.* adj. [melancolieux, old French.] Melancholy; gloomy, dismal. A word well authorized, but not now in use.

And am so melancolious. Gower, Conf. Am. B. 3. However flat and melancholious it be, and must serve, though to the eternal disturbance and languishing of him that complains.

Milton, Doct. and Disc. of Div. i. 3.

ME'LANCHOLIST.* n. s. [from melancholy.] One disordered with melancholy; a fanciful or hypochondriacal person.

The melancholist was afraid to sit down for fear of being broken. Glanville, Ess. iv.

As laughter is a faculty peculiar to the human species, the resolution of a religious melancholist entirely to discard it may be reckoned a little essay towards putting away the properties of a rational

Bp. Lavington, Enthus. of Meth. and Pap. i. 20.

To ME'LANCHOLIZE.* v. n. from melancholy.] To become melancholy or gloomy.

They dare not come abroad all their lives after, but melancholize in corners, and keep in holes.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 99. His phantasy is so restless, operative, and quick, that if it be not in perpetual action, ever employed, it will work upon itself, melancholize, and be carried away instantly with some fear, jealousy, discontent, suspicion, some vain conceit or other.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 290. If we be not otherwise well employed, we shall be apt in our thoughts to melancholize, and doat upon our misfortunes; the sense of them will fasten upon our spirits, and gnaw our hearts.

Barrow, vol. iii. S. v.

To ME'LANCHOLIZE.* v. a. To make sad or melancholy. With the accent formerly on the second syllable, as it was also upon melancholy. See MELANCHOLY. That thick cloud, you are now enveloped with,

of melancholized old age, and undeserved adversity. More, Song of the Soul, Dedicat. (1647). Like faithless wife, that by her frampared guise.

Peevish demeanour, sullen sad disdain,

Doth inly deep the spright melancholize Of her aggrieved husband.

More, Song of the Soul, i. iii. 40.

ME LANCHOLY.† n. s. [melancolie, Fr. from μέλανος and χολή, Greek. — This word was formerly accented on the second syllable by our poets, as by Spenser, B. Jonson, and Drayton; which Dr. Johnson has not noticed. Yet it was evidently poetick licence only; for Drayton thus uses the word, with the accent both on the first and second syl-

"And being rouz'd out of meláncholly, "Fly, whirle-winde thoughts, unto the heavens, quoth he."

Drayton, Shepheard's Garland, (1593,) p.4. "But mélancholie grafted in thy braine."

It may be added, that this word is rarely found in the plural number. An instance occurs in Lord Rivers's translation of the Dictes and Sayings of the Philosophers, printed by Caxton in 1477. "The maistre of a grete house hath many melancolyes," sign. F. vi.]

1. A disease, supposed to proceed from a redundance of black bile; but it is better known to arise from too heavy and too viscid blood: its cure is in evacuation, nervous medicines, and powerful stimuli.

2. A kind of madness, in which the mind is

always fixed on one object.

I have neither the scholar's melancholy, which is emulation; nor the musician's, which is fantastical; nor the courtier's, which is proud; nor the soldier's, which is ambitious; nor the lawyer's, which is politick; nor the lady's, which is nice; nor the lover's, which is all these: but it is a melancholy of mine own, compounded of many simples, extracted from many objects, and, indeed, the sundry contemplation of my travels, in which my often rumination wraps me in a most humourous sadness. Shakspeare, As you like it. Moon struck madness, moping melancholy.

Milton, P. L.

3. A gloomy, pensive, discontented tem-He protested, that he had only been to seek so-

litary places by an extreme melancholy that had possessed him.

All these gifts come from him; and if we murmur here, we may at the next melancholy be troubled that God did not make us angels. Bp. Taylor, Holy Living.

This melancholy flatters, but unmans you; What is it else but penury of soul,

A lazy frost, a numbness of the mind? Druden. In those deep solitudes and awful cells, Where heavenly pensive contemplation dwells,

And ever-musing melancholy reigns. ME'LANCHOLY. adj. [melancolique, Fr.]

1. Gloomy; dismal. Think of all our miseries

But as some melancholy dream, which has awak'd Denham.

To the renewing of our joys. If in the melancholy shades below, The flames of friends and lovers cease to glow;

Yet mine shall sacred last, mine undecay'd, Burn on through death, and animate my shade.

2. Diseased with melancholy; fanciful; habitually dejected.

How now, sweet Frank; art thou melancholy?

Shakspeare. He observes Lamech more melancholy than usual, and imagines it to be from a suspicion he has of his wife Adah, whom he loved.

MELA'NGE.* n. s. [French.] A mixture. Our conversation was a strange mélange of

French and Italian. Drummond, Trav. Lett. 2, (1744).

MELICE'RIS. n. s. [μελικηρίς.]

Meliceris is a tumour inclosed in a cystis, and consisting of matter like honey. If the matter resembles milk curds, the tumour is called atheroma; if 5 B

Sharp. ME'LILOT. n. s. [melilot, French; melilotus,

Latin . A plant. To ME'LIORATE. v. a. [meliorer, French, from melior. 7 To better; to

improve. Grafting meliorates the fruit; for that the

nourishment is better prepared in the stock than in Racon. the crude earth.

But when we graft or buds inoculate,

Nature by art we nobly meliorate. Denham. A man ought by no means to think that he should be able so much as to alter or meliorate the humour of an ungrateful person by any acts of Castration serves to meliorate the flesh of those

beasts that suffer it. Graunt. Much labour is requir'd in trees.

Well must the ground be digg'd, and better dress'd,

New soil to make, and meliorate the rest. Dryden, Virg.

Meliora'tion. r. s. [melioration, Fr.; from meliorate.] Improvement; act of bettering.

For the melioration of musick there is yet much left, in this point of exquisite consorts, to try.

Which is found a notable way for melioration of Sir T. Brown, Miscell, p. 47.

A direct discouragement of melioration; as directly as if the law had said in express terms, Thou shalt not improve.

Burke, Tracts on the Popery Laws.

MELIO'RITY. n. s. [from melior.] State of being better. A word very elegant, but

Men incline unto them which are softest, and least in their way, in despight of them that hold them hardest to it; so that this colour of meliority and pre-eminence is a sign of weakness.

The order and beauty of the inanimate parts of the world, the discernable ends of them, the meliocity above what was necessary to be, do evince, by a reflex argument, that it is the workmanship not of blind mechanism, but of an intelligent and benign agent. Bentley.

To Mell. † v. n. [meler, se meler, French.]
To mix; to meddle. Obsolete.

Here is a great deal of good matter Lost for lack of telling :

Now sicker I see thou dost but clatter,

Harm may come of melling. Spenser, Shep. Cal. Hence, ye profane, mell not with holy things! Bp. Hall, Sac.

MELL.* n. s. [mel. Latin.] Honey. Her smiles were sober, and her lookes were chearfull unto all;

Even such as neither wanton seeme, nor waiward; mell, nor gall. Warner, Albion's England.

Melli Ferous. adj. Productive of honey.

MELLIFICA'TION. n. s. [mellifico, Latin.] The art or practice of making honey; production of honey.

In judging of the air, many things besides the weather ought to be observed : in some countries, the silence of grasshoppers, and want of mellification in bees.

Melli'fluence.† n. s. [mel and fluo, Latin.] A honied flow; a flow of sweet-

He was ather struck with the pastoral mellifluence of its lyric measures.

Warton, Milton's Sm. Poems, Pref.

like honey, meliceris; and if composed of fat, or a suety substance, steatomy.

Mellifeluous. } deligible adj. [mel and fluo, Lat.] To Me'llow. v. n. To be matured; to Flowing with honey; ripen. flowing with sweetness.

> A mellifluous voice, as I am a true knight. Shakspeare.

As all those things which are most mellifluous are soonest changed into choler and bitterness, so are our vanities and pleasures converted into the hitterest sorrows.

Innumerous songsters, in the freshening shade Of new sprung leaves, their modulations mix Mellifluous. Thomson, Spring.

The freely flowing verse In thy immortal praise, O form divine, Smooths her mellifluent stream.

Akenside, Pleas. of Imag. B. 1. And thus I construed the mellifluent strain. Shenstone, Eleg. 6.

ME'LLOW. † adj. [meanpa, soft, Saxon, Skinner; more nearly from mollis, molle, mollow, mellow; though r is indeed easily changed into l in common speech. Dr. Johnson. - Su. Goth. miaell, miallr, facilè solubilis; miaellsoet, prædulcis. Serenius.7

I. Soft with ripeness; full ripe.

A storm, or robbery, call it what you will, Shook down my mellow hangings, nay, my leaves. Shaksneare.

An apple in my hand works different effects upon my senses: my eye tells me it is green; my nose, that it hath a mellow scent; and my taste, that it is sweet. Digby.

A little longer, And nature drops him down without your sin, Like mellow fruit, without a winter storm.

2. Soft in sound.

Of seven smooth joints a mellow pipe I have, Which with his dying breath Damætas gave.

3. Soft; unctuous.

Camomile sheweth mellow grounds fit for wheat.

Drunk; melted down with drink.

Greedy of physicians' frequent fees, From female mellow praise he takes degrees. Roscommon.

In all thy humours, whether grave or mellow, Thou'rt such a testy, touchy, pleasant fellow; Hast so much wit, and mirth, and spleen about thee.

There is no living with thee, nor without thee. Addison.

To ME'LLOW. v. a. [from the adjective.] 1. To ripen; to mature; to soften by ripe-

ness; to ripen by age. Lord Aubrey Vere

Was done to death, and more than so, my father; Even in the downfall of his mellow'd years. Shaksneare.

The royal tree hath left us royal fruit, Which mellow'd by the stealing hours of time, Will well become the seat of majesty.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. On foreign mountains may the sun refine The grape's soft juice, and mellow it to wine.

Addison. 2. To soften.

They plow in the wheat stubble in December; and if the weather prove frosty to mellow it, they do not plow it again till April. Mortimer, Husb.

3. To mature to perfection.

This episode, now the most pleasing entertainment of the Æneis, was so accounted in his own age, and before it was mellowed into that reputation which time has given it. Dryden.

Though no stone tell thee what I was, yet thou In my grave's inside see'st, what thou art now: Yet thou 'rt not yet so good, till us death lay To ripe and mellow there: we're stubborn clay. Donne.

ME'LLOWNESS. † n. s. [from mellow.]

1. Maturity of fruits; ripeness; softness by maturity.

My reason can consider greenness, mellowness, sweetness, or coldness, singly, and without relation to any other quality that is painted in me by the same apple. Digby of Bodies. The Spring, like youth, fresh blossoms doth

produce, But Autumn makes them ripe, and fit for use; So age a mature mellowness doth set

On the green promises of youthful heat. Denham.

2. Maturity; full age.

3. Softness of sound.

This is that "suaviloquentia," that mellowness and sweetness of speaking, so much praised in some of the Roman orators, in opposition to the rusticity of noisy declaimers.

Abp. Hort, Instruct. to the Clergy of Tuam.

ME'LLOWY.* adj. [from mellow.] Soft: unctuous. Whose mellowy gleabe doth bear

The yellow ripen'd sheaf. Drayton, Polyolb, S. 10.

Meloco'ton. n. s. [melocotone, Spanish; malum, cotoneum, Latin. A quince. Obsolete.

In apricots, peaches, or melocotones upon a wall, the greatest fruits are towards the bottom. Bacon.

Melo'dious. † adj. [melodieux, French. Cotgrave.] Musical; harmonious. Fountains! and ye that warble, as ye flow,

Melodious murmurs; warbling tune his praise, Milton, P. I. And oft with holy hymns he charm'd their ears ;

A musick more melodious than the spheres

Melo'diously. † adv. [from melodious.] Musically; harmoniously.

If Apollo will promise

Melodiously it to devise. Skelton, Poems, p. 289. A voice, which, without being accompanied by any instrument, did resound so melodiously. Shelton, D. Quix. iii. 13.

He stopt to listen, and to see Who sung there so melodiouslie.

Old Ballad, Percy's Rel. iii. i. 17.

Melo'diousness. n. s. [from melodious.] Harmoniousness; musicalness.

ME'LODRAME.* n. s. [melodrame, French; from μέλος, a song, and δράμα, a drama, Greek.] A modern word for a dramatick performance, in which songs are intermixed.

ME'LODY.† n. s. [melodie, French; μελαδία, Greek.] Musick; sweetness of

Melody may be defined the means or method of ranging single musical sounds in a regular progression, either ascending or descending, according to the established principles.

Avison on Musical Expression. The prophet David having singular knowledge not in poetry alone but in musick also, judging them both to be things most necessary for the house of God, left behind him a number of divinely indited poems, and was farther the author of adding unto poetry melody in public prayer, melody both hearts, and the sweetening of their affections to-

wards God. Singing and making melody in your hearts to Ephesians. the Lord.

Why rather, sleep, liest thou in smoky cribs, And husht with buzzing night flies to thy slumber; Than in the perfum'd chambers of the great, And lull'd with sounds of sweetest melody?

Shakspeare. Lend me your songs, ye nightingales: Oh pour The mazy-running soul of melody

Thomson, Spring. Into my varied verse.

ME'LON. n. s. [melon, French; melo, Lat.]

1. A plant. The flower of the melon consists of one leaf, which is of the expanded bell shape, cut into several segments, and exactly like those of the cucumber: some of these flowers are barren, not adhering to the embrio; others are fruitful, growing upon the embrio, which is afterwards changed into a fruit, for the most part of an oval shape, smooth or wrinkled, and divided into three seminal apartments, which seem to be cut into two parts, and contain many oblong Miller. seeds.

2. The fruit.

We remember the fish which we did eat in Egypt freely; the cucumbers and the melons. Num. xi. 5.

Melon-thi'stle. n. s. [melococtus, Lat.] The whole plant of the melon-thistle hath a singular appearance.

ME'LROSE.* n. s. [mell and rose.] What I used was a mixture of mel-rose, with sixteen drops of the muriatic acid.

Fordyce on the Mur. Acid, p. 8.

To MELT. v. a. [meltan, Saxon.]

1. To dissolve; to make liquid; commonly by heat.

How they would melt me out of my fat drop by drop, and liquor fishermen's boats with me

When the melting fire burneth, the fire causeth Isa. lxiv. 2. the waters to boil.

This price, which is given above the value of the silver in our coin, is given only to preserve our coin from being melted down. The rock's high summit in the temple's shade,

Nor heat could melt, nor beating storm invade.

If your butter when melted tastes of brass, it is your master's fault, who will not allow you a silver saucepan.

2. To dissolve; to break in pieces.

To take in pieces this frame of nature, and melt it down into its first principles; and then to observe how the divine wisdom wrought all these things into that beautiful composition; is a kind of joy, which pierceth the mind.

3. To soften to love or tenderness.

The mighty master smil'd to see That love was in the next degree: 'Twas but a kindred sound to move, For pity melts the mind to love.

Dryden, Alex. Feast.

Alas! the story melts away my soul. Addison, Cato.

14. To waste away.

To MELT. v. n.

Thou would'st have plung'd thyself In general riot, melted down thy youth In different beds of lust.

Shakspeare, Timon of Athens.

MEM vocal and instrumental, for the raising up of men's 1. To become liquid; to dissolve; to be 2. A part of a discourse or period; a head made fluid.

Let them melt away as waters which run continually. The rose is fragrant, but it fades in time;

The violet sweet, but quickly past the prime; While lilies hang their heads and soon decay, And whiter snow in minutes melts away. Dryden.

2. To be softened to pity, or any gentle passion; to grow tender, mild, or gentle.

I melt, and am not Of stronger earth than others. Shaksp. Coriol.

Dighton and Forrest; Albeit, they were flesh'd villains, bloody dogs, Melting with tenderness and mild compassion, Wept like two children in their death's sad story. Shakspeare.

This said: the mov'd assistants melt in tears. Druden.

Melting into tears, the pious man Deplor'd so sad a sight. Dryden.

3. To be dissolved; to lose substance. Whither are they vanish'd? Into the air: and what seem'd corporal Melted as breath into the wind. Shaksp. Macbeth. Beauty is a witch,

Against whose charms faith melteth into blood. Shakspeare.

4. To be subdued by affliction. My soul melteth for heaviness: strengthen thou

MELT.* n. s. See MILT. ME'LTER. n. s. [from melt.] One that melts metals.

Miso and Mopsa, like a couple of foreswat mellers, were getting the pure silver of their bodies out of the ore of their garments. This the author attributes to the remissness of

the former melters, in not exhausting the ore. Derham, Physico-Theol.

ME'LTINGLY. adv. [from melting.] Like something melting.

ME'LTING.* n. s. [meltung, Saxon.] Act of softening; inteneration.

With the same bowels, and meltings of affection, with which any tender mother hears and bemoans the groanings of her sick child. South, Serm. ii. 63. Zelmane lay upon a bank, that her tears falling into the water, one might have thought she began meltingly to be metamorphosed to the running river.

ME'LTINGNESS.* n. s. [from melting.] Disposition to be softened by love or ten-

Give me, O thou Father of compassion, such a tenderness and meltingness of heart, that I may be deeply affected with all the miseries and calamities, outward and inward, of my brethren, and diligently employ all my abilities for their succour and relief. Wh. Duty of Man, Coll. for Charity.

ME'LWEL. † n. s. [mole, mialldr, Icel. piscis marini species. Serenius.] A kind

ME'MBER. n. s. [membre, Fr.; membrum, Latin.

1. A limb; a part appendant to the body. It is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not that thy whole body should be cast into hell. The tongue is a little member, and boasteth

Jam. iii. 5 great things. If shape it might be call'd, that shape had

Distinguishable in member, joint, or limb. Milton, P. L.

a clause.

Where the respondent limits or distinguishes any proposition, the opponent must prove his own proposition according to that member of the distinction, in which the respondent denied it. Watts, Improv. of the Mind.

3. Any part of an integral.

In poetry as in architecture, not only the whole but the principal members, should be great. Addison.

One of a community.

My going to demand justice upon the five members, my enemies loaded with obloquies.

Mean as I am, yet have the Muses made Me free, a member of the tuneful trade. Dryden. Sienna is adorned with many towers of brick, which, in the time of the commonwealth, were erected to such of the members as had done service to their country.

Me'mbered.* adj. [from member; Fr. membru.] Having limbs: as, big-membered, big-limbed, strong. Cotgrave, and Sherwood. It is also a term of heraldry, applied to the beak and legs of a bird, when of a different tincture from the body.

ME'MBERSHIP.* n. s. [from member.] Community; society; union.

Men, whose mystick obligation Of mutual membership doth them invite To careful tenderness and free compassion.

Beaumont, Psyche, x. 245. No advantages from external church membership, or profession of the true religion, can of

themselves give a man confidence towards God. South, Serm. ii. 398.

ME'MBRANE. n. s. [membrane, Fr. membrana, Latin.]

A membrane is a web of several sorts of fibres, interwoven together for the covering and wrapping up some parts: the fibres of the membranes give them an elasticity, whereby they can contract, and closely grasp the parts they contain, and their nervous fibres give them an exquisite sense, which is the cause of their contraction; they can, therefore, scarcely suffer the sharpness of medicines, and are difficultly united when wounded. Quincy.

The chorion, a thick membrane obscuring the formation, the dam doth after tear asunder.

Brown, Vulg. Err. They obstacle find none

Of membrane, joint, or limb, exclusive bars: Easier than air with air, if spirits embrace,

Milton, P. L. Total they mix. The inner membrane that involved the several liquors of the egg remained unbroken.

MEMBRANA'CEOUS. adj. [membraneux, Fr. from MEMBRA'NEOUS. membrana, Lat.] Consisting ME'MBRANOUS. of membranes.

Lute-strings, which are made of the membraneous parts of the guts strongly wreathed, swell so much as to break in wet weather.

Great conceits are raised of the involution or membranous covering called the silly-how. Brown, Vulg. Err.

Such birds as are carnivorous have no gizzard, or musculous, but a membranous stomach; that kind of food being torn into small flakes by the beak, may be easily concocted by a membranous Ray on Creation.

Anodyne substances, which take off contractions of the membranous parts, are diuretick.

Arbuthnot on Aliments. Birds of prey have membranaceous, not muscular stomachs. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

MEME'NTO. n. s. [Latin.] A memorial notice; a hint to awaken the me-

Our master, for his learning and piety, is not only a precedent to his own subjects, but to foreign princes; yet he is but a man, and seasonable momento's may be useful.

Is not the frequent spectacle of other people's deaths a memento sufficient to make you think of your own? L'Estrange.

Memo'ir. † n. s. [memoire, French. The accent perhaps is now usually upon the first syllable, rather than upon the last as Dr. Johnson places it, and as Prior's poetry gives it.]

1. An account of transactions familiarly written.

Be our great master's future charge To write his own memoirs, and leave his heirs, High schemes of government and plans of wars.

2. Hint; notice; account of any thing. I set this memoire down, because A. W. had

acquaintance with both of them. Life of A. Wood, (under the year 1657,) p. 100. There is not in any author a computation of the revenues of the Roman empire, and hardly any memoirs from whence it might be collected.

Arbuthnot on Coins.

ME'MORABLE. adj. [memorable, Fr. memorabilis, Lat.] Worthy of memory; not to be forgotten.

Nothing I so much delight to recount, as the memorable friendship that grew betwixt the two

From this desire, that main desire proceeds, Which all men have surviving fame to gain, By tombs, by books, by memorable deeds, For she that this desires doth still remain.

Davies. Dares Ulysses for the prize contend, In sight of what he durst not once defend; But basely fled that memorable day,

When I from Hector's hands redeem'd the flaming prey? Dryden.

ME'MORABLY. adv. [from memorable.] In a manner worthy of memory.

MEMORA'NDUM.† n. s. [Latin. In the plural, memoranda and memorandums.] A note to help the memory; a memento, or memorial notice.

They shall walk about like living carcasses, ugly spectacles of misery, and memorandums of divine vengeance. Stokes, on the Proph. (1659,) p. 577. I resolved to new pave every street, and en-

tered a memorandum in my pocket-book accord-Guardian. Nature's fair table-book, our tender souls,

We scrawl all o'er with old and empty rules, Stale memorandums of the schools.

The advice here given to the curious traveller of making all his memoranda on the spot, and the reasons for it, deserve our notice.

Mason, Notes on Gray's Letters.

To ME'MORATE.* v. a. [memoro, Lat.]
To make mention of a thing. Not in

Me'morative.* adj. [memoratif, Fr.]
Tending to preserve memory of any thing.

The story of God's appearing to Jacob at Luz, Gen. 28., is so known a passage, so remarkable even to children by that memorative topick, the ladder and the angels, that I shall not need assist your memories. Hammond, Works, iv. 496.

Memo'rial. adj. [memorial, Fr. memorialis, Latin.

Preservative of memory.

Thy master now lies thinking in his bed Of thee and me, and sighs and takes my glove, And gives memorial dainty kisses to it.

May I, at the conclusion of a work, which is a kind of monument of Pope's partiality to me, place the following lines as an inscription memorial of it? Broome. The tomb with many arms and trophies raise;

There high in air memorial of my name Fix the smooth oar, and bid me live to fame.

2. Contained in memory.

The case is with the memorial possessions of the greatest part of mankind: a few useful things mixed with many trifles fill up their memories.

MEMO'RIAL. n. s.

1. A monument; something to preserve memory.

Churches have names; some as memorials of peace, some of wisdom, some in memory of the Trinity itself, some of Christ under sundry titles; of the blessed Virgin not a few; many of one apostle, saint, or martyr; many of all. Hooker. A memorial unto Israel, that no stranger offer

incense before the Lord. Numb. xvi. 43. All the laws of this kingdom have some monuments or memorials thereof in writing, yet all of them have not their original in writing; for some of those laws have obtained their force by immemorial usage.

In other parts like deeds deserv'd Memorial, where the might of Gabriel fought.

Milton, P. L Reflect upon a clear, unblotted, acquitting conscience, and feed upon the ineffable comforts of the memorial of a conquered temptation.

South, Serm. Medals are so many monuments consigned over to eternity, that may last when all other memorials of the same age are worn out or lost. Addison on Medals.

2. Hint to assist the memory.

He was a prince, sad, serious, and full of thoughts and secret observations, and full of notes and memorials of his own hand touching persons. Bacon, Hen. VII.

Memorials written with king Edward's hand shall be the ground of this history. Hayward.

3. An address; reminding of services and soliciting reward.

Memo'rialist. n. s. [from memorial.] One who writes memorials.

I must not omit a memorial setting forth, that the memorialist had, with great dispatch, carried a letter from a certain lord to a certain lord.

ME'MORIST.* n. s. [from memory.] One that causes things to be remembered. Conscience, the punctual memorist within us.

Brown, Chr. Mor. i. 21. To Me'morize. v. a. [from memory.]

1. To record; to commit to memory by writing.

They neglect to memorize their conquest of the Indians, especially in those times in which the same was supposed. Spenser on Ircland.

Let their names that were bravely lost be rather memorized in the full table of time; for my part, I love no ambitious pains in an eloquent description of miseries. Wotton.

2. To cause to be remembered.

Except they meant to bathe in reeking wounds, Or memorize another Golgotha,

I connot tell Shakspeare, Macbeth. ME'MORY. † n. s. [memoire, Fr. memoria,

1. The power of retaining or recollecting things past; retention; reminiscence; recollection.

Memory is the power to revive again in our minds, those ideas which after imprinting have disappeared, or have been laid aside out of sight.

The memory is perpetually looking back, when we have nothing present to entertain us: it is like those repositaries in animals that are filled with stores of food, on which they may ruminate, when their present pasture fails. Addison, Spect. 2. Exemption from oblivion.

That ever-living man of memory,

Henry the Fifth! Shakspeare, Hen. VI. 3. Time of knowledge.

Thy request think now fulfill'd that ask'd How first this world, and face of things, began, And what, before thy memory, was done.

4. Memorial: monumental record. Be better suited;

These weeds are memories of those worser hours:

pr'ythee put them off. Shakspeare, K. Lear. Christ — did institute, and in his holy Gospel I pr'ythee put them off. command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death, until his coming again.

Communion Service. The memory and monuments of good men

Are more than lives.

Beaum. and Fl. Doub. Marriage. A swan in memory of Cyenus shines; The mourning sisters weep in wat'ry signs. Addis.

5. Reflection; attention. Not in use. When Duncan is asleep, his two chamberlains Will I with wine and wassal so convince,

That memory, the warder of the brain, Shall be a fume. Shukspeare, Macbeth.

To Me'mory.* v. a. To lay up in the memory. Obsolete. Ful worthy ben thy wordes to memorie

To every wight, that wit and reason can. Chaucer, March. Tale.

Men. † The plural of man. Men's is often used for the genitive plural; but is condemned by bishop Hurd. " It draws men's minds off from the bitterness of party." Addison, Spect. No. 262. We say, a man's mind; but we can only say, the minds of men; as Addison should have done in the pas-

sage cited. Wits live obscurely, men know not how; or

die obscurely, men mark not when. For men, there are to be considered the valour and number: the old observation is not untrue, that the Spaniard's valour lieth in the eye of the looker-on; but the English valour lieth about

the soldier's heart. e soldier's heart. Bacon, War with Spain. He thought fit that the king's affairs should entirely be conducted by the soldiers and men of

MEN-PLE'ASER. n. s. [men and pleaser.] One too careful to please others.

Servants be obedient to them that are your masters; not with eye-service, as men-pleasers; but as the servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart. Eph. vi. 6.

To ME'NACE. † v. a. [menacer, Fr. from minax, minacis, Latin. At first our word was written manace, as by Wicliffe and Chaucer; but in 1486 Caxton writes it menace.] To threaten; to threat.

Who ever knew the heavens menace so?

Shakspeare. Your eyes do menace me: why look you pale? Shakspeare My master knows not but I am gone hence,

And fearfully did menace me with death, If I did stay to look on his intents. Shakspeare.

From this league

Peep'd harms that menac'd him.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. What shou'd he do? 'Twas death to go away, And the god menac'd if he dar'd to stay.

Dryden, Fab.

ME'NACE. n. s. [menace, Fr. from the verb.] Threat.

He that would not believe the menace of God at first, it may be doubted whether, before an ocular example, he believed the curse at last.

Brown, Vulg. Err. The Trojans view the dusty cloud from far, And the dark menace of the distant war.

Dryden, Æn.

ME'NACER. n. s. [menaceur, Fr. from menace.] A threatener; one that threats. Hence, menacer! nor tempt me into rage:

This roof protects thy rashness. But begone!

ME'NACING.* n. s. [from menace.] Threat. These, many times, instead of convincing the judgements of sober persons, like learned divines and serious christians, fall to cavellings and menacings. Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 66.

MENA'GE. † n. s. [French.]

1. A collection of animals.

I saw here the largest menage that I ever met

2. Sometimes used for manege and ma-

Mena'Gery.* n. s. [from menage, Fr.] A collection of foreign animals; the place in which they are kept.

In the menagery are some Peruvian sheep. Swinburne, Trav. through Spain, L. 41. The national menagerie, is collected by the first physiologists of the times; and it is defective in no description of savage nature. Burke, Lett. 4.

Me'nagogue. n. s. [μηνες and άγω.] A medicine that promotes the flux of the

menses.

Me'nald, or Me'nild.* adj. A term applied to deer, whose skins are beautifully variegated; and by Cotgrave to birds, under the Fr. Maillé. " Perdrix maillée, a maylde, menild, or spotted partridge.' Perhaps it may be from the Sax. menzan, to mix.

To MEND. + v. a. [emendo, Latin; men-

dare, Italian.]

1. To repair from breach or decay. They gave the money to the workmen to repair

2 Chron. xxxiv. 10. and mend the house. 2. To correct; to alter for the better.

The best service they could do to the state, was to mend the lives of the persons who composed it.

You need not despair, by the assistance of his growing reason, to mend the weakness of his con-Locke.

Name a new play and he's the poet's friend; Nay, show'd his faults - but when would poets mend?

Their opinion of Wood, and his project, is not Swift. mended.

3. To help; to advance.

Whatever is new is unlooked for; and ever it mends some, and impairs others: and he that is holpen takes it for a fortune, and he that is hurt for a wrong.

recur to the punctum stans of the schools, they will thereby very little mend the matter, or help us to a more positive idea of infinite duration.

Though in some lands the grass is but short, yet it mends garden herbs and fruit.

Mortimer, Husb.

4. To improve; to increase.

Death comes not at call; Justice divine Mends not her slowest pace, for prayer, or cries. Milton, P. L.

When upon the sands the traveller, Sees the high sea come rolling from afar, The land grow short, he mends his weary pace,

While death behind him covers all the place. Dryden.

He saw the monster mend his pace; he springs, As terror had increas'd his feet with wings. Dryden.

To Mend. v. n. To grow better; to advance in any good; to be changed for the better.

Mend, when thou canst; be better at thy leisure. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

ME'NDABLE. † adj. [from mend.] Capable of being mended. A low, but old, word. Sherwood.

MENDA'CIOUS.* adj. [from mendax, mendacis, Lat.] False; lying.

A mendacious legend of Ignatius's miracles. Sheldon, Mir. of Antichrist, (1616,) p. 63. They are called mendacious, lying, because

many of them shall be counterfeit. Ibid. p. 245. MENDA'CITY. n. s. [from mendax, Lat.]

Falsehood. In this delivery there were additional menda-

cities; for the commandment forbid not to touch the fruit, and positively said, Ye shall surely die; but she, extenuating, replied, Lest ye die. Brown, Vulg. Err.

ME'NDER. n. s. [from mend.] One who makes any change for the better.

What trade art thou? A trade that I may use with a safe conscience; a mender of bad soals. Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs.

ME'NDICANCY.* n. s. [from mendicant.] Beggary.

Nothing, I am credibly informed, can exceed the shocking and disgusting spectacle of mendi-cancy displayed in that capital, [Paris.] Burke.

ME'NDICANT. † adj. [mendicans, Latin.] Begging; poor to a state of beggary; denoting one of a begging fraternity.

We are now come to the age, wherein the mendicant friars began first to set up in the world.

Bp. Cosin, Can. of Script. p. 165. Be not righteous over-much, is applicable to those who, out of an excess of zeal, practise mortifications, whereby they macerate their bodies; or to those who voluntarily reduce themselves to a poor and mendicant state. Fiddes.

ME'NDICANT. † n. s. [mendicant, Fr.] A beggar; one of some begging fraternity in the Romish church.

The sign of a mendicant.

Hammond, Works, iv. 545. Whether it be not of great advantage to the church of Rome, that she hath clergy suited to all ranks of men, in gradual subordination from cardinals down to mendicants? Bp. Berkeley, Querist, § 262.

What is station high? 'Tis a proud mendicant; it boasts, and begs.

Young, Night Th. 6. To ME'NDICATE. v. a. [mendico, Latin; mendier, Fr.] To beg; to ask alms.

Cockeram.

If, to avoid succession in eternal existence, they | MENDI'CITY. † n. s. [mendicitas, Lat.; mendicité, Fr.] The life of a beggar.

Bullokar, and Cotgrave. Some workhouses are rather seminaries of mendicity, than preservatives against it.

Report 13th of the Society for the Poor. Mends for amends.

Let her be as she is: If she be fair, 'tis the better for her; and if she be not, she has the Shakspeare. mends in her own hands.

ME'NIAL. † adj. [from meiny or many; mesnie, old French.]

1. Belonging to the retinue, or train of servants.

Two menial dogs before their master press'd; Thus clad, and guarded thus, he seeks his kingly Dryden, Æn.

2. Swift seems not to have known the meaning of this word, Dr. Johnson says; but surely, in the passage cited, it means belonging to the office of a servant, and is perfectly intelligible. Swift means the lowest offices.

The women attendants perform only the most Gulliver's Travels. menial offices.

ME'NIAL. n. s. One of the train of servants.

Menials are those servants, which live within Termes de la Ley. their master's walls. Surely the great Housekeeper of the world, whose charge we are, will never leave any of his menials without the bread of sufficiency.

Bp. Hall, Balm of Gilead.

ME'NDMENT.* n. s. [from mend.] Amendment; improvement.

Zealous he was, and would have all things mended;

But by that mendment nothing els he ment But to be king; to that marke was his bent.

Mir. for Mag. p. 355. This writer's flood shall be for their mendment or fertility, not for their utter vastation and ruin. Bp. Gordon, Hierasp. (1653.) Pref.

MENI'NGES. n. s. [µενι / γ .] The meninges are the two membranes that envelope the brain, which are called the pia mater and dura mater; the latter being the exterior involucrum, is, from its thickness, so denominated.

The brain being exposed to the air groweth fluid, and is thrust forth by the contraction of the meninges.

ME'NIVER.* n. s. [menu vair, Fr.] The name of a small Muscovian beast, of a white colour, famous for the fineness of its fur; the fur itself. See MINEVER.

A burnette cote honge there withal, Yfurrid with no menivere,

But with a furre rough of here. Chaucer, Rom. R. 227.

Meno'Logy. n. s. [μηνόλογιον, Gr.; menologe, Fr.] A register of months.

In the Roman martyrology we find, at one time, many thousand martyrs destroyed by Dio-

clesian: the menology saith they were twenty thou-Stilling fleet.

ME'NOW. n. s. [phoxinus: commonly minnow.] A fish.

ME'NSAL. adj. [mensalis, Lat.] Belonging to the table; transacted at table. A word yet scarcely naturalised.

Conversation either mental or mensal. Richardson, Clarissa.

MENSE.* n. s. [mennere, Sax. humanus; menska, Icel. humanitas.] Propriety;

decency; manners. Much used in the north of England; as are its derivatives. ME'NSEFUL. * adj. [from mense.] Graceful;

mannerly.

ME'NSELESS.* adj. [from mense.] Without civility; void of decency or propriety; graceless.

ME'NSTRUAL. adj. [menstrual, Fr.; menstruus, Lat.]

1. Monthly; happening once a month; lasting a month.

She turns all her globe to the sun, by moving in her menstrual orb, and enjoys night and day alternately, one day of her's being equal to fourteen days and nights of ours. 2. Pertaining to a menstruum. [menstru-

eux, Fr.]

The dissents of the menstrual or strong waters hinder the incorporation, as well as those of the Racon.

Me'nstruous. adj. [menstruus, Lat.]

1. Having the catamenia.

O thou of late belov'd. Now like a menstruous woman art remov'd.

Sandys. 2. Happening to women at certain times. Many, from being women, have proved men at the first point of their menstruous eruptions.

ME'NSTRUUM. n. s. [This name probably was derived from some notion of the old chymists, about the influence of the moon in the preparation of dissolvents.]

All liquors are called menstruums which are used as dissolvents, or to extract the virtues of ingredients by infusion, decoction. Quincy.

Enquire what is the proper menstruum to dissolve metal, what will touch upon the one and not upon the other, and what several menstrua will dissolve any metal.

White metalline bodies must be excepted, which, by reason of their excessive density, seem to reflect almost all the light incident on their first superficies, unless by solution in menstruums they be reduced into very small particles, and then they become transparent. Newton.

MENSURABI'LITY. n. s. [mensurabilité, Fr.] Capacity of being measured.

ME'NSURABLE. † adj. mensurable, Fr. Cotgrave; from mensura, Lat.] Measurable; that may be measured.

We measure our time by law and not by nature. The solar month is no periodical motion, and not easily mensurable, and the months unequal among themselves, and not to be measured by even weeks or days. Holder.

ME'NSURAL. adj. [from mensura, Lat.]

Relating to measure.

To ME'NSURATE. v. a. [from mensura, Lat.] To measure; to take the dimension of any thing.

MENSURA'TION. n. s. [from mensura, Lat.] The act or practice of measuring; result of measuring.

After giving the mensuration and argumentation of Dr. Cumberland, it would not have been fair to have suppressed those of another prelate.

Arbuthnot on Coins. ME'NTAL. adj. [mentale, French; mentis, Latin.] Intellectual; existing in the mind.

What a mental power This eye shoots forth? How big imagination Moves in this lip? To the dumbness of the ges-

One might interpret. Shakspeare, Timon.

So deep the power of these ingredients pierc'd, Even to the inmost seat of mental sight, That Adam, now enforc'd to close his eyes, Sunk down, and all his spirits became entranc'd.

Milton, P. L. The metaphor of taste would not have been so general, had there not been a conformity between

the mental taste and that sensitive taste that affects the nalate. If the ideas be not innate, there was a time

when the mind was without those principles; for where the ideas are not, there can be no knowledge, no assent, no mental or verbal propositions about them.

She kindly talk'd, at least three hours, Of plastick forms, and mental pow'rs.

Those inward representations of spirit, thought, love, and hatred, are pure and mental ideas, belonging to the mind, and carry nothing of shape or sense in them.

ME'NTALLY. adv. [from mental.] Intellectually; in the mind; not practically or externally, but in thought or medi-

If we consider the heart the first principle of life, and mentally divide it into its constituent parts, we find nothing but what is in any muscle of the body. Bentley.

ME'NTION. n. s. [mention, Fr. mentio,

1. Oral or written expression, or recital of any thing.

Think on me when it shall be well with thee; and make mention of me unto Pharaoh.

The Almighty introduces the proposal of his laws rather with the mention of some particular acts of kindness, than by reminding mankind of his severity. Rogers.

2. Cursory or incidental nomination.

Haply mention may arise Of something not unseasonable to ask

Milton, P. L. To ME'NTION v. a. [mentionner, Fr. from the noun.] To write or express in words or writing.

I will mention the loving kindnesses of the Lord, and the praises of the Lord. Isa. lxiii. 7. These mentioned by their names were princes in their families. 1 Chron. iv. 38.

All his transgressions shall not be mentioned. Ezek. xviii.

Then sweet, now sad to mention, through dire change,

Befall'n us unforeseen, unthought of. Milton, P. L.

No more be mentioned then of violence Against ourselves, and wilful barrenness.

Milton, P. L. Mephi'tical.† adj. [mephitis, Lat. Me-MEPHI'TICK. \ phitick is in the old vocabulary of Cockeram.] Ill savoured; stinking.

Mephitical exhalations are poisonous or noxious steams issuing out of the earth, from what cause soever.

Such is the famous grotta del cani in Italy, called the poisonous mouth; the streams whereof are of a mephitical or noxious quality.

Bp. Lavington, Enth. of Meth. and Pap. ii. 154. These philosophers consider men in their experiments, no more than they do mice in an air pump, or in a recipient of mephitick gas. Burke.

Mera'cious. adj. [meracus, Lat.] Strong;

Me'rcable. adj. [mercor, Lat.] To be sold or bought. Dict. MERCANTA'NTE. n. s. [Ital.] A foreign trader; a merchant.

What is he? -- Master, a mercantante, or a pedant,

I know not what but formal in apparel.

ME'RCANTILE. † adj. Trading; commercial: relating to traders.

The only procede (that I may use the mercantile term) you can expect, is thanks.

Shakspeare, Tam. of the Shrew.

Howell, Lett. (dat. 1621,) i. i. 29. Navigation and mercantile negotiation are the two poles whereon that state doth move. Howell, Instruct. For. Trav. p. 167.

The expedition of the Argonauts was partly mercantile, partly military. Arbuthnot on Coins.

Let him travel and fulfil the duties of the mi-

litary or mercantile life; let prosperous or adverse fortune call him to the most distant parts of the globe, still let him carry on his knowledge, and the improvement of his soul. Watts. ME'RCAT. n. s. [mercatus, Lat.] Market;

trade

With irresistible majesty and authority our Saviour removed the exchange, and drove the mercat out of the temple. Sprat. ME'RCATURE. n. s. [mercatura, Lat.] The

practice of buying and selling. ME'RCENARINESS. † n. s. [from mercenary.] Venality; respect to hire or reward.

Charity casts out all other mercenariness. Wh. Duty of Man, Sund. xvi.

To forego the pleasures of sense, and undergo the hardships that attend a holy life, is such a kind of mercenariness, as none but a resigned, believing soul is likely to be guilty of; if fear itself, and even the fear of hell, may be one justifiable motive of men's actions. Boule.

ME'RCENARY. adj. [mercenaire, Fr. mercenarius, Lat.

Venal: hired: sold for money. Many of our princes, woe the while !

Lie drown'd, and soak'd in mercenary blood. Shakspeare. Divers Almains, who served in the garrisons,

being merely mercenary, did easily incline to the strongest. Haywood. 2. Too studious of profit; acting only for

The appellation of servant imports a mercenary temper, and denotes such an one as makes his reward both the sole motive and measure of his obedience. South, Serm.

Twas not for nothing I the crown resign'd; I still must own a mercenary mind.

Dryden, Aurengz. Me'rcenary. † n. s. [mercenaire, French.] A hireling; one retained or serving for

There are but sixteen hundred mercenaries. Shakspeare, Hen. V.

He a poor mercenary serves for bread; For all his travel, only cloth'd and fed.

ME'RCER. † n. s. [mercier, French. Dr. Johnson. - Originally a mercer was a dealer in various articles; a sort of pedlar, as Cotgrave renders mercier, "a mean haberdasher of small wares, a tradesman that retails all manner of small wares, and hath no better than a shed or booth for his shop." Spanish mercero is much the same. Both are from the Latin menx, mercis, any kind of merchandise. See also Mer-CERY. 7 One who sells silks.

The draper and mercer may measure religion as they please, and the weaver cast her upon what loom he please. Howell. ME'RCERSHIP.* n. s. [from mercer.] Busi-

ness of a mercer.

to leave his mercership and go to be a musqueteer. Howell, Lett. ii. 62.

Me'RCERY. † n. s. [mercerie, French; from mercer.]

1. Any ware to sell.

Huloet. The chapman of such mercerie.

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 2. 2. Trade of mercers; traffick of silks.

The mercery is gone from out of Lombard-street and Cheapside into Paternoster-row and Fleet-

To ME'RCHAND. v. n. [marchander, Fr.] To transact by traffick.

Ferdinando merchanded with France for the restoring Rousiglion and Perpignan, oppignorated

Me'rchandable.* adj. [from merchand.] That may be transacted by traffick.

Dissolve the publick mint, let every man coin what money he will, and observe if ever we can make a merchandable payment.

ME'RCHANDISE. n. s. [marchandise, Fr.]

1. Traffick; commerce; trade.

If a son, that is sent by his father about merchandize, fall into some lewd action, his wickedness, by your rule, should be imposed upon his Shakspeare, Hen. V. father.

If he pay thee to the utmost farthing, thou hast forgiven nothing; it is merchandise, and not forgiveness, to restore him that does as much as you can require. By. Taylor.

2. Wares; any thing to be bought or

Fair when her breast, like a rich laden bark With precious merchandise she forth doth lay.

Spenser. Thou shalt not sell her at all for money; thou shalt not make merchandise of her. Deut. xxi. 14. As for any merchandise ye have brought, ye shall have your return in merchandise or in gold.

Bacon So active a people will always have money, whilst they can send what merchandises they please

to Mexico.

To Me'rchandise. v. n. To trade; to traffick; to exercise commerce.

Others, in their shops, marchandising and trafficking. Harmar, Transl. of Beza, (1587,) p. 220. Money would not lie still, but would in great part be employed upon merchandizing.

Bacon, Ess. 41. The Phoenicians, of whose exceeding merchandising we read so much in ancient histories, were Canaanites, whose very name signifies merchants. Brevewood on Languages.

from To mer ME'RCHANDRY.* n. s. chand.] Traffick; trade; commerce. He may follow husbandry, and merchandry,

upon his own choice. Bp. Sanderson, Cases of Consc. p. 44.

ME'RCHANT. † n. s. [merchant, old Fr. then marchand; from mercans, Latin.] 1. One who trafficks to remote countries.

France hath flaw'd the league, and hath attach'd Our merchants' goods at Bourdeaux.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII The Lord hath given a commandment against the merchant city to destroy the strong holds Isa. xxiii. 11.

thereof. The most celebrated merchants in the world were situated in the island of Tyre.

2. A ship of trade.

Convoy ships accompany their merchants, till they may prosecute the rest of their voyage without danger.

Dryden, Parall. of Poetry and Painting.

He confesseth himself to be an egregious fool | To ME'RCHANT.* v. n. [from the noun.] To traffick; to carry on the business of a merchant.

> He died in the 63d year of his age, after he had merchanted 38, been two years in the cave, lived at Mecca 10, and 13 at Medina.

L. Addison, Life of Mahomet, p. 80.

ME'RCHANTLY.† adj. [from merchant.]
ME'RCHANTLIKE. Like a merchant. Ainsworth.

His parents were of merchantly condition, of worthy reputation, and of very Christian con-

Bp. Gauden's Life of Bp. Brownrigg, (1660,) p. 142.

ME'RCHANT-MAN. n. s. [merchant and man.] A ship of trade.

Pirates have fair winds and a calm sea, when the just and peaceful merchant-man hath them. Bp. Taylor.

In the time of Augustus and Tiberius, the southern coasts of Spain sent great fleets of merchant-men to Italy. Arbuthnot.

Hackett's Life of Abp. Williams, (1693,) p. 90. ME'RCHANTABLE. + adj. [mercabilis, Lat. from merchant.] Fit to be bought or

> Verses are grown such merchantable ware, That now for sonnets sellers are and buyers.

Sir J. Harrington, Epigr. i. 40. This [ware] of Simeon's he supposes will need very much washing and cleansing, before it be merchantable.

Mede, Apost. of the Latter Times, p. 131. Why they placed this invention upon the beaver, beside the medicable and merchantable commodity of castoreum, or parts conceived to be bitten away, might be the sagacity of that animal. Brown, Vulg. Err.

ME'RCIABLE. † adj. [from mercy.] This word in Spenser signifies merciful, Dr. Johnson says; and he might have supported the poet by numerous examples from older writers. It is now obsolete. Him thinketh he is so far culpable,

That God will not be merciable.

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 4. To make these ladies merciable.

Chaucer, Rom. R. ver. 1864. Not but well mought him betight:

He is so meek, wise, merciable, And with his word his work is convenable.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. ME'RCIFUL. adj. [mercy and full.] Compassionate; tender; kind; unwilling to punish; willing to pity and spare.

Be merciful, O Lord, unto thy people thou st redeemed.

Deut. xxi. 8. hast redeemed. Observe

His providence, and on him sole depend, Merciful, over all his works; with good Milton, P. L. Still overcoming evil.

ME'RCIFULLY. adv. [from merciful.] Tenderly; mildly; with pity; with compassion.

Make the true use of those afflictions which his hand, mercifully severe, hath been pleased to lay upon thee,

ME'RCIFULNESS. n. s. [from merciful.] Tenderness; willingness to spare.

The band that ought to knit all these excellencies together is a kind mercifulness to such a one, as is in his soul devoted to such perfections.

Use the means ordinary and lawful, among which mercifulness and liberality is one to which the promise of secular wealth is most frequently Hammond.

To ME'RCIFY.* v. a. [from mercy.] pity.

But loe! the gods that mortal follies vew, Did worthily revenge this mayden's pride; And, nought regarding her so goodly hew, Did laugh at her that many did deride; Whilst she did weepe, of no man mercifide.

Spenser, F. Q. vi. vii. 32. ME'RCILESS. adj. [from mercy.] Void of mercy; pitiless; hard hearted; cruel; severe.

His mother merciless, Most merciless of women Wyden hight, Her other son fast sleeping did oppress, And with most cruel hand him murdered pitiless. Snenser.

The foe is merciless and will not pity. Shaksneare.

Think not their rage so desperate to essay An element more merciless than they. Denham. What God so mean,

So merciless a tyrant to obey! Dryden, Juv. Whatever ravages a merciless distemper may commit, she shall have one man as much her admirer as ever.

The torrent merciless imbibes Commissions, perquisites, and bribes. Swift.

ME'RCILESSLY. † adv. [from merciless.] In

a manner void of pity. She has been mercilessly torn in pieces by the cruel teeth of those ravenous beasts, which pretended to watch and defend her.

Ellis, Gent. Sinner, (1672,) p. 197.

Me'rcilessness. n. s. [from merciless.] Want of pity.

MERCU'RIAL. † adj. [mercurialis, Latin, mercurial, Fr. Cotgrave.]

1. Formed under the influence of Mer-

cury; active; sprightly.
I know the shape of 's leg: this is his hand, His foot mercurial, his martial thigh,

The brawns of Hercules. Shakspeare, Cymbeline. Tully considered the dispositions of a sincere, more ignorant, and less mercurial nation, by dwelling on the pathetick part.

2. Consisting of quicksilver; as, mercurial

3. Giving intelligence; directing. [from Mercury, the heathen guide of travellers.

As the wise men were led by the star, or as the traveller is directed by a mercurial statue.

Chillingworth, Relig. of Protestants.

Mercu'rial.* n. s. 1. An active, sprightly, gay person.

This youth was such a mercurial, as could make his own part, if at any time he chanced to be out. Bacon, Hen. VII.

2. In medicine, mercurials are preparations of mercury.

To MERCU'RIALIZE.* v. n. [mercurializer, French.] To be humorous, fantastical, new-fangled; to prattle overmuch.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood. MERCU'RIALIST.* n. s. [from mercurialise.] One under the influence of Mercury: one resembling Mercury in variety of character.

The great mercurialists of the world for wit and devices, those πολυμήχανοι, that have a finger in the managing of all Christian states; I mean the Jesuits. Dean King, Serm. 5 Nov. (1608,) p. 26. Mercurialists are solitary, much in contemplation, subtile. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 190

MERCURIFICA'TION. n. s. [from mercury.] The act of mixing any thing with quick-

I add the ways of mercurification.

ME'RCURY. + n. s. [Mercurius, Latin.]

1. One of the planets.

Of all the planets Mercury is the least, at the same time it is that which is nearest the sun. Adams.

2. The chymist's name for quicksilver is mercury.

The gall of animals and mercury kill worms: and the water in which mercury is boiled has this Arhuthnot.

3. Sprightly qualities.

Thus the mercury of man is fix'd, Strong grows the virtue with his nature mix'd; The dross cements what else were too refin'd, And in one int'rest body acts with mind. Pope.

4. A news-paper: so called from Mercury, the intelligencer of the gods. Ainsworth.

5. It is now applied, in cant phrase, to the carriers of news and pamphlets. Dr. Johnson. - It had been a cant phrase more than a century before Dr. Johnson's time; and was used, generally, for a messenger.

We now call those hawkers that go up and down the streets crying news-books, and selling by retail; and those, who sell them by whole-sale from the press, are called mercuries.

Cowel, in V. Hawkers. We give the winds wings, and the angels too; as being the swift messengers of God, the nimble mercuries of heaven. Abp. Sancroft, Serm. p. 131.

ME'RCURY. n. s. [mercurialis, Latin.] A plant.

Herb mercury is of an emollient nature, and is eaten in the manner of spinach, which, when cultivated in a garden, it greatly excels.

Hill, Mat. Med. MERCURY's finger. n. s. [hermodactylus,

Lat.] Wild saffron.

To ME'RCURY.* v.a. [from the noun.] To wash with a preparation of mercury. Your palms, (Jupiter knows,) they are tender as the foot of a foundered nag, or a lady's face new mercuried; they'll touch nothing. B. Jonson, Cynthia's Revels.

ME'RCY, n. s. [merci, Fr.; contracted

from misericordia, Latin.] 1. Tenderness; goodness; pity; willingness to spare and save; clemency; mildness: unwillingness to punish.

Oh heaven have mercy on me! - I say, amen.

And have you mercy too? Mercy is not strained; It droppeth, as the gentle rain from heaven, Upon the place beneath. It is twice bless'd;

It blesseth him that gives and him that takes. Shakspeare. Thou, O God, art gracious, long-suffering, and in mercy ordering all. Wisd. xv. 1.

Examples of justice must be made for terror to some; examples of mercy for comfort to others: the one procures fear, and the other love.

Bacon, Adv. to Villiers. Good heaven, whose darling attribute we find Is boundless grace, and mercy to mankind, Abhors the cruel.

We adore his undeserved mercy towards us, that he made us the chief of the visible creation. Bentley, Serm.

2. Pardon.

Twere a paper lost, As offered mercy is. Shakspeare, Cymb. Cry mercy, lords,

That you have ta'en a tardy sluggard here.

Shakspeare. I cry thee mercy with all my heart, for suspecting a friar of the least good-nature.

Dryden, Span. Friar.

3. Discretion; power of acting at plea-

Condition ! What good condition can a treaty find

I'the part that is at mercy? Shakspeare, Coriol. The most authentick record of so ancient a family should lie at the mercy of every infant who flings a stone.

A lover is ever complaining of cruelty while any thing is denied him; and when the lady ceases to be cruel, she is, from the next moment, at his mercu. Swift.

ME'RCY-SEAT. n. s. [mercy and seat.]

The mercy-seat was the covering of the ark of the covenant, in which the tables of the law were deposited: it was of gold, and at its two ends were fixed the two cherubims, of the same metal, which with their wings extended forwards, seemed to form a throne for the majesty of God, who in Scripture is represented as sitting between the cherubims, and the ark was his footstool; it was from hence that God gave his oracles to Moses, or to the high-priest that consulted him. Calmet.

Make a mercy-seat of pure gold. Exod. xxv. 17. MERD.* n. s. [merde, Fr. Cotgrave; from

merda, Lat.] Ordure; dung. To dispute of gentry without wealth, is to discuss the original of a merd.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 321. Burnt clouts, chalk, merds, and clay, Powder of bones, scalings of iron, glass, And worlds of other strange ingredients,

B. Jonson, Alchemist. MERE. † adj. [merus, Latin.]

Would burst a man to name.

1. That or this only; such and nothing else; this only.

Scotland hath foisons to fill up your will

Of your mere own. Shakspeare, Macbeth. The mere Irish were not admitted to the benefit of the laws of England, until they had purchased charters of denization. Davies on Ireland. From mere success nothing can be concluded in favour of any nation upon whom it is bestowed.

What if the head, the eye, or ear repin'd, To serve mere engines to the ruling mind. Pope. Let eastern tyrants from the light of heav'n Seclude their bosom slaves, meanly possess'd Of a mere lifeless, violated form.

Thomson, Spring.

2. Absolute : entire. Great both by name, and great in power and might.

And meriting a meere triumphant seat.

Spenser, Sonnet. Upon his mere request, (Being come to knowledge that there was com-

Intended 'gainst Lord Angelo) came I hither,

To speak, as from his mouth, what he doth know Is true and false. Shakspeare, Meas for Meas.

MERE or mer, in the beginning, middle, or end, signify the same with the Saxon mene, a pool or lake. Gibson.

MERE. † n. s. [mepe, Saxon.]

1. A pool; commonly a large pool or lake: as, Winander mere. See also MAR. Meres stored both with fish and fowl. Camden. O'er desert plains, and rushy meers, And wither'd heaths, I rove.

Shenstone, Song. 2. A boundary; a ridge of land. [melow, Greek, to divide.]

Hygate made the mere thereof by west, Spenser F. Q. iii. ix. 46.

The mislayer of a mere stone is to blame: but it is the unjust judge that is the capital remover of land-marks, who defineth amiss of lands. Bacon,

Doles and marks, which of ancient time were laid for the division of meres and balks in the fields, to bring the owners to their right.

Homilies, ii. 235. As it were a common mear between lands. Abp. Usher, Answ. to the Jesuit Malone, p. 309.

To Mere. * v. a. [from the noun; μείοω, to divide, Greek.] To limit; to bound: to divide.

That bravehonourof the Latian name, Which mear'd her rule with Africa.

Spenser, Ruins of Rome. ME'RELY. † adv. [from mere.]

1. Simply; only; thus and no other way; for this and for no other end or purpose. Which thing we ourselves would grant, if the use thereof had been merely and only mystical.

Hooker. These external manners of laments Are merely shadows to the unseen grief. That swells with silence in the tortur'd soul.

It is below reasonable creatures to be conversant in such diversions as are merely innocent, and have nothing else to recommend them. Addison. Above a thousand bought his almanack merely Swift.

Swift.

to find what he said against me. Prize not your life for other ends Than merely to oblige your friends.

2. Absolutely. The same benifice shall be eftsoons merely void.

Acts of Parl. 31 Eliz. c. 6. § 10. 'Tis an unweeded garden,

That grows to seed; things rank and gross in

Possess it merely.

I am as happy Shakspeare, Hamlet. In my friend's good, as if 'twere merely mine.

Beaum. and Fl. Honest Man's Fortune. MERETRI'CIOUS.† adj. [meretricius, meretrix, Lat.] Whorish; such as is practised by prostitutes; alluring by

false show. The meretricious world claps our cheeks, and fondles us into failings. Feltham, Res. i. 26.

An enchanting meretricious tide Of sweets and graces overflow'd them all.

Beaumont, Psyche, iii. 148. Jezebel, for all her paintings and fine meretricious pranking herself up, was to be thrown out at the window, and her flesh to be devoured by More, on the Sev. Churches, p. 101.

Our degenerate understandings having suffered a sad divorce from their dearest object, defile themselves with every meretricious semblance, that the variety of opinion presents them with.

Glanville, Scepsis. Not by affected, meretricious arts,

But strict harmonious symmetry of parts. Roscom. MERETRI'CIOUSLY.† adv. [from meretricious.] Whorishly; after the manner of whores.

Meretriciously to hunt abroad after foreign af-Burke, Tracts on the Popery Laws. MERETRI'CIOUSNESS. n. s. [from meretricious.] False allurement like those of strumpets.

To MERGE.* v. a. [mergo, Lat.] To immerse; to plunge.

Thomas Woolsie - wholly merged himself in

secular offices and state affairs.

Prynne, Breviate of the Prelates, &c. (1637,) p. 64. The vulgar merged in sense from their earliest infancy, and never once dreaming any thing to be worthy of pursuit but what either pampers their appetite or fills their purse, imagine nothing to be real, but what may be tasted or touched.

Harris, Hermes, iii. 4.

in one and the same person, the less is annihilated, or in the law phrase, is said to be merged, that is, sunk or drowned in the greater. Blackstone.

To MERGE.* v. n. To be swallowed up; to be lost; to be sunk.

He is to take care, undoubtedly, that the ecclesiastick shall not merge in the farmer, but shall continue the presiding and predominating character. Sir W. Scott, Speech in Apr. 1802, p. 27.

MERI'DIAN. n. s. [meridien, French; meridies, Latin.]

1. Noon; mid-day.

He promis'd in his east a glorious race,

Now sunk from his meridian, sets apace. Dryden. 2. The line drawn from north to south, which the sun crosses at noon.

The true meridian is a circle passing through the poles of the world, and the zenith or vertex of any place, exactly dividing the east from the west. Brown, Vulg. Err.

The sun or moon, rising or setting, our idea represents bigger than when on the meridian. Watts, Logick.

3. The particular place or state of any thing.

All other knowledge merely serves the concerns of this life, and is fitted to the meridian thereof: they are such as will be of little use to a separate

4. The highest point of glory or power. I've touch'd the highest point of all my great-

And from that full meridian of my glory I haste now to my setting. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. Your full majesty at once breaks forth In the meridian of your reign.

MERI'DIAN. adj.

1. Being at the point of noon. Sometimes tow'rds Eden, which now in his view

Lay pleasant, his griev'd look he fixes sad ; netimes tow'rds heaven, and the full blazing sun, Which now sat high in his meridian tower. Milton, P. L.

2. Extended from north to south.

Compare the meridian line afforded by magnetical needles with one mathematically drawn, observe the variation of the needle, or its declination from the true meridian line.

3. Raised to the highest point,

MERI'DIONAL. adj. [meridional, French.] 1. Southern.

In the southern coast of America or Africa, the southern point varieth toward the land, as being disposed that way by the meridional or proper hemisphere. Brown, Vulg. Err.

2. Southerly; having a southern aspect. All offices that require heat, as kitchens, still-

. atories, and stoves, should be meridional Wotton, Architecture.

MERI'DIONA'LITY. n. s. [from meridional.] Position in the south, aspect towards the south.

MERI'DIONALLY. adv. [from meridional.] In the direction of the meridian.

The Jews not willing to lie as their temple stood, do place their bed from north to south, and delight to sleep meridionally. Brown, Vulg. Err.

ME'RILS.* n. s. pl. [merelles, French.] A boyish game, called five-penny morris; played here most commonly with stones, but in France with pawns or men made of purpose. Cotgrave. It is better known by the corrupted name of morris. See Morris.

ME'RIT. n. s. [meritum, Latin; merite, French.

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or reward.

She deem'd I well deserv'd to die, Dryden. And made a merit of her cruelty. Roscommon, not more learn'd than good, With manners generous as his noble blood; To him the wit of Greece and Rome was known, And every author's merit but his own. Pope. She valued nothing less

Than titles, figures, shape, and dress; That merit should be chiefly plac'd

In judgement, knowledge, wit and taste. Swift.

2. Reward deserved.

Those laurel groves, the merits of thy youth, Which thou from Mahomet didst greatly gain, While bold asserter of resistless truth,

Thy sword did godlike liberty maintain. 3. Claim; right; character with respect

to desert of good or evil.

You have the captives; use them As we shall find their merits and our safety

Shakspeare, K. Lear. May equally determine. As I am studious to promote the honour of my native country, I put Chaucer's merits to the trial by turning some of the Canterbury tales into our Dryden. language,

When a point hath been well examined, and our own judgement settled, after a large survey of the merits of the cause, it would be a weakness to continue fluttering.

To ME'RIT. v. a. [meriter, French.]

 To deserve'; to have a right to claim any thing as deserved.

Amply have merited of me, of all The infernal empire.

Milton, P. L. A man at best is uncapable of meriting any thing from God. South, Serm.

2. To deserve; to earn: it is used generally of good, but sometimes of ill. Whatsoever jewels I have merited, I am sure I

have received none, unless experience be a jewel; that I have purchased at an infinite rate. Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor.

If such rewards to vanquish'd men are due, What prize may Nisus from your bounty claim, Who merited the first rewards, and fame? Dryden.

ME'RITABLE.* adj. [from merit.] Deserving of reward; fit to be rewarded. The people generally are very acceptive, and apt to applaud any meritable work.

B. Jonson, Case is altered. MERITO'RIOUS. adj. [meritoire, French; Deserving of reward; from merit. high in desert.

Instead of so great and meritorious a service, in bringing all the Irish to acknowledge the king for their liege, they did great hurt. Spenser on Ireland.

The war that hath such a foundation will not only be reputed just, but holy and meritorious. Raleigh, Ess.

Sufficient means of redemption and salvation, by the satisfactory and meritorious death and obedience of the incarnate Son of God, Jesus Christ, God blessed for ever. Sanflerson.

This is not only the most prudent, but the most meritorious charity, which we can practise.

Addison, Spect.

MERITO'RIOUSLY. adv. [from meritorious.] In such a manner as to deserve reward. He carried himself meritoriously in foreign employments in time of the interdict, which held up his credit among the patriots.

MERITO'RIOUSNESS. n. s. [from meretorious. The act or state of deserving well.

There was a full persuasion of the high meritoriousness of what they did; but still there was no law of God to ground it upon, and consequently it was not conscience,

Whenever a greater estate and a less coincide | 1. Desert; excellence deserving honour Me'ritory.* adj. [meritoire, French.] Deserving of reward; meritorious.

How meritory is thilke deede

Of charitee to clothe and feede

The poore folke. Gower, Conf. Am. Prol. It ys more merytory and bettir to have pytie upon the foole than upon the worldely wyse man. Ld. Rivers, Dictes & Sayings of the Philos. (1477,) A.vi.

ME'RITOT. † n. s. [oscillum, Latin.] kind of play used by children, in swinging themselves on ropes or the like, till they are giddy.

Speght, Gloss. to Chaucer.

Merle.* n. s. [merle, Fr. merula, Latin.] A blackbird. Upon his dulcet pype the merle doth only play.

Drayton, Polyolb. S. 15. To the mirthful merle the warbling mavis sings. Drayton, Polyolb, S. 14.

ME'RLIN. † n. s. [esmerillon, French; smerlin, merlin, Teut. Serenius derives it from the Icel. maer. Marleon is an old way of writing our word.] A kind of hawk.

I wolde els have thought yt moche more than a myracle, the wolfe so to have left the shepe, the foxe the capon, and the marleon the poore byrde. Bale, Yet a Course, (1543,) fol. 29.

Not yielding over to old age his country delights, he was at that time following a merlin. Sidney. Merlins and wild fowl come unto us with a north-west wind in the autumn.

Sir T. Brown, Miscell. p. 117.

ME'RMAID. n. s. [mer, the sea, and maid.] A sea woman; an animal with a woman's head and fish's tail.

I'll drown more sailors than the mermaid shall. Shakspeare.

Thou remembrest, Since once I set upon a promontory, And heard a mermaid on a dolphin's back

Uttering such dulcet and harmonious breath, That the rude sea grew civil at her song. Shakspeare.

Did sense persuade Ulysses not to hear The mermaids' songs, which so his men did please, That they were all persuaded, through the ear,

To quit the ship and leap into the seas? Davies. Few eyes have escaped the picture of a mermaid: Horace his monster, with woman's head above, and fishy extremity below, answers the shape of the ancient Syrens that attempted upon Ulysses. Brown, Vulg. Err.

MERMAID'S TRUMPET. n. s. A kind of fish. Ainsworth.

ME'RMAN.* n. s. The sea man; the male of the mermaid.

However naturalists may doubt of the reality of the mermen or mermaids, if we may believe particular writers, there seems testimony enough to

ME'RRILY. adv. [from merry.] Gaily; airily; cheerfully; with mirth; with gaiety; with laughter.

Merrily, merrily, shall we live now, Under the blossom that hangs on the bough.

Shakspeare. When men come to horrow of your masters,

they approach sadly, and go away merrily.

Shakspeare, Tim. of Athens.

A paisan of France thinks of no more than his coarse bread and his onions, his canvas clothes and wooden shoes, labours contentedly on working days, and dances or plays merrily on holidays.

Temple, Miscell.

Merrily sing, and sport, and play, For 'tis Oriana's nuptial day. Granville.

ME'RRIMAKE. n. s. [merry and make.] A | 2. Laughing; loudly cheerful; gay of festival; a meeting of mirth; merry

Thenot, now nis the time of merrimake, Nor Pan to herie, nor with love to play; Sike mirth in May is meetest for to make, Or sommer shade, under the cocked hay.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. The knight did not forbear,

Her honest mirth and pleasure to partake, But when he saw her gibe, and toy, and geare, And pass the bounds of modest merrimake, Her dalliance he despised. Spenser, F. Q.

To ME'RRIMAKE. v. n. To feast; to be

With thee 'twas Marian's dear delight To moil all day, and merrimake at night.

Gay, Pastorals. ME'RRIMENT. n. s. [from merry.] Mirth;

gaiety; cheerfulness; laughter. Who when they heard that piteous strained

In haste forsook their rural merriment.

Spenser, F. Q. A number of merriments and jests, wherewith they have pleasantly moved much laughter at our manner of serving God. Methought it was the sound

Of riot and ill-managed merriment. Milton, Comus.

ME'RRINESS. n. s. [from merry.] Mirth; merry disposition.

The stile shall give us cause to climb in the Shakspeare.

- ME'RRY.† adj. [Dr. Johnson has offered no etymology; it is the Saxon mynix, mipige, mepig, mepie; of which an ancient sense is sweet, pleasant, agreeable; and so merry is used by our old authors. In Gen. xiii. 10. mipige is applied to the plain of Jordan, where our present translation uses the words, "as the garden of God," and a more ancient one, "paradise;" to denote a pleasant and fruitful country: and thus some of the old commentators, "sicut locus amænissimus."]
- Pleasant; sweet; agreeable; delightful; charming. Dr. Johnson has given. as a third illustration of this word, a single example from Dryden, with the definition of prosperous; which belongs to the present meaning, hitherto overpassed in our dictionaries. Spenser thus applies merry to wind and weather: i. e. pleasant, or agreeable, not foul, not tempestuous, fair.

The nightingale with so mery a note, Answer'd him, that alle the wood rong.

Chaucer, Flower and Leaf. His vois was merier than the mery orgon,

On masse daies that in the churches gon. Chaucer, Nonnes Pr. Tale.

A citee ___

That stood ful mery upon an haven side.

Chaucer, Nonnes Pr. Tale. At length they all to merry London came.

Spenser, Prothalamion.

There eke my feeble bark awhile may stay, Till mery wind and weather call her thence away. Spenser, F. Q. i. xii. 1.

The merry harp with the lute, [in the older version, pleasant harp.] Psalm lxxxi, 2. In my small pinnace I can sail,

Contemning all the blustering roar; And running with a merry gale, With friendly stars my safety seek, Within some little winding creek, And see the storm ashore.

Dryden.

heart.

They drank and were merry with him.

Gen. xliii. 34. The vine languisheth, all the merry-hearted sigh.

Some that are of an ill and melancholy nature, incline the company into which they come to be sad and ill-disposed; and others that are of a jovial nature, do dispose the company to be merry and cheerful. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Man is the merriest species of the creation; all above and below him are serious.

3. Causing laughter.

You kill'd her husband, and for that vile fault Two of her brothers were condemn'd to death; My hand cut off, and made a merry jest.

Shakspeare. 4. To make MERRY. To junket; to be

They trod the grapes and made merry, and went into the house of their God. Judges, ix. 27.

A fox 'spy'd a bevy of jolly, gossiping wenches making merry over a dish of pullets. L'Estrange. ME'RRY.* n. s. [merise, Fr.] The common

wild red cherry.

MERRY-ANDREW + n. s. [This term is traced to a facetious practitioner in physick of Henry the Eighth's time, and who is said to have been the physician of that monarch. His name was Andrew Borde. "Dr. Borde was an ingenious man, and knew how to humour and please his patients, readers, and auditors. In his travels and visits, he often appeared and spoke in publick; and would often frequent markets and fairs, where a conflux of people used to get together, to whom he prescribed: and to induce them to flock thither the more readily, he would make humourous speeches, couched in such language as caused mirth, and wonderfully propagated his fame! — 'Twas from the Doctor's method of using such speeches at markets and fairs, that in aftertimes those that imitated the like humourous, jocose language, were styled Merry Andrews; a term much in vogue on our stages." Hearne, Benedict. Abb. ed. Ox. 1735, tom. i. Præf. p. 50.] A buffoon; a zany; a jack-pudding.

He would be a statesman because he is a buffoon; as if there went no more to the making of a counsellor, than the faculties of a merry-andrew or tumbler.

L'Estrange.

The first who made the experiment was a merry-andrew. Spectator.

Me'rrymeeting.* n. s. [merry and meet.] A meeting for mirth; a festival.

It struck their fancy luckily, and maintained the merry-meeting. Bp. Taylor, House of Feasting. The studious man prefers a book before a revel, the rigors of contemplation before merry-meetings and jolly company. South, Serm. viii. 408.

Me'rrythought. n. s. [merry and thought.] A forked bone on the body of fowls; so called because boys and girls pull in play at the two sides, the longest part broken off betokening priority of marriage.

Let him not be breaking merrythoughts under the table with my cousin.

Echard, Contempt of the Clergy. Me'rsion. † n. s. [mersio, Lat.] The act of sinking, or dipping.

The mersion also in water, and the emersion thence, doth figure our death to the former. (to a natural and worldly defilement,) and receiving to a new life. Barrow on Baptism.

Mesera'ick. n. s. [μεσάραιον: mesaraique, French: analogy requires it mesaraick.

Belonging to the mysentery. It taketh leave of the permanent parts at the

mouths of the meseraicks, and accompanieth the inconvertible portion into the siege. Brown, Vulg. Err.

The most subtile part of the chyle passeth immediately into the blood by the absorbent vessels of the guts, which discharge themselves into the meseraick veins.

Mese'ems. impersonal verb. [me and seems, or it seems to me: for this word it is now too common to use methinks or methought, an ungrammatical word. Dr. Johnson. - But see METHINKS. I think; it appears to me; methinks.

Me semeth that the partye that forfavteth his maryage dooth ayenst the law of nature.

Boke of Good Maners, (Caxt. 1486,) f. iii. b. Alas, of ghosts I hear the ghastly cries; Yet there, meseems, I hear her singing loud. Sidney.

Meseemed by my side a royal maid, Her dainty limbs full softly down did lay.

To that general subjection of the land meseems that the custom or tenure can be no bar nor imneachment. Spenser on Ireland.

ME'SENTERY. n. s. [μεσενθέριον; mesentere, French.] That round which the

guts are convolved. When the chyle passeth through the mesentery, it is mixed with the lymph. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

MESENTE'RICK. adj. [mesenterique, French; from mesentery.] Relating to the mesenterv.

They are carried into the glands of the mesentery, receiving a fine lymph from the lymphatick ducts, which dilutes this chylous fluid, and scours its containing vessels, which, from the mesenterick glands, unite in large channels, and pass directly into the common receptacle of the chyle. Cheyne.

MESH. n. s. [maesche, Dutch; mache, old French: it were therefore better written, as it is commonly pronounced, mash.] The interstice of a net; the space between the threads of a net.

The drovers hang square nets athwart the tide, thorough which the shoal of pilchard passing, leave many behind entangled in the meashes.

Carew, Surv. of Cornwall. Such a hare is madness the youth, to skip o'er the meshes of good counsel the cripple.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. He spreads his subtle nets from sight,

With twinkling glasses to betray The larks that in the meshes light. Druden.

With all their mouths the nerves the spirits drink, Which through the cells of the fine strainers sink: These all the channell'd fibres every way, For motion and sensation, still convey: The greatest portion of the arterial blood, By the close structure of the parts withstood, Whose narrow meshes stop the grosser flood.

To Mesh. † v. a. [from the noun.] To catch

in a net; to ensnare. They were so meshed in this kynde of follie,

that they knewe neither what they sayde, nor what they did. North, Tr. of Philosoph. at Court, (1575,) p. 89.

The flies by chance mesht in her hair, By the bright radiance thrown

From her clear eyes, rich jewels were, Drayton. They so like diamonds shone.

Me'shy. adj. [from mesh.] Reticulated; of net-work.

Some build his house, but thence his issue barre, Some make his meashy bed, but reave his rest.

Caught in the meshy snare, in vain they beat Their idle wings. Thomson.

ME'SLIN.† n. s. [from mesler, French, to mix; or rather corruptly pronounced for miscellane. See Maslin. Dr. Johnson. - It has been there observed, that the . word is more probably of Goth. origin; masteluyn, Teut. farrago; mirclic, Sax. various.] Mixed corn: as, wheat and

What reason is there which should but induce, and therefore much less enforce, us to think, that care of dissimilitude between the people of God and the heathen nations about them, was any more the cause of forbidding them to put on garments of sundry stuff, than of charging them withal not to sow their fields with mestin. Hooker, iv. § 7.

If worke for the thresher ye mind for to have, Of wheat and of mestlin unthreshed go save.

Mesoleu'cys. n. s. [μεσόλευκος.] A precious stone, black, with a streak of white in the middle.

MESO LOGARITHMS. n. s. Γμέσος, λόγος, and αρίδμος.] The logarithms of the cosines and tangents, so denominated by Kep-Harris.

Meso Melas. n. s. [μεσομέλας.] A precious stone with a black vein parting every colour in the midst. Bailey.

MESPRI'SE. † n. s. [mespris, French. Dr. Johnson gives the word mespise, supposing it to be an errour of the press in the first passage from Spenser, which only he has cited. It is indeed an errour made in the second edition of the Fairy Queen, which some editions have followed. But mesprise is repeated by the poet.] Contempt; scorn.

Mammon was much displeas'd, yet note he chuse But bear the rigour of his bold mesprise, And thence him forward led, him further to en-

Spenser, F. Q. ii. vii. 39. Then, if all fayle, we will by force it win, And eke reward the wretch for his mesprise,

As may be worthy of his hainous sin.

Spenser. F. Q. iii. ix. 9. And Atè eke provokt him privily

With love of her, and shame of such mesprize. Spenser, F. Q. iv. iv. 11.

MESS.† n. s. [mes, old French; messo, Italian; missus, Latin; mes, Gothick; mere, Saxon, a dish. Dr. Johnson. -The past participle of the Saxon merrian, cibare, to furnish meat or food: in French mets; in Italian messo, from the same verb. Mr. H. Tooke, Div. of Purl. ii. 327. - I differ both from Dr. Johnson and Mr. Tooke. Yet Dr. Johnson, in part of his etymology, is thus supported by bishop Patrick. "It was the ancient custom for great men to honour such as were in their favour, by sending dishes to them, which were first served up to themselves: from whence they were called missa, messes, things sent." Note on Genesis, xliii. 34. But I consider the word as denoting a measure or portion; and thus Sir John Char- Me'ssenger. † n. s. [messager, French. Dr.

din informs us that in Persia, Arabia, and the Indies, a carver parts each dish, which is set before the master of the house, or the principal guest, or in the middle of the hall, into as many portions, put into different plates, as there are people to eat. And so Benjamin's mess, on which the learned bishop has made the preceding remark, is five portions, or five times as much of every thing as any of his brethren's. Our word, in this sense, is to be found in the Germ. mass, a measure: and thus, in our old lexicography, mess is explained "a mease of meat, a mease of pottage." Huloet's Dict. See also MEASE.

1. A dish; a quantity of food sent to table

together.

The bounteous huswife, nature, on each bush Shaksp. Timon. Lays her full mess before you. Now your traveller,

He and his toothpick at my worship's mess.

I had as lief you should tell me of a mess of por-Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor. Herbs and other country messes,

Which the neat-handed Phillis dresses

Milton, L'All. Had either of the crimes been cooked to their palates, they might have changed messes.

Decay of Chr. Piety. From him he next receives it thick or thin, As pure a mess almost as it came in.

2. The ordinary of military men at a regulated price; the meal provided for a certain number. See To MESS.

To Mess. + v. n. 1. To eat; to feed. If this be the general sense of the word, of which however Dr. Johnson gives neither example nor etymon, it may be from the Saxon metrian, to furnish meat or food.

2. To contribute to the common expence of the table in settled proportions; to eat and drink together at a regulated price. Chiefly a military phrase. [from the substantive.

We will place them at an inn, where the officers of a regiment he had served in were messing. Pye, Sketches on Var. Subjects, (1796,) p. 10.

Me'ssage, † n. s. [message, Fr. q. d. med-saegen, à Suio-Goth. med, cum, with, and saega, dicere, to speak. Serenius.] An errand; any thing committed to another to be told to a third.

She doth display The gate with pearls and rubies richly dight, Through which her words so wise do make their

way, To bear the message of her gentle spright. Spenser May one, that is a herald and a prince,

Do a fair message to his kingly ears? Shakspeare. She is fair, and, fairer than that word, Of wonderous virtues; sometimes from her eyes

I did receive fair speechless messages. Shakspeare. Gently hast thou told

Thy message, which might else in telling wound, Milton, P. L. And in performing end us. Let the minister be low, his interest inconsi-

derable, the word will suffer for his sake; the message will still find reception according to the South. dignity of the messenger.

The welcome message made, was soon receiv'd; 'Twas to be wish'd and hop'd, but scarce believ'd.

Johnson. - And so our own word was at first written. "This messager turmented was, till he tellen plat and plain, &c. Chaucer, Man of Lawes Tale. One who carries an errand; one who comes from another to a third; one who brings an account or foretoken of any thing; an harbinger; a forerunner.

Came running in, much like a man dismaid, A messenger with letters, which his message said.

You grey lines, That fret the clouds, are messengers of day. Shoks. The earl dispatched messengers one after another to the king, with an account of what he heard and believed he saw, and yet thought not fit to stay for an answer. Joy touch'd the messenger of heav'n ; he stay'd

Entranc'd, and all the blissful haunt survey'd.

MESSI'AH. n. s. [from the Hebrew.] The Anointed; the Christ; the Saviour of the world; the Prince of peace.

Great and publick opposition the magistrates made against Jesus, the man of Nazareth, when he appeared as the Messiah. Watts on the Mind.

Messi'ahship.* n. s. The office of the Messiah.

The Messiahship was pretended to by several impostors; but fallacy and falsehood being naturally weak, they still sunk and came to nothing.

South, Serm. iii. 286. Christ - gave as strong a proof of his Messiahship, as infinite power, joined with equal veracity, South, Serm. iii. 382. could give.

MESSI'EURS. n. s. [French, plural of monsieur.] Sirs; gentlemen.

ME'SSMATE. n. s. [mess and mate.] One who eats at the same table.

Me'ssuage. n. s. [messuagium, law Latin; formed perhaps from mesnage by mistake of the n in court-hand for u, they being written alike, mesnage from maison, French. The house and ground set apart for household uses.

MET, the preterite and part. of meet. A set of well-meaning gentlemen in England, not to be met with in other countries, take it for granted they can never be wrong so long as they

Addison, Freeholder. oppose ministers of state. Mer.* n. s. [perhaps from mete.] A measure. A northern word. Grose, and Craven Dialect.

META'BASIS. n. s. [Greek.] In rhetorick, a figure by which the orator passes from one thing to another. Dict.

META BOLA. n. s. [μελαβολή.] In medicine, a change of time, air, or disease.

METACA'RPAL. adj. [from metacarpus.] Belonging to the metacarpus. It will facilitate the separation in the joint, when you cut the finger from the metacarpal bone. Sharp, Surgery.

Metaca'rrus. n. s. [μελακάρπων.] In anatomy, a bone of the arm made up of four bones, which are joined to the fingers.

The conjunction is called synarthrosis; as in the joining of the carpus to the metacarpus. Wiseman, Surgery.

META'CHRONISM.* n. s. [μετὰ and χρόνος, Gr.] A mistake in the computation of time; placing an event after the time when it really happened.

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Capellus laboureth to prove that it is a meta- ! chronism of six years, Kepler of five.

Gregory, Posthum. (1650,) p. 165. An error committed herein [the designation of time] is called anachronism: and either saith too much, and that is a prochronism, or too little, and that is a metachronism. Ibid. p. 174.

ME'TAGE.* n. s. [from To mete.] Measurement of coals.

METAGRA'MMATISM.n.s. [με/à and γράμμα.] Anagrammatism, or metagrammatism, is a dissolution of a name into its letters, as its elements, and a new connexion of it by artificial transposition, without addition, subtraction, or change of any letter into different words, making some perfect sense applicable to the person named. Camden.

ME'TAL. n. s. [metal, French; metallum, Lat.

1. The metals are characterized as a class, by a peculiar degree of brilliancy and opacity: they are conductors of elec-tricity and of heat; they include the heaviest and lightest solids, and differ extremely in fusibility: some are brittle; others, malleable and ductile. All the metals unite to oxygen, producing metallick oxides, which, combined with acids, form metallick salts. Journ. of Science, &c. No. 20. p. 286.

Metallists use a kind of terrace in their vessels for fining metals, that the melted metal run not

2. Courage; spirit. In this sense it is more frequently written mettle.

Being glad to find their companions had so much metal, after a long debate the major part carried it.

3. Upon this signification the following ambiguity is founded. Both kinds of metal he prepar'd,

Either to give blows or to ward; Courage and steel both of great force, Prepar'd for better or for worse.

Hudibras

Me'TALLED.* See METTLED. METALE PSIS. n. s. [μελάληψις.] A con-

tinuation of a trope in one word through a succession of significations. Bailey. METALE'PTICALLY.* adv. [from metalepsis.] By transposition.

The name of promises may metaleptically be extended to comminations.

Bp. Sanderson, on Promiss. Oaths. i. § 9.

META'LLICAL. \ adj. [from metallum, Lat. META'LLICK. \ metallique, Fr.] taking of metal; containing metal; consisting of metal.

The antients observing in that material a kind of metallical nature, or fusibility, seem to have resolved it to nobler use; an art now utterly lost. Wotton, Architecture.

The lofty lines abound with endless store Of min'ral treasure, and metallick oar. Blackmore

METALLI'FEROUS. adj. [metallum and fero, Latin.] Producing metals. Dict.

META'LLINE. adj. [from metal.] 1. Impregnated with metal.

Metalline waters have virtual cold in them; put therefore wood or clay into smith's water, and try whether it will not harden. Bacon. 2. Consisting of metal.

Though the quicksilver were brought to a very close and lovely metalline cylinder, not interrupted by interspersed bubbles, yet having caused the air to be again drawn out of the receiver, several little bubbles disclosed themselves.

ME'TALLIST. n. s. [from metal; metalliste, Fr.] A worker in metals; skilled in metals.

Metallists use a kind of terrace in their vessels for fining metals, that the melted metal run not out; it is made of quick lime and ox blood. Moxon, Mech. Exercises.

METALLO'GRAPHY. n. s. [metallum and γράφω.] An account or description of metals.

META'LLURGIST. † n. s. [metallurgiste, Fr. metallum and epyov.] A worker in metals. META' ILURGY. † n. s. [metallurgie, French; metallum and epyov.] The art of working metals, or separating them from their ore.

Drayton personifies the Peak in Derbyshire, which he makes a witch skilful in metallurgy Warton, Notes on Milton's Sm. Poems.

ME'TALMAN.* n. s. [metal and man.] A

coppersmith; a tinman. A smith, or a metalman, the pot's never from Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 110.

To METAMO'RPHOSE, v. a. [metamor-phoser, Fr. μελαμορφόω.] To change the form or shape of any thing.

Thou, Julia, thou hast metamorphos'd me; Made me neglect my studies, lose my time.

Shakspeare. They became degenerate and metamorphosed like Nebuchadnezzar, who, though he had the face of a man, had the heart of a beast.

Davies on Ireland. The impossibility to conceive so great a prince and favourite so suddenly metamorphosed into travellers, with no train, was enough to make any Wotton. man unbelieve his five senses.

From such rude principles our form began; And earth was metamorphos'd into man.

Dryden, Ovid. METAMO'RPHOSER.* n. s. [from To metamorphose.] One who changes the

shape. What shall I name this man but a beastly metamorphoser both of himself, and of others?

Gascoigne, Delic. Diet for Drunkards, (1576.) METAMO'RPHOSICK.* adj. [from metamorphosis. Transforming; changing the shape.

All the metamorphosic fables of the ancients, turning policied and commercial people into horrid and savage monsters, will, like clouds before the sun, dispel and evaporate before the light of Pownall on Antiq. p. 69.

Metamo'rphosis. n. s. [metamorphose, Fr. μελαμορφωσις.]

1. Transformation; change of shape.

His whole oration stood upon a short narration, what was the causer of this metamorphosis. Sidney. Obscene talk is grown so common, that one would think we were fallen into an age of meta-

morphosis, and that the brutes did not only poetically but really speak. Gov. of the Tongue. What! my noble colonel in metamorphosis!

On what occasion are you transformed?

Dryden, Span. Friar. There are probable machines in epick poems, where the gods are no less actors than the men; but the less credible sort, such as metamorphoses, are far more rare.

2. It is applied by Harvey to the changes an animal undergoes, both in its formation and growth; and by several to the various shapes some insects in particu- 2. In Shakspeare it means supernatural

lar pass through, as the silk-worm and the like.

ME TAPHOR. n. s. [metaphore, Fr. μείάφορα.] The application of a word to an use to which, in its original import, it cannot be put: as, he bridles his anger; he deadens the sound; the spring awakes the flowers. A metaphor is a simile comprized in a word; the spring putting in action the powers of vegetation, which were torpid in the winter, as the powers of a sleeping animal are excited by awaking him.

The work of tragedy is on the passions, and in a dialogue; both of them abhor strong metaphors,

in which the epopæa delights.

Dryden, Ded. to Virg. An. One died in metaphor, and one in song. Pope. Метарно' RICAL. [adj. [metaphorique, Fr. METAPHO'RICK. | from metaphor. | Not literal; not according to the primitive meaning of the word; figurative.

The words which were do continue; the only difference is, that whereas before they had a literal, they now have a metaphorical use.

METAPHO'RICALLY.* adv. [from metaphorical.] Figuratively; not literally. Such as are improperly melancholy, or metaphorically mad, lightly mad.

Burton, Anat of Mel. To the Reader. If strictly taken, it is not true; if metaphorically taken, though it be true, yet it is not per-Pearson on the Creed, Art. 5.

META'PHORIST.* n. s. [from metaphor.] A maker of metaphors.

Let the poet send to the metaphorist for his allegories. Arbuthnot and Pope, Mart. Scriblerus. ME'TAPHRASE.+ n. s. [μελάφρασις.] Α mere verbal translation from one language into another; a close interpretation.

Where the English metaphrase readeth, Thou shalt accept, &c. the Hebrew saith, Thou shalt Gregory, Posthum. (1650,) p. 224. consume. This translation is not so loose as paraphrase, nor so close as metaphrase. Dryden.

Me'taphrast.† n. s. [metaphraste, Fr. μελάφραςτης.] A literal translator; one who translates word for word from one language into another; an interpreter.

He [Symeon] obtained the distinguishing appellation of the metaphrast, because, at the command and under the auspices of Constantine Porphyrogenitus, he modernized the more ancient narratives of the miracles and martyrdoms of the most eminent eastern and western saints for the use of the Greek church; or rather digested from detached, imperfect, or obsolete books on the subject, a new and more commodious body of the sacred hiography. Warton, Hist. E. P. ii. 190.

METAPHRA'STICK.* adj. [from metaphrast.] Close in interpretation; literal.

Maximus Planudes has the merit of having familiarised to his countrymen many Latin classicks of the lower empire, by metaphrastic versions. Warton, Hist. E. P. ii. 169.

METAPHY'SICAL† adj.

1. Versed in metaphysicks; relating to metaphysicks.

He knew what's what, and that's as high Hudibras, i. 1. As metaphysick wit can fly. His ideas on that subject were much more

Platonic and metaphysical. Warton, Hist. E. P. i. 383.

or preternatural. So metaphysicks were called "supernatural arts." Engl. Dict. by H. C. 1655.

Hie thee hither, That I may pour my spirits in thine ear; And chastise with the valour of my tongue All that impedes thee from the golden round, Which fate, and metaphysical aid, doth seem To have crown'd thee withal. Shaksp. Macbeth.

METAPHY'SICALLY.* adv. [from metaphysical.] In a metaphysical manner; with metaphysical distinction.

This argument seems metaphysically to conclude. South. Serm. viii. 261.

Supposing it were philosophically or metaphysically possible or conceivable

Biblioth. Bibl. i. 295.

METAPHYSI'CIAN.* n. s. [metaphysicien, Fr.] One versed in metaphysicks. The pathetic or sublime strokes of Virgil would

be but little relished by theologists and metaphy-Warton, Hist. E. P. i. 340.

METAPHY'SICKS. n.s. [metaphysique, METAPHY'SICKS.] Fr. μελαφυσική, Gr. μετά τα φυσικά, the opening of Aristotle's chapter after that on physicks.] Ontology; the doctrine of the general affections of substances existing.

The mathematicks and the metaphysicks, Fall to them as you find your stomach serves you. Shakspeare.

Call her the metaphysicks of her sex, And say she tortures wits as quartans vex

Cleaveland. Physicians. If sight be caused by intromission, or receiving in, the form of contrary species should be received confusedly together, which how absurd it is, Aris-

totle shews in his metaphysicks. Peacham on Drawing.

See physick beg the Stagyrite's defence!

See metaphysick call for aid on sense!

Pope, Dunciad. The topicks of ontology or metaphysick, are cause, effect, action, passion, identity, opposition, subject, adjunct, and sign. Watts, Logick.

ME ΤΑΡΙΛΙΜ. n. s. [μελαπλασμός.] A figure in rhetoric, wherein words or letters are transposed contrary to their natural Dict. order.

Trans-Μετακτα'sis. n. s. [μελαςάσις.] lation or removal.

His disease was a dangerous asthma; the cause 1 a metastasis, or translation of tartarous humours a metastasis, of transmission from his joints to his lungs.

Harvey on Consumptions.

Harveys Be-

METATA'RSAL. adj. [from metatarsus.] Be-

longing to the metatarsus.

The bones of the toes, and part only of the metatarsal bones may be carious; in which case cut off only so much of the foot as is disordered. Sharp, Surgery.

METATA'RSUS. n. s. [μέτα and ταρσός.] The middle of the foot, which is composed of five small bones connected to those of the first part of the foot. Dict.

The conjunction is called synarthrosis, as in the joining the tarsus to the metatarsus.

Wiseman, Surgery. META'THESIS. † n. s. [μελάθεσις.] A transposition.

What a metathesis is this, that he who perhaps was born of royal blood, and kept company with kings and princes, shall now cry out with Job " to corruption, thou art my father; to the worm, thou art my mother and sister !"

Greenhill, Art of Embalming, p. 105. To METE. v. a. [metior, Latin.] To measure; to reduce to measure.

I will divide Shechem, and mete the valley of Succoth. To measure any distance by a line, apply some

known measure wherewith to mete it. Though you many ways pursue

To find their length, you'll never mele the true, But thus; take all that space the sun Metes out, when every daily round is run. Creech.

ME'TERLY.* adv. [probably from mete.] Moderately. Westmoreland Dialect. Tolerably well; within bounds. Craven Dialect, and Brockett. In the older northern glossaries, the word is defined indifferent.

ME'TEWAND.] n. s. [mete and yard, or ME'TEYARD. \ wand. \ A staff of a certain length wherewith measures are

A true touchstone, a sure metewand lieth before their eyes. Ascham, Schoolmaster.

Ye shall do no unrighteousness in meteyard, weight, or measure. Lev. xix. 35. To METEMPSY'CHOSE. v. a. [from metemp-

sychosis.] To translate from body to body. A word not received.

The souls of usurers after their death, Lucian affirms to be metempsychosed, or translated into the bodies of asses, and there remain certain years, for poor men to take their pennyworth out of their Peacham on Blazoning,

METEMPSYCHO'SIS.† n. s. [μελεμψύχωσις.] The transmigration of souls from

body to body.

From the opinion of metempsychosis, or transmigration of the souls of men into the bodies of beasts, most suitable unto their human condition, after his death Orpheus the musician became a Brown, Vulg. Err.

Here, Philemon, at parting with the subject of the sacred animals, I may observe to you, that the doctrine of the metempsychosis, supposed by the Greek writers a native of Egypt, is by many people believed to owe its birth to this article of her the-Coventry, Phil. to Hyd. Conv. 4.

ME'TEOR. n. s. [meteore, Fr. μεθέωρα.] Any bodies in the air or sky that are of a flux and transitory nature.

Look'd he or red, or pale, or sad, or merrily? What observation mad'st thou in this case, Of his heart's meteors tilting in his face?

She began to cast with herself from what coast this blazing star must rise upon the horizon of Ireland; for there had the like meteor strong Bacon, Hen. VII. influence before. These burning fits but meteors be,

Whose matter in thee soon is spent: Thy beauty, and all parts which are in thee, Are an unchangeable firmament. Then flaming meteors, hung in air, were seen,

And thunders rattled through a sky serene. Dryden, Æn.

Why was I rais'd the meteor of the world, Hung in the skies, and blazing as I travell'd, Till all my fires were spent; and then cast downward

To be trod out by Cæsar? Dryden, All for Love. O poet, thou hadst been discreeter,

Hanging the monarch's hat so high, If thou hadst dubb'd thy star a meleor, Which did but blaze, and rove, and die.

To ME'TEORIZE. * v. n. [from meteor.] To ascend in evaporation.

To the end the dews may meteorize, and emit their finer spirits. Evelyn, Pomona, ch. 1.
METEOROLO'GICAL. adj. [from meteorology.] Relating to the doctrine of

Others are considerable in meteorological divinity. Make disquisition whether these unusual light, be new-come guests, or old inhabitants in heavens or meteorological impressions not transcending the upper region, or whether to be ranked among Howell, Voc. Forest. celestial bodies.

METEORO'LOGIST. n. s. [from meteorology.] A man skilled in meteors, or studious

The meteorologists observe, that amongst the four elements which are the ingredients of all sublunary creatures, there is a notable corre-Howell, Voc. Forest. spondency.

METEORO'LOGY. n. s. [μελεωρα and λέγω.] The doctrine of meteors.

In animals we deny not a natural meteorology, or innate presentation of wind and weather.

Brown, Vulg. Err. METE'OROUS. adj. [from meteor.] Having the nature of a meteor.

From the o'er hill To their fixt station, all in bright array, The cherubim descended, on the ground Gliding meteorous, as evening mist, Milton, P. L. Ris'n from a river.

ME'TER n. s. [from mete.] A measurer: as, a coal-meter, a land-meter.

METHE'GLIN. † n. s. [meddyglyn, Welsh, from medd and glyn, to glue, Minsheu; or medclyg, a physician, and llyn, drink, because it is a medicinal drink. See MEAD, and MEATH.] Drink made of honey boiled with water and fermented.

White-handed mistress, one sweet word with

- Honey, and milk, and sugar, there is three. - Nay then two treys; and if you grow so nice, Metheglin, wort, and malmsey. Shakspeare. To allay the strength and hardness of the wine, And with old Bacchus new metheglin join.

Beneath its aspect warm O'er well-rang'd hives the bees shall swarm, From which, ere long, of golden gleam
Metheglin's luscious juice shall stream.
Warton, Progr. of Discontent.

METHI'NKS.† verb impersonal. [me and thinks. This is imagined to be a Norman corruption, the French being apt to confound me and I. Dr. Johnson. -Here is no French corruption; it is the same as meseems, that is, it seems to me; so me is here the dative case, and the whole phrase means, it appears to me; as Lye repeatedly translates the Saxon me pincp, mihi videtur, whence, he says, our methinketh, methinks. Our old language has also him thinketh, or thought; that is, he thinks or thought, it so appeared to him on consideration.] I think; it seems to me; meseems. See MESEEMS, which is more strictly grammatical, though less in use. Methinks was used even by those who used likewise me-

In all ages poets have been had in special reputation, and, methinks, not without great cause; for, besides their sweet inventions, and most witty lays, they have always used to set forth the praises of the good and virtuous. Spenser on Ireland.

If he choose out some expression which does not vitiate the sense, I suppose he may stretch his chain to such a latitude; but by innovation Dryden. of thoughts, methinks, he breaks it.

There is another circumstance, which, methinks, gives us a very high idea of the nature of the soul, in regard to what passes in dreams, that innumerable multitude and variety of ideas which Addison, Spect. then arise in her.

Methinks already I your tears survey.

ME'THOD. n. s. [methode, French μέθοδος.] Method, taken in the largest sense, implies the placing of several things, or performing several operations in such an order as is most convenient to attain some end. Watts.

To see wherein the harm which they feel consisteth, the seeds from which it sprang, and the method of curing it, belongeth to a skill the study whereof is full of toil, and the practice beset with difficulties. Hooker.

If you will jest with me know my aspect, And fashion your demeanour to my looks,

Or I will beat this method in your sconce. Shaks. It will be in vain to talk to you concerning the method I think best to be observed in schools. Locke on Education.

Notwithstanding a faculty be born with us, there are several methods for cultivating and improving it, and without which it will be very Addison, Spect.

METHO'DICAL. adj. [methodique, French. from method.] Ranged or proceeding in due or just order.

The observations follow one another without that methodical regularity requisite in a prose Addison, Spect.

Let me appear, great sir, I pray,

Methodical in what I say. Addison, Rosamond. He can take a body to pieces, and dispose of them where he pleases; to us, perhaps, not without the appearance of irretrievable confusion; but, with respect to his own knowledge, into the most regular and methodical repositories. Rogers.

METHO'DICALLY. adv. [from methodical.] According to method and order.

To begin methodically, I should enjoin you travel; for absence doth remove the cause, removing the object. Suckling.

All the rules of painting are methodically, concisely, and clearly delivered in this treatise.

Dryden, Dufresnoy.

METHO'DICK.* adj. [methodique, Fr.] 1. Ranged or proceeding in just and due order.

Some native and methodick powers, and springs of motion in things.

Spenser on Prod. (1665,) p. 137.

Aristotle strict, methodic, and orderly.

Harris, Hermes, iii. ch. 5. 2. Denoting those who follow the method of the ancient school of physicians, known by the name of methodists.

Thessalus, head of the methodick sect in the reign of Nero, [used to] brag, that he could make physicians without the help either of astrology or musick. Grew, Cosmol. Sacra.

Every animal body, according to the methodick physicians, is, by the predominance of some exuberant quality, continually declining towards disease and death. Johnson, Rambler, No. 156.

ME'THODISM.* n. s. The religious opinions of those who are called methodists. See the last sense of ME-THODIST.

Nor is this pedigree, which makes methodism of the younger house to independency, invented, like heraldic fictions, to ennoble my subject. Warburton, Doct. of Grace. ii. 186.

ME'THODIST. n.s. [from method.]

1. An observer of method, generally speaking, without reference either to physick or religion. Not noticed by Dr. Johnson.

He teacheth us how we shall fear recta methodo: he teacheth us to be perfect methodists in fear, and that we misplace not our fear.

Farindon's Serm. (1647,) p. 191. I dance little after method, because no methodist. Hermeticall Banquet, &c. (1652.)

2. A physician who practises by theory. As many more.

As methodist Musus kill'd with hellebore In autumne last. Marston, Scourge of Vill. (1599.)

[The] old sect of methodists resolved, that the laxum and strictum, the immoderate dissolution or constipation, were the principals and originals of all diseases in the world.

Hammond, Works, iv. 577. Our wariest physicians, not only chemists, but methodists, give it inwardly in several constitutions and distempers.

3. One of a new kind of puritans lately arisen, so called from their profession to live by rules and in constant method. Dr. Johnson. - Dr. Johnson's lately arisen must be referred to the year 1729, when the term was applied to certain young men at Oxford of very methodical conduct; of whom it was said, in allusion to the ancient school of physicians, "there is a new sect of methodists sprung pretended, that the word "being new and quaint, it took immediately, and the methodists were known all over the university." But we see that the word is at least nearly a century and a half older METONY MICAL. † adj. [from metonymy.] in our language, in the medical sense; and nearly a century, in a general sense. Mr. Wesley and Mr. Whitfield are those of this remarkable association, who are best known to fame; and who afterwards had their respective followers; those of Mr. Wesley being Arminians, those of Mr. Whitfield, Calvinists. The word is often vaguely and unjustly used of persons, who are no sectaries.

Mr. John Wesley, one among the present methodists, having already freed himself from the folly

of Calvinism.

Whiston, Memoirs of himself, (1749,) p. 138. They, who now go under the name of methodists, were, in the days of our forefathers, called Warburton, Doct. of Grace, ii. 184.

When West's book was published, it was bought by some who did not know his change of opinion, in expectation of new objections against Christianity; and as infidels do not want malignity, they revenged the disappointment by calling him a me-Johnson, Life of West.

METHODI'STICAL.* adj. [from methodist.] Relating to the religious sect of metho-

The precise number of methodistical marks you know best.

Bp. Lavington, Enth. of Meth. to Mr. Wesley, p. xii. To ME'THODIZE. v. a. [from method.] To regulate; to dispose in order.

Resolv'd his unripe vengeance to defer, The royal spy retir'd again unseen,

To brood in secret on his gather'd spleen,

And methodize revenge. Dryden, Boccace. The man who does not know how to methodise his thoughts, has always a barren superfluity of words; the fruit is lost amidst the exuberance of

One who brings with him any observations which he has made in his reading of the poets, will find his own reflections methodized and explained, in the works of a good critick. Addison, Spect. Those rules of old discover'd, not devis'd, Are nature still, but nature methodis'd. Pope.

Mетно'ugнт. the preterite of methinks. See METHINKS and MESEEMS. I thought: it appeared to me. I know not that any author has meseemed, though it is more grammatical, and deduced analogically from meseems. Dr. Johnson. -Dr. Johnson had forgotten meseemed in an example from Spenser, which he himself has cited under meseems. Addison has once used, improperly, methoughts. " Methoughts I returned to the great hall." Spect. No. 3.

Methought, a serpent eat my heart away. And you sat smiling at his cruel prey. Shakspeare. Since I sought

By prayer the offended Deity to appease; Kneel'd, and before him humbled all my heart, Methought, I saw him placable, and mild. Bending his ear: persuasion in me grew
That I was heard with favour; peace return'd Home to my breast; and to my memory His promise, 'That thy seed shall bruise our foe." Milton, P. L.

Methought I stood on a wide river's bank, Which I must needs o'erpass, but knew not how.

up;" and of which appellation it has since been with an absurd air of consequence Fearful; timid. Not in use. Coles. METI'CULOUSLY.* adv. [from meticulous.] Timidly.

Move circumspectly, not meticulously. Brown, Chr. Mor. i. 93.

Put by metonymy for something else. The verbal signification of these words being metonymical, it will be best to leave them to their own place.

Dalgarno, Deuf and Dumb Man's Tutor, p. 61.

METONY'MICALLY. adv. [from metonymical.] By metonymy; not literally.

The disposition of the coloured body, as that modifies the light, may be called by the name of a colour metonymically, or efficiently; that is, in regard of its turning the light that rebounds from it, or passes through it, into this or that particular colour. Boyle on Colours.

ME'TONYMY. n. s. [metonymie, French; μελωνυμία.] A rhetorical figure, by which one word is put for another, as the matter for the materiate; he died by steel, that is, by a sword.

They differ only as cause and effect, which by a metonymy usual in all sorts of authors, are frequently put one for another. Tillotson.

ME'TOPE.* n. s. [metope, French.] A square space between triglyphs in the frize of the Dorick order. Sherwood.

The entablature and all its parts and ornaments, architrave, frieze, cornice, triglyphs, metopes, modiglions, and the rest, have each an use, or appearance of use, in giving firmness and union to the building, in protecting it from the weather, in casting off the rain, in representing the ends of the beams with their intervals, the production of the rafters, and so forth. Dr. Warton, Ess. on Pope.

METOPO'SCOPIST.* n. s. [from metoposcopy.] One versed in the study of physiognomy.

Among the whole tribe of metoposcopists, there is not so much as one who goes about to prove his

Philosoph. Letters on Physiognomy, (1751,) p. 206.

METOPO'SCOPY. † n. s. [metoposcopie, French; μέτωπον and σκέπτω.] The study of physiognomy; the art of knowing the characters of men by the countenance.

Signs of melancholy from physiognomy, metoposcopy, chiromancy. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 56. Fac. Doctor, how canst thou know this so soon? I am amus'd at that!

By a rule, captain,

In metaposcopy, which I do work by;
A certain star i'the forehead, which you see not. B. Jonson, Alchemist.

There was a seam in the middle of his [K. Ch. I.] forehead, downwards; which is a very ill sign in metoposcopie. Aubrey's Miscellanies, p. 38.

ME'TRE. n. s. [metrum, Latin; μέτρον.] Speech confined to a certain number and harmonick disposition of syllables; verse; measure; numbers.

For the metre sake, some words be driven awry which require a straighter placing in plain Ascham, Schoolmaster. prose.

Abuse the city's best good men in metre, To laugh at lords. ME'TRICAL. † adj. [metricus, Latin; me-

trique, French.] 1. Pertaining to metre or numbers.

Let any the best psalmist of them all compose a hymn in metrical form, and sing it to a new tune with perfect and true musick.

Bp. Taylor on Extemp. Prayer, § 29. 2. Consisting of verses: as, metrical pre-

A voluminous metrical translation of Guido de Warton, Hist. E. P. i. 119. Colonna. Most of the old metrical romances are, from their nature, supposed to be incoherent rhapsodies.

Ibid. p. 182. METRICIAN.* | n. s. [from metre.] A
METRIST. | writer of verses. Two

old and significant words. Ye, that ben metriciens, me excuse.

Chaucer, Court of Love. Blind popish poets, and dirtye metristes. Bale on the Revel. P. ii. (1550,) sign. c. ii.

METRO'POLIS. † n. s. [metropolis, Latin; metropole, French; μήτηρ and πόλις, Gr. Very rarely found with a plural. Dr. Johnson has given no example. The learned Hammond affords one.] The mother city; the chief city of any country or district.

His eye discovers unaware The goodly prospect of some foreign land, First seen: or some renown'd metropolis, With glistering spires and pinnacles adorn'd.

Milton, P. R. Reduc'd in careful watch

Milton, P. L. Round their metropolis. Many cities became metropoles, which formerly were not. Hammond on the Ep. to the Philipp. i. 1. We stopped at Pavia, that was once the metropolis of a kingdom, but at present a poor town.

Addison on Italy. METROPO'LITAN. † n. s. [metropolitanus, Latin.] A bishop of the mother church; an archbishop.

Gregorye - admitted him for the first metropoytane of all the whole realme, appointing his seate

from thence forth at Canterbury.

Bale, Acts of Eng. Vot. P. i. (1550,) p. 31.

He was promoted to Canterbury upon the death of Dr. Bancroft, that metropolitan, who understood the church excellently, and countenanced men of the greatest parts in learning. Clarendon.
METROPO'LITAN † adj. Belonging to a

metropolis. Their patriarch, of a covetous desire to enrich himself, had forborn to institute metropolitan bishops.

Still to acknowledge God's ancient people their | betters, and that language the metropolitan lan-Milton, Tetrachordon.

METRO'POLITE.* n. s. [from metropolis.] A metropolitan; an archbishop; a bishop of the mother church.

Other ancient synods style him metropolite; and to the metropolites of the principal cities they gave the title of archbishop.

Barrow on the Pope's Supremacy. The patriarch of Constantinople is elected by the metropolites, or bishops, according to the plurality of voices.

Ricaut, State of the Greek Church, p. 95. All the power he hath, is to constitute an archbishop over them, whose seat is at Careis, and another at Sidero-Copti, but subordinate to the Ibid. p. 250. metropolite of Thessalonica.

METROPOLI'TICAL. † adj. [from metropolis.] 1. Chief or principal as applied to cities.

He fearing the power of the Christians was

2. Denoting archiepiscopal dignity or

Having at that time a lawful archbishop of their own, legally established in the metropolitical chair. Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Marr. Clergy, p. 91. The erection of a power in the person of Titus,

a metropolitical power over the whole island of Abp. Sancroft, Serm. p. 4.

METROPO'LITICK.* adj. Archiepiscopal. Not in use.

Kent - had the first English king; in it was the first Christianity among the English, and Canterbury then honoured with the motropolitique Seldon on Drayton's Polyolb. S. 18.

ME'TTLE. n. s. [corrupted from metal, but commonly written so when the metaphorical sense is used.]

1. Spirit; spriteliness; courage. What a blunt fellow is this grown to be? He was quick mettle when he went to school.

Shaksneare I had rather go with sir priest than sir knight: I care not who knows so much of my mettle.

Shakspeare, Tw. Night. Upon this heaviness of the king's forces, interpreted to be fear and want of mettle, divers resorted Hayward, Edw. VI. to the seditious.

He had given so frequent testimony of signal courage in several actions, that his mettle was never suspected. 'Tis more to guide than spur the muse's steed,

Restrain his fury, than provoke his speed; The winged courser, like a gen'rous horse, Shows most true mettle when you check his course.

2. Substance: this at least should be

Oh thou! whose self-same mettle, Whereof thy proud child, arrogant man, is puft, Engenders the black toad, and adder blue. Shaksp.

ME'TTLED. † adj. [from mettle.] Spritely; courageous; full of ardour; full of fire. Such a light and metall'd dance

Saw you never. An ineffectual laziness is the seminary both of vice and infamy: it clouds the metalled mind, it mists the wit, and choaks up all the sciences.

Feltham, Res. ii. 49. Nor would you find it easy to compose The mettled steeds, when from their nostrils flows The scorching fire that in their entrails glows.

ME'TTLESOME. adj. [from mettle.] Spritely; lively; gay; brisk; airy; fiery; coura-

Their force differs from true spirit, as much as a vicious from a mettlesome horse. Tatler, No. 61. ME'TTLESOMELY. adv. [from mettlesome.] With spriteliness.

Me'TWAND.* n. s. See Metewand.
The golden metwand of the law.

Burke, Speech on the Middlesex Elect. MEW. † n. s. [mue, French. Dr. Johnson. - The word mue denotes a change; "hence any casting of the coat or skin, as the muing of a hawk." Cotgrave. Then it came to denote a cage, in which the hawk was kept till he had moulted; and lastly a cage in general.]

1. A cage for hawks. The king's mews at Charing Cross is the place where formerly the king's hawks were kept.

By her beddes head she made a mew: -Thus lete I Canace her hauk keping.

Chaucer, Squ. Tale. gone as far as Gratia, the metropolitical city of 2. A cage; an inclosure; a place where any thing is confined.

Forth-coming from her darksome mew, Where she all day did hide her hated hew.

Spenser, F. Q. There then she does transform to monstruous hues.

And horribly mis-shapes with ugly sights, Captiv'd eternally in iron mews,

And darksome dens, where Titan his face never Spenser, F. Q. Her lofty hand would of itself refuse

To touch the dainty needle or nice thread; She hated chambers, closets, secret mews, And in broad fields preserv'd her maidenhead.

3. [Mæp, Saxon.] A sea-fowl.

Among the first sort we reckon coots, sanderlings, and meawes. The vessel sticks, and shews her open'd side, And on her shatter'd mast the mews in triumph Dryden.

To MEW. + v. a. [from the noun.] 1. To shut up; to confine; to imprison;

to inclose. He in dark corners mew'd,

Mutter'd of matters as their books them shew'd. Spenser, Hubb. Tale. Why should your fears, which, as they say, at-

The steps of wrong, then move you to mew up Your tender kinsman. Shakspeare, K. John. Fair Hermia, question your desires; Know of your youth, examine well your blood,

Whether if you yield not to your father's choice, You can endure the livery of a nun; For aye to be in shady cloister mew'd, To live a barren sister all your life,

Chanting faint hymns to the cold, fruitless moon. Shakspeare.

More pity that the eagle should be mew'd, While kites and buzzards prey at liberty.

Shakspeare. Feign them sick,

Close mew'd in their sedans for fear of air. Dryden, Juv.

It is not possible to keep a young gentleman from vice by a total ignorance of it, unless you will all his life mew him up in a closet, and never let him go into company.

2. To shed the feathers. It is, I believe, used in this sense, because birds are, by close confinement, brought to shed their feathers. Dr. Johnson. - It is rather, I should suppose, from the original meaning of muer, to change, from the Latin mutare; thence to change or cast the skin or feathers.

Stand forth, transform'd Antonio, fully mew'd From brown soar feathers of dull yeomanry, To the glorious bloom of gentry.

Albumazar, (1614.) The sun hath mew'd his beams from off his

And majesty defac'd the royal stamp.

Cleaveland. Nine times the moon had mew'd her horns, at length

With travel weary, unsupply'd with strength, And with the burden of her womb opprest, Sabean fields afford her needful rest.

3, [Miauler, French; miaua, Icel.] cry as a cat.

Let Hercules himself do what he may. The cat will mew, the dog will have his day.

Shakspeare. They are not improveable beyond their own genius: a dog will never learn to mew, nor a

cat to bark. To Mew.* v. n. [muer, Fr.] To change;

to put on a new appearance. The foules about the field do syng; now every

thing doth mewe, And shifts his rustie winter robe.

Turbervile, Ecl.

Me'wing.* n.s. [from mew.] The act of Cotgrave. I should discourse of hawks, then treat of their ayries, mewings, casting and renovation of their

Walton. To Mewl. v. n. [miauler, French.] To squall as a child.

The infant

Mewling and puking in the nurse's arms.

Shakspeare.

ME'WLER.* n.s. [from mewl; Fr. miauleur.] One who squalls or mewls. Cotgrave. Me'zereon. n. s. A species of spurge laurel.

Mezereon is common in our gardens, and on the Alps and Pyrenean mountains: every part of this shrub is acrid and pungent, and inflames the mouth and throat.

MEZZO-RELI'EVO.* n. s. [Italian.] Projection of figures between the proportion of those in alto and basso-relievo; called also demi-relievo.

We saw antique figures of men, carved in the natural rock, in mezzo-relievo, and in bigness equal to the life. Maundrell, Trav. p. 37.

ME'ZZOTI'NTO. n.s. [Italian.] A kind of graving so named as nearly resembling paint, the word importing half-painted: It is done by beating the whole into asperity with a hammer, and then rubbing it down with a stone to the resemblance intended.

MEYNT. † adj. Mingled. See To MEINE. Obsolete.

MI'ASM. n. s. [from μιαίνω, inquino, to infect.] Such particles or atoms as are supposed to arise from distempered, putrefying, or poisonous bodies, and to affect people at a distance.

The plague is a malignant fever, caused through pestilential miasms insinuating into the humoral and consistent parts of the body.

Harvey on Consumptions. MI'CA.* n. s. [Latin.] A mineral substance capable of being divided into thin, flexible, and elastic leaves.

Coloured micas generally contain some me-

tallic matters, chiefly iron; and are much more fusible than those which are pure and colourless.

MICA'CEOUS.* adj. [from mica.] nature of mica; easily separable.

A reddish earth filled with friable micaceous Pennant.

Mice, the plural of mouse.

Mice that mar the land. 1 Sam. vi. 5. MI'CHAELMASS. [Michael and mass.] The feast of the archangel Michael, celebrated on the twenty-ninth of September.

They compounded to furnish ten oxen after Michaelmass for thirty pounds price. Carew.

To MICHE.† v. n. [a word of great age in our language; perhaps from the old French mucer, musser, to conceal, to lurk, Cotgrave; mucha, concealed, Kelham.

1. To pilfer; to commit secret theft. "Mychyn or pryvely stelyn smale thyngs." Prompt. Parv.

What he may get of his michynge.

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 5. Miching or mightie thieves. Lambard, Eirenarch, (1610,) p. 186.

2. To be secret or covered; to lie hid; to lurk out of sight; to play truant. See MICHER.

Lest any of them should straggle up and downe the countrey, or mich in corners amongst their friends idlely. Spenser on Ireland.

Wherefore thus vainely in land Lybye mitche Stanyhurst, Virg. (1582.) Marry, this is miching mallecho; it means mischief. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

MI'CHER. † n. s. [from miche.] 1. A thief; a pilferer. So used in Nor-

folk. See also MICHERY. A micher forsworne. Chaucer, Rom. R. 6541. Wanton wenches, and also mychers,

With many other of the devyll's officers. Old Morality of Hycke-Scorner.

2. A lazy loiterer, who skulks about in corners and by-places, and keeps out of sight; a hedge-creeper.

Mich or mick is still retained in the cant language for an indolent, lazy fellow. It is used in the western counties for a truant boy.

How tenderly her tender hands between

In ivory cage she did the micher bind. Sidnen How like a micher he stands, as though he had truanted from honesty.

Lily, Moth. Bombie, (1594.) Shall the blessed sun of heaven prove a micher, and eat blackberries? a question not to be asked. Shall the son of England prove a thief, and take purses? a question to be asked.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

MI'CHERY.* n. s. [from miche.] Theft; cheating.

With covetise yet I finde A servant of the same kinde, Which stelth is hote; and micherie

With him is ever in companie.

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 5. MI'CKLE adj. [micel, Saxon; mikil, old Teut. mikel, Icel. μεγαλος, Greek. "Vox antiquissima," Serenius observes.] Much; great. Still used in our northern counties.

This rede is rife, that oftentime Great clymbers fall unsoft:

In humble dales is footing fast, The trode is not so tickle,

And though one fall through heedless haste. Yet is his misse not mickle.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. July. Many a little makes a mickle. Camden, Rem. If I to-day die don't with Frenchmen's rage, To-morrow I shall die with mickle age.

Shakspeare, Henry VI. O, mickle is the pow'rful grace, that lies In plants, herbs, stones, and their true qualities. Shakspeare.

All this tract that fronts the falling sun. A noble peer, of mickle trust and power, Has in his charge. Milton, Comus.

MI'CROCOSM. n. s. [µίκρος and κόσμος.] The little world. Man is so called as being imagined, by some fanciful philosophers, to have in him something analogous to the four elements. You see this in the map of my microcosm.

Shakspeare, Cariol. She to whom this world must itself refer,

As suburbs, or the microcosm of her: She, she is dead; she's dead, when thou know'st this.

Thou know'st how lame a creeple this world is. Donne.

As in this our microcosm, the heart Heat, spirit, motions gives to every part: So Rome's victorious influence did disperse All her own virtues through the universe.

Philosophers say, that man is a microcosm, or little world, resembling in miniature every part of the great; and the body natural may be compared to the body politick. MICROCO'SMICAL.* adj. [from microcosm.]

Pertaining to the microcosm.

Calculate thyself within; seek not thyself in the moon, but in thine own orb or microcosmical Brown, Chr. Mor. circumference.

Mi'crography. n. s. [μικρὸς and γράφω.]
The description of the parts of such very small objects as are discernible only with a microscope.

The honey-bag is the stomach, which they always fill to satisfy and to spare, vomiting up the greater part of the honey to be kept against winter: a curious description and figure of the sting see in Mr. Hook's micrography. Grew. Mus.

MI'CROSCOPE. n. s. [μικρος and σκοπέω; microscope, French.] An optick instrument, contrived various ways to give to the eye a large appearance of many objects which could not otherwise be seen.

If the eye were so acute as to rival the finest microscopes, and to discern the smallest hair upon the leg of a gnat, it would be a curse, and not a blessing, to us; it would make all things appear rugged and deformed; the most finely polished crystal would be uneven and rough; the sight of our own selves would affright us; the smoothest skin would be beset all over with ragged scales and bristly hairs.

The critick eye, that microscope of wit, Sees hairs and pores, examines bit by bit.

Pope, Dunciad. MICRO'METER. n. s. [μίκρος and μέτρον; mi-crometre, French.] An instrument contrived to measure small spaces.

MICROSCO'PICAL. adj. [from microscope.]

1. Made by a microscope.

Make microscopical observations of the figure and bulk of the constituent parts of all fluids. Arbuthnot and Pope.

2. Assisted by a microscope.

Evading even the microscopic eye!
Full nature swarms with life. Thomson, Summer.

3. Resembling a microscope. Why has not man a microscopic eye? For this plain reason, Man is not a fly. Say what the use, were finer opticks given, T' inspect a mite, not comprehend the heaven?

MID. † adj. [contracted from middle, or derived from mid, Dutch. Dr. Johnson. - It is the Saxon mibb.

1. Middle; equally between two extremes. No more the mountain larks, while Daphne sings, Shall, lifting in mid air, suspend their wings.

Ere the mid hour of night, from tent to tent, Unweary'd, through th' num'rous host he past.

2. It is much used in composition. MID-AGE.* n. s. [mid and age.]

1. The middle age of life. 2. Persons in that state.

Virgins and boys, mid-age, and wrinkled eld. Shakspeare, Tr. and Cress.

MID-COURSE. n. s. [mid and course.] Middle of the way.

Why in the east

Darkness ere day's mid-course? and morning light, More orient in you western cloud, that draws O'er the blue firmament a radiant white? Milton, P. L.

MID-DAY. adj. [mid and day.] Meri-

dional, being at noon. Who shoots at the mid-day sun, though he be sure he shall never hit the mark, yet as sure he is

he shall shoot higher than he who aims but at a His sparkling eyes, replete with awful fire,

More dazzled and drove back his enemies. Than mid-day sun fierce bent against their faces. Shakspeare

Did he not lead you through the mid-day sun, And clouds of dust? Did not his temples glow In the same sultry winds and scorching heats?

MID-DAY. n. s. Noon; meridian. Who have before, or shall write after thee, Their works, though toughly laboured, will be Like infancy or age to man's firm stay, Or early or late twilights to mid-day.

MID-HEAVEN. n. s. [mid and heaven.] The middle of the sky. But the hot hell that always in him burns,

Though in mid-heaven, soon ended his delight. Milton, P. L

MID-SEA. n. s. [mid and sea.] terranean sea. Our Tyrrhene Pharos, that the mid-sea meets

With its embrace, and leaves the land behind. Dryden.

MID-WOOD.* adj. [mid and wood.] In the middle of the wood.

Hence let me haste into the mid-wood shade. Thomson, Sum.

MI'DA.* n. s. [midas, Fr. μιδας, Greek.] A worm, or maggot, of which is produced the purple fly, found on beanflowers, and thence called the bean-fly. Chambers.

MI'DDEN.* \ n. s. [Sax. mibbing.] MI'DDING. \ dunghill. Used in Used in the north of England.

A very midden or muckheape of all the grossest errors and heresies of the Romish church, Favour, Antiq. Triumph. over Nov. (1619,) p. 518. MI'DDEST. superl. of mid, middest, midst.

Yet the stout fairy 'mongst the middest crowd, Thought all their glory vain in knightly view.

MI'DDLE. adj. [mibbel, Saxon.]

1. Equally distant from the two extremes. The lowest virtues draw praise from the common people; the middle virtues work in them astonishment; but of the highest virtues they have Bacon, Ess.

A middle station of life, within reach of those conveniences which the lower orders of mankind must necessarily want, and yet without embarrassment of greatness.

To deliver all his fleet to the Romans, except ten middle-sized brigantines. Arbuthnot on Coins. I like people of middle understanding and mid-

dle rank. 2. Intermediate; intervening.

Will, seeking good, finds many middle ends.

3. Middle finger; the long finger. You first introduce the middle finger of the left-hand. Sharp.

MI'DDLE. n. s.

1. Part equally distant from two extremities; the part remote from the verge.

There come people down by the middle of the Judges.

With roof so low that under it They never stand, but lie or sit; And yet so foul, that whose is in,

Is to the middle leg in prison. The time that passes, or events that

happen, between the beginning and end. The causes and designs of an action are the beginning; the effects of these causes, and the difficulties met with in the execution of these designs, are the middle; and the unravelling and resolution of these difficulties are the end. Dryden. MIDDLE-AGED. adj. [middle and age.]

Placed about the middle of life.

A middle-aged man, that was half grey, half brown, took a fancy to marry two wives L'Estrange.

The middle-aged support fasting the best, be cause of the oily parts abounding in the blood. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

I found you a very young man, and left you a middle-aged one: you knew me a middle-aged man, and now I am an old one.

MIDDLE-EARTH.* n. s. [Sax. mibbal-eapb.] The world; the place between the ethereal and lower regions.

[Fairies!] - I smell a man of middle-earth. Shakspeare, Mer. W. of Windsor.

O monster of mankind, fitter for hell than mid-Watson, Quodlibets of Religion, &c. dle-earth. (1602,) p. 238.

The Medi- MIDDLE-WITTED.* adj. [middle and wit.] Of moderate abilities.

The women, the shopkeepers, and the middlewitted people. Iz. Walton, Love and Truth, Lett. 2.

MI'DDLEMOST. adj. [from middle.] Being in the middle. Why have not some beasts more than four feet,

suppose six, and the middlemost shorter than the

The outmost fringe vanished first, and the middlemost next, and the innermost last.

Newton, Onticks The outward stars, with their systems of planets, must necessarily have descended toward the middlemost system of the universe, whither all would be most strongly attracted from all parts of a finite Bentley, Sermon. space. MI'DDLING. adj. [from middle.]

1. Of middle rank; of condition equally remote from high and low.

A middling sort of a man, left well enough to pass by his father, could never think he had enough so long as any man had more. L'Estrange, Fab. 2. Of moderate size; having moderate qualities of any kind.

The bigness of a church ought to be no greater than that unto which the voice of a preacher of middling lungs will easily extend.

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Graunt, Bills of Mortality. Longinus preferred the sublime genius that sometimes errs, to the *middling* or indifferent one, which makes few faults, but seldom rises to any

MI'DDLINGLY.* adv. [from middling.] Passably; indifferently.

Johnson, in V. Indifferently.

MIDGE. † n. s. [micbze, Saxon.] A gnat. Where there is no place

For the glow-worm to lye, Where there is no space For receipt of a fly,

Where the midge dares not venture. Old Ballad, Percy's Rel. iii. iii. 3.

MI'DLAND. adj. [mid and land.]

1. Remote from the coast.

The same name is given to the inlanders or midland inhabitants of this island, by Cæsar. Brown, Vulg. Err.

The midland towns abounding in wealth, shews that her riches are intern and domestick.

Howel, Voc. Forest. The various dialects of the English in the North and West, render their expressions many times unintelligible to the other, and both scarce intelligible to the midland.

2. Surrounded by land; mediterranean. There was the Plymouth squadron now come in, Which twice on Biscay's working bay had been, And on the midland sea the French had aw'd.

MI'DLEG. n. s. [mid and leg.] Middle of the leg.

He had fifty attendants, young men all, in white satten, loose coats to the midleg, and stockings of white silk.

MI'DLENT.* n.s. [mis-lencten, Sax.] The middle of lent.

The fourth [Sunday in Lent] is with us generally called midlent Sunday. Wheatly on the Comm. Prayer, p. 227.

MI'DLENTING.* adj. Going about to visit

parents at midlent. See Mothering. A custom still retained in many parts of Eng-

land, and well known by the name of midlenting or mothering. Wheatly on the Comm. Pr. p. 227.

MI'DMOST. + adj. [from mid, or contracted from middlemost: this is one of the words which have not a comparative, though they seem to have a superlative degree. Dr. Johnson. - It is the Saxon miomerca.] The middle.

Now van to van the foremost squadrons meet, The midmost battles hasting up behind. Dryden. Hear himself repine

At fate's unequal laws, and at the clue, Which, merciless in length, the midmost sister drew. Dryden.

What dulness dropt among her sons imprest, Like motion, from one circle to the rest:

So from the midmost the nutation spreads Round and more round o'er all the sea of heads.

MI'DNIGHT. † n. s. [mid and night; mibniht, Sax.] Milton seems to have accented the last syllable, Dr. Johnson observes; which indeed was not peculiar to him. Shakspeare more than once has so accented it; and Mallet, in the first edition of his William and Margaret, thus gives it:

When all was wrapt in dark midnight, " And all were fast asleep:"

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Which however he borrowed from elder poetry; and in a subsequent edition changed midnight and the two lines into the cold and quaint periphrasis of "the silent solemn hour, when night and morning meet."] The noon of night; the depth of night; twelve at night.

To be up after midnight, and to go to bed then, is early; so that to go to bed after midnight, is to go betimes. By night he fled, and at midnight return'd

From compassing the earth; cautious of day.

Milton, P. L. After this time came on the midnight of the church, wherein the very names of the councils were forgotten, and men did only dream of what had past. Stilling flect.

In all that dark midnight of popery there were still some gleams of light, some witnesses that arose to give testimony to the truth, Atterbury.

They can tell what altitude the dog-star had at midnight or midnoon in Rome when Julius Cæsar was slain. Watts.

What is't you do? Shakspeare, Macbeth.

I hope my midnight studies, to make our countries flourish in mysterious and beneficent arts, have not ungratefully affected your intellects.

Some solitary cloister will I chuse, Coarse my attire, and short shall be my sleep, Broke by the melancholy midnight bell.

Dryden, Sp. Friar. MI'DRIFF. n. s. [mishpire, Saxon.] The

diaphragm.

The midriff divides the trunk of the body into two cavities; the thorax and abdomen: it is composed of two muscles; the first and superior of these arises from the sternum, and the ends of the last ribs on each side. second and inferior muscle comes from the vertebræ of the loins by two productions, of which that on the right side comes from the first, second, and third vertebræ of the loins; that on the left side is somewhat shorter, and both these productions join and make the lower part of the midriff. Quincy.

Whereat he inly rag'd, and as they talk'd Smote him into the midriff with a stone,

That beat out life. Milton, P. L. In the gullet, where it perforateth the midriff, the carneous fibres of that muscular part are in-

MI'DSHIP.* n. s. [mid and ship.] A term of distinction, applied by shipwrights to several pieces of timber which lie in the broadest part of the vessel. Chambers.

MI'DSHIPMAN. n. s. [from mid, ship, and

Midshipmen are officers aboard a ship, whose station is some on the quarterdeck, others on the poop. Their business is to mind the braces, to look out, and to give about the word of command from the captain, and other superior officers: they also assist, on all occasions, both in sailing the ship, and in storing and rummaging the hold. Harris.

MIDST. n. s. Middle.
All is well when nothing pleases but God, being thankful in the midst of his afflictions.

Bp. Taylor, Guide to Devotion.

Arise, ye subtle spirits that can spy When love is enter'd in a female's eye You that can read it in the midst of doubt, And in the midst of frowns can find it out.

MIDST. adj. [contracted from middest, the superlative of mid.] Midmost; being in the middle.

On earth join all ye creatures to extol Him first, Him last, Him midst, and without end.

Milton, P. L. In the Slighted Maid, there is nothing in the first act but what might have been said or done in the fifth; nor any thing in the midst which might not have been placed in the beginning.

Dryden, Dufresnoy.

Midst.* prep. Sometimes poetically used for amidst, in all its senses.

MIDSTRE'AM. n. s. [mid and stream.] Middle of the stream.

The midstream's his, I creeping by the side, And shoulder'd off by his impetuous tide. Dryden.

MI'DNIGHT. adj. Being in the middle of the night.

How now, you secret, black, and midnight hags?

MI'DSUMMER.† n. s. [mid and summer; Sax. midjumep.] The summer solstice, reckoned to fall on June the twenty-

However orthodox my sentiments relating to publick affairs may be while I am now writing, they may become criminal enough to bring me into trouble before Midsummer. At eve last Midsummer no sleep I sought.

Gay, Past. MI'DWARD.* adj. [missepeaps, Saxon.] Midst; being in the middle.

Prompt. Parv. MI'DWAY. n. s. [mid and way.] The part of the way equally distant from the beginning and end.

No midway 'twixt these extremes at all.

Shakspeare. He were an excellent man that were made in the midway between him and Benedick; the one is too like an image, and says nothing; and the other too like my lady's eldest son, evermore tattling.

Shakspeare, Much Ado. Pity and shame! that they, who to live well

Stood so fair, should turn aside to tread Paths indirect, or in the midway faint!

Milton, P. L. The hare laid himself down about midway, and took a nap; for I can fetch up the tortoise when How didst thou arrive at this place of darkness,

when so many rivers of the ocean lie in the midway. Broome

MI'DWAY. adj. Being in the middle between two places.

How fearful And dizzy 'tis, to cast one's eyes so low! The crows and choughs that wing the midway air, Shew scarce so gross as beetles. Shakspeare.

MI'DWAY. adv. In the middle of the pas-

With dry eyes, and with an open look, She met his glance midway. Dryden, Boccace.

MI'DWIFE. † n. s. [This is derived, both by Skinner and Junius, from mis or meed, a reward, and pir, Saxon. Dr. Johnson. — The interpretation of this etymology, which Verstegan also gives, is, "a woman of meed, deserving recompence." But this seems a forced meaning. May not the word be more naturally derived from the Saxon proposition mib, with, and pir, wife; implying the wife or woman who is attendant upon, that is,

with the woman in childbirth?] A woman who assists women in childbirth.

When man doth die, our body, as the womb, And as a midwife, death directs it home. Donne. Without a midwife these their throes sustain, And, bowing, bring their issue forth with pain, Sandys.

There saw I how the secret felon wrought, And treason lab'ring in the traitor's thought, And midwife time the ripen'd plot to murder brought. Dryden, Kn. Tale. I had as clear a notion of the relation of brothers between them, as if I had all the skill of a midwife.

But no man, sure! e'er left his house And saddled Ball with thoughts so wild, To bring a midwife to his spouse,

Before he knew she was with child. To MI'DWIFE.* \ v. a. [from the noun.] To MI'DWIVE.

 To assist in childbirth. Without this ubiquity, how could she be seen at harvest, wiping the faces of reaping monks, whilst she is elsewhere burning villages, or in a rich abby midwiving an abbess, whom her steward had unfortunately gotten with child?

Brevint, Saul and Sam. at Endor, (1674,) p. 86.

2. To produce.

This child of yours, born without spurious blot, And fairly midwiv'd, as it was begot, Doth so much of the parents' goodness bear, You may be proud to own it for your heir.

Bp. H. King, Verses pref. to Sandys's Ps. (1648.)
The soul, by the same strength, as opportunities do midwife them out, brings forth christian spiritual tions. Hammond, Works, iv. 573.

Two severe fits of sickness did midwive them

[two discourses] into the world.

Dulgarno, Deaf & Dumb Man's Tutor, (1680,) Intr. Having been before only as an embryo, ready to be midwifed into the world.

Chancellor Geddes, Tracts, iv. 80.

To MI'DWIFE.* v.n. To perform the office of a midwife.

Where was the "genius loci" when this disaster happened? Perhaps in the office of Diana, when her temple was burning, gone a midwifing. Warburton to Hurd, Let. 21.

MI'DWIFERY. † n. s. [from midwife.]

Assistance given at childbirth.

2. Trade of a widwife.

3. Act of production; help to production: co-operation in production.

Sharp inventions - begotten, or at least brought. forth, by the midwifery of a pipe of good tobacco!

Bp. Taylor, Artif. Hundsom. p. 119.

As to mental midwivery, and communication of our notions. Whitlock, Mann. of the Eng. p. 478. So hasty fruits, and too ambitious flowers,

Scorning the midwifry of rip'ning showers, In spight of frosts spring from th' unwilling earth,

There was never any thing propounded for public good, that did not meet with opposition; arising from the humour of such as would have nothing brought into the world but by their own midwifry. Child, Disc. on Trade.

MI'DWINTER.† n. s. [mid and winter; Saxon, mispincep. "Christmas-day is frequently called, in our old monuments, mispinepa-sæz, midwinter-day, and mispincper-mærre, midwinter-masse: from whence, I suppose, it may reasonably be concluded, that, when that name was first applied to that day, the day whereon Christmas fell was in the calendar either coincident with, or not far removed from, the winter solstice." Hammond, Works, i. 651.] The winter solstice; December the twenty-first.

Begin when the slow waggoner descends, Nor cease your sowing till midwinter ends

MIEN. † n. s. [mine, French. Dr. Johnson. _ Mynd, Goth. the countenance. Sere-Air; look; manner.

[He] mark'd her rare demeanure, which him seemed

So farre the meane of shepheards to excell.

Spenser, F. Q. vi. ix. 11. In her alone that owns this book is seen Clorinda's spirit, and her lofty mien. Waller

What can have more the figure and mien of a ruin, than craggs, rocks, and cliffs.

Burnet, The. of the Earth. One, in whom an outward mien appear'd, And turn superior to the vulgar herd. What winning graces, what majestick mien, She moves a goddess, and she looks a queen. Pope.

MIFF.* n. s. Displeasure; ill-humour: "He left me in a miff;" a colloquial expression in many places; and a word well authorized.

They take a miff at him, they pirke up them-selves, and come boldly and malapertly to him. Bp. Ward, Apol. for the Myst. of the Gos. (1673,) p. 32.

MIGHT. the preterite of may. [what the A. Saxons wrote mæzeo or mæzoe, i. e. what one mayeth; the third person singular of the indicative of mazan, valere, posse. Mr. H. Tooke, Div. of Purl. ii.

1. To have had power to; to have been possible.

Matters of such consequence should be in plain words, as little liable as might be to doubt. Locke. 2. Used by Spenser for should.

The thing that might not be, and yet was done. Spenser, F. Q. i. vi. 39.

MIGHT. n. s. [mizht, Saxon.] Power; strength; force.
What so strong,

But wanting rest, will also want of night? Spenser. Quoth she, great grief will not be told, And can more easily be thought than said;

Right so, quoth he, but he that never would, Could never; will to might gives greatest aid.

An oath of mickle might. Shakspeare, Hen. V. Wherefore should not strength and might Milton, P. L. There fail, where virtue fails.

MIGHT and main. Utmost force; highest degree of strength.

With might and main they chac'd the murd'rous

With brazen trumpets and inflated box. Dryden. This privilege the clergy in England formerly contended for with all might and main. Ayliffe, Parergon.

Mi'GHTILY. † adv. [mihtilice, Saxon.]

1. With great power; powerfully; efficaciously; forcibly. With whom ordinary means will prevail, surely

the power of the word of God, even without the help of interpreters, in God's church worketh mightily, not unto their confirmation alone which are converted, but also to their conversion which So mightily grew the word of God, and prevailed.

Acts, xix. 20. 2 Vehemently; vigorously; violently.

Do as adversaries do in law,

Strive mightily, but eat and drink as friends. Shaks.

Let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, Jonah, iii. 8. and cry mightily unto God. 3. In a great degree; very much. This low language.

Therein thou wrong'st thy children mightily. Shakspeare.

There's ne'er a one of you but trusts a knave, That mightily deceives you. Titus Andronicus. An ass and an ape conferring grievances: the

ass complained mightily for want of horns, and the ape for want of a tail. L'Estrange, Fab. These happening nearer home made so lasting impressions upon their minds, that the tradition of the old deluge was mightily obscured, and the circumstances of it interwoven and confounded with those of these later deluges. Woodward.

I was mightily pleased with a story applicable to this piece of philosophy. Spectator.

MI'GHTINESS.† n. s. [miltineffe, Saxon.]
Power; greatness; height of dignity.

Think you see them great, And followed with general throng and sweat Of thousand friends; then in a moment see, How soon this mightiness meets misery.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. Will't please your mightiness to wash your hands?

Mı'єнту.† adj. [mıhтız, Saxon.]

1. Strong; valiant. The shield of the mighty is vilely cast away.

He is wise in heart, and mighty in strength.

Amazement seiz'd The rebel thrones, but greater rage to sec Thus foil'd their mightiest. Milton, P. L.

2. Powerful; having great command. Nimrod began to be a mighty one in the earth.

The Creator, calling forth by name His mighty angels, gave them sev'ral charge. Milton, P. L.

3. Powerful by influence. Jove left the blissful realms above, Dryden. Such is the power of mighty love.

4. Great in number.

He from him will raise Milton, P. L. A mighty nation. The dire event

Hath lost us heaven, and all this mighty host In horrible destruction laid thus low

5. Strong in corporeal or intellectual

Woe to them that are mighty to drink wine.

Thou fall'st where many mightier have been slain. Broome. 6. Impetuous; violent.

A rushing like the rushing of mighty waters. Isaiah. Intreat the Lord, for it is enough, that there be no more mighty thunderings and hail. Exodus.

7. Vast; enormous; bulky. They sunk as lead in the mighty waters. Exodus.

Giants of mighty bone and bold emprise. Milton, P. L. 8. Excellent; of superior eminence.

Lydiate excell'd the mighty Scaliger and Selden. The mighty master smil'd. Dryden.

9. Forcible; efficacious. Great is truth, and mighty above all things.

10. Expressing or implying power. If the mighty works which have been done in thee had been done in Sodom, it would have re-St. Matthew. mained.

11. Important; momentous. I'll sing of heroes and of kings, In mighty numbers mighty things:

Cowley.

is a sense scarcely to be admitted but in | 12. It is often used to express power, bulk, or extent, in a sense of terror or censure.

There arose a mighty famine in the land. St. Luke.

The enemies of religion are but brass and iron, their mischiefs mighty, but their materials mean.

Not to MI'GHTY. adv. In a great degree. be used but in very low language.

Lord of his new hypothesis he reigns: He reigns; How long? Till some usurper rise, And he too mighty thoughtful, mighty wise: Studies new lines. Prior.

MI'GNIARD.* adj. [mignard, Fr.] Soft; dainty; pretty. See To MINIARDIZE. Cotgrave.

Those soft migniard handlings. B. Jonson, Dev. an Ass.

MI'GNONETTE.* n. s. [French; a species of reseda.] An annual flower, with a strong sweet scent like that of Mason. raspberries.

To MI'GRATE.* v. n. [migro, Lat.] To remove from one place to another; to change residence.

M. de Buffon says, that the swallow is not torpid in winter, and must therefore migrate to the Barrington, Ess. 4: coast of Senegal.

This territory was - newly peopled in the fourth century by a colony or army of the Welsh, who migrated thither. Warton. If I grew better, I should not be willing, if

much worse, not able to migrate. Johnson, Lett. to Ld. Thurlow, Boswell's Life of J.

MIGRA'TION. n. s. [migratio, migro, Lat.] Act of changing residence; removal

from one habitation to another. Aristotle distinguisheth their times of generation,

latitancy, and migration, sanity, and venation. Brown, Vulg. Err. Change of place; removal.

Although such alterations, transitions, migrations of the centre of gravity, and elevations of new islands, had actually happened, yet these shells could never have been reposed thereby in the manner we find them. Woodward, Nat. Hist.

MI'GRATORY.* adj. [from migrate.] Disposed to remove from one place to another; changing residence.

This purpose is sometimes carried on by a sort of migratory instinct; sometimes by the spirit of conquest; at one time avarice drives men from their homes, at another they are actuated by a thirst of knowledge.

Burke, Abr. of Eng. Hist. ii. 2.

MILCH. † adj. [melce, Saxon; milky.]

1. Giving milk.

Herne doth, at still of midnight, Walk round about an oak, with ragged horns; And then he blasts the tree, and takes the cattle,

And makes milch kine yield blood. Shakspeare. The best mixtures of water in ponds for cattle, to make them more milch, fatten, or keep them

from murrain, may be chalk and nitre. Bacon, Nat. Hist. Not above fifty-one have been starved, excepting

infants at nurse, caused rather by carelessness and infirmity of the milch women. Graunt, Bills of Mortality.

With the turneps they feed sheep, milch cows, fatting cattle.

Mortimer, Husbandry. or fatting cattle.

2. Soft; tender; merciful; "milch-hearted," Huloet. Obsolete.

The instant burst of clamour that she made, -Would have made milch the burning eye of heaven, And passion in the gods. Shakspeare, Hamlet. 5 D 2

MILD. adj. [mils, Saxon.]

1. Kind; tender; good; indulgent; merciful; compassionate; clement; soft; not severe; not cruel.

The execution of justice is committed to his judges, which is the severer part; but the milder part, which is mercy, is wholly left in the king.

Bacon, Adv. to Villiers. If that mild and gentle god thou be, Who dost mankind below with pity see. Dryden. It teaches us to adore him as a mild and merciful

being, of infinite love to his creatures. Rogers, Serm.

2. Soft; gentle; not violent.

The rosy morn resigns her light, And milder glory to the noon. Waller.

Nothing reserv'd or sullen was to see, But sweet regards, and pleasing sanctity; Mild was his accent, and his action free. Sylvia's like autumn ripe, yet mild as May,

More bright than noon, yet fresh as early day. The folding gates diffus'd a silver light,

And with a milder gleam refresh'd the sight.

3. Not acrid; not corrosive; not acrimonious; demulcent; assuasive; mollifying : lenitive.

Their qualities are changed by rendering them acrimonious or mild. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

4. Not sharp; mellow; sweet; having no mixture of acidity.

The Irish were transplanted from the woods and mountains into the plains, that, like fruit trees, they might grow the *milder*, and bear the better and sweeter fruit.

Davies.

Suppose your eyes sent equal rays Upon two distant pots of ale,

Not knowing which was mild or stale. Prior.

MI'LDEW. n. s. [milbeape, Saxon.]

Mildew is a disease in plants, caused by a dewy moisture which falls on them, and continuing, for want of the sun's heat to draw it up, by its acrimony corrodes, gnaws, and spoils the plant: or, mildew is rather a concrete substance, which exsudes through the pores of the leaves. What the gardeners commonly call mildew is an insect, found in great plenty, preying upon this exsudation. Others say, that mildew is a thick, clammy vapour, exhaled in the spring and summer from the plants, blossoms, and even the earth itself, in close, still weather, where there is neither sun nor wind. Miller thinks the true cause of the mildew appearing most upon plants which are exposed to the east, is a dry temperature in the air when the wind blows from that point, which stops the pores of the plants, and prevents their perspiration; whereby the juices of the plants are concreted upon the surface of their leaves, which being of a sweetish nature, insects are inticed thereto. Hill. Down fell the mildew of his sugared words.

The mildew cometh by closeness of air; and therefore in hills, or champaign grounds, it seldom Bacon. Soon blasting mildews black'ned all the grain.

To MI'LDEW. v. a. To taint with mildew. Here is your husband, like a mildew'd ear, Blasting his wholesome brother.

He mildews the white wheat, and hurts the poor creatures of the earth. Shakspeure, K. Lear. Morals snatch from Plutarch's tatter'd page, A mildew'd Bacon, or Stagyra's sage

Gay, Trivia.

MI'LDLY. † adv. [milbelice, Saxon.] 1. Tenderly; not severely.

Prince, too mildly reigning, Cease thy sorrow and complaining. .

2. Gently; not violently.

The air once heated maketh the flame burn more mildly, and so helpeth the continuance. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

MI'LDNESS. n. s. [from mild.]

1. Gentleness; tenderness; mercy; clemency.

This milky gentleness and course of yours; You are much more at task for want of wisdom, Than prais'd for harmless mildness.

Shakspeare, K. Lear. The same majestick mildness held its place; Nor lost the monarch in his dying face. Dryden. I saw with what a brow you brav'd your fate; Yet with what mildness bore your father's hate. Dryden.

His probity and mildness shows His care of friends and scorn of foes. Addison.

Contrariety to acrimony.

MILE.† n. s. [mil, mila, Saxon; mille passus, Latin.] The usual measure of roads in England, one thousand seven hundred and sixty yards, or, five thousand two hundred and eighty feet.

We must measure twenty miles to-day. Shaks. Within this three mile may you see it coming, A moving grove. Shakspeare, Macbeth. When the enemy appeared, the foot and artil-

lery was four miles behind. Millions of miles, so rapid is their race,

To cheer the earth they in few moments pass.

Blackmore. MI'LESTONE. n. s. [mile and stone.] Stone

set to mark the miles. MI'LFOIL. n. s. [millefolium, Latin.] A plant, the same with yarrow.

Milfoil and honey-suckles pound, With these alluring savours strew the ground.

Dryden. MI'LIARY. adj. [milium, Latin, millet; miliare, French.] Small; resembling a millet seed.

The scarf-skin is composed of small scales, between which the excretory ducts of the miliary glands open. Cheyne.

MI'LIARY fever. A fever that produces small eruptions.

MILI'CE. n. s. [Fr.] Standing force. A word innovated by Temple, but unworthy of reception.

The two-and-twentieth of the prince's age is the time assigned by their constitutions for his entering upon the publick charges of their milice. Temple.

MI'LITANCY.* n. s. [from militant.] Warfare. A word worthy of revival. All human life, especially the active part, is

constituted in a state of continual militancy. W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. P.i. (1648,) p. 122,

MI'LITANT. adj. [militans, Latin; militante, French.]

1. Fighting; prosecuting the business of

Against foul fiends they aid us militant; They for us fight: they watch and duly ward, And their bright squadrons round about us Shakspeare, Hamlet. 2. Engaged in warfare with hell and the world. A term applied to the church of Christ on earth, as opposed to the church triumphant.

Then are the publick duties of religion best ordered, when the militant church doth resemble, by sensible means, that hidden dignity and glory wherewith the church triumphant in heaven is beautified.

The state of a Christian in this world is frequently compared to a warfare: and this allusion has appeared so just, that the character of militant has obtained as the common distinction of that part of Christ's church sojourning here in this world from that part of the family at rest. Rogers. MI'LITAR. } adj. [militaris, Latin; mili-Mi'LITARY. } taire, French. Militar is

now wholly out of use.] 1. Engaged in the life of a soldier;

soldierly. He will maintain his argument as well as any military man in the world. Shakspeare, Hen. V.

2. Suiting a soldier; pertaining to a soldier; warlike.

In the time of Severus and Antoninus, many, being soldiers, had been converted unto Christ, and notwithstanding continued still in that military course of life. Although he were a prince in militar virtue

approved, yet his cruelties weighed down his vir-Bacon, Hen. VII. Numbers numberless

The city gates out-pour'd, light-armed troops In coats of mail and military pride. Milton, P. R. The wreaths his grandsire knew to reap

By active toil, and military sweat, Pining incline their sickly leaves.

3. Effected by soldiers.

He was with general applause, and great cries of joy, in a kind of militar election or recognition, saluted king.

MI'LITARY.* n. s. pl. The soldiery. MI'LITARILY.* adv. [from military.] In a soldierly manner.

We were militarily affected.

Trial of the Regicides, (1660,) p. 155. To MI'LITATE. * v. n. [milito, Latin. Of modern use in our language. In 1673 the Latin word (printed in Italicks) is given instead of it; as in the Pref. to the learned Dr. Jackson's works, published in that year. "It is expected, that two objections will militare against the labours of this great author, &c."] To oppose; to operate against.

This consideration would militate with more effect against his hypothesis, than a thousand syllogisms. Blackburn, Confessional.

MILI'TIA. n. s. [Latin.] The trainbands; the standing force of a nation. Let any prince think soberly of his forces, except his militia be good and valiant soldiers.

Bacon, Essays. The militia was so settled by law, that a sudden Clarendon.

army could be drawn together. Unnumbered spirits round thee fly,

The light militia of the lower sky. Pope, Rape of the Lock.

MILK. † n. s. [melc, Sax.; melck, Dutch: melk, German; μέλκα, Greek; from άμέλγω, to milk; mulgeo, Latin; meolcian, melcan, Saxon. We had formerly emulct for milked. See Cockeram's Vocab.

The liquor with which animals feed their young from the breast.

Come to my woman's breasts, And take my milk for gall. Shakspeare, Macbeth. MIL

I fear thy nature,

It is too full o'the milk of human kindness To catch the nearest way. Shakspeare, K. Lear. Milk is the occasion of tumours of divers kinds. Wiseman.

Illustrious robes of satin and of silk, And wanton lawns more soft and white than milk. Beaumont, Psyche.

When milk is dry'd with heat, In vain the milkmaid tugs an empty teat. Dryden. I concluded, if the gout continued, to confine myself wholly to the milk diet. Temple, Miscel. Broths and milk-meats are windy to stomachs troubled with acid ferments. Floyer on the Humours.

2. Emulsion made by contusion of seeds. Pistachoes, so they be good and not musty, ioined with almonds in almond milk, or made into a milk of themselves, like unto almond milk, are an excellent nourisher.

To MILK. v. a. [from the noun.] 1. To draw milk from the breast by the

Capacious chargers all around were laid, Full pails, and vessels of the milking trade. Pope, Odyss.

2. To suck.

I have given suck, and know How tender 'tis to love the babe that milks me. Shakspeare.

MI'LKEN. adj. [from milk.] Consisting of

The remedies are to be proposed from a constant course of the milken diet, continued at least Temple. a year.

MI'LKER. + n. s. [from milk.]

1. One that milks animals. His kine with swelling udders ready stand,

And lowing for the pail invite the milker's hand. Dryden.

2. A cow that gives milk. A northern expression. Craven Dial. and Brockett. MI'LKINESS. n. s. [from milky.] Softness like that of milk; approach to the nature

of milk. Would I could share thy balmy, even temper, Dryden, Cleomenes. And milkiness of blood. The saltness and oyliness of the blood absorbing

the acid of the chyle, it loses its milkiness. Floyer on the Humours.

MI'LKLIVERED. adj. [milk and liver.] Cowardly; timorous; faint-hearted. Milklivered man!

That bear'st a cheek for blows, a head for wrongs. Shakspeare.

MI'LKMAID. n. s. [milk and maid.] Woman employed in the dairy.

When milk is dry'd with heat, In vain the milkmaid tugs an empty teat.

Dryden, Virg. A lovely milkmaid he began to regard with an Addison. eye of mercy.

Mi'lkman. n. s. [milk and man.] who sells milk.

MI'LKPAIL. n. s. [milk and pail.] Vessel into which cows are milked.

That very substance which last week was grazing in the field, waving in the milkpail, or growing in the garden, is now become part of the man.

Watts, Impr. of the Mind. MI'LKPAN. n. s. [milk and pan.] Vessel in which milk is kept in the dairy.

Sir Fulke Grevil had much and private access to Queen Elizabeth, and did many men good; yet he would say merrily of himself, that he was like Robin Goodfellow; for when the maids spilt - the milkpans, or kept any racket, they would lay it upon Robin: so what tales the ladies about the queen told her, or other bad offices that they did, they would put it upon him. Bacon, Apophthegms. a milky juice.

MILKPO'TTAGE. n.s. [milk and pottage.] | 3. Yielding milk. Food made by boiling milk with water and oatmeal.

For breakfast and supper, milk and milkpottage are very fit for children.

MI'LKSCORE. n. s. [milk and score.] Account of milk owed for, scored on a

He is better acquainted with the milkscore than his steward's accounts.

MI'LKSOP. † n. s. [milk and sop.] A soft, mild, effeminate, feeble-minded man. This word of contempt is very old in our language.

Alas, she saith, that ever I was yshape

To wed a milksop, or a coward ape.

Chaucer, Monk's Prologue. Of a most notorious thief, which lived all his life-time of spoils, one of their bards will say, that he was none of the idle milksops that was brought up by the fire-side, but that most of his days he spent in arms, and that he did never eat his meat before he had won it with his sword. A milksop, one that never in his life

Felt so much cold as over shoes in snow. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

We have as good passions as yourself; and a woman was never designed to be a milksop. Addison, Spect.

But give him port and potent sack; From milksop he starts up mohack.

MI'LKTOOTH. n. s. [milk and tooth.]

Milkteeth are those small teeth which come forth before when a foal is about three months old, and which he begins to cast about two years and a half after, in the same order as they grew.

Farrier's Dict.

MI'LKTHISTLE. n. s. [milk and thistle: plants that have a white juice are named milky.] An herb.

MI'LKTREFOIL. n. s. [cytisus.] An herb. MI'LKVETCH. n. s. [astragalus, Latin.] A
plant.
Miller.

MI'LKWEED. n. s. [milk and weed.] A

MI'LKWHITE. adj. [milk and white.] White as milk.

She a black silk cap on him begun To set, for foil of his milkwhite to serve. Sidney. Then will I raise aloft the milkwhite rose, With whose sweet smell the air shall be perfum'd. Shakspeare.

The bolt of Cupid fell,

It fell upon a little western flower Before milkwhite, now purple with love's wound; And maidens call it love in idleness. Shakspeare.

A milkwhite goat for you I did provide;

Two milkwhite kids run frisking by her side. Dryden.

MI'LKWORT. n. s. [milk and wort.] A bellshaped flower.

MI'LKWOMAN. n. s. [milk and woman.] A woman whose business is to serve families with milk.

Even your milkwoman and your nursery-maid have a fellow-feeling.

Arbuthnot, Hist. of J. Bull.

MI'LKY. adj. [from milk.]

1. Made of milk.

2. Resembling milk. Not tasteful herbs that in these gardens rise, Which the kind soil with milky sap supplies,

Can move the god. Some plants upon breaking their vessels yield Arbuthnot on Aliments.

Perhaps my passion he disdains, And courts the milky mothers of the plains. Roscommon.

4. Soft; gentle; tender; timorous. Has friendship such a faint and milky heart, It turns in less than two nights. Shakspe This milky gentleness and course of yours, Shakspeare.

You are much more at task for want of wisdom, Than prais'd for harmful mildness.

Shakspeare, K. Lear.

MILKY-WAY. n. s. [milky and way.] The galaxy.

The milky-way, or via lactea, is a broad white path or track encompassing the whole heavens, and extending itself in some places with a double path, but for the most part with a single one. Some of the ancients, as Aristotle, imagined that this path consisted only of a certain exhalation hanging in the air; but, by the telescopical observations of this age, it hath been discovered to consist of an innumerable quantity of fixed stars, different in situation and magnitude, from the confused mixture of whose light its whole colour is supposed to be occa-

Nor need we with a prying eye survey The distant skies to find the milky-way: It forcibly intrudes upon our sight.

Creech, Manilius.

How many stars there must be, a naked eye may give us some faint glimpse, but much more a good telescope, directed towards that region of the sky called the milky-way.

MILL. † n. s. [μύλη, Gr. mola, Lat. melin, Welsh; myln, miln, Saxon; moulin, Fr. molen, Dutch. Dr. Johnson .- Thus our word was formerly written milne or mylne, like the Saxon; and, in some parts of England, a miller is still called milner. Chaucer, "these milnestones," Tr. and Cress. ii. 1385. Serenius calls mill "vox antiquissima, multisque lin-guis communis;" and he deduces it from the Goth. malan, to grind.] An engine or fabrick in which corn is ground to meal, or any other body is comminuted. In general an engine in which any operation is performed by means of wind or water; sometimes it is used of engines turned by the hand, or by animal force.

The table, and we about it, did all turn round by water which ran under, and carried it about

Olives ground in mills their fatness boast. Dryden.

A miller had his arm and scapula torn from his body by a rope twisted round his wrist, and suddenly drawn up by the mill. Sharp, Surgery.

- To MILL. v. a. [from the noun; μυλεῖν, Greek; melia, to beat, mala, to grind, Icelandick.]
- 1. To grind; to comminute.
- 2. To beat up chocolate.
- 3. To stamp coin in the mints.

It would be better for your milled medals, if they carried the whole legend on their edges; but at the same time that they are lettered on the edges, they have other inscriptions on the face Addison. and the reverse.

Wood's halfpence are not milled, and therefore more easily counterfeited.

MILL-cog. n.s. [mill and cog.] The denticulations on the circumference of wheels, by which they lock into other

The timber is useful for mill-cogs. Mortimer, Husb.

MILL-DAM. n. s. [mill and dam.] The mound by which the water is kept up to raise it for the mill.

A layer of lime and of earth is a great advantage in the making heads of ponds and mill-dams. Mortimer.

MILL-HORSE. n. s. Horse that turns a

A mill-horse, still bound to go in one circle.

MILL-MOUNTAINS. n. s. An herb.

Ainsworth. MILL-SIXPENCE.* n. s. One of the first milled pieces of money used in England, and coined in 1561. Douce. Seven groats in mill-sixpences, and two Edward shovel-boards that cost me two shillings and two pence apiece. Shaksp. M. Wives of Windsor.

MILL-TEETH. n. s. [mill and teeth.] The grinders; dentes molares, double teeth. The best instruments for cracking bones and

nuts are grinders or mill-teeth.

Arbuthnot on Aliments. MILLENA'RIAN. † n. s. [from millenarius, Lat. millenaire, Fr.] One who expects

the millennium. Bullokar.

MI'LLENARY.* n. s. [millene, Fr.] 1. The space of a thousand years.

After the full accomplishment of this myllenary of yeres.

Bale, Acts of Eng. Vot. P. ii. (1550,) sign. B. 5. In the sixth millenarie of the world, Gregory, Posthum. (1650,) p. 87.

2. One who expects the millennium. The errour of the millenaries was very rife.

Hakewill on Providence, p. 499.

MI'LLENARY. adj. [millenaire, Fr. millenaires, Latin.] Consisting of a thousand.

The millenary sestertium, in good manuscripts, is marked with a line cross the top thus HS.

Arbuthnot on Coins.

MI'LLENIST. n. s. [from mille, Lat.] One that holds the millennium.

MILLE'NNIAL. adj. [from millennium, Lat.] Pertaining to the millennium.

To be kings and priests unto God, is the characteristick of those that are to enjoy the millennial happiness. Burnet.

MILLE'NNIUM. n. s. [Latin.] A thousand years; generally taken for the thousand years during which, according to an ancient tradition in the church, grounded on a doubtful text in the Apocalypse, our blessed Saviour shall reign with the faithful upon earth after the resurrection, before the final completion of beatitude.

We must give a full account of that state called the millennium. Burnet, The. of the Earth. MI'LLEPED. † n. s. [millepieds, French; mille and pes, Latin. This word is not commonly used in the singular number. Dr. Johnson has not even so noticed it. Other dictionaries have it.] A species of the wood-louse, so called from its

has this name.

numerous feet; the palmer-worm also

If pheasants and partridge are sick, give them millepedes and earwigs, which will cure them. Mortimer, Husb.

MI'LLER. n. s. [from mill.] One who attends a mill.

More water glideth by the mill Than wots the miller of.

Shakspeare. Gillius, who made enquiry of millers who dwelt upon its shore, received answer, that the Euripus ebbed and flowed four times a day.

Brown, Vulg. Err. MI'LLER. n. s. A fly. Ainsworth.

MI'LLER'S-THUMB. n. s. [miller and thumb.] A small fish found in brooks, called likewise a bullhead.

MILLE'SIMAL. adj. [millesimus, Lat.] Thousandth; consisting of thousandth parts. To give the square root of the number two, he

laboured long in millesimal fractions, till he confessed there was no end. Watts on the Mind.

MI'LLET. n. s. [milium, Lat. mil and millet, Fr.7

1. A plant.

The millet hath a loose divided panicle, and each single flower hath a calyx, consisting of two leaves, which are instead of petals, to protect the stamina and pistillum of the flower, which afterwards becomes an oval, shining seed. This plant was originally brought from the eastern countries, where it is still greatly cultivated, from whence we are annually furnished with this grain, which is by many persons much esteemed for puddings. Miller.

In two ranks of cavities is placed a roundish studd, about the bigness of a grain of millet. Woodward on Fossils.

Millet is diarrhetick, cleansing, and useful, in diseases of the kidneys. Arbuthnot on Aliments. 2. A kind of fish; unless it be misprinted for mullet.

Some fish are gutted, split, and kept in pickle; as whiting, mackerel, millet.

Carew, Surv. of Cornwall.

MI'LLINER. † n. s. [Dr. Johnson believes it to be Milaner, an inhabitant of Milan: others, Maliniere from Malines, as the French called Mechlin. Our lexicography defines the word, "a haberdasher of small wares."] One who sells ribbands and dresses for women.

He was perfumed like a milliner And, 'twixt his finger and his thumb, he held A pouncet box, which ever and anon

He gave his nose. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. Ask from your courtier to your inns-of-court

man, To your meer milliner. B. Jonson, Alchemist. The mercers and milliners complain of her want of publick spirit.

The millener must be thoroughly versed in physiognomy; in the choice of ribbons she must have a particular regard to the complexion.

Guardian, No. 149. If any one asks Flavia to do something in charity, she will toss him half a crown, or a crown, and tell him, if he knew what a long milliner's bill she had just received, he would think it a great deal for her to give.

MI'LLION. n. s. [million, Fr. milliogne, Italian.]

1. The number of an hundred myriads, or ten hundred thousand.

Within thine eyes, sat twenty thousand deaths, In thy hands clutch'd as many millions, in Thy lying tongue both numbers. Shakspeare.

2. A proverbial name for any very great number.

That the three angles of a triangle are equal to two right ones, is a truth more evident than many of those propositions that go for principles; and yet there are millions who know not this at all.

There are millions of truths that a man is not concerned to know. She found the polish'd glass, whose small con-

Enlarges to ten millions of degrees

The mite, invisible else, Midst thy own flock, great shepherd, be receiv'd; And glad all heaven with millions thou hast sav'd.

MI'LLIONED.* adj. [from million.] Multiplied by millions.

Time, whose million'd accidents Creep in 'twixt vows, and change decrees of kings.

Shakspeare, Sonnet 115. MI'LLIONTH. adj. [from million.] The

ten hundred thousandth. The first embrion of an ant is supposed to be

as big as that of an elephant; which nevertheless can never arrive to the millionth part of the other's

MI'LESTONE. n. s. [mill and stone.] The stone by which corn is comminuted. No man shall take the nether or the upper mill-

stone to pledge. Deut. xxiv. 6. Æsop's beasts saw farther into a millstone than L'Estrange. MILT. † n. s. [mildt, Dutch.]

1. The sperm of the male fish.

You shall scarce take a carp without a melt, or a female without a roe or spawn. Walton, Angler. 2. The spleen. [milt, Saxon; milt, Dan. millte, Icel.

To MILT. v. a. [from the noun.] To impregnate the roe or spawn of the female

MI'LTER. n. s. [from milt.] The he of any fish, the she being called spawner. The spawner and milter labour to cover their

spawn with sand. Walton, Angler. MI'LTWORT. n. s [asplenon.] An herb. Ainsworth.

MIME. † n. s. [mime, French; μίμος; mimus, Lat.

1. A buffoon who practises gesticulations, either representative of some action, or merely contrived to raise mirth.

Think'st thou, mime, this is great. B. Jonson. Let him go now, and brand another man inju-

riously with the name of mime; being himself the loosest and most extravagant mime that hath been heard of, whom no less than almost half the world could serve for stage-room to play the mime in. Milton, Apol. for Smectymn.

2. A ludicrous composition; a farce. Scaliger defines a mime to be a poem intimating any action to stir up laughter.

Milton, Apol. for Smeetyma. Our farces are really what the Romans called mimes; - the intended end and effect of which

was excessive laughter.

Warton, Hist. Eng. Poet. iii. 351.

To MIME. † v. n. To play the mime. Acts old iniquity; and in the fit

Of miming, gets the opinion of a wit.

B. Jonson, Epigr. 115. In an ill hour hath this unfortunate rashness stumbled upon the mention of miming.

Milton, Apol. for Smeetymn.

a buffoon. Dr. Johnson here cites, for an example, a line from Milton's Samson Agonistes, in which the word is not mimer, but mimick. By an errour of the press, in the first edition of Milton's poem, the word was printed mimirs; but the table of errata directs us to read mimics; which, however, few editions have regarded, and which Dr. Johnson overlooked.

Jugglers, and dancers, anticks, mummers, mimicks. S. A. ver. 1325. MIME TICAL * adj. [μιμητικος, Greek.] Imi-

If I were composing a dialogue in the old mimetical or poetic form, I should tell you, per-haps, the occasion that led us into this track of conversation.

MI'MICAL. adj. [mimicus, Latin.] Imitative; befitting a mimick; acting the

mimick.

Man is of all creatures the most minical in gestures, styles, speech, fashion, or accents. Wotton on Education.

A mimical daw would needs try the same ex-

periment; but his claws were shackled.

L'Estrange. Singers and dancers entertained the people with light songs and minical gestures, that they might not go away melancholy from serious pieces of Dryden, Juv.

MI'MICALLY. † adv. [from mimical.] In imitation; in a mimical manner.

As the sacrifices offered up to the true God of Israel were federal rites, and those that did partake of them did thereby enter into a covenant with God to become his servants, and obey his laws; so the airy principality hath mimically observed the same thing; and those that offered sacrifices to demons were supposed, by partaking of those sacrifices, to enter into a stricter league and familiarity with those evil spirits.

Hallywell, Melampron, (1681,) p. 58.

MI'MICK. † n. s. [mimicus, Latin.]

1. A ludicrous imitator; a buffoon who copies another's act or manner so as to excite laughter: at first, simply an

actor; a player.

No matter whether the scenes be good or no; the better they are, the worse do you distast them; and, being on your feete, sneke not away like a coward, but salute all your gentle acquaintance that are spred either on the rushes, or on stooles about you, and draw what troope you can from the stage after you: the mimicks are beholden to you, for allowing them elbow roome: their poet cries perhaps, a pox go with you; but care not you for that; there's no musick without frets.

Dekker, Guls Hornebooke, (1609,) p. 31. Jugglers, and dancers, anticks, mummers, mi-Milton, S. A.

Like poor Andrew I advance, False mimick of my master's dance: Around the cord awhile I sprawl,

And thence, though slow, in earnest fall. Prior.

2. A mean or servile imitator.

Cunning is only the mimick of discretion; and may pass upon weak men, in the same manner as vivacity is often mistaken for wit, and gravity for Addison, Spect. No. 225. wisdom.

MI'MICK. adj. [mimicus, Latin.] Imita-

In reason's absence mimick Fancy wakes To imitate her; but, misjoining shapes Wild work produces oft, and most in dreams, Milton, P. L.

The busy head with mimick art runs o'er · The scenes and actions of the day before. Swift.

MI'MER. † n. s. [from mime.] A mimick; | To MI'MICK. v. a. [from the noun.] To imitate as a buffoon; to ridicule by a burlesque imitation.

Morpheus express'd The shape of man, and imitated best;

The walk, the words, the gesture, could supply, The habit mimick, and the mien belye. Dryden. Who wou'd with care some happy fiction frame;

So mimicks truth, it looks the very same.

Granville. MI'MICKRY. n. s. [from mimick.] Burlesque imitation.

By an excellent faculty in mimickry, my correspondent tells me he can assume my air, and give my taciturnity a slyness which diverts more Spectator. than any thing I could say.

Mimo'GRAPHER. † n. s. [mimus and γράφω.] A writer of farces.

Some are poetasters or mimographers.

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 331. MI'NACER.* n. s. A threatener.

MINACY. MINA'CIOUS. † adj. [minax, Latin.] Full

of threats.

Whether the face of heaven smile upon us with a chearful bright azure, or look upon us with a more sad and minacious countenance, dark pitchy clouds being charged with thunder and lightning to let fly against the earth.

More, Myst. of Godliness, (1660,) p. 63.

MINA'CITY. n. s. [from minax, Latin.] Disposition to use threats.

MI'NACY.* n. s. [minaciæ, Lat.] Menace; threat. Not now in use.

I was left under that minacy; and the minacer, for aught I know, left to his course against me. Hacket's Life of Abp. Williams, P. ii. p. 17.

MI'NARET.* n. s. [" High slender turrets the Mahometans term minars, i. e. towers." Sir T. Herbert's Trav. p. 142.] A kind of spire in Saracen architecture.

There are likewise the ruins of a mosque, which must have been built by the Saracens, because the inscriptions on the minoret and tombstones are in

their character.

Drummond, Trav. (Lett. dat. 1747,) p. 211. The mosques and other buildings of the Arabians are rounded into domes, and coved roofs, with now and then a slender square minaret terminating in a ball or pine-apple.

Swinburne, Trav. through Spain, L. 44.

MI'NATORILY.* adv. [from minatory.] With threats.

His works being prohibited so strictly and minatorily, that bishops might not read them. Hacket's Life of Abp. Williams, p. 103.

MI'NATORY. 7 adj. [minor, Latin.] Threat-

The king made a statute monitory and minatory, towards justices of peace, that they should duly execute their office, inviting complaints against Bacon, Hen. VII.

There is another way of taking the words as plainly minatory or threatening.

Pococke on Hosea, p. 209.

To MINCE. † v. a. [contracted, as it seems, from minish; or from mincer, Fr.; mince, French, small. Dr. Johnson. - Icel. minka, diminuere, à minna, minus. Serenius.

1. To cut into very small parts.

She saw Pyrrhus making malicious sport, In mincing with his sword her husband's limbs. Shakspeare.

With a good chopping-knife mince the two capons as small as ordinary minced meat.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

What means the service of the church so imperfectly, and by halves, read over? What makes them mince and mangle that in their practice, which they could swallow whole in their subscrip-South. Serm. Revive the wits;

But murder first, and mince them all to bits. Pope, Dunciad,

2. To mention any thing scrupulously, by a little at a time; to palliate; to ex-

I know no ways to mince it in love, but directly Shakspeare, Hen. V. to say I love you.

Tago, Thy honesty and love doth mince this matter, Shakspeare, Othello. Making it light to Cassio. These gifts,

Saving your mincing, the capacity Of your soft cheveril conscience would receive, If you might please to stretch it. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

I'll try to force you to your duty: For so it is, howe'er you mince it, Ere we part, I shall evince it. Hudibras.

Siren; now mince the sin, And mollify damnation with a phrase Say you consented not to Sancho's death,

But barely not forbade it. Dryden, Span. Friar. If, to mince his meaning, I had either omitted some part of what he said, or taken from the strength of his expression, I certainly had wronged

These, seeing no where water enough to effect a general deluge, were forced to mince the matter, and make only a partial one of it, restraining it to Woodward.

3. To speak with affected softness; to clip the words.

Behold you simpering dame, Whose face between her forks presageth snow; That minces virtue, and does shake the head To hear of pleasure's name. Shakspeare, K. Leur.

To MINCE. tv. n.

1. To walk nicely by short steps; to act with appearance of scrupulousness and delicacy; to affect nicety.

Fast by her side did sit the bold Sansloy, Fit mate for such a mincing minion, Who in her looseness took exceeding joy.

Spenser, F. Q. I'll turn two mincing steps

Into a manly stride. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven.
The daughters of Zion are haughty, and walk with stretched forth necks, and wanton eyes, walking, and mincing [in the margin, tripping nicely] Isaiah, iii. 16.

as they go. A harlot form soft sliding by, With mincing step, small voice, and languid eye. Pope, Dunciad.

2. To speak small and imperfectly. The reeve, miller, and cook, are as much distinguished from each other as the mincing lady

prioress and the broad speaking wife of Bath.

MINCE-PIE.* \ n. s. A pie made of meat MINCED-PIE. 5 minced or cut into very small pieces, with other ingredients; called also a Christmas-pie, as being mostly in use about the time of Christmas.

Your petitioner is remarkable in his county for having dared to treat Sir P. P. a cursed sequestrator, and three members of the assembly of divines, with brawn and minced-pies upon New Year's day. Speciator, No. 629.

We have never been witnesses of animosities excited by the use of mince-pies and plumb-porridge. Johnson, Life of Butler.

MI'NCINGLY. † adv. [from mince.] 1. In small parts; not fully.

Justice requireth nothing mincingly, but all with pressed and heaped, and even over-enlarged, measure.

2. Affectedly.

Caraffa, in his theses, more mincingly terming their now pope, Paul the fifth, vice-deus, vice-god. Sheldon, Mir. of Antichrist, p. 278.

MIND. † n. s. [zemýnb, Saxon; minde, Danish; from the Goth. ga-munan, to remember. 7

1. The intelligent power.

I am a very foolish, fond old man; I fear I am not in my perfect mind.

Shakspeare, K. Lear. This word being often used for the soul giving life, is attributed abusively to madmen, when we say that they are of a distracted mind, instead of a broken understanding: which word, mind, we use also for opinion; as, I am of this or that mind: and sometimes for men's conditions or virtues; as, he is of an honest mind, or a man of a just mind: sometimes for affection; as, I do this for my mind's sake: sometimes for the knowledge of principles, which we have without discourse: oftentimes for spirits, angels, and intelligences: but as it is used in the proper signification, including both the understanding agent and passible, it is described to be a pure, simple, substantial act, not depending upon matter, but having relation to that which is intelligible, as to his first object: or more at large thus; a part or particle of the soul, whereby it doth understand, not depending upon matter, nor needing any organ, free from passion coming from without, and apt to be dissevered as eternal from that which is mortal. Ralegh. I thought th' eternal Mind

Had made us masters. Dryden.

2. Intellectual capacity.

We say that learning's endless, and blame fate For not allowing life a longer date, He did the utmost bounds of knowledge find,

He found them not so large as was his mind.

3. Liking; choice; inclination; propen-

sion: affection. Our question is, Whether all be sin which is done without direction by Scripture, and not whether the Israelites did at any time amiss, by following their own minds without asking counsel of God.

We will consider of your suit,

And come some other time to know our mind.

Being so hard to me that brought your mind, I fear she'll prove as hard to you in telling her mind. Shakspeare.

I will have nothing else but only this; And now methinks I have a mind to it.

Shakspeare. Be of the same mind one towards another.

Rom. xii. 16.

Hast thou a wife after thy mind? forsake her

They had a mind to French Britain; but they have let fall their bit. Bacon, War with Spain. Sudden mind arose

In Adam, not to let the occasion pass,

Given him by this great conference, to know Of things above this world. Milton, P. L.

Waller coasted on the other side of the river, but at such a distance that he had no mind to be engaged. Clarendon,

He had a great mind to do it. All the arguments to a good life will be very insignificant to a man that hath a mind to be wicked, when remission of sins may be had upon such cheap terms. Tillotson, Serm.

Suppose that after eight years' peace he liath a mind to infringe any of his treaties, or invade a neighbouring state, what opposition can we make? Addison.

4. Quality; disposition. Not usual.

These trees receiving grafts of other kind, Or thence transplanted, change their savage mind. Dryden, Georg. ii. 71.

Of vegetable woods are various kinds, And the same species are of several minds. Dryden, Georg. ii. 120.

Thoughts; sentiments.

The ambiguous god, In these mysterious words, his mind exprest, Some truths reveal'd, in terms involv'd the rest. Druden.

6. Opinion.

The earth was not of my mind, If you suppose as fearing you, it shook

Shakspeare. These men are of the mind, that they have clearer ideas of infinite duration than of infinite space, because God has existed from all eternity; but there is no real matter coextended with in-

The gods permitting traitors to succee Become not parties in an impious deed; And, by the tyrant's murder we may find, That Cato and the gods were of a mind.

7. Memory; remembrancy. "In all the proofs Johnson gives, a preposition is prefixed; in mind, to mind, out of mind. I question much if in English it is used, as with us." Dr. Jamieson. That is, in Scotland, without the preposition. But it appears to have been so used in old English; "As the bokes maken minde," i. e. remembrance, Gower, Conf. Am. See Tyrwhitt's Gloss. in V. MIND.

The king knows their disposition; a small touch will put him in mind of them.

Bacon, Adv. to Villiers. When he brings Over the earth a cloud, will therein set His triple-coloured bow, whereon to look, And call to mind his covenant. These, and more than I to mind can bring, Menalcas has not yet forgot to sing. Dryden.

The cavern's mouth alone was hard to find, Because the path disus'd was out of minds

They will put him in mind of his own waking thoughts, ere these dreams had as yet made their Atterbury, Serm. impressions on his fancy. A wholesome law, time out of mind;

Had been confirm'd by fate's decree.

To MIND. v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To mark; to attend.

His mournful plight is swallow'd up unwares, Forgetful of his own that minds another's cares Spenser, F. Q. Not then mistrust, but tender love enjoins,

That I should mind thee oft; and mind thou me! Milton, P. L.

If, in the raving of a frantick muse, And minding more his verses than his way,

Any of these should drop into a well. Roscommon. Cease to request me; let us mind our way;

Another song requires another day. Dryden. He is daily called upon by the word, the ministers and inward suggestions of the Holy Spirit, to attend to those prospects, and mind the things that belong to his peace. Rogers.

2. To put in mind; to remind. Let me be punish'd, that have minded you Of what you should forget.

Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. I desire to mind those persons of St. Austin.

This minds me of a cobbling colonel.

L'Estrange. I shall only mind him, that the contrary supposition, if it could be proved, is of little use. Locke.

3. To intend; to mean. Not in use.

As for me, be sure I mind no harme To thy grave person. Chapman, Il. 24.

To MIND. + v. n. To incline; to be disposed.

When one of them mindeth to go into rebellion. he will convey away all his lordships to feoffees in Spenser on Ireland.

Belike she minds to play the Amazon. Shakspeare, Hen. VI. P. III.

MI'NDED. adj. [from mind.]

1. Disposed; inclined; affected. We come to know

How you stand minded in the weighty diff'rence Between the king and you. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. Whose fellowship therefore unmeet for thee, Good reason was thou freely should'st dislike,

Milton, P. L. And be so minded still. If men were minded to live virtuously, to believe a God would be no hindrance to any such design, but very much for its advancement.

Tillotson. Pyrrhus is nobly minded; and I fain Would live to thank him. Philips.

2. Minded is used in compounds: as, highminded. Sherwood.

I am not high-minded, I have no proud looks. We say likewise low-minded.

MI'NDFUL. adj. [mind and full.] tive; heedful; having memory.

I acknowledge the usefulness of your directions, and I promise you to be mindful of your admonitions. Hammend.

MI'NDFULLY. adv. [from mindful.] tentively; heedfully.

MI'NDFULNESS. † n. s. [from mindful.] Attention; regard. Sherwood.

MI'NDLESS. adj. [from mind.] 1. Inattentive; regardless.

Cursed Athens, mindless of thy worth, Forget now thy great deeds, when neighbour states, But for thy sword and fortune, trod upon them. Shakspeare

As the strong eagle in the silent wood. Mindless of warlike rage, and hostile care, Plays round the rocky cliff, or crystal flood. Prior,

2. Not endued with a mind; having no intellectual powers. God first made angels, bodiless, pure minds;

Then other things which mindless bodies be, Last he made man.

3. Stupid; unthinking.

Pronounce thee a gross lowt, a mindless slave, Or else a hovering temporizer. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

MIND-STRICKEN. adj. [mind and stricken.] Moved; affected in his mind.

He had been so mind-stricken by the beauty of virtue in that noble king, though not born his sub-

ject, he ever professed himself his servant. Sidney. MINE. pronoun possessive. [myn, Saxon; mein, German; mien, French; meus, Latin. It was anciently the practice to use my before a consonant, and mine before a vowel; which euphony still requires to be observed. Mine is always

used when the substantive precedes: as, this is my cat; this cat is mine.] Belonging to me. Thou art a soul in bliss, but I am bound

Upon a wheel of fire; that mine own tears,

Do scald like molten lead. Shakspeare, K. Lear. When a wise man gives thee better counsel, give Shakspeare, K. Lear.

me mine again. If thou be'st slain, and with no stroke of mine, My wife and children's ghosts will haunt me still.

A friend of mine is come to me, and I have nothing to set before him. St. Luke. That palm is mine. Dryden.

MINE. n. s. [mine, French; mwyn, or mwn, Welsh, from maen, lapis, in the plural meini.

1. A place or cavern in the earth, which contains metals or minerals.

Though streighter bounds your fortune did con-

In your large heart was found a wealthy mine.

A workman, to avoid idleness, worked in a groove or mine-pit thereabouts, which was little

esteemed. Boyle. A mine-digger may meet with a gem, which he knows not what to make of. Boyle.

The heedless mine-man aims only at the obtaining a quantity of such a metal as may be vendible. Boule.

2. A cavern dug under any fortification that it may sink for want of support; or, in modern war, that powder may be lodged in it, which being fired at a proper time, whatever is over it may be blown up and destroyed.

By what eclipse shall that sun be defac'd? What mine hath erst thrown down so fair a tower? What sacrilege hath such a saint disgrac'd?

Build up the walls of Jerusalem, which you have broken down, and fill up the mines that you have digged. Whitgift. Others to a city strong

Lay siege, encamp'd; by battery, scale, and mine, Milton, P. L. Assaulting.

To MINE. + v. n. [from the noun.]

1. To dig mines or burrows; to form any hollows under ground.

The ranging stork in stately beeches dwells; The climbing goats on hills securely feed; The mining conies shroud in rocky cells.

Wotton, Rem. p. 386. Of this various matter the terrestrial globe consists from its surface to the greatest depth we Woodward, Nat. Hist. ever dig or mine.

2. To practise secret means of injury. Mining fraud shall find no way to creep Into their fenced ears with grave advice.

Sackville, Gorboduc.

To MINE. + v. a. To sap; to ruin by mines; to destroy by slow degrees, or secret means.

If an housebande man wiste in what hour the theef would come, sotheli he schulde wake, and not suffre his house to be myned.

Wicliffe, St. Luke, xii.

It will but skin and film the ulcerous place,

While rank corruption, mining all within, Shakspeare, Hamlet. Infects unseen. They mined the walls, laid the powder, and rammed the mouth; but the citizens made a

Hayward. countermine.

MI'NER. n. s. [mineur, Fr.; from mine.] 1. One that digs for metals.

By me kings' palaces are push'd to ground, And miners crush'd beneath their mines are found. Druden.

2. One who makes military mines. As the bombardeer levels his mischief at cities, the miner busies himself in ruining private houses.

MI'NERAL. n. s. [minerale, Lat.] Fossile body; matter dug out of mines. All metals are minerals, but all minerals are not metals. Minerals in the restrained sense are bodies that may be melted, 3. To confuse. but not malleated,

She did confess, she had

For you a mortal mineral; which, being took, Should by the minute feed on life, and ling'ring By inches waste you. Shakspeare, Cymb. The minerals of the kingdom, of lead, iron,

copper, and tin, are of great value.

Bacon, Adv. to Villiers. Part hidden veins digg'd up, nor hath this earth Entrails unlike, of mineral and stone

Milton, P. L. Minerals: nitre with vitriol; common salt with alum; and sulphur with vitriol.

Woodward, Nat. Hist.

MINERAL. adj. Consisting of fossile bodies.

By experience upon bodies in any mine, a man may conjecture at the metallick or mineral ingredients of any mass found there.

Woodward, Nat. Hist. MI'NERALIST. n. s. [from mineral.] One skilled or employed in minerals.

A mine-digger may meet with a gem or a mineral, which he knows not what to make of till he shews it a jeweller or a mineralist.

The metals and minerals which are lodged in the perpendicular intervals do still grow, to speak in the mineralist's phrase, or receive additional increase. Woodward.

MINERA'LOGIST. n. s. [mineralogie, Fr. from mineral, and λόγος.] One who discourses on minerals.

Many authors deny it, and the exactest mineralogists have rejected it. Brown, Vulg. Err.

MINERA'LOGY. n. s. [from mineral and λόγος, The doctrine of minerals.

MI'NEVER. † n. s. [the orthography seems to be meniver. See MENIVER. Some write it miniver.] The skin of the meniver; white fur with specks of black. To win some patched shreds of minivere.

Bp. Hall, Sat. iv. 2. To Ming. * v. a. [mengan, myngian, Sax.] 1. To mingle; to mix. Still a provincial expression. Chaucer uses meng in this

sense.

2. To remind; to mention; to call to remembrance. A northern word, according to Grose; and certainly used, in this sense, by bishop Hall.

Could never man work thee a worser shame Than once to minge thy father's odious name? Bp. Hall, Sat. B. iv. S. 2.

To MI'NGLE. † v. a. [mengan, Sax. mengen, Germ. menga, Su. Goth. from maengd, a multitude. Wicliffe and Chaucer use meng for mingle.]

1. To mix; to join; to compound; to unite with something so as to make one

Sulphurous and nitrous foam

They found, they mingled, and with subtle heart, Concocted and adusted, they reduc'd

Milton, P. L. To blackest grain. Lament with me! with me your sorrows join, And mingle your united tears with mine! Walsh.

Our sex, our kindred, our houses, and our very names, we are ready to mingle with ourselves, and cannot bear to have others think meanly of them. Watts, Logick.

2. To contaminate; to make of dissimilar

To confound the race Of mankind in one root, and Earth with Hell Milton, P. L. To mingle and involve. The best of us appear contented with a mingled, Rogers, Serm. imperfect virtue.

Milton, P. L.

There mingle broils.

To MI'NGLE. v. n. To be mixed; to be united with.

Ourself will mingle with society,

And play the humble host. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

Alcimus had defiled himself wilfully in the times of their mingling with the Gentiles.

Nor priests, nor statesmen. Could have completed such an ill as that,

If women had not mingled in the mischief. Rowe. She, when she saw her sister nymphs, suppress'd Her rising fears, and mingled with the rest.

Addison.

MI'NGLE. n. s. [from the verb.] Mixture; medley; confused mass.

Trumpeters, With brazen din blast you the city's ear, Make mingle with our rattling tabourines.

Shaksneare.

Neither can I defend my Spanish Friar; though the comical parts are diverting, and the serious moving, yet they are of an unnatural mingle. Dryden, Dufresnoy.

MINGLE-MANGLE.* n. s. A medlev : a hotch-potch.

He cannot love the Lord Jesus with his heart, which lendeth one ear to his apostles, and another to false apostles, which can brook to see a minglemangle of religion and superstition, ministers and massing priests, light and darkness, truth and errour, traditions and scriptures.

Hooker, Serm, 1. On St. Jude. Publishing some botcherly mingle-mangle of collections out of others.

Hartlib, Ref. of Schools, (1642,) p. 30.

MI'NGLEDLY.* adv. [from the part. mingled.] Here and there; confusedly. Barret, in V. Here.

MI'NGLER. n. s. [from the verb.] He who mingles.

Such brewers, and minglers of this wine. Harmer, Tr. of Beza, (1587,) p. 230.

MI'NIARD.* adj. Soft; dainty. See MIG-

To MI'NIARDIZE.* v. a. [mignardiser, French. To render soft, delicate, or

Choice of words, and softness of pronunciation, proceeding from such wanton spirits that did miniardize and make the language more dainty Howell, Lett. iv. 19. and feminine.

To MI'NIATE.* v. a. [miniare, Ital. from minium. To paint or tinge with ver-

The initials are written or flourished in red and blue, and all the capitals in the body of the text are miniated with a pen. Warton, Hist. E. P. iii. p. v.

MI'NIATURE. † n. s. [miniature, French; from minimum, Latin. Dr. Johnson. -It is the Italian miniatura, from miniare; Lat. miniatus, from minium. See To MINIATE.]

1. Painting by powders mixed with gum and water. A mode of painting almost appropriated to small figures.

2. Representation in a small compass; representation less than the reality.

The water, with twenty bubbles, not content to have the picture of their face in large, would in each of these bubbles set forth the miniature of Sidney.

If the ladies should once take a liking to such a diminutive race, we should see mankind epitomized, and the whole species in miniature: in order to keep our posterity from dwindling, we have instituted a tall club. Addison, Guardian.

The hidden ways Of nature would'st thou know? how first she frames

All things in miniature? thy specular orb Apply to well dissected kernels: lo! Strange forms arise, in each a little plant Unfolds its boughs: observe the slender threads Of first beginning trees, their roots, their leaves, In narrow seeds describ'd. Philips.

3. Red letter: rubrick distinction. If the names of other saints are distinguished with miniature, her's [the blessed Virgin's] ought to shine in gold. Hickes, Serm. ii. 72.

MI'NIKIN. † adj. Small; diminutive. Used in slight contempt. Dr. Johnson. - In this case, the word may be from the Goth, min, little. But our old lexicography refers minikin to elegant. Barret's Alv. 1580. And, under elegant, combines " neat, pretty, minikin, trim, handsome, &c." It thus seems to have been adopted from the Fr. mignon. Sleepest, or wakest thou, jolly shepherd,

Thy sheep be in the corn; And for one blast of thy minikin mouth, Thy sheep shall take no harm. Shaksp. K. Lear.

MI'NIKIN. † n. s. Cotgrave. 1. A darling; a favourite.

Minnekin, now minx, is a nice trifling girl; minnock is apparently a word of contempt. Johnson, Note on Mids. N. Dream.

2. A small sort of pins.

MI'NIM. † n. s. [from minimus, Lat.] 1. A small being; a dwarf.

Not all Minims of nature; some of serpent-kind, Wonderous in length, and corpulence, involv'd

Their snaky folds, and added wings. Milt. P. L. 2. This word is applied, in the northern counties, to a small sort of fish, which

they pronounce mennim. See MINNOW. 3. One of an order of friars, called minimi,

or the least of all, from affected hu-

now, equal to two crotchets. Dr. Johnson gives minum for this, and for the typographical sense. But minim is correct; though minum is not a false or unexisting word, as Mr. Mason insinuates in his hasty correction of Dr. Johnson. Cotgrave writes it minum.

He fights as you sing prick-song, keeps time, distance, and proportion: rests me his minim rest, one, two, and the third in your bosom.

Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul. 5. A little song or poem. Pardon thy shepheard, mongst so many layes As he hath sung of thee in all his dayes

To make one minime of thy poore handmayd. Spenser, F. Q. vi. x. 28. 6. A small sort of printing letter.

MI'NIMENT.* n. s. [from muniment.] 1. Miniments are the evidences or writings, whereby a man is enabled to defend the title of his estate. This word miniment includes all manner of evidences. Cowel.

2. Proof; testimony. By chance he certain miniments forth drew, Which yet with him as relickes did abide, Of all the bounty which Belphæbe threw On him, whilst goodly grace she did him shew.

Spenser, F. Q. iv. viii. 6. MI'NIMUM.* n. s. [Latin.] The smallest quantity possible. See MAXIMUM. MI'NIMUS. n. s. [Latin.] A being of the least size.

Get you gone, you dwarf, ! You minimus of hindering knot grass made; You bead, you acorn. Shaksneare.

MI'NION. † n. s. [mignon, French; Goth. minna: Germ, minnen, to love. Our word was formerly written both mignon, and mignion.] A favourite; a darling; a low dependant; one who pleases rather than benefits. A word of contempt, or of slight and familiar kindness.

Minion, said she: indeed I was a pretty one in

I see a number of lads that love you. They were made great courtiers, and in the way of minions when advancement, the most mortal offence to envy, stirred up their former friend to

overthrow them. One, who had been a special minion of Andromanas, hated us for having dispossessed him of her

Fast by her side did sit the bold Sansloy, Fit mate for such a mincing minion.

Go rate thy minions;

Becomes it thee to be thus bold in terms Shakspeare, Hen. VI. Before thy sovereign. His company must do his minions grace, Whilst I at home starve for a merry look.

Edward sent one army into Ireland; not for conquest, but to guard the person of his minion Piers Gaveston. Davies.

The ruling corruption of his mind, the peculiar minion of his affections, was worldliness.

South, Serm. viii. 167. If a man should launch into the history of human nature, we should find the very minions of princes linked in conspiracies against their master. L'Estrange.

The drowsy tyrant by his minions led, To regal rage devotes some patriot's head. Swift. MI'NION.* adj. [mignon, Fr.] Trim; feat; dainty; fine; elegant; also, pleasing; gentle. Huloet, and Cotgrave.

On his minion harpe full well playe he can. Pleasaunte, Pathewaye, &c. s. d. sign. C. iiij. 4. Anciently, the shortest note in musick; MI'NION.* n. s. [minium, Latin.] Vermilion.

Let them paint their faces with minion and Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 482. ceruse. MI'NIONING.* n. s. [from minion.] Kind

treatment. Sooner hard steel will melt with southern winds, Than woman vow'd to blushless impudence, With sweet behaviour and soft minioning, Will turn from that where appetite is fixed.

Marston, Malcontent. MI'NIONLIKE.* adv. [minion and like.]
MI'NIONLY. Finely; daintily; af-Finely; daintily; affectedly. Not in use. Sherwood.

Hitherto will our sparkful youth laugh at their great grandfathers' English, who had more care to do well, than to speak minionlike.

Camden, Rem. Languages. MI'NIONSHIP.* n. s. [from minion.] State of a favourite. Not in use.

The favourite Luines strengtheneth himself more and more in his minionship: but he is much murmured at, in regard the access of suitors to him is so difficult. Howell, Lett. i. i. 17.

MI'NIOUS. adj. [from minium, Lat.] Of the colour of red led or vermilion.

Some conceive, that the Red Sea receiveth a red and minious tincture from springs that fall

To MI'NISH. + v. a. [from diminish; Lat. minuo, from minus; old Fr. menuiser, to diminish.] To lessen: to lop; to impair.

Ye shall not minish aught from your bricks of your daily task. Exod. v. 19. They are minished and brought low through

oppression. Psalm cvii. 39. Another law was to bring in the silver of the realm to the mint, in making all clipt, minished, or impaired coins of silver, not to be current in

Bacon, Hen. VII. MI'NISTER. n. s. [minister, Latin; ministre, French.

An agent; one who is employed to any end; one who acts not by any inherent authority, but under another.

You, whom virtue hath made the princess of felicity, be not the minister of ruin. Rumble thy belly full; spit fire, spout rain, Nor rain, wind, thunder, fire, are my daughters :

I tax not you, you elements, with unkindness: But yet I call you servile ministers, That have with two pernicious daughters join'd Your high-engender'd battles, 'gainst a head

So old and white as this. Shakspeare, K. Lear. Th' infernal minister advanc'd. Seiz'd the due victim. Dryden, Theod. and Hon.

Other spirits govern'd by the will, Shoot through their tracts, and distant muscles fill:

This sovereign, by his arbitrary nod, Restrains or sends his ministers abroad. Blackmore.

One who is employed in the administration of government.

Kings must be answerable to God, but the ministers to kings, whose eyes, ears, and hands they are, must be answerable to God and man. Bacon.

3. One who serves at the altar; one who performs sacerdotal functions. Epaphras, a faithful minister of Christ.

1 Col. i. 7. The ministers are always preaching, and the governors putting forth edicts against dancing and gaming.

The ministers of the gospel are especially required to shine as lights in the world, because the distinction of their station renders their conduct more observable; and the presumption of their knowledge, and the dignity of their office, gives a peculiar force and authority to their example.

Rogers. Calidus contents himself with thinking, that he never was a friend to hereticks and infidels; that he has always been civil to the minister of his parish, and very often given something to the charity-schools. T.ann.

4. A delegate; an official. If wrongfully

Let God revenge; for I may never lift An angry arm against his minister.

Shakspeare, Rich. II.

5. An agent from a foreign power without the dignity of an ambassadour.

To MI'NISTER. v. a. [ministro, Lat.] To

give; to supply; to afford. All the customs of the Irish would minister occasion of a most ample discourse of the original

and antiquity of that people. Spenser on Ireland.

Now he that ministereth seed to the sower, both minister bread for your food and multiply your seed sown. 2 Cur. ix.

The wounded patient bears The artist's hand that ministers the cure.

Otway, Orphan. To MI'NISTER. v. n.

1. To attend; to serve in any office.

At table Eve Minister'd naked, and their flowing cups, With pleasant liquors crown'd. Milton, P. L.

2. To give medicines.

Can'st thou not minister to a mind diseas'd, Pluck from the memory a rooted sorrow, Raze out the written troubles of the brain? Shakspeare, Macbeth.

3. To give supplies of things needful; to give assistance; to contribute; to afford. Others ministered unto him of their substance.

He who has a soul wholly void of gratitude, should set his soul to learn of his body; for all the parts of that minister to one another. South.

There is no truth which a man may more evidently make out than the existence of a God; yet he that shall content himself with things as they minister to our pleasures and passions, and not make enquiry a little farther into their causes and ends, may live long without any notion of such a

Those good men, who take such pleasure in relieving the miserable for Christ's sake, would not have been less forward to minister unto Christ himself.

Fasting is not absolutely good, but relatively, and as it ministers to other virtues.

Smalridge, Sermon. 4. To attend on the surface of God.

Whether prophesy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith; or ministry, let us wait on our ministering.

MINISTE'RIAL. † adj. [from minister.]

1. Attendant; acting at command. Understanding is in a man; courage and vivacity in the lion; service, and ministerial offi-Brown

ciousness, in the ox. From essences unseen, celestial names, Enlightening spirits, and ministerial flames, Lift we our reason to that sovereign cause,

Who bless'd the whole with life. 2. Acting under superiour authority. For the ministerial officers in court there must be an eye unto them. Bacon, Adv. to Villiers.

I but your recorder am in this Or mouth, and speaker of the universe,

A ministerial notary; for 'tis Not I, but you and fame that make this verse.

Donne, Poems, p. 167. Abstinence, the apostle determines, is of no other real value in religion, than as a ministerial cause of moral effects; as it recalls us from the world, and gives a serious turn to our thoughts.

Rogers, Serm. 3. Sacerdotal; belonging to the ecclesiasticks or their office.

These speeches of Jerom and Chrysostom plainly allude unto such ministerial garments as were then in use. Hooker.

4. Pertaining to ministers of state, or persons in subordinate authority.

Very solid and very brilliant talents distin-Burke. guish the ministerial benches. ish the ministerial pencies.

The whole ministerial cant is quickly got by

Burke.

MINISTE'RIALLY. adv. In a ministerial

Supremacy of office, by mutual agreement and voluntary occonomy, belongs to the father; while the son, out of voluntary condescension, submits to act ministerially, or in capacity of mediator.

MI'NISTERY. n. s. [ministerium, Latin.]
Office; service. This word is now contracted to ministry, but used by Milton as four syllables.

They that will have their chamber filled with a good scent, make some odoriferous water be blown about it by their servants' mouths that are Digby. dextrous in that ministry.

This high temple to frequent With ministeries due, and solemn rites

Milton, P. L.

[MI'NISTRAL. adj. [from .minister.] Per- MI'NIUM. n. s. [Latin.] Red lead. taining to a minister.

MI'NISTRANT. adj. [from minister.] Attendant; acting at command. Pope accents it, not according to analogy, on the second syllable.

Him thrones, and powers, Princedoms, and dominations ministrant, Accompany'd to heaven-gate. Milton, P. L. Ministrant to their queen with busy care, Four faithful handmaids the soft rites prepare.

MINISTRA'TION. + n. s. [old French ministration; from ministro, Latin.]

1. Agency; intervention; office of an agent delegated or commissioned by another.

God made him the instrument of his providence to me, as he hath made his own land to him, with this difference, that God, by his ministration to me, intends to do him a favour.

Bp. Taylor, Living Holy. Though sometimes effected by the immediate fiat of the divine will, yet I think they are most ordinarily done by the ministration of angels.

Hale, Orig. of Mankind. 2. Service; office; ecclesiastical function. The profession of a clergyman is an holy profession, because it is a ministration in holy things, an

attendance at the altar. If the present ministration be more glorious than the former the minister is more holy.

MI'NISTRESS.* n. s. [from minister.] She

who supplies or dispenses. Thus was beauty sent from heaven,

The lovely ministress of truth and good In this dark world. Akenside, Pleas. of Imag. B. 1. MI'NISTRY. n. s. [contracted from minis-

tery; ministerium, Latin.] 1. Office: service.

So far is an indistinction of all persons, and, by consequence, an anarchy of all things, so far from being agreeable to the will of God, declared in his great household, the world, and especially in all the ministries of his proper household the church, that there was never yet any time, I believe, since it was a number, when some of its members were Spratt, Serm. not more sacred than others. 2. Office of one set apart to preach;

ecclesiastical function.

Their ministry perform'd, and race well run, Their doctrine and their story written left, Milton, P. L.

Saint Paul was miraculously called to the ministry of the gospel, and had the whole doctrine of the gospel from God by immediate revelation; and was appointed the apostle of the Gentiles for propagating it in the heathen world.

3. Agency; interposition.

The natural world he made after a miraculous manner; but directs the affairs of it ever since by standing rules, and the ordinary ministry of second

To all but thee in fits he seem'd to go, And 'twas my ministry to deal the blow. Parnell.

The poets introduced the ministry of the gods, and taught the separate existence of human souls. Bentley.

4. Business.

He safe from loud alarms, Abhorr'd the wicked ministry of arms.

Dryden, Æn. 5. Persons employed in the publick affairs

I converse in full freedom with many considerable men of both parties; and if not in equal number, it is purely accidental, as happening to have made acquaintance at court more under one ministry than another.

Melt lead in a broad earthen vessel unglazed, and stir it continually till it be calcined into a grey powder; this is called the calx of lead; continue the fire, stirring it in the same manner, and it becomes yellow; in this state it is used in painting, and is called masticot or massicot; after this put it into a reverberatory furnace, and it will calcine further, and become of a fine red, which is the common minium or red lead: among the ancients minium was the name for cinnabar: the modern minium is used externally, and is excellent in cleansing and healing old ulcers. Hill, Mat. Med.

MI'NNEKIN.* n.s. See MINIKIN.
MI'NNOCK.† n.s. Of this word I know not the precise meaning. It is not unlikely that minnock and minx are originally the same word. Dr. Johnson. -This word is justly supposed by Mr. Malone to be an errour of the press; and that mimick is the true word. One of the old quarto editions of the comedy reads minnick; another minnock; and the folio mimmick. A player was called a mimick, in the poet's time. MIMICK.

An ass's nowl I fixed on his head; Anon, his Thisbe must be answered, And forth my minnock comes.

MI'NNOW. n. s. [menuise, small fish, Fr. from menu, small; min, Goth. small; and Dr. Jamieson says, he has been informed that the Gaelick name of the fish, meanan, is traced to meanle, little.] A very small fish; a pink. See the second sense of MINIM.

Here you this Triton of the minnows?

Shakspeare, Coriol.

The minnow, when he is in perfect season, and not sick, which is only presently after spawning, hath a kind of dappled or waved colour, like a panther, on his sides, inclining to a greenish and sky colour, his belly being milk-white, and his back almost black or blackish: he is a sharp biter at a small worm in hot weather, and in the spring they make excellent minnow tansies; for being washed well in salt, and their heads and tails cut off, and their guts taken out, being fried with yolks Walton, Angler. of eggs, primroses, and tansy.

The nimble turning of the minnow is the perfection of minnow-fishing. Walton, Angler.

MI'NOR. † adj. [Latin.] 1. Petty; inconsiderable.

If there are petty errours and minor lapses, not considerably injurious unto faith, yet is it not safe to contemn inferiour falsities. Brown, Vulg. Err.

He wishes to take on board the eight secondaries, or minor canons, of his college.

Warton, Hist. E. P. ii. 242.

3. Less; smaller.

They altered this custom from cases of high concernment to the most trivial debates, the minor part ordinarily entering their protest. Clarendon. The difference of a third part in so large and

collective an account is not strange, if we consider how differently they are set in minor and less mis-Brown, Vulg. Err. takable numbers.

MI'NOR. † n. s.

1. One under age; one whose youth cannot yet allow him to manage his own

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King Richard the Second, the first ten years of his reign, was a minor.

Davies on Ireland.

He and his muse might be minors, but the libertines are full grown. Collier, View of the Stage. Long as the year's dull circle seems to run, When the brisk minor pants for twenty-one. Pope.

The noblest blood of England having been shed in the grand rebellion, many great families became extinct, or supported only by minors. Swift.

A minor or infant cannot be said to be contumaceous, because he cannot appear as a defendant in court, but by his guardian. Ayliffe, Parergon.

The second or particular proposition in

2. The second or particular proposition in the syllogism.

The second or minor proposition was, that this kingdom hath cause of just fear of overthrow from

He supposed that a philosopher's brain was like a forest, where ideas are ranged like animals of several kinds; that the major is the male, the minor the female, which copulate by the middle term, and engender the conclusion.

Arbulhnot.

3. A Franciscan friar. [fratres minores, Lat. fratricelli, Ital.] A name adopted by the Franciscans to express their extraordinary humility. Minorite is another English term for these persons.

To MI'NORATE.† v. a. [from minor, Latin.] To lessen; to diminish. A word not yet admitted into the language, Dr. Johnson says; citing only the example from Glanville. The use of the word by others prior to, or contemporary with, Glanville, and those of no mean fame, may perhaps be allowed to establish it.

I could not in any charity believe, that he, who had been so often vice-chancellour, would any way seem to betray or minorate the authority and power of that place.

Hill, Lett. to Bp. Laud, (1631,) Abp. Laud's Rem. p. 48. Forget not how assuefaction into a thing mi-

norates the passion from it.

Brown, Chr. Mor. iii. 10.

Imagination puts a double fallacy upon ancient men; first, it makes them undervalue themselves, and minorate their own abilities; and then it

makes them overvalue the objects of fear, and make them far greater than they are.

Smith on Old Age, p. 155.

This it doth not only by the advantareous

This it doth not only by the advantageous assistance of a tube, but by shewing in what degrees distance minorates the object.

Glanville, Scepsis.

MINORA'TION.† n. s. [from minorate.] The act of lessening; diminution; decrease. A word not in use.

His good pleasure was, by this willing minoration and exinanition of himself, to shew his greater condescension.

Walsall, Life of Christ, (1615₃) sign. B. 7.
Bodies emit virtue without abatement of weight, as is most evident in the loadstone, whose efficiencies are communicable without a minoration of gravity.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

We hope the mercles of God will consider our degenerated integrity unto some minoration of our offences.

Brown.

MI'NORITE.* n. s. A Franciscan friar. See the third sense of MINOR.

The attendant Minorites, their chaplains.

Milton, Areopagitica.

Mino'rity. n. s. [minorité, Fr. from minor, Lat.]

1. The state of being under age.

I mov'd the king, my master, to speak in the behalf of my daughter, in the *minority* of them both. Shakspeare. He is young, and his minority

Is put into the trust of Richard Gloster. Shaksp.
These changes in religion should be staid, until
the king were of years to govern by himself: this
the people apprehending worse than it was, a
question was raised, whether, during the king's
minority, such alterations might be made or no.

Hayward, Edw. VI.

Henry the Eighth, doubting he might die in the minority of his son, procured an act to pass, that no statute made during the minority of the king should bind him or his successors, except it were confirmed by the king at his full age. But the first act that passed in king Edward the Sixth's time, was a repeal of that former act; at which time nevertheless the king was minor.

Bacon, Hen. VII.

If there be evidence, that it is not many ages since nature was in her minority, this may be taken for a good proof that she is not eternal.

Their counsels are warlike and ambitious, though something tempered by the minority of their king.

Temple.

2. The state of being less.

From this narrow time of gestation may ensue a minority, or smallness in the exclusion.

Brown, Vulz. Err.

3. The smaller number: as, the minority held for that question in opposition to

the majority.

MI'NOTAUR. n. s. [minotaure, French; minos and taurus.] A monster invented by the poets, balf man and half bull, kept in Dædalus's labyrinth.

Thou may'st not wander in that labyrinth, There minotaurs, and ugly treasons lurk. Shaksp.

MI'NSTER.† n. s. [minrepe, Saxon.] A monastery: an ecclesiastical fraternity; a cathedral church. The word is yet retained at York and Lichfield.

Scynt Albone

Of that mynstre leyde the first stone.

Lydgate, Life of St. Alban.

MI'NSTREL. † n. s. The word minstrel does not appear to have been in use here before the Norman conquest; but at what particular period it was taken up I have not discovered, nor yet whether it was coined in England or France: though I am inclined to think the latter, where this character was called menestrel, menestrier, &c. which was Latinized by the monks, &c. ministellus, ministrellus, ministrallus, menesterellus, &c. Vid. Gloss. Du Cange, et Suppl. Menage derives the French words from ministerialis or ministeriarius, barbarous Latin terms, used in the middle ages to express a workman or artificer, still called in Languedoc ministral; as if these men were styled artificers or performers by way of excellence. But the origin of the name is given perhaps more truly by Du Cange: "Ministelli quos vulgò menestreux vel menestriers appellamus, quòd minoribus aulæ ministris accenserentur." Accordingly, he says, the word minister is sometimes used for ministellus. Although one of these I take to be the true etymology, yet Junius's conjecture deserves mention, who supposes the word minstrel to be of English origin, and deduces it from our old English or Saxon name

for a cathedral, minster. Bp. Percy, Rel. of Anc. Poetry, Ess. on the Min-strels, Note A. Another writer thus subscribes to the conjecture of Junius. Minstrel was indiscriminately applied to the harper, the fiddler, or the player on the bagpipe. It appears to be derived from minster; and those, called minstrels, were employed in the public worship of the cathedrals as singers; in the same way the Welsh called musicians cler, as employed in the same manner. V. Junius in voce. Those minstrels, during the middle ages, united the arts of poetry, instrumental and vocal music, their songs being always accompanied with the harp. They seem to have been the genuine successors of the ancient bards. Callander, Two Anc. Scot. Poems, p. 118.] A musician; one who plays upon instruments; a singer.

Hark how the minstrels gin to shrill aloud Their merry musick that resounds from far, The pipe, the tabor, and the trembling croud,

That well agree withouten breach or jar. Spenser.

Whether any minstrelles, or any other persons, doe use to sing any songs or ditties that be vile and unclean.

O. Elimbeth's Injunct & Anticles (1850) Art. 54.

Actical Action of the state of

I to the vulgar am become a jest; Esteemed as a minstrel at a feast.

Sandys, Paraph.

Jesus came into the ruler's house, and saw the instrels, and the people making a noise.

minstrels, and the people making a noise.

St. Matt. ix. 23.

These fellows

Were once the minstrels of a country show; Follow'd the prizes through each paltry town, By trumpet-cheeks and bloated faces known.

Often our seers and poets have confess'd,
That musick's force can tame the furious beast;
Can make the wolf, or foaming boar restrain
His rage; the lion drop his crested mane,
Attentive to the song; the lynx forget
His wrath to man, and lick the minstrel's feet.

MI'NSTRELSY. n. s. [from minstrel.]

Musick; instrumental harmony.
 Apollo's self will envy at his play,
 And all the world applaud his minstrelsy. Davies

That loving wretch that swears,
'Tis not the bodies marry, but the minds,
Which he in her angelick finds,
Would swear as justly, that he hears,
In that day's rude hoarse minstrelsy, the spheres.

I began, —
Wrapt in a pleasing fit of melancholy,
To meditate my rural minstrelsy,
Till fancy had her fill,

Milton, Comus.

A number of musicians.
 Ministring spirits train'd up in feast, and song!

 Such hast thou arm'd the minstrelsy of heav'n.

Mint. n. s. [minte, Saxon; menthe, Fr. mentha, Lat.] A plant,

Then rubb'd it o'er with newly-gather'd mint, A wholesome herb, that breath'd a grateful scent. Dryden.

MINT * n. s. [moneta, Lat. mynet, Sax. money; mynetian, to coin.]

1. The place where money is coined.

What is a person's name or face, that receives

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have been known had there not been medals. Addison on Medals.

2. Any place of invention.

A man in all the world's new fashion planted, That hath a mint of phrases in his brain. Shaksp. As the mints of calumny are at work, a great number of curious inventions are issued out,

which grow current among the party. Addison, Freeholder

To MINT. † v. a. [mynetian, Saxon.] 1. To coin; to stamp money.

Another law was, to bring in the silver of the realm to the mint, in making all clipped coins of silver not to be current in payments, without giving any remedy of weight; and so to set the mint on work, and to give way to new coins of silver which should be then minted.

Bacon, Hen. VII.

2. To invent; to forge.

Look into the titles whereby they hold these new portions of the crown, and you will find them of such natures as may be easily minted. Bacon, War with Spain

3. To aim at; to wish for; to have a mind to. Used in the north of England. [zemynbian, zemýnt, Sax.]

MI'NTAGE. n. s. [from mint.]

1. That which is coined or stamped. [Its] pleasing poison

The visage quite transforms of him that drinks, And the inglorious likeness of a beast Fixes instead, unmoulding reason's mintage Milton, Comus. Character'd in the face.

2. The duty paid for coining. Ainsworth.

MI'NTER. + n. s. [from mint.]

1. A coiner.

Sterling ought to be of pure silver called leaf silver, the minter must add other weight, if the silver be not pure.

2. An inventor.

They say - that Apollo, when he is an archer, is not president of the company. O generations of fictitious minters! who knows not that Apollo Gayton on D. Quix. p. 242. is a deity errant?

MI'NTMAN. n.s. [mint and man.] One

skilled in coinage.

He that thinketh Spain to be some great overmatch for this estate, is no good miniman; but takes greatness of kingdoms according to their bulk and currency, and not after their intrinsick Bacon, War with Spain.

MI'NTMASTER. n. s. [mint and master.]

1. One who presides in coinage.

That which is coined, as mintmasters confessed, is allayed with about a twelfth part of copper.

2. One who invents.

The great mintmasters of these terms, the schoolmen and metaphysicians, have wherewithal to content him.

MI'NUET. n.s. [menuet, French.] A stately

regular dance.

The tender creature could not see his fate, With whom she'd danc'd a minuet so late,

John has assurance to set up for a minuet dancer.

MI'NUM. † n. s. See MINIM. This way of spelling minim is found in Cotgrave's dictionary. But it is a corruption.

1. [With printers.] A small sort of print-

ing letter; called also minion.

2. [With musicians.] A note of slow time, two of which make a semibrief, as two crotchets make a minum; two quavers a crotchet, and two semiquavers a quaver.

all his reputation from the mint, and would never | MINU'TE. adj. [minutus, Lat.] Small; little; slender; small in bulk; small in consequence.

Some minute philosophers pretend,

That with our days our pains and pleasures end.

Such an universal superintendency has the eye and hand of providence over all, even the most

minute and inconsiderable things. South, Serm. Into small parts the wonderous stone divide,

Ten thousand of minutest size express The same propension which the large possess.

The serum is attenuated by circulation, so as to pass into the minutest channels, and become fit nutriment for the body. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

In all divisions we should consider the larger and more immediate parts of the subject, and not divide it at once into the more minute and remote Watts, Logick.

MI'NUTE. † n. s. [minutum, Latin.]

1. The sixtieth part of an hour.

This man so complete, Who was enroll'd 'mongst wonders, and when we, Almost with listening ravish'd, could not find His hour of speech a minute. Shaksp. Hen. VIII.

2. Any small space of time. They walk'd about me every minute while;

And if I did but stir out of my bed, Ready they were to shoot me to the heart.

Shaksneare. The speed of Gods

Time counts not, though with swiftest minutes Milton, P. L. wing'd. Gods! that the world should turn

Denham, Sophy. On minutes and on moments. Experience does every minute prove the sad South, Serm. truth of this assertion.

Tell her, that I some certainty may bring;

I go this minute to attend the king. Dryden, Aurengz.

3. The first draught of any agreement in writing; this is common in the Scottish law: as, have you made a minute of that contract? Dr. Johnson. - Neither such practice, nor this sense of the word, are by any means confined to Scotland. Its meaning, here recorded, is so general as to signify " a short note of any thing done or to be done." Mason. -It signifies " a minute detail of things singly enumerated;" and is old in this usage, though neither Dr. Johnson nor Mr. Mason could find any example.

His garments were parted, and lots cast upon his inward coat; they gave him vinegar and gall to drink; they brake not a bone of him, but they pierced his side with a spear, looking upon him whom they had pierced; according to the prophecies of him, which were so clear and descended to minutes and circumstances of his passion, that there was nothing left by which they could doubt whether this were he or no who was to come into

the world. Bp. Taylor, Dem. of the Tr. of the Chr. Religion, (ed Hurd,) p. 41.

Till then there is a very fit place and season for the exercise of the other part of the passion here, that of indignation, the last minute of my last Hammond, Works, iv. 580. particular.

To MI'NUTE. v. a. [minuter, French.] To set down in short hints.

I no sooner heard this critick talk of my works, but I minuted what he had said, and resolved to enlarge the plan of my speculations.

MI'NUTE-BOOK. n. s. [minute and book.] Book of short hints.

Bailey. MI'NUTE-GLASS. n. s. [minute and glass.]

Glass of which the sand measures a

MI'NUTE-HAND. * n. s. [minute and hand.] The hand that points to the minutes of a clock or watch.

We have no perception of the motion of the index or hour-hand of a clock; and yet this no perception, so many times repeated, becomes real perception, with respect to the minute-hand.

A. Baxter on the Soul, ii. 304.

MI'NUTE-JACK.* n. s. Another name for Jack of the Clockhouse; which see.

Cap and knee slaves, vapours, and minute-jacks ! Shakspeare, Timon.

MI'NUTE-WATCH. n. s. [minute and watch.] A watch in which minutes are more distinctly marked than in common watches which reckon by the hour.

Casting our eyes upon a minute-watch, we found that from the beginning of the pumping, about two minutes after the coals had been put in glowing, to the total disappearing of the fire, there had passed but three minutes.

MI'NUTELY.* adj. [from minute. Dr. Johnson, under the adverb minutely, has admitted that the following word in Shakspeare seems to be an adjective; as hourly is both the adverb and adjective. The adjective before us has good authority, besides that of Shakspeare.] Happening every minute. Now minutely revolts upbraid his faith-breach;

Those he commands, move only in command, Shakspeare, Macbeth. Nothing in love. His minutely dread and expectation, the dream

that so haunts and hounds him.

Hammond, Works, iv. 580 Those minutely preservations, whereby we are by God's gracious providence kept from danger. Wh. Duty of Man, Sund. v. § 10.

MI'NUTELY. adv. [from minute, the substantive.] Every minute; with very little time invervening.

What is it but a continued perpetuated voice from heaven, resounding for ever in our ears? As if it were minutely proclaimed in thunder from heaven, to give men no rest in their sins, no quiet from Christ's importunity till they arise from so mortiferous a state. Hammond on Fund.

MINU'TELY. adv. [from minute.] To a small point; exactly; to the least part;

In this posture of mind it was impossible for him to keep that slow pace, and observe minutely that order of ranging all he said, from which results an obvious perspicuity.

Change of night and day, And of the seasons ever stealing round, Minutely faithful. Thomson, Summer.

MINU'TENESS. † n. s. [from minate.] Smallness; exility; inconsiderableness.

The animal spirit and insensible particles never fall under our senses by reason of their minute-

Many other such minutenesses, abundance of variations beyond number. Shuckford on the Creation, Pref. p. lxx.

MINU'TIE.* n. s. pl. [Latin.] The

smallest particulars. A word of modern usage.

I will venture to transmit to you some anecdotes concerning him, [Dr. Johnson,] which fell under my own observation. The very minutiae of such a character must be interesting, and may be compared to the filings of diamonds.

Dr. Maxwell, in Boswell's Life of Johnson

Minx.† n. s. [contracted, I suppose, from minnock. Dr. Johnson. — That is, if there be such a word really existing as minnock. But in another place Dr. Johnson calls a minx, " a minneken. Now minneken, or minikin is probably from mignon, darling; and from that word minx may have been formed, being at first a word of endearment. And thus Burton gives it, with a spelling which countenances this etvmology: "Some pretty minkes." Anatomy of Melancholy, p. 604.] A young, pert, wanton girl.

Lewd minx !

Come, go with me apart. Shakspeare. Some torches bore, some links

Before the proud virago minx. Hudibras. She, when but yet a tender minx, began To hold the door, but now sets up for man.

Dryden. MI'NY.* adj. [from mine.] Subterra-

neous; below the surface.

Bid Atlas, propping heaven, as poets feign, His subterranean wonders spread! unveil The miny caverns, blazing on the day, Of Abyssinia's cloud-compelling cliffs.

Thomson, Autumn.

MI'RABLE.* adj. [mirabilis, Lat.] Wonderful; attracting admiration. Not in

Not Neoptolemus so mirable,

(On whose bright crest Fame with her loud'st O

Cries This is he) could promise to himself A thought of added honour torn from Hector. Shakspeare, Tr. and Cress.

MI'RACLE. † n. s. [mipacle, Saxon; miracle, Fr. miraculum, Latin.]

1. A wonder; something above human

power. Nothing almost sees miracles

But misery. Shakspeare, K. Lear. Virtuous and holy, chosen from above,

To work exceeding miracles on earth, Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

Be not offended, nature's miracle, Thou art allotted to be ta'en by me.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

2. [In theology.] An effect above human or natural power, performed in attestation of some truth.

The miracles of our Lord are peculiarly emi-nent above the lying wonders of demons, in that they were not made out of vain ostentation of power, and to raise unprofitable amazement; but for the real benefit and advantage of men by feeding the hungry, healing all sorts of diseases, ejecting of devils, and reviving the dead.

Bentley, Serm. 3. Anciently, a spectacle or sort of dramatick entertainment, representing the lives of saints and the most eminent scriptural stories; known in England, according to Mr. Warton, for more than two centuries before the reign of Edward the Second. So, in France: " Miracle, pièce de notre ancien théâtre, qui, par suite, fut appelée mystère, parce qu'on y traitoit des sujets de religion." Roquefort, Gloss. Lang. Rom. See also Mystery.

Therefore made I my visitations To vigilies, and to processions, -To plays of miracles, and mariages.

Chaucer, Wife of Bath's Prol.

Att markets and miracles, we medeley us never.

To MI'RACLE.* v. a. [from the noun.]
To make wonderful. Not in use.

Who this should be, Doth miracle itself, lov'd before me.

Shakspeare, Cymb.

To MI'RACLE.* v. n. To work a miracle. Not in use.

Their power of miracling, their infallibility did but add countenance and strength to their declar-

Hales, (of Eton.) Power of the Keys, (1677,) p. 169.

MIRACLE-MONGER.* n. s. A pretender to the performance of miracles; an im-

Direct the intention of these laws only against jugglers, miracle-mongers, or impostors.

Hallywell, Melampron, p. 52. The two miracle-mongers had not been above a minute in the holy sepulcher, when the glimmering of the holy fire was seen, or imagined to appear, through some chinks of the door; and certainly Bedlam itself never saw such an unruly transport as was produced in the mob at this sight. Maundrell, Trav. p. 96.

MIRA'CULOUS. adj. [miraculeux, Fr. from miracle.] Done by miracle; produced by miracle; effected by power more

than natural.

Arithmetical progression might easily demonstrate how fast mankind would increase, overpassing as miraculous, though indeed natural, that example of the Israelites, who were multiplied in two hundred and fifteen years from seventy unto six hundred thousand able men. Ralegh, Essays. Restore this day, for thy great name,

Unto his ancient and miraculous right. Herbert. Why this strength

Miraculous yet remaining in those locks? His might continues in thee not for naught. Milton, S. A.

At the first planting of the Christian religion, God was pleased to accompany it with a miraculous power.

MIRA'CULOUSLY. adv. [from miraculous.] By miracle; by power above that of

It was the singular providence of God, to draw those northern heathen nations down into those Christian parts, where they might receive Christianity, and to mingle nations so remote miraculously to make one blood and kindred of all people, and each to have knowledge of him.

Spenser on Ireland. Turnus was to be slain that very day; and Æneas, wounded as he was, could not have engaged him in single combat, unless his hurt had been miraculously healed. Dryden.

MIRA'CULOUSNESS. n. s. [from miraculous. The state of being effected by miracle; superiority to natural power.

I understand not how any hasty conclusions, concerning the miraculousness of any strange event, can reconcile themselves to counsel and Spenser on Prodigies, (1665,) p. 242.

The miraculousness of such appearances will be no longer urged as an argument against their West, on the Resurrection, § 13. possibility.

MIRADO'R. n. s. [Spanish, from mirar, to look.] A balcony; a gallery whence ladies see shews.

Mean time your valiant son, who had before Gain'd fame, rode round to every mirador: Beneath each lady's stand a stop he made, And bowing, took th' applauses which they paid.

We haunten no tavernes, ne hobeleh abouten; | MIRE. n. s. [moer, Dutch.] Mud: dirt at the bottom of water.

> He his rider from her lofty steed Would have cast down and trod in dirty mire.

Here's that which is too weak to be a sinner. honest water, which ne'er left man i'the mire. Shakspeare, Timon.

I'm Ralph himself, your trusty squire, Wh' has dragg'd your donship out o'th' mire.

I appeal to any man's reason whether it be not better that there should be a distinction of land and sea, than that all should be mire and water.

More, against Atheism. Now plung'd in mire, now by sharp brambles Roscommon.

To MIRE. v. a. [from the noun.] whelm in the mud; to soil with mud. Why had I not, with charitable hand, Took up a beggar's issue at my gates? Who smeered thus, and mir'd with infamy,

I might have said no part of it is mire.

MIRE. n. s. [myr, Welsh; myna, Saxon; mier, Dutch.] An ant; a pismire. MI'RINESS. n. s. [from miry.] Dirtiness; fulness of mire.

MIRK.* adj. [myrk, Icel. moerk, Su. Goth. morck, Danish, dark, morcker, darkness; mipce, darkness, Saxon.] Dark; obscure. Used in the north of England.

The shadowe makith her [the moon's] bemes Chaucer, Rom. R. 5989. Diggon, I praye thee, speak not so dirke;

Such myster saying me seemeth to-mirke. Spenser, Shep. Cal. Sept. A shadow blacker than the mirkest night,

Inviron'd all the place with darkness sad. Fairfax, Tass. xvi. 68.

MI'RKSOME. † adj. [morck, dark, Danish. In the derivatives of this set, no regular orthography is observed: it is common to write murky, to which the rest ought to conform. Dr. Johnson. — It seems more correct to write mirky, mirk, and mirksome, in conformity to the Saxon mince.] Dark; obscure.

Through mirksome air her ready way she makes. Spenser, F. Q.

Into this mirksome source. More, Immortal. of the Soul, i. iv. 2. MI'RKSOMENESS.* n. s. [from mirksome.]

Obscurity. You can easily ford over all the depths thereof,

and clearly comprehend all the darkest mirksomeness therein.

Mountagu, App. to Cæs. (1625,) p. 75.

MI'RKY. † adj. [from mirk.] Dark; wanting light. Dr. Johnson prefers murky, perhaps not justly; though certainly it was formerly so written. See MURKY and MIRK.

MI'RROR. + n. s. [miroir, French; mirar, Spanish, to look.]

1. A looking glass; any thing which exhibits representations of objects by reflection. This sense is very old in our

This schal be likened to a man that beholdith the cheer of his birthe in a myrrour.

Wicliffe, St. James, i. This mirrour and this ring that ye may see, He hath sent to my lady Canace.

Chaucer, Squ. Tale.

And in his waters, which your mirror make, Behold your faces as the crystal bright.

Spenser, Epithalam. That power which gave me eyes the world to view,

To view myself infus'd an inward light, Whereby my soul, as by a mirror true, Of her own form may take a perfect sight.

Davies.

Less bright the moon, But opposite in levell'd west was set His mirror, with full face borrowing her light Milton, P. L. From him.

Mirroir of poets, mirroir of our age, Which her whole face beholding on thy stage, Pleas'd and displeas'd with her own faults endures A remedy like those whom musick cures. Waller. By chance he spy'd a mirror while he spoke,

And gazing there beheld his alter'd look; Wandering, he saw his features and his hue, So much were chang'd, that scarce himself he Dryden. knew.

Late as I rang'd the crystal wilds of air, In the clear mirror of thy ruling star, I saw, alas! some dread event impend.

It is used for pattern; for that on which the eye ought to be fixed; as, men look in a glass to adjust their mien or dress; an exemplar; an archetype.

The works of nature are no less exact, than if she did both behold and study how to express some absolute shape or mirror always present before Hooker.

O goddess, heavenly bright, Mirrour of grace and majesty divine.

Spenser, F. Q. How far'st thou, mirrour of all martial men?

Mirror of ancient faith in early youth.

MI'RROR-STONE. n. s. [selenites, Lat.] A Ainsworth. kind of transparent stone. MIRTH. † n. s. [mypo, Sax. mypiz, merry.]

Merriment; jollity; gaiety; laughter. To give a kingdom for a mirth, to sit,

And keep the turn of tippling with a slave. Shakspeare. His eye begets occasion for his wit; For every object that the one doth catch,

The other turns to a mirth-moving jest. Most of the appearing mirth in the world is not mirth but art: the wounded spirit is not seen, but walks under a disguise. South, Serm.

I have always preferred cheerfulness to mirth. The latter I consider as an act, the former as an habit, of the mind. Mirth is short and transient, cheerfulness fixed and permanent.

Addison, Spect. No. 381. With genial joy to warm the soul,

Bright Helen mix'd a mirth-inspiring bowl. Pone, Odyss.

MI'RTHFUL. adj. [mirth and full.] Merry; gay; cheerful.

No simple word, That shall be utter'd at our mirthful board, B. Jonson. Shall make us sad next morning. The feast was serv'd, the bowl was crown'd

To the king's pleasure went the mirthful round.

MI'RTHFULLY.* adv. [from mirthful.] In a merry manner.

This nephta is an oily or fat liquid substance, in colour not unlike soft white clay; of quality hot and dry, so as it is apt to inflame with the sunbeams, or heat that issues from fire; as was mirthfully experimented upon one of Alexander's pages, who, being anointed, with much ado escaped burn-Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 182.

MI'RTHLESS. † adj. [from mirth.] Joyless; cheerless.

Who can a reason finde or wit in that Dauncith he mery, that is mirthelesse? Charler, Assembly of Foules.

Desolate; Sacked, burned, and enthrall'd; And the temple spoil'd, which we Ne'er should see,

To our mirthless minds we call'd.

Donne, Ps. 137. Poems, p. 328. MI'RY. adj. [from mire.]

1. Deep in mud; muddy.

Sion's doleful state,

Thou should'st have heard how her horse fell, and she under her horse: thou should'st have heard in how miry a place, how she was bemoiled. Shakspeare, Tam. of the Shrew.

All men who lived lazy lives, and died natural deaths, by sickness or by age, went into vast caves under ground, all dark and miry, full of noisome creatures, and there grovelled in endless stench

and misery. Deep, through a miry lane she pick'd her way, Above her ancle rose the chalky clay. Gay, Trivia.

So have I seen ill-coupled hounds Drag different ways in miry grounds.

Consisting of mire.

Shall thou and I sit round about some fountain Looking all downwards to behold our cheeks, How they are stain'd like meadows, yet not dry, With miry slime left on them by a flood? Shaksp.

MIS.† An inseparable particle used in composition to mark an ill sense, or depravation of the meaning: as chance, luck; mischance, ill luck; computation, reckoning; miscomputation, false reckoning; to like, to be pleased; to mislike, to be offended; from mes in Teutonick and French, used in the same sense. Of this it is difficult to give all the examples; but those that follow will sufficiently explain it. Dr. Johnson. - It is the Saxon mir, from the Gothick missa; both which are often found in composition, denoting errour, defect, or dissimilitude.

MISACCEPTA'TION. n. s. [mis and acceptation. The act of taking in a wrong

MISADVE'NTURE. n. s. [mesaventure, Fr. Mischance; mismis and adventure.] fortune; ill luck; bad fortune.

Your looks are pale and wild, and do import Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul. Some misadventure.

When a commander, either upon necessity or misadventure, falleth into danger, it much ad vanceth both his reputation and enterprize, if Hayward. bravely he behaveth himself. The body consisted, after all the losses and mis-

adventures, of no less than six thousand foot,

Distinguish betwixt misadventure and design. L'Estrange. The trouble of a misadventure now and then,

that reaches not his innocence or reputation, may not be an ill way to teach him more caution. Locke on Education.

MISADVE'NTURED. adj. [from misadven-

ture.] Unfortunate. From forth the fatal loins of these two foes, A pair of starcrost lovers take their life;

Whose misadventur'd piteous overthrows Do with their death bury their parents' strife.

MISADVI'SED. adj. [mis and advised.] directed.

To MISAFFE'CT.* v. a. [mis and affect.] To dislike; not to be fond of.

That peace which you have hitherto so perversely Milton, Animadv. Rem. Defence. misaffected. MISAFFE'CTED.* adj. Ill affected; ill disposed.

The whole body groans under such heads, and all the members must needs be misaffected.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. To the Reader To MISAFFI'RM.* v. a. [mis and affirm.] To state incorrectly; to affirm falsely.

I suppose it no injury to the dead, but a good deed rather to the living, if by better information given there are a brightness. given them, or, which is enough, by only remembering them the truth of what they themselves know to be here misaffirmed, they may be kept from entering the third time unadvisedly into war Milton, Eiconoclast, Pref. and bloodshed.

[mis and aim.] Not MISA'IMED. adj. aimed rightly.

The idle stroke enforcing furious way, Missing the mark of his misaimed sight,

Spenser, F. Q. Did fall to ground. MISALLEGA'TION.* n. s. [mis and allegation.] False statement.

You have compelled me, who have charged me so unjustly with misallegations.

Bp. Morton, Discharge, &c. p. 277. To Misalle'GE.* v. a. [mis and allege.] To cite falsely as a proof or argument.

[This] is all that Eusebius, by them mistranslated and misalleged by him, [my refuter,] re-

Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Marr. Clergy, p. 135.

MISALLI'ANCE.* n. s. [mis and alliance.] Improper association.

Their purpose was to ally two things, in nature incompatible, the Gothic and the classic unity; the effect of which misalliance was to discover and expose the nakedness of the Gothic. Hurd.

MISALLI'ED.* adj. [mis and ally.] Ill associated.

They [the French revolutionists,] are a misallied and disparaged branch of the House of Nimrod,

MI'SANTHROPE.† } n. s. [misanthrope, MISA'NTHROPOS. } French; μωσώνθεωπος, Gr. from μισω, to hate, and ανθρωπος, man. Misanthropos, or misanthropous, " one that hates man's company," is in the old vocabulary of Cockeram. It is now usual to say misanthropist.] A hater of mankind.

I am misanthropos, and hate mankind. Shaksp. Alas, poor dean! his only scope

Was to be held a misanthrope This into general odium drew him.

Swift. MISANTHRO'PICAL.*] adj. [from misan-MISANTHRO'PICK. | thropy.] Hating

mankind. The varieties of misanthropical covetousness.

Granger on Eccl. (1621,) p. 101. MISA'NTHROPIST.* n. s. [from misanthro-

py.] A hater of mankind. Bailey. MISA'NTHROPY. † n. s. [misanthropie, Fr. from misanthrope.] Hatred of mankind.

In this last part of his imaginary travels, Swift has indulged a misanthropy that is intolerable. Ld. Orrery on Swift, p. 166.

MISAPPLICA'TION. n. s. [mis and application.] Application to a wrong purpose. The indistinction of many in the community of

name, or the misapplication of the act of one unto another, hath made some doubt thereof. Brown, Vulg. Err.

The vigilance of those who preside over these charities is so exemplary, that persons disposed to do good can entertain no suspicions of the misap-Atterbury. plication of their bounty.

It is our duty to be provident for the future, and to guard against whatever may lead us into misapplications of it.

To MISAPPLY'. v. a. [mis and apply.] To apply to wrong purposes.

Virtue itself turns vice, being misapplied, And vice sometime by action's dignified. Shaksp. The holy treasure was to be reserved, and issued for holy uses, and not misapplied to any other ends.

He that knows, that whiteness is the name of that colour he has observed in snow, will not misapply that word as long as he retains that idea.

To MISAPPREHE'ND. v. a. [mis and apprehend.] Not to understand rightly.

That your reasonings may lose none of their force by my misapprehending or misrepresenting them, I shall give the reader your arguments.

MISAPPREHE'NSION. n. s. [mis and apprehension.] Mistake; not right apprehension.

It is a degree of knowledge to be acquainted with the causes of our ignorance: what we have to say under this head, will equally concern our misapprehensions and errors. Glanville.

To MISASCRI'BE. v. a. [mis and ascribe.] To ascribe falsely.

That may be misascribed to art which is the bare production of nature.

Ranke. Boule.

To MISASSI'GN. v. a. [mis and assign.] To assign erroneously,

We have not misassigned the cause of this phenomenon.

To MISATTE'ND.* v. a. [mis and attend.] To attend slightly; to disregard.

They shall recover the misattended words of Christ, to the sincerity of their true sense, from manifold contradictions.

Milton, Doct. and Disc. of Div. ii. 22.

To Misbeco'me. v. a. [mis and become.] Not to become; to be unseemly; not to suit.

Either she has a possibility in that which I think impossible, or else impossible loves needs not misbecome me.

What to the dauphin from England? - Scorn and defiance, slight regard, contempt, And any thing that may not misbecome

The mighty sender. Shakspeare, Hen. V. That boldness which lads get amongst playfellows, has such a mixture of rudeness and illturn'd confidence, that those misbecoming and disingenuous ways of shifting in the world must be unlearned to make way for better principles.

Portius, thou may'st rely upon my conduct: Thy father will not act what misbecomes him.

Addison. Misbeco'mingness.* n. s. [from misbecome.] Unbecomingness.

Moral failings, whose unfitness or misbecomingness makes all the guilt.

Boyle against Custom. Swearing. p. 115.

MISBEGO'TTEN, adj. [begot or begotten or irregularly begotten.

Contaminated, base, And misbegotten blood, I spill of thine.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. Your words have taken such pains, as if they labour'd

To bring man-slaughter into form, set quarrelling Upon the head of valour; which, indeed, Is valour misbegot, and came into the world When sects and factions were but newly born, Shakspeare.

The misbegotten infant grows, And, ripe for birth, distends with deadly throes The swelling rind with unavailing strife

To leave the wooden womb, and pushes into life. Dryden.

To Misbeha've. v. n. [mis and behave.] To act ill or improperly.
To Misbeha've.* v. a. To conduct ill

or improperly.

Spirits who have misbehaved themselves. Jortin. MISBEHA'VED. adj. [mis and behaved.] Untaught; ill-bred; uncivil.

Happiness courts thee in her best array; But, like a misbehav'd and sullen wench,

Thou pout'st upon thy fortune and thy love.

MISBEHA'VIOUR. n. s. [mis and behaviour.] Ill conduct; bad practice.

The misbehaviour of particular persons does not at all affect their cause, since a man may act laudably in some respects, who does not so in others. Addison, Frecholder.

Shakspeare.

MISBELI'EF. † n. s. [mis and belief.] False religion; a wrong belief.

I, that have sold such as profess'd the faith That I was born in to captivity, Will make their number equal that I shall Deliver from the oar; and win as many, By the clearness of my actions, to look on Their misbelief, and loath it. Massinger, Renegado.

To Misbell'eve. * v. n. [mis and believe.] To hold a false religion; to believe wrongly.

Hither hale that misbelieving Moor. Titus Andronicus.

Misbell'Ever. n. s. [mis and believer.] One that holds a false religion, or believes wrongly.

Yes, if I drew it with a curst intent To take a misbeliever to my bed,

It must be so. Dryden, Don Sebastian.

To Misbese'em.* v. a. [mis and beseem.] To suit ill; not to become. One thinks it misbeseeming the author, because

a poem; another, unlawful in itself, because a Bp. Hall, Postscript to his Satires. Neither can this action misbeseem the worthiness of so glorious a piece. Hakewill on Prov. p. 104.

To Misbesto'w.* v. a. [mis and bestow.] To bestow improperly.

There cannot be a better way than to take the misbestowed wealth, which they were cheated of. Milton, Animadv. Rem. Defence.

Remember, dear, how loath and slow I was to cast a look or smile, Or one love-line to mis-bestow,

Till thou hadst chang'd both face and stile.

Carew's Poems, p. 165. MI'SBORN.* adj. [mis and born.] Born to misfortune; unluckily born.

Ah! misborn elf, In evil hour thy foes thee hither sent.

Spenser, F. Q. i. vi. 42.

To MISCA'LCULATE. v. a. [mis and calculate.] To reckon wrong.

After all the care I have taken, there may be, in such a multitude of passages, several misquoted, misinterpreted, and miscalculated.

Arbuthnot on Coins. MISCALCULA'TION.* n. s. [from miscalculate.] Wrong computation. Their want of intercalations, and their miscal-

culations of eclipses. Biblioth. Bibl. i. 73. To Misca'L. v. a. [mis and call.] To name improperly.

My heart will sigh when I miscal it so. Shakspeare, Rich. II.

The third act, which connects propositions and deduceth conclusions from them, the schools call discourse; and we shall not miscal it if we name Glanville, Scepsis.

What you miscal their folly is their care.

Dryden.

MISCA'RRIAGE. † n. s. [mis and carriage.] 1. Ill conduct. Resolutions of reforming do not always satisfy

justice, nor prevent vengeance for former miscur-King Charles. How, alas! will he appear in that awful day, when even the failings and miscarriages of the righteous shall not be concealed, though the mercy

of God be magnified in their pardon. Rogers, Serm. 2. Unhappy event of our undertakings;

failure. When a counsellor, to save himself, Would lay miscarriages upon his prince, Exposing him to publick rage and hate, O, 'tis an act as infamously base, As, should a common soldier sculk behind.

And thrust his general in the front of war.

Dryden, Span. Friar. If the neglect or abuse of the liberty he had, to examine what would really make for his happiness, misleads him, the miscarriages that follow on it must be imputed to his own election.

A great part of that time which the inhabitants of the former earth had to spare, and whereof they made so ill use, was now employed in digging and plowing; and the excess of fertility which contributed so much to their miscarriages, was retracted and cut off. Woodward, Nat. Hist. Your cures aloud you tell,

But wisely your miscarriages conceal.

Garth, Dispensary. 3. Abortion; act of bringing forth before

There must be miscarriages and abortions; for there died many women with child.

To MISCA'RRY. v. n. [mis and carry.] 1. To fail; not to have the intended event; not to succeed; to be lost in an enter-

prise; not to reach the effect intended. Have you not heard of Frederick, the great soldier who miscarried at sea?

Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas. Our sister's man is certainly miscarried. Shaksp. Is it concluded he shall be protector?

- It is determin'd, not concluded yet : But so it must me if the king miscarry.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. If you miscarry,

Your business of the world hath so an end, And machination ceases, Shakspeare, K. Lear. Sweet Bassanio, my ships have all miscarried, my creditors grow cruel, my estate is very low.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. I could mention some projects which I have brought to maturity, and others which have mis-

Addison, Guardian. No wonder that this expedient should so often miscarry, which requires so much art and genius

to arrive at any perfection in it. 2. To have an abortion.

Give them a miscarrying womb and dry breasts. Hos. ix. 14.

So many politick conceptions so elaborately formed and wrought, and grown at length ripe for a delivery, do yet, in the issue, miscarry and prove abortive. South, Serm. His wife miscarried; but the abortion proved a

female fœtus. Pope and Arbuthnot. You have proved yourself more tender of an-

other's embrios, than the fondest mothers are of their own; for you have preserved every thing that I miscarried of. Pope,

To Misca'st. v. a. [mis and cast.] To take a wrong account of,

Men miscast their days; for in their age they deduce the account not from the day of their birth, but the year of our Lord wherein they were born. Brown, Vulg. Err.

MI'SCELLANE. † n. s. [miscellaneus, Latin. This is corrupted into mastlin or mestlin. Dr. Johnson. - Mastlin, or mestlin, has been traced to a different origin. See MASTLIN . Mixed corn; as, wheat and

It is thought to be of use to make some miscellane in corn; as if you sow a few beans with wheat,

your wheat will be the better.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. (ed. 1658,) No. 670. MI'SCELLANE, or MI'SCELLEN.* adj. Various; mixed.

Pliny says of miscellen pulses, sowed together in

Italy in his time, "nihil ocymo, &c." Hacket's Life of Abp. Williams, (1693,) p. 113. MISCELLA'NEOUS. adj. [miscellaneus, Lat.]

Mingled; composed of various kinds. Being miscellaneous in many things, he is to be received with suspicion; for such as amass all relations must err in some, and without offence be

unbelieved in many. And what the people but a herd confus'd,

A miscellaneous rabble, who extol

Things vulgar, and well weigh'd scarce worth the Milton, P. R. praise. MISCELLA'NEOUSNESS. n. s. [from miscellaneous.] Composition of various kinds. MI'SCELLANY. † adj. [miscellaneus, Lat.]

Mixed of various kinds.

The power of Spain consisteth in a veteran army, compounded of miscellany forces of all nations.

By their miscellany deities at Rome, which grew together with their victories, they shewed no notion was without its god. Pearson on the Creed, Art. 1. MI'SCELLANY. 7 n. s. A mass formed out

of various kinds. 'Tis but a bundle or miscellany of sin; sins original, and sins actual. Hewyt, Serm. (1658,) p. 4. I acquit myself of the presumption of having lent my name to recommend miscellanies or works of other men.

When they have join'd their pericranies, Swift. Out skips a book of miscellanies.

To MISCE'NTRE.* v. a. [mis and centre.] To place amiss.

They were confounded, because they hoped, says thy servant Job; because they had misplaced, miscentred their hopes. Donne, Devot. p. 134. MISCHA'NCE. n. s. [mis and chance.] Ill

luck; ill fortune; misfortune; mishap. The lady Cecropia sent him to excuse the mischance of her beasts ranging in that dangerous

Extreme dealing had driven her to put herself with a great lady, by which occasion she had stumbled upon such mischances as were little for the honour of her family.

View these letters, full of bad mischance. Shakspeare, Hen. VI. France is revolted. Sleep rock thy brain,

And never come mischance between us twain. Shaks. Nothing can be a reasonable ground of despising a man but some fault chargeable upon him; and nothing can be a fault that is not naturally in a man's power to prevent; otherwise, it is a man's unhappiness, his mischance or calamity, but not his South, Serm.

To Mischa'rge. * v. a. [mis and charge.] To charge amiss in an accompt.

The most of the rest of the complaints were touching particulars mischarged.

Hale, Sheriff's Accompts, ch. 10. MI'SCHIEF. n. s. [meschef, old French.] 1. Harm; hurt; whatever is ill and injuriously done.

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better is a mischief than an inconvenience Spenser on Ireland. Come, you murdering ministers!

Wherever in your sightless substances

You wait on nature's mischief. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

Thy tongue deviseth mischiefs. Psal. lii. 2 Was I the cause of mischief, or the man, Whose lawless lust the fatal war began? Dryden, Æn.

2. Ill consequence; vexatious affair.

States call in foreigners to assist them against a common enemy; but the mischief was, these allies would never allow that the common enemy was subdued.

To-MI'SCHIEF. † v. a. [from the noun.] To hurt; to harm; to injure.

That sad intelligencing tyrant, that mischiefs the

world with his mines of Ophir.

Milton, Of Ref. in Engl. B. 2. As when Herod stretched forth his hand to mischief some of those, which were of the church.

Pearson on the Creed, Art. 2. If the greatest inward heat be not sweetened by meekness, or not governed by prudence, can it bring to our souls any benefit? rather it mischiefs Sprat, Serm.

MI'SCHIEFMAKER. n. s. [from mischief and make.] One who causes mischief.

MISCHIEF-MAKING. adj. Causing harm. Come not thou with mischief-making beauty,

To interpose between us, look not on him. Rowe. MI'schievous.† adj. [from mischief. This word was formerly accented on the

second syllable; as by Spenser repeatedly; and as, long after him, by Cowley. It is even yet vulgarly so pronounced. But Shakspeare, Milton, and Dryden confirm the accent on the first syllable.] 1. Harmful; hurtful; destructive; noxi-

ous; pernicious; injurious; wicked: used both of persons and things. Think him as a serpent's egg,

Which, hatch'd, would, as his kind, grow mis-

chievous. And kill him in the shell. Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs. This false, wily, doubling disposition is intolerably mischievous to society. South, Serm. I'm but a half-strain'd villain yet;

But mongrel mischievous. He had corrupted or deluded most of his servants, telling them that their master was run mad; that he had disinherited his heir, and was going to settle his estate upon a parish-boy; that if he did not look after their master he would do some very Arbuthnot, Hist. of J. Bull. mischievous thing.

Spiteful: malicious. Ainsworth. Thither full fraught with mischievous revenge, Accurs'd, and in a cursed hour, he hies.

Milton, P. L. MI'SCHIEVOUSLY. adv. [from mischief.] Noxiously; hurtfully; wickedly.

Nor was the cruel destiny content To sweep at once her life and beauty too;

But like a harden'd felon took a pride To work more mischievously slow, And plundered first, and then destroy'd.

Dryden. MI'SCHIEVOUSNESS. n. s. [from mischiev-

Hurtfulness; perniciousness; ous.] wickedness. Compare the harmlessness, the tenderness, the

modesty, and the ingenuous pliableness, which is in youth, with the mischievousness, the slyness, the craft, the impudence, the falsehood, and the confirmed obstinacy found in an aged, long-practised

The law in that case punisheth the thought; for MI'SCHNA.* n. s. [Hebrew; signifying repetition.] A part of the Jewish Talmud.

The Jews affirm that the most remarkable copies of the mischna, written in the second age after Christ, were marked with points, that so there might no less dignity belong to the oral than to the written law.

Mather, Vindic. of the H. Bible, p. 300. MI'SCIBLE. adj. [from misceo, Lat.] Possible to be mingled.

Acid spirits are subtile liquors which come over in distillations, not inflammable, miscible with Arbuthnot.

Miscita'tion. † n. s. [mis and citation.] Unfair or false quotation.

What a miscitation is this? " Moses commanded." The law was God's, not Moses's.

Bp. Hall, Contempl. B. 4. Being charged with miscitation and unfair dealing, it was requisite to say something; honesty is a tender point.

To Misci'te. v. a. [mis and cite.] To quote wrong.

MISCLA'IM. n. s. [mis and claim.] Mistaken claim.

Error, misclaim and forgetfulness, become suitors for some remission of extreme rigour.

MISCOMPUTA'TION. n. s. [mis and computation.] False reckoning.

It was a general misfortune and miscomputation of that time, that the party had so good an opinion of their own reputation and interest. Clarendon.

To Misconce'ive. v. a. [mis and conceive.] To misjudge; to have a false notion of. Ne let false whispers, breeding hidden fears, Break gentle sleep with misconceived doubt.

Our endeavour is not so much to overthrow them with whom we contend, as to yield them just and reasonable causes of those things, which, for want of due consideration heretofore, they miscen-

Misconceived Joan of Arc hath been A virgin from her tender infancy.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. To Misconce'ive.* v. n. To entertain a mistaken notion; to have a wrong idea.

The high priest, suspecting lest the king should misconceive that some treachery had been done to Heliodorus by the Jews, offered a sacrifice for the health of the man. 2 Macc. iii, 32.

MISCONCE'IT. \ \ n. s. [mis and conceit, MISCONCE'PTION. \} and conception.] False opinion; wrong notion.

The other which instead of it we are required to accept, is only by error and misconceit named the ordinance of Jesus Christ; no one proof being as yet brought forth, whereby it may clearly appear to be so in very deed.

It cannot be that our knowledge should be other than an heap of misconception and errour.

Glanville, Scepsis.

Great errours and dangers result out of a mis-conception of the names of things.

Harvey on Consumptions. It will be a great satisfaction to see those pieces

of most ancient history, which have been chiefly preserved in Scripture, confirmed anew, and freed from those misconceptions or misrepresentations which made them sit uneasy upon the spirits even Burnet, The. of the Earth. of the best men.

MISCO'NDUCT. n. s. [mis and conduct.] Ill behaviour; ill management.

They are industriously proclaimed and aggra-

vated by such as are guilty or innocent of the same slips or misconducts in their own behaviour. Addison, Spect.

It highly concerned them to reflect, how great obligations both the memory of their past misconduct, and their present advantages, laid on them, to walk with care and circumspection.

Rogers, Serm. To Misconduct. v. a. [mis and conduct.] To manage amiss; to carry on wrong. MISCONJE'CTURE. n. s. [mis and conjecture.] A wrong guess.

I hope they will plausibly receive our attempts, or candidly correct our misconjectures.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

To Misconje'cture. v. a. [mis and conjecture.] To guess wrong.

To Misconje'cture.* v. n. To make a

wrong guess or conjecture.

I find it to be ordinary, that many pressing and fawning persons do misconjecture of the humours of men in authority.

Bacon, on the Controv. of the Ch. of England. MISCONSTRUCTION. n. s. [mis and construction. Wrong interpretation of

words or things.

It pleas'd the king his master very lately To strike at me upon his misconstruction, When he conjunct, and flattering his displeasure, Tript me behind. Shakspeare, K. Lear. Others conceive the literal acceptation to be a

misconstruction of the symbolical expression.

Those words were very weakly inserted where they are so liable to misconstruction. Stilling fleet.

To Misco'nstrue. v. a. [mis and construe.] To interpret wrong.

That which by right exposition buildeth up Christian faith, being misconstrued breedeth errour: between true and false construction the difference reason must shew. Hooker.

We would have had you heard The manner and the purpose of his treasons; That you might well have signified the same Unto the citizens, who, haply may Misconstrue us in him,

Shakspeare, Rich. III. Many of the unbelieving Israelites would have misconstrued this story of mankind.

Do not, great sir, misconstrue his intent, Nor call rebellion what was prudent care, To guard himself by necessary war.

Dryden, Aurengz A virtuous emperor was much afflicted to find his actions misconstrued and defamed by a party.

MISCO'NSTRUER.* n. s. [from misconstrue.] One who makes a wrong interpretation. Those misconstruers are fain to understand [it] of the distinct notifications.

Bp. Hall, Cases of Consc. D. 3. C. 10.

MISCONTI'NUANCE. n. s. [mis and continuance.] Cessation; intermission.

To Misco'unsel. v. a. [mis and counsel.] To advise wrong.

Every thing that is begun with reason Will come by ready means unto his end, But things miscounselled must needs miswend.

To Misco'unt. v. a. [mescounter, French, mis and count.] To reckon wrong.

To Misco'unt.* v. n. To make a false reckoning.

Thus do all men generally miscount in the days of their health. Bp. Patrick, Div. Arithmetick, p.6.

MI'SCREANCE. \ n. s. [from mescreance, or MI'SCREANCY. \ mescroiance, French. Unbelief; false faith: adherence to a false religion.

If thou wilt renounce thy miscreance, And my true liegeman yield thyself for ay, Life will I grant thee for thy valiance. Spenser. ther, manslaughter, heresy, miscreancy, atheism,

MI'SCREANT. † n. s. [mescreant, Fr.] 1. One that holds a false faith: one who believes in false gods.

Thou oughtest not to be slowthfull to the destruction of the myscreaunts, but to constreyne them to obeye our Lord God.

Ld. Rivers, Dictes & Sayings of the Phil. (1477,) A. viii. If the unbeliever or miscroyaunte doe departe, let him departe.

Martin, Marr. of Priests, (1554,) sign. B b. iii. b.

Their prophets justly condemned them as an adulterous seed, and a wicked generation of miscreants, which had forsaken the living God.

2. A vile wretch.

Now by Apollo, king, Thou swear'st thy gods in vain,

O vassal! miscreant! Shaksneare, K. Lear. If extraordinary lenity proves ineffectual, those miscreants ought to be made sensible that our constitution is armed with force. Addison, Freeholder.

MI'SCREATE.) adj. [mis and created.] Formed unnaturally or MI'SCREATED. illegitimately; made as by a blunder

Then made he head against his enemies, And Ymner slew or Logris miscreate.

Spenser, F. Q. Eftsoons he took that miscreated fair, And that false other sprite, on whom he spread

A seeming body of the subtile air. Spenser, F. Q. God forbid, my lord,

That you should fashion, wrest, or bow your reading; With opening titles miscreate, whose right

Suits not in native colours with the truth.

Shakspeare. To MISDA'TE.* v. a. [mis and date.] mark with untrue time.

In hoary youth Methusalems may die; O, how misdated on their flattering tombs! Young, Night Th. 5.

MISDE'ED. † n. s. [mis and deed; mirbæb, Saxon; missadedins, Gothick.] action.

The more to augment The memory of his misdeed that bred her woe. Spenser, Shep. Cal. Aug. O God,

If thou wilt be aveng'd on my misdeeds, Yet execute thy wrath on me alone,

Shakspeare, Rich. III. Evils, which our own misdeeds have wrought. Milton, P. L.

Chas'd from a throne, abandon'd, and exil'd For foul misdeeds were punishments too mild.

Dryden. To Misde'em. v. a. [mis and deem.] judge ill of; to mistake.

All unweeting an enchanter bad His sense abus'd, and made him to misdeem My loyalty, not such as it did seem. Spenser, F.Q. Besides, were we unchangeable in will, And of a wit that nothing could misdeem ;

Equal to God, whose wisdom shineth still And never errs, we might ourselves esteem.

Davies. To Misdeme'An. v. a. [mis and demean.] To behave ill.

From frailty And want of wisdom, you, that best should teach

Have misdemean'd yourself.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. MISDEME'ANOUR. † n. s. [mis and demeanour. Formerly written also misdemean-

The more usual causes of deprivation, are mur- | 1. Offence; ill behaviour; something less than an atrocious crime.

The house of commons have only power to censure the members of their own house, in point of election or misdemeanours, in or towards that house.

It is no real disgrace to the church merely to lose her privileges, but to forfeit them by her fault or misdemeanour. These could never have touched the head, or

stopped the source of these unhappy misdemeanours, for which the punishment was sent. Woodward, Nat. Hist.

2. Mismanagement. Not in use.

Never was there any sterility, whereof there may not be a cause given; either - some naturall fault in the soil, or misdemeanure of the owners. Seasonable Serm. (1644,) p. 25.

To Misderi've.* v. a. [mis and derive.] To turn or apply improperly. Misderiving the well meant devotions of charit-

able and pious souls into a wrong channel. Bp. Hall, Cases of Consc. D. 3. C. 7.

MISDESE'RT.* n. s. [mis and desert.] Ill deserving.

My hapless case

Is not occasioned through my misdesert.

Spenser, F. Q. vi. i. 12. MISDEVO'TION. † n. s. [mis and devotion.] Mistaken piety.

A place, where misdevotion frames A thousand prayers to saints, whose very names The church knew not, heav'n knows not yet.

The vanity, superstition, and misdevotion of

which place, was a scandal far and near. Milton, Eicon. ch. 24.

Misdi'et. n. s. [mis and diet.] Improper A dropsy through his flesh did flow,

Which by misdiet daily greater grew.

Spenser, F. Q. To MISDIRE'CT.* v. a. [mis and direct.]

To lead or guide amiss. His temper takes some froward course, Till passion, misdirected, sighs

For weeds, or shells, or grubs, or flies. Shenstone, Progress of Taste, P. 4. The vanity of misdirected reason.

Burgess, on the Div. of Christ. p. 17.

To Misdisti'nguish. v. a. [mis and distinguish.] To make wrong distinctions. If we imagine a difference where there is none, because we distinguish where we should not, it may not be denied that we misdistinguish.

MISDISPOSI'TION.* n. s. [mis and disposition. Inclination to evil.

Let him bewail his sinfull misdisposition, and not dare to put forth his hand to this passover till he have gathered the bitter herbs of a sorrowful remorse for his hated offences.

Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 197.

To Misdo'.† v. a. [mis and do; Saxon, mirboen.] To do wrong; to commit. Pray for us there, That what they have misdone,

Or missaid, we to that may not adhere. Donne, Poems, p. 341.

Afford me place to shew what recompence Towards thee I intend for what I have misdone. Milton, S. A.

To Mispo'. v. n. To commit faults. Try the erring soul

Not wilfully misdoing, but unaware Milton, P. R.

I have misdone, and I endure the smart, Loth to acknowledge, but more loth to part.

Dryden.

Misdo'er. n. s. [from misdo.] An offender; a criminal; a malefactor.

Were they not contained in duty with a fear of law, which inflicteth sharp punishments to misdoers, no man should enjoy any thing.

Spenser on Ireland.

Misdo'ing. n. s. [from misdo.] Offence; deviation from right.

The worst is, to think ourselves safe so long as we keep our injuries from the knowledge of men, and out of our own view, without any awe of that all-seeing eye that observes all our misdoings.

L'Estrange.

To Misdo'ubt. v. a. [mis and doubt.] To

suspect of deceit or danger.

If she only misdoubted me, I were in heaven; for quickly I would bring sufficient assurance.

Sidney.

I do not misdoubt my wife, but I would be loth to turn them both together; a man may be too confident.

Shakspeare.

The bird that hath been limed in a bush, With trembling wings misdoubleth every bush; And I, the hapless male to one sweet bird, Have now the fatal object in my eye,

Where my poor young was lim'd, was caught, and kill'd.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

If you misdoubt me that I am not she,

I know not how I shall assure you farther.

Shakspeare

To believe his wiles my truth can move,
Is to misdoubt my reason or my love. Dryden

MISDO'UBT. n. s. [mis and doubt.]

1. Suspicion of crime or danger.

He cannot so precisely weed this land,
As his misdoubts present occasion;
His foes are so enrooted with his friends,
That, plucking to unfix an enemy,
He doth unfasten so and shake a friend.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

2. Irresolution; hesitation.
York, steel thy fearful thoughts,

And change misdoubt to resolution.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

MISDOU'BTFUL.* adj. [from misdoubt.]
Misgiving.

She gan to cast in her misdoubtful mynde

A thousand feares. Spenser, F. Q. v. vi. 3.

MISDRE'AD.* [mis and dread.] Dread of evil.

Needs me then hope, or doth me need misdread?

Hope for that honour, dread that wrongful spite.

Bp. Hall, Defiance to Envy.

MISE.† n. s. [French.] A law term. The French word signifies as much as expensum in Latin; and hence mise was used for disbursement, costs; and also for taxes; and then for point or issue. See Cowel. In Cheshire mise still signifies a levy.

MISE'ASE.* n. s. [mis and ease.] Uneasiness; want of ease. Obsolete.

The lond of misese and derknesse, wheras is the shadowe of deth. Chaucer, Parson's Tale.

MISEDI'TION.* n. s. [mis and edition.] Not a genuine edition.

a genuine entron.

Following a misedition of the Vulgar, which perverts the sense, by making a wrong stop in the sentence. Bp. Hall, Cases of Cons. D. 3. C. 10.

To MISEMPLO'Y. v. a. [mis and employ.]

To use to wrong purposes.

Their frugal father's gains they misemploy,

And turn to point and pearl, and ev'ry female toy.

Some taking things upon trust, misemploy their power by lazily enslaving their minds to the dictates of others.

Locke.

That vain and foolish hope, which is misemployed on temporal objects, produces many sorrows.

Addison, Spect.

They grew dissolute and prophane: and by misemploying the advantages which God had thrown into their lap, provoked him to withdraw them.

Atterbury.

MISEMPLO'YMENT. n. s. [mis and employment.] Improper application.

An improvident expense, and misemployment of their time and faculties. Hale, Orig. of Mankind. MISE'NTRY,* n. s. [mis and entry.] A wrong entry.

If a clerk had made a misentry of record, the judge, before whom it was, might ore tenus rectify the mis-entry, though a considerable time after.

Hale, H. P. C. ch. 62.

MI'SER. n.s. [miser, Latin.]

1. A wretched person; one overwhelmed with calamity.

Do not disdain to carry with you the world words of a miser now despairing; neither be afraid to appear before her, bearing the base title of the sender.

Sidney.

I wish that it may not prove some ominous foretoken of misfortune to have met with such a miser as I am. Sidney.

Fair son of Mars, that seek with warlike spoil
And great atchievements, great yourself to make,
Vouchsafe to stay your steed for humble miser's
sake,
Spenser, F. Q.

A wretch; a mean fellow. Decrepit miser / base ignoble wretch!

I am descended of a gentler blood.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

 A wretch covetous to extremity; one who in wealth makes himself miserable by the fear of poverty. This is the only sense now in use.

Though she be dearer to my soul than rest To weary pilgrims, or to misers gold, Rather than wrong Castalio I'd forget her.

Otway, Orphan.

No silver saints by dying misers given,
Here brib'd the rage of ill-requited heaven;
But such plain roofs as piety could raise,

And only vocal with the Maker's praise. Pope.
MI'SERABLE.† adj. [miserable, French;
miser, Latin]

1. Unhappy; calamitous; wretched.
O nation miserable,

With an untitled tyrant, bloody scepter'd! When shalt thou see thy wholesome days again? Shakspeare.

Most miserable is the desire that's glorious.

Shakspeare.

What's more miserable than discontent?

Shakspeare.

There will be a future state, and then how miserable is the voluptuous unbeliever left in the lurch.

South.

What hopes delude thee, miserable man?

Dryden, Æn.

Wretched; worthless.
 Miserable comforters are ye all.
 Job, xvi. 2.

3. Culpably parsimonious; stingy. In low language. Dr. Johnson. — South was of a different opinion from Dr. Johnson, and thus powerfully shews the propriety of the adjective in the present sense.

Reason tells me, that it is more misery to be covetous than to be poor, as our language, by a peculiar significance of dialect, calls the covetous man the miserable man. South, Serm. viii. 155.

4. Despicable; wretched; mean: as, a miserable person.

MI'SERABLENESS.† n. s. [from miserable.]
State of misery.

You may see the miscrableness of your cause, which must be supported by such frauds and falsehoods. Bp. Morton, Discharge, &c. p. 199.
Mentioning happiness and miscrableness after

death. Hammond, Works, iv. 642.

His prosperity either shrivels him into miserable-

ness, or melts him into luxury.

Scott, Christian Life, P. ii. ch. 4.

MI'SERABLY. adv. [from miserable.]
1. Unhappily; calamitously.

Of the five employed by him, two of them quarrelled, one of which was slain, and the other hanged for it, the third drowned himself; the fourth, though rich, came to beg his bread; and the fifth was miserably stabbed to death. South.

2. Wretchedly; meanly.

As the love I bear you, makes me thus invite you, so the same love makes me ashamed to bring you to a place, where you shall be so, not spoken by ceremony but by truth, miserably entertained. Sidney,

3. Covetously.

Mi'serv. n. s. [miseria, Latin; misere, French.]

1. Wretchedness; unhappiness.

My heart is drown'd with grief,

My body round engirt with misery.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

Happiness, in its full extent, is the utmost pleasure we are capable of, and misery the utmost pain.

Locke.

Perhaps it may be found more easy to forget the language than to part entirely with those tempers which we learnt in misery.

Law.

Calamity; misfortune; cause of misery.
 When we our betters see bearing our woes,
 We scarcely think our miseries our foes. Shaksp.

The gods from heav'n survey the fatal strife, And mourn the *miseries* of human life.

3. [From miser.] Covetousness; avarice.
Not in use. Miser now signifies not an analysis but a constant man; yet misery.

unhappy, but a covetous man; yet misery now signifies not covetousness but unhappiness. He look'd upon things precious, as they were

He look'd upon things precious, as they were The common muck o'th' world: he covets less Than misery itself would give. Shaksp. Coriol. In a fabrick of forty thousand pounds' charge. I wish thirty pounds laid out before in an exact

I wish thirty pounds laid out before in an exact model; for a little misery may easily breed some absurdity of greater charge.

Wotton.

MISESTE'EM, n. s. [mis and esteem.] Disregard; slight.

To Misfa'll.* v. n. [mis and fall.] To befall unluckily.

Thereat she gan to triumph with great boast, And to upbrayd that chaunce which him *misfell*. Spenser, F. Q. v. v. 10.

To Misfa're.* v. n. [mis and fare, Sax. mırrapan.] To be in an ill state.

Ere thou so with thyself misfare.

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 4.

MISFA'RE.* n.s. Ill state; misfortune. Of whom Sir Arthegall gan then enquire

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The whole occasion of his late misfare.

Spenser, F. Q. v. xi. 48.

To MISFA'SHION. v. a. [mis and fashion.]

To form wrong.

A thing in reason impossible, through their misfashioned preconceit, appeared unto them no less certain, than if nature had written it in the very forcheads of all the creatures of God.

Hakewill on Providence.

To Misfe'ign.* v. n. [mis and feign.] To feign with an ill design.

Who all this while

Amazed stands herselfe so mockt to see

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By him, who has the guerdon of his guile For so misfeigning her true knight to bee. Spenser, F. Q. i. iii. 40.

To Misfo'RM. v.a. [mis and form.] To put in an ill form.

His monstrous scalp down to his teeth it tore, And that misformed shape misshaped more.

MISFO'RTUNE. n.s. [mis and fortune.] Calamity; ill luck; want of good for-

Fortune thus gan say, misery and misfortune is

And of misfortune, fortune hath only the gift.

What world's delight, or joy of living speech, Can heart so plung'd in sea of sorrows deep, And heaped with so huge misfortunes reach?

Consider why the change was wrought,

You'll find it his misfortune, not his fault.

MISFO'RTUNED.* adj. [from misfortune.] Unfortunate; attended with misfortune. Charity hath the judging of so many private grievances in a misfortuned wedlock. Milton, Tetrachordon.

To Misgive. † v. a. [mis and give.]

1. To fill with doubt; to deprive of confidence. It is used always with the reciprocal pronoun.

As Henry's late presaging prophesy Did glad my heart with hope of this young Rich-

So doth my heart misgive me in these conflicts What may befal him, to his harm or ours. Shaksp.

This is strange! Who hath got the right Anne? My heart misgives me. Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor.

Yet oft his heart, divine of something ill, Misgane him. Milton, P. L. His heart misgave him, that these were so many

meetinghouses; but, upon communicating his suspicions, I soon made him easy. Addison, Freeholder.

2. To grant or give improperly or amiss. Not usual.

I knew nothing of any of their liberty misgiven or misused, till about a fortnight since. Abp. Laud, Hist. of his Chancell. of Ox. Rem. p. 192.

Misgi'ving. n. s. [from misgive.] Doubt; distrust.

If a conscience thus qualified and informed, be not the measure by which a man may take a true

estimate of his absolution, the sinner is left in the plunge of infinite doubts, suspicions, and misgivings, both as to the measures of his present duty, and the final issues of his future reward.

MISGO'TTEN.* adj. [mis and gotten.] Unjustly obtained.

Leave, faytor, quickly that misgotten weft.

Spenser, F. Q. vi. i. 18. The surreption of secretly misgotten dispensations.

Bp. Hall, Cases of Conscience.

To Misgo'vern. † v. a. [mis and govern.] To govern ill; to administer unfaith-

Misgovern'd both my kingdome and my life, I gave my selfe to ease, to sleepe, and sinne.

Mir. for Mag. p. 73. Solyman charged him bitterly, that he had misgoverned the state, and inverted his treasures to his own use.

Misgo'verned. adj. [from misgovern.] Rude; uncivilised.

Rude misgovern'd hands, from window tops, Threw dust and rubbish on King Richard's head. Shakspeare. MISGO'VERNANCE. n. s. [mis and governance. Irregularity.

Thy muse too long slumbereth in sorrowing, Lulled asleep through love's misgovernance.

MISGO'VERNMENT. n. s. [mis and govern-

1. Ill administration of publick affairs.

Men lay the blame of those evils whereof they know not the ground, upon publick misgovern Ralegh, Ess. ment.

2. Ill management.

Men are miserable, if their education hath been so undisciplined, as to leave them unfurnished of skill to spend their time; but most miserable, if such misgovernment and unskilfulness make them fall into vicious company. Bp. Taylor. 3. Irregularity; inordinate behaviour.

There is not chastity enough in language Without offence to utter them : thus, pretty lady, I am sorry for thy much misgovernment. Shaksp.

To MISGRA'FF.* v. a. [mis and graff.] To graft amiss.

The course of true love never did run smooth; But either it was different in blood,

Or else misgraffed, in respect of years.

Shakspeare, Mids. N. Dream.

To Misgro'und.* v. a. [mis and ground.] To found falsely.

Otherwise this misgrounded conceit shall pass with us as a gloss of Burdeaux, that mars the text. Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Marr. Clergy, p. 104. From me no pulpit, no misgrounded law, Nor scandal taken, shall this cross withdraw.

Donne, Poems, p. 325. MISGUI'DANCE. n. s. [mis and guidance.] False direction.

The Nicene council fixed the equinox the twenty-first of March for the finding out of Easter, which has caused the misguidance from the sun which we lie under in respect of Easter, and the moveable feasts. Holder on Time.

Whosoever deceives a man, makes him ruin himself; and by causing an errour in the great guide of his actions, his judgement, he causes an errour in his choice, the misguidance of which must naturally engage him to his destruction.

To Misgui'de. v. a. [mis and guide.] To direct ill; to lead the wrong way.

Hunting after arguments to make good one side of a question, and wholly to neglect those which favour the other, is wilfully to misguide the understanding; and is so far from giving truth its true value, that it wholly debases it. Locke.

Misguided prince! no longer urge thy fate, Nor tempt the hero to unequal war. Of all the causes which conspire to blind

Man's erring judgement, and misguide the mind, What the weak head with strongest bias rules, Is pride, the never-failing vice of fools.

MISHA'P. n. s. [mis and hap.] Ill chance; ill luck; calamity.

To tell you what miserable mishaps fell to the young prince of Macedon his cousin, I should too much fill your ears with strange horrours. Sidney.

Since we are thus far entered into the consideration of her mishaps, tell me, have there been any more such tempests wherein she hath thus wretchedly been wrecked.

Sir knight, take to you wonted strength, And master these mishaps with patient might.

Rome's readiest champions, repose you here, Secure from worldly chances and mishaps. Shaksp. It cannot be

But that success attends him: if mishap, Ere this he had return'd, with fury driv'n By his avengers; since no place like this Can fit his punishment, or your revenge.

Milton, P. L.

If the worst of all mishans bath fallen, Speak ; for he could not die unlike himself.

To MISHA'PPEN.* v. n. [mis and happen.]

To happen ill. Affraid least to themselves the like mishappen

might. Spenser, F. Q. i. iii. 20. To MISHE'AR.* v. n. [mis and hear.] To hear imperfectly.

It is not so: thou hast misspoke, mishear'd: Be well advis'd, tell o'er thy tale again.

Shakspeare, K. John. MI'SHMASH. † n. s. A low word. A mingle or hotchpotch. Dr. Johnson from Ainsworth. It seems, however, not to have been so contemptible as is insinuated. It is the Su. Goth misk-mask; Teut. misch-masch, chaos; mischen, to mix. Nor is our language without good examples of the word, though Dr. Johnson could find none.

Their language - [is] a mish-mash of Arabick and Portuguese. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 27. I know the ingredients just that make them up

All to loose grains, the subtlest volatile atoms. With the whole mish-mash of their composition. Lee, Princess of Cleves.

To MISINFE'R. v. a. [mis and infer.] To infer wrong.

Nestorius teaching rightly, that God and man are distinct natures, did thereupon misinfer, that in Christ those natures can by no conjunction make one person. Hooker.

To MISINFO'RM. v.a. [mis and inform.] To deceive by false accounts.

Some belonged to a man of great dignity, and not as that wicked Simon had misinformed.

2 Mac. iii. 11. By no means trust to your servants, who mis-

lead you, or misinform you; the reproach will lie upon yourself. Bid her well beware,

Lest, by some fair-appearing good surpriz'd, She dictate false; and misinform the will To do what God expressly hath forbid.

Milton, P. I. To MISINFO'RM.* v. n. To make false information.

You misinform against him for concluding with the papists; you find it not in him.

Mountagu, App. to Cas. p. 256.
MISINFORMA'TION. n. s. [from misinform.] False intelligence; false accounts.

Let not such be discouraged as deserve wellby misinformation of others, perhaps out of envy or treachery.

The vengeance of God, and the indignation of men, will join forces against an insulting baseness. when backed with greatness, and set on by misinformation. South, Serm.

MISINFO'RMER.* n. s. [from misinform.] One who spreads false information.

I plainly told the lord archbishop of Canterbury, that rather than I would be obnoxious to those slanderous tongues of his misinformers, I would cast up my rochet.

Bp. Hall, Specialties of his Life. To MISINSTRU'CT.* v. a. [mis and instruct.] To instruct improperly; to

teach to a wrong purpose. Touching them for whom we crave that mercy

which is not to be obtained, let us not think that our Saviour did misinstruct his disciples, willing them to pray for the peace even of such as should be uncapable of so great a blessing, Hooker, Eccl. Pol. v. §. 49.

MISINSTRU'CTION.* n. s. [mis and instruction. Instruction to an evil pur-

They include the idolatries, and all other mis- MI'SKIN.* n. s. A little bagpipe. Obsovarriages, which they know not themselves guilty of, by reason of the blind misinstructions of their More, Antid. against Idolatry. ch. 10. MISINTE'LLIGENCE.* n. s. [mis and in-

telligence.

1. Misunderstanding; disagreement. He lamented the misintelligence he observed to be between their majesties.

Ld. Clarendon, Life, ii. 329.

2. Misinformation; false accounts.

To MISINTE'RPRET. v. a. [mis and interpret. To explain to a wrong sense, or wrong intention.

The gentle reader rests happy to hear the worthiest works misinterpreted, the clearest actions obscured, and the innocentest life traduced

After all the care I have taken, there may be several passages misquoted and misinterpreted.

Arbuthnot on Coins.

MISINTE'RPRETABLE.* adj. | from misinterpret.] That may be misinterpreted. I can as ill endure a suspicious and misinterpretable word as a fault.

Donne, Lett. in (1607.) to Lady M. Herbert. MISINTERPRETA'TION.* n. s. [mis and interpretation.] Wrong explanation.

Their misinterpretation of the law, alluded unto, argues no less. Bp. Hall, Cases of Consc. D.4. C.2. MISINTE'RPRETER.* n. s. [mis and interpreter.] One who explains to a wrong sense, or wrong intention.

Whom as a misinterpreter of Christ I openly protest against, and provoke him to the trial of this

truth before all the world.

Milton, Doct. and Disc. of Divorce, Ded. To Misjo'in. v. a. [mis and join.] To join unfitly or improperly.

In Reason's absence mimick Fancy wakes To imitate her; but misjoining shapes, Wild work produces oft, and most in dreams; Ill-matching words, and deeds, long past, or late. Milton, P. L.

Luther, more mistaking what he read, Misjoins the sacred body with the bread. Dryden. To Misju'dge. v. n. [mis and judge.] To

form false opinions; to judge ill.

You misjudge You see through love, and that deludes your sight: As, what is straight, seems crooked through the Dryden, All for Love. water. By allowing himself in what is innocent, he

breeds offence to his weak and misjudging neigh-Atterbury.

Insensate! Too long misjudging have I thought thee wise, But sure relentless folly steels thy breast. Pope. To MISJU'DGE. v. a. To mistake; to judge

Where we misjudge the matter, a miscarriage draws pity after it; but when we are transported by pride, our ruin lies at our own door.

L'Estrange. MISJU'DGEMENT.* n. s. [mis and judgement. 7 Unjust judgement; unjust de-

termination. His third reason, that the misjudgement in case of a pecuniary damage or banishment, may be

afterwards capable of being reversed. Bp. Hall, Cases of Conscience. Nobody will dare to censure that popular part

of the tribunal, whose only restraint on misjudgment is the censure of the publick Burke on a Regicide Peace.

To Miske'n.* v. a. [mis and ken.] To be ignorant of; to misunderstand; not to know. Used in some parts of the north of England.

Bailey.

Now would I tune my miskins on this green. Drayton, Shep. Garl. (1593,) p. 5.

To Miski'ndle.* v. a. [mis and kindle.] To inflame rashly; to animate to an ill purpose.

Such is the miskindled heat of some unruly Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 70.

To Miskno'w.* v.a. [mis and know.] Not to know; to be ignorant of.

There is nothing in the world that they do more misknow than themselves.

Seasonable Serm. (1644,) p. 39.

To Misla'y. v. a. [mis and lay.] To lay in a wrong place.

Mean time my worthy wife our arms mislay'd, And from beneath my head my sword convey'd. Druden.

The fault is generally mislaid upon nature; and there is often a complaint of want of parts, when the fault lies in want of a due improvement.

If the butler be the tell-tale, mislay a spoon, so as he may never find it. Swift, Rules to Servants.

MISLA'YER. n. s. [from mislay.] One that puts in the wrong place.

The mislayer of a mere-stone is to blame: but it is the unjust judge that is the capital remover of land-marks, when he defineth amiss of lands and Bacon, Essays.

To MI'SLE. v. n. [from mist.] To rain in imperceptible drops, like a thick mist: properly mistle, Dr. Johnson says; but the Teut. mieselen, as well as misten, warrants this way of writing the word. Ynough thou mourned hast,

Now ginnes to mizzle, hie we homeward fast.

The very small drops of a misling rain descending through a freezing air, do each of them shoot into one of those figured icicles. Grew, Cosmol.

This cold precipitates the vapours either in dews, or, if the vapours more copiously ascend, they are condensed into misling, or into showers of small rain, falling in numerous, thick, small Derham, Physico-Theol.

In misling days, when I my thresher heard, With nappy beer I to the barn repair'd.

Gay, Pastorals. MI'SLE.* n. s. [from the verb.] Small, misty rain. In the Craven Dialect,

To MISLE'AD. v. a. preterite and part. passive, misled. [mis and lead.] To guide a wrong way; to betray to mischief or mistake.

Take, oh take those lips away, That so sweetly were forsworn And those eyes, the break of day, Lights that do mislead the morn. Shakspeare.

Poor misled men: your states are yet worthy pity,

If you would hear, and change your savage minds, B. Jonson, Catiline. Leave to be mad. Trust not servants who mislead or misinform

Oh thievish night, Why shouldst thou, but for some felonious end, In thy dark lantern thus close up the stars, That nature hung in heaven, and fill'd their lamps

With everlasting oil, to give due light To the misled and lonely traveller? Milton, Comus.

What can they teach and not mislead; Ignorant of themselves, of God much more? Milton, P. R.

Thou who hast taught me to forgive the ill, And recompence, as friends, the good misled; If mercy be a precept of thy will,

Return that mercy on thy servant's head.

Dryden. The imagination, which is of simple perception, doth never of itself, and directly, mislead us; yet it is the almost fatal means of our deception. Glanville, Scensis.

Whatever necessity determines to the pursuit of real bliss, the same necessity establishes suspence, and scrutiny of each successive desire, whether the satisfaction of it does not interfere with our true happiness, and mislead us from it.

Tis hard to say, if greater want of skill Appear in writing or in judging ill: But of the two less dangerous is th' offence To tire our patience, than mislead our sense.

Misle'ader. n.s. [from mislead.] that leads to ill.

When thou dost hear I am as I have been, Approach me, and thou shalt be as thou wast, The tutor and the feeder of my riots; Till then I banish thee on pain of death, As I have done the rest of my misleaders.

Shakspeare. They have disclaimed and abandoned those heretical phantasies touching our Saviour, wherein by their misleaders they had been anciently plunged. Brerewood on Languages.

MISLE'ARNED.* adj. [mis and learned.] Not really or properly learned.

Such is this which you have here propounded on the behalf of your friend, whom it seems a mislearned advocate would fain bear up in a course altogether unjustifiable. Bp. Hall, Cases of Consc. Add.

MI'SLETOE.* See MISTLETOE.

To Misli'ke.† v. a. [mis and like; Saxon mightian.] To disapprove; to be not pleased with; to dislike.

It was hard to say, whether he more liked his doings, or misliked the effect of his doings.

Tertullian was not deceived in the place; but Aquinas, who misliked this opinion, followed a Ralegle. Judge not the preacher, for he is thy judge:

If thou mislike him, thou conceiv'st him not.

To Misli'ke.* v. n. Not to be pleased with.

They made sport, and I laughed; they mispronounced, and I misliked. Milton, Apol. for Smeetymnuus.

Misli'ke. n. s. [from the verb.] Disap-

probation; dislike. Setting your scorns and your mislike aside,

Tell me some reason, why the lady Gray Should not become my wife. Shakspeare, Hen. VI. Their angry gestures with mislike disclose, How much his speech offends their noble ears.

Fairfux. MISLI'KER. n. s. [from mislike.] One that

disapproves. Open flatterers of great men, privy mislikers of good men, fair speakers with smiling countenances.

MI'SLEN. 7 n. s. [See MASTLIN.] Mixed corn; as, wheat and rye.

They commonly sow those lands with wheat, mislen, and barley. Mortimer, Husb. To Misli've. + v. n. [mis and live.] To

live ill. Should not thilke God, that gave him that good,

Eke cherish his child, if in his ways he stood? For if he mislive in leudness and lust, Little boots all the wealth and the trust-

Spenser, Shep. Cal. May.

The misliving Christian crucifies Christ again.

Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 16.

MISLU'CK,* n. s. [mis and luck.] Mis-

fortune; bad luck.

Poor man! it was his misluck to marry that wicked wife.

Wodroephe, Fr. and Eng. Gr. (1623,) p. 301.

To Misma'nage. v.a. [mis and manage.]
To manage ill.

The debates of princes' councils would be in danger to be mismanaged, since those who have a great stroke in them are not always perfectly knowing in the forms of syllogism. Locke.

MISMA'NAGEMENT. n. s. [mis and manage-ment.] Ill management; ill conduct.

It is mismanagement more than want of abilities, that men have reason to complain of in those that differ.

Locke.

The falls of favourites, projects of the great, Of old mismanagements, taxations new, All neither wholly false, nor wholly true. Pone

To Misma'rk. v.a. [mis and mark.] To mark with the wrong token.

Things are mismarked in contemplation and life, for want of application or integrity.

Collier on Human Reason.

To MISMA'TCH. v.a. [mis and match.]
To match unsuitably.

What at my years forsaken! had I been Ugly, or old, mismatch'd to my desires, My natural defects had taught me, To sit me down contented.

To Misme'Asure.* v.a. [mis and mea-

sure.] To measure incorrectly.
With aim mismeasur'd, and impetuous speed,

Some darting strike their ardent wish far off.

Young, Night Th. 5.

To Misna'me. v. a. [mis and name.] To call by the wrong name.

They make one man's fancies, or perhaps failings, confining laws to others, and convey them as such to their succeeders, who are bold to misname all unobsequiousness to their incogitancy, presumption.

Boyle on Colours.

MISNO'MER.† n. s. [French.] In law, a wrong name; by which an indictment, or any other act, may be vacated.

The law does not favour advantages of misnomer any further than the strict rule of law requires. Viner's Abridg. of Law and Equity.

To MISOBSE'RVE. v. a. [mis and observe.]
Not to observe accurately.

They understand it as early as they do language; and, if I misobserve not, they love to be treated as rational creatures sooner than is imagined.

Looke on Education.

MISO'GAMIST. n. s. [μισῶ, and γάμος.] A marriage-hater.

Miso'Gynist.* n. s. [μισῶ to hate, and γενη,

a woman.] A woman-hater.

Junius, at the first, little better than a miso-

gymist, was afterwards so altered from himself, that he successively married four wives.

Fuller, Holy State, (1648,) p. 84.

The hardest task is to persuade the erroneous obstinate misogonist, or woman-hater, that any discourse acknowledging their worth can go beyond poetry. Whitlock, Mann. of the Eng. p. 322.

Miso'GYNY. n. s. [μισῶ, and γυνη, Greek.]
Hatred of women.

MISOPI'NION.* n. s. [mis and opinion.]
Erroneous notion.

We are as apt as those, that see through a mist, to think them greater than they are: every fault is a crime, where misopinion is an heresy.

Bp. Hall, Peacemaker.

To Miso'RDER. v. a. [mis and order.] To conduct ill; to manage irregularly.

If the child miss either in forgetting a word, or misordering the sentence, I would not have the master frown.

Ascham.

Yet few of them come to any great age, by reason of their misordered life when they were young.

Ascham. The time misorder'd doth in common sense

Crowd us, and crush us to this monstrous form,
To hold our safety up.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

MISO'RDER. n. s. [from the verb.] Irregularity; disorderly proceedings.

When news was brought to Richard the Second, that his uncles, who sought to reform the misorders of his counsellors, were assembled in a wood near unto the court, he merrily demanded of one Sir Hugh a Linne, who had been a good military man, but was then somewhat distraught of his wits, what he would advise him to do? Issue out, quoth Sir Hugh, and slay them every mother's son; and when thou hast so done, thou hast killed all the faithful friends thou hast in England.

Camaden, Remains.

MISO'RDERLY. † adj. [from misorder.] Irregular; unlawful.

His overmuch fearing of you drives him to seek some *misorderly* shift, to be helped by some other book, or to be prompted by some other scholar.

Ascham, Schoolmaster.
Their own unruly and misorderly affections.

Hales, Rem. p. 83.
To Mispe'l. v.a. [mis and spell.] To spell wrong.

She became a profest enemy to the arts and sciences, and scarce ever wrote a letter to him without wilfully mispelling his name. Spectator.

To Mispe'ND. v. a. preterite and part. passive, mispent. [mis and spend.]

1. To spend ill; to waste; to consume to no purpose; to throw away.

What a deal of cold business doth a man mispend the better part of life in! In scattering compliments, tendering visits, gathering and venting news.

B. Jonson, Discoveries.

Let him now endeavour to redeem what he hath mispent by employing more of that leisure in this duty for the future.

Wh. Duty of Man.

First guilty conscience does the mirrour bring, Then sharp remorse shoots out her angry sting; And anxious thoughts, within themselves at strife, Upbraid the long mispens luxurious life. Dryden. I this writer's want of sense arraign,

Treat all his empty pages with disdain, And think a grave reply mispent and vain.

Blackmore.

He who has lived with the greatest care will find, upon a review of his time, that he has something to redeem; but he who has mispent much has still a greater concern.

Rogers.

Wise men retrieve, as far as they are able, every mispent or unprofitable hour which has slipped from them.

Rogers.

2. To waste, with the reciprocal pronoun.

Now let the arched knife their thirsty limbs Dissever, for the genial moisture due To apples, otherwise mispends itself In barren twigs. Philips.

MISPE'NDER. n. s. [from mispend.] One who spends ill or prodigally.

I suspect the excellency of those men's parts who are dissolute, and careless mispenders of their time.

Norris.

MISPE'NSE.* n. s. [from mispend.] Waste; loss; ill employment. Your riotous mispence had empaired your

estate.

**Bp. Hall, Epist. (1608,) D. 2. Ep. 10.

Since we find ourselves guilty of the sinfull mispense of our good hours, let us, whiles we have space, obtain of ourselves to be carefull of redeeming that precious time which we have lost.

Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 207.

To engage now in contest about them, may be reasonably deemed nothing more than a wilful mispense of our time, labour, and good humour, by vainly reciprocating the saw of endless contention.

Barrous, vol. i. S. 29.

The mispence of our time, the wasting our talents, and the neglect of that immediate duty and worship we owe to Almighty God, are, I fear, matters which are seldom accounted for by us.

Killingbeck, Serms. p. 178.

To Mispersua'de * v. a. [mis and persuade.] To bring to a wrong notion.

Shall we give sentence of death inevitable against all those fathers of the Greek church, which, being mispersuaded, died in the errour of free-will? Hooker, Disc. on Justification, p. 41.

So true we find it, by experience of all ages in the church of God, that the teacher's errour is the people's trial, harder and heavier so much to bear, as he is in worth and regard greater that mispersuadeth them.

Hooker, Eccl. Pol. v. § 62.

The world's misbelieving or mispersuaded magnificoes.

Loe, Bl. of Br. Beauty, p. 39.

MISPERSUA'SION. † n.s. [mis and persuasion.] Wrong notion; false opinion.

They looked upon us as men in mispersuation

They looked upon us as men in mispersuasion and errour.

Bp. Taylor, Epist. Pref. to his Συμβολον, (1657.)

Some mispersuasions concerning the Divine attributes tend to the corrupting men's manners.

Decay of Chr. Piety.

To Mispla'ce. v. a. [mis and place.] To put in a wrong place.

I'll have this crown of mine cut from my shoulders,

Before I'll see the crown so foul misplac'd.

Shakspeare.
What little arts govern the world! we need not
An armed enemy or corrupted friend,

When service but misplac'd, or love mistaken, Performs the work. Denham, Sophy.

Is a man betrayed by such agents as he employs?

He misplaced his confidence, took hypocrisy for fidelity, and so relied upon the services of a pack of villains.

Shall we repine at a little misplaced charity; we, who could no way foresee the effect!

To Mispo'int. v. a. [mis and point.] To confuse sentences by wrong punctuation.

To MISPRI'NT.* v. a. [mis and print.] To print wrong.

The case is mis-printed.

Hale, H. P. C. P. ii. ch. 8.

Mispri'nt.* n. s. [from the verb.] An error of the press.

To Mispri'se. v. a. Sometimes it signifies mistaken, from the French verb mesprendre; sometimes undervalued or disdained, from the French verb mepriser. Hanmer. It is in both senses wholly obsolete.

1. To mistake.

You spend your passion on a mispris'd mood;

I am not guilty of Lysander's blood.

Shakspeare, Mids. N. Dream.

2. To slight; to scorn; to despise.

He's so much in the heart of the world, and especially of my own people who best know him, that I am altogether misprised.

Shakspeare, As you like it.

Pluck indignation on thy head;
By the misprising of a maid, too virtuous

For the contempt of empire.

Shakspeare.

Epist. (1608,) D. 2. Ep. 10

MISPRI'SION. n. s. [from misprise.] 1. Scorn; contempt. Not in use.

Here take her hand, Proud scornful boy, unworthy this good gift! That doth in vile misprision shackle up Shaksneare. My love, and her desert.

2. Mistake; misconception. Not in use. Thou hast mistaken quite,

And laid thy love juice on some true love's sight; Of thy misprision must perforce ensue Some true love turn'd, and not a false turn'd true.

We feel such or such a sentiment within us, and herein is no cheat or misprision; it is truly so, and our sense concludes nothing of its rise.

Glanville, Scepsis. 3. [In common law.] It signifies neglect, negligence, or oversight. Misprision of treason is the concealment, or not disclosing, of known treason; for the which the offenders are to suffer imprisonment during the king's pleasure, lose their goods and the profits of their lands during their lives. Misprision of felony, is the letting any person, committed for treason or felony, or suspicion of either, to go before he be

MISPROCE'EDING.* n. s. [mis and proceed.]

Irregular proceeding.

All which errours and misproceedings they do fortify, and intrench, by an addicted respect to

their own opinions. Bacon, on the Controv. of the Church of Eng. To MISPROFE'SS.* v. a. [miss and profess.]

To announce unjustly or falsely one's skill in any art or science, so as to invite employment.

Keep me back, O Lord, from them who misprofess arts of healing the soul, or the body, by means not imprinted by Thee in the church, or not in nature for the body.

Donne, Devot. (1624,) p. 86.

Cowel.

To Misprono'unce.* v. n. [mis and pronounce.] To speak inaccurately.

They made sport, and I laughed; they mispronounced, and I misliked; and, to make up the atticism, they were out, and I hissed.

Milton, Apol. for Smectymnuus. To Misprono'unce. * v. a. To pronounce

improperly. The Greeks, who knew little of this people who lived a great way from the sea, might easily mis-

Patrick on Gen. x. 26. pronounce their name. To MISPROPO'RTION. v. a. [mis and proportion.] To join without due pro-

portion. Mispro'up. adj. [mis and proud.] Vitiously

proud. Obsolete. Now I fall, thy tough commixtures melt, Impairing Henry, strength'ning misproud York. Shakspeare

To MISQUO'TE. v. a. [mis and quote.] To quote falsly.

Look how we can, or sad, or merrily, Interpretation will misquote our looks.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. After all the care I have taken, there may be several passages misquoted. Arbuthnot on Coins.

To MISRA'TE. * v. a. [mis and rate.] To make a false estimate.

There is no way, in which we do not thus impose on ourselves, either assuming false, or misrating true advantages. Barrow, vol. iii. S. 29.

To Misrece'ive. * v. a. [mis and receive.] To receive amiss or improperly.

There is nothing that more dishonoureth governors than to misreceive moderate addresses. Waterhouse, Apol. for Learn. (1653,) p. 249.

MISRECI'TAL.* n. s. [from misrecite.] A wrong recital.

The court will take notice of the true statute, and will reject the misrecital as surplusage. Hale, H. P. C. P. ii. ch. 24.

To MISRECI'TE. v. a. [mis and recite.] To recite not according to the truth.

He misrecites the argument, and denies the consequence, which is clear.

Bp. Bramhall against Hobbes.

To MISRE'CKON. v. a. [mis and reckon.] To reckon wrong; to compute wrong.

Whoever finds a mistake in the sum total, must allow himself out, though after repeated trials he may not see in which article he has misreckoned.

To Misrela'te. v. a. [mis and relate.] To relate inaccurately or falsly.

To satisfy me that he misrelated not the experiment, he brought two or three small pipes of glass, which gave me the opportunity of trying it. Boyle.

MISRELA'TION. n. s. [from misrelate.] False or inaccurate narrative.

Mine aim was only to press home those things in writing, which had been agitated between us by word of mouth; a course much to be preferred before verbal conferences, as being less subject to mistakes and misrelations, and wherein paralogisms are more quickly detected. Bp. Bramhall.

To Misreme'mber. v.a. [mis and remember.] To mistake by trusting to me-

from peas kept long enough to lose their verdure.

To Misrepo'Rt. v. a. [mis and report.] To count disadvantageous and false.

His doctrine was misreported, as though he had every where preached this, not only concerning the Gentiles, but also touching the Jews. Hooker. A man that never yet

Did, as he vouches, misreport your grace. Shaksp. The wrong judgment that misleads us, and makes the will often fasten on the worst side, lies in misreporting upon the various comparisons of

MISREPO'RT. n. s. [from the verb.] False account; false and malicious representation.

We defend him not, Only desire to know his crime; 'tis possible It may be some mistake or misreport, Some false suggestion, or malicious scandal.

As by flattery a man is usually brought to open his bosom to his mortal enemy, so by detraction, and a slanderous misreport of persons, he is often brought to shut the same even to his best and truest friends.

To Misreprese'nt. + v. a. Fmis and represent.] To represent not as it is; to falsify to disadvantage: mis often signifies not only errour, but malice or mischief.

See how he lies at random, carelessly diffus'd,-In slavish habit, ill-fitted weeds

O'er-worn and soil'd;

Milton, S. A. Or do my eyes misrepresent? Two qualities necessary to a reader before his judgment should be allowed are, common honesty and common sense; and that no man could have misrepresented that paragraph, unless he were utterly destitute of one or both.

While it is so difficult to learn the springs of some facts, and so easy to forget the circumstances of others, it is no wonder they should be so grossly misrepresented to the publick by curious and inquisitive heads, who proceed altogether upon con-

MISREPRESENTA'TION. n. s. [from misrepresent.

1. The act of misrepresenting.

They have prevailed by misrepresentations, and other artifices, to make the successor look upon them as the only persons he can trust.

2. Account maliciously false.

Since I have shewn him his foul mistakes and injurious misrepresentations, it will become him publickly to own and retract them.

MISREPRESE'NTER.* n.s. [from misrepresent.] One who represents things not as they are.

An empty misrepresenter of our antiquities, histories, and records.

Bp. Nicolson to Dr. Kennet, Ep. Corr. i. 262.

MISRU'LE. † n. s. [mis and rule.] Tumult; confusion: revel: unjust domination.

The wilde heades of the parishe, conventynge together, chuse them a grand capitaine (of mischeef) whom they innoble with the title of my lorde of misserule.

Stubbes, Anat. of Abuses, (1585,) fol. 92. b. This lord of misrule in their compotations, or drunken meetings, was called "modiperator."

Hakewill on Providence, p. 363. In the portal plac'd, the heav'n-born maid,

Enormous riot and misrule survey'd. And through his airy hall the loud misrule Of driving tempest, is for ever heard. Thomson.

If I much misremember not, I had such a spirit MISRU'LY.* adj. [from misrule.] Unruly; turbulent.

And curb the raunge of his misruly tongue. Bp. Hall, Sat. vi. 1.

give a false account of: to give an ac- Miss. † n. s. [contracted from mistress. Bailey, and Dr. Johnson. - It may perhaps be a contraction of the Teut. meyssen, i. e. meydsen, a girl.]

> The term of honour to a young girl. Dr. Johnson. - Miss, at the beginning of the last century, was appropriated to the daughters of gentlemen under the age of ten, or given opprobriously to young gentlewomen reproachable for the giddiness or irregularity of their conduct. See Notes on Steele's Ep. Correspond. i. 92. Mistress was then the style of grown up unmarried ladies, though the mother was living; and, for a considerable part of the century, maintained its ground against the infantine term of miss.

Where there are little masters and misses in a house, they are great impediments to the diversions of the servants.

2. A strumpet; a concubine; a whore; a prostitute.

All women would be of one piece,

The virtuous matron and the miss. Hudibras. This gentle cock, for solace of his life,

Six misses had besides his lawful wife. To MISS. v. a. [missen, Dutch and Germ.]

Missed, preter. missed or mist, part. 1. Not to hit by the mind; to mistake.

To heaven their prayers Flew up, nor miss'd the way. Milton, P. L. Nor can I miss the way, so strongly drawn By this new-felt attraction, and instinct.

Milton, P. L.

2. Not to hit by manual aim. The life you boasted to your javelin given, Prince, you have miss'd.

3. To fail of obtaining.

If she desired above all things to have Orgalus, Orgalus feared nothing but to miss Parthenia.

So may I, blind fortune leading me, Miss that, which one unworthier may attain; And die with grieving. Shaksp. Merch. of Ven. Where shall a maid's distracted heart find rest, If she can miss it in her lover's breast? Dryden.

When a man misses his great end, happiness, he will acknowledge he judged not right. Locke.

4. To discover something to be unexpectedly wanting.

Without him I found a weakness, and a mistrustfulness of myself, as one strayed from his best strength, when at any time I missed him. Sidney. In vain have I kept all that this fellow hath in the wilderness, so that nothing was missed.

1 Sam. xxv. 21.

Prior.

5. To be without.

We cannot miss him: he does make our fire. Fetch in our wood. Shakspeare, Tempest.

6. To omit.

He that is so tender of himself, that he can never find in his heart so much as to miss a meal, by way of punishment for his faults, shews he is not much fallen out with himself.

Whole Duty of Man. She would never miss one day,

A walk so fine, a sight so gay. 7. To perceive want of.

My redoubl'd love and care, May ever tend about thee to old age

With all things grateful cheer'd, and to supply'd, That what by me thou hast lost thou least shalt Milton, S. A.

He who has a firm, sincere friend, may want all the rest without missing them. South.

To Miss. v. n.

1. To fly wide; not to hit. Flying bullets now, To execute his rage, appear too slow, They miss or sweep but common souls away

2. Not to succeed.

The general root of superstition is, that men observe when things hit, and not when they miss; and commit to memory the one, and forget and pass over the other. Bacon.

3. To fail; to mistake.

Emongst the angels, a whole legione Of wicked sprites did fall from happy blis; What wonder then if one, of women all, did mis? Spenser, F. Q. iii. ix, 2.

4. To be lost; to be wanting. My lord,

Upon my lady's missing, came to me With his sword drawn.

Shakspeare, Cymbeline. Thy shepherds we hurt not, neither was there ought missing unto them. 1 Sam. xxv. 7. For a time caught up to God, as once

Moses was in the mount, and missing long, And the great Thisbite, who on fiery wheels Rode up to heaven, yet once again to come. Milton, P. R.

5. To miscarry; to fail; as by accident. The invention all admir'd, and each, how he To be the inventor miss'd, so easy it seem'd, Once found, which yet unfound most would have thought

Impossible. Milton, P. I., Grittus missing of the Moldavian fell upon Maylat.

6. To fail to obtain, learn, or find: sometimes with of before the object.

The moral and relative perfections of the Deity are easy to be understood by us; upon the least reflection we cannot miss of them.

Atterbury, Serm.

Miss. † n. s. [from the verb.]

1. Loss; want.

I could have better spar'd a better man. Oh, I should have a heavy miss of thee, If I were much in love with vanity.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. If these papers have that evidence in them, there will be no great miss of those which are lost, and my reader may be satisfied without them.

2. Mistake; errour. [missa, Gothick; mir, Sax.]

O rakel hond, to do so foule a mis!

Chaucer, Mancip. Tale. He did without any great miss in the hardest points of grammar. Ascham, Schoolmaster. Amends for misse he now will make.

Preston, Trag. of K. Cambises. I found my miss, struck hands, and pray'd him

tell (To hold acquaintance still) where he did dwell. Donne, Poems, p. 95.

3. Hurt; harm. Obsolete. In humble dales is footing fast, The trode is not so tickle,

And though one fall through heedless haste, Yet is his misse not mickle.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. July. MI'SSAL. n. s. [missale, Lat. missel, Fr.] The mass book.

By the rubrick of the missal, in every solemn mass, the priest is to go up to the middle of the Stilling fleet. To Missa'y. v. n. [mis and say.]

1. To speak ill of; to censure. Obsolete. Their ill haviour garres men missay,

Both of their doctrine and their fay. Spenser, Shep. Cal. Sept.

To say wrong.
 Diggon Davie, I bid her god day,

Or diggon her is, or I missay. Spenser, Shep. Cal. Sept. We are not dwarfs, but of equal stature, if Vives missay not. Hakewill on Providence. To Missa'y.* v. a.

1. To censure; to slander; to speak ill of. Was never wight missaid of here.

Chaucer, Rom. R. v. 1260. 2. To utter amiss.

Pray for us there. That what they have misdone, Or missaid, we to that may not adhere.

Donne, Poems, p. 341. Missa'ying.* n. s. [mis and saying.] Im-

proper expression; bad words. It being the proper scope of this work in hand,

not to rip up and relate the misdoings of his whole life, but to answer only and refute the missayings of his book.

Milton, Eicon. Pref.

To MISSE'EM. v. n. [mis and seem.]

1. To make false appearance. Foul Duessa meet, Who with her witchcraft and misseeming sweet

Inveigled her to follow her desires unmeet. Spenser, F. Q. 2. To misbecome. Obsolete both. Never knight I saw in such misseeming plight.

Spenser, F. Q. MI'SSEL-BIRD.* n. s. A kind of thrush; the misseldine thrush.

Mi'sseldine.* n. s. Another name of the 2. Persons sent on any account, usually missletoe, or mistletoe. Phillips.

They bruise the berries of misselden first, and then wash them, and afterwards seeth them in water; whereof birdlime is made.

Barret, Alv. (1580.) MI'SSELTOE.* See MISTLETOE.

To Misse'nd.* v. a. [mis and send.] To send amiss or incorrectly: as, a letter 3. Dismission; discharge. Not in use.

or parcel missent, i. e. not forwarded to the proper place.

To Misse'Rve. + v. a. [mis and serve.] To serve unfaithfully; to serve dishonestly.

You shall enquire whether the good statute be observed, whereby a man may have that he thinketh he hath, and not be abused or misserved in that he buys.

Bacon, Charge at the Sessions of the Verge. Great men, who misserved their country, were fined very highly. Arbuthnot on Coins.

To Missha're. v. a. part. mishaped and mishapen. [mis and shape.] 1. To shape ill; to form ill; to deform.

A rude misshapen, monstruous rabblement.

Spenser, F. Q. His monstruous scalp down to his teeth it tore, And that misformed shape, misshaped more.

Spenser, F. Q. Whom then she does transform to monstrous hues,

And horribly misshapes with ugly sights, Captiv'd eternally in iron mews. Spenser, F. Q.

Let the misshaped trunk that bears this head Be round impaled with a glorious crown. Shakspeare.

Pride will have a fall: the beautiful trees go all to the wreck here, and only the misshapen and despicable dwarf is left standing. L'Estrange. Pluto hates his own misshapen race,

Her sister furies fly her hideous face. Dryden, Æn.

They make bold to destroy ill-formed and misshaped productions. The Alps broken into so many steps and pre-

cipices, form one of the most irregular, misshapen scenes in the world.

We ought not to believe that the banks of the ocean are really deformed, because they have not the form of a regular bulwark; nor that the mountains are misshapen, because they are not exact pyramids or cones. Bentley, Serm.

Some figures monstrous and misshap'd appear Consider'd singly, or beheld too near, Which but proportion'd to their site or place, Due distance reconciles to form and grace. Pope.

2. In Shakspeare, perhaps, it once signifies ill directed: as, to shape a course.

Thy wit, that ornament to shape and love, Misshapen in the conduct of them both, Like powder in a skill-less soldier's flask, Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul.

MI'SSILE. adj. [missilis, Latin.] Thrown by the hand; striking at distance.

We bend the bow, or wing the missile dart.

MI'SSION. n. s. [missio, Latin.]

1. Commission; the state of being sent by supreme authority. Her son tracing the desart wild,

All his great work to come before him set, How to begin, how to accomplish best, His end of being on earth, and mission high.

Milton, P. R. The divine authority of our mission, and the powers vested in us by the high-priest of our profession, Christ Jesus, are publickly disputed and Atterbury.

to propagate religion.

In these ships there should be a mission of three of the brethren of Solomon's house, to give us knowledge of the sciences, manufactures, and inventions of all the world, and bring us books and patterns; and that the brethren should stay abroad till the new mission. Bacon, New Allantis.

In Cæsar's army, somewhat the soldiers would have had, yet only demanded a mission or discharge, though with no intention it should be granted, but thought to wrench him to their other desires; whereupon with one cry they asked mis-Bacon, Apophthegms.

4. Faction; party. Not in use. Glorious deeds, in these fields of late, Made emulous missions 'mongst the gods them-

selves,

And drove great Mars to faction, MI'SSIONARY. †) n. s. [missionaire, Fr. Dr. MI'SSIONER. Johnson. - Our word at first was missioner; of which the earliest example, given by Dr. Johnson, is from Dryden. Dryden, however, adopted also the French form missionaire; and thus, in the original edition of the Hind and Panther, writes, " these the missionaires our zeal has made," 4to. 1687, p. 63. Soon afterwards missionary became the word.]

One sent to propagate religion. The missioners of France seek to establish this

practice in all places where they teach.

W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. P. ii. (1654,) p. 94. You mention the presbyterian missionary, who hath been persecuted for his religion.

I desire our young missionaries from the university to consider where they are, and not dress, and look, and move, like young officers.

Tatler, No. 270. Like mighty missioner you come,

Ad partes infidelium.

Dryden, Ep. to Sir G. Etheredge.

MI'ssive. † adj. [missive, French.]

1. Such as is sent.

The king grants a licence under the great seal called a congé d'éslire, to elect the person he has nominated by his letters missive.

Ayliffe, Parergon.

2. Used at distance.

In vain with darts a distant war they try, Short, and more short the missive weapons fly.

Ink is the great missive weapon in all battles of Swift, Battle of the Books. the learned.

MI'SSIVE. n. s. [French.]

1. A letter sent: it is retained in Scotland in that sense.

Great aids came in to him; partly upon missives, and partly voluntary from many parts. Bacon, Hen. VII.

2. A messenger. Both obsolete.

Rioting in Alexandria, you Did pocket up my letters; and with taunts

Did gibe my missive out of audience. Shakspeare. Whiles I stood wrapt in the wonder of it, came missives from the king, who all-hailed me thane of Shakspeare, Macbeth.

To Misspe'Ak. v. a. [mis and speak.] To speak wrong.

Then as a mother which delights to hear Her early child misspeak half-utter'd words.

Donne, Poems, p. 177. To Misspe'ak. v. n. To blunder in speak-

ing. It is not so; thou hast misspoke, misheard; Be well advis'd, tell o'er thy tale again.

Shakspeare, K. John. MIST.+ n. s. [mirc, Saxon; mist, Icel. caligo; mircian, caligare, Saxon.]

1. A low thin cloud; a small thin rain not perceived in single drops.

Old Chaucer, like the morning star, To us discovers day from far; His light those mists and clouds dissolv'd, Which our dark nation long involv'd. Denham. To be MISTA'KEN. To err. [To mistake

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And mists condens'd to clouds obscure the sky, And clouds dissolv'd, the thirsty ground supply. Roscommon.

As a mist is a multitude of small but solid globules, which therefore descend; so a vapour, and therefore a watry cloud, is nothing else but a congeries of very small and concave globules, which therefore ascend to that height, in which they are of equal weight with the air, where they remain suspended, till by some motion in the air, being broken, they descend in solid drops; either small, as in a mist, or bigger, when many of them run together, as in rain.

But hovering mists around his brows are spread, And night with sable shades involves his head.

A cloud is nothing but a mist flying high in the air, as a mist is nothing but a cloud here below.

2. Any thing that dims or darkens.

My people's eyes once blinded with such mists of suspicion, they are misled into the most desperate actions. King Charles. His passion cast a mist before his sense,

And either made or magnify'd th' offence

To Mist. v. a. [mircian, Saxon.] cloud; to cover with a vapour or steam. Lend me a looking-glass;

If that her breath will mist or stain the stone, Why then she lives. Shakspeare, K. Lear. An ineffectual laziness is the seminary both of vice and infamy; it clouds the metalled mind, it mists the wit, and choaks up all the sciences.

Feltham, Res. ii. 49. MISTA'KABLE. † adj. [from mistake.] That may be mistaken; liable to be con-

ceived wrong. Places of Scripture explicable, or mistakable by

the enthusiast.

Hammond, Postscr. to his N. Test. § 32. It is not strange to see the difference of a third part in so large an account, if we consider how differently they are set forth in minor and less mistakable numbers.

To MISTA'KE. v. a. [mis and take.] To conceive wrong; to take something for that which it is not.

These did apprehend a great affinity between their invocation of saints and the heathen idolatry, or else there was no danger one should be mistaken for the other. Stilling fleet.

This will make the reader very much mistake and misunderstand his meaning. Fancy passes for knowledge, and what is Locke.

prettily said is mistaken for solid. Fools into the notion fall, That vice or virtue there is none at all:

Ask your own heart, and nothing is so plain, 'Tis to mistake them costs the time and pain.

To MISTA'KE. v. n. To err; not to judge right.

Seeing God found folly in his angels; men's judgements, which inhabit these houses of clay, cannot be without their mistakings.

Ralegh, Hist. of the World. Seldom any one mistakes in his names of simple ideas, or applies the name red to the idea Locke.

Servants mistake, and sometimes occasion misunderstanding, among friends. Swift.

MISTA'EN. pret. and part. pass. of mistake for mistaken, and so retained in Scotland.

This dagger hath mista'en, for lo! the sheath Lies empty on the back of Mountague, The point missheathed in my daughter's bosom.

has a kind of reciprocal sense; I mistake, " je me trompe." I am mistaken, means I misconceive, I am in an errour; more frequently than I am ill understood; but, my opinion is mistaken, means, my opinion is not rightly understood.

The towns, neither of the one side nor the other, willingly opening their gates to strangers, nor strangers willingly entering, for fear of being mistaken.

England is so idly king'd: · You are too much mistaken in this king: Question, your grace, the late ambassadors,

How modest in exception, and withal How terrible in constant resolution.

Mistaken Brutus thought to break their yoke, But cut the bond of union with that stroke.

Shakspeare, Hen. V.

MISTA'KE. n. s. [from the verb.] Misconception; errour.

He never shall find out fit mate; but such As some misfortune brings him, or mistake.

Infallibility is an absolute security of the understanding from all possibility of mistake in what Tillotson.

Those terrors are not to be charged upon religion, which proceed either from the want of religion, or superstitious mistakes about it. Bentley.

MISTA'KENLY.* adv. [from mistake.] In a mistaken sense.

We find the studious animated with a strong passion for the great virtues, as they are mistakenly called, and utterly forgetful of the ordinary ones. Goldsmith, Ess. 6.

MISTA'KER.* n. s. [from mistake.] One who conceives wrong; one who judges not right.

I know there is ill use made of our charity this way, by those willing mistakers who turn it to our disadvantage. Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 408.

MISTA'KING.* n.s. Errour.

I have done thee worthy service, Told thee no lies, made no mistakings.

Shakspeare, Tempest. The perils of these mistakings.

Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 280. MISTA'KINGLY. adv. [from mistaking.] Erroneously; falsely.

The error is not in the eye, but in the estimative faculty, which mistakingly concludes that colour to belong to the wall which does indeed Boyle on Colours. helong to the object.

To MISTA'TE. v. a. [mis and state.] To state wrong.

They mistate the question when they talk of pressing ceremonies. Bp. Sanderson.

MISTA'TEMENT.* n. s. [from mistate.] A wrong statement.

There is in this passage a mistatement of important circumstances.

Burgess on the Div. of Christ, p. 39. To MISTE'ACH. v. a. [mis and teach.] To

teach wrong. Such guides shall be set over the several congregations as will be sure to misteach them.

Bp. Sanderson. The extravagancies of the lewdest life are the more consummate disorders of a mistaught or neglected youth.

To MISTE'LL. v. a. [mis and tell.] To tell unfaithfully, or inaccurately. To MISTE'MPER. v. a. [mis and temper.]

To temper ill; to disorder.

This inundation of mistemper'd humour, Rests by you only to be qualified.

Shakspeare, K. John. Mr'sren. + adj. [from mestier, trade, Fr.] What mister, what kind of. Obsolete. The redcross knight toward him crossed fast,

To weet what mister white was so dismay'd, There him he finds all senseless and aghast.

These mister arts been better fitting thee Whose drooping days are drawing tow'rds the Drayton, Shep. Garl. (1593,) p. 47.

To MI'STER.* v. n. [of uncertain etymology.] To import: to signify. As for my name, it mistreth not to tell.

Spenser, F. Q. iii. vii. 51.

To MISTE'RM. v. a. [mis and term.] To term erroneously.

Hence banished, is banish'd from the world; And world exil'd is death. That banished Is death misterm'd. Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul.

MI'STFUL.* adj. [mist and full.] Clouded as with a mist; dim, as if in a mist.

Warburton. Hearing this, I must perforce compound With mistful eyes, or they will issue too.

Shakspeare, Hen. V. To MISTHI'NK. v. a. [mis and think.] To think ill; to think wrong.

How will the country, for these woeful chances, Misthink the king, and not be satisfy'd. Shaksp. We the greatest are misthought

For things that others do.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. Thoughts! which how found they harbour in thy breast,

Adam! Misthought of her to thee so dear.

Milton, P. L. MISTHO'UGHT.* n. s. [mis and thought.]

Wrong notion; false opinion. And shew'd him how through errour and misthought

Of our like persons eath to be disguis'd

Or his exchange or freedome might be wrought. Spenser, F. Q. iv. viii. 58.

MI'STILY.* adv. [from misty.] Darkly; obscurely; not plainly.

These philosophers speke so mistily, In this craft, that men cannot come thereby. Chaucer, Chan. Yeom. Tale.

To MISTI'ME. tv. a. [mis and time. Not to time right; not to adapt properly with regard to time.

How often is a hasty and unguarded expression, an incautious and mistimed reproof, or an inconsiderable and accidental trespass, aggravated and blown up into a lasting variance and hatred! Killingbeck, Serm. p. 63.

To MISTI'ME.* v. n. To neglect proper

Idleness; ill husbandry, in mis-timing; neglect of meet helps. Seasonable Serm. (1644,) p. 25.

MI'STINESS. n. s. [from misty.] Cloudiness; state of being overcast.

The speedy depredation of air upon watry moisture, and version of the same into air, appeareth in the sudden vanishing of vapours from glass, or the blade of a sword, such as doth not at all detain or imbibe the moisture, for the mistiness scattereth immediately. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

MI'STION. 7 n. s. [mistion, Fr. Cotgrave; from mistus, Latin.] The state of being

In animals many actions are mixt, and depend upon their living form as well as that of mistion; and, though they wholly seem to retain unto the body, depart upon disunion. Brown.

from their mistion, produce colour.

Both bodies do, by the new texture resulting Boyle on Colours.

To MI'STLE.* See To MISLE. MISTLETO'E. n. s. [mýrteltan, Sax. mistil,

Danish, birdlime, and can, a twig.] A

plant. The flower of the mistletoe consists of

one leaf, which is shaped like a bason, divided into four parts, and beset with warts; the ovary which is produced in the female flowers is placed in a remote part of the plant from the male flowers, and consists of four shorter leaves; this becomes a round berry, full of a glutinous substance, inclosing a plain heartshaped seed; this plant is always produced from seed, and is not to be cultivated in the earth, but will always grow upon trees; from whence the ancients accounted it a super-plant, who thought it to be an excrescence on the tree without seed. The manner of its propagation is as follows: the mistletoe thrush, which feeds upon the berries of this plant in winter when it is ripe. doth open the seed from tree to tree; for the viscous part of the berry, which immediately surrounds the seed, doth sometimss fasten it to the outward part of the bird's beak, which, to get disengaged of, he strikes his beak at the branches of a neighbouring tree, and so leaves the seed sticking by this viscous matter to the bark, which, if it lights upon a smooth part of the tree, will fasten itself, and the following winter put out and grow: the trees which this plant doth most readily take upon are the apple, the ash, and some other smooth rind trees: whenever a branch of an oak tree hath any of these plants growing upon it, it is cut off, and preserved by the curious in their collections of natural curiosities.

If snowe do continue, sheepe hardly that fare Crave mistle and ivie for them for to spare.

A barren and detested vale you see it is: The trees, though summer, yet forlorn and lean, O'ercome with moss and baleful misselto. Shaksn.

Misseltoe groweth chiefly upon crab trees, apple trees, sometimes upon hazles, and rarely upon oaks; the misseltoe whereof is counted very medicinal: it is ever green winter and summer, and beareth a white glistering berry: and it is a plant utterly differing from the plant upon which it groweth.

All your temples strow With laurel green, and sacred misletoe.

Gay, Trivia.

MI'STLIKE. adj. [mist and like.] Resembling a mist.

Good Romeo, hide thyself. - Not I, unless the breath of heart-sick groans, Mistlike, infold me from the search of eyes Shakspeare.

Misto'ld. particip. pass. of mistell. MISTO'OK. particip. pass. of mistake.

Look nymphs, and shepherds look, What sudden blaze of majesty,

Too divine to be mistook. Milton, Arcades. To MISTRA'IN.* v. a. [mis and train.] To educate amiss.

For she by force is still fro me detayned. And with corruptful bribes is to untruth mistrained. Spenser, F. Q. v. xi. 54.

To MISTRANSLA'TE.* v. a. [mis and trans-

late.] To translate incorrectly. Eusebius, by them mistranslated,

Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Marr. Clergy, p. 135. They mistranslate the words. Featley, Dippers Dipt, p. 57.

MISTRANSLA'TION.* n. s. [mis and translation.] An incorrect translation.

Here are to be excepted mistranslations and errours, either in copy, or in press. Leslie, Short Method with the Deists.

MI'STRESS. † n. s. [maistresse, maîtresse, French. See also MASTRESS.

1. A woman who governs: correlative to subject or to servant.

Here stood he in the dark, his sharp sword out, Mumbling of wicked charms, conj'ring the moon To stand 's auspicious mistress. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

Let us prepare Some welcome for the mistress of the house.

Shakspeare. Like the lily,

That once was mistress of the field and flourish'd, I'll hang my head and perish. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

He'll make your Paris Louvre shake for it, Were it the mistress court of mighty Europe. Shakspeare.

I will not charm my tongue; I'm bound to speak:

My mistress here lies murther'd in her bed.

Shakspeare, Othello. The late queen's gentlewoman ! a knight's daughter!

To be her mistress' mistress ! the queen's queen, Shakspeare.

Rome now is mistress of the whole world, sea and land, to either pole. B. Jonson, Catiline, Wonder not, sovran mistress ! if perhaps Thou can'st, who art sole wonder; much les arm

Thy looks, the heaven of mildness, with disdain. Milton, P. L. Those who assert the lunar orb presides

O'er humid bodies, and the ocean guides! Whose waves obsequious ebb, or swelling run With the declining or encreasing moon; With reason seem her empire to maintain As mistress of the rivers and the main. Blackmore.

What a miserable spectacle, for a nation that had been mistress at sea so long. Arbuthnot on Coins.

2. A woman who hath something in possession.

There had she enjoyed herself while she was mistress of herself, and had no other thoughts but such as might arise out of quiet senses. Sidney.

Ages to come, that shall your bounty hear, Will think you mistress of the Indies were; Though streighter bounds your fortune did confine.

In your large heart was found a wealthy mine.

3. A woman skilled in any thing. A letter desires all young wives to make them-

selves mistresses of Wingate's Arithmetick. Addison, Spect. 4. A woman teacher.

Erect publick schools, provided with the best and ablest masters and mistresses.

5. A woman beloved and courted. They would not suffer the prince to confer

with, or very rarely to see, his mistress, whom they pretended he should forthwith marry.

Nice honour still engages to requite False mistresses and proud with slight for slight. Clanville. 6. A term of contemptuous address.

Look you pale, mistress,
Do you perceive the ghastness of her eye? Shaks.

7. A whore; a concubine.

I will lay before you the state of the case, supposing you had it in your power to make me your mistress, or your wife; and hope to convince you that the latter is more to your interest, and will contribute more to your pleasure.

Spectator, No. 199.

To MI'STRESS.* v. n. [from the noun.] To wait upon a mistress; to be courting. Not in use.

As if their day were only to be spent In dressing, mistressing, and complement,

Donne, Poems, p. 350.

[mistress and MI'STRESSPIECE.* n. s. piece.] Chief ornament; capital distinction, as applied to a woman.

Elizabeth Blunt, daughter to Sir John Blunt, was thought, for her rare ornaments of nature and education, to be the beauty and mistress-piece of her time. Lord Herbert, Hen. VIII. p. 175.

MISTRESS-SHIP.* n. s. Female dominion, rule, or power.

If any of them shall usurp a mistress-ship over the rest, or make herself a queen over them. Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 407.

MISTRU'ST. n. s. [mis and trust.] Diffidence; suspicion; want of confidence. He needs not our mistrust, since he delivers

Our officers, and what we have to do,

Shakspeare, Macbeth. To the direction just. Not then mistrust, but tender love, injoins That I should mind thee oft; and mind thou me.

To MISTRU'ST. v. a. [mis and trust.] To suspect; to doubt; to regard with diffidence. Will any man allege those human infirmities,

as reasons why these things should be mistrusted, or doubted of.

By a divine instinct, men's minds mistrust Ensuing danger; as by proof we see,

The waters swell before a boisterous storm.

Shakspeare. Fate her own book mistrusted at the sight, On that side war, on this a single fight. Cowley.

The relation of a Spartan youth, that suffered a fox concealed under his robe to tear out his bowels, is mistrusted by men of business. Brown. The generous train complies,

Nor fraud mistrusts in virtue's fair disguise.

Pope, Odyss.

MISTRU'STFUL. adj. [mistrust and full.]

Diffident; doubting.
I hold it cowardice

To rest mistrustful, where a noble heart Hath pawn'd an open hand in sign of love. Shaksneare.

Here the mistrustful fowl no harm suspects, So safe are all things which our king protects. Waller.

MISTRU'STFULNESS. n. s. [from mistrustful.] Diffidence ; doubt.

Without him I found a weakness and a mistrustfulness of myself, as one strayed from his best strength, when at any time I mist him,

MISTRU'STFULLY. adv. [from mistrustful.] With suspicion; with mistrust.

MISTRU'STINGLY.* adv. With mistrust. Huloet.

[from mistrust.] MISTRU'STLESS. + adj. Confident; unsuspecting.

Where he doth in streams mistrustless play, Veil'd with night's robe, they stalk the shore abroad.

The swain, mistrustless of his smutted face, While secret laughter titter'd round the place. Goldsmith, Deserted Village.

To MISTU'NE.* v. a. [mis and tune.] To tune amiss; to put out of tune.

Any instrument mistunyd shall hurt a true song. Skelton, Poems, p. 291.

To MISTU'RN.* v. a. [mis and turn.] To pervert. Obsolete.

Them - that wolen mysturne the evangelie of Wicliffe, Gal. 1.

To MISTU'TOR.* v.a. [mis and tutor.] To instruct amiss.

The swarm

Of gay mistutor'd youths, who ne'er the charm Of virtue hear, nor wait at wisdom's door. Edwards, Sonn. 28.

MI'STY. adj. [from mist.]

 Clouded; overspread with mists. The morrow fair with purple beams Dispers'd the shadows of the misty night.

Spenser, F. Q. Loud howling wolves arouse the jades, That drag the tragick melancholy night; Who with their drowsy, slow, and flagging wings Clip dead men's graves; and from their misty

jaws Breathe foul contagious darkness in the air.

Shakspeare. Parents overprize their children, while they behold them through the vapours of affection, which alter the appearance, as things seem bigger in Wotton. misty mornings. Now smoaks with show'rs the misty mountain

And floated fields lie undistinguish'd round.

2. Obscure; dark; not plain.

To MISUNDERSTA'ND. v. a. [mis and understand.] To misconceive; to mistake. The words of Tertullian, as they are by them alledged are misunderstood.

He failed in distinguishing two regions, both called Eden, and altogether misunderstood two of Ralegh. the four rivers.

In vain do men take sanctuary in such misunderstood expressions as these; and from a false persuasion that they cannot reform their lives, never go about it. South

This if it be neglected, will make the reader very much mistake and misunderstand his meaning. Locke.

Were they only designed to instruct the three succeeding generations, they are in no danger of being misunderstood. Addison.

The example of a good man is the best direction we can follow in the performance of our duty; the most exact rules and precepts are subject to be misunderstood; some at least will mistake their Rogers, Serm.

MISUNDERSTA'NDING. n. s. [from misunderstand.

1. Dissension; difference; disagreement. There is a great misunderstanding betwixt the corpuscular philosophers and the chemists. Boyle. Servants mistake, and sometimes occasion misunderstandings among friends. Swift.

Errour; misconception.

Sever the construction of the injury from the point of contempt, imputing it to misunderstanding or fear.

MISU'SAGE. † n. s. [from misuse.]

1. Abuse; ill use.

But if the name of God be prophaned by the disesteeme and misusage of the things it is called upon, then surely it is sanctified when the same are worthily and discriminatively used, that is, as becometh the relation they have to him.

Mede, Diatr. p. 62.

12. Bad treatment.

To Misu'se. v. a. [mesuser, French; mis and use. To treat or use improperly; to abuse.

You misuse the reverence of your place, As a false favourite doth his prince's name

In deeds dishon'rable. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. It hath been their custom shamefully to misuse the fervent zeal of men to religious arms, by converting the monies that had been levied for such wars to their own services. Ralegh. Bacchus, that first from out the purple grape

Crush'd the sweet poison of misused wine.

Milton, Comus.

Machiavel makes it appear, that the weakness of Italy, once so strong, was caused by the corrupt practices of the papacy, in depraving and misusing religion.

Misu'se. n. s. [from the verb.]

1. Evil or cruel treatment.

Upon whose dead corpse there was such misuse, Such beastly, shameless transformation, By those Welshwomen done, as may not be

Shaksp. Hen. IV. Without much shame retold.

2. Wrong or erroneous use.

How names taken for things mislead the understanding, the attentive reading of philosophical writers would discover, and that in words little suspected of any such misuse. 3. Misapplication; abuse.

We have reason to humble ourselves before God by fasting and prayer, lest he should punish the misuse of our mercies, by stopping the course of

To Miswe'AR.* v. n. [mis and wear.] To wear ill.

That which is miswrought will miswear. Bacon, Charge at the Sessions of the Verge.

To MISWE'EN. v. n. [mis and ween.] To misjudge; to distrust. Obsolete.

Latter times things more unknown shall show; Why then should witless man so much misween Spenser, F. Q.

To Miswe'nd. v. n. [mis and pensan, Sax.] To go wrong. Obsolete.

Every thing begun with reason, Will come by ready means unto his end: But things miscounselled must needs miswend. Spenser, Hubb. Tale.

In this maze still wand'red and miswent; For heaven decreed to conceal the same, To make the miscreant more to feel his shame.

Fairfax. To Miswri'te.* v. a. [mis and write; Saxon, mijppitan.] To write incor-

He correcteth the word that was miswritten there. Bp. Cosin, Can. of Script. p. 175.

MISWRO'UGHT.* part. [mis and wrought.] Badly worked.

That which is miswrought will miswear. Bacon, Charge at the Sessions of the Verge.

To Misyo'ke.* v. n. [mis and yoke.] To be joined improperly.

Hindered in wedlock, by misyoking with a diversity of nature as well as of religion.

Milton, Doct. and Dis. of Divorce.

MI'sy. n. s. A kind of mineral.

Misy contains no vitriol but that of iron: it is a very beautiful mineral, of a fine bright yellow colour, of friable structure, and resembles the golden marcasites.

Misze'ALous.* adj. [mis and zealous.] Mistakenly zealous. A guise, [flagellation,] which, though at the

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first cried down, is since taken up by some mis- | 4. To cool; to moderate. zealous penitents of the Romish church

Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 240. The practices and combinations of libelling separatists, and the miszealous advocates thereof. Milton, Animadv. Rem. Defence.

MITE. n. s. [mite, French; mijt, Dutch.] 1. A small insect found in cheese or corn;

a weevil. Virginity breeds mites, like a cheese, consumes

itself to the very paring, and dies with feeding its own stomach. Shakspeare. The polish'd glass, whose small convex

Enlarges to ten millions of degrees, The mite invisible else, of nature's hand

Least animal. Philips. The idea of two is as distinct from the idea of three, as the magnitude of the earth from that of a mite.

2. The twentieth part of a grain.

The Seville piece of eight contains thirteen pennyweight twenty-one grains and fifteen mites, of which there are twenty in the grain, of sterling silver, and is in value forty-three English pence and eleven hundredths of a penny. Arbuthnot.

3. Any thing proverbially small; the third part of a farthing.

Though any man's corn they do bite, They will not allow him a mite.

Tusser. Are you defrauded, when he feeds the poor, Our mite decreases nothing of your store. Dryden. Did I e'er my mite with-hold

From the impotent and old?

4. A small particle.

Put blue-bottles into an ant-hill, they will be stained with red, because the ants thrust in their stings, and instil into them a small mite of their stinging liquor, which hath the same effect as oil of vitriol. Ray on Creation.

MITE'LLA. n. s. A plant. MI'THRIDATE. n. s. [mithridate, French.]

Mithridate is one of the capital medicines of the shops, consisting of a great number of ingredients, and has its name from its inventor Mithridates, king of

But you of learning and religion, And virtue, and such ingredients, have made A mithridate, whose operation

Keeps off, or cures, what can be done or said.

Donne, Poems, p. 154.

MI'THRIDATE mustard. n. s. [thlaspi, Lat.] A plant. Miller.

MI'TIGABLE. * adj. [from mitigo, Latin.] Capable of mitigation.

By the practices of holy men, God also shewed that the rigour of that ceremonious law was mitigable. Barrow, vol. ii. S. 15. MI'TIGANT. adj. [mitigans, Lat.] Lenient; lenitive.

To MI'TIGATE. + v. a. [mitigo, Latin;] mitiger, French.]

1. To temper; to make less rigorous.

We could greatly wish, that the rigour of their opinion were allayed and mitigated. 2. To alleviate; to make mild; to assuage.

Mishaps are master'd by advice discreet, And counsel mitigates the greatest smart.

Spenser, F. Q. All it can do is, to devise how that which must be endured may be mitigated, and the inconveniences thereof countervailed as near as may be, that when the best things are not possible, the best may be made of those that are.

3. To mollify; to make less severe; to soften.

I undertook Before thee; and, not repenting, this obtain Of right, that I may mitigate their doom, On me deriv'd. Milton, P. L.

Sometime the flame was mitigated, that it might not burn up the beasts that were sent against the Wisdom, xvi. 18.

A man has frequent opportunity of mitigating the fierceness of a party, of softening the envious, quieting the angry, and rectifying the prejudiced.

MITIGA'TION. n. s. [mitigatio, Latin; mitigation, French; from mitigate.] Abatement of any thing penal, harsh, or painful.

The king would not have one penny abated of that granted to him by parliament, because it might encourage other countries to pray the like

release or mitigation.

They caused divers subjects to be indicted of sundry crimes; and when the bills were found they committed them, and suffered them to languish long in prison, to extort from them great fines and ransoms, which they termed compositions and mi-Bacon, Hen. VII.

MI'TIGATIVE.* adj. [mitigatif, French.] Lenitive; having power to alleviate.

Cotgrave. MI'TIGATOR.* n. s. [from mitigate.] An Huloet. appeaser.

MITRE. + n. s. [mitre, French; mitra, Latin; µlroa, Greek; attire for the head, formerly worn by the Greek and Roman women; not unlike, in shape, to the episcopal crown.]

1. An ornament for the head.

Nor Pantheus, thee, thy mitre nor the bands Of awful Phœbus, sav'd from impious hands.

2. A kind of episcopal crown.

Bishopricks or burning, mitres or fagots, have been the rewards of different persons, according as they pronounced these consecrated syllables, or

MI'TRE. \ n. s. [Among workmen.] A MI'TER. I mode of joining two boards together.

MI'TRED. † adj. [mitré, Fr.; from mitre.] Wearing a mitre; adorned with a mitre.

He shook his miter'd locks. Milton, Lycidas. Shall the loud herald our success relate.

Or mitred priest appoint the solemn day? Mitred abbots, among us, were those that were exempt from the diocesan's jurisdiction, as having within their own precincts episcopal authority, and being lords in parliament were called abbots Ayliffe, Parergon.

The fane conventual there is dimly seen, The mitred window, and the cloister pale.

Mason, Eng. Gard. B. 4. MI'TTENT. adj. [mittens, Latin.] Sending forth; emitting.

The fluxion proceedeth from humours peccant in quantity or quality, thrust forth by the part mittent upon the inferior weak parts.

Wiseman, Surgery. MI'TTENS. n. s. pl. [mitaines, French. It

is said that mit is the original word; whence mitten, the plural: and, afterwards, mittens, as in chicken.]

Coarse gloves for the winter.

December must be expressed with a horrid aspect; as also January clad, in Irish rug, holding in furred mittens the sign of Capricorn.

Peacham on Drawing. 2. Gloves that cover the arm without co-

vering the fingers.

3. To handle one without mittens. To use one roughly. A low phrase. Ainsworth. MI'TTIMUS. + n. s. [Latin.] A warrant by which a justice commits an offender

Never was there a more close prisoner than my soul is for the time to my body; close, in respect to the essence of that spirit, which, since its first mittimus, never stirred out from this strait room. Bp. Hall, Free Prisoner, § 7.

To MIX.† v. a. [mircan, Saxon; mischen, Teut. and German; misceo, mixus, Lat.] 1. To unite to something else.

Ephraim hath mixed himself among the people. Hos. vii. 8.

2. To unite various ingredients into one mass.

A mixed multitude went up with them, and flocks and herds. Exod. xii. 38. He sent out of his mouth a blast of fire, and out

of his lips a flaming breath, and out of his tongue he cast out sparks and tempests; and they were all mist together.

Air, and ye elements, the eldest birth Of nature's womb, that in quaternion run Perpetual circle, multiform; and mix

And nourish all things. Milton, P. L. To form of different substances or

kinds. I have chosen an argument, mixt of religious and civil considerations; and likewise mixt between contemplative and active. Bacon, Holy War.

4. To join; to mingle; to confuse. Brothers, you mix your sadpess with some fear; This is the English not the Turkish court.

Shaksneare. She turns, on hospitable thoughts intent; What choice to choose for delicacy best, What order, so contriv'd as not to mix

Tastes, nor well join'd, inelegant, but bring Taste after taste, upheld with kindest change. Milton, P. L.

To MIX. + v. n. 1. To be united into one mass, not by

junction of surfaces, but by mutual intromission of parts. But is there yet no other way, besides

These painful passages, how we may come To death, and mix with our connatural dust? If spirits embrace,

Milton, P. L.

Total they mix, union of pure with pure Desiring; or restrain'd conveyance need As flesh to mix with flesh, or soul with soul. Milton, P. L.

2. To be joined, in a general sense. The evil soon,

Driven back, redounded as a flood on those From whom it sprung, impossible to mix With blessedness, Milton, P. L.

Mi'xen. † n. s. [mixen, Saxon; what is mixed together.] A dunghill; a laystal. The sunne that shineth on the myxene.

Chaucer, Parson's Tale. I thinke the clowne, that drives the mixen cart, Hath better hap then princes, such as I: No storm of fortune casts him downe.

Mir. for Mag. p. 46.
That mixen of ill-contrived forgeries, which perhaps was made before Bede's time.

Bp. Lloyd, Hist. of Ch. Gov. in Engl. Pref.

MI'XER.* n. s. [from mix.] One who mixes; a mingler.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood. MIXT.* part. of mix. See To MIX.

MIXTILI'NEAR.* adj. [mixtus and linearis, Latin.] Consisting of a line, or lines, part straight, and part curved.

These three triangles are different from each other; the rectilinear CEc being less than the

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ments above mentioned; and this still less than the triangle CET. Bp. Berkeley, Analyst, § 34. MI'XTION. n. s. [mixtion, French; from mix.] Mixture; confusion of one thing

with another.

Others perceiving this rule to fall short, have pieced it out by the mixtion of vacuity among bodies, believing it is that which makes one rarer than another. Digby on Bodies.

They are not to be lightly past over as elementary or subterraneous mixtions.

MI'XTLY. + [from mix.] With coalition of different parts into one.

Not to proceed precisely, or merely, according to the laws and customs either of England or Scotland; but mixtly, according to the instructions by your majesty to be set down, after the imitation and precedent of the council of the marches, here in England erected, upon the union of Wales. Bacon, Articles on the Union of Eng. and Scotland.

MI'XTURE. † n. s. [mixture, old French; mixtura, Latin.]

1. The act of mixing; the state of being

O happy mixture, wherein things contrary do so qualify and correct the one the danger of the other's excess, that neither boldness can make us presume, as well as we are kept under with the sense of our own wretchedness; nor, while we trust in the mercy of God through Christ Jesus, fear be able to tyrannize over us !

Those liquors are expelled out of the body which, by their mixture, convert the aliment into an Arbuthnot. animal liquid.

I, by baleful furies led, With monstrous mixture stain'd my mother's bed.

2. A mass formed by mingled ingredients. Come vial - What if this mixture do not work Shaksneare. While we live in this world, where good and

bad men are blended together, and where there is also a mixture of good and evil wisely distributed by God, to serve the ends of his providence. Atterbury, Serm.

3. That which is added and mixed.

Neither can God himself be otherwise understood, than as a mind free and disentangled from all corporeal mixtures, perceiving and moving all Stilling fleet. Cicero doubts whether it were possible for a community to exist, that had not a prevailing mixture of piety in its constitution.

Addison, Freeholder. MI'ZMAZE. n. s. [A cant word, formed from maze by reduplication.] A maze;

a labyrinth. He hath walked us through the whole labyrinth and mizmaze of this life, shewing us the knowledge

of using it well. Harmar, Tr. of Beza, (1587,) p. 69.

Those who are accustomed to reason have got the true key of books, and the clue to lead them through the mizmaze of variety of opinions and Locke. authors to truth.

MI'ZZEN. n. s. [mezaen. Dutch.]

The mizzen is a mast in the stern or back part of a ship: in some large ships there are two such masts, that standing next the main mast is called the main mizzen, and the other near the poop the bonaventure mizzen: the length of a mizzen mast is half that of the main mast, or the same with that of the maintop mast from the quarterdeck, and the length of the mizzen topmast is half that. Bailey.

A commander at sea had his leg fractured by the fall of his mizzen topmast. Wiseman, Surgery.

mixtilinear CEc, whose sides are the three incre- To Mr'zzle.* v. n. To rain small rain. See To Misle, and Meazling. Now ginnes to mizzle; hye we homeward fast.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. Nov. MI'ZZLE.* n. s. Small rain. See MISLE. MI'zzy. n. s. A bog; a quagmire.

Ainsworth. MNEMO'NICAL.* | adj.[from mnemonicks.]
MNEMO'NICK. | Assisting memory: as mnemonick tables.

Mr. Beal's offer of sending to the society — Caleb Morley's mnemonical scrolls, together with this explication, was accepted of.

Hist. Royal Soc. i. 234. MNEMO'NICKS. n. s. [μνημονική.] The act of memory.

Mo. adj. [ma, Saxon; mae, Scottish.] Making greater number; more. Obsolete. Calliope and muses mo,

Soon as your oaken pipe begins to sound Their ivory lutes lay by. Spenser.

With oxbows and oxyokes, with other things mo, For oxteem and horseteem in plough for to go.

Mo. adv. Further; longer. Obsolete. Sing no more ditties, sing no mo Of dumps so dull and heavy;

The frauds of men were ever so, Shakspeare. Since summer was first leafy. To MOAN. † v. a. [from mænan, Saxon, to

grieve. Anciently written mane or mene; like the Saxon original.] To lament; to deplore. Edward sore it ment. R. of Brunne, p. 255.

Ye floods, ye woods, ye echoes, moan, My dear Columbo dead and gone.

To Moan. tv. n. To grieve; to make lamentation. In the following passage from Shakspeare, the old copies read means, the same as moans. See the etymology of the verb active. Thus she moans:

Asleep, my love? Shaks. Mids. N. Dream. What, dead, my dove? The gen'rous band redressive search'd

Into the horrours of the gloomy jail, Unpity'd and unheard, where misery moans. Thomson.

Moan. n. s. [from the verb.] Lamentation; audible sorrow; grief expressed in words or cries.

I have disabled mine estate, By shewing something a more swelling port, Than my faint means would grant continuance; Nor do I now make moan to be abridg'd From such a noble rate. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven.

The fresh stream ran by her, and murmur'd her

The salt tears fell from her, and soften'd the Sullen moans,

Hollow groans,

And cries of tortur'd ghosts. Pope, Ode St. Cecilia. Mo'ANFUL.* adj. [moan and full.] Lamentable; expressing sorrow; exciting

Look upon all the sad moneful objects in the world, betwixt whom all our compassion is wont Hammond, Works, iv. 580. to be divided. Do not grudge, or make mounful complaint.

Barrow, Serm. on Acts, x. 42. Mo'ANFULLY.* adv. [from moanful.] With lamentation.

This our poets are ever moanfully singing. Barrow on Content. (ed. 1685,) p. 135.

MOAT. n. s. [motte, French, a mound; mota, low Latin.] A canal of water round a house or castle for defence.

The castle I found of good strength, having a great moat round about it, the work of a noble gentleman, of whose unthrifty son he had bought

The fortress thrice himself in person storm'd; Your valour bravely did th' assault sustain, And fill'd the moats and ditches with the slain.

Dryden. No walls were yet, nor fence, nor mote, nor mound,

Nor drum was heard. Dryden, Ovid. To Moat. v. a. [motter, French, from the noun.] To surround with canals by way of defence.

I will presently to St. Luke's; there at the moated Grange resides this dejected Mariana. Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas.

An arm of Lethe, with a gentle flow, The palace moats, and o'er the pebbles creeps, And with soft murmurs calls the coming sleeps.

He sees he can hardly approach greatness, but, as a moated castle, he must first pass the mud and Dryden. filth with which it is encompassed.

MOB. † n. s. [contracted from mobile, Lat. Mr. Malone believes the word mobile to have been first introduced into our language about 1690, and to have been soon abbreviated into mob. T. Brown, he says, in 1690, uses both the Latin word at length, and the abbreviation; and in the preface to Cleomenes, two years afterwards, Dryden uses mob with a kind of apology. Note on Dryden's Pref. to Don Sebastian. Mobile, however, had certainly been in use long before 1690, as the examples from South and L'Estrange prove. The rabble which attended the partisans of the earl of Shaftesbury, at the latter end of Charles the Second's reign, are said by Mr. Tollet to have been first called "mobile vulgus," and afterwards by contraction the mob; and ever since the word mob has become proper English.] The croud; a tumultuous rout.

Parts of different species jumbled together, according to the mad imagination of the dawber; a a very monster in a Bartholomew-fair, for the mob to gape at.

Dreams are but interludes, which fancy makes, When monarch reason sleeps, this mimick wakes: Compounds a medley of disjointed things,

A court of coblers, and a mob of kings. Dryden. A cluster of mob were making themselves merry with their betters. Addison, Freeholder.

Mob. † n. s. [from mobile. Dr. Johnson, -Rather from the verb mob, of which Dr. Johnson has taken no notice in this sense.] A kind of female undress for the head.

Kitty repeated without book the eight best lines in the play : went in our mobs to the dumb man : told me my lover's name, &c.

Addison, Spect. 323. The ordinary morning head-dress of ladies continued to be distinguished by the name of mab, to almost the end of the reign of George the Second. Malone, Note on Hamlet.

In the counties of Essex and Middlesex, this morning cap has always been called a mob, and not a mab.

Steevens, Note on Hamlet.

To MOB.* v. a. [adopted perhaps from mab, to dress carelessly; of which the etymology is uncertain.] To wrap up, as in a veil or cowl; hence the mob-cap of women.

Swarms of men that went gossiping up and down, telling odd stories to the people, as old wives and nurses do to children, having most of them chins as smooth as women's, and their faces mob'd in hoods and long coats like petticoats.

More on the Seven Churches, (1669,) Pref. b. 2.

To Mob. v. a. [from the noun.] harass or overbear by tumult.

Mo'BBISH. † adj. [from mob.] done after the manner of the mob.

This mobbish act was thought an artifice of the abjurers in the council of state.

Kennet's Regist. (1728,) p. 52. Mr. Fox treated the associations for prosecuting these libels, as tending to prevent the improvement of the human mind, and as a mobbish

Burke, Obs. on the Cond. of the Minority, (1793).

Mo'BBY. n. s. An American drink made of potatoes.

Mo'BILE. n. s. [mobile, Latin.] The populace; the rout; the mob.

Long experience has found it true of the unthinking mobile, that the closer they shut their eyes the wider they open their hands. South, Serm. The mobile are uneasy without a ruler, they are restless with one. L'Estrange.

Mo'BILE.* adj. [mobile, French.] Movable. Obsolete.

To treate of any star

Fyxt or else mobil. Skelton, Poems, p. 156. Mobi'Lity. n. s. [mobilité, French; mobilitas, Latin.]

1. Mobility is the power of being moved. Locke.

A rod or bar of iron, having stood long in a window, or elsewhere, being thence taken, and by the help of a cork balanced in water, or in any other kind of liquid substance, where it may have a free mobility, will bewray a kind of unquietude.

Wotton on Education. The present age hath attempted perpetual motions, whose revolutions might out-last the exemplary mobility, and out-measure time itself.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

You tell, it is ingenite, active force, Mobility, or native power to move Words, which mean nothing.

Blackmore. 2. Nimbleness; activity.

The Romans had the advantage by the bulk of their ships, and the fleet of Antiochus in the swiftness and mobility of theirs, which served them in

great stead in the flight. Arbuthnot. 3. [In cant language.] The populace.

She singled you out with her eye as commander in chief of the mobility. Dryden, Don Sebastian.

4. Fickleness; inconstancy. Ainsworth. To Mo'ble. v. a. [sometimes written mable, perhaps by a ludicrous allusion to the French je m'habille. Dr. Johnson. - Or from the provincial word mab; whence perhaps to mob, a verb hitherto overlooked.] To wrap up, as in a hood. But who, ah woe! hath seen the mobiled queen, Run barefoot up and down. Shakspeare, Hamlet. The moon does mobble up herself.

Shirley, Gentleman of Venice. Mo'cho-stone. n. s. [from Mocha, therefore more properly Mocha-stone.]

Mocho-stones are related to the agat, of a clear horny grey, with declinations representing mosses, shrubs, and branches, black, brown, red, in the substance of the stone. Woodward. To MOCK. + v. a. [mocquer, French; moc-

cio, Welsh; μωκῶ, μωκῶμαι, Greek.

1. To deride; to laugh at; to ridicule.

All the regions Do seemingly revolt; and who resist Are mock'd for valiant ignorance,

And perish constant fools. Shakspeare, Coriol. Many thousand widows Shall this his mock, mock out of their dear hus-

bands; Mock mothers from their sons, mock castles down.

Shaksveare.

We'll dishorn the spirit, And mock him home to Windsor.

I am as one mocked of his neighbour; the just, upright man is mocked to scorn. Job. vii. 4. To deride by imitation; to mimick in

contempt. I long, till Edward fall by war's mischance,

For mocking marriage with a dame of France. Shakspeare.

3. To defeat; to elude.

My father is gone into his grave, And with his spirit sadly I survive, To mock the expectations of the world; To frustrate prophecies, and to raze out Rotten opinion. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

4. To fool; to tantalize; to play on contemptuously.

He will not

Mock us with his blest sight, thence snatch him hence,

Soon we shall see our hope return. Milton, P. R. Why do I overlive?

Why am I mock'd with death, and lengthen'd out To deathless pain? Milton, P. L Heav'n's fuller influence mocks our dazzl'd

Too great its brightness, and too strong its light.

To Mock. v. n. To make contemptuous

Pluck down my officers, break my decrees; For now a time is come to mock at form.

Shakspeare. A stallion horse is as a mocking friend; he neigheth under every one. Ecclus. xxiii. 6. When thou mockest, shall no man make thee

Mock. n. s. [from the verb.] 1. Ridicule; act of contempt; fleer; sneer; gibe; flirt.

Tell the pleasant prince this mock of his Hath turn'd his balls to gun-stones.

Shakspeare, Hen. V. Oh, 'tis the spight of hell, the fiend's arch mock, To lip a wanton, and suppose her chaste. Shaksp. Fools make a mock at sin. Prov. xiv. 9. What shall be the portion of those who have affronted God, derided his word, and made a mock

of every thing that is sacred? Colin makes mock at all her piteous smart,

A lass that Cic'ly hight, had won his heart. Gay.

2. Imitation; mimickry. Now reach a strain, my lute,

Above her mock, or be for ever mute. Crashaw. Mock. adj. False; counterfeit; not real. The mock astrologer, El astrologo fingido.

Dryden. That superiour greatness and mock majesty, which is ascribed to the prince of fallen angels, is admirably preserved. Spectator.

MOCK-PRIVET. } n.s. Plants. Ainsworth.

Mo'ckable. adj. [from mock.] Exposed to derision.

Those that are good manners at the court, are as ridiculous in the country, as the behaviour of the country is most mockable at the court.

Shakspeare, As you like it. Mo'CKAGE.* n. s. [from mock.] Mockery. Not now in use.

Most commonly it is used in mockage. Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 160. b.

A mere mockage, a counterfeit charm, to no Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 721. purpose.

Mo'ckel. + adj. [The same with mickle. See MICKLE. This word is variously written mickle, mickel, mochil, mochel, muckle. Dr. Johnson. - Dr. Johnson here cites an example from Spenser, in which the word is not mockel, but mockel. Of mockel I have never met with any instance.] Much; many.

Mo'cker. n. s. [from mock.]

1. One who mocks; a scorner; a scoffer; Our very priests must become mockers, if they

shall encounter such ridiculous subjects as you are. Shakspeare. Let them have a care how they intrude upon so

great and holy an ordinance, in which God is so seldom mocked but it is to the mocker's confusion. South, Serm.

2. A deceiver; an elusory impostor. Mo'ckery. n. s. [mocquerie, French.] 1. Derision; scorn; sportive insult.

The forlorn maiden, whom your eyes have seen, The laughing-stock of fortune's mockeries, Am the only daughter of a king and queen.

Spenser, F. Q. Why should publick mockery in print be a better test of truth than severe railing sarcasms?

Grace at meals is now generally so performed as to look more like a mockery upon devotion, than any solemn application of the mind unto God. Law. 2. Ridicule; contemptuous merriment.

A new method they have of turning things that are serious into mockery; an art of contradiction by way of scorn, wherewith we were long sithence forewarned.

3. Sport; subject of laughter. What cannot be preserv'd when fortune takes, Patience her injury a mockery makes.

Shakspeare, Othello. Of the holy place they made a mockery. 2 Mac. viii. 17.

4. Vanity of attempt; delusory labour; vain effort.

It is as the air, invulnerable; And our vain blows malicious mockery.

Shakspeare, Hamlet. 5. Imitation; counterfeit appearance; vain show.

To have done, is to hang quite out of fashion, Like rusty mail in monumental mockery. Shaksp. What though no friends in sable weeds appear, Grieve for an hour, perhaps, then mourn a year, And bear about the mockery of woe To midnight dances. Pope, Miscel.

Mo'cking.* n. s. [from mock.] Scorn; derision; insult.

Therefore have I made thee a reproach unto the heathen, and a mocking to all countries.

Erek, xxii, 4. Others had trial of cruel mockings and scourg-Heb. xi. 36

Mo'cking-bird. n. s. [mocking and bird.] An American bird, which imitates the

note of other birds, Mo'cking-stock. + n. s. [mocking and

stock.] A but for merriment. They make them mere mocking-stocks to them

that perceive them. Transl. of Bullinger's Serm. (1587,) p. 579.

Mo'ckingly. † adv. [from mock.] In contempt; petulantly; with insult; by mocking. Huloet.

Mo'dal. adj. [modale, French; modalis, Latin.] Relating to the form or mode, not the essence.

When we speak of faculties of the soul, we assert not with the schools their real distinction from it, but only a modal diversity.

Glanville, Scepsis.

Moda'Lity. n. s. [from modal.] Accidental difference; modal accident.

The motions of the mouth, by which the voice is discriminated, are the natural elements of speech; and the application of them in their several compositions, or words made of them, to signify things, or the modalities of things, and so to serve for communication of notions, is artificial. Holder.

Mo'dder.* n. s. [moer, Danish, a girl; modde, moddeken, Teut. the same. See MAUTHER.] A wench, or girl. Huloet, and Sherwood. Yet used in some counties; as in Norfolk and Suffolk, according to Grose; and also applied, he says, to some female animals.

MODE. † n. s. [mode, French; modus, Lat. This word seems to have been little used before the middle of the seventeenth century. For P. Heylin calls it, in 1656, new and uncouth.]

1. External variety; accidental discrimi-

nation ; accident.

A mode is that which cannot subsist in and of itself, but is always esteemed as belonging to and subsisting by, the help of some substance, which, for that reason, is called its subject. Watts, Logick

Few allow mode to be called a being in the same perfect sense as a substance is, and some modes have evidently more of real entity than Watts, Logick. others.

2. Gradation; degree.

What modes of sight betwixt each wide extreme, The mole's dim curtain, and the linx's beam; Of smell, the headlong lioness between, And hound sagacious, on the tainted green. Pope.

3. Manner; method; form; fashion.

Our Saviour beheld

Our Saviour peneral A table richly spread in regal mode, Milton, P. R. With dishes pil'd. The duty itself being resolved upon, the mode of doing it may easily be found.

Bp. Taylor, Guide to a Penitent.

4. State; quality.

My death Changes the mode; for what in me was purchas'd, Falls upon thee in a much fairer sort,

For thou the garland wear'st successively. Shaksp.

5. Fashion; custom. There are certain garbs and modes of speaking, which vary with the times, the fashion of our clothes being not more subject to alteration than Denham. that of our speech.

We are to prefer the blessings of Providence before the splendid curiosities of mode and imagin-T.' Estrange.

They were invited from all parts; and the fayour of learning was the humour and mode of the

As we see on coins the different faces of persons, we see too their different habits and dresses, according to the mode that prevailed,

Addison, on Medals. Though wrong the mode, comply; more sense

is shewn In wearing others' follies than your own. Young.

If faith itself has different dresses worn, What wonder modes in wit should take their turn?

6. A kind of thin silk, worn by ladies. MO'DEL. n. s. [modelle, French; modulus,

1. A representation in little of something made or done.

I'll draw the form and model of our battle; Limit each leader to his several charge And part in just proportion our small strength.

Shakspeare. You have the models of several ancient temples, though the temples and the gods are perished.

2. A copy to be imitated.

A fault it would be if some king should build his mansion-house by the model of Solomon's Hooker.

They cannot see sin in those means they use with intent to reform to their models what they call King Charles.

3. A mould; any thing which shows or gives the shape of that which it incloses.

Nothing can we call our own but death; And that small model of the barren earth, Which serves as paste and cover to our bones.

Shakspeare, Rich. II. 4. Standard; that by which any thing is

measured.

As he who presumes steps into the throne of God, so he that despairs measures Providence by his own little contracted model.

5. In Shakspeare it seems to have two unexampled senses. Something representative.

I have commended to his goodness The model of our chaste loves, his young daughter.

6. Something small and diminutive; for module, a small measure: which, perhaps, is likewise the meaning of the example affixed to the third sense. England! model to thy inward greatness,

Like little body with a mighty heart. Shakspeare.

To Mo'DEL. v. a. [modeler, French.] · To plan; to shape; to mould; to form; to

When they come to model heaven And calculate the stars, how they will wield Milton, P. L. The mighty frame.

The government is modelled after the same manner with that of the Cantons, as much as so small a community can imitate those of so large Addison on Italy.

Mo'DELLER. n. s. [from model.] Planner; schemer; contriver.

Our great modellers of gardens have their magazines of plants to dispose of. Spectator.

Mo'DERABLE.* adj. [from moderabilis, Latin.] Temperate; measurable; governable. Not now in use. Cockeram. MO'DERATE. adj. [moderatus, Latin;

moderé, French.] 1. Temperate; not excessive.

Sound sleep cometh of moderate eating, but pangs of the belly are with an insatiable man. Ecclus. xxxi. 20.

2. Not hot of temper.

A number of moderate members managed with so much art as to obtain a majority, in a thin house, for passing a vote, that the king's concessions were a ground for a future settlement. Swift. Fix'd to one part, but mod'rate to the rest.

3. Not luxurious; not expensive. There's not so much left as to furnish out Shakspeare, Timon. A moderate table.

4. Not extreme in opinion; not sanguine in a tenet.

These are tenets which the moderatest of the Romanists will not venture to affirm. Smalrid

5. Placed between extremes; holding the

Quietly consider the trial that hath been thus long had of both kinds of reformation; as well this moderate kind, which the church of England hath taken, as that other more extreme and rigorous, which certain churches elsewhere have better liked.

6. Of the middle rate.

More moderate gifts might have prolong'd his

Too early fitted for a better state. Druden. To Mo'DERATE. + v. a. [moderor, Latin; moderer, French.]

1. To regulate; to restrain; to still; to pacify; to quiet; to repress.

With equal measure she did moderate The strong extremities of their rage. Masters, do the same things unto them, for-

bearing [in the margin, moderating] threatening. 2. To make temperate; to qualify.

He moderated so his mete and his drinke, that he was at noo tyme fatter nor leener.

Ld. Rivers, Dict. & Say. of the Phil. (1477,) B. vi. b. Ye swarthy nations of the torrid zone,

How well to you is this great bounty known? For frequent gales from the wide ocean rise To fan your air, and moderate your skies. Rlackmore.

By its astringent quality it moderates the relaxing quality of warm water. Arbuthnot on Aliments. 3. To decide as a moderator.

It passeth mine ability to moderate the question. Carew, Surv. of Cornwall.

To Mo'DERATE.* v. n. To preside in a disputation, and regulate the contro-

Some time after the year 1650, Dr. Barlow [was] engaged by Dr. Langbain, the provost of Queen's college in Oxford, to moderate for him in the divinity disputations.

Note in Bp. Barlow's Rem. (1693,) p. 567. Mo'DERATELY. † adv. [from moderate.]

1. Temperately; mildly.

All persons having just cause of sickness, or other necessity, or being licensed by the king's majesty, may moderately eat all kinds of meats, without grudge or scruple of conscience. Visitation Articles of K. Kdw. VI.

2. In a middle degree.

Each nymph but moderately fair, Commands with no less rigor here. Blood in a healthy state, when let out, its red part should congeal strongly and soon, in a mass moderately tough, and swim in the serum.

Arbuthnot on Aliments.

Mo'derateness. n. s. [from moderate.] State of being moderate; temperateness. Moderateness is commonly used of things, and moderation of persons.

Mo'DERATION. † n. s. [moderatio, Latin.]

1. Forbearance of extremity; the contrary temper to party violence; state of keeping a due mean betwixt extremes.

Was it the purpose of these churches, which abolished all popish ceremonies, to come back again to the middle point of evenness and moderation ?

A zeal in things pertaining to God, according to knowledge, and yet duly tempered with candor and prudence, is the true notion of that much talked of, much misunderstood virtue, moderation.

In moderation placing all my glory, While tories call me whig, and whigs a tory. Pope. 2. Calmness of mind; equanimity. [moderation, Fr. Dr. Johnson. - Moderation is not derived from the word medium, but from modus; and that from the Hebrew madad, he measured; or middah, a rule or measure; and in the Greek is styled μελριότης, from μέτρον, a measure: whence it is evident, that moderation, properly so called, and in the moral sense of the word, belongs only to things in which we are subject to a vicious excess; or to act beyond that rule or measure, which Scripture, or religion, doth prescribe for the due regulation of our actions and passions; and it respects first and principally the government of our passions; whence the due government of them is by philosophers styled μετριοπαθεία, the moderation of Test. Phil. iv. 5.]

Let your moderation [in old translations, softness, modesty, patience, gentleness,] be known unto all men. Phil. iv. 5.

Equally inur'd By moderation either state to bear,

Prosperous, or adverse. Milton, P. L. 3. Frugality in expence. Ainsworth. Mo'DERATOR. † n. s. [moderator, Latin; moderateur, French.]

I. The person or thing that calms or re- Mo'DERNIST.* n. s. [from modernism.] One

Hope, that sweet moderator of passions, as Simonides calls it. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 694. Angling was, after tedious study, a calmer of unquiet thoughts, a moderator of passions, and a procurer of contentedness. Walton, Angler.

2. One who presides in a disputation, to restrain the contending parties from indecency, and confine them to the ques-

Sometimes the moderator is more troublesome than the actor. Bacon, Essays.

How does Philopolis seasonably commit the opponent with the respondent, like a long-practised moderator ?

The first person who speaks when the court is set, opens the case to the judge, chairman, or motlerator of the assembly, and gives his own reasons for his opinion.

MO'DERN. adj. [moderne, French; from modernus, low Latin; supposed a casual corruption of hodiernus. "Vel potius ab adverbio modo modernus, ut a die diurnus. Ainsworth.]

1. Late; recent; not ancient; not antique. Some of the ancient, and likewise divers of the modern writers, that have laboured in natural magick, have noted a sympathy between the sun and certain herbs. Bacon. The glorious parallels then downward bring

To modern wonders, and to Britain's king. Prior. 2. In Shakspeare, vulgar; mean; common. Trifles, such as we present modern friends withal. Shakspeare.

The justice

With eyes severe and beard of formal cut, Full of wise saws and modern instances. Shaksp.

We have our philosophical persons to make modern and familiar things supernatural and cause-Shaksneare.

Mo'derns. † n. s. Those who have lived lately, opposed to the ancients. Dr. Johnson has given no example of the substantive modern in the singular number; but this use of it now is not uncommon.

There are moderns who, with a slight variation, adopt the opinion of Plato. Boyle on Colours. Some by old words to fame have made pretence; Ancients in phrase, mere moderns in their sense!

In the country, as a great modern observes, small matters serve for amusement. Graves, Spirit. Quixote, B. 2. ch. 10.

To Mo'DERNISE. † v. a. [from modern.] To adapt ancient compositions to modern persons or things; to change ancient to modern language.

Another copy of this poem, but greatly altered and somewhat modernized, is preserved in the Advocates' Library at Edinburgh.

Bp. Percy, Ess. on the Anc. Metrical Romances. He modernized the more antient narratives of the miracles and martyrdoms of the most eminent eastern and western saints.

Warton, Hist. E. P. ii. 191.

our passions. Whitby, Paraphr. on the N. Mo'DERNISER.* n. s. [from modernise.] One who adapts ancient compositions to modern persons or things.

Mr. Neville, no unsuccessful modernizer of the Latin satyrists. Wakefield, Mem. p. 75. Mo'DERNISM. n. s. [from modern.] Deviation from the ancient and classical manner. A word invented by Swift.

Scribblers send us over their trash in prose and verse, with abominable curtailings and quaint modernisms.

who admires the moderns.

The base, detracting world would not have then dared to report, that Wotton's brain had undergone an unlucky shake, which even his brother modernists themselves, like ungrates, do whisper so loud, that it reacheth up to the very garret I am now writing in. Swift, Tale of a Tub, § 9.

Mo'dernness. n. s. [from modern.] No-

MO'DEST.† adj. [modeste, Fr. modestus, Lat.]

1. Not arrogant; not presumptuous; not boastful; bashful.

Antiochus - wept, because of the sober and modest behaviour of him that was dead. 2 Macc. iv. 37.

Your temper is too modest, Too much inclin'd to contemplation,

Beaum. and Fl. Pilgrim. Of boasting more than of a tomb afraid; A soldier should be modest as a maid. 2. Not impudent; not forward.

Resolve me with all modest haste, which way Thou might'st deserve, or they impose this usage. Shakspeare.

Her face, as in a nymph display'd A fair fierce boy, or in a boy betray'd The blushing beauties of a modest maid.

Dryden, Ovid. 3. Not loose; not unchaste; decent. Mrs. Ford, the honest woman, the modest wife.

the virtuous creature, that hath the jealous fool to her bushand. Shakspeare. That women adorn themselves in modest apparel.

4 Tim. ii. 9.

within a mean. There appears much joy in him, even so much that joy could not shew itself modest enough without a badge of bitterness. Shakspeare.

During the last four years, by a modest computation, there have been brought into Brest above six millions sterling in bullion.

Mo'DESTLY. † adv. [from modest.] 1. Not arrogantly; not presumptuously.

I may modestly conclude, that whatever errors there may be in this play, there are not those which have been objected to it.

Dryden, Don Sebastian. Tho' learn'd, well-bred; and tho' well-bred, sincere, Modestly bold, and humanly severe.

First he modestly conjectures, His pupil might be tir'd with lectures : Which help'd to mortify his pride,

Yet gave him not the heart to chide. 2. Not impudently; not forwardly; with respect.

I, your glass, Will modestly discover to yourself That of yourself, which yet you know not of. Shakspeare.

3. Not loosely; not lewdly; with decency. 4. Not excessively: with moderation.

To proceed modestly, is also an honourable quality in him that conquereth; for, in prosperous fortunes, men do hardly refrain covetous and proud doings; yea, some good and great captains have, in like cases, forgotten what did best become them.

Ralegh, Arts of Empire, ch. 23. Mo'DESTY. n. s. [modestie, Fr. modestas.

Lat. 1. Not arrogance; not presumptuousness.

They cannot, with modesty, think to have found out absolutely the best which the wit of men may 2. Not impudence; not forwardness: as,

his petition was urged with modesty. 3. Moderation; decency.

A lord will hear you play; But I am doubtful of your modesties, Lest over eying of his odd behaviour,

You break into some merry passion. Shakspeare. 4. Chastity; purity of manners.
Would you not swear,

All you that see her, that she were a maid. By these exterior shews? But she is more, Her blush is guiltiness, not modesty. Shakspeare.

Of the general character of women, which is modesty, he has taken a most becoming care; for his amorous expressions go no farther than virtue may allow.

Talk not to a lady in a way that modesty will not permit her to answer. Richardson, Clarissa.

Mo'desty-piece. n. s.

A narrow lace which runs along the upper part of the stays before, being a part of the tucker, is called the modesty-piece. Addison, Guardian.

Modia'Tion.* n. s. [modiatio, Lat.] A measure. Not in use.

That they should be free, throughout England and Normandy, of all custom, tolls, and modiations of wine. Tovey, Anglia Jud. p. 63. Modi'city.* n. s. [modicité, Fr. modicus,

Lat.] Moderateness; meanness; littleness. Not now in use.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood. Mo'dicum. n. s. [Latin.] Small portion; pittance.

What modicums of wit he utters: his evasions have ears thus long. Shakspeare, Troil. and Cress. Though hard their fate,

A cruise of water, and an ear of corn, Yet still they grudg'd that modicum. Dryden.

4. Not excessive; not extreme; moderate; Modifi'able. † adj. [modifiable, Fr. Cotgrave.] That may be diversified by accidental differences.

It appears to be more difficult to conceive a distinct, visible image in the uniform, invariable, essence of God, than in variously modifiable matter; but the manner how I see either still escapes my comprehension. Locke.

Modi'ficable. adj. [from modify.] Diversifiable by various modes.

To Modi'ficate. * v. a. [from modify.] To

qualify.

The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of the Lord, and of his Christ, and he shall reign for ever and ever, not only to the modificated eternity of his mediatorship, so long as there shall be need of regal power to subdue the enemies of God's elect; but also to the complete eternity of the duration of his humanity, which for the future is co-eternal to his divinity.

Pearson on the Creed, Art. 6.

Modification. n. s. [modification, Fr.] The act of modifying any thing, or giving it new accidental differences of external qualities or mode.

The chief of all signs is human voice, and the several modifications thereof by the organs of speech, the letters of the alphabet, formed by the

motions of the mouth.

The phenomena of colours in refracted or reflected light, are not caused by new modifications of the light variously impressed, according to the various terminations of the light and shadow.

Newton, Opticks.

If these powers of cogitation, volition and sensation, are neither inherent in matter as such, nor acquirable to matter by any motion and modification of it, it necessarily follows that they proceed from some cogitative substance, some incorporeal inhabitant within us, which we call spirit. Bentley.

To Mo'DIFY. † v. a. [modifier, Fr.]

1. To change the external qualities or accidents of any thing; to shape.

Yet there is that property in all letters, of aptness to be conjoined in syllables and words through the voluble motions of the organs that they modify and discriminate the voice without appearing to discontinue it. Holder.

The middle parts of the broad beam of white light which fell upon the paper, did, without any confine of shadow to modify it, become coloured all over with one uniform colour, the colour being always the same in the middle of the paper as at Newton, Opticks. the edges. 2. To soften; to moderate; to qualify.

A king after the reule is holde To modifie, and to adresse,

His yeftes upon such largesse. That he measure nought excede.

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 7.

Of his grace He modifies his first severe decree, Dryden.

The keener edge of battle to rebate. To Mo'DIFY. v. n. To extenuate.

After all this discanting and modifying upon the matter, there is hazard on the yielding side.

Modi'LLON. † n. s. [French; modiglione,

Ital. modiolus, Lat.] Modillons, in architecture, are little 2. Sound modulated; harmony; melody. brackets which are often set under the Corinthian and composite orders, and serve to support the projecture of the larmier or drip: this part must be distinguished from the great model, which is the diameter of the pillar; for, as the proportion of an edifice in general depends on the diameter of the pillar, so the size and number of the modillons, as also the interval between them, ought to have due relation to the whole fabrick.

Harris.

The modillons or dentelli make a noble show by Spectator. their graceful projections. The entablature, and all its parts and ornaments,

architrave, frieze, cornice, triglyph, metopes, mo-

diglions, and the rest, have each an use. Dr. Warton, Essay on Pope.

Mo'dish.† adj. [from mode. The vulgar use of modish has, I suppose, disgraced it. It would not, now, be endured in polite conversation, much less in polite writing. Bp. Hurd.] Fashionable; formed according to the reigning custom.

For clothes, I leave them to the discretion of | 1. To model; to shape; to mould. the modish, whether of our own or the French na-Phillips, Theatr. Poetarum, (1675,) Pref. But you, perhaps, expect a modish feast,

With am'rous songs, and wanton dances grac'd.

Hypocrisy, at the fashionable end of the town, is very different from hypocrisy in the city; the

modish hypocrite endeavours to appear more vitious than he really is, the other kind of hypocrite more virtuous. Addison, Spect.

Mo'dishly. adv. [from modish.] Fashion-

Young children should not be much perplexed about putting off their hats, and making legs mo

Mo'dishness. † n. s. [from modish.] Af-

fectation of the fashion. They scoff at the profession of it, out of modishness, and a humour of imitation.

Glanville, Serm. (1681,) p. 216.

To MO'DULATE. v. a. [modulor, Lat.] To form sound to a certain key, or to certain notes.

The nose, lips, teeth, palate, jaw, tongue, weasan, lungs, muscles of the chest, diaphragm, and muscles of the belly, all serve to make or Grew, Cosmol. modulate the sound.

Could any person so modulate her voice as to deceive so many?

Echo propagates around Each charm of modulated sound.

Modula'Tion. † n.s. [from modulate; modulation, French.]

1. The act of forming any thing to certain proportion.

The more neere they approched to that temperance and subtile modulation, of the saide superiour bodies, the more perfect and commendable is their Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 65. dauncing.

The number of the simple original minerals have not been rightly fixt: the matter of two or more kinds being mixed together, and by the different proportion and modulation of that matter variously diversified, have been reputed all different kinds.

The speech, as it is a sound resulting from the modulation of the air, has most affinity to the spirit, but, as it is uttered by the tongue, has immediate cognation with the body, and so is the fittest instrument to manage a commerce between the invisible powers of human souls clothed in Gov. of the Tongue.

Innumerous songsters, in the freshning shade, Their modulations mix, mellifluous.

Thomson, Spring.

Mo'dulator. † n. s. [from modulate.] He who forms sounds to a certain key; a tuner; that which modulates.

It [Poetry] is a most musical modulator of all intelligibles by her inventive variations.

Whitlock, Mann. of the Eng. (1654,) p. 477. The tongue is the grand instrument of taste, the faithful judge of all our nourishment, the artful modulator of our voice, and the necessary servant of mastication.

Mo'dule, n. s. [module, Fr. Cotgrave; modulus, Latin.] An empty representation; a model; an external form.

My heart hath one poor string to stay it by, Which holds but till thy news be uttered; And then, all this thou see'st, is but a clod, And module of confounded royalty.

Shakspeare, K. John. The module of Minerva's temple in her own

Dr. Bernard to Dr. Pococke, Pococke on Hos. (1685.) To Mo'DULE. * v. a. [modulor, Latin.]

O, would I could my father's cunning use, And souls into well modul'd clay infuse.

Sandys, Ovid, (1638,) p. 10. 2. To modulate. Both obsolete. The nightingale, - that charmer of the night, That moduleth her tunes so admirably rare.

Drayton, Polyolb. S. 13. Mo'dus. n. s. [Latin.] Something paid as a compensation for tithes on the supposition of being a moderate equivalent.

One terrible circumstance of this bill, is turning the title of flax and hemp into what the lawyers call a modus, or a certain sum in lieu of a tenth part of the product. Swift.

Mo'DWALL. † n. s. [picus.] A bird, which destroys bees. Huloet. Moe. adj. [ma, Sax. See Mo.] More; a

greater number.

The chronicles of England mention no moe than only six kings bearing the name of Edward since the conquest, therefore it cannot be there should be more. Huoker. Moe.* n. s. A distorted mouth. See

Mogu'L.* n. s. [from Tamerlane, the Mongul or Mogul Tartar. The title of the emperour of Hindostan, who was called the great Mogul.

The destin'd walls Of Cambalu, seat of Cathain Can, And Samarchand by Oxus, Temir's throne, To Paquin of Sinæan kings; and thence To Agra and Lahor of great Mogul, Down to the golden Chersonese.

Moha'ır. n. s. [moüaire, French; ab orientali voce mojacar, species cameloti. Skinner.] Thread or stuff made of camels or other hair.

She, while her lover pants upon her breast, Can mark the figures on an Indian chest, And when she sees her friend in deep despair, Observes how much a chintz exceeds mohair.

Mo'HOCK. † n. s. The name of a cruel nation of America given to ruffians who infested, or rather were imagined to infest, the streets of London. Dr. Johnson. - Rather perhaps from those who ran a-muck. See To run a muck in the third sense of the substantive Muck.

In your speculation of Wednesday last, you have given us some account of that worthy society of brutes, the molacks; wherein you have particularly specified the ingenious performances of the lion-tippers, the dancing-masters, and the Spectator, No. 332 Who has not trembled at the mohock's name?

Gan Thou hast fallen upon me with the rage of a

mad dog, or a mohock. Dennis. Moha'mmedan.* See Mahomedan.

To Mo'IDER. v. a. [perhaps from the Teut, moede, weary, moeden, to tire out, as Dr. Jamieson observes; agreeing with the sense of moither, another form of moider. To puzzle; to perplex. So used in the north of England. In some parts of England, as in Gloucestershire and Shropshire, the word is moither, or mouther; and means to confound; to tire out; to distract.

Moido're. † n. s. [moeda d'oro, Portuguese; moneta de auro, Latin. Clarke on Coins, p. 319.] A Portugal coin, rated at one pound seven shillings.

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Mo'IETY. n. s. I moitié. Fr. from moien, the middle. Half; one of two equal parts.

This company being divided into two equal moieties, the one before, the other since the coming of Christ; that part which, since the coming of Christ, partly hath embraced, and partly shall embrace, the Christian religion, we term as by a more proper name, the church of Christ. Hooker. The death of Antony

Is not a single doom; in that name lay A moiety of the world. Shaksp. Ant. and Cleop.

Touch'd with human gentleness and love, Forgive a moiety of the principal. Shaksneare.

The militia was settled, a moiety of which should be nominated by the king, and the other moiety by the parliament. Clarendon.

As this is likely to produce a cessation of arms among one half of our island, it is reasonable that the more beautiful moiety of his majesty's subjects should establish a truce.

To MOIL. † v. a. [mouiller, French. Dr. Johnson. - Or from the Saxon mal, macula, a spot.

1. To dawb with dirt; to defile.

Then rouse thyself, O Earth, out of thy soyle, In which thou wallowest like to filthy swyne, And dost thy mind in dirty pleasures moyle.

Spenser, Hymn of Heavenly Love. All they which were left were moiled with dirt and mire by reason of the deepness of the rotten

2. To weary. [from moyle, a mule; mola, Swed. to work hard. Serenius.]

No more tug one another thus, nor moil yourselves; receive Prize equal. Chapman, Iliad. To Moil. + v. n.

1. To labour in the mire.

Moil not too much under-ground, for the hope of mines is very uncertain. Bacon, Essays.

2. To toil; to drudge. Exmore dialect: To moyley, or moyle and toil, to labour hard like a mule.

The name of the laborious William Noy, attorney general to Charles the First, was anagrammatised, I moyl in Law.

They toil and moil for the interest of their

masters, that in requital break their hearts. L'Estrange.

Oh the endless misery of the life I lead! cries the moiling husband; to spend all my days in ploughing. L'Estrange.

Now he must moil and drudge for one he loaths. Dryden. With thee 'twas Marian's dear delight

To moil all day, and merry make at night. Gay, Past.

Moil.* n. s.

I. A spot. [mal, Saxon.] 2. A mule. See Moyle.

Upton.

3. Labour; toil. Moor's Suffolk words. MOIST. adj. [moiste, moite, French.]

1. Wet, not dry; wet, not liquid; wet in a small degree.

The hills to their supply

Vapour, and exhalation dusk and moist, Sent up amain. Milton, P. L. Why were the moist in number so outdone,

That to a thousand dry they are but one. Blackmore. Many who live well in a dry air, fall into

all the diseases that depend upon a relaxation in a moist one. Arbuthnot.

Nor yet, when moist Arcturus clouds the sky, The woods and fields their pleasing toils deny.

2. Juicy; succulent. Ainsworth. To Moist. † \ v.a. [from moist.] To make to damp; to make wet to a small degree; to damp.

After he had turned his face to the windowe, and dried his moisted chekes, he spake to them in this sorte. Cavendish, Life of Wolsey.

Write till your ink be dry; and with your tears Moist it again; and frame some feeling line. Shaksneare.

His breasts are full of milk, and his bones are moistened with marrow. Job, xxi. 24. A pipe a little moistened on the inside, so as there be no drops left, maketh a more solemn sound than if the pipe were dry.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. When torrents from the mountains fall no more, the swelling river is reduced into his shallow bed, with scarce water to moisten his own pebbles.

Mo'ISTENER. † n. s. [from moisten.] The person or thing that moistens.

Sherwood. Mo'ISTFUL.* adj. [moist and full.] Full of moisture.

Her moystfull temples bound with wreaths of quivering reeds. Drayton, Polyolb. S. 18. Mo'ISTNESS. n. s. [from moist.] Dampness; wetness in a small degree.

Pleasure both kinds take in the moistness and density of the air. Bacon, Nat. Hist. The small particles of brick or stone the least moistness would join together. Addison, Guardian,

Mo'ISTURE. n. s. [moiteur, French; from moist.]

1. State of being moist; moderate wetness.

Sometimes angling to a little river near hand, which, for the moisture it bestowed upon roots of some flourishing trees, was rewarded with their

Set such plants as require much moisture, upon sandy, dry grounds. Bacon, Nat. Hist. While dryness moisture, coldness heat resists, All that we have, and that we are, subsists.

Denham. 2. Small quantity of liquid.

All my body's moisture Scarce serves to quench my furnace-burning heat. Shaksneare.

If some penurious source by chance appear'd Scanty of waters, when you scoop'd it dry, And offer'd the full helmet up to Cato,

Did he not dash th' untasted moisture from him? Addison.

Mo'ISTY.* adj. [from moist.] Drizzling. For moistie blasts not half so mirthful be, As sweet Aurora brings in spring-time faire. Induct. to Mir. for Mag.

Mokes of a net. The meshes. Ainsworth. Mo'ky.† adj. Dark: as, moky weather. Ainsworth. It seems a corruption of murky. In some places they call it muggy, Dusky; cloudy. Dr. Johnson. - It may be from the Icel. mokkne, mokkr, condensatio nubium, as Serenius has observed.

Mola'sses.* See Molosses.

Mo'LAR.* adj. [molaris, Latin.] Having power to grind.

The teeth are, in men, of three kinds; sharp, as the fore teeth; broad, as the back teeth, which we call the molar teeth, or grinders; and pointed teeth, or canine, which are between both.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. No. 752. Mo'LDWARP.* See MOULDWARP. MOLE. † n. s. [mole, French; molen, Teut.

mola, Latin. 1. A mole is a formless concretion of extravasated blood, which grows into a kind of flesh in the uterus, and is called a false conception. Quincy.

The grounde doth mouste it. Bp. Fisher, Serm. | 2. A natural spot or discolouration of the body. [from mal, Sax. macula; mael, Teut.]

To nourish hair upon the moles of the face, is the perpetuation of a very ancient custom.

Brown, Vulg. Err. Such in painting are the warts and moles, which, adding a likeness to the face, are not therefore to he omitted

That Timothy Trim and Jack were the same person, was proved, particularly by a mole under Arbuthnot. The peculiarities in Homer are marks and moles,

by which every common eye distinguishes him.

3. [From moles, Latin; mole, French.] A mound; a dyke.

Sidon [is] straitened on the north side by the sea-ruined wall of the mole. Sandy's Journey. With asphaltick slime the gather'd beach

They fasten'd: and the mole immense wrought on Over the foaming deep high-arch'd; a bridge Of length prodigious. Milton, P. L.

The great quantities of stones dug out of the rock could not easily conceal themselves, had they not been consumed in the moles and buildings of Addison on Italy. Bid the broad arch the dangerous flood contain,

The mole projected break the roaring main. Pope. 4. [Talpa.] A little beast that works under ground. See MOULDWARP.

Tread softly, that the blind mole may not Hear a foot fall; we now are near his cell.

Shakspeare. What is more obvious than a mole, and yet what more palpable argument of Providence?

Moles have perfect eyes, and holes for them through the skin, not much bigger than a pin's head. Ray on Creation.

Thy arts of building from the bee receive; Learn of the mole to plow, the worm to weave.

To Mole.* v. n. To clear the ground from mole-hills. Yorkshire. Mo'lebat. n. s. [arthragoriscus.] fish. Ainsworth.

Mo'LECAST. n. s. [mole and cast. Hillock cast up by a mole.

In Spring let the molecasts be spread, because they hinder the mowers. Mortimer, Husb.

Mo'LECATCHER. n. s. [mole and catcher.] One whose employment is to catch moles.

Get moulecatcher cunningly moule for to kill, And harrow and cast abroad every hill.

Tusser, Husb.

Mo'LECULE.* n. s. [molecula, Latin.] A small mass, or portion of any body.

I could never see the difference between the antiquated system of atoms, and Buffon's organic molecules. Paley, Nat. Theology, ch. 23.

Mo'LEHILL. n. s. [mole and hill.] Hillock thrown up by the mole working under ground. It is used proverbially in hyperboles, or comparisons from

something small. You feed your solitariness with the conceits of the poets, whose liberal pens can as easily travel over mountains as molehills.

The rocks on which the salt-sea billows beat, And Atlas' tops, the clouds in height that pass,

Compar'd to his huge person molehills be.

A churchwarden, to express St. Martin's in the Fields, caused to be engraved a martin sitting upon a molehill between two trees.

Peacham on Blazoning.

Our politician having baffled conscience, must not be nonplused with inferior obligations; and, having leapt over such mountains, lie down before a molehill. South, Serm.

Mountains, which to your Maker's view Seem less than molehills do to you. Roscommon. Strange ignorance, that the same man who

How far youd' mount above this molehill shows, Should not perceive a difference as great Between small incomes and a vast estate!

Dryden, Juv.

To Mole'st. v. a. [molester, French; molesto, Latin.] To disturb; to trouble: to vex.

If they will firmly persist concerning points which hitherto have been disputed of, they must agree that they have molested the church with needless opposition.

No man shall meddle with them, or molest them 1 Mac. x. 25. in any matter. Pleasure and pain signify whatsoever delights

or molests us

Both are doom'd to death; And the dead wake not to molest the living. Rowe.

Molesta'Tion. n. s. [molestia, Latin, from molest. Disturbance; uneasiness caused by vexation.

Though useless unto us, and rather of molestation, we refrain from killing swallows.

Brown, Vulg. Err, An internal satisfaction and acquiescence, or dissatisfaction and molestation of spirit, attend the practice of virtue and vice respectively.

Norris, Miscel. Mole'ster. † n. s. [from molest.] One Sherwood. who disturbs.

Mole'stful.* adj. [molest and full.] Vex-

atious; troublesome.

That pride, which breaketh out to the disturbance and vexation of others, is hated as molestful Barrow, vol. i. S. 22. and mischievous.

Mo'LETRACK. n. s. [mole and track.] Course of the mole under-ground.

The pot-trap is a deep earthen vessel set in the ground, with the brim even with the bottom of the moletracks. Mortimer.

Mo'LEWARP. n. s. [See Mouldwarp.] A

The molewarp's brains mix'd therewithal, And with the same the pismire's gall.

Drayton, Nymphid.

Moli'minous.* adj. [from molimen, Lat.]

Extremely important. Prophecies of so vast and moliminous concernment to the world. More, Myst. of Godl. p. 281. Mo'LINIST. * n. s. One who follows the doctrine and opinions of Lewis Molina, a Spanish Jesuit, in respect to grace;

an adversary of the Jansenists. MO'LLIENT. adj. [molliens, Latin.] Soft-

ening. Mo'LLIFIABLE. adj. [from mollify.] That

may be softened.

Mollifica'tion. † n. s. [mollification, Fr. Cotgrave.]

1. The act of mollifying or softening. For induration or mollification, it is to be inquired what will make metals harder and harder, and what will make them softer and softer.

2. Pacification; mitigation. Some mollification, sweet lady. Shakspeare. Mo'llifier. † n. s. [from mollify; Fr.

mollifieur, Cotgrave.] 1. That which softens; that which appeases.

The root hath a tender, dainty heat; which, when it cometh above ground to the sun and air, vanisheth; for it is a great mollifier.

Bucon, Nat. Hist. 2. He that pacifies or mitigates.

The lord treasurer ever secretly feigned himself to be a moderator and mollifier of the catholicks'

Letter of 1592, in Ld. Halifax's Miscell. p. 169.

To Mo'llify. † v. a. [mollio, Latin, mollir, French.]

1. To soften; to make soft.

In the time of king Richard the Second, it [the language] was so mollified, that it came to be thus, as it is in the translation of Wicliffe.

Camden, Rem. Ch. on Languages. Thou rainest upon us, and yet dost not always mollify all our hardness.

Donne, Devot. (1624,) p. 323.

2. To assuage.

Neither herb nor mollifying plaister, restored them to health. Wisd. xvi. 12. Sores have not been closed, neither bound up, Isa. i. 6. neither mollified with ointment.

3. To appease; to pacify; to quiet.

Thinking her silent imaginations began to work upon somewhat to mollify them, as the nature of musick is to do, I took up my harp. He brought them to these savage parts,

And with sweet science mollified their stubborn hearts. Spenser, F. Q. The crone, on the wedding-night, finding the knight's aversion, speaks a good word for herself,

in hope to mollify the sullen bridegroom. Dryden. 4. To qualify; to lessen any thing harsh

or burdensome.

They would, by yielding to some things, when they refused others, sooner prevail with the houses to mollify their demands, than at first to reform Clarendon.

Cowley thus paints Goliah:

The valley now, this monster seem'd to fill, And we, methought, look'd up to him from our hill;

where the two words, seem'd and methought, have mollified the figure. Dryden, Pref. to State of Innocence.

Mo'Losse.* n. s. [molossus, Lat.] A metrical foot, consisting of three long syllables.

There is the smaller alcaic verse with a molosse interposed, in that noble place in the Revelation, which consists of strong and harmonious mea-Blackwall, Sacr. Class. ii. 100.

Molo'sses. 1 n. s. [melazzo, Italian; per-Mola'sses. \ haps from the Gr. μέλι. The word is sometimes written also melasses. Treacle; the spume or scum of the juice of the sugar cane.

We shall speak of the use of each of the said four gums, - where also we may speak of honey and molasses.

Sir W. Petty, Sprat's Hist. R. S. p. 294. Molt.* pret. of melt. Obsolete.

The furies flung their snakie whips away, And molt in tears at his enchanting lay.

P. Fletcher, Purp. Isl. v. 65. Fusible. Mo'LTABLE.* adj. [from molt.] Huloet.

Not in use. Mo'LTEN. † part. pass. from melt. [molven, Saxon.

Brass is molten out of the stone. Job, xxviii. 2. In a small furnace made of a temperate heat; let the heat be such as may keep the metal molten,

Love's mystick form the artizans of Greece In wounded stone, or molten gold express. Prior. Mo'Ly. n. s. [moly, Latin; moly, French.] A plant.

sorts; as the great moly of Homer, the Indian moly, the moly of Hungary, serpent's moly, the yellow moly, Spanish purple moly, Spanish silver-capped moly, Dioscorides's moly, the sweet moly of Montpelier: the roots are tender, and must be carefully defended from frosts: as for the time of their flowering, the moly of Homer flowers in May, and continues till July, and so do all the rest except the last, which is late in September: they are hardy, and will Mortimer, Husb. thrive in any soil.

Moly, or wild garlick, is of several

The sovereign plant he drew, And shew'd its nature and its wond'rous power, Black was the root, but milky white the flower; Moly the name. Pone, Odyss.

Mome. * n. s. [This owes its original to the French word momon, which signifies the gaming at dice in masquerade, the rule of which is that a strict silence is to be observed; whatsoever sum one stakes another covers; but not a word is to be spoken; hence also comes our word mum for silence. Hanmer, and Dr. Johnson. - It more probably came to us from one of those similar words, that are found in many languages, signifying something foolish. Momar is used by Plautus for a fool, whence the French mommeur. The Greeks too had μομος and μοςμος in the same sense. Douce, Illustr. of Shakspeare, i. 366.] A dull, stupid blockhead; a stock; a

Ne aught he said, whatever he did heare;

But hanging downe his head, did like a mome Spenser, F. Q. A youth will play the wanton, and an old man

Warner, Albion's England. prove a mome. Mome, malthorse, capon, coxcomb, idiot, patch! Either get thee from the door, or sit down at the Shakspeare, Com. of Err.

The words were not spoken to a mome, or deaf Shelton, D. Quix. 1. 6.

MO'MENT. n. s. [moment, Fr. momentum, Latin.

Consequence; importance; weight;

We do not find that our Saviour reproved them of errour, for thinking the judgement of the scribes to be worth the objecting, for esteeming it to be of any moment or value in matters concerning Hooker. God.

I have seen her die twenty times, upon far Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. poorer moment. What towns of any moment but we have.

Shaksneare. It is an abstruse speculation, but also of far less moment and consequence to us than the others; seeing that without this we can evince the existence Bentley, Serm. of God.

2. Force; impulsive weight; actuating power.

The place of publick prayer is a circumstance in the outward form, which hath moment to help Hooker. devotion.

Can these or such be any aid to us? Look they as they were built to shake the world? Or be a moment to our enterprise? B. Jonson. Touch with lightest moment of impulse,

His free will, to her own inclining left In even scale. Milton, P. L. He is a capable judge; can hear both sides with

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an indifferent ear; is determined only by the mo- | Mome'ntous. adj. [from momentum, Lat.] | 2. One superiour to the rest of the same ments of truth, and so retracts his past errors.

3. An indivisible particle of time.

If I would go to hell for an eternal moment or so, I could be knighted.

Shakspeare, M. Wives of Winds. The flighty purpose never is o'ertook,

Unless the deed go with it : from this moment, The very firstlings of my heart shall be

The firstlings of my hand. Shakspeare, Macbeth. The imaginary reasoning of brutes is not a distinct reasoning, but performed in a physical mo-

While I a moment name, a moment's past; I'm nearer death in this verse than the last; What then is to be done? Be wise with speed, A fool at forty is a fool indeed.

Yet thus receiving and returning bliss In this great moment, in this golden now, When every trace of what, or when, or how, Should from my soul by raging love be torn.

Mome'ntal.* adj. [momental, Fr. Cotgrave. Important; valuable; of moment.

Not one momental minute doth she swerve. Breton, Sir P. Sidney's Ourania, (1606,) sign. D. Mome'ntally. adv. [from momentum, Lat.]

For a moment. Air but momentally remaining in our bodies, hath no proportionable space for its conversion, only of length enough to refrigerate the heart.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

Momenta'neous. † adj. [momentané, mo-MO'MENTANY. f mentaine, Fr. momentaneus, Latin. Momentany and momentary, were indiscriminately used in the sixteenth century; but momentany is perhaps the older of the two. Of momentaneous I find no usage.] Lasting but for a moment.

Preferre endless blysse before vaine and momentany pleasures.

Woolton, Chr. Manuel, (1576,) sign. L. vii. b. Small difficulties, when exceeding great good is sure to ensue; and, on the other side, momentany benefits, when the hurt which they draw after them is unspeakable, are not at all to be respected.

Making it momentany as a sound. Shakspeare, Mids. N. Dream.

Trifles and momentany things.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. To the Reader. They snatch at those vanishing shadows of pleasure, which a poor momentary life can afford them. Bp. Hall, Temptations repelled, D. 2. § 6.

Flame above is durable and consistent; but with us it is a stranger and momentany. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Scarce could the shady king The horrid sum of his intentions tell, But she, swift as the momentany wing Of lightning, or the words he spoke, left hell,

Mo'MENTARILY.* adv. [from momentary.] Every moment.

Why endow the vegetable bird with wings, which nature has made momentarily dependent upon the soil? Shenstone.

MO'MENTARY. adj. [from moment.] Lasting for a moment; done in a moment.

Momentary as a sound, Swift as a shadow, short as any dream.

Shakspeare. Swift as thought the flitting shade

Through air his momentary journey made.

Dryden. Onions, garlick, pepper, salt, and vinegar, taken in great quantities, excite a momentary heat and Arbuthnot.

Important; weighty; of consequence. Great Anne, weighing the events of war Momentous, in her prudent heart thee chose.

If any false step be made in the more momentous concerns of life, the whole scheme of ambitious designs is broken.

It would be a very weak thing to give up so momentous a point as this, only because it has been contested. Waterland.

MOME'NTUM.* n.s. [Latin.] Impetus, force, or quantity of motion in a moving body.

Mercury hath of late years become a medicine of very general use, The extreme minuteness, mobility, and momentum of its parts, rendering it a most powerful cleanser of all obstructions, even in the most minute capillaries. But then we should be cautious in the use of it, if we consider, that the very thing, which gives it power of doing good above other deobstruents, doth also dispose it to mischief. I mean its great momentum.

Bp. Berkeley, Siris, § 71. Mo'mmery, n. s. [or mummery, from mummer, momerie, Fr.] An entertainment in which maskers play frolicks. See MOME.

All was jollity,

Feasting and mirth, light wantonness and laughter. Piping and playing, minstrelsy and masking, Till life fled from us like an idle dream.

A shew of mommery without a meaning. MO'NACHAL. † adj. [monacal, Fr. monachalis, Latin; μοναχικος] Monastick; relating to monks, or conventual orders. Sherwood.

The vow and profession of the monachal or life of a monk.

Rogers on the 39 Articles, (1629,) p. 166. Mo'NACHISM. † n. s. [monachisme, French.] The state of monks; the monastick life. Sherwood.

Hoveden, Matthew of Westminster, and many others of obscurer note, with all their monachisms. Milton, Hist. of Eng. B. 4.

Antony the hermit thus compares the different states of monachism together. Bingham, Christ. Antiq. vii. i. 4.

MO'NAD.† } n. s. [monade, Fr. Cotgrave; MO'NADE.] μονάς, Greek.] An indi-

visible thing. Disunity is the natural property of matter, which of itself is nothing but an infinite congeries of physical monads.

In man the monad or indivisible is the ἀυτὸ τὸ άυτὸ, the self same self or very self; a thing, in the opinion of Socrates, much and narrowly to be inquired into and discussed, to the end that, knowing ourselves, we may know what belongs to us Bp. Berkeley, Siris, § 346. and our happiness.

Mona'dical.* adj. [from monad.] Having the nature of a monad.

All here depend on the orb unitive,

Which also hight nature monadical.

More, Immort. of the Soul, i. iii. 24.

MO'NARCH. n. s. [monarch, Fr. μόναρχος.] 1. A governour invested with absolute authority; a king.

A morsel for a monarch. Shaksp. Ant. and Cleop. Your brother kings and monarchs of the earth Do all expect that you should rouse yourself.

The father of a family or nation, that uses his servants like children, and advises with them in what concerns the commonweal, and thereby is willingly obeyed by them, is what the schools mean by a monarch.

The monarch oak, the patriarch of the trees. Three centuries he grows, and three he stays Supreme in state, and in three more decays,

With ease distinguish'd is the regal race, One monarch wears an open, honest face; Shap'd to his size, and godlike to behold, His royal body shines with specks of gold. Dryden, Virg.

Return'd with dire remorseless sway, The monarch savage rends the trembling prey. Pope, Odyss.

3. President.

Come, thou monarch of the vine, Plumpy Bacchus, with pink eyne, In thy vats our cares be drown'd.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. Mona'rchal. † adj. [from monarch.] Suiting a monarch; regal; princely; imperial.

By whose monarchal sway She fortifies herself. Drayton, Polyolb. S. 3.

Devotion doth but reduce the wild multitude of human affections under the monarchal government of the love of God. W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. P. i. (1648,) p. 35.

Satan, whom now transcendent glory rais'd Above his fellows, with monarchal pride, Conscious of highest worth, unmov'd thus spake. Milton, P. L.

Mo'NARCHESS.* n. s. [from monarch.] A female monarch; an empress.

The monarchess rested very well satisfied, and was ready to license his departure.

Transl. of Boccalini, (1626,) p. 177. Mona'rchial.* adj. [from monarch.]

Regal; vested in a single ruler. Whether the government should be monarchial or republican? Reresby's Mem. p. 121.

It has arisen from the extreme difficulty of reconciling liberty, under a monarchial government, with external strength and with internal tranquillity. Burke, on the Cause of Discontents.

Mona'rchical. adj. [monarchique, Fr. μοναρχικός, from monarch.] Vested in a single ruler.

That storks will only live in free states, is a pretty conceit to advance the opinion of popular policies, and from antipathies in nature to dispurage monarchical government. Brown. The decretals resolve all into a monarchical

power at Rome. Baker, Reflect. on Learning.

Mona'rchick.* adj. [monarchique, Fr.] Vested in a single ruler.

The Jewish church and the Christian, though so different, have yet, in their several ages, subsisted and flourished under the like outward rule. monarchique government. Archdeacon Holyday, Serm. (1661,) p. 48.

He first wrote under the consular, and the other under the monarchic state.

Warburton on Prodigies, p. 119. To Mo'NARCHISE. + v. n. [from monarch.] To play the king.

Allowing him a breath, a little scene To monarchize, he fear'd, and kill with looks.

Shakspeare. That prince, which here doth monarchize, Drummond, Madrigal.

To Mo'NARCHISE.* v. a. To rule over as king.

Brute first monarchiz'd the land.

Drayton, Polyolb. S. 5. Mo'NARCHIST.* n. s. [from monarchise.] An advocate for monarchy.

I proceed to examine the next supposition of the church monarchists.

Barrow, on the Pope's Supremacy.

Mo'NARCHY. n. s. [monarchie, French,] μοναρχία, Gr.]

1. The government of a single person.

While the monarchy flourished, these wanted not a protector. Atterbury, Serm.

2. Kingdom; empire.

I past Unto the kingdom of perpetual night. The first that there did greet my stranger soul, Was my great father-in-law, renowned Warwick, Who cried aloud, What scourge for perjury Can this dark monarchy afford false Clarence?

This small inheritance Contenteth me, and 's worth a monarchy. Shaksp.

MO'NASTERY. † n. s. [monastere, Fr. monasterium, Lat.] House of religious retirement; convent; abby; cloister. It is usually pronounced, and often written, monastry. Spenser has once written it monastere, after the French form.

The elfin knight,

Who now no place besides unsought had left, At length into a monastere did light.

Spenser, F. Q. vi. xii. 23. Then courts of kings were held in high renown;

There, virgins honourable vows receiv'd, But chaste as maids in monasteries liv'd. Dryden.

In a monastery your devotions cannot carry you so far toward the next world, as to make this lose the sight of you.

Mona'stick.† | adj. [monastique, French, Mona'stical. | monasticus, Lat.] Religiously recluse; pertaining to a monk. I drave my suitor to forswear the full stream of

the world, and to live in a nook merely monastick. Shakspeare, As you like it. The silicious and hairy vests of the strictest

orders of friers derive the institution of their monastick life from the example of John and Brown, Vulg. Err. Elias. His profession was the very dungeon of the

manastical prison, the strictest and severest of all Fuller, Holy War, p. 245. When young, you led a life monastick,

And wore a vest ecclesiastick;

Now in your age you grow fantastick. Denham. MONA'STICALLY. adv. [from monastick.]

Reclusely; in the manner of a monk. I have a dozen years more to answer for, all monastically passed in this country of liberty and delight.

Mona'stick.* n. s. A monk.

An art of great value with the ancients, and longest preserved amongst the monasticks, as we find upon figures and capital letters in old vellum Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 143.

Mo'NDAY. t n. s. [from moon and day; monan-bæz, Sax. the day of the moon; the day consecrated to the moon; monan, genitive case of mona, the moon.] The second day of the week.

The Saxons did adore the moon, to whom they set a day apart, which to this day we call moon-day. Gregory, Posthum. (1650,) p. 202.

MONDE.* n. s. [French; mundus, Lat.]

1. The world; a certain number of people: as, the beau monde. See BEAU-

2. A globe, the ensign of power and

authority.

In a tunic and robe of brocade, with a full, fair wig; a gold crown much larger than the

head; and a monde in his hand.

Drummond, Trav. (L. 1744,) p. 8. MO'NEY.† n. s. [monnoye, French; moneta, Latin. It has properly no plural except when money is taken for a single

Dr. Johnson. - It is the for sums. Saxon mynet, money, from mynetian, to coin. It is not usual to say a money, as we say a coin; but it has been so expressed. "The kesitah was not a Jewish, but a Canaanite money." Costard's Two Dissert. Oxford, 1750, p. 27.] Metal coined for the purposes of com-

Importune him for monies; be not ceast

With slight denial. Shakspeare, Timon. The jealous wittolly knave hath masses of

Shakspeare.

You need my help, and you say, Shylock, we would have monies. I will give thee the worth of it in money.

1 Kings, xxi. 2.

Wives the readiest helps To betray heady husbands, rob the easy,

And lend the monies on return of lust. B. Jonson. Money differs from uncoined silver, in that the quantity of silver in each piece of money is ascertained by the stamp it bears, which is a publick voucher.

My discourse to the hen-peck'd has produced many correspondents; such a discourse is of general use, and every married man's money.

Addison, Spect. Shall I withhold a little money or food from my fellow creature, for fear he should not be good enough to receive it from me?

People are not obliged to receive any monies, except of their own coinage by a publick mint.

Those hucksterers or money-jobbers will be found necessary, if this brass money is made current in the exchequer.

To Mo'NEY.* v. a. To supply with money. Obsolete.

We monyed the emperour openlye, and gave the French kynge double and treble secretlye. Tyndal's Practyse of Prelates, (1530,) sign. F.6.b.

Mo'NEYBAG. n. s. [money and bag.] A large purse.

Look to my house; I am right loth to go; There is some ill a brewing towards my rest

For I did dream of moneybags to-night. Shaksp. My place was taken up by an ill-bred puppy, with a moneybag under each arm. Addison, Guardian,

Mo'NEYBOX. n. s. [money and box.] A till; repository of ready coin.

MO'NEYBROKER.* n. s. [money and broker.] A moneychanger or moneyscrivener.

[They] enquire, Like moneybrokers, after names.

B. Jonson, Underwoods. Mo'NEYCHANGER. n. s. [money and change.] A broker in money.

The usurers or moneychangers being a scandalous employment at Rome, is a reason for the Arbuthnot. high rate of interest.

MO'NEYED. adj. [from money.] Rich in money; often used in opposition to those who are possessed of lands.

Invite moneyed men to lend to the merchants, for the continuing and quickening of trade.

If exportation will not balance importation, away must your silver go again, whether moneyed or not moneyed; for where goods do not, silver must pay for the commodities you spend. Locke. Several turned their money into those funds,

merchants as well as other moneyed men. Swift. With these measures fell in all monied men; such as had raised vast sums by trading with stocks and funds, and lending upon great interest.

piece; but monies was formerly used Mo'NEYER. 7 n. s. [monnoyeur, Fr. from money.

1. One that deals in money; a banker.

2. A coiner of money.

Impairment in allay can only happen, either by the dishonesty of the moneyers or minters, or by counterfeiting the coin. Hale, H. P. C. ch. 18.

Mo'NEYLENDER.* n.s. [money and lend.] One who lends money to others; one who raises money for others.

In all the corporations, all the open boroughs, indeed in every district of the kingdom, there is some leading man, some agitator, some wealthy merchant, or considerable manufacturer, some active attorney, some popular preacher, some moneylender, &c. who is followed by the whole flock. Burke, Sp. on the Durat. of Parliaments.

Mo'NEYLESS. † adj. [from money.] Wanting money; penniless.

Paltering the free and moneyless power of dis-

cipline with a carnal satisfaction by the purse.

Milton, Reas. of Ch. Gov. B. 2. The strong expectation of a good certain salary will outweigh the loss by bad rents received out of lands in moneyless times.

Mo'NEYMATTER. n. s. [money and matter.] Account of debtor and creditor.

What if you and I Nick should enquire how moneymatters stand between us?

Arbuthnot, Hist. of J. Bull.

Mo'NEYSCRIVENER. n. s. [money and scrivener.] One who raises money for

Suppose a young unexperienced man in the hands of moneyscriveners: such fellows are like your Wire-drawing mills, if they get hold of a man's finger, they will pull in his whole body at last. Arbuthnot, Hist. of J. Bull. Mo'NEYSPINNER.* n. s. A small spider,

vulgarly so called; and fancifully held to prognosticate the receipt of money, or good luck, to those on whom they are seen to crawl.

Mo'NEYSWORTH. n. s. [money and worth.] Something valuable; something that will bring money.

There is either money or moneysworth in all the controversies of life; for we live in a mercenary world, and it is the price of all things in it.

Mo'neywort. n. s. A plant.

Mo'ngcorn. † n. s. [manz, Sax. and corn.] Mixed corn; as, wheat and rye; miscellane, or maslin.

From off the mongcorn-heap.

Bp. Hall, Sat. B. 5. S. 2.

Mo'nger. + n. s. [manzepe, monzep, Sax. a trader, from mangian, to trade.] A dealer; a seller. It is seldom or never used alone, or otherwise than after the name of any commodity to express a seller of that commodity: as, a fishmonger; and sometimes a medler in any thing: as, a whoremonger; a newsmonger. Dr. Johnson. - Lye makes a similar remark, overpassing the use of monger by itself; which Wicliffe, I think, somewhere uses in the good sense of a trader, or merchant; and which Ben Jonson certainly employs in the contemptuous meaning of a low trader.

Here was no subtle device to get a wench! This Chanon has a brave pate of his own, A shaven pate! and a right monger, y'faith! B. Jonson, Tale of a Tub. This was his plot!

Do you know me? - Yes, excellent well, you are a fish-monger.

The impatient states-monger Could now contain himself no longer. Hudibras.

Mo'NGREL. † adj. [as mongcorn, from manz, Saxon, or mengen, to mix, Germ.] Of a mixed breed: commonly written mungrel for mangrel.

There is a mongrel dialect, composed of Italian and French, and some Spanish words are also in it; which they call Franco.

Howell, Instruct. For. Trav. (1642,) p. 139.

This zealot Is of a mongrel, divers kind, Clerick before, and lay behind. Hudibras. Ye mongrel work of heaven, with human shapes, That have but just enough of sense to know

The master's voice. Dryden, Don Sebastian. I'm but a half-strain'd villain yet, Dryden.

But mongrel mischievous. His friendship still to few confin'd. Were always of the middling kind; No fools of rank, or mongrel breed,

Who fain wou'd pass for lords indeed. Swift, Miscell,

Mo'ngrel.* n.s. Any thing of mixed breed.

His two faculties of serving-man and solicitor should compound into one mongrel.

Milton, Colasterion. Base, grovelling, worthless wretches; Mongrels in faction; poor faint-hearted traitors.

Mo'nied.* See Moneyed.

MO'NIMENT. † n. s. [monimento, Ital. monimentum, or monumentum, Latin, from moneo.

1. A memorial; a record.

That as a sacred symbole it may dwell In her sonne's flesh, to mind revengement, And be for all chaste dames an endless moniment. Spenser, F. Q. ii. ii. 10.

2. A mark; a superscription; an image. Some others were new driven, and distent Into great ingoes, and to wedges square; Some in round plates withouten moniment.

Spenser, F. Q. ii. vii. 5.

To MO'NISH.† v. a. [moneo, Latin; a contraction of admonish. Dr. Johnson. - It is not a contraction, but the Saxon verb monian, monegian; and is old in our language; probably in use before admonish. It was written also monest, as well as monish.] To warn; to counsel: to admonish.

For I you praie and eke moneste, Nought to refusin our requeste.

Chaucer, Rom. R. 3579. Now worthy women, in this balade short, -Of charite I monishe and exhorte.

Chaucer, Compl. of Cress. 195. Monish him gently, which shall make him both willing to amend, and glad to go forward in love. Ascham, Schoolmaster.

Here are all degrees to be monished. Homilies, Serm. iii. Against Adultery.

Mo'NISHER. n. s. [from monish.] An admonisher; a monitor.

Mo'NISHMENT.* n. s. [from monish.] Admonition; counsel given. Sherwood. Moni'tion. n. s. [monitio, Latin; monition, Fr.

1. Information; hint.

We have no visible monition of the returns of any other periods, such as we have of the day, by successive light and darkness. Holder on Time.

2. Instruction; document.

Unruly ambition is deaf, not only to the advice of friends, but to the counsels and monitions of reason itself. Then after sage monitions from his friends,

His talents to employ for nobler ends,

He turns to politicks his dangerous wit. Mo'NITIVE.* adj. [monitus, Lat.] Admonitory; conveying useful instruction. These evils are exemplary and monitive.

Barrow, vol. ii. S. 12.

Mo'NITOR. n. s. [Latin.] One who warns of faults, or informs of duty; one who gives useful hints. It is used of an upper scholar in a school commissioned by the master to look to the boys in his absence.

You need not be a monitor to the king; his learning is eminent: be but his scholar, and you are safe

It was the privilege of Adam innocent to have these notions also firm and untainted, to carry his monitor in his bosom, his law in his heart, and to have such a conscience as might be its own casuist. South, Serm.

We can but divine who it is that speaks; whether Persius himself or his friend and monitor, or a third person. Dryden.

The pains that come from the necessities of nature, are monitors to us to beware of greater mischiefs. Locke.

Mo'nitory. adj. [monitoire, Fr. monitorius, Lat.] Conveying useful instruction; giving admonition.

Losses, miscarriages, and disappointments, are monitory and instructive. L'Estrange.

He is so taken up still, in spite of the monitory hint in my essay, with particular men, that he neglects mankind.

Mo'NITORY. n. s. Admonition; warning. A king of Hungary took a bishop in battle, and kept him prisoner; whereupon the pope writ a monitory to him, for that he had broken the privilege of holy church. Mo'nitress.* n. s. [from monitor.] A

female monitor; an instructress.

Thus far our pretty and ingenious monitress : were I to say any thing after her, my case would be that of the tiresome actor. Student, ii. 367. MONK. † n. s. [munck, Su. Goth. monec, Saxon; monachus, Latin; μοναχός.] One of a religious community bound by vows to certain observances.

'Twould prove the verity of certain words, Spoke by a holy monk. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. Abdemeleck, as one weary of the world, gave over all, and betook himself to a solitary life, and

became a melancholy Mahometan monk. Knolles, Hist. of the Turks.

The dronish monks, the scorn and shame of manhood,

Rouse and prepare once more to take possession, And nestle in their ancient hives again.

Monks in some respects, agree with regulars, as in the substantial vows of religion; but in other respects monks and regulars differ; for that regulars, vows excepted, are not tied up to so strict a rule of life as monks are. Ayliffe, Parerg.

Mo'nkey.† n. s. [Dr. Johnson considers the word as monikin, a little man. Pennant derives it from monea, a name which the Malayes give to a particular species of the animal among them. Monicchio for a monkey is old in the Italian language.]

1. An ape; a baboon; a jackanapes. An animal bearing some resemblance of

One of them shewed me a ring that he had of your daughter for a monkey: Tubal, it was my turquoise; I would not have given it for a wilderness of monkeys. Shakspeare. More new-fangled than an ape; more giddy in

my desires than a monkey. Shakspeare, As you like it.

Other creatures, as well as monkeys, destroy their young ones by senseless fondness.

Locke on Education. With glittering gold and sparkling gems they

But apes and monkeys are the gods within.

Granville. 2. A word of contempt, or slight kind-

This is the monkey's own giving out; she is persuaded I will marry her. Shakspeare, Othello. Poor monkey ! how wilt thou do for a father? Shakspeare.

Mo'nkery. † n. s. [from monk.] The monastick life.

Heresy in Britaine ariseth of monkery,

Bale, Acts of Eng. Vot. P. i. fol. 19. Monkeries then were as far distant from those of our days, as the moon is distant from the earth. Harmar, Tr. of Beza, (1587,) p. 316.

Vows of chastity, monkery, and a solitary life. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 657.

Neither do I meddle with their evangelical perfection of vows, nor the dangerous servitude of their rash and impotent votaries, nor the inconveniences of their monkery.

Mo'nkhood. n. s. [monk and hood.] The character of a monk.

He had left off his monkhood too, and was no longer obliged to them. Atterbury.

Mo'nkish. adj. [from monk.] Monastick; pertaining to monks; taught by monks. Those publick charities are a greater ornament to this city than all its wealth, and do more real

honour to the reformed religion, than redounds to the church of Rome from all those monkish and superstitious foundations of which she vainly Atterbury, Serm. Rise, rise, Roscommon, see the Blenheim

The dull constraint of monkish rhyme refuse.

Smith. Monks-Hood. n. s. [consolida regalis.] A Ainsworth. MONKS-RHUBARB. n.s. A species of dock:

its roots are used in medicine.

Mono ceros.* \ n. ε. [μόνος, single, and Mono'cerot. κέρας, horn, Gr.] The unicorn.

Jacob de Dondis, in his catalogue of simples, hath ambergreece, the bone in a stag's heart, monocerot's horn. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 376. Mo'NOCHORD. n. s. [μόνος and χορδή.]

1. An instrument of one string: as, the trumpet marine.

2. A kind of instrument anciently of singular use for the regulating of sounds: the ancients made use of it to determine the proportion of sounds to one another. When the chord was divided into two equal parts, so that the terms were as one to one, they called them unisons; but if as two to one, they called them octaves or diapasons; when they were as three to two, they called them fifths or diapentes; if they were as four to three, they called them fourths or diatesserons; if as five to four, they called it diton, or a tierce major; but if as six to five, then they called it a demi-diton, or a tierce minor; four to twenty-five, they called it a demiton or dieze; the monochord being thus divided, was properly that which they called a system, of which there were many kinds, according to the different divisions of the monochord.

Mono'cular. adj. [μόνος and oculus.] Mono'culous. (One-eyed; having only

one eye.

He was well served who, going to cut down an ancient white hawthorn tree, which, because she budded before others, might be an occasion of superstition, had some of the prickles flew into his eyes, and made him monocular.

Those of China repute the rest of the world Glanville, Scepsis.

monoculous.

Mo'NODY. † n. s. [μονωδία, Gr. monodie, Fr.] A poem sung by one person, not in dialogue. Dr. Johnson. - Of this usage Dr. Johnson gives no example. Our old lexicography calls a monody, "a mournful song." Cockeram. This is the sense of the word among the ancients: a ditty sung by the person alone, to vent his grief. Among the French it obtained the distinction of "chant lugubre d'église, qui est toujours sur le même ton." Lacombe. It is called a monody from a Greek work signifying a mournful or funeral song sung by a single person. Bp. Newton, Note on Milton's Lycidas.

MONO GAMIST. † n. s. [μόνος and γάμος; monogame, Fr.] One who disallows

second marriages.

I maintained with Whiston, that it was unlawful for a priest of the church of England, after the death of his first wife, to take a second; or, to express it in one word, I valued myself upon being a strict monogamist.

Goldsmith, Vic. of Wakefield, ch. 2. Mono GAMY. † n. s. [monogamie, Fr. μόνος. and γαμέω, Gr.] Marriage of one wife.

If he had ever read the book following of monogamy, he might have found his Tertullian then montanizing, to upbraid the true and catholick church with the usual practice and allowance of the second marriages of their bishops.

Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Marr. Clergy, p. 106. MO'NOGRAM. † n. s. [μόνος, and γράμμα,

Gr.; monogramme, Fr.]

1. A cypher; a character compounded of several letters.

It came

To be described by a monogram.

B. Jonson, Underwoods. 2. A picture drawn in lines without co-

A kind of first draught or ground colours only, and monogram of life. Hammond, Works, iv. 571. Mo'NOGRAMMAL. * adj. [from monogram.]

Sketching in the manner of a mono-

Though it be but as it were a monogrammal description, and a kind of rude draught as it were with a coal. Fotherby, Atheom. (1622,) p. 355.

Mo'NOLOGUE. n. s. [μόνος and λόγος; monologue, Fr.] A scene in which a person of the drama speaks by himself; a soli-

He gives you an account of himself, and of his returning from the country, in monologue; to which unnatural way of narration Terence is sub-Dryden. ject in all his plays.

μάχη, Gr. monomachie, old Fr.] A duel;

a single combat. In those ancient monomachies and combats they

were searched, [that] they had no magical charms. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 54. Abner invites his rival in honour to a tragical play, (as he terms it,) a monomachy of twelve

single combatants on either part.

Bp. Hall, Cases of Cons. D. 2. C. 2. Mo'NOME. n. s. [monome, Fr.] In algebra bra, a quantity that has but one denomination or name; as, ab, aab, aaab.

Harris. Μονο ΡΑΤΗΥ.* n. s. Γμόνος, and πάθεια, Gr.] Solitary sensibility; sole suffering.

By this Spanish proverb, every one calculateth his nativity, and sentenceth his own future fate, by crying at his birth; not coming only from the body's monopathy, or sole suffering by change of its warm quarters; but, according to some, from sympathy with the divining soul, that knoweth itself for a time banished from the Father of

Whitlock, Mann. of the Engl. (1654,) p. 32.

Monope'talous. adj. [monopetale, Fr. μόνος, and wέταλον.] It is used for such flowers as are formed out of one leaf, howsoever they may be seemingly cut into many small ones, and those fall off Monosy'LLABLED. adj. [monosyllabe, Fr. together.

Mono'Polist. n. s. [monopoleur, Fr. Our own word was formerly monopoler. Cotgrave and Sherwood. Then monopolizer.] One who by engrossing or patent obtains the sole power or privilege of

vending any commodity.

Joy is an import; joy is an exchange; Joy flies monopolists; it calls for two

Young, Night Th. 2. To MONO'POLIZE. † v. a. μόνος, and

wωλέω; monopoler, French.] To engross, so as to have the sole power or privilege of vending any commodity. As if this age had monopolized all goodness to

Fuller, Holy # ar. p. 256. He has such a prodigious trade, that if there is not some stop put, he will monopolize; nobody will sell a yard of drapery, or mercery ware, but Arbuthnot.

Mono'Polizer.* n. s. [from monopolize.] A monopolist.

Merchants have been prohibited to unlade their goods in such ports as were for their own advantage, and forced to bring them to those places which were most for the advantages of the monopolizers and projectors.

Remonstrance in 1642, Welwood's Mem. p. 298. There was in it the fraud of some old patentees

and monopolizers in the trade of bookselling. Milton, Areopagitica.

Mono'poly. n. s. [μονοπωλία; monopole, French; μόνος and πωλέω.] The exclu-

sive privilege of selling any thing. If I had a monopoly on't they would have part Shakspeare.

How could he answer't, should the state think

To question a monopoly of it? One of the most oppressive monopolies imaginable; all others can concern only something without us, but this fastens upon our nature, yea upon our reason. Gov. of the Tongue.

Shakspeare rather writ happily than knowingly and justly; and Jonson, who, by studying Horace, had been acquainted with the rules, yet seemed to envy to posterity that knowledge, and to make a monopoly of his learning. Dryden, Juv.

and, lastly, if the terms were as twenty- | Mono'machy. † n. s. [μονομαχία; μόνος, and | Mono'ptote. n. s. [μόνος and ωλάσις.] A noun used only in some one oblique Clarke, Lat. Gram.

Mo'nostich. † n. s. [μονός ιχον.] A composition of one verse,

The drugs and spices here so perfumed the place, that it made me since give the better credit to that monostich of an old poet, "Auras madentes Persicorum aromatum.

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 164. Monosylla'BICAL. adj. [from monosyllable. Consisting of words of one syl-

MONOSY'LLABLE. n. s. [monosyllabe, French; μόνος and συλλαξή.] A word

of only one syllable.

My name of Ptolemy! It is so long it asks an hour to write it: I'll change it into Jove or Mars! Or any other civil monosyllable,

Dryden, Cleom. That will not tire my hand. Poets, although not insensible how much our language was already overstocked with monosyllables, yet, to save time and pains, introduced that barbarous custom of abbreviating words, to fit them to the measure of their verses.

Monosyllable lines, unless artfully managed, are stiff or languishing; but may be beautiful to express melancholy.

from monosyllable. Consisting of one

Nine taylors, if rightly spell'd, Cleaveland. Into one man are monosyllabled.

Monostro Phick.* adj. [μόνος and 500φη, Gr. Tree from the restraint of any particular metre.

The measure of verse used in the chorus is all sorts, called by the Greeks monostrophick.

Milton, Pref. to Samson Agonistes. MO'NOTONE.* n. s. [μόνος and τόνος, Greek.] Uniformity of sound; want of proper cadence in pronunciation.

A kind of chaunt that frequently varies very little from a monotone.

Mason, on Church Musick, p. 95.

Monoto'nical.* adj. [from monotony.] Having an unvaried sound; wanting variety in cadence.

We should not be lulled to sleep by the length Ld. Chesterfield. of a monotonical declamation.

Mono'tonous.* adj. [from monotony.] Wanting variety in cadence.

Every line was perhaps uniformly recited to the same monotonous modulation.

Warton, Hist. E. P. Emend. ii. a. 4. The melodies, whether old or new, ought to be executed in a less monotonous, and consequently more intelligible, manner.

Mason, on Church Musick, p. 196.

Mono τουν. n. s. [μονο ονία; μόνος and τόνος; monotonie, Fr.] Uniformity of sound; Want of variety in cadence.

I could object to the repetition of the same rhimes within four lines of each other as tiresome to the ear through their monotony.

Pope, Letters. MONSI'EUR.† n. s. [French.] A term

of reproach for a Frenchman. A Frenchman his companion;

An eminent monsieur, that it seems, much loves Shakspeare, Cymbeline. A Gallian girl.

Nor shall we then need the monsieurs of Paris to take our hopeful youth into their slight and Milton on Education. prodigal custodies. Monso'on. n. s. [monson, monçon, Fr.

Monsoons are shifting trade winds in

the East Indian ocean, which blow periodically; some for a half year one way, others but for three months, and then shift and blow for six or three Harris. months directly contrary.

The monsoons and trade winds are constant and periodical, even to the thirtieth degree of latitude, all round the globe, and seldom transgress or fall short of those bounds.

MO'NSTER. n. s. [monstre, French; monstrum, Latin.]

1. Something out of the common order of nature.

Methinks heroick poesie till now, Like some fantastick fairy land did show, Gods, devils, nymphs, witches, and giants' race, And all but man in man's chief work had place : Then like some worthy knight, with sacred arms, Doth drive the monsters thence, and end the Cowley. charms.

It ought to be determined whether monsters be really a distinct species; we find, that some of these monstrous productions have none of those qualities that accompany the essence of that species Locken from whence they derive.

2. Something horrible for deformity, wickedness, or mischief.

If she live long, And, in the end, meet the whole course of death,

Women will all turn monsters. Shakspeare, K. Lear. All human virtue, to its latest breath,

Finds envy never conquer'd but by death: The great Alcides every labour past, Had still this monster to subdue at last.

To To Mo'NSTER. v. a. [from the noun.] put out of the common order of things. Not in use.

Her offence Must be of such unnatural degree,

That monsters it. Shakspeare, K. Lear. I had rather have one scratch my head i' th' sun, When the alarum were struck, than idly sit

To hear my nothings monster'd. Shakspeare, Coriol

Monstro'sity. \ n. s. [from monstrous.]

Monstruo'sity. \ The state of being monstrous, or out of the common order of the universe. Monstrosity is more analogous.

This is the monstruosity in love, that the will is infinite, and the execution confin'd.

Shakspeare, Tr. and Cress. Such a tacit league is against such routs and

shoals of people, as have utterly degenerated from nature, as have in their very body and frame of estate a monstrosity. Bacon. We read of monstrous births, but we often see a

greater monstrosity in educations: thus, when a father has begot a man, he trains him up into a South, Serm.

By the same law monstrosity could not incapacitate from marriage; witness the case of hermaphrodites. Arbuthnot and Pope.

Mo'nstrous.† adj. [monstreux, French; monstrosus, Latin.]

1. Deviating from the stated order of nature.

Nature there perverse, Brought forth all monstrous, all prodigious things, Hydras, and gorgons, and chimeras dire.

Every thing that exists has its particular constitution; and yet some monstrous productions have few of those qualities which accompany the essence of that species from whence they derive their ori-

2. Strange; wonderful. Generally with some degree of dislike.

Is it not monstrous that this player here But in a fiction, in a dream of passion,

Could force his soul so to his conceit, That, from her working, all his visage wan'd?

Shakspeare. O monstrous! but one halfpenny worth of bread to this intolerable deal of sack. Shakspeare. 3. Irregular; enormous.

No monstrous height, or breadth, or length

appear. The whole at once is bold and regular.

4. Shocking; hateful.

This was an invention given out by the Spaniards, to save the monstrous scorn their nation re-

5. Full of monsters.

Where thou, perhaps, under the whelming tide, Visit'st the bottom of the monstrous world. Milton, Lycidas.

Mo'nstrous. adv. Exceedingly; very much. A cant term.

Oil of vitriol and petroleum, a dram of each, turn into a mouldy substance, there residing a fair cloud in the bottom, and a monstrous thick oil on

She was easily put off the hooks, and monstrous hard to be pleased again. L'Estrange.

Add, that the rich have still a gibe in store, And will be monstrous witty on the poor. Dryden. Mo'nstrously. adv. [from monstrous.]

1. In a manner out of the common order of nature; shockingly; terribly; hor-

Tiberius was bad enough in his youth, but superlatively and monstrously so in his old age.

2. To a great or enormous degree. He walks;

And that self chain about his neck, Which he forswore most monstrously to have. Shakspeare.

These truths with his example you disprove, Who with his wife is monstrously in love. Dryden, Juv.

Mo'nstrousness. † n. s. [from monstrous.] Enormity; irregular nature or behaviour.

See the monstrousness of man, When he looks out in an ungrateful shape! Shakspeare.

O, how I hate the monstrousness of time! B. Jonson, Every Man out of his Humour.

Mo'ntanism.* n. s. The tenets of Montanus, an ancient heretick, who, about the close of the second century, founded a sect; unjustly pretending to be a prophet; multiplying fasts; forbidding second marriages; condemning all care of the body; and declaring that philosophy, arts, and whatever savoured of polite learning, should be banished from the Christian church.

Tertullian, proclaiming even open war to the church, maintained montanism, wrote a book in defence of the new fast, and intituled the same, A treatise of fasting against the opinion of the carnal sort. Houker, Ecc. Pol. v. § 72.

His [Tertullian's] montanism put no separation at all betwixt him and other Christians, save only in point of discipline, which he, according to the severity of his nature, would have to be most harsh and rigorous. Hanmer, View of Antiq. p. 119.

Mo'ntanist.* n. s. A follower of Montanus.

The montanists held these additions to be supplements to the Gospel.

Hooker, Ecc. Pol. v. § 72. MONTANI'STICAL.* adj. Belonging to the heresy of the Montanists.

An emulation of the montanistical vaunt of virginity.

Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Marr. Clergy, p. 247. Containing in them divers of his wild, montanistical conceits. Hanmer, View of Antiq. p. 125.

To Mo'ntanize.* v. n. To follow the opinions of Montanus.

Tertullian, together with such as were his followers, began to montanize; and, pretending to perfect the severity of Christian discipline, br ought in sundry unaccustomed days of fasting. Hooker, Ecc. Pol. v. § 72.

MONTA'NT. n. s. [French.] A term in fencing.

Vat be all you, one, two, tree, four, come for? - To see thee fight, - to see thee pass thy punto, thy stock; thy reverse, thy distance; thy montant.

Shakspeare. MONTE'RO. n. s. [Spanish.] A horseman's cap.

His hat was like a helmet, or Spanish montero.

Monte'th. n. s. [from the name of the inventor.] A vessel in which glasses

are washed. New things produce new words, and thus Monteth

Has by one vessel sav'd his name from death.

MONTH.† n. s. [monao, Saxon. Dr. Johnson. - Moon was formerly written mone; and month was written moneth.] It means the period in which that planet moneth, or completeth its orbit. Mr. H. Tooke, Div. of Purley, ii. 417. - This observation is very ingenious, although there are no vestiges of a verb of this form in the Anglosaxon or any of the Gothick languages. Dr. Jamieson. - The Saxon monad, is from mona, the moon; and the Goth. menath. from mena, the same; μήνη, Greek. Wachter deduces the Goth, word for moon from mana, to warn, to admonish, to instruct; and Dr. Jamieson the Sax. mona from monian, the same. May we not then refer also to the Greek verb μηνόω, to indicate, to point out, to declare, whence perhaps μήνη, the moon, and un, a month? If this be admitted, here is the verb to support Mr. Tooke's observation, though in other words, viz. a month meaneth the period in which that planet warns, instructs, and points out.] A space of time either measured by the sun or moon: the lunar month is the time between the change and change, or the time in which the moon comes to the same point: the solar month is the time in which the sun passes through a sign of the zodiack: the calender months, by which we reckon time, are unequally of thirty or one-andthirty days, except February, which is of twenty-eight, and in leap year of twenty-nine.

Till the expiration of your month,

Sojourn with my sister. Shakspeare, K. Lear. From a month old even unto five years old.

Lev. xxvii. 6.

Months are not only lunary, and measured by the moon, but also solary, and terminated by the motion of the sun, in thirty degrees of the eclip-Brown, Vulg. Err.

As many months as I sustain'd her hate. So many years is she condemn'd by fate Dryden, Theo. and Hon. To daily death.

Month's mind.† n. s. Longing desire. Dr. Johnson. - Dr. Johnson gives no account of the origin of this phrase. A month's mind, is the mind or remembrance days of former times, when persons directed, in their wills, that within a year, a month, or some specifick time, after their death, a requiem for their souls should be performed, and some charity bestowed. They were called also mind days. Pegge, in his Anecdotes of the English Language, says that the phrase originated from the direction being "a declaration of the will and mind of the deceased." But the months' minds have been sometimes called memories, and sometimes monuments; and therefore clearly denote remembrance, not intention. They were a source of profit to the monks; and, from a knowledge of that, our ancestors at the Reformation perhaps retained the phrase, as a ludicrous mode of expressing any desire of gratifying their wishes.

Sekynge to make all men's goodes common unto them by tytle of tythes, offerynges, devocyons, pylgrimages, absolucyons, indulgences, bequestes, mortuaryes, monthes-myndes, year-myndes, and the devil and all besydes.

Bale, Yet a Course at the Romish Foxe, fol. 91. b. Whether there are any months' minds and anni-

Interrog. in 1552, Strype's Mem. of the Ref. ii. 354. You have a month's mind to them. Shakspeare. For if a trumpet sound or drum beat, Who has not a month's mind to combat? Hudibras.

Mo'NTHLY. adj. [from month.]

1. Continuing a month; performed in a month.

I would ask concerning the monthly revolutions of the moon about the earth, or the diurnal ones of the earth upon its own axis, whether these have Bentley. been finite or infinite.

2. Happening every month.

The youth of heavenly birth I view'd, For whom our monthly victims are renew'd.

Dryden

Mo'NTHLY. adv. Once in a month.

If the one may very well monthly the other may as well even daily, be iterated. O swear not by the moon, the inconstant moon,

That changes monthly in her circled orb;

Lest that thy love prove likewise variable? Shakspeare.

MONTO'IR. n. s. [French.] In horsemanship, a stone as high as the stirrups, which Italian riding-masters mount their horses from, without putting their foot in the stirrup.

Montro'ss. n. s. An under gunner, or assistant to a gunner, engineer, or fire-

master.

MO'NUMENT. n. s. [monument, French; monumentum, Latin.]

1. Any thing by which the memory of persons or things is preserved; a memorial.

In his time there remained the monument of his tomb in the mountain Jasius. He is become a notable monument of unpros-King Charles. perous disloyalty. VOL. II.

So many grateful altars I would rear Of grassy turf; and pile up every stone Of lustre from the brook; in memory, Or monument to ages: and thereon Offer sweet-smelling gums.

Of ancient British art Milton, P. L.

A pleasing monument, not less admir'd Than what from Attick or Etruscan hands

Collect the best monuments of our friends, their own images in their writings. Pope to Swift.

2. A tomb; a cenotaph; something erected in memory of the dead.

On your family's old monument Hang mournful epitaphs, and do all rites

In a heap of slain,

That appertain into a burial. Shakspeare. The flowers which in the circling valley grow, Shall on his monument their odours throw.

Sandys, Paraph.

Two youthful knights they found beneath a load opprest

Of slaughter'd foes, whom first to death they sent, The trophies of their strength, a bloody monument.

With thee on Raphael's monument I mourn, Or ait inspiring dreams at Maro's urn. Pope, Miscell.

Monume'ntal. adj. [from monument.] 1. Memorial; preserving memory.

When the sun begins to fling His flaring beams, me, goddess, bring To arched walks of twilight groves, And shadows brown that Sylvan loves,

Of pine or monumental oak. Milton, Il Pens. The destruction of the earth was the most monumental proof that could have been given to all the succeeding ages of mankind.

Woodward, Nat. Hist. The polish'd pillar different sculptures grace, A work outlasting monumental brass.

2. Raised in honour of the dead; belonging to a tomb.

Perseverance keeps honour bright: To have done, is to hang quite out of fashion, Like rusty mail in monumental mockery. Shaksp. I'll not scar that whiter skin of her than snow,

And smooth as monumental alabaster.

Shakspeare, Othello. Therefore if he needs must go, And the fates will have it so,

Softly may he be possest Of his monumental rest.

Crashaw. MONUME'NTALLY.* adv. [from monumental.] In memorial.

This description of his house is in short the very same with an ancient justice of peace his hall; a very dangerous armoury to be touched, like Paul's scaffolds, monumentally standing, because none dare take them down.

Gayton on D. Quixote, (1654,) p. 2.

To Moo.* See To MuE.

MOOD. † n. s. [mode, French; modus, Lat.] 1. The form of an argument.

Mood is the regular determination of propositions according to their quantity and quality, i. e. their universal or particular affirmation or negation.

Aristotle reduced our loose reasonings to certain rules, and made them conclude in mode and figure. Baker on Learning.

2. Style of musick.

They move In perfect phalanx, to the Dorian mood Milton, P. L. Of flutes, and soft recorders. Their sound

Little prevails, or rather seems a tune Harsh, and of dissonant mood from his complaint. Milton, S. A.

A bird, Whom art had never taught cliffs, moods, or notes. Ford, Lover's Melancholy.

3. The change the verb undergoes in some languages, as the Greek, Latin, and French, to signify various intentions of the mind, is called mood.

Clarke, Lat. Grammar. We have observed, that all speech or discourse is a publishing or exhibiting some part of our soul, either a certain perception, or a certain volition. Hence then, according as we exhibit it either in a different part, or after a different manner, hence I say the variety of modes or moods. Harris, Hermes, B. i. ch. 8.

4. [mod, Gothick; mos, Saxon; moed, Dutch; and generally in all Teutonick dialects.] Temper of mind; state of mind as affected by any passion; disposition.

The trembling ghosts, with sad amazed mood, Chattering their iron teeth, and staring wide With stony eyes. Spenser, F. Q.

The kingly beast upon her gazing stood, With pity calm'd, down fell his angry mood.

Spenser, F. Q.

Eyes unused to the melting mood, Drop tears as fast as the Arabian trees Their medicinal gum. Shakspeare, Othello. Clorinda chang'd to ruth her warlike mood, Few silver drops her vermeil cheeks depaint.

Solyman, in a melancholy mood, walked up and down in his tent a great part of the night. Knolles

She was in fittest mood For cutting corns, or letting blood. Hudibras. These two kids to appease his angry mood, I bear, of which the furies give him good. Dryden.

He now profuse of tears, In suppliant mood fell prostrate at our feet.

Addison. 5. Anger; rage; heat of mind. \(\text{mod}, \) Goth. rage. See MAD.]

At the last aslakid was his mood.

Chaucer, Kn. Tale.

A gentleman, Whom, in my mood, I stabb'd unto the heart. Shakspeare, Two Gent. of Ver.

That which we move for our better instruction's sake, turneth into anger and choler in them; yet in their mood they cast forth somewhat wherewith, under pain of greater displeasure, we must rest Hooker. contented.

Mo'odily.* adv. [from moody.] Sadly; pensively. Cotgrave, & Sherwood. Mo'odiness.* n. s. [Sax. mobignejje.] Indignation; vexation.

Such was the natural hatred of the sheep towards the dogs, and the implacable moodiness which they conceived to be hurried up and down, that they fell into an inward conceit of languor and despair; and so into flat disobedience, to abhor both their shepherds and the dogs, insomuch

that when they were to be milked, and shorn, they hid themselves in woods and deserts. Transl. of Boccalini (1626,) p. 179. Mo'ody. adj. [from mood, Goth. modags, angry; Sax. mobiz.]

1. Angry; out of humour.

How now, moody? What is't thou canst demand? Shaksp. Tempest. Chide him reverently

When you perceive his blood inclin'd to mirth; But being moody, give him line and scope,

Till that his passions, like a whale on ground, Confound themselves with working.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. According to Milton's description of the first couple, as soon as they had fallen, and the turbulent passions of anger, hatred, and jealousy, first entered their breast; Adam grew moody.

Tatler, No. 217.

Every peevish, moody malecontent

Shall set the senseless rabble in an uproar? Rowe. 2. Sad; pensive; melancholy. See also MOODILY.

Give me some musick; musick, moody food Of us that trade in love. Shaksp. Ant. & Cleop. Sweet recreation barr'd, what doth ensue, But moody and dull melancholy?

Shakspeare, Com. of Err.

3. Violent; furious; raging.

The maliciouse tirauntes of the worlde, with their madde modye magistrates and slaves,

Bale on the Revel. P. iii, (1550,) D. iiii,

In his moody madness, without just proof, did he openly excommunicate him,

Fox, Acts and Mon. of Lord Cobham. If we be English deer, be then in blood. Not rascal-like, to fall down with a pinch; But rather moody-mad and desperate stags, Turn on the bloody hounds with heads of steel.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. P. I. MOON.† n. s. [μηνη, Gr. mena, Gothick; Moon-FISH. n. s. mona, Saxon; mona, Icelandick; maane, Danish; mon, German; maen, Dutch. See the etymology of Montil.]

1. The changing luminary of the night, called by poets Cynthia or Phœbe.

The moon shines bright: 'twas such a night as

When the sweet wind did gently kiss the trees, And they did make no noise.

Diana hath her name from moisten, which is the property of the moon, being by nature cold and moist, and is feigned to be a goddess hunt-

Beneath the mighty ocean's wealthy caves, Beneath the eternal fountain of all waves, Where their vast court the mother waters keep, And undisturb'd by moons, in silence sleep.

Ye moon and stars bear witness to the truth! Dryden.

2. A month.

Since these arms of mine had seven years' pith, Till now some nine moons wasted, they have us'd Their dearest action in the tented field.

Shakspeare, Othello. 3. [In fortification.] It is used in composition to denote a figure resembling a crescent: as, a half moon.

Moon-BEAM. n. s. [moon and beam.] Rays

of lunar light.

The division and quavering, which please so much in musick, have an agreement with the glittering of light, as the moon-beams playing upon Bacon, Nat. Hist. On the water the moon-beams played, and made

it appear like floating quicksilver.

Dryden on Dram. Poesy.

Moon-calf. n.s. [moon and calf.]
1. A monster; a false conception; sup-

posed perhaps anciently to be produced by the influence of the moon.

How cam'st thou to be the siege of this moon-Shakspeare.

2. A dolt; a stupid fellow. The potion works not on the part design'd, But turns his brain, and stupifies his mind; The sotted moon-calf gapes. Dryden, Juv.

Mo'oned.* adj. [from moon.] 1. Resembling the new moon.

While thus he spake, the angelick squadron

Turn'd fiery red, sharpening in mooned horns Their phalanx. Milton, P. L.

2. Having the title and character of the

Peor and Baalim Forsake their temples dim,

With that twice batter'd god of Palestine, And mooned Ashtaroth,

Heaven's queen and mother both Now sits not girt with tapers' holy shine. Milton, Ode Nativ.

Mo'oner.* n. s. [from moon.] A little

Some lesser planets moving round about the sun, and the moonets about Saturn and Jupiter.

Bp. Hall, Free Prisoner, § 2. Moon-EXED. † adj. [moon and eye.]

1. Having eyes affected by the revolutions of the moon.

2. Dim eyed; purblind. Ainsw. So manifest, that e'en the moon-ey'd sects Ainsworth.

See whom and what this providence protects. Dryden, Britan. Rediviva.

Moonfe'rn. n. s. [hemionitis.] A plant. Ainsworth.

Moon; fish is so called, because the tail fin is shaped like a half moon, by which, and his odd trussed shape, he is sufficiently distinguished. Grew, Mus.

Mo'onish.* adj. [from moon.] Like the moon; variable as the moon; flighty.

At which time would I, being but a moonish youth, grieve, be effeminate, changeable, longing, and liking. Shakspeare, As you like it.

He tells you of a deluge and wonderful fraction that hath been in that world, [the moon,] much like the same which he hath represented unto us of our world; with several other such rare moonish inventions.

Bp. H. Croft, Anim. on Burnet's The. (1685,) Pref. Mo'onless. † adj. [from moon.] Not en-

lightened by the moon.

His angry eyne look all so glaring bright, Like the hunted badger in a moonless night, Or like a painted staring Saracen.

Bp. Hall, Sat. vi. 1. Assisted by a friend, one moonless night, This Palamon from prison took his flight. Dryden, Pal. and Arc.

Mo'onlight. n. s. [moon and light.] The light afforded by the moon.

Their bishop and his clergy, being departed from them by moonlight, to choose in his room any other bishop, had been altogether impossible. Hooker

Thou hast by moonlight at her window sung, With feigning voice, verses of feigning love.

Shakspeare. Mo'onlight. adj. Illuminated by the

If you will patiently dance in our round,

And see our moonlight revels, go with us. Shaksp. What beck'ning ghost along the moonlight shade Invites my steps, and points to yonder glade?

Mo'onling.* n. s. [from moon.] A simpleton.

I have a husband, and a two-legg'd one; But such a moonling, as no wit of man, Or roses can redeem from being an ass.

B. Jonson, Dev. and Ass.

Moon-seed. n. s. [menispermum, Lat.]

The moon-seed hath a rosaceous 2. A heath; a common, or waste land. flower: the pointal is divided into three parts at the top, and afterward becomes the fruit or berry, in which is included, one flat seed, which is, when ripe, hollowed like the appearance of the moon.

Miller. Mo'onshine. n. s. [moon and shine.] 1. The lustre of the moon.

Pinch him, and burn him, and turn him about, Till candles, and starlight, and moonshine be out.

I, by the moonshine, to the windows went: And, ere I was aware, sigh'd to myself.

Shalemeare.

Dryden, Span. Friar. 2. [In burlesque.] A month. I am some twelve or fourteen moonshines

Lag of a brother. Shakspeare, K. Lear. Mo'onshine.] adj. [moon and shine.] Il-

Mo'onshiny. I luminated by the moon: both seem a popular corruption of moonshining. Fairies, black, gray, green, and white,

You moonshine revellers, and shades of night. Although it was a fair moonshine night, the

enemy thought not fit to assault them. Clarendon. I went to see them in a moonshiny night. Addison.

Mo'onstone. n. s. A kind of stone.

Ainsworth. Mo'onstruck. adj. [moon and struck.] Lunatick; affected by the moon.

Demoniack phrensy, moping melancholy, And moonstruck madness. Milton, P. L.

Moon-trefoil. n. s. [medicago, Latin.] A plant.

The moon-trefoil hath a plain orbiculated fruit, shaped like an half moon. Miller.

Mo'onwort.† n. s. [moon and wort.] Stationflower; honesty.

And I ha' been plucking (plants among) Hemlock, henbane, adder's tongue,

Night shade, moonwort, libbards-bane. B. Jonson, Masques.

Mo'ony. † adj. [from moon.]

1. Denoting the moon. Diana did begin, what mov'd me to invite Your presence, sister deare, first to my moony sphere?

Sidney, Arcad. b. 3. 2. Lunated; having a crescent for the standard resembling the moon.

> The moony standards of proud Ottoman. Sylvester, Du Bart. (1621,) p. 29.

Encountering fierce The solymean sultan, he o'erthrew

His moony troops, returning bravely smear'd With Panim blood. The soldan galls the Illyrian coast;

But soon the miscreant moony host Before the victor-cross shall fly. Fenton,

MOOR.† n. s. [moer, Teut. and Icel. mud, clay; maer, Swed. rotten earth.] 1. A marsh; a fen; a bog; a tract of low

and watry grounds. Let the marsh of Elsham Bruges tell,

What colour were their waters that same day, And all the moor 'twixt Elversham and Dell.

Spenser, F. Q. While in her girlish age she kept sheep on the moor, it chanced that a London merchant passing by saw her, and liked her, begged her of her poor parents, and carried her to his home.

Carew, Surv. of Cornwall. In the great level near Thorny, several trees of oak and fir stand in firm earth below the moor.

[mop, Sax. ericetum; mor, Icel. terra arida, inculta, et inutilis.] Brockett's North Country Words.

3. [Maurus, Latin; μαυρδς, Greek, niger; more, Fr.] A negro; a blackamoor.

I shall answer that better than you can the getting up of the negro's belly; the moor is with child by you. Shaksneare.

To Moor. v. a. [morer, French.] To fasten by anchors or otherwise.

Three more fierce Eurus in his angry mood Dash'd on the shallows of the moving sand, And in mid ocean left them moor'd at hand.

Dryden. To Moon. v. n. To be fixed by anchors; to be stationed.

Æneas gain'd Cajeta's bay: At length on oozy ground his gallies moor, Their heads are turn'd to sea, their sterns to shore. Dryden.

My vessel, driv'n by a strong gust of wind, Moor'd in a Chian creek. Addison, Addison, Ov. He visited the top of Taurus and the famous

Ararat, where Noah's ark first moored.

Arbuthnot, and Pope, Mart. Scrib. To blow a Moon. [at the fall of a deer, corrupted from à mort, French.] To sound the horn in triumph, and call in the whole company of hunters.

Ainsworth.

Mo'orage.* n. s. [from To moor.] Station where to moor. She's come to moorage,

To lay aside until carin'd.

Otia Sacra, (1648,) p. 162. Mo'orcock. n.s. [moor and cock.] The male of the moorhen.

Griev'd him to lurk the lakes beside, Where coots in rushy dingles hide, And moorcocks shun the day.

Shenstone, Ode to Sir R. Lyttleton.

Mo'orgame.* n. s. [moor and game.] Red game; grouse.

A tract of land, so thinly inhabited, must have much wild fowl; and I scarcely remember to have seen a dinner without them. The moorgame is every where to be had.

Johnson, Journ. West. Islands.

Mo'ornen. n. s. [moor and hen.] A fowl that feeds in the fens, without web feet. Water-fowls, as sea-gulls and moorhens, when they flock and fly together from the sea towards the shores, foreshew rain and wind.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Mo'orish. † adj. [from moor.] 1. Fenny; marshy; watry.

Misty, foggy air; such as comes from fens,

moorish grounds, lakes, &c. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 81.

No, Cæsar; they be pathless moorish minds, That, being once made rotten with the dung Of damned riches, ever after sink

Beneath the steps of any villainy.

B. Jonson, Poetaster. In the great level near Thorny, several oaks and firs have lain there till covered by the inundation of the fresh and salt waters, and moorish earth exaggerated upon them. Along the moorish fens

Sighs the sad genius of the coming storm.

Thomson. 2. Belonging to the Moors; denoting Moors. [Moresque, French.] Cotgrave. The weight of Moorish wealth.

Congreve, Mourn. Bride. Some tournament in the times of Moorish chivalry. Swinburne, Trav. through Spain, L. 40.

Mo'orland. n. s. [moor and land.] Marsh; fen; watry ground.

Or like a bridge that joins a marish To moorlands of a different parish.

Mo'orstone. n.s. A species of granite. The third stratum is of great rocks of moorstone Woodward on Fossils. and sandy earth.

Mo'ony. adj. [from moor.] Marshy; fenny; watry.

The dust the fields and pastures covers, As when thick mists arise from moory vales Fairfax.

In Essex, moory-land is thought the most Mortimer. Moose. + n. s. The large American deer; the biggest of the species of deer.

Are you still of opinion, that the American moose and European elk are the same creature? White's Selborne, p. 80.

To MOOT. v.a. [from morian, mor, zemor, meeting together, Sax. or perhaps, as it is a law term, from mot, French. Dr. Johnson. - It is certainly from the Sax. mor, zemor, a meeting together; morian, to treat of, as well as to meet together; the Gothick nations, as Dr. Jamieson observes, being accustomed to meet for the purpose of discussing publick concerns. Cowel, in his Law Dictionary, gives the Saxon etymon, but takes no notice of the needless Fr.] To plead a mock cause; to state a point of law by way of exercise, as was commonly done in the inns of court at appointed times.

I meane the pleading used in courte and chancery called motes, where fyrst a case is appointed to bee moted by certin young men, conteining some doubtful controversie.

Sir T. Eyot, Gov. fol. 48. A bad habit to most cases on the supposed ruin of the constitution.

Burke on the Discontents in 1770.

To Moor.* v. n. To argue or plead upon a supposed cause in law.

There is a difference between mooting and pleading; between fencing and fighting.

B. Jonson, Discoveries. Moor.* n.s. [from the verb.] Case to be disputed; point to be argued.

Orators have their declamations; lawyers have their moots. Bacon, Consid. on the Ch. of England. But to end this moot: the law of Moses is Milton, Tetrachordon.

Moot case or point. A point or case unsettled and disputable, such as may properly afford a topick of disputation. In this moot case your judgement to refuse,

Is present death. Would you not think him crack'd, who would require another to make an argument on a moot point, who understands nothing of our laws?

Locke on Education. Let us drop both our pretences; for I believe it is a most point, whether I am more likely to make a master Bull, or you a master Strutt. Arbuthnot, Hist. of J. Bull.

Moot-Hall.* | n. s. [mot-hur, mod-heal, Moot-House. | Sax.] Council-chamlooт-ноuse. Sax.] Council-chamber; hall of judgement; town-hall. See Mote. Yet used in the north of Eng-

He commaundide him to be kept in the most-Wicliffe, Acts, xxiii. halle of Eroude. Mo'oting.* n. s. [from moot.] The ex-

ercise of pleading a mock cause. By that he hath heard one mooting, and seen

two plays, he [an Inns-of-Court man] thinks as basely of the University, as a young sophister doth of the Grammar-school. Overbury, Charact. sign. K. 4.

MO'OTED. adj. Plucked up by the root. Ainsworth.

A disputer MO'OTER. n. s. [from moot.] of moot points.

MOP. + n. s. [moppa, Welsh; mappa, Latin.

1. Pieces of cloth, or locks of wool; fixed to a long handle, with which maids clean the floors.

Such is that sprinkling which some careless

Flirts on you from her mop, but not so clean. You fly, invoke the gods; then turning, stop To rail; she singing still whirls on her mon.

2. [Perhaps corrupted from mock. Dr. Johnson. — Mock and mop were certainly used indifferently. Shakspeare has both mock and mow, and mop and mow. See the edit. of Spenser, 1805. vol. 7. p. 30. But the Su. Goth. mopa, illudere, deludere, may possibly have given rise to our word.] A wry mouth or grin made in contempt.

Each one tripping on his toe Will be here with mop and mow.

Shakspeare, Tempest. To Mor. v. a. [from the noun.] To rub

with a mop. To Mor. t v. n. [from mock, or from the

Su. Goth. mopa, illudere.] To make wry mouths or grin in contempt. Five fiends have been in poor Tom at once; of lust, as Obidicut; Hobbididen, prince of dumb-

ness; Mahu, of stealing; Mohu, of murder; and Flibbertigibbet, of mopping and mowing, who since possesses chamber-maids. Shakspeare. Marke but his countenance; see how he mops

and how he mowes, and how he strains his looks. Rich, Faults, and nothing but Faults, (1606,) p. 7. An ass fell a mopping and braying at a lion.

L'Estrange.

To MOPE. + v. n. [Of this word I cannot find a probable etymology. Dr. Johnson. — Serenius thinks it to be in "mopa, deludere, pro stulto habere, Chron. Rythm. p. 288.;" and Ihre also notices the affinity between the Su. Goth. and our word.] To be stupid; to drowse; to be in a constant daydream; to be spiritless, unactive, and inattentive; to be stupid and delirious.

What a wretched and peevish fellow is this king of England, to mope with his fat-brain'd

Eyes without feeling, feeling without sight, Ears without hands or eyes, smelling sans all, Or but a sickly part of one true sense Shakspeare, Hamlet. Could not so mope. Ev'n in a dream, were we divided from them,

And were brought moping hither. Shakspeare, Tempest

Intestine stone, and ulcer, cholick pangs, Demoniack phrensy, moping melancholy, And moon-struck madness. Milton, P. L. The busy craftsman and o'erlabour'd hind, Forget the travel of the day in sleep;

Care only wakes, and moping pensiveness; With meagre discontented looks they sit, And watch the wasting of the midnight taper.

To Mope. t v. a. To make spiritless; " deprive of natural powers.

Many men are undone by this means, moped, and so dejected, that they are never to be re-Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 150.

They say there are charms in herbs, said he, and so threw a handful of grass; which was so ridiculous, that the young thief took the old man to be moped.

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It is doubtless a great disgrace to our religion to imagine, as too many superstitious Christians do, that it is an enemy to mirth and cheerfulness, and a severe exactor of pensive looks and solemn faces; that men are never serious enough till they are moped into statues, and cloistered from all society but that of their own melancholy thoughts. Scott, Christian Life, P. i. ch. 4.

Severity breaks the mind; and then in the place of a disorderly young fellow, you have a lowspirited moped creature. Locke on Education.

Mode.* n.s. [from the verb.] One who is moped; a spiritless and inattentive person.

They have made, by their humouring or gulling, "ex stulto insanum," a mope or a noddy; and all to make themselves merry.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 149. MOPE-EYED. † adj. Blind of one eye, Dr. Johnson says, on the authority of Ainsworth, without any example. It means rather short-sighted, purblind, μύωψ, Gr. See Myopy.

He pitieth his simplicity, and returneth him for answer, that, if he be not mop-eyed, he may find the procession of the divine persons in his creed. Bp. Bramhall, Schism Guarded, (1658,) p. 191.

Mo'PISH.* adj. [from mope.] Spiritless; inattentive; dejected.

They generally sit down under crosses and afflictions, are exposed to contempt and shame, traduced as a sort of mopish and unsociable creatures. Killingbeck, Serm. p. 348.
Mo'PISHNESS.* n. s. [from mopish.] De-

jection; inactivity.

The recesses of the cloyster! the seats of mopishness, superstition, and bigotry.

Coventry, Phil. to Hyd. Conv. 2. He became very melancholy, and at length fell into a kind of mopishness of fatuity.

Hist. R. S. iv. 501. MO'PPET.] n. s. [perhaps from mop.] A Mo'PSEY. J puppet made of rags, as a mop is made; a fondling name for a girl.

Our sovereign lady: made for a queen? With a globe in one hand, and a sceptre in t'other? A very pretty moppet! Dryden, Span. Friar.

Mo'PSICAL.* adj. That cannot see well: mope-eyed. Coles, Dict. 1685. Mr. Moor, in his Suffolk Words, 1823, defines it low-spirited, drooping, moping. In the following example it appears to have the meaning, from mope, of stupid, delirious.

Others of more airy and elevated fancies are altogether in millenary dreams, religious phantasms, &c. not caring much how they break any moral precept of law or gospel, &c. until they come to such a sovereignty, as may be able to govern and oppress others, their mopsical humours being never satisfied, but in fancying themselves as kings and reigning with Christ.

Bp. Gauden, Hierasp. (1653,) Pref. sign. b. Mo'Pus. n. s. [A cant word from mope.] A drone; a dreamer.

I'm grown a mere mopus; no company comes But a rabble of tenants. Swift, Miscel. MO'RAL. adj. [moral, French; moralis,

1. Relating to the practice of men towards each other, as it may be virtuous or criminal; good or bad.

Keep at the least within the compass of moral actions, which have in them vice or virtue. Hooker, Laws and ordinances positive he distinguisheth from the laws of the two tables, which were moral. Hooker.

In moral actions divine law helpeth exceedingly | 2. A mere moral man. the law of reason to guide life, but in supernatural it alone guideth. Hooker.

Now, brandish'd weapons glitt'ring in their hands,

Mankind is broken loose from moral bands; No rights of hospitality remain,

The guest, by him who harbour'd him, is slain. Dryden.

2. Reasoning or instructing with regard to vice and virtue. France spreads his banners in our noiseless

land. With plumed helm thy slay'r begins his threats,

Whilst thou, a moral fool, sit'st still and criest. Shaksneare.

3. Popular; customary; such as is known or admitted in the general business of

Physical and mathematical certainty may be stiled infallible; and moral certainty may properly be stiled indubitable.

We have found, with a moral certainty, the seat of the Mosaical abyss. Burnet, Th. of the Earth. Mathematical things are capable of the strictest demonstration; conclusions in natural philosophy are capable of proof by an induction of experiments; things of a moral nature by moral arguments, and matters of fact by credible testimony. Tillotson, Serm.

A moral universality, is when the predicate agrees to the greatest part of the particulars which are contained under the universal subject.

Watts, Logick.

1. Morality; practice or doctrine of the duties of life: this is rather a French

than English sense. Their moral and occonomy,

Most perfectly they made agree. 2. The doctrine inculcated by a fiction; the accommodation of a fable to form

- Benedictus? why benedictus? you have some moral in this benedictus.

- Moral! No, by my troth I have no moral meaning; I meant plain holy thistle. Shakspeare, Much Ado.

Expound the meaning or moral of his signs and Shakspeare, Taming of the Shrew. The moral is the first business of the poet, as being the ground-work of his instruction; this being formed, he contrives such a design or fable as may be most suitable to the moral.

Dryden, Dufresnoy. I found a moral first, and then studied for a fable, but could do nothing that pleased me.

Swift to Gay. To Mo'RAL. v. n. [from the adjective.] To moralize; to make moral reflections. Not in use.

When I did hear The motley fool thus moral on the time, My lungs began to crow like chanticleer,

That fools should be so deep contemplative. Shaks. MO'RALER.* n. s. [from moral.] A moral-

izer. 'Not in use. Come, you are too severe a moraler. Shakspeare, Othello.

Mo'RALIST. n. s. [moraliste, Fr.]

1. One who teaches the duties of life.

I have often heard my truly noble and most dear nephew, Sir Edmund Bacon, say, out of his exquisite contemplations and philosophical practice, that Nature surely, if she be well studied, is the best moralist, and hath much good counsel hidden in her bosom. - Wotton on Education.

The advice given by a great moralist to his friend was, that he should compose his passions; and let that be the work of reason, which would certainly be the work of time. Addison.

The love (in the moralist of virtue, but in the Christian) of God himself.

Hammond, Works, iv. 504. How severely, though blindly, do they judge of men's hearts! Such a man is profane, another is carnal, and a meer moralist. South, Serm. vii. 286.

MORA'LITY. r. s. [moralité, Fr. from moral.

1. The doctrine of the duties of life; ethicks.

The system of morality, to be gathered out of the writings of ancient sages, falls very short of that delivered in the gospel. Swift, Miscell.

A necessity of sinning is as impossible in morality, as any the greatest difficulty can be in na-Baker on Learning.

The form of an action which makes it. the subject of reward, or punishment.

The morality of an action is founded in the freedom of that principle, by virtue of which it is in the agent's power, having all things ready and requisite to the performance of an action, either to perform or not perform it. South, Serm.

3. An old kind of drama; an allegorical play, in which the virtues and vices were personified. [moralités, old Fr.]

The moralities indicate dawnings of the dramatic art; they contain some rudiments of a plot, and even attempt to delineate characters, and to paint manners. Warton, Hist. E. P. i. 242.

Even after the people had been accustomed to tragedies and comedies, moralities still kept their ground : one of them, entitled The New Custom, was printed so late as 1573: at length they assumed the name of Masques,

Bp. Percy, Ess. on the Orig. of the Eng. Stage. This [Hick-Scorner,] and every morality I have seen, conclude with a solemn prayer.

Ibid.

MORALIZA'TION.* n. s. [from moralize.] Explanation in a moral sense.

It is the more commendable, and also commodious, if the players have read the moralization of the chess, and when they play do think upon it.

Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 81, b.

Annexed to the fable is a moralisation of twice the length in the octave stanza. Almost every narrative was antiently supposed or made to be allegorical, and to contain a moral meaning. Warton, Hist. E. P. iii. 417.

To Mo'RALIZE. † v. a. [moraliser, Fr.]

1. To make moral. This primary meaning is overpassed by Dr. Johnson.

Good and bad stars moralize not our actions. Brown, Chr. Mor. iii. 7.

The goodness of these actions is never to be estimated merely by the degree of enthusiastick heat and ardor that is in them, but by such other laws and circumstances as moralize human actions,

Cudworth, Serm. p. 93. Those laws and circumstances which do moralize human actions, and render them reasonable, and holy, and good.

Scott's Works, (ed. 1718,) ii. 129.

2. To apply to moral purposes; to explain in a moral sense.

He 'as left me here behind to expound the meaning or moral of his signs and tokens.

- I pray thee moralize them. Shakspeare, Tam. of the Shrew.

Did he not moralize this spectacle? - O yes, into a thousand similes. Shakspeare. This fable is moralized in a common proverb. L'Estrange.

3. In Spenser it seems to mean, to furnish with manners or examples.

Fierce warres and faithful loves shall moralize my song. Spenser, F. Q.

4. In Prior, who imitates the foregoing line, it has a sense not easily discovered, if indeed it has any sense.

High as their trumpets tune his lyre he strung, And with his prince's arms he moraliz'd his song.

To Mo'RALIZE. + v. n. To speak or write on moral subjects.

When my friend was alone with me there, Isaac, said he, I know you come abroad only to moralize, and make observations. Tatler, No. 170.

Mo'RALIZER.† n. s. [from moralize; Fr. moraliseur.] One who moralizes.

Sherwood.

Dryden.

Mo'RALLY. adv. [from moral.]

1. In the ethical sense.

By good, good morally so called, bonum honestum, ought chiefly to be understood; and that the good of profit or pleasure, the bonum utile or jucundum, hardly come into any account here.

Because this, of the two brothers killing each other, is an action morally unnatural; therefore, by way of preparation, the tragedy would have begun with heaven and earth in disorder, something physically unnatural.

2. According to the rules of virtue. To take away rewards and punishments, is only pleasing to a man who resolves not to live morally.

3. Popularly; according to the common occurrences of life; according to the common judgement made of things.

It is morally impossible for an hypocrite to keep himself long upon his guard. L'Estrange. I am from the nature of the things themselves morally certain, and cannot make any doubt of it, but that a mind free from passion and prejudice

is more fit to pass a true judgement than such a one as is byassed by affections and interests.

The concurring accounts of many such witnesses render it morally, or, as we might speak, absolutely impossible that these things should be Atterbury, Serm.

Mo'RALS. n. s. [without a singular.] The practice of the duties of life; behaviour

with respect to others.

Some, as corrupt in their morals as vice could make them, have yet been solicitous to have their children soberly, virtuously, and piously brought Learn then what morals criticks ought to shew:

'Tis not enough wit, art, and learning join; In all you speak, let truth and candour shine. Pone.

MORA'SS.† n. s. [morais, French. Dr. Johnson. - Rather the Goth. marisaiws; whence moras, Su. stagnum." Marsh. Our word was, in 1656, reckoned by P. Heylin new and uncouth.] Fen; bog; moor. Landscapes point out the fairest and most fruit-

ful spots, as well as the rocks, and wildernesses, and morasses of the country. Watts on the Mind.

Nor the deep marass

Refuse, but through the shaking wilderness Thomson, Autumn-Pick your nice way.

Mora'ssy.* adj. [from morass.] Moorish; marshy; fenny.

The wind, by which they are brought on, generally comes from a morassy country.

Bryant on the Plagues of Egypt, P. III. The sides and top are covered with morassy

Mora'vian.* n. s. One of a religious sect of Moravian and Bohemian brethren, which was founded in the fifteenth century. In modern times, one of the united brethren, who are followers of Count Zinzendorf, a German nobleman; called also Herrnhuters. The gross fanaticism of these persons, in some opinions and practices, has been warmly asserted; as have also their quiet demeanour, and their undaunted courage in communicating the light of revealed religion to the most remote and uncivilized parts of the world.

The Moravians who retired to Herrnhut, and who are the most inconsiderable part of the inhabitants of that village, have nothing common with the ancient Bohemian and Moravian breth-

Rimius, Narr. of the Herrnhuters, (1753,) p. 14. A conformity has been shewn between Moravians and Papists.

Bp. Lavington, Morav. Compared, (1755,) p. 177.

MORA'VIAN.* adj. Denoting, or belonging to, the sect of Moravians. I thought it would answer the same purpose,

should I consult the writings of the Moravian Rimius, Narrative, &c. Pref. p. 6. MO'RBID. n. s. [morbidus, Lat.]

eased; in a state contrary to health. Though every human constitution is morbid,

yet there are diseases consistent with the common Arbuthnot. functions of life.

Mo'rbidness. n.s. [from morbid.] State of being diseased.

Morbifical. † adj. [morbus and facio, MORBI'FICK. } Latin; morbifique, Fr.] Causing diseases.

Some strange morbifical distemper of the air. Whitlock, Mann. of the Engl. (1654,) p. 326. Nothing but the removal of the feverish and morbifick matter within can carry off the distemper.

South, Serm, vi. 311. The air appearing so malicious in this morbifick conspiracy, exacts a more particular regard; wherefore initiate consumptives must change their

Harvey on Consumptions. This disease is cured by the critical resolution, concoction, and evacuation of the morbifick matter. Arbuthnot.

Morbo's E. adj. [morbosus, Lat.] Proceeding from disease; not healthy.

Malphighi, under galls, comprehends all preternatural and morbose tumours and excrescences of plants. Ray on Creation.

Morbo'sity. n. s. [from morbosus, Lat.] Diseased state. A word not in use.

The inference is fair, from the organ to the action, that they have eyes, therefore some sight was designed, if we except the casual impediments or morbosities in individuals.

MORDA'CIOUS. † adj. [mordax, Lat.] Biting; apt to bite.

Many of these [composts] are not only sensibly hot, but mordacious and burning. Evelyn's Earth.

Morda'ciously. * adv. [from mordacious.] Bitingly; sarcastically.

Buchanan, a learned though violent Scot, has mordaciously taunted this tradition.

Waterhouse on Fortescue, p. 201. Morda'city. † n. s. [mordacitus, Lat. mordacité, Fr. from mordax, Lat.] Biting

It is to be enquired, whether there be any menstruum to dissolve any metal that is not fretting or corroding, and openeth the body by sympathy, and not by mordacity, or violent penetration.

Its [the serpent's] rancorous venom, its keen Barrow, Works, i. 46.

Mo'RDICANCY.* n. s. [from mordicant.] Biting quality.

The mordicancy thus allayed, be sure to make the mortar clean. Evelyn, Acet. § 57.

Mo'RDICANT. adj. [mordeo, Lat. mordicant, Fr.] Biting; acrid.

He presumes, that the mordicant quality of bodies must proceed from a fiery ingredient; whereas the light and inflammable parts must be driven away by that time the fire has reduced the body to ashes.

Mordica'tion. n. s. [from mordicant.] The act of corroding or biting.

Another cause is mordication of the orifices, especially of the mesentery veins; as any thing that is sharp and biting doth provoke the part to expel, and mustard provoketh sneezing.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

MORE. † adj. [mape, Saxon; the comparative of some or great. Dr. Johnson. -Mr. Tooke views the Sax. more, a heap, as the radical word; supposing the Sax. ma, Engl. mo, to be the positive, Sax. mane, Engl. more, the comparative, and Sax. mært, Engl. most, the superlative. But not to say that more does not seem to have been used to denote quantity in general, or applied to persons, the hypothesis labours under several considerable difficulties. The first is, that mo never occurs in Saxon, but always ma; which has been corruptly changed in later times into mo, like many other words originally written with a. But besides this, the Sax. ma is as really a comparative as mare, both being used adverbially in the sense of plus, magis. As an adjective, mare properly denotes superiority in size, or in quality, major; ma, superiority in number, as plures. This word, even as changed into mo, has been always used in the same manner. Dr. Jamieson, in V. MA.]

1. In greater quantity; in greater degree. Wrong not that wrong with more contempt. Shakspeare.

These kind of knaves in this plainness Harbour more craft, and more corrupter ends Than twenty silky ducking observants. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

Their riches were more than that they might dwell together. Gen. xxxvi. 7. Let more work be laid upon the men, that they may labour. Exod. v. 9.

Then crown my joys, or cure my pain; Give me more love, or more disdain,

2. In greater number. [The comparative of some or many.]

He had so many languages in store, That only fame shall speak of him in more.

3. Greater. Now out of use.

Of India the more and the less. Mandeville. Both more and less have given him the revolt. Shaksneare.

The more part advised to depart. Acts, xxvi. 12.

4. Added to some former number. Dryden. One more citizen to sybil give.

I'm tir'd of rhyming, and would fain give o'er, But Montague demands one labour more.

Great Dryden's friends before, With open arms receiv'd one poet more.

More, adv.

1. To a greater degree.

He loved Rachel more than Leah.

Gen. xxix. 30. The spirits of animate bodies are all, in some degree, more or less kindled. Bacon, Nat. Hist. Some were of opinion, that feeling more and more in himself the weight of time, he was not unwilling to bestow upon another some part of the pains.

The more the kindled combat rises higher, The more with fury burns the blazing fire.

Dryden, En. As the blood passeth through narrower channel, the redness disappears more and more.

Arbuthnot on Aliments. The more God has blessed any man with estate or quality, just so much less in proportion is the care he takes in the education of his children.

Swift, Miscell. 2. The particle that forms the comparative degree.

I am fall'n out with my more headier will, To take the indispos'd and sickly fit

For the sound man. Shakspeare, K. Lear. May you long live a happy instrument for your king and country: happy here, and more happy

The advantages of learning are more lasting than those of arms. Collier on Pride.

3. Again; a second time.

Little did I think I should ever have business of this kind on my hands more.

4. Longer; yet continuing: with the negative particle.

Cassius is no more / Oh, setting sun! As in thy red rays thou dost sink to-night, So in his red blood Cassius' day is set. Shaksp.

More. n. s. [A kind of comparative from some or much.

1. A greater quantity; a greater degree. Perhaps some of the examples which are adduced under the adverb, with the before more, should be placed here; but I rather think the more to be adverbial.

Were I king, I should cut off the nobles for their lands;

And my more having would be as a sauce

To make me hunger more. Shakspeare, Macbeth. An heroick poem requires some great action of war; and as much or more of the active virtue than the suffering. The Lord do so, and much more, to Jonathan.

1 Sam.

From hence the greatest part of ills descend, When lust of getting more will have no end.

They that would have more and more can never have enough; no, not if a miracle should interpose to gratify their avarice.

L'Estrange. A mariner having let down a large portion of his sounding line, he reaches no bottom, whereby he knows the depth to be so many fathoms and more; but how much that more is, he hath no distinct notion. Locke.

2. Greater thing; other thing.

They, who so state a question, do no more but separate the parts of it one from another, and lay them so in their due order.

3. Second time; longer time.

They steer'd their course to the same quiet shore, Not parted long, and now to part no more. Pope. 4. It is doubtful whether the word, in this

use, be a noun or adverb.

The dove returned not again unto him any Pr'ythee be satisfy'd; he shall be aided,

Or I'll no more be king. Dryden, Cleom. Delia, the queen of love, let all deplore! Delia, the queen of beauty, is now no more. Walsh. To More.* To make more. Obsolete. What he will make more, he moreth. Gower, Conf. Am. B. 7.

More.* n. s. [Saxon mop, a mountain.] 1. A hill. North. Hence the Staffordshire morelands or morlands. See MORE-

2. A root. [Saxon mopan, baccæ, semina-Somner.] Used in Gloucestershire; as a moring-axe is for an axe to grub up the roots of trees.

"Tenne thousand mores of sundry scent and hew." Spens, F. Q. vi. vii. 10. In Hughes's edition 'tis spelt more. We use the word mores in the west of England for roots, &c.

Upton, Note on Spenser. More'en.* n. s. A kind of stuff used for curtains and bed-hangings.

More'L. † n. s. [morille, French.]

1. A kind of mushroom, as Cotgrave describes it; or rather a kind of fungus, the external part of which is cellular, and resembles a honey-comb. It is a great delicacy at the table, when eaten fresh, and is also preserved and dried for culinary purposes. Gay has well described this vegetable by the title of spungy.

Spungy morels in strong ragousts are found, And in the soup the slimy snail is drown'd.

Gay, Trivia.

2. A kind of cherry. [μαυρός, Greek, black. Littleton.]

Morel is a black cherry, fit for the conservatory before it be thorough ripe, but it is bitter eaten

Mo'reland. n. s. [mopland, Saxon; mop, a mountain, and lan6.] A mountainous is called the Morlands, from being

Mo'RENESS.* n. s. [from more.] Greatness, Obsolete. See the third sense of the adjective more.

Moreness of Christ's vicars is not measured by worldly moreness.

Wicliffe, Lett. in Lewis's Life of W. p. 284.

Moreo'ver. adv. [more and over.] Beyond what has been mentioned; besides; likewise; also; over and above. Moreover he hath left you all his walks. Shaks. He did hold me dear

Above this world; adding thereto, moreover, That he would wed me, or else die my lover.

Shakspeare. Moreover by them is thy servant warned.

More'sk.* adj. [moresque, French, from Maurus, Latin.] Done after the manner of the Moors; a term applied to a kind of antique carving and painting; " moresk work, fueillage moresque." See Cotgrave in V. Moresque. It is oftener written morisco.

They trim it with paint after the morisco man-* Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 129. A piece of as good Morisco work as any I had yet seen. Swinburne, Trav. L. 31.

Mo'rglay. † n.s. A deadly weapon. Ainsworth. Glaive and morte, French, and glay môhr, Erse, a two-handed broadsword, which some centuries ago was MO'RMO.† n. 's. [ή μορμώ.] Bugbear; the Highlander's weapon.

A trusty morglay in a rusty sheath. Cleaveland, Poems, &c. p. 15.

To MORI'GERATE.* v. n. [morigero, Latin, from mores and gero; morigerare, Ital. To do as one is commanded; to obey. This pedantick word is in the old vocabulary of Cockeram, and was probably in use. Bacon, we see, considered morigeration as a serviceable word. And Dr. Johnson thought fit to give morigerous, though without any authority; which, however, is in the enlarged edition of Bullokar's Expositor in 1656.

Morigera'tion.* n. s. [morigeratio, Lat.] Obedience; obsequiousness.

Not that I can tax or condemn the morigeration. or application of learned men to men in fortune. Bacon, Adv. of Learning, B. 1.

Courtesy and morigeration will gain mightily upon them. Howell, Instruct. For. Trav. p. 59.

Mori'Gerous.† adj. [moriger, Lat.] Obedient; obsequious; civil. Bullokar. Mo'RION. n. s. [French.] A helmet; armour for the head; a casque.

For all his majesty's ships a proportion of swords, targets, morions, and cuiras of proof should be allowed.

Polish'd steel that cast the view aside, And crested morions with their plumy pride, Dryden.

Mori'sco. 1 n. s. [morisco, Spanish, mo-Mo'risk.] risque, old French.]

1. The Moorish language.

He, leaping in first of all, set hand to his falchion, and said in morisco, Let none of you that are here stir. — The Moors, hearing their

master say so, were marvellously amazed. Shelton, D. Quixote, iv. 14. or hilly country: a tract of Staffordshire 2. A dance after the manner of the Moors,

often written morris, but sometimes more properly morice. Morisco, morisk, morice, seems an easy deduction; though mores is also an old word for Moorish. To this purpose were taken up at Rome these

foreign exercises of vaulting and dancing the moriske. Hakewill on Providence, p. 365. The lady and her companions, attended with

musick and a morisco-dance of men. Blount, Anc. Ten. p. 149.

3. A dancer of the morris or moorishdance.

I have seen him Caper upright like a wild morisco,

Shaking the bloody darts, as he his bells. Shakspeare, Hen. VI. P. II. Your wit skips a morisco.

Marston, What you will, (1607.)

Mori'sco.* adj. Applied to carving and painting. See Moresk.

Mo'rkin. + n. s. [Dr. Johnson cites this word from Bailey, without etymology or example. The word is old; and

agrees with the Swedish murken, rotten, from murkna, to rot.] A wild beast, dead through sickness or mischance. Not a wild beast alone, but a sheep, deer, -

Some sorry morkin that unbidden dies.

Mo'RLING. \{ n. s. [mort, French.] Wool Mo'RTLING. \} plucked from a dead Ainsworth.

false terrour.

The belief of a judgement day is no panick fear, or melancholy dream: 'tis no trick of politicians, or mormo of priests to fright fools and keep the world in awe, but a truth as certain and undoubted as the oracles of truth can make it.

Glanville, Serm. p. 306. All the rest is phlegmatickly passed over with a "simul, id quod, &c." as only the mormos and bugbears of a frighted rabble.

Warburton on Prodigies, p. 80.

MORN. † n. s. [Goth. maurgins; Icel. morgen, myrgen; Sax. mongen, mengen, mepien, mepne, mapne, mopne. Mr. H. Tooke derives this substantive from the Goth. merjan, Sax. meppan, myppan, to spread abroad, to dissipate, to scatter; "morrow therefore and morn (the former being the past tense of myppan, with the addition of the participial termination en,) have both the same meaning, viz. dissipated, dispersed. And whenever either of those words is used by us, clouds or darkness are understood; whose dispersion, or the time when they are dispersed, it expresses. Div. of Purl. ii. 214. Dr. Jamieson views the Gothick maurgins as allied to the verb maurgjan, to shorten; as the dawn of morning shortens the reign of darkness, or cuts off the night. The term is used by Ulph. St. Mark, xiii. 20. he adds, expressly with respect to time: "gamurgida thans dagans," he hath shortened the days: the days referred to are those of darkness in a figurative sense. Mr. Tooke's is the more natural deduction. And thus the Latin mane has been traced to the Greek μανὸν, clear, which is from the verb μανόω, to rarify, to make clear. I may further observe the Moro'cco.* n. s. A fine sort of leather, concurrent sentiment of our great poet, in the morning hymn of Adam and

" If the night

"Have gather'd aught of evil, or "conceal'd,

" Disperse it, as now light dispels the " dark."

The first part of the day; the morning. Morn is not used but by the poets.

The cock, that is the trumpet to the morn, Doth with his lofty and shrill-sounding throat, Shakspeare, Hamlet. Awake the god of day. Can you forget your golden beds,

Where you might sleep beyond the morn. Lee Friendship shall still thy evening feasts adorn, And blooming peace shall ever bless thy morn.

Mo'RNING. † n. s. [monzen, Saxon, but our morning seems rather to come from morn. Dr. Johnson. - Myppende is the regular present participle of mynpan; for which we had formerly morewende. The present participial termination ende is, in modern English, always converted to ing. Hence morewing, morwing, and by an easy corruption morning. Mr. H. Tooke, Div. of Purl. ii. 215. MORN.] The first part of the day, from the first appearance of light to the end of the first fourth part of the sun's daily course.

One master Brook hath sent your worship a morning's draught of sack.

Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor. By the second hour in the morning Desire the earl to see me. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

Morning by morning shall it pass over. Isa. xxviii. 19.

What shall become of us before night, who are weary so early in the morning?

Bp. Taylor, Guide to Devotion. The morning is the proper part of the day for Dryden.

Every morning sees her early at her prayers, she rejoices in the beginning of every day, because it begins all her pious rules of holy living, and brings the fresh pleasures of repeating them.

Mo'RNING. adj. Being in the early part of the day.

She looks as clear

As morning roses newly wash'd with dew. Shaksp. Your goodness is as a morning cloud, and as the early dew it goeth away. Hos. vi. 5 Let us go down after the Philistines by night,

and spoil them until the morning light.

The twining jessamine and blushing rose, With lavish grace their morning scents disclose.

All the night they stem the liquid way, And end their voyage with the morning ray. Pope, Odyss.

Mo'rning-gown. n. s. A loose gown worn before one is formally dressed.

Seeing a great many in rich morning gowns, he was amazed to find that persons of quality were up so early.

Mo'RNING-STAR. n.s. The planet Venus when she shines in the morning.

Bright as doth the morning-star appear, Out of the East, with flaming locks bedight,

To tell the dawning day is drawing near. Spenser, F. Q.

of various colours; the preparation of which is said to have been borrowed from the kingdom of Morocco. The word is sometimes written like the French term, marroquin.

MORO'SE.† adj. [morosus, Latin. Dr. Johnson. - This word is not of great age in our language. Dr. Johnson has found no earlier usage of it than that in the example from Addison. I find it nearly in the Latin form, morosous, in 1616; and in 1662, morose; employed by the authors for ungovernable.]

1. Ungovernable; licentious. Not now

Daily experience either often relapses, or mo-

rosous desires Sheldon, Miracles of Antichrist, (1616,) p. 201. In this commandment are forbidden all that

feeds this sin, [adultery,] or are incentives to it; as luxurious diet; inflaming wines; an idle life; morose thoughts, that dwell in the fancy with de-

Bp. Nicholson, Expos. of the Catech. (1662,) p. 123. 2. Sour of temper: peevish; sullen.

Without these precautions, the man degenerates into a cynick, the woman into a coquette; the man grows sullen and morose, the woman impertinent. Addison, Spect.

Some have deserved censure for a morose and affected taciturnity, and others have made speeches, though they had nothing to say

Watts, Impr. of the Mind. Moro'sely. adv. [from morose.] Sourly; peevishly.

Too many are as morosely positive in their age, as they were childishly so in their youth. Gov. of the Tongue.

Moro'seness. n. s. [from morose.] Sourness; peevishness.

Take care that no sourness and moroseness mingle with our serious frame of mind. Nelson. Learn good humour, never to oppose without just reason; abate some degrees of pride and moroseness.

Moro'sity.† n. s. [morosité, Fr. Cotgrave; morositas, Latin; from morose. Moroseness; sourness; peevishness. Why then be sad,

But entertain no morosity, brothers, other

Than a joint burthen laid upon us. Shakspeare
This morosity and sullenness is far from being imitable and laudable.

> Bp. Taylor, Serm. (1653,) p. 294. Some morosities

We must expect, since jealousy belongs To age, of scorn, and tender sense of wrongs. Denham.

The pride of this man, and the popularity of that; the levity of one, and the morosity of an-

Is not a morosity and singularity in such things often made a veil and cover of licentiousness in greater things? Sprat, Serm. (1677,) p. 16.

MO'RPHEW. † n. s. [morphée, French; morphæa, low Lat. morfea, Ital.] A scurf on the face.

We shall then see the shameful wrinkles and foul morphews of our soul.

Bp. Hall, Fall of Pride.

To Mo'RPHEW.* v. a. [from the noun.] To cover with scurf.

And sullen rags bewray his morphew'd skin.

Bp. Hall, Sat. iv. 5. The face that was fair, is now distorted and morphewed. Bp. Hall, St. Paul's Combat. Mo'rris.† n. s. [that is moorish or

Mo'RRIS-DANCE. morisco-dance. 1. A dance in which bells are gingled, or staves or swords clashed, which was

learned by the Moors, and was probably a kind of Pyrrhick or military dance. The queen stood in some doubt of a Spanish

invasion, though it proved but a morris-dance upon our waves. One in his catalogue of a feigned library, sets down this title of a book. The morris-dance of

hereticks. The sounds and seas, with all their finny drove,

Now to the moon in wavering morrice move. Milton, Comus.

I took delight in pieces that shewed a country village, morrice-dancing, and peasants together by the ears. Peacham.

The vulgar sort [of Persians] delight in mor-ce-dancing. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 304. rice-dancing. The dithyrambus was a kind of extatick morice-

Stilling fleet, Orig. Sac. ii. 4. Four reapers danced a morrice to oaten pipes. Spectator.

2. Nine mens' Morris. A kind of play with nine holes in the ground. It is called also merils, and five-penny morris. The game is played with stones in England, but in France with pawns or men made on purpose, called merelles, which Mr. Tollet thinks "to have been originally black, and therefore so termed; as we call a black cherry a morello, and a small black cherry a merry; perhaps from Maurus, a moor, or rather from morum, a mulberry."

The folds stand empty in the drowned field, And crows are fatted with the murrain flock; The nine mens' morris is filled up with mud.

Shakspeare, Mids. N. Dream. Nine mens' morrice is a game still played by the shepherds, cowkeepers, &c. in the midland counties, as follows: A figure (of squares, one within another,) is made on the ground by cutting out the turf; and two persons take each nine stones, which they place by turns in the angles, and afterwards move alternately, as at chess or draughts. He who can play three in a straight line may then take off any one of his adversary's, where he pleases, till one, having lost all his men, loses the game. Alchorne, Note on Shakspeare.

Mo'rris-dancer. n. s. [morris and dance.] One who dances à la moresca, the moorish dance.

There went about the country a set of morrisdancers, composed of ten men, who danced a maid marian and a tabor and pipe.

Mo'rris-pike.* n. s. [morris and pike.] A Moorish pike; a formidable weapon used by the Moors.

He that sets up his rest to do more exploits

with his mace, than a morris-nike.

Shakspeare, Com. of Err. The English mariners laid about them with brown bills, halberts, and morrice-pikes. Reynard, Deliv. of cert. Christians from the Turks.

Mo'rrow. † n. s. [See the etymon of MORN. The original meaning of morrow seems to have been morning, which being often referred to on the preceding day, was understood in time to signify the whole day next following.]

1. The morning; the primary meaning. Upon a morow tide. Gower, Conf. Am. B. 3. Tho when appeared the third morrow bright Upon the waves to spread her trembling light, An hideous roring far away they heard.

Spenser, F. Q. ii. xii. 2. She's white as morrow's milk, or flakes new blown Bp. Hall, Sat. i. 7. The pale rose her colour lost renews

With the fresh drops fall'n from the silver morrow. Fairfax, Tass. xx. 129. I would not buy

Their mercy at the price of one fair word : To have't with saying, good morrow. Shakspeare, Coriol.

2. The day after the present day.

Canst pluck night from me but not lend a morrow. Shakspeare.

The Lord did that thing on the morrow. Exod. ix. 6. Peace, good reader, do not weep,

Peace, the lovers are asleep; Let them sleep, let them sleep on, Till this stormy night be gone, And the eternal morrow dawn, Then the curtains will be drawn, And they waken with the light, Whose days shall never sleep in night. Crashaw. To morrow you will live, you always cry, In what far country doth this morrow lie? That 'tis so mighty long e'er it arrive Beyond the Indies does this morrow live? 'Tis so far fetch'd this morrow, that I fear 'Twill be both very old and very dear. To morrow will I live, the fool does say, To day itself's too late, the wise liv'd yesterday.

3. To Mo'rrow. [This is an idiom of the same kind, supposing morrow to mean originally morning: as to night: to day.] On the day after this current day.

Cowley.

To morrow comes; 'tis noon; 'tis night; This day like all the former flies; Yet on he runs to seek delight

To morrow, till to night he dies. 4. To morrow is sometimes, I think, im-

properly used as a noun. Our yesterday's to morrow now is gone, And still a new to morrow does come on. We by to morrows draw out all our store,

Till the exhausted well can yield no more. To morrow is the time when all is to be rectified. Spectator.

Morse. n. s. [phoca.] A sea-horse.

That which is commonly called a sea-horse is properly called a morse, and makes not out that It seems to have been a tusk of the morse or

waltron, called by some the sea-horse. Woodward on Fossils.

Mo'rsel. † n. s. [morsellus, low Lat. from morsus. Dr. Johnson. - We have the word from the ancient French morsel or

1. A piece fit for the mouth; a mouthful. Yet cam'st thou to a morsel of this feast, Having fully din'd before. Shakspeare, Coriol. And me his parent would full soon devour For want of other prey, but knows that I

Should prove a bitter morsel, and his bane. Every morsel to a satisfied hunger, is only a new labour to a tired digestion. South, Serm.

He boils the flesh, And lays the mangled morsels in a dish. Dryden. A wretch is prisoner made,

Whose flesh torn off by lumps, the ravenous foe In morsels cut to make it farther go. Tate, Juv. A letter to the keeper of the lion requested that it may be the first morsel put into his mouth. Addison.

2. A piece; a meal.

On these herbs, and fruits and flowers, Feed first; on each beast next, and fish and fowl, No homely morsels! A dog crossing a river with a morsel of flesh in his mouth, saw, as he thought, another dog under the water, upon the very same adventure. L'Estrange.

3. A small quantity. Not proper. Of the morsels of native and pure gold, he had seen some weighed many pounds.

Mo'rsure. n. s. [morsure, French; morsura, Latin. The act of biting. MORT. † n. s. [morte, French.]

1. A tune sounded at the death of the Mo'RTAL. n. s.

To be making practis'd smiles, As in a looking-glass, and to sigh, as 'twere The mort o'the deer; oh, that is entertainment My bosom likes not. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

2. [Morgt, Icelandick.] A great quantity. Not in elegant use, but preserved

colloquially in many parts.

3. A salmon in the third year of its growth, so called by fishermen in some parts of England.

MO'RTAL. adj. [mortalis, Lat. mortel, Fr.] 1. Subject to death; doomed sometime to

Nature does require Her times of preservation, which, perforce, I her frail son amongst my brethren mortal Must give my attendance to.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. This corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.

Heavenly powers, where shall we find such love! Which of ye will be mortal to redeem Man's mortal crime, and just, the unjust to save?

Milton, P. L. The day thou eat'st thereof, my sole command Transgress'd, inevitably thou shalt die;

From that day mortal: and this happy state Shalt lose. Milton, P. L. 2. Deadly; destructive; procuring death. Come all you spirits

That tend on mortal thoughts, unsex me here, And fill me from the crown to the toe, top-full Shakspeare, Macbeth.

The mortalest poisons practised by the West Indians, have some mixture of the blood, fat, or flesh of man.

The fruit Of that forbidden tree, whose mortal taste Brought death into the world and all our woe.

Milton, P. L. Some circumstances have been great discouragers of trade, and others are absolutely mortal to Temple.

Hope not, base man! unquestion'd hence to go, For I am Palamon, thy mortal foe. Dryden. 3. Bringing death.

Save in the hand of one disposing power, Or in the natal or the mortal hour.

Pope, Ess. on Man. 4. Inferring divine condemnation; not ve-

Though every sin of itself be mortal, yet all are not equally mortal; but some more, some less. Perkins.

5. Human; belonging to man.

They met me in the day of success; and I have learned by the perfected report, they have more in them than mortal knowledge. Shaksp. Macbeth. Macbeth

Shall live the lease of nature, pay his breath To time and mortal custom. Shakspeare, Macbeth. The voice of God

To mortal ear is dreadful; they beseech, That Moses might report to them his will, And terrour space. Milton, P. L. Success, the mark no mortal wit.

Or surest hand, can always hit. No one enjoyment but is liable to be lost by ten thousand accidents, out of all mortal power to pre-South, Serm.

6. Extreme; violent. A low word.

The birds were in a mortal apprehension of the beetles, till the sparrow reasoned them into under-L'Estrange.

The nymph grew pale, and in a mortal fright, Spent with the labour of so long a flight; And now despairing, cast a mournful look Upon the streams. Druden.

1. Man; human being.

Warn poor mortals left behind. Tickell. This is often used in ludicrous language.

I can behold no mortal now, For what's an eye without a brow? Prior. MORTA'LITY. n. s. [from mortal.]

1. Subjection to death; state of a being subject to death.

When I saw her die, I then did think on your mortality.

I point out mistakes in life and religion, that we might guard against the springs of error, guilt, and sorrow, which surround us in every state of mortality. Watts, Logick. 2. Death.

I beg mortality Rather than life preserv'd with infamy. Shaksp. Gladly would I meet

Mortality my sentence. Milton, P. L. 3. Power of destruction.

Mortality and mercy in Vienna Live in thy tongue and heart.

Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas.

4. Frequency of death.

The rise of keeping those accounts, first began in the year 1592, being a time of great mortality.

5. Human nature.

A single vision so transports them, that it makes up the happiness of their lives; mortality cannot bear it often.

Take these tears, mortality's relief, And till we share your joys, forgive our grief.

Pope. To Mo'RTALIZE.* v. a. [from mortal.]

To make mortal

We know you're flesh and blood as well as men, And, when we will, can mortalize and make you so again. A. Brome.

Mo'RTALLY. adv. [from mortal.]

1. Irrecoverably; to death.

In the battle of Landen you were not only dangerously, but in all appearance mortally wounded.

2. Extremely; to extremity. A low lu- 2. The state of being pledged. dicrous word.

Adrian mortally envied poets, painters, and artificers, in works wherein he had a vein to excel. Bacon, Essays.

Know all, who would pretend to my good grace, I mortally dislike a damning face.

Mo'RTAR. † n. s. [montene, Saxon; mortarium, Latin; mortier, French.]

1. A strong vessel in which materials are broken by being pounded with a pestle. Except you could bray Christendom in a mortar, and mould it into a new paste, there is no possi-Bacon. bility of an holy war.

The action of the diaphragm and muscles serves for the comminution of the meat in the stomach by their constant agitation upwards and downwards, resembling the pounding of materials in a mortar. Ray on Creation.

2. A short wide cannon, out of which bombs are thrown.

Those arms, which for nine centuries had brav'd The wrath of time, on antique stone engrav'd,

Now torn by mortars stand yet undefac'd On nobler trophies by thy valour rais'd. Granville.

Mo'RTAR. n. s. [morter, Dutch; mortier, French.] Cement made of lime and sand with water, and used to join stones

or bricks. Mortar, in architecture, is a preparation of lime and sand mixed up with water, serving as a cement, and used by masons and bricklayers in building of walls of stone and brick. Wolfius observes, that the sand should be dry and sharp, so as to prick the hands when rubbed, yet not earthy, so as to foul the water it is washed in: he also finds fault with masons and bricklayers as committing a great errour in letting their lime slacken and cool before they make up their mortar, and also in letting their mortar cool and die before they use it; therefore he advises, that if you expect your work to be well done, and to continue long, to work up the lime quick, and but a little at a time, that the mortar may not lie long before it be

I will tread this unbolted villain into mortar, and daub the wall of a jakes with him.

Shakspeare, K. Lear. They had brick for stone, and slime for morter. Gen. xi. 3.

Lime hot out of the kiln mixed soft with water, putting sand to it, will make better mortar than Mortimer.

Mo'rter.* n.s. [mortier, Fr. Cotgrave.] A lamp or light; a chamber-lamp. By that morter which that I see brenne, Know I ful wel that day is not far henne.

Chaucer, Tr. and Cress. iv. 1245.

MO'RTGAGE. n. s. [mort and gage, Fr.]

1. A dead pledge; a thing put into the hands of a creditor.

The estate runs out, and mortgages are made, Their fortune ruin'd, and their fame betray'd.

The Romans do not seem to have known the

secret of paper credit, and securities upon mort-Arbuthnot. The broker,

Bent on some mortgage, to avoid reproach, He seeks bye-streets, and saves the expensive coach.

The land is given in mortgage only, with full intention to be redeemed within one year. Bacon, Off. of Alienation.

To Mo'RTGAGE.† v. a. [from the noun.] To pledge; to put to pledge; to make over to a creditor as a security.

Mortgaging their lives to covetise.

Spenser, F. Q. i. v. 46. His land mortgag'd. Bp. Hall, Sat. iv. 6. Let men contrive how they disentangle their mortgaged souls. Decay of Chr. Piety. They make the widows' mortgag'd ox their prey.

Their not abating of their expensive way of living, has forced them to mortgage their best manors.

Some have his lands, but none his treasur'd store.

Lands unmanur'd by us, and mortgag'd o'er and o'er.

Mortgage'e. n. s. [from mortgage.] that takes or receives a mortgage.

An act may pass for publick registries of land, by which all purchasers or mortgagees may be secured of all monies they lay out. Temple, Miscel.

Mo'RTGAGER. n. s. [from mortgage.] One that gives a mortgage.

Morti'ferous. adj. [mortifer, Latin.] Fatal; deadly; destructive.

What is it but a continued perpetuated voice from heaven, to give men no rest in their sins, no quiet from Christ's importunity, till they awake from the lethargick sleep, and arise from so dead, so mortiferous a state, and permit him to give them Hammond on Fundamentals.

These murmurings, like a mortiferous herb, are poisonous, even in their first spring.

Gov. of the Tongue.

MORTIFICA'TION. n. s. [mortification, Fr.;

from mortify.]

1. The state of corrupting, or losing the vital qualities; gangrene. It appeareth in the gangrene, or mortification of

flesh, either by opiates, or intense colds Bacon, Nat. Hist.

My griefs ferment and rage, Nor less than wounds immedicable, Rankle and fester, and gangrene, To black mortification.

2. Destruction of active qualities. Inquire what gives impediment to union or restitution, which is called mortification; as when quicksilver is mortified with turpentine.

3. The act of subduing the body by hardships and macerations.

A diet of some fish is more rich and alkalescent than that of flesh, and therefore very improper for such as practise mortification. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

4. Humiliation; subjection of the passions. The mortification of our lusts has something in it that is troublesome, yet nothing that is unreason-

You see no real mortification, or self-denial, no eminent charity, no profound humility, no heavenly affection, no true contempt of the world, no Christian weakness, no sincere zeal, or eminent piety, in the common lives of Christians.

5. Vexation; trouble. It is one of the vexatious mortifications of a studious man, to have his thoughts disordered by a tedious visit.

We had the mortification to lose the sight of Munich, Augsburg, and Ratisbon. Addison on Italy.

Mo'rtifiedness.* n. s. [from mortified.] Humiliation; subjection of the passions. No way suitable to that Christian simplicity, mortifiedness, modesty, and humility, which those times required.

Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 114.

Mo'RTIFIER.* n. s. [from mortify; Fr. mortifieur.] One who mortifies his passions. Sherwood.

To MO'RTIFY. † v. a. [mortifier, French.] 1. To destroy vital qualities.

If of the stem the frost mortify any part, cut it Evelyn, B. ii. ch. i. § 3.

2. To destroy active powers, or essential

What gives impediment to union or restitution is called mortification, as when quicksilver is mortified with tupentine or spittle.

He mortified pearls in vinegar, and drunk them Hakewill.

Oil of tartar per deliquium has a great faculty to find out and mortify acid spirits. 3. To subdue inordinate passions.

The breath no sooner left his father's body, But that his wildness mortified in him,

Shakspeare, Hen. V. Seem'd to die too. Suppress thy knowing pride,

Mortify thy learned lust, Vain are thy thoughts, while thou thyself art dust.

Prior. He modestly conjectures, His pupil might be tir'd with lectures,

Which help'd to martify his pride.

4. To macerate or harass, in order to reduce the body to compliance with the mind.

Their dear causes Would to the bleeding and the grim alarm

Shakspeare, Macbeth. Excite the mortified man. We mortify ourselves with fish, and think we fare coarsely if we abstain from flesh.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

Mortify'd he was to that degree, A poorer than himself he would not see. Dryden. With fasting mortify'd, worn out with tears, And bent beneath the load of seventy years.

Harte. To humble; to depress; to vex.

Let my liver rather heat with wine, Than my heart cool with mortifying groans. Shaksneare.

He is controuled by a nod, mortified by a frown, and transported by a smile. Addison, Guardian.

How often is the ambitious man mortified with the very praises he receives, if they do not rise so high as he thinks they ought? Addison, Spect.

To Mo'RTIFY. v. n.

1. To gangrene; to corrupt.

Try it with capon laid abroad, to see whether it will mortify and become tender sooner; or with dead flies with water cast upon them, to see whether it will putrify.

Bacon.

To be subdued; to die away.
 To practise religious severities.

This makes him careful of every temper of his heart, give alms to all that he hath, watch, and fast, and mortify, and live according to the strictest rules of temperance, meekness, and humanity.

MO'RTISE. n. s. [mortaise, mortoise, French.] A hole cut into wood that another piece may be put into it, and form a joint.

A fuller blast ne'er shook our battlements;

If it hath ruffian'd so upon the sea,

What ribs of oak, when mountains melt on them, Can hold the mortise. Shakspeare, Othello. Under one skin are parts variously mingled, some with cavities, as mortesses to receive, others with tenons to fit cavities. Rav.

To Mo'RTISE. v. a.

1. To cut with a mortise; to join with a mortise.

'Tis a massy wheel,

To whose huge spoke ten thousand lesser things Are mortis'd and adjoin'd. Shakspeare, Hamlet. The walls of spiders' legs are made, Well mortis'd and finely laid. Drayton, Nymphid.

2. It seems in the following passage im-

properly used.

The one half of the ship being finished, and by help of a screw launched into the water, the other half was joined by great brass nails mortised with lead.

Arbuthnot on Coins.

MO'RIMAIN.† n. s. [morte and main, Fr.] Such a state of possession as makes it unalienable; whence it is said to be in a dead hand, in a hand that cannot shift away the property.

It were meet that some small portion of lands were allotted since no more mortmains are to be looked for.

Superser.

Either to enliven the pallid deadness of it, [the face,] and to redeem it from mortmain; or to pair and match the inequal cheeks to each other.

Bp. Taylor, Artif: Handsom. p. 62.
Lauds in mortmain are a dead weight upon commerce.

Warburton, Serm. 31.

Mo'RTPAY. n. s. [mort and pay.] Dead

pay; payment not made.

This parliament was merely a parliament of war, with some statutes conducing thereunto; as the severe punishing of mortpayes, and keeping back of soldiers' wages.

Bacon.

Mo'rtress. n. s. [from mortier de sagesse, French. Skinner.] A dish of meat of various kinds beaten together.

A mortress made with the brawn of capons, stamped, strained, and mingled with like quantity of almond butter, is excellent to nourish the weak.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Mo'RTUARY. † n. s. [mortuaire, French; mortuarium, Latin.]

 A burial-place. Not noticed by Dr. Johnson, or any of our lexicographers. See also the adjective mortuary.

Look on thy full table as a mortuary of the dispeopled elements; where their slain are huddled up. Whitlock, Mann. of the Eng. (1654,) p. 36.

2. A gift left by a man at his death to his parish church, for the recompence of his personal tithes and offerings not duly paid in his life-time. Harris. — Mortuaries are a kind of ecclesiastical heriots, being a customary gift claimed by and due to the minister in very many parishes

on the death of his parishioners. They seem to have been originally, like lay heriots, only a voluntary bequest to the church. Blackstone.

Mo'rtuary.* adj. [mortuaire, French.]
Belonging to the burial of the dead.

Near the pyramids and mortuary caves.

Greenhill, Art of Embalming, p. 323.

Mosa'ICAL. † \ adj. [mosaique, French; Mosa'ick. | supposed to be corrupted from musæus, Latin. Dr. Johnson. --Mosaick work, the opus musivum of the Latins; Gr. Barb. μέσα, tessella variè picturata; whence μεσάκιου, musaicum, mosaicum. V. Meursii Gloss.] Mosaick is a kind of painting in small pebbles, cockles, and shells of sundry colours; and of late days likewise with pieces of glass figured at pleasure; an ornament in truth, of much beauty, and long life, but of most use in pavements and Wotton, Architecture. floorings. The trees were to them [the flowers] a pavilion,

and they to the trees a mosaical floor.

Sidney, Arcad. b. 1.

Each beauteous flower, Iris all hues, roses, and jessamin,

Rear'd high their flourish'd heads between, and wrought

Mosaick. Milton, P. L.

The most remarkable remnant of it is a very beautiful mosaick pavement, the finest I have ever seen in marble; the parts are so well joined together, that the whole piece looks like a continued picture.

Addison on Italy.

Mosa'ıcal.* adj. Denoting the writings Mosa'ıck. or law of Moses.

For his acquaintance with the Mosaical learning, as it is more credible in itself, so I have also better proof.

More, Conj. Cabb. p. 188.

The Mosaick sacrifices were types (and by both the dispensations of the Law and Gospel declared to be so) of the great vicarious sacrifice of the cross.

Warburton, Div. Reg. ix. 2.

Mo'schatel. n. s. [moschatellina, Latin.]
A plant.
Miller.

Mo'skered.* adj. [maschel, mascher, Teut. macula, labes. Our word is also maskered in the Craven Dialect. Grose gives this northern word in the form of moskered.] Rotten: decayed.

The teeth stand thin, or loose, or moskered at the root. Granger on Eccles. (1621,) p. 320. Mosque.† n.s. [mosquée, French; moschit,

Turkish. Dr. Johnson. — From the Arab. masgiad, a place of worship.] A Mahometan temple.

The very Turks have their moschs or places to pray in. Hallywell, Acc. of Famalism, (1673,) p. 46. In this mosque we saw several large incense-pots, candlesticks for altars, and other church-furniture, being the spoils of Christian churches at the taking of Cyprus.

Maundrel, Trav. p. 14.

MOSS.† n. s. [muscus, Latin; meor, Sax.; mossa, Su. Goth. muscus. Spegel.]

A plant

Though moss was formerly supposed to be only an excrescence produced from the earth and trees, yet it is no less a perfect plant than those of greater magnitude, having roots, flowers, and seeds, yet cannot be propagated from seeds by any art: the botanists distinguish it into many species: it chiefly flourishes in

cold countries, and in the winter season, and is many times very injurious to fruit trees: the only remedy in such cases is to cut down part of the trees, and plough up the ground between those left remaining; and in the spring, in moist weather, you should with an iron instrument scrape off the moss.

Miller.

Moss is a kind of mould of the earth and trees; but it may be better sorted as a rudiment of germination.

Bacon,

Houses then were caves, or homely sheds, With twining oziers fenc'd, and moss their beds.

Such mosses as grow upon walls, roofs of houses, and other high places, have seeds that when shaken out of their vessels, appear like vapour or smoke. Ray on the Creation.

2. A morass, or boggy place. [mossa, Su. Goth. mussa, low Latin.] Still used in the north of England.

In many of the mosses of the West Riding of

Yorkshire are often dug up birch-trees.

The justices of Northumberland and Cumberland may make order in sessions for charging the respective counties for securing the same against the moss-troopers; that is, thieves and robbers, who, after having committed offences in the borders, do escape through the wastes and mosses.

Stat. 13 & 14 Ch. II. c. 22.

To Moss. v. a. [from the noun.] To cover with moss.

An oak whose boughs were moss'd with age, And high top bald with dry antiquity.

Shakspeare, As you like it.
Will these moss'd trees,

That have out-liv'd the eagle, page thy heels, And skip when thou point'st out?

Moss-grown.* adj. Covered or over-

grown with moss.

The moss-grown domes with spiry turrets crown'd.

Pope, Eloisa to Abelard.

The rude and moss-grown beech
O'er-canopies the glade. Gray, Ode 1.
Mo'ssiness. n.s. [from mossy.] The state of

being covered or overgrown with moss.

The herbs withered at the top, sheweth the earth to be very cold, and so doth the mossiness of trees.

Mo'ssy. adj. [from moss.] Overgrown with moss; covered with moss.

Old trees are more mossy far than young; for that the sap is not so frank as to rise all to the boughs, but tireth by the way, and putteth out moss.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.
About the mossy brooks and springs.

And all inferiour beauteous things. Cowley.

The mossy fountains and the sylvan shades
Delight no more. Pope, Messiah.

MOST. adj. the superlative of more. [mærk, Saxon; meest, Dutch. Dr. Johnson. — Mr. Tooke has charged Junius with saying untruly that most is formed from the positive mæne, having mæppe as the comparative, and mæpert, by contraction mærk, as the superlative. But candour required that this singularity in the Saxon should have been mentioned, that mæpe is used as a positive, magnus, and a comparative, major; while mæpert is the superlative. It does not appear, indeed, that this is the origin of mært, which occurs in the simple form of maists, M. Goth. from the comparative maiza. Dr. Jamieson in V. Ma.

· And thus Serenius deduces most; M. Goth. maiza, maists; Icel. meire, moire, moist, most, major, maximus,]

1. Consisting of the greatest number; consisting of the greatest quantity.

Garden fruits which have any acrimony in them and most sorts of berries, will produce diar-

He thinks most sorts of learning flourished among them, and I, that only some sort of learning was kept alive by them.

2. Greatest. Obsolete.

They all repair'd both most and least.

Spenser, F. Q.

Mosr. adv. [maists, Gothick: mært, Sax.; meest, Dutch; mest, Danish.]

1. In the greatest degree.

Coward dogs

Most spend their mouths, when what they seem to threaten

Runs far-before them.

He for whose only sake, Or most for his, such toils I undertake.

Dryden, Æn. Whilst comprehended under that consciousness, the little finger is as much a part of itself as what is most so.

That which will most influence their carriage will be the company they converse with, and the fashion of those about them. Locke on Education.

2. The particle noting the superlative de-

Competency of all other proportions is the most incentive to industry; too little makes men des-

perate, and too much careless. Decay of Chr. Piety. The faculties of the supreme spirit most certainly may be enlarged without bounds.

Cheyne, Phil. Principles.

Mosr. Ithis is a kind of substantive, being, according to its signification, singular or plural.

1. The greatest number: in this sense it is

Many of the apostles' immediate disciples sent or carried the books of the four evangelists to most of the churches they had planted.

Addison on the Chr. Religion. Gravitation not being essential to matter, ought not to be reckoned among those laws which arise from the disposition of bodies, such as most of the Cheyne. laws of motion are.

2. The greatest value: in this sense singular.

The report of this repulse flying to London, the most was made of that which was true, and many Hayward. falsities added.

A covetous man makes the most of what he has, and can get, without regard to Providence or Na-

L'Estrange. 3. The greatest degree; the greatest quantity; the utmost.

A Spaniard will live in Irish ground a quarter of a year, or some months at the most.

Most an end.* See the twentieth sense of End.

Mo'stick. † n. s. A painter's staff on which he leans his hand when he paints. Dr. Johnson from Ainsworth. It is certainly a corruption of maul-stick.

Mo'sTLY. adv. [from most.] For the

greastest part. This image of God, namely, natural reason, if totally or mostly defaced, the right of government

Mo'stwhat. adv. [most and what.] For the most part. Obsolete.

God's promises being the ground of hope, and those promises being but seldom absolute, mostwhat conditionate, the Christian grace of hope must be proportioned and attemperate to the promise; if it exceed that temper and proportion, it becomes a tympany of hope. Hammond.

Mota'tion. n. s. Act of moving. Dict. Mote. n. s. [mot, Saxon; atomus, Latin.] A small particle of matter; any thing

proverbially little.

You found his mote, the king your mote did see; But I a beam do find in each of three. Shakspeare. The little motes in the sun do ever stir, though Bacon, Nat. Hist. there be no wind.

Mo'TER.* See Motor.

Mor.* n. s. [French, mot.] A word; a motto; a sentence added to a device. Obsolete.

With his big title, and Italian mot.

Bp. Hall, Sat. v. 2. Expressing by those several mots connexed, that, with those arms of counsel and strength, the Genius was able to extinguish the king's enemies. B. Jonson, K. James's Entertainment. Fabius' perpetual golden coat,

Which might have "semper idem" for a mot. Marston, Sat.

Mote.* n. s. [mot zemot, Saxon; mot, Icel.; mote, Su. Goth.] A meeting; an assembly: used in composition, as burgmote, folkmote; which see. See also MOOT-HALL.

Mote. † [moet, Dutch.] Obsolete.

1. Must.

In stede of weping and praieres, Men mote give silver to the poore freres.

Chaucer, C. T. Prol. However loth he were his way to slake,

Yet mote he algates now abide. Spenser, F. Q. 2. Might.

Most ugly shapes, Such as dame nature self mote fear to see, Or shame, that ever should so foul defects From her most cunning hand escaped be.

Spenser, F. Q. Within the postern stood Argantes stout To rescue her, if ill mote her betide.

Fairfax, Tass. iii. 13.

Mo'TET.* n. s. [Ital. mottetto; Fr. motet.] A kind of sacred air; a hymn.

Commending this song's delicate air, that motet's dainty air. Brewer, Lingua, (1657,) iv. 1. Dr. Aldrich has adapted the music of two of their motets to English words.

Mason on Church Musick, p. 115. Moth.† n. s. Гтоб, Saxon; from matha, Goth. a worm or maggot.] A small insect or worm, which eats cloths and hangings; and afterwards becomes winged.

All the yarn Penelope spun in Ulysses's absence, did but fill Ithaca full of moths.

Shakspeare, Coriol. Every soldier in the wars should do as every sick man in his bed, wash every moth out of his

Let moths through pages eat their way, Your wars, your loves, your praises be forgot, And make of all an universal blot.

To Moth-Eat.* v. a. [moth and eat.] To prey upon, as a moth preys upon a gar-

ment. Ruin and neglect have so moth-eaten her, [the town of Fettipore,] as at this day she lies prostrate, and is become the object of contempt and Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 64. MOTH-EATEN.* adj. Eaten of moths.

He as a rotten thing consumeth, as a garment at is moth-eaten. Job, xiii. 28.
The old copy is kept "in archivis," though, that is moth-eaten.

perhaps, as it always was, neglected, soiled, and noth-eaten. Hammond, Works, iv. 658.

MO'THEN.* adj. [from moth.] Full of moths.

We rake not up olde, mouldie, and mothen parchmentes to seeke our progenitours' names. Fulke against Allen, (1580,) p. 125.

MO'THER. + n. s. [motop, Sax.; moder, Icel.; Su. Goth, and Dan.; moeder, Dutch; mader, Persian; mater, Lat.; μητηρ, Dor.; ματηρ, Gr.]

1. A woman that has born a child; cor-

relative to son or daughter. Let thy mother rather feel thy pride, than fear

Shakspeare, Coriol. Thy dangerous stoutness. Come sit down every mother's son,

Shakspeare. And rehearse your parts. I had not so much of man in me,

But all my mother came into mine eyes,

And gave me up to tears. Shakspeare, Hen. V. 2. That which has produced any thing.

Alas, poor country! It cannot

Be call'd our mother, but our grave. Shakspeare. The resemblance of the constitution and diet of the inhabitants to those of their mother country, occasion a great affinity in the popular diseases. Arbuthnot on Air.

The strongest branch leave for a standard, cutting off the rest close to the body of the mother Mortimer, Husb.

3. That which has preceded in time: as, a mother church to chapels.

4. That which requires reverence and obedience.

The good of mother church, as well as that of civil society, renders a judicial practice necessary. Ayliffe, Parergon.

5. Hysterical passion; so called, as being imagined peculiar to women. Dr. Johnson. - But this was not a general supposition. See the commentators on Shakspeare's King Lear. This word was also written moother.

Lear. O, how this mother swells up tow'rd my Melancthon will have it [melancholy] as com-

mon to men, as the mother to women, upon some grievous trouble, passion, dislike, or discontent. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 177.

This stopping of the stomach might be the mother; forasmuch as many were troubled with mother fits, although few returned to have died of Graunt, Bills of Mortality.

6. A familiar term of address to an old woman; or to a woman dedicated to religious austerities. I will about it straight;

No longer staying, but to give the mother Notice of my affair. Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas.

7. [Moeder, Dutch, from modder, mud.] A thick substance concreting in liquors;

the lees or scum concreted. If the body be liquid, and not apt to putrefy to-

tally, it will cast up a mother, as the mothers of distilled waters. Potted fowl, and fish come in so fast,

That ere the first is out the second stinks, And mouldy mother gathers on the brinks.

Dryden. 8. [More properly modder; modde, Teut.] A young girl. See MAUTHER, and

A sling for a mother, a bow for a boy, Tusser, Husbandry. A whip for a carter.

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MODDER.

Mo'THER. adj. Had at the birth; native. For whatsoever mother wit or art

Could work he put in proof. Spenser, Hubb. Tale. Where did you study all this goodly speech?

- It is extempore, from my mother wit. Shaksp. Boccace lived in the same age with Chaucer, had the same genius, and followed the same studies: both writ novels, and each of them cultivated his mother tongue. Dryden.

At length-divine Cecilia came, Inventress of the vocal frame, Enlarg'd the former narrow bounds, And added length to solemn sounds,

With nature's mother wit, and arts unknown before. Druden.

To Mo'THER. v. n. To gather concretion. They oint their naked limbs with mother'd oil. Dryden.

To Mo'THER.* v. a. To adopt as a son or daughter.

The queen, to have put lady Elizabeth besides the crown, would have mother'd another body's child. Howel, Hist. of Eng. p. 170.

Mot'HER in law. n. s. [mother and law.] The mother of a husband or wife.

I am come to set at variance the daughter in law against the mother in law. St. Matt. x. 35. MOTHER of pearl. A kind of coarse pearl; the shell in which pearls are generated.

His mortal blade In ivory sheath, yearv'd with curious slights, Whose hilt was burnish'd gold, and handle strong Of mother-pearl. Spenser, F. Q. They were of onyx, sometimes of mother of pearl. Hakewill.

MOTHER of thyme. n. s. [serpyllum, Lat.] It hath trailing branches, which are not so woody and hard as those of thyme, but in every other respect is the same. Miller.

Mo'THERHOOD. n. s. [from mother.] The office or character of a mother.

Thou shalt see the blessed mother-maid Exalted more for being good,

Than for her interest of motherhood. Mo'THERING.* adj. To go a mothering, is to visit parents on Midlent Sunday a custom derived, as Cowel informs us, from persons, in the times of popery, visiting their mother-church on that day. and making their offerings at the high altar. The custom is yet retained in some places, and is also known by the name of midlenting

I'll to thee a simnell bring, 'Gainst thou go'st a mothering; So that, when she blesseth thee, Half that blessing thou'lt give me.

Herrick, Hesperides, p. 278. Mo'Therless. adj. [from mother.] Destitute of a mother; orphan of a mother. I might shew you my children, whom the rigour

of your justice would make complete orphans, being already motherless.

Waller, Sp. to the H. of Commons. My concern for the three poor motherless children obliges me to give you this advice.

Mo'THERLY. † adj. [Saxon, mobeplic.] Belonging to a mother; suitable to a

They can owe no less than child-like obedience to her that hath more than motherly power. Hooker. They termed her the great mother, for her motherly care in cherishing her brethren whilst young. Ralegh.

Within her breast though calm, her breast 9. Impulse communicated. though pure,

Motherly cares and fears got head, and rais'd Some troubled thoughts. Milton, P. R. When I see the motherly airs of my little daughters when playing with their puppets, I cannot but flatter myself that their husbands and children will be happy in the possession of such wives and mothers. Addison, Spect.

Though she was a truly good woman, and had a sincere motherly love for her son John, yet there wanted not those who endeavoured to create a misunderstanding between them. Arbuthnot.

Mo'THERLY. adv. [from mother.] In manner of a mother.

Th' air doth not motherly sit on the earth, To hatch her seasons, and give all things birth.

Mo'THERWORT. n. s. [cardiaca, Latin.] A plant.

Mo'thery. adj. [from mother.] Concreted; full of concretions; dreggy; feculent: used of liquors.

MOTHMU'LLEIN. n. s. [blattaria, Latin.] A plant.

Mo'THWORT. n. s. [moth and wort.] An herb.

Mo'THY. adj. [from moth.] Full of moths. His horse hipp'd with an old mothy saddle, the stirrups of no kindred. Shaksp. Tam. of the Shrew. MO'TION. † n. s. [motion, French; motio,

1. The act of changing place: opposed to rest.

Immediate are the acts of God, more swift Than time or motion. Milton, P. L.

The sedentary Earth, Serv'd by more noble than herself, attains Her end without least motion. Milton, P. L.

2. That part of philosophy which considers bodies as acting on each other; to which belong the laws of motion.

3. Animal life and action. Devoid of sense and motion. Milton, P. L.

The soul O'er ministerial members does preside, To all their various provinces divide, Each member move, and every motion guide.

Blackmore. 4. Manner of moving the body; port;

Speaking or mute, all comeliness and grace Attend thee, and each word, each motion form.

Milton, P. L. Virtue too, as well as vice, is clad In flesh and blood so well, that Plato had Beheld, what his high fancy once embrac'd, Virtue with colours, speech and motion grac'd.

5. Change of posture: action. By quick instinctive motion up I sprung.

Milton, P. L. Encourag'd thus she brought her younglings

Watching the motions of her patron's eye. Dryden. 6. Military march, or remove.

See the guards,

By me encamp'd on yonder hill, expect Their motion. Milton, P. L.

7. Agitation; intestine action. My womb

Prodigious motion felt, and rueful throes. Milton, P. L

Cease, cease thou foaming ocean, For what's thy troubled motion

To that within my breast?

8. Direction; tendency. In our proper motion we ascend. Milton, P. L.

Whether that motion, vitality and operation, were by incubation, or how else, the manner is only known to God. Ralegh.

Carnality within raises all the combustion without: this is the great wheel to which the clock wes its motion.

Decay of Chr. Piety.

Love awakes the sleepy vigour of the soul, owes its motion.

And brushing o'er, adds motion to the pool.

10. Tendency of the mind; thought im-

Let a good man obey every good motion rising in his heart, knowing that every such motion proceeds from God.

11. Proposal made. What would you with me?

- Your father and my uncle have made motions ; if it be my luck, so; if not, happy man be his dole Shakspeare. If our queen and this young prince agree,

I'll join my younger daughter, and my joy, To him forthwith, in holy wedlock bands.

- Yes, I agree, and thank you for your motion. Shakspeare. 12. [In old language.] A puppet show;

a puppet, and in a sense of contempt. He compassed a motion of the prodigal son, and

married a tinker's wife, within a mile where my land and living lies. I would dance at may-poles, and make syllabubs; as a country-gentlewoman, keep a good

house, and come up to term to see motions. B. Jonson, Cynthia's Revels.

If he be that motion, that you tell me of, And make no more noise, I shall entertain him. Beaum. and Fl. Rule a Wife. This travelling motion has been abroad in quest

of strange fashions. Marmion, Antiquary. To Mo'TION. † v. a. [from the noun.] To propose.

I want friends to motion such a matter. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 576.

Sir, the thing (But that I would not seem to counsel you)

I should have motion'd to you at the first. B. Jonson, Fox.

Thou, that, after the impetuous rage of five bloody mundations, - when we were quite breath+ less of thy free grace, didst motion peace and terms of covenant with us,

Milton, Of Reform. B. 2.

To Mo'TION.* v. n. To advise; to make proposal; to offer plans.

Well hast thou motion'd, well thy thoughts employ'd, How we might best fulfil the work which here

God hath assign'd us. Milton, P. L.

Mo'TIONER.* n. s. [from motion.] A mover. Not in use. Cotgrave. Mo'TIONLESS. adj. [from motion.] Want-

ing motion; being without motion. We cannot free the lady that sits here,

In stony fetters fixt, and motionless. Millon, Comus. Ha! Do I dream? Is this my hop'd success? I grow a statue, stiff and motionless.

Dryden, Aurengz. Should our globe have had a greater share Of this strong force, by which the parts cohere; Things had been bound by such a pow'rful chain, That all would fix'd and motionless remain.

Blackmore.

Mo'TIVE. adj. [motivus, Lat.] 1. Causing motion; having moment.

Shall every motive argument used in such kind

of conferences be made a rule for others still to conclude the like by, concerning all things of like nature, when as probable inducements may lead them to the contrary? Hooker.

2. Having the power to move; having power to change place; having power to pass foremost to motion.

The nerves serve for the conveyance of the motive faculty from the brain; the ligatures for the strengthening of them, that they may not flag in motion.

We ask you whence does motive vigour flow? Blackmore.

That fancy is easily disproved from the motive power of souls embodied, and the gradual increase of men and animals. Rentley.

Mo'TIVE. † n. s. [old Fr. motive, cause.]

1. That which determines the choice: that which incites the action.

Hereof we have no commandment, either in nature or Scripture, which doth exact them at our hands; yet those motives there are in both, which draw most effectually our minds unto them.

Why in that rawness left you wife and children, Those precious motives, those strong knots of love, Without leave-taking. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

What can be a stronger motive to a firm trust on our Maker, than the giving us his Son to suffer Addison. for us?

The motive for continuing in the same state is only the present satisfaction in it; the motive to change is always some uneasiness.

2. Mover. Not in use.

Heaven brought me up to be my daughter's dower:

As it hath fated her to be my motive And helper to a husband. Shakspeare, All's Well. Her wanton spirits look out

At every joint, and motive of her body.

Shakspeare, Troil. and Cress.

Mo'TLEY. † adj. [supposed to be corrupted from medley; perhaps from mothlike, coloured, spotted or variegated like a garden-moth. Dr. Johnson. - But we are to remember that medley was anciently applied in the present sense of mixed colour; which renders the corruption of motley more probable. See Motley. Lydgate has "floures of sundry motles," i. e. colours.] Mingled of various colours.

They that come to see a fellow I, a long motley coat, guarded with yellow, Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. Will be deceiv'd. Expence and after-thought, and idle care,

And doubts of motley hue, and dark despair.

Enquire from whence this motley style Did first our Roman purity defile. Dryden, Pers.

Traulus, of amphibious breed, Motley fruit of mungril seed; By the dam from lordlings sprung,

Swift. By the sire exhal'd from dung.

Mo'TOR. † n. s. [moteur, French; from moveo, Lat.] A mover.

Tell motion it is worse than mad, whose motor's not Almightie. Davies, Wit's Pilgrim. sign. Q. 2. b. Where there is no adulterous intent or evil thought in the heart; whose prime moter and spring (as to its end and purpose) being set true to the measure of God's will, the outward wheels,

motions, and indications cannot go amiss.

Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 41. Those bodies being of a congenerous nature, do readily receive the impressions of their motor, and if not fettered by their gravity, conform themselves to situations, wherein they best unite unto

Brown, Vulg. Err. their animator. Mo'TORY. adj. [motorius, Latin.] Giving

The bones, were they dry, could not, without great difficulty, yield to the plucks and attractions Ray on the Creation. of the motory muscles.

Mo'TTO. n. s. [motto, Italian.] A sentence or word added to a device, or prefixed to any thing written.

It may be said to be the motto of human nature, rather to suffer than to die. L' Estrange.

We ought to be meek-spirited, till we are assured of the honesty of our ancestors; for covetousness and circumvention make no good motto Collier.

It was the motto of a bishop eminent for his piety and good works in king Charles the Second's reign, Inservi Deo & latare, Serve God and be Addison, Freeholder.

To Mouch.* See To Mounch.

Mo'vable. † adj. [from move. Old French movable. Some write this word moveable, and its derivatives moveableness, moveably; but there is no necessity for retaining the e, any more than in improvable, or immovable, where Dr. Johnson indeed omits it; and it is indeed now usually omitted.]

1. Capable of being moved; not fixed; portable; such as may be carried from

place to place.

In the vast wilderness, when the people of God had no settled habitation, yet a movable tabernacle they were commanded of God to make. Hooker.

When he made his prayer, he found the boat he was in movable and unbound, the rest remained

Any heat whatsoever promotes the ascent of mineral matter, which is subtile, and is consequently movable more easily. Woodward, Nat. Hist.

Any who sees the Teverone must conclude it to be one of the most movable rivers in the world, that it is so often shifted out of one channel into Addison on Italy. another. 2. Changing the time of the year.

The lunar month is natural and periodical, by which the movable festivals of the Christian church are regulated.

Mo'vables. n.s. pl. [meubles, Fr.] Goods; furniture; distinguished from real or immovable possessions: as, lands or houses.

The plate, coin, revenues, and movables, Whereof our uncle Gaunt did stand possess'd. Shakspeare.

Let him that moved you hither, Remove you hence; I knew you at the first You were a movable.

- Why, what's a movable?

- A join'd stool. Shakspeare, Tam. of the Shrew. Surveys rich movables with curious eye,

Beats down the price, and threatens still so buy. Dryden.

Mo'vableness. n. s. [from movable.] Mobility; possibility to be moved.

Du Moulin took his errour, at leastwise touching the moveableness of the poles of the equator, from Joseph Scaliger. Hakewill on Prov. p. 92.

Mo'vably. adv. [from movable.] So as it may be moved.

His back-piece is composed of eighteen plates, movably joined together by as many intermediate

To MOVE. v. a. [moveo, Latin.]

1. To put out of one place into another; to put in motion.

Sinai itself was moved at the presence of God.

At this my heart trembleth, and is moved out of Job. xxvii. 1.

2. To give an impulse to.

He sorrows now, repents, and prays contrite; My motions in him; longer than they move, His heart I know, how variable and vain Milton, P. L.

The will being the power of directing our operative faculties to some action, for some end, cannot at any time be moved towards what is judged at that time inattainable.

To propose; to recommend.

If the first consultation be not sufficient, the will may move a review, and require the understanding to inform itself better.

Bp. Bramhall against Hobbes. They are to be blamed alike, who move and who decline war upon particular respects. Hayward, Edw. VI.

They find a great inconvenience in moving their suits by an interpreter. Davies on Ireland. To Indamora you my suit must move. Dryden.

To persuade; to prevail on; to dispose by something determining the choice.

A thousand knees, Ten thousand years together, naked fasting, Upon a barren mountain, and still winter In storm perpetual, could not move the gods

To look that way thou wert. Shaksp. Wint. Tale. Grittus offered the Transylvanians money; but minds desirous of revenge were not moved with

Sometimes the possibility of preferment prevailing with the credulous, expectation of less expence with the covetous, opinion of ease with the fond, and assurance of remoteness with the unkind parents, have moved them without discretion, to engage their children in adventures of learning, by whose return they have received but small con Wotton. tentment.

Could any power of sense the Roman move To burn his own right hand? Danies.

That which moves a man to do any thing, must be the apprehension and expectation of some good from the thing which he is about to do.

When she saw her reasons idly spent, And could not move him from his fix'd intent, Dryden, Æn. She flew to rage.

But when no female arts his mind could move, She turn'd to furious hate her impious love.

Dryden, Æn. What can thy mind to this long journey move,

Or need'st thou absence to renew thy love? Dryden.

5. To affect; to touch pathetically; to stir passion.

If he see aught in you that makes him like, That any thing he sees, which moves his liking, I can with ease translate it to my will.

Shakspeare, K. John. It was great ign'rance, Gloster's eyes being out.

To let him live; where he arrives he moves All hearts against us. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

Should a shipwreck'd sailor sing his woe, Would'st thou be mov'd to pity, or bestow

Dryden, Pers. Images are very sparingly to be introduced; their proper place is in poems and orations, and

their use is to move pity or terrour, compassion Felton on the Classicks. and resentment. O let thy sister, daughter, handmaid move

Or all those tender names in one, thy love. Pope.

6. To make angry.

From those bloody hands Throw your distemper'd weapons to the ground And hear the sentence of your moved prince. Shukspeare.

7. To put into commotion.

When they were come to Bethlehem, all the city was moved about them. Ruth, i. 19.

To incite; to produce by incitement. Then feed on thoughts, that voluntary move Harmonious numbers. Milton, P. L.

9. To conduct regularly in motion.

They, as they move Their starry dance in numbers that compute Days, months, and years, tow'rds his all cheering

lamp Turn swift their various motions. Milton, P. L. To Move. v. n.

1. To be in a state of changing place; not to be at rest.

Whether heaven move or earth

Imports not, if thou reckon right. Milton, P. L. The senses represent the earth as immovable: for though it do move in itself, it rests to us who are carried with it.

2. To have a particular direction of passage.

The sun

Had first his precept so to move, so shine, As might affect the earth with cold and heat, Milton, P. L.

3. To go from one place to another. I look'd toward Birnam, and anon, methought, The wood began to move.

Within this three mile may you see it coming; I say a moving grove. Shakspeare, Macbeth. On the green bank I sat and listen'd long,

Nor till her lay was ended could I move, But wish'd to dwell for ever in the grove. Dryd.

This saying, that God is the place of spirits, being literal, makes us conceive that spirits move up and down, and have their distances and intervals in God, as bodies have in space. Locke.

When we are come to the utmost extremity of body, what is there that can put a stop, and satisfy the mind, that it is at the end of space, when it is satisfied that body itself can move into Locke.

Any thing that moves round about in a circle in less time than our ideas are wont to succeed one another in our minds, is not perceived to move, but seems to be a perfect entire circle of that matter. Locke.

The goddess moves To visit Paphos, and her blooming groves. Pope, Odyss.

4. To have vital action.

In him we live, move, and have our being. Acts, xvii. 28.

Every moving thing that liveth shall be meat for you.

5. To walk; to bear the body. See great Marcellus! how inur'd in toils

He moves with manly grace, how rich with regal spoils. Dryden, Æn. 6. To march as an army.

Anon they move

In perfect phalanx to the Dorian mood.

Milton, P. L. 7. To go forward. Through various hazards and events we move

To Latium. Dryden, Æn. 8. To change the posture of the body in

ceremony. When Haman saw Mordecai that he stood not

up, nor moved for him, he was full of indignation. Esth. v. 9.

Move. n. s. The act of moving, commonly used at chess.

I saw two angels play'd the mate; With man, alas! no otherwise it proves,

An unseen hand makes all their moves. Cowley.

Mo'veless. adj. Unmoved; not to be put out of the place. The lungs, though untouched, will remain

noveless as to any expansion or contraction i their substance.

The Grecian phalanx, moveless as a tow'r, On all sides batter'd, yet resists his pow'r.

Pope, Iliad.

Mo'VEMENT. n. s. [mouvement, French.] 1. Manner of moving.

What farther relieves descriptions of battles, is the art of introducing pathetick circumstances about the heroes, which raise a different movement in the mind, compassion and pity.

Pope, Ess. on Homer.

Under workmen are expert enough at making a single wheel in a clock, but are utterly ignorant how to adjust the several parts, or regulate the movement.

2. Motion.

Could he whose laws the rolling planets bind, Describe or fix one movement of the mind? Pope.

Mo'vent. adj. [movens, Lat.] If it be in some part movent, and in some part quiescent, it must needs be a curve line, and so no Grew, Cosmol. Sacra.

Mo'vent. n. s. [movens, Lat.] That which moves another.

That there is a motion which makes the vicissitudes of day and night, sense may assure us; but whether the sun or earth be the common movent, cannot be determined but by a further appeal. Glanville, Scensis.

Mo'ver. n. s. [from move.]

1. The person or thing that gives motion. O thou eternal mover of the heavens.

Look with a gentle eye upon this wretch! Shaksp. The strength of a spring were better assisted by the labour of some intelligent mover, as the heavenly orbs are supposed to be turned. Wilkins, Math. Magick.

2. Something that moves, or stands not

You as the soul, as the first mover, you Vigour and life on every part bestow. Waller. So orbs from the first mover motion take,

Yet each their proper revolutions make. Dryden. 3. A proposer.

See here these movers, that do prize their honours

At a crack'd drachm; cushions, leaden spoons, Ere yet the fight be done, pack up.

Shakspeare, Coriol. If any question be moved concerning the doctrine of the church of England expressed in the thirty-nine articles, give not the least ear to the movers thereof. Racon.

Mought. } n. s. [Saxon, mozőe.] moth.

Your clothis ben eten of moughtis

Wicliffe, St. James, v. Ne mough after bite it.

P. Ploughman, fol. 67. b. Mought.† Used for might. Obsolete. Dr. Johnson. - It is the pret. of the old verb mowe, now converted into may.

Godfrido this both heard, and saw, and knew, Yet nould with death them chastise, though he mought. Fairfux, Tass. xiii. 70.

Mo'ving.* n. s. [from move.] Motive; impulse.

Represent the first movings of the heart towards any forbidden object, as unlawful in themselves, and destructive in their consequence.

South, Serm. vi. 162. The pretext of piety is but like the hand of a clock, set indeed more conspicuously, but directed wholly by the secret movings of carnality Decay of Chr. Piety.

Mo'ving. participial adj. [from move.]
Pathetick; touching; adapted to affect the passions.

Great Jupiter. The moving prayer of Æacus did grant, And into men and women turn'd the ant.

Blackmore. Mo'vingly. adj. [from moving.] thetically; in such a manner as to seize the passions.

The choice and flower of all things profitable in other books, the Psalms do both more briefly and more movingly express, by reason of that poetical form wherewith they are written. Hooker. I would have had them write more movingly.

His air, his voice, his looks, and honest soul, Speak all so movingly in his behalf, I dare not trust myself to hear him talk.

Addison, Cato. Mo'vingness.* n. s. [from moving.]

Power to affect the passions.

There is a strange movingness, and, if the epithet be not too bold, a kind of heavenly magick to be found in some passages of the Scripture, which is to be found no where else.

Boyle, Style of H. Script. p. 242. MOULD. † n. s. [moegel, Swedish. Dr.

Johnson. - From mouiller, Fr. to wet or moisten; mouillé, anglicised, becoming mouilled, mouill'd, mould. Mr. H. Tooke. - Skinner had proposed a similar derivation; softness, he says, being the occasion of mould. Menage derives mouiller from the Lat. molliare, to soften.]

1. A kind of concretion on the top or outside of things kept motionless and damp; now discovered by microscopes to be perfect plants.

All moulds are inceptions of putrefaction, as the moulds of pies and flesh, which moulds turn into

Moss is a kind of mould of the earth and trees, but may be better sorted as a rudiment of germination.

Another special affinity is between plants and mould, or putrefaction; for all putrefaction; if it dissolve not in arefaction, will, in the end, issue into plants. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

The malt made in summer is apt to contract mould Mortimer.

A hermit, who has been shut up in his cell in a college, has contracted a sort of mould and rust upon his soul, and all his airs have awkwardness in them.

2. M. Goth. muld; Icel. mold; Saxon, molb.] Earth; soil; ground in which

any thing grows.

Those moulds that are of a bright chesnut or hazelly colour are accounted the best; next to that, the dark grey and russet moulds are accounted best; the light and dark ash-colour are reckoned the worst, such as are usually found on common or heathy ground: the clear tawny is by no means to be approved, but that of a yellowish colour is reckoned the worst of all; this is commonly found in wild and waste parts of the country, and for the most part produces nothing but goss, furz, and fern. All good lands after rain, or breaking up by the spade, will emit a good smell; that being always the best that is neither too unctuous or too lean, but such as will easily dissolve; of a just consistence between sand and clay.

Though worms devour me, though I turn to mould.

Yet in my flesh I shall his face behold.

Sandys, Paraph. The black earth, every where obvious on the surface of the ground, we call mould. Woodward.

3. Matter of which any thing is made. When the world began, One common mass compos'd the mould of man.

Nature form'd me of her softest mould, Enfeebled all my soul with tender passions,

And sunk me even below my weak sex. Addison, Cato. 4. [Span. molde; Fr. moule.] The matrix

in which any thing is cast; in which any thing receives its form.

If the liturgies of all the ancient churches be compared, it may be perceived they had all one original mould.

A dangerous precedent were left for the casting of prayers into certain poetical moulds. French churches all cast according unto that mould which Calvin had made. Hooker.

My wife comes foremost; then the honour'd mould

Wherein this trunk was fram'd. Shaksp. Coriol. You may have fruit in more accurate figures, according as you make the moulds.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

The liquid ore he drain'd Into fit moulds prepar'd; from which he form'd First his own tools: then what might else be wrought

Fusile, or grav'n in metal. Milton, P. L. We may hope for new heavens and a new earth, more pure and perfect than the former; as if this was a refiner's fire, to purge out the dross and coarse parts, and then cast the mass again into a new and better mould. Burnet.

Sure our souls were near allied, and thine Cast in the same poetick mould with mine.

Here in fit moulds to Indian nations known, Are cast the several kinds of precious stone. Blackmore.

5. Cast; form.

No mates for you Unless you were of gentler, milder mould.

Shakspeare, William earl of Pembroke was a man of another

mould, and making, being the most universally beloved of any man of that age, and having a great office, he made the court itself better esteemed, and more reverenced in the country.

Nor virtue, wit, nor beauty, could Preserve from death's hand this their heavenly mould.

What creatures there inhabit, of what mould, Or substance, how endu'd, and what their power, Milton, P. L. And where their weakness. So must the writer, whose productions should Take with the vulgar, be of vulgar mould.

From their main-top joyful news they hear Of ships, which by their mould bring new supplies.

Dryden. Hans Carvel, impotent and old,

Married a lass of London mould. 6. The suture or contexture of the skull. Ainsworth.

7. It is used in a sense a little strained by Shakspeare.

New honours come upon him, Like our strange garments cleave not to their

mould. But with the end of use. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

8. A spot: as, an iron-mould. [Goth. malo,

rust; Saxon, mal, a spot.] More correctly, and anciently, mole. Thy best cote, Hankin,

Hath many moles and spottes. P. Ploughman, fol. 65.

To Mould. t v. n. [from the noun. Dr. Johnson. - Saxon. Mr. Tyrwhitt. -Certainly allied to molen, vetus Fland. cariem contrahere. Kilian. The same with meluwen, Teut. to be worm-eaten, from meluwe, a little worm; whence multen, Su. rotten, putrified. But see the deduction from the Fr. mouiller, by Mr. Tooke; and it must be observed. our word was at first written moule, and mowle.] To contract concreted matter; to gather moult; to rot; to breed worms; to putrify.

Let us not moulen thus in idleness.

Chaucer, Man of Lawes Prol.

For feare of worme-eatyng, mowlynge, or stynk-When the host reserved beginneth to moul or

putrifie, and should ingender wormes, then an other substance succeedeth it.

Abp. Cranmer, Ans. to Bp. Gardiner, p. 400. Pureness cannot moule, nor sweetness cannot be sour.

Abp. Cranmer, Ans. to Bp. Gardiner, p. 401. In woods, in waves, in wars she wants to dwell, And will be found with peril and with pain; Ne can the man that moulds in idle cell

Unto her happy mansion attain. Spenser, F. Q. There be some houses wherein sweet meats will relent, and baked meats will mould, more

than in others. To Mould; v. a. To cover with mould;

to corrupt by mould. Shall never chest bymolen it, ne mough after re it.

P. Ploughman, Vis. fol. 71.

The gylt of man with rust of synne ymouled. Lydgate, Lyfe of our Ludy, B. 2. Sour wyne, and mowled bread.

Abp. Cranmer, Ans. to Bp. Gardiner, p. 299. Very coarse, hoary, moulded bread the soldiers thrust upon their spears, railing against Ferdinand, who made no better provision.

Knolles, Hist. of the Turks.

To MOULD. v. a. [mouler, French.] 1. To form; to shape; to model. I feel

Of what coarse metal ye are moulded.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

Here is the cap your worship did bespeak; Why this was moulded on a poringer,

A velvet dish; fie, fie, 'tis lewd. The king had taken such liking of his person, that he resolved to make him a master-piece, and to mould him platonically to his own idea.

Wotton, D. of Buckingham. Did I request thee, Maker, from my clay To mould me man? Milton, P. L

He forgeth and mouldeth metals, and builds

By education we may mould the minds and manners of youth into what shape we please, and give them the impressions of such habits as shall ever afterwards remain. Then rose the seed of chaos, and of night,

Of dull and venal a new world to mould, And bring Saturnian days of lead and gold.

Pope, Dunciad. A faction in England, under the name of puritan, moulded up their new schemes of religion with republican principles in government. Swift.

For you alone he stole The fire that forms a manly soul; Then, to compleat it every way,

He moulded it with female clay. Swift, Miscell. Fabellus would never learn any moral lessons till they were moulded into the form of some fiction or fable like those of Æsop. Watts.

2. To knead: as, to mould bread.

Ainsworth. Mo'uldable. adj. [from mould.] That

may be moulded. The differences of figurable and not figurable, mouldable and not mouldable, are plebeian notions. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Mo'ulder. † n. s. [from mould.] One who moulds.

We are against those unthinking, overbearing people, who, in these odd times, under that pretence, [freedom of thought,] set up for reformers, and new molders of the constitution.

Bp. Berkeley, Disc. Addr. to Magistrales. To Mo'ULDER. v. n. [from mould.] To be turned to dust; to perish in dust; to be diminished; to wear or waste away

If he had sat still, the enemies army would have mouldered to nothing, and been exposed to any advantage he would take.

Whatsoever moulders, or is wasted away, is carried into the lower grounds, and nothing brought back again.

Those formed stones despoiled of their shells, and exposed upon the surface of the ground, in time decay, wear, and moulder away, and are frequently found defaced, and broken to pieces.

Woodward, Nat. Hist.

To them by smiling Jove 'twas given, Great William's glories to recal, When statues moulder, and when arches fall.

Finding his congregation moulder every Sunday, and hearing what was the occasion of it, he resolved to give his parish a little Latin in his turn. Addison, Spect.

To Mo'ULDER. v. a. [from mould.] turn to dust; to crumble.

The natural histories of Switzerland talk of the fall of those rocks when their foundations have been moldered with age, or rent by an earthquake. Addison on Italy.

With nodding arches, broken temples spread, The very tombs now vanish'd like their dead; Some felt the silent stroke of mould'ring age, Some hostile fury.

Mo'ULDINESS. n. s. [from mouldy.] state of being mouldy.

Flesh, fish, and plants, after a mouldiness, rottenness, or corrupting, will fall to breed worms. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Mo'ulding. n. s. [from mould.] Ornamental cavities in wood or stone.

Hollow mouldings are required in the work.

Mo'uldwarp. n. s. [molb, and peoppan, Saxon. This is, I believe, the proper and original name of the talpa: a mouldwarp is a creature that turns mould. The word is still retained, though sometimes pronounced mouldywarp.] A mole; a small animal that throws up the

Above the reach of loathful sinful lust, Whose base effect through cowardly distrust Of his own wings, dare not to heaven flie, But like a mouldwarn in the earth doth lie.

While they play the mouldwarps, unsavoury damps distemper their heads with annoyance only for the present.

With gins we betray the vermin of the earth, With gins we betray the namely, the fichat and the mouldwarp.

Walton, Angler.

Mo'uldy. adj. [from mould.] Overgrown with concretions.

Is thy name mouldy? - Yea.

- 'Tis the more time thou wert used.

- Ha, ha, ha; most excellent. Things that are mouldy lack use. Well said, Sir John.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. The marble looks white, as being exposed to the winds and salt sea-vapours, that by continually fretting it preserve it from that mouldy colour which others contract.

To Moult. + v. n. [muyten, Teut. Thus our own word at first was mout or mowt; from muto, Latin, to change. "To mowten as fowlis, plumeo." Prompt. Parv.] To shed or change the feathers; to lose feathers.

Some birds upon moulting turn colour, as Robin-red-breasts, after their moulting, grow to Bacon. be red again by degrees.

Time shall moult away his wings, Ere he shall discover

In the wide whole world again Such a constant lover.

Suckling.

The widow'd turtle hangs her moulting wings, | To MOUNT. v. n. [monter, French.] And to the woods in mournful murmur sings.

Moun.* May; must. See Mowe.

To Mounch, † v. a. [mouch, to eat much. To Maunch.] Ainsworth. This word is retained in Scotland, and denotes the obtunded action of toothless gums on a hard crust, or any thing eatable: it seems to be a corruption of the French word manger. Macbean, and Dr. Johnson. - It may be from the French macher, or mascher, to chew; obvious at least in mouch, as this word was also written; and as it is yet in some places pronounced. Or from the Su. Goth. mumsa, ægrè cibum masticare. But perhaps they are all to be referred to the Latin, mando, to eat. See Mouth.] To chew; to masticate.

Some of them would mouche their meate alone. Chaucer, Tr. and Cr. i. 915. A sailor's wife had chesnuts in her lap,

And mouncht, and mouncht, and mouncht. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

MOUND. † n. s. [munbian, Saxon, to defend. Dr. Johnson. - Goth. mund; Sueth. mynd, tutela; Icel. mynda, tueri; mund, manus. Serenius.] Any thing raised to fortify or defend: usually a 4. [For amount.] To attain in value. bank of earth and stone.

His broad branches, laden with rich fee, Did stretch themselves without the utmost bound Of this great garden, compass'd with a mound, Spenser, F. Q.

The sea's a thief whose liquid surge resolves The mounds into salt tears.

Shakspeare, Tim. of Athens. God had thrown

That mountain as his garden mound, high rais'd.

Milton, P. L Such as broke through all mounds of law, such as laughed at the sword of vengeance which divine

justice brandished in their faces. South, Serm. Nor cold shall hinder me with horns and hounds

To thrid the thickets, or to leap the mounds. Dryden.

The state of Milan is like a vast garden surrounded by a noble mound-work of rocks and mountains Addison.

To Mound. † v. a. [from the noun.] To fortify with a mound.

We will sweep the curled vallies, Brush the banks that mound our alleys: We will muster nature's dainties.

Drayton, Muses Elysium, (1650.) A spacious city stood with firmest walls Sure mounded. Philips, Cider, B. i.

MOUNT. † n. s. [munt, Saxon; mont, Fr.; 5. To Mount guard. To do duty and

1. A mountain; a hill.

Jacob offered sacrifice upon the mount.

Gen. xxxi. 54. Behold you mountain's hoary beight,

Made higher with new mounts of snow. Dryden. 2. An artificial hill raised in a garden or

other place. He might see what mounts they had in short

time cast, and what a number there was of warlike soldiers. Knolles.

3. A publick treasure, a bank. Now ob-

These examples confirmed me in a resolution to spend my time wholly in writing; and to put forth that poor talent God hath given me, not to particular exchanges, but to banks or mounts of perpetuity, which will not break.

1. To rise on high.

Doth the eagle mount up at thy command, and make her nest on high?

I'll strive with troubled thoughts to take a nap, Lest leaden slumber poise me down to-morrow, When I should mount with wings of victory.

A base ignoble mind,

That mounts no higher than a bird can soar. Shaksneare.

The fire of trees and houses mounts on high, And meets half-way new fires that show'r from sky.

If the liturgy should be offered to them, it would kindle jealousy, and as the first range of that ladder which should serve to mount over all their customs.

Clarendon. Ambitious meteors set themselves upon the wing, taking every occasion of drawing upward to the sun, not considering, that they have no more time allowed them in their mounting than the single revolution of a day; and that when the light goes from them they are of necessity to fall. Dryden.

2. To tower; to be built up to great ele-

Though his excellency mount up to the heavens, and his head reach unto the clouds, yet he shall Job, xx. 6.

To get on horseback. He was readie to his steede to mount. Spenser, F. Q. v. x. 16.

Bring then these blessings to a strict account, Make fair deductions, see to what they mount.

To Mount. + v. a.

1. To raise aloft; to lift on high.

The fire that mounts the liquor till it runs o'er, Seeming to augment, wastes it. What power is it which mounts my love so high, That makes me see, and cannot feed mine eye.

The air is so thin, that a bird has therein no feeling of her wings, or any resistance of air to mount herself by.

2. To ascend; to climb.

Shall we mount again the rural throne, And rule the country kingdoms once our own?

Dryden. 3. To place on horseback; to furnish with horses.

Three hundred horses in high stables fed, Of these he chose the fairest and the best,

To mount the Trojan troop. Dryden, Æn. Clear reason, acting in conjunction with a welldisciplined, but strong and vigorous fancy, seldom fail to attain their end: fancy without reason, is like a horse without a rider; and reason without fancy is not well mounted. Grew, Cos. Sac.

To embellish with ornaments.

watch at any particular post.

Is not "statio" properly a military term, signifying a soldier's being upon his duty, or (as we now say in England) mounting the guard? Harris on the 53 Ch. of Isaiah, (2d ed. 1739,) p. 225.

carriage and management in firing it.

Mo'untable.* adj. [from mount; French, montable.] That may be ascended.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood. Mo'untain. n. s. [montaigne, French.]

1. A large hill; a vast protuberance of the 3. Inhabiting mountains. earth.

And by his false worship such power he did gain, As kept him o'the mountain, and us on the plain. The ark no more now floats, but seems on ground.

Fast on the top of some high mountain fix'd.

Milton, P. L. From Acmon's hands a rolling stone there came, So large, it half deserv'd a mountain's name.

2. Any thing proverbially huge.
I had been drowned; a death that I abhor; for

the water swells a man, and what should I have been when I had been swelled? I should have been a mountain of mummy. Shaksneare. She did corrupt frail nature with some bribe,

To make an envious mountain on my back, Where sits deformity to mock my body. Shaksp.

Mo'untain. adj. [montanus, Latin.] Found on the mountains; pertaining to the mountains; growing on the mountains,

Now for our mountain sport, up to youd hill, Your legs are young. Shakspeare, Cymbeline. You may as well forbid the mountain pines

To wag their high tops, and to make a noise, When they are fretted with the gusts of heav'n. Shakspeare.

MOUNTAINE'ER.† \ n. s. [from mountain. This word is certain-Mo'untainer. ly written mountainer, as well as mountaineer, though Dr. Johnson notices only the latter. Nor has Bentley written it mountaineer, as Dr. Johnson exhibits the word in the example from his Sermons: but mountainer. Mountainer also is in the old dictionary of Sherwood. 7

1. An inhabitant of the mountains. Amiternian troops, of mighty fame. And mountaineers that from Severus came.

Dryden, Æn. A few mountainers may escape, enough to continue human race; and yet being illiterate rusticks (as mountainers always are) they can preserve no memoirs of former times.

Bentley, Serm. (ed. 1724,) p. 108.

2. A savage; a free booter; a rustick. Yield, rustick mountaineer. Shaksp. Cymbeline.

No savage, fierce bandit, or mountaineer, Will dare to soil her virgin purity. Milton, Comus. Through all Turkie, especially in places desert,

there are many mountainers, or outlaws, like the wild Irish, who live upon spoil.

Blunt, Voyage into the Levant, (1650,) p. 24.

Mo'untainet. n. s. [from mountain.] A hillock; a small mount. Elegant, but not in use.

Her breasts sweetly rose up like two fair mountainets in the pleasant vale of Tempe.

Mo'untainous. adj. [from mountain.]

1. Hilly; full of mountains.

The ascent of the land from the sea to the foot of the mountains, and the height of the mountains from the bottom to the top, are to be computed, when you measure the height of a mountain, or of a mountainous land, in respect of the sea. Burnet, Theory of the Earth.

6. To Mount a cannon. To set a piece on its wooden frame for the more easy carriage and management in firing it.

Carriage and management in firing it. For truth to o'erpeer.

On earth, in air, amidst the seas and skies, Mountainous heaps of wonders rise;

Whose towering strength will ne'er submit To reason's batteries, or the mines of wit. Prior.

In destructions by deluge and earthquake, the remnant which hap to be reserved are ignorant and mountainous people, that can give no account of the time past. Bacon, Essays.

Mo'untainousness. n. s. | from mountainous.] State of being full of mountains. Armenia is so called from the mountainousness of it. Brerewood.

Mo'untain-parsley. n. s. [oreosolinum, Latin.] A plant.

Mo'untain-rose. n. s. [chamærhododendron, Latin.] A plant.

Mo'untant. adj. [montant, French.] Rising on high.

Hold up, you sluts,

Your aprons mountant; you're not oathable, Although, I know, you'll swear. Shaksp. Timon.

MO'UNTEBANK. +. n. s. \[monta in banco, Ital. Florio, 1598. To the etymology, viz. mounting on a bank, our old writers thus allude: "Fellows to mount a bank: - the Italian mountebanks." B. Jonson, Fox. "The paltriest mime that ever mounted upon bank." Milton, Apol. for Smectymnuus.]

1. A doctor that mounts a bench in the market, and boasts his infallible remedies

and cures.

I bought an unction of a mountebank, So mortal, that but dip a knife in it, Where it draws blood, no cataplasm so rare, Can save the thing from death. Shaksp. Hamlet. She, like a mountebank, did wound And stab herself with doubts profound, Only to shew, with how small pain Hudibras. The sores of faith are cur'd again.

But Æschylus, says Horace in some page, Was the first mountebank that trod the stage.

It looks like a mountebank to boast infallible cures.

2. Any boastful and false pretender. As nimble jugglers, that deceive the eye,

Disguised cheaters, prating mountebanks, And many such like libertines of sin. Shakspeare. There are mountebanks, and smatterers in state. Nothing so impossible in nature but mounte-

banks will undertake. Arbuthnot, Hist. of J. Bull. To Mo'untebank. v. a. [from the noun.]

To cheat by false boasts or pretences. I'll mountebank their loves,

Cog their hearts from them. Shakspeare, Coriol. Mo'UNTEBANKERY.* n. s. [from mountebank.] Boastful and false pretence; quackery.

Mere empirical state-mountebankery. Hammond, Works, iv. 509.

Mo'untenaunce. n. s. Amount of a thing in space. Obsolete. This said, they both a furlong's mountenaunce

Retir'd their steeds, to runne in even race. Spenser, F. Q.

One that Mo'UNTER. n. s. [from mount.] mounts.

Though they to the earth were thrown, Yet quickly they regain'd their own, Such nimbleness was never shown; They were two gallant mounters.

Drayton, Nymphid. Few bankers will to heav'n be mounters. Swift.

Mo'unting.* n. s. [from mount.]

1. Ascent.

From this the beholder descending many steps, was afterwards conveyed again by several mountings to various entertainments of his scent and Wotton on Architecture. sight.

2. Ornament; embellishment.

Mo'UNTINGLY.* adv. [from mounting.] By ascent.

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I leap'd for joy, So mountingly, I touch'd the stars, methought. Massinger, Old Law.

Mo'unty. n. s. [montée, French] The rise of a hawk.

The sport which Basilius would shew to Zelmane, was the mounty at a heron, which getting up on his waggling wings with pain, as though the air next to the earth were not fit to fly through, now diminished the sight of himself.

To MOURN. + v. n. [mournan, Goth. mupnan, Sax. morner, old French.]

1. To grieve; to be sorrowful.

Abraham came to mourn for Sarah, and to weep.

My vineyard being desolate, mourneth unto me.

They made an appointment to mourn with him, Job, ii. 11. and to comfort him. They rejoice at the presence of the sun, and

mourn at the absence thereof, Bacon, Nat. Hist. Next came one,

Who mourn'd in earnest, when the captive ark Maim'd his brute image, head and hands lopt off. Milton, P. L.

2. To wear the habit of sorrow. We mourn in black; why mourn we not in

blood? Shakspeare. Friends in sable weeds appear, Grieve for an hour, perhaps then mourn a year;

And bear about the mockery of woe To midnight dances, and the puppet show. Pope.

3. To preserve appearance of grief. Feign thyself to be a mourner, and put on mourning apparel. 2 Sam. xiv. 2.

Publish it that she is dead; Maintain a mourning ostentation,

Hang mournful epitaphs. Shakspeare, Much Ado. To Mourn. v. a.

1. To grieve for; to lament.
A flood thee also drown'd,

And sunk thee as thy sons; till gently rear'd By the angel, on thy feet thou stood'st at last, Though comfortless, as when a father mourns His children all in view destroy'd at once.

Milton, P. L The muse that mourns him now his happy Dryden. triumph sung. Portius himself oft falls in tears before me,

As if he mourn'd his rival's ill success Addison, Cato.

2. To utter in a sorrowful manner. The love lorn nightingale, Nightly to thee her sad song mourneth well. Milton, Comus.

Mourne. n. s. [morne, French.] The round end of a staff; the part of a lance to which the steel part is fixed, or where it is taken off.

He carried his lances, which though strong to give a lancely blow indeed, yet so were they coloured with hooks near the mourne, that they prettily represented sheep hooks.

Mo'urner. n. s. [from mourn.]

1. One that mourns; one that grieves. The kindred of the queen must die at Pomfret. Indeed I am no mourner for that news,

Because they have been still my adversaries. Shakspeare. To cure thy woe she shews thy fame;

Lest the great mourner should forget That all the race whence Orange came, Made virtue triumph over fate. From noise and riot he devoutly kept,

Sigh'd with the sick, and with the mourner wept. 2. One who fellows a funeral in black.

A woman that had two daughters buried one, and mourners were provided to attend the funeral. MOU

He lives to be chief mourner for his son; Before his face his wife and brother burn.

3. Something used at funerals. The mourner eugh, and builder oak were there.

Mo'urnful. adj. [mourn and full.]

1. Having the appearance of sorrow. No funeral rites, nor man in mournful weeds, Nor mournful bell shall ring her burial. Shaksp. The winds within the quivering branches play'd, And dancing trees a mournful musick made.

Prior.

2. Causing sorrow.

Upon his tomb, Shall be engrav'd the sack of Orleans; The treacherous manner of his mournful death. Shakspeare.

3. Sorrowful; feeling sorrow. The mournful fair, Oft as the rolling years return,

With fragrant wreaths and flowing hair, Shall visit her distinguish'd urn.

Betokening sorrow; expressive of grief. Nor mournful bell shall ring her burial. Shaksp. On your family's old monument

Hang mournful epitaphs. Shakspeare.

Mo'URNFULLY. adv. [from mournful.] Sorrowfully; with sorrow. Beat the drum, that it speak mournfully.

Mo'urnfulness. n. s. [from mournful.]

1. Sorrow; grief.

2. Show of grief; appearance of sorrow. Mo'URNING. † n. s. [Sax. mupnung.]

1. Lamentation; sorrow. Wo is me, who will deliver me in those days? the beginning of sorrows and great mournings. 2 Esdr. xvi. 18.

2. The dress of sorrow. They through the master-street the corps con-

The houses to their tops with black were spread, And ev'n the pavements were with mourning hid.

Mo'urningly. adv. [from mourning.] With the appearance of sorrowing.

The king spoke of him admiringly and mourn-Shakspeare.

MOUSE, plural mice. n. s. [mur, Saxon; mus, Latin.]

1. The smallest of all beasts; a little animal haunting houses and corn fields, destroyed by cats.

The eagle England being in prey, To her unguarded nest the weasel Scot Comes sneaking, and so sucks her princely eggs;

Playing the mouse in absence of the cat. Shaksp. Where mice and rats devour poetick bread,

And with heroick verse luxuriously were fed. Dryden. This structure of hair I have observed in the

hair of cats, rats, and mice. Derham, Physico-Theol.

2. Formerly a word of endearment.

Then part they all; each one unto their house; And who had mark'd the pretty looks that past From privy friend unto his pretty mouse, Would say with me, at twelve o'clock at night, It was a party, trust me, worth the sight.

Breton, Works of a Young Wit, (1577.) Let the bloat king -

Pinch wanton on your cheek, call you his mouse. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

3. A term applied to part of a leg of beef; the mouse-buttock. [muys, Teut. a fleshy part.]

To Mouse. v. n. [from the noun.]

1. To catch mice.

A falcon tow'ring, in his pride of place Was by a mousing owl hawk'd at and kill'd.

Shakspeare. 2. I suppose it means, in the following passage, sly; insidious, or predatory; rapacious; interested.

A whole assembly of mousing saints, under the mask of zeal and good nature, lay many kingdoms

To Mouse.* v. a. To tear in pieces, as a cat devours a mouse.

Well moused, lion!

Shakspeare, Mids. N. Dream. It had been worse to have been prisoner To such a beast; who, though he doth not bear A mouse's heart, might have mouz'd me. Fanshaw, Past. Fid. (ed. 1676,) p. 115.

Mouse-ear. † n. s. [myosotis, Latin; murepe, Sax.] A plant. Miller

To him that hath a flux, of shepherds-purse he gives,

And mouse-ear unto him whom some sharp rupture grieves.

Drayton, Polyolb. S. 13. Mo'usehawk.* n.s. [mur-hapuc, Sax.] A

hawk that devours mice. Mouse-Hunt. † n. s. [mouse and hunt.]

Mouser; a kind of weasel. You have been a mouse-hunt in your time,

But I will watch you. Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul. The ferrets and mouse-hunts of an index. Milton, Of Ref. in Eng. B. 1.

Mouse-Hole. n. s. [mouse and hole.] Small hole; hole at which a mouse only may run in.

He puts the prophets in a mouse-hole: the last man ever speaks the best reason.

Dryden and Lee, Œdipus. He can creep in at a mouse hole, but he soon grows too big ever to get out again. Stilling fleet. Mo'user. n. s. [from mouse.] One that catches mice.

Puss, a madam, will be a mouser still.

When you have fowl in the larder, leave the door open, in pity to the cat, if she be a good Swift, Direct. to Servants.

Mo'usetail. n. s. [myosura.] An herb. Mouse-TRAP. n. s. [mouse and trap.] A snare or gin in which mice are taken.

Many analogal motions in animals, I have reason to conclude, in their principles are not simply mechanical, although a mouse-trap, or Achitas dove, moved mechanically. Madam's own hand the mouse-trap baited.

MOUTH. † n. s. [muð, Saxon. Dr. Johnson .-- Munth, Goth. the mouth; whence the Sax. muo, sinking as in some other words the n. The German is mund. And the word has long since been derived from the Lat. mando, to eat. Mr. Tooke has given matjith, that which eateth, from matjan merian, to eat, as the root. Wachter prefers meinen, to express meaning, the more noble office of the mouth, as the original. We have the vulgar expression muns for mouth; and in Scotland it is munds.]

1. The aperture in the head of any animal at which the food is received.

The dove came in; and lo, in her mouth was an olive leaf. Gen, viii. 11. There can be no reason given, why a visage somewhat longer, or a wider mouth, could not have consisted with a soul. Locke.

|2. The opening; that at which any thing | To Mouth to a. enters; the entrance; the part of a vessel by which it is filled and emptied.

He came and lay at the mouth of the haven, daring them to fight. Set a candle lighted in the bottom of a bason

of water, and turn the mouth of a glass over the candle, and it will make the water rise.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. The mouth is low and narrow: but, after having entered pretty far in, the grotto opens itself in an oval figure. Addison.

The navigation of the Arabick gulf being more dangerous toward the bottom than the mouth, Ptolemy built Berenice at the entry of the Arbuthnot on Coins.

3. The instrument of speaking. Riotous madness.

To be entangled with these mouth-made vows, Which break themselves in swearing. Shukspeare.

Either our history shall with full mouth Speak freely of our acts; or else our grave,

Like Turkish mute, shall have a tongueless mouth, Not worshipp'd with a waxen epitaph. Shakspeare, Hen. V.

Call the damsel, and inquire at her mouth. Gen. xxiv. 57.

Every body's mouth will be full on it for the first four days, and in four more the story will talk itself asleep. L'Estrange Having frequently in our mouths the name eternity, we think we have a positive idea of it.

Locke. There is a certain sentence got into every man's mouth, that God accepts the will for the

South, Serm. 4. A speaker; a rhetorician; the principal orator. In burlesque language.

Every coffee-house has some particular statesman belonging to it, who is the mouth of the street where he lives. Addison. 5. Cry; voice.

Coward dogs

Most spend their mouths, when what they seem to threaten

Runs far before them. Shakspeare, Hen. V. The boar

Deals glancing wounds; the fearful dogs divide, All spend their mouth aloft, but none abide.

You don't now thunder in the capitol, With all the mouths of Rome to second thee.

Addison. 6. Distortion of the mouth; wry face, in this sense, is said to make mouths.

Persevere, counterfeit sad looks, Make mouths upon me when I turn my back. Shakspeare.

Against whom make ye a wide mouth, and draw out the tongue? Isa. lvii. 4. Why they should keep running asses at Coleshill, or how making mouths turns to account in Warwickshire, more than any other parts of England, I cannot comprehend. Addison.

Down in the Mouth. clouded in the countenance.

But, upon bringing the net ashore, it proved to be only one great stone, and a few little fishes: upon this disappointment they were down in the mouth L'Estrange.

To Mouth. v. n. [from the noun.] To speak big; to speak in a strong and loud voice; to vociferate.

Nay, an thou'lt mouth I'll rant as well as thou. Shakspeare, Hamlet. When Progne's or Thyestes' feast they write, And for the mouthing actor verse indite;

Thou neither like a bellows swell'st thy face, Nor canst thou strain thy throat. Dryden, Pers. I'll bellow out for Rome, and for my country,

And mouth at Cæsar till I shake the senate.

1. To utter with a voice affectedly big; to roll in the mouth with tumult.

Speak the speech as I pronounced it, trippingly on the tongue: but if you mouth it, I had as lieve the town-crier had spoke my lines,

Shakspeare, Hamlet. Twitch'd by the sleeve he mouths it more and

Till with white froth his gown is slaver'd o'er.

2. To chew; to eat; to grind in the

Corne carried let such as be poore go and glean. And after thy cattel to mouth it up glean. Tusser, Husb.

Death lines his dead chaps with steel, The swords of soldiers are his teeth, his phangs; And now he feasts mouthing the flesh of men. Shakspeare.

3. To seize in the mouth.

He keeps them, like an apple, in the corner of his jaw; first mouth'd to be last swallowed.

Shakspeare, Hamlet. Lucilius never fear'd the times;

Mutius and Lupus both by name he brought,
He mouth'd them, and betwixt his grinders caught. Dryden.

4. To form by the mouth.

In regard the cub comes forth involved in the chorion, a thick membrane obscuring the formation, and which the dam doth after tear asunder: the beholder at first sight imputes the ensuing form to the mouthing of the dam. Brown.

5. To insult; to attack with reproachful language.

If death was nothing, and nought after death; If when men died, at once they ceas'd to be, Returning to the barren womb of nothing, Whence first they sprung; then might the debauchee

Untrembling mouth the heavens.

Blair, The Grave. Mo'uthed. adj. [from mouth.]

1. Furnished with a mouth.

One tragick sentence if I dare deride, Which Betterton's grave action dignify'd, Or well mouth'd Booth with emphasis proclaims;

2. In composition, foul-mouthed or contumelious; and a hard mouthed horse. or a horse not obedient to the bit. And see mealy-mouthed.

MOUTH-FRIEND. n. s. [mouth and friend.] One who professes friendship without intending it.

May you a better feast never behold, You knot of mouth-friends: smoke and luke-

warm water Is your perfection. Shakspeare.

Mo'UTHFUL. n. s. [mouth and full.] Dejected; I. What the mouth contains at once.

2. Any proverbially small quantity.

A goat going out for a mouthful of fresh grass, charged her kid not to open the door till she came back. L'Estrange.

You to your own Aquinum shall repair, To take a mouthful of sweet country air. Dryden, Juv.

Mouth-Honour. n. s. [mouth and honour.] Civility outwardly expressed without sincerity.

Honour, love, obedience, troops of friends, I must not look to have; but in their stead. Curses not loud but deep, mouth-honour, breath, Shakspeare.

Mo'uthless. adj. [from mouth.] Being without a mouth.

Mo'uthpiece.* n. s. [mouth and piece.]

1. The little piece of a trumpet, or other wind instruments, to which the mouth is applied; and which is taken off from the instrument when not blown.

2. In colloquial language, one who delivers the sentiments of others associated in the same design: as, he was the mouthpiece of the meeting.

MOW. † n. s. [mope, Sax. a heap.] A heap of corn or hay; when laid up in a house, said to be in mow; when heaped together in a field, in rick.

Learne skilfullie how Each grain for to laie by itself on a mow.

Tusser, Husb. Where'er I gad, I Blouzelind shall view, Woods, dairy, barn, and mows our passion knew.

Beans when moist give in the mow. Mortimer, Husb.

The best manure for meadows is the bottom of Mortimer. hay mows.

To Mow. v. n. [from the noun.] To put in a mow.

To MOW. v. a. preter. mowed, part. mown. Imayan, Saxon. Mow the noun, and mow the verb, meaning to put in a mow, is pronounced as now; mow, to cut, as mo.]

1. To cut with a scythe.

Of all the seed that in my youth was sowne, Was nought but brakes and brambles to be mown. Snenser.

The care you have To mow down thorns that would annoy our foot, Shakspeare, Hen. VI. Is worthy praise. Forth he goes,

Like to a harvest man, that's task'd to mow Shakspeare, Coriol. Or all, or lose his hire.

Whatever The scythe of time mows down, devour unspar'd. Milton, P. L.

Beat, roll and mow carpet-walks and cammo-Evelun. 2. To cut down with speed and violence.

He will mow down all before him, and leave his Shakspeare, Coriol. passage poll'd. What valiant foemen, like to autumn's corn, Have we mow'd down. Shakspeare, Hen. VI. Thou and I, marching before our troops,

May taste fate to 'em; mow 'em out a passage, Begin the noble harvest of the field.

Dryden, All for Love. Stands o'er the prostrate wretch, and as he lay, Vain tales inventing, and prepar'd to pray,

Mows off his head.

To Mow. v. n. To gather the harvest. Gold, though the heaviest metal, hither swims; Ours is the harvest where the Indians mow, We plough the deep, and reap what others sow.

MOW. n. s. [probably corrupted from mouth: moue, Fr.] Wry mouth; distorted face. This word is now out of use, but retained in Scotland.

The very abjects came together against me un-

awares, making mows at me. Psal. xxxv. 15. Com. Pr.

Apes and monkeys, 'Twixt two such she's, would chatter this way, and Contemn with mows the other. Shakspeare, Cymb. Those that would make mowes at him while my father lived, give twenty ducats apiece for his picture in little.

To Mow. t v. n. [from the noun.] make mouths; to distort the face. Make them to lye and mowe like an ape. Parfre, Mystery of Candlemas-Day, (1512.)

For every trifle are they set upon me; Sometimes like apes, that mow and chatter at me, And after bite me. Shakspeare, Tempest.

To Mo'wburn. v. n. [mow and burn.] To ferment and heat in the mow for want of being dry.

House it not green, lest it mowburn.

Mortimer, Husb.

Mowe.* \ v. n. and aux. pret. mought. See MAY. Moun.

1. To be able.

Many seken to entre, and they schulen not mowe-Wicliffe, St. Luke, xiii. Whethir faith schal mowe save him?

Wicliffe, James, ii. Which thou shalt not mowe suffer.

Chaucer, Tale of Melibeus. 2. Must. So mun is used to this day in the north of England: "I mun go.

As long tyme as they han the spouse with them, they moun not faste. Wicliffe, St. Mark, ii.

We mowen not, although we had it sworne. Chaucer, Chan. Yeom. Prol. We moun wel maken chere.

Chaucer, Shipm. Tale.

Mo'wer. n. s. [from mow; sounded as mo-er.] One who cuts with a scythe. Set mowers a mowing, where medow is grown.

The strawy Greeks, ripe for his edge, Fall down before him like the mower's swath. Shakspeare.

All else cut off,

As Tarquin did the poppy-heads, or mowers, A field of thistles. B. Jonson, Catiline. Mowers and reapers, who spend the most part of the hot summer days exposed to the sun, have the skin of their hands of a darker colour than before.

Mo'wing.* n. s. [from the verbs.]

1. The act of cutting with a scythe. It was the latter growth after the king's mow-

Amos, vii. 1. Sherwood. 2. Grimace; mockery. Some Smithfield ruffian takes up some new

mowing with the mouth, some wrenching with the shoulder, some fresh, new oath, that will run round Ascham. in the mouth. 3. Ability.

Without whiche mowyng the wretched wyl shoulde languishe without effecte. Chaucer, Boeth. iv. pr. 4.

Mo'x A. n. s. An Indian moss, used in the cure of the gout by burning it on the Temple. part aggrieved.

MOYLE. n. s. A mule; an animal generated between the horse and the ass.

Ordinary husbandmen should quit breeding of horses, and betake themselves to moyles; a beast which will fare hardly, live very long, draw indifferently well, carry great burthens, and hath also a pace swift and easy enough. 'Twould tempt a moyle to fury.

MUCH. † adj. [Su. Goth. myeken, great, much: Icel. miok, mikit, much. Hence the Span. mucho, as well as our much. Dr. Jamieson in V. MYCHE, the Scottish form of much. We had formerly the substantive mickel, apparently in the sense of magnitude, size; "of one michel and might." Vis. of P. Pl. fol. 89. b. See Mr. Tyrwhitt's Gloss. in V. MOKEL.]

1. Large in quantity; long in time: opposed to little.

Thou shalt carry much seed out, and shalt gather but little in; for the locust shall consume Deut. xxiv. 38.

I am well served, to take so much pains for one resolved to make away with himself. L'Estrange. You were pressed for the sea-service, and got off with much ado. Swift, Dir. to Servants.

2. Many in number: opposed to few. Let us know,

If 't will tie up thy discontented sword, And carry back to Sicily much tall youth, That else must perish here. Shaks. Ant. & Cleop. Much. adv.

1. In a great degree; by far: before some word of comparison.

Isaac, thou art much mightier than we.

Gen. xxvi. 16. Excellent speech becometh not a fool, much less do lying lips a prince. Prov. xvii. 17. We have had fathers of our flesh which corrected us, and we gave them reverence: shall we not much rather be in subjection unto the Father

of spirits, and live? Heb. xii. 9. If they escaped not who refused him that spoke on earth, much more shall not we escape, if we turn away from him that speaketh from heaven.

Full of doubt I stand, Whether I should repent me now of sin By me done or occasioned, or rejoice Much more, that much more good thereof shall spring. Milton, P. L. Patron or intercessor none appear'd,

Much less that durst upon his own head draw The deadly forfeiture. Milton, P. L.

2. To a certain degree.

He charged them that they should tell no man: but the more he charged them, so much the more a great deal they published it. St. Mark, vii. 36. There is, said Michael, if thou well observe, The rule of not too much, by temperance taught. Milton, P. L.

3. To a great degree.

Henceforth I fly not death, nor would prolong Life much, bent rather how I may be quit Fairest and easiest of this cumbrous charge.

Milton, P. L. So spake, so wish'd much humbled Eve, but fate Milton, P. L. Subscrib'd not.

Somewhat aw'd, I shook with holy fear, Yet not so much but that I noted well

Who did the most in song and dance excel.

To thee thy much-afflicted mother flies, And on thy succour and thy faith relies. Dryden. Your much-lov'd fleet shall soon

Besiege the petty monarchs of the land. Dryden. If his rules of reason be not better than his rules for health, he is not like to be much follow'd. Baker on Learning.

Oh much experienc'd man! Pope, Odyss. Sad from my natal hour my days have ran, A much afflicted, much enduring man. Pope, Odyss.

4. Often, or long. You pine, you languish, love to be alone, Think much, speak little, and in speaking, sigh.

Homer shall last, like Alexander, long, As much recorded, and as often sung. Granville.

All left the world much as they found it, ever unquiet, subject to changes and revolutions.

Much. n.s.

1. A great deal; multitude in number; abundance in quantity: opposed to a

They gathered against Moses and Aaron, and said, Ye take too much upon you. Num. xvi. 3.

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Nor grudge I thee the much the Grecians give, Nor murm'ring take the little I receive.

They have much of the poetry of Mecænas, but little of his liberality. Dryden, Pref. to All for Love.
The fate of love is such,

That still it sees too little or too much. Dryden.
Much suffering heroes next their honours claim;
Those of less noisy and less guilty fame,

Fair virtue's silent train. Pope, Temple of Fame.

2. More than enough; a heavy service or burthen.

Thou think'st it much to tread the ooze
Of the salt deep. Shakspeare, Tempest.
He thought not much to clothe his enemies.
Milton, P. L.

This gracious act the ladies all approve,
Who thought it much a man should die for love,
And with their mistress join'd in close debate.

3. Any assignable quantity or degree.

The waters covered the chariots and horsemen; there remained not so much as one. Exod. xiv. 28.

We will cut wood out of Lebanon as much as

thou shalt need.

The matter of the universe was created before the flood; and if any more was created, then there must be as much annihilated to make room

for it. Burnet, Theory.
Who is there of whom we can with any rational
assurance, or perhaps so much as likelihood, affirm,
here is a man whose nature is renewed, whose
heart is changed. South.

4. An uncommon thing; something strange. It was much that one that was so great a lover

of peace should be happy in war.

Bacon, Hen. VII.

It is much, if men were from eternity, that they should not find out the way of writing all that long duration which had past before that time.

5. To make Much of. To treat with regard; to fondle; to pamper.

Though he knew his discourse was to entertain him from a more streight parley, yet he durst not but kiss his rod, and gladly make much of that entertainment which she allotted unto him. Sidney.

The king understanding of their adventure, suddenly falls to take a pride in making much of them, extolling them with infinite praises. Sidney.

When thou camest first,

Thou stroak'd'st, and mad'st much of me; and would'st give me

Water with berries in't. Shakspeare, Tempest. IUCH at one. Nearly of equal value: of

Much at one. Nearly of equal value; of equal influence.

Then prayers are vain as curses, much at one In a slave's mouth, against a monarch's power.

Druder

Much is often used in a kind of composition with participles both active and passive: when it is joined with a passive, as much loved, it seems to be an adverb; when it is joined with an active, as much enduring, it may be more properly considered as a noun.

Mu'chel. adj. for muchle or michle. [mycel, Saxon.] Much.

He had in arms abroad won muchel fame, And fill'd far lands with glory of his might. Spenser, F. Q

Mu'chness.* n. s. [from much.] Quantity. It is sometimes, in low language, used for quality: "much of a muchness," i. e. much of the same kind.

This sluggish humour is condemned long ago for a misspender of time. And surely it is not

alone very dangerous, in regard to the quantity and muchness of time which it filehelt; but also in regard of the quality and goodness: for it ordinarily feeds gluttonously on the very fat of time; it eats the very flower of the day; and consumes the first fruits of our hours, even the morning season.

Whateley, Redemption of Time, (1634,) p. 20.

Mu'chwhat. adv. [much and what.]
Nearly.

The motion being conveyed from the brain of man to the fancy of another, it is there received; and the same kind of strings being moved, and muchwhat after the same manner as in the first imaginant.

Glanville, Scepsis.

The bigness of her body and bill, as likewise the form of them, is muchwhat as follows.

More, Ant. against Atheism.

If we will disbelieve every thing, because we cannot know all things, we shall do muchwhat as wisely as he who would not use his legs because he had no wings to fly.

Locke.

Unless he can prove cælibatum a man or a woman, this Latin will be muchwhat the same with a solecism.

Atterbury.

MU'CID. adj. [mucidus, Latin; mucre, Fr.] Slimy; musty.

Mu'cidness. n. s. [from mucid.] Sliminess; mustiness. Ainsworth.

MU'CILAGE. n. s. [mucilage, French.]
A slimy or viscous mass; a body with
moisture sufficient to hold it together.

Dissolution of gum tragacanth, and oil of sweet almonds, do commingle, the oil remaining on the top till they be stirred, and make the mucilage somewhat more liquid.

Bacon.

Bacon.

Your alaternus seed move with a broom, that the seeds clog not together, unless you will separate it from the mucilage, for then you must a little bruise it wet.

Evelyn.

Both the ingredients improve one another; for the mucilage adds to the lubricity of the oil, and the oil preserves the mucilage from inspissation.

Ray on Creation.

Mucila/Ginous. adj. [mucilagineux, Fr. from mucilage.] Slimy; viscous; soft with some degree of tenacity.

There is a twofold liquor prepared for the inunction and lubrification of the heads or ends of the bones; an oily one, furnished by the marrow; and a mucilaginous, supplied by certain glandules seated in the articulations. Ray on Creation.

There is a sort of magnetism in all, not mucilaginous but resinous gums, even in common rosin. Grew, Cosmol. Sac.

MUCILA'GINOUS glands.

Mucilaginous glands are of two sorts: some are small, and in a manner milliary glands; the other sort are conglomerated, or many glandules collected and planted one upon another. Quincy.

Mucila'Ginousness. n. s. [from mucilaginous.] Sliminess; viscosity.

MUCK.† n. s. [meox, Saxon; mock, Su. Goth. fimus.]

1. Dung for manure of grounds.

Hale out thy mucke, and plow out thy ground.

Tusser.

It is usual to help the ground with muck, and likewise to recomfort with muck put to the roots; but to water it with muck water, which is like to be more forcible, is not practised.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

The swine may see the pearl, which yet he values but with the ordinary muck.

Glanville, Apology.

There are, who
Rich foreign mold on their ill-natur'd land
Induce laborious, and with fattening muck
Besmear the roots.

Phillips.

Morning insects that in muck begun, Shine, buzz, and fly-blow in the setting sun. Pope.

2. Any thing low, mean, and filthy, Dr. Johnson says, citing only the example from Spenser. The word may be rather intended simply for a heap, from the Saxon, mucx.

Reward of worldly muck doth foully blend, And low abase the high heroick spirit

That joys for crowns.

Spenser, F. Q.
Your gathering sires so long heap muck together,
That their kind sons, to rid them of their care,
Wish them in heaven. Beaum & Fl. Span. Curate.
A huge mass of treasure — the fatal muck

We quarrell'd for. Beaum. & Fl. Sea-Voyage.

3. To run a Muck, signifies, I know not from what derivation, to run madly, and attack all that we meet. Dr. Johnson. - Tavernier says, certain Java lords, on a particular occasion, called the English traitors, and drawing their poisoned daggers cried a mocca upon the English! killing a great number of them, before they had time to put themselves in a posture of defence. Voyages, vol. ii. p. 202. Again he tells us, that a Bantamois, newly come from Mecca, was upon the design of moqua; that is, in their language, when the rascality of the Mahometans return from Mecca, they presently take their axe in their hand, which is a kind of poniard, the blade whereof is half poisoned, with which they run through the streets, and kill all those which are not of the Mahometan law, till they be killed themselves. Ibid. p. 199. Rev. Mr. Pegge, Gent. Mag. vol. xxxviii. p. 283. - The inhabitants of the islands to the eastward of Bengal, such as Sumatra, Burneo, Banco, and the coast of Malay, are very famous for cock-fighting, in which they carry gaming to a much greater excess than the customs of Europe can admit. They stake first their property; and when by repeated losses all their money and effects are gone, they stake their wives and children. If fortune still frowns, so that nothing is left, the losing gamester begins to chew or eat what is called bang, which I imagine to be the same as opium; when it begins to operate, he disfigures himself and furnishes himself with such weapons as he can get, the more deadly, the fitter for his purpose; and the effect of the opium increasing, he at length becomes mad. This madness is of the furious kind; and when it it seizes him, he rushes forth, and kills whatever comes in his way, whether man or beast, friend or foe; and commits every outrage which may be expected from a man in such circumstances. This is what the Indians call a-muck. Gent. Mag. vol. xl. p. 564.-A-mocca, or a-muck, (for so the word should be written,) is used in the Malay language, adverbially, as one word, and signifies, if we may so write, killingly. "He runs a-muck, i. e. he runs with a savage intent to kill whomsoever he

meets." Malone, Dryden's Prose-Works, Add. and Emend. p. 155.]

Frontless and satire-proof he scow'rs the streets, And runs an Indian muck at all he meets.

Satire's my weapon, but I'm too discreet To run a muck, and tilt at all I meet. Pope, Hor. Muck.* adj. Moist; wet; Lincolnshire. Grose.

To Muck. v. a. [from the noun.] To manure with muck; to dung.

Thy garden plot lately wel trenched and muckt

Would now be twifallowed. Tusser. Mu'ckender. † n. s. [mouchoir, French; mocadero, Spanish; muccinium, low Lat. Dr. Johnson. - It is, in some places, called muckinger; and in Barret's old dictionary mucketer. The root is the Lat. mucus; old French mouc, whence moucadou, an old word for mouchoir.] A handkerchief.

Be of good comfort; take my muckinder, And dry thine eyes. B. Jonson, Tale of a Tub. For thy dull fancy a muckender is fit,

To wipe the slabberings of thy snotty wit. Dorset. To Mu'cker. † v. a. [from muck, a heap; mucz, Sax. mucchiare, Ital. to heap up; mocka, Icel.] To hoard up; to get or save meanly: a word used by Chaucer, and still retained in conversation.

That gold, and that money, shineth, and yeveth better renowne to them that dispenden it, than to

thilke folke that muckeren it.

Chaucer, Boeth. ii. pr. 5. Pense that he can muckre and ketche. Chaucer, Tr. and Cress. iii. 1381. Mu'ckerer. r. s. [from mucker.] One

that muckers; a miser; a niggard. Avarice maketh alwaie muckerers to ben hated. Chaucer, Boeth. ii. pr. 5.

Mu'ckheap. † n. s. [muck and heap.] A dunghill.

A very midden or muckheap of all the grossest errors and heresies of the Roman church Favour, Antiq. Triumph. over Novelty, (1619,) p. 518.

Mu'ckhill. † n. s. [muck and hill.] A

dunghill. Old Euclio - as he went from home, seeing a crow scrat upon the muck-hill, returned in all haste, taking it for an ill sign his money was digged up.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 116. digged up.

Hitherto amongst you I have liv'd, Like an unsavoury muck-hill to myself.

B. Jonson, Every Man out of his Humour.

Mu'ckinger.† See Muckender. Mu'ckmidden.* n.s. [muck and midden.] A dunghill. Used in the north of England. See MIDDEN.

Mu'ckiness, n. s. [from mucky.] Nasti-

ness; filth. Mu'ckle. adj. [mýcel, Saxon.] Much.

MU'CKSWEAT. n. s. [muck and sweat: in this low word, muck signifies wet, moist.] Profuse sweat.

Mu'ckworm. n. s. [muck and worm.]

1. A worm that lives in dung.

2. A miser; a curmudgeon. Worms suit all conditions;

Misers are muckworms, silkworms beaus, Swift, Miscel. And death-watches physicians.

Mu'cky. adj. [from muck.] Nasty; filthy. Mucky filth his branching arms annoys, And with uncomely weeds the gentle wave Spenser, F. Q. accloys.

Slimy; Mu'cous. adj. [mucosus, Latin.]

viscous.

The salamander being cold in the fourth, and moist in the third degree, and having also a mucous humidity above and under the skin, may a while endure the flame. Brown

About these the nerves and other vessels make a fine web, covered over with a mucous substance, to moisten these papillæ pyramidales.

Cheyne, Philos. Principles.

Mu'cousness. n.s. [from mucous.] Slime; viscosity.

MU'CRO. n. s. [Latin.] A point.

The mucro, or point of the heart, inclineth unto the left, by this position it giving way unto the ascension of the midriff. Brown, Vulg. Err.

Mu'cronated. adj. [mucro, Lat.] Narrowed to a sharp point.

Gems are here shot into cubes consisting of six sides, and mucronated or terminating in a point. Woodward.

Mu'culent. adj. [from mucus, Lat.] Vis-Dict. cous; slimy.

MU'CUS. n. s. [Latin.] It is more properly used for that which flows from the papillary processes through the os cribriforme into the nostrils; but it is also used for any slimy liquor or moisture, as that which daubs over and guards the bowels and all the chief passages in the body; and it is separated by the mucilaginous glands.

In the action of chewing, the mucus mixeth with the aliment: the mucus is an humour different from the spittle, and the great quantity of air which it contains helps to dissolve the aliment.

Arbuthnot on Aliments.

MUD. † n. s. [moder, German; modd, Su. Goth. cœnum.] The slime and uliginous matter at the bottom of still water. The purest spring is not so free from mud.

As I am clear from treason. Shakspeare, Hen. VI. Water in mud doth putrefy, as not able to pre-Bacon, Nat. Hist. serve itself.

The channel was dried up, and the fish left L' Estrange dead and sticking in the mud. The force of the fluid will separate the smallest

particles, so as to leave vacant interstices, which will be again filled up by particles carried on by the succeeding fluid, as a bank by the mud of the current, which must be reduced to that figure which gives least resistance to the current.

Arhuthnot. A fountain in a darksome wood, Nor stain'd with falling leaves nor rising mud.

To Mup. v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To bury in the slime or mud. I wish

Myself were mudded in that oozy bed, Shakspeare, Tempest. Where my son lies.

2. To make turbid; to pollute with dirt; to dash with dirt; to foul by stirring up the sediment.

I shall not stir in the waters which have been already mudded by so many contentious enquiries. Glanville, Scepsis.

Mu'ddily. adv. [from muddy.] Turbidly; with foul mixture.

Lucilius writ not only loosely and muddily, with little art, and much less care, but also in a time which was not yet sufficiently purged from Dryden.

MU'DDINESS. 2. S. [from muddy.] Turbidness; foulness caused by mud, dregs, or sediment.

Our next stage brought us to the mouth of the Tiber: the season of the year, the muddiness 4. Dark; not bright,

of the stream, with the many green trees hanging over it, put me in mind of the delightful image that Virgil has given when Æneas took the first view of it. Addison on Italy.

Turn the bottle upside down; by this means you will not lose one drop, and the froth will conceal the muddiness. Swift, Direct. to Servants.

To Mu'ddle. v. a. [from mud.]

1. To make turbid; to foul; to make muddy.

The neighbourhood told him, he did ill to muddle the water and spoil the drink.

Yet let the goddess smile or frown, Bread we shall eat, or white or brown; And in a cottage, or a court,

Drink fine champagne, or muddled port. Prior.

2. To make half drunk; to cloud or stupify.

I was for five years often drunk, always muddled; they carried me from tavern to tavern. Arbuthnot, Hist, of J. Bull.

Epicurus seems to have had his brains so muddled and confounded, that he scarce ever kept in the right way, though the main maxim of his philosophy was to trust to his senses, and follow his nose. Bentley, Serm.

To Mu'ddle.* v. n. To contract filth; to be in a dirty or confused state.

He never muddles in the dirt. His summum bonum is muddling in parch-

MU'DDLE.* n. s. [from the verb.] A confused 'or turbid state: a vulgar expression.

Mu'ddy. adj. [from mud.]

1. Turbid; foul with mud.

A woman mov'd is like a fountain troubled, Muddy, ill-seeming, thick, bereft of beauty. Shakspeare.

Her garments, heavy with their drink, Pull'd the poor wretch from her melodious lay Shakspeare, Hamlet. To muddy death.

Carry it among the whitsters in Datchet mead, and there empty it in the muddy ditch close by the Shakspeare. Thames. Who can a pure and crystal current bring

From such a muddy and polluted spring? Sandys, Paraph.

I strove in vain the infected blood to cure, Streams will run muddy where the spring's im-Roscommon. pure.

Till by the fury of the storm full blown, The muddy bottom o'er the clouds is thrown. Druden.

Out of the true fountains of science painters and statuaries are bound to draw, without amusing themselves with dipping in streams which are often muddy, at least troubled; I mean the manner of their masters, after whom they creep.

2. Impure; dark; gross. There's not the smallest orb which thou behold'st,

But in his motion like an angel sings, Still quiring to the young-ey'd cherubims; Such harmony is in immortal sounds; But whilst this muddy vesture of decay Doth grossly close us in, we cannot hear it. Shakspeare.

If you chuse, for the composition of such ointment, such ingredients as do make the spirits a little more gross or muddy, thereby the imagination will fix the better.

3. Soiled with mud.

His passengers
Expos'd in muddy weeds, upon the miry shore. Dryden.

The black
A more inferiour station seeks,
Leaving the fiery red behind,

And mingles in her muddy cheeks. Swift, Miscell. 5. Cloudy in mind; dull;

Do'st think I am so muddy, so unsettled,

To appoint myself in this vexation.

Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

Yet, I,

A dull and muddy mettled rascal, peak,
Like John-a-dreams, unpregnant in my cause,
And can say nothing. Shakspeare, Hamlet

And can say nothing. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

To Mu'ddy, v. a. [from mud.] To make muddy; to cloud; to disturb.

The people muddied,
Thick and unwholesome in their thoughts and
whispers.
Excess, either with an apoplexy, knocks a man
on the head; or with a fever, like fire in a strong-

Excess, either with an apoplexy, knocks a man on the head; or with a fever, like fire in a strongwater-shop, burns him down to the ground; or if it flames not out, charks him to a coal; muddles the best wit, and makes it only to flutter and froth high.

Grew, Cosmol. Sacra.

Mu'ddy-headed.* adj. [muddy and head.] Having a cloudy understanding.

Many boys are muddy-headed, till they be clarified with age; and such afterwards prove the best.

Fuller, Holy State, p. 100.

Mu'dsucker. n. s. [mud and suck.] A sea fowl.

In all water-fowl, their legs and feet correspond to that way of life; and in mudsuckers, two of the toes are somewhat joined, that they may not easily sink.

Derham.

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MU'DWALL. n. s. [mud and wall.]

1. A wall built without mortar, by throwing up mud and suffering it to dry.

If conscience contract rust or soil, a man may as well expect to see his face in a mudwall, as that such a conscience should give him a true report of his condition.

South.

2. [Apiaster.] A bird so called.

Mu'dwalled. adj. [mud and wall.] Having a mud-wall.

As folks from mudwall'd tenement Bring landlords pepper corn for rent; Present a turkey, or a hen,

To those might better spare them ten. Prior. To Mue. v. a. [muer, Fr.]

1. To moult; to change feathers; to

change. See To Mew.
Their nakedness with sackcloth let them hide,

And mue the vestments of their silken pride.

Quarles, Hist. of Jonah, (1620,) H. 3.

 To low as a cow; usually pronounced moo, though mue should seem to be the orthography. [muir, old French; muhen, Germ.; mugio, Lat.]

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MUFF. n. s. [muff, Swedish.] A soft
cover for the hands in winter.

Feel but the difference, soft and rough,
This a gantlet, that a muff. Cleaveland.
What I no more favours, not a ribbon more,
Not fan, not muff? Suckling.

The lady of the spotted muff began. Dryden. A child that stands in the dark upon his mother's muff, says he stands upon something, he knows not what.

Locke.

Mu'ffin.* n. s. A kind of light cake.

To MUTFLE.† v. a. [from mouffle, French; a winter glove. Dr. Johnson. — Rather from the old French mufle, "la partie inférieure de la tête de quelques animaux." Lacombe. "Mufle, snout or muzzle." Cotgrave. The original meaning is to conceal part of the face; not

to cover from the weather, as Dr. Johnson has given it; nor is there any occasion for his second distinction of to blindfold; most of the examples under which belong to the first.]

1. To conceal part or the whole of the face; "to muffle the mouth." Barret.

Alas that love, whose view is muffled still,

Alas that love, whose view is muffled still, Should without eyes see pathways to his ill.

We've caught the woodcock, and will keep him muffled.

Skakspeare, All's Well.

Loss of sight is the misery of life, and usually the fore-runner of death: when the malefactor comes once to be muffled, and the fatal cloth drawn over his eyes, we know that he is not far from his execution.

South.

Bright Lucifer
That night his heavenly form obscur'd with tears;
And since he was forbid to leave the skies,
He muffled with a cloud his mournful eyes.

Dryden.
His muffled feature speaks him a recluse,
His ruins prove him a religious house.

You must be muffled up like ladies. Dryden.

The face lies muffled up within the garment.

Addison.

2. To wrap; to cover.

Balbutius muffled in his sable cloke, Like an old druid from his hollow oak. Young.

3. To conceal; to involve; to wrap up.

This is one of the strongest examples of a personation that ever was: although the king's manner of shewing things by pieces, and by dark lights, hath so muffled it, that it hath left it almost as a mystery.

Bacon, Hen. VII.

No muffling clouds, nor shades infernal, can

From his inquiry hide offending man.

Sandys. Paraph.

Our understandings lie grovelling in this lower region, muffled up in mists and darkness.

Glanville, Scepsis.

The thoughts of kings are like religious groves,
The walks of muffled gods.

One, muffled up in the infallibility of his sect, will not enter into a debate with a person that will question any of those things which to him are sacred.

Locke.

They were in former ages muffled up in darkness and superstition. Arbuthnot, Hist. of J. Bull.

To Mu'fflet v. n. [maffelen, moffelen, Dutch. The true word is maffle; which is still in use. See To Maffle.] To speak inwardly; to speak without clear and distinct articulation.

The freedom or apertness and vigour of pronouncing, as in the Bocca Romana, and giving somewhat more of aspiration; and the closeness and muffling, and laziness of speaking, render the sound of speech different.

Holder.

Mu'ffler.† n. s. [from muffle.]

1. A cover for the face.

Fortune is painted with a muffler before her eyes, to signify to you that fortune is blind.

Shakspeare, Hen. V.

Mr. Hales has found out the best expedients for preventing immediate suffocation from tainted air, by breathing through mufflers, which imbibe these vapours.

Arbuthnot on Air.

2. A part of a woman's dress, by which the face was partially, or almost wholly, covered; a kind of mask.

There is no woman's gown big enough for him; otherwise he might put on a hat, a muffler, and a handkerchief, and so escape.

Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor.

The goddess Angerona was with a muffler upon her mouth placed upon the altar of Volupia, to represent, that those persons who bear their sicknesses and sorrows without murmur, shall certainly pass from sorrow to pleasure.

Bp. Taylor, Holy Dying, § 4. ch. 3.
The Lord will take away your tinkling ornaments, chains, bracelets, and mufflers. Isa. iii. 19.

Mu'fri.† n. s. [a Turkish word.] The high priest of the Mahometans.

The Indians have their brachmans, the Turks their muftis. Featley, Dippers Dipt, p. 130.

I tell thee, mufti,

Good feasting is devout, and thou our head, Hast a religious ruddy countenance. Dryden.

MUG. † n. s. | Skinner derives it from mwygl, Welsh, warm; implying that our mug is a cup for warming drink. The word is of no great age in our language; and is not enumerated among the many quaint appellations of pots and glasses which are to be found in Heywood's Drunkard Opened, 1635. It is a word coined perhaps in sport. In Young's Description of Drunkennesse, 1617, it is said, "I have seene a company amongst the very woods and forrests drinking for a muggle. Sixe determined to trye their strengths who could drinke most glasses for the muggle. The first drinks a glasse of a pint, the second two, the next three, and so every one multiplieth till the last taketh six." sign. E. 4. b. What this muggle means I know not; and therefore am unable to pronounce mug as connected with it.1 A cup to drink in.

Ah Bowzybee, why didst thou stay so long?
The mugs were large, the drink was wond'rous strong.

Gay.

Mu'ggard.* adj. Sullen; displeased. Exmore dialect. Grose. Probably a corruption of mugger, as used in huggermugger; morcker, Dan. darkness.

Mu'ggs.† adj. [corrupted from mucka, Mu'ggsh.] for damp.]

1. Moist; damp; mouldy.

Cover with muggy straw to keep it moist.

Mortimer.

2. Thick; close; misty. [from moky, which see.]

Muggleto'NIAN.* n. s. One of a sect of enthusiasts formed about the year 1657 by Lodowick Muggleton, a journeyman taylor, who set up for a prophet.

The Seekers, a sect in those times, renounced all ordinances; and so did the sect of the Muggletonians.

Grey, Notes on Hudibras.

Mu'GHOUSE.† n. s. [mug and house.] An ale house; a low house of entertainment.

He has the confidence to say that there is a mug-house near Long-Acre, where you may every evening hear an exact account of distresses of this kind.

Tatler, No. 18C.
Our sex has dar'd the mughouse chiefs to meet,

Our sex has dar'd the mughouse chiefs to meet, And purchas'd fame in many a well fought street. Tickell.

Mu'gil.* n. s. [mugil, Lat.] A name for the mullet.

In common constructions, mugil is rendered a mullet, which, notwithstanding, is a different fish from the mugil described by authors.

Sir T. Browne, Miscell. p. 104. It is thought wonderful among the seamen, that

Lily, Campaspe. MU'GIENT. adj. [mugiens, Lat.] Bellow-

That a bittern maketh that mugient noise or bumping, by putting its bill into a reed, or by putting the same in water or mud, and after a while retaining the air, but suddenly excluding it again, is not easily made out.

Mu'gwort. n. s. [muzpypt, Saxon; arte-

misia, Latin.]

The flowers and fruit of the mugwort are very like those of the wormwood, but grow erect upon the branches. Miller. Some of the most common simples with us in England are comfry, bugle, Paul's betony, and mugwort.

MULA'TTO. † n. s. \[mulata, Spanish; \] mulat, French; from mulas, Lat. One begot between a white and a black, as a mule between different species or animals.

Purgatory, which is a device to make men be mulatas, as the Spaniard calls half Christians.

Bp. Taylor, Diss. from Popery, ch. ii. § 3. Mulattos are not Ethiopians.

Young, Centaur, Lett. 2.

Mu'lberry.
Mu'lberry tree.

n. s. [mopbeng, Sax.;
morus, Latin.]

1. The mulberry tree hath large, rough, roundish leaves; the male flowers; or katkins, which have a calyx consisting of four leaves, are sometimes produced upon separate trees, at other times at remote distances from the fruit on the same tree: the fruit is composed of several protuberances, to each of which adhere four small leaves; the seeds are roundish, growing singly in each protuberance; it is planted for the delicacy of the fruit. The white mulberry is commonly cultivated for its leaves to feed silkworms, in France and Italy, though the Persians always make use of the common black mulberry for that purpose. Miller.

Morton, archbishop of Canterbury, was content to use mor upon a tun; and sometimes a mulberry tree called morus in Latin, out of a tun. Camden, Rem.

2. The fruit of the tree.

The ripest mulberry,

That will not hold the handling. Shakspeare, Coriol. A body black, round, with small grain-like tubercles on the surface; not very unlike a mul-Woodward on Fossils. Mulch.* n. s. [perhaps a corruption of

mull.] Rotten or crumbled dung. See

If mulch be used, it should be thoroughly rotten, and almost reduced to mould.

Adelphi Transactions, xv. 158. MULCT. n. s [mulcta, Latin.] A fine; a penalty: used commonly of pecuniary penalty.

Doe you then Argive Hellena, with all her trea-

sure, here

Restore to us, and pay the mulct that by your Chapman. vows is due. Because this is a great part, and Eusebius hath

said nothing, we will by way of mulct or pain, lay it upon him. Look humble upward, see his will disclose

The forfeit first, and then the fine impose; A mulct thy poverty could never pay, Had not eternal wisdom found the way. Dryden.

mugü, of all fishes the swiftest, is found in the large and sweeten and belly of the bret, of all the slowest.

To punish with fine or for-spice it. feiture.

> Marriage without consent of parents they do not make void, but they mulct it in the inheritors; for the children of such marriages are not admitted to inherit above a third part of their parents' in-Bacon, New Atlantis.

> All fraud must be banished out of their markets; or, if it dares to intrude, soundly punished,

and mulcted with due satisfaction.

Bp. Hall, Cases of Consc. D. 1. C. 7.

Mu'lctuary.* adj. [from mulct.] Punishing with fine or forfeiture.

He wishes fewer laws, so they were better observed; and for those [that] are mulctuary, he understands their institution not to be like briers, and springs, to catch every thing they lay hold of ; but like sea-marks, - to avoid the shipwreck of ignorant passengers.

Overbury, Charact. (1627,) sign. N. 4 b. Fines, or some known mulctuary punishments upon other crimes.

Temple, Intr. Hist. of Eng. p. 172.

MULE. † n. s. [mul, Saxon; mule, mulet, French; mula, Latin.] An animal generated between a he ass and a mare, or sometimes between a horse and a she ass.

You have among you many a purchas'd slave, Which, like your asses, and your dogs, and mules, You use in abject and in slavish part. Shakspeare. Five hundred asses yearly took the horse,

Producing mules of greater speed and force.

Sandus. Those effluvia in the male seed have the geatest stroke in generation, as is demonstrable in a mule, which doth more resemble the parent, that is, the ass, than the female.

Twelve young mules, a strong laborious race. Pope.

MULETE'ER. † n. s. [muletier, French; mulio, Latin.] Mule-driver; horse-boy. Base muleteers,

Like peasant foot-boys, do they keep the walls, And dare not take up arms like gentlemen.

Your ships are not well mann'd,

Your mariners are muleteers, reapers. Shakspeare. About a quarter of an hour farther, we came up with our muleteers; they having pitched our tents, before they had gone so far as we intended. Maundrel, Trav. p. 20.

MULIE'BRITY. † n. s. [muliebris, Lat.] Womanhood: the contrary to virility; the manners and character of woman.

The ladies of Rhodes, hearing that you have

A capital part of your lady-ware, Have made their petition to Cupid, To plague you above all other, As one prejudicial to their muliebriety.

Soliman and Perseda, (1599).

Shakspeare.

Mu'Lish.* adj. [from mule.] Like a mule ; obstinate as a mule. Modern. The curbs invented for the mulish mouth

Of head-strong youths were broken. Cowper, Task.

Mull.* n. s. [M. Goth. muld; Su. Goth. mull.] Dust; rubbish. See Mullock. That other cofre of straw and mull

With stones meynd he fill'd also;

Thus be they full bothe two. Gower, Conf. Am. B. 5.

To Mull. v. a. [mollitus Latin.]

1. To soften and dispirit, as wine is when burnt and sweetened. Peace is a very apoplexy, lethargy, Mull'd, deaf, sleepy, insensible. Shakspeare, Coriol.

Drink new cyder mull'd with ginger warm.

Mulle'in. n. s. [verbascum, Latin.] Miller.

Mu'ller. † n. s. [mouleur, French; from mola, Icel. to crumble, to break into small pieces.] A stone held in the hand with which any powder is ground upon a horizontal stone. It is now often called improperly mullet.

The best grinder is the porphyry, white or green marble, with a muller or upper stone of the same, cut very even without flaws or holes; you may make a muller also of a flat pebble, by grinding it smooth at a grindstone.

Mu'llet. † n. s. [múllus, Lat.; mulet, Fr.] A sea fish.

Care must be taken, lest, being deceived by the identity of names, we take our English mullet to be the mullus of the ancients.

Ray, Dict. Triling. p. 25. Of carps and mullets why prefer the great?

Yet for small turbots such esteem profess.

Pope, Hor. Mu'lligrubs.† n. s. Twisting of the guts; sometimes sullenness. Dr. Johnson from Ainsworth. - Sick of the mulligrubs; low spirited; having an imaginary sickness. Grose, Class. Dict. Dr. Jamieson defines the Scottish molligrant, molligrub,, or mullygrub, the act of whining, complaining, or murmuring; and cites the Icel. mogla, murmur, and graun, the countenance, q. d. such whining as distorts the countenance; or, as including two ideas nearly connected, grunnia, murmuring and grunting. He finds another apparent etymon in the Teut. muylen, to mutter, with the Germ. grob, great, q. d. a great complaint or muttering. Whether this be the origin or not, the word certainly seems to have been old in English, as a contemptuous expression; though Dr. Johnson could

find no example of it. What's the matter? Whither go all these men menders? these physi-

cians ? Whose dog lies sick o' the mulligrubs?

Beaum. and Fl. Mons. Thomas.

MU'LLION.* n. s. [moulure, French.] A division in a window frame: a bar; a munnion, or munion, which is commonly, and perhaps correctly, pronounced mul-Tion.

To Mu'llion. * v. a. [from the noun.] To shape into divisions in a window.

Such is the fabrick of our ancient churches and cathedrals. The slender pillars imitate the taper trunk of a tree. The curve of the arches is from the delicate branching of the boughs in a wood or grove. The mullion'd lacework of the windows, the like; intercepting the dubious light, as in a real grove. Stukely, Palæogr. Sacra, (1763,) p. 18.

Mu'llock. † n. s. Rubbish. Dr. Johnson from Ainsworth. - This is an old word, the same as mull; and yet used in several places, signifying, dirt, rubbish, or ashes. See Mull.

The mullok on an hepe ysweped was.

Chaucer, Chan. Yeom. Tale. Mulse. n. s. [mulsum, Lat.] Wine boiled and mingled with honey.

MULTA'NGULAR. † adj. [multus and | angulus, Lat.] Many cornered; having many corners; polygonal.

Some round; others long, oval, multangular. Evelyn, B. 4. § 21.

MULTA'NGULARLY. adv. [from multangular.] Polygonally; with many corners. Granates are multangularly round.

Grew, Cosmol. Sacra. MULTA'NGULARNESS. n. s. [from multangular.] The state of being polygonal, or having many corners.

MULTICA'PSULAR. adj. [multus and capsula, Latin.] Divided into many partitions or cells.

Multica'vous adj. [multus and cavus.] Full of holes. Dict.

MULTIFA'RIOUS. adj. [multifarius, Lat.] Having great multiplicity; having different respects; having great diversity in itself.

There is a multifarious artifice in the structure of the meanest animal. More, Divine Dialogues. When we consider this so multifarious congruity of things in reference to ourselves, how can we withhold from inferring, that that which made both dogs and ducks made them with a reference to us?

More, Antid. against Atheism. His science is not moved by the gusts of fancy and humour, which blow up and down the multifarious opinionists. Glanville to Albius.

We could not think of a more comprehensive expedient, whereby to assist the frail and torpent memory through so multifarious and numerous an employment. Evelyn, Kalendar.

MULTIFA'RIOUSLY. adv. [from multifarious.] With multiplicity; with great variety of modes or relations.

If only twenty four parts may be so multifariously placed, and ordered, as to make many millions of millions of differing rows: in the supposition of a thousand parts, how immense must that capacity of variation be? Bentley, Serm.

MULTIFA'RIOUSNESS. n. s. [from multifarious.] Multiplied diversity.

According to the multifariousness of this imitability, so are the possibilities of being.

Norris, Miscell. MULTI'FIDOUS. adj. [multifidus, Latin.] Having many partitions; cleft into many branches.

These animals are only excluded without sight which are multiparous and multifidous, which have many at a litter and have feet divided into many portions.

MU'LTIFORM. adj. [multiformis, Latin.] Having various shapes or appearances. Ye that in quaternion run

Perpetual circle, multiform. Milton, P. L. The best way to convince is proving, by ocular demonstration, the *multiform* and amazing operations of the air pump and the loadstone. Watts.

Multifo'rmity. † n. s. [multiformis, Lat.] Diversity of shapes or appearances subsisting in the same thing.

Barking out a multiformity of oaths, like hellish Cerberi; as if men could not be gallants, unless Multiplication is the they turned devils. Purchas, Pilgrim. (1617,) Pref.

MULTILA'TERAL. † adj. [multus and lateralis, Latin.] Having many sides.

He will perceive, that there may be visible, as well as tangible circles, triangles, quadrilateral, and multilateral figures. Reid, Inquiry.

MULTILI'NEAL.* adj. [multus and linea, Lat.] Having many lines.

This map is multilineal in the extreme, and is | MULTIPLI'CITY. n. s. [multiplicité, Fr.] the first in which the Eastern islands are included. Steevens, Note on Twelfth Night.

Multilo'Quous. adj. [multiloquus, Lat.] Very talkative. MULTINO'MIAL. †) adj. [multus and no-MULTINO'MINAL. men, Lat.] Having

MULTINO MINAL. many names. Venus is multinominous, to give example to her

prostitute disciples, who so often, - to disguise themselves from magistrates, are to take new Donne, Paradoxus.

MULTI'PAROUS. adj. [multiparus, Latin.] Bringing many at a birth.

Double formations do often happen to multiparous generations, more especially that of serpents, whose conceptions being numerous, and their eggs in chains, they may unite into various shapes, and come out in mixed formations.

Brown. Animals feeble and timorous are generally multiparous; or if they bring forth but few at once, as pigeons, they compensate that by their often breeding. Ray on Creation.

MU'LTIPEDE. n. s. [multipeda, Lat.] An insect with many feet; a sow or wood-Bailey. louse.

MU'LTIPLE.† adj. [multiplex, Latin.] Manifold; numerous. A term in arithmetick, when one number contains another several times: as, nine is multiple of three, containing it three times.

MULTIPLI'ABLE. adj. [multipliable, Fr. from multiply.] Capable to be multi-

MULTIPLI'ABLENESS. n. s. [from multipliable.] Capacity of being multiplied. MU'LTIPLICABLE. adj. [from multiplico, Latin.] Capable of being arithmetically

multiplied. MU'LTIPLICAND. n. s. [multiplicandus, Latin.] The number to be multiplied in arithmetick.

Multiplication hath the multiplicand or number to be multiplied; the multiplier, or number given, by which the multiplicand is to be multiplied, and the product, or number produced by the other two. Cocker's Arithmetick.

Mu'ltiplicate. adj. [from multiplico, Lat.] Consisting of more than one.

In this multiplicate number of the eye, the object seen is not multiplied, and appears but one, though seen with two or more eyes.

Derham, Physico-Theol. MULTIPLICA'TION. n. s. [multiplication, French; multiplicatio, Lat.

1. The act of multiplying or increasing any number by addition or production of more of the same kind.

Although they had divers stiles for God, yet under many appellations thay acknowledged one divinity: rather conciving thereby the evidence or acts of his power in several ways than a multiplication of essence, or real distractions of unity in any one. Brown, Vulg. Err.

Multiplication is the increasing of any one number by another, so often as there are units in that number, by which the one is increased.

Cocker's Arithmetick. A man had need be a good arithmetician to runs on like a multiplication table.

Addison on Anc. Medals. MULTIPLICA'TOR. n. s. [multiplicateur, Fr. from multiplico, Lat.] The number by which another number is multiplied.

1. More than one of the same kind.

Had they discoursed rightly but upon this one principle that God was a being infinitely perfect, they could never have asserted a multiplicity of gods: for, can one God include in him all perfection, and another God include in him all perfections too? Can there be any more than all? And if this all be in one, can it be also in another?

Company, be thinks, lessens the shame of vice. by sharing it; and abates the torrent of a common odium, by deriving it into many channels; and therefore if he cannot wholly avoid the eye of the observer, he hopes to distract it at least by a multiplicity of the object. South, Serm.

2. State of being many.

You equal Donne in the variety, multiplicity, and choice of thoughts. Dryden, Ded. to Juvenal.

Multipli'cious. adj. [multiplex, Latin.] Manifold. Not used. Amphisbæna is not an animal of one denomi-

nation; for that animal is not one, but multiplicious, or many, which hath a duplicity or gemination of principal parts.

MU'LTIPLIER. † n. s. [from multiply; Fr. multiplieur.

1. One who multiplies or increases the number of any thing.

Broils and quarrels are alone the great accumulators and multipliers of injuries.

Decay of Chr. Piety.

The multiplicator in arithmetick. They are the only multipliers in the world; they have the art of multiplication.

Bacon, Sp. to K. James I. Multiplication hath the multiplicand and the multiplier, or number given, by which the multiplicand is to be multiplied. Cocker's Arithmetick.

To MU'LTIPLY. v. a. [multiplier, Fr. multiplico, Lat.]

To increase in number; to make more by generation, accumulation, or addition.

He clappeth his hands amongst us, and multiplieth his words against God. Job, xxxiv. 37. Deut. xvii. 16. He shall not multiply horses. His birth to our just fear gave no small cause,

But his growth now to youth's full flower displaying All virtue, grace, and wisdom, to achieve

Things highest, greatest, multiplies my fears. Milton, P. R. 2. To perform the process of arithmetical

multiplication. From one stock of seven hundred years, multiplying still by twenty, we shall find the product to

be one thousand three hundred forty-seven millions three hundred sixty-eight thousand four hundred and twenty. Brown, Vulg. Err.

To MU'LTIPLY. v. n. To grow in number.

The multiplying brood of the ungodly shall not

2. To increase themselves.

The multiplying villanies of nature Do swarm upon him. Shakspeare, Macbeth. We see the infinitely fruitful and productive. power of this way of sinning; how it can increase and multiply beyond all bounds and measures, of

actual commission. understand this author's works: his description MULTI'POTENT. adj. [multus and potens, Lat. | Having manifold power: having

power to do many different things. By Jove multipotent,

Thou should'st not bear from me a Greekish member. Shakspeare, Troil. and Cress.

MULTIPRE'SENCE. n. s. [multus and præ- | MUM. interject. [Of this word the supsentia, Lat.] The power or act of being present in more places than one at the same time.

This sleeveless tale of transubstantiation was surely brought into the world, and upon the stage, by that other fable of the multipresence of Christ's body. Br. Hall.

MULTI'SCIOUS. adj. [multiscius, Latin.] Having variety of knowledge.

MULTISILI'QUOUS. adj. [multus and siliqua, Latin. The same with corniculate: used of plants, whose seed is contained in many distinct seed-vessels. Bailey.

MULTI'SONOUS. adj. [multisonus, Latin.] Having many sounds.

MULTISY'LLABLE.* n. s. \[multus, Latin, and syllable.] A polysyllable; a word of many syllables.

Which is to be observed, not only in the length of sentences, but of words; among which a multi-syllable better answers a monosyllable precedent, than a monosyllable a multisyllable.

Instruct. for Oratory, (1682,) p. 38. MU'LTITUDE. n. s. [multitude, French;

multitudo, Latin.]

1. The state of being many; the state of being more than one.

2. Number collective; a sum of many; more than one.

It is impossible that any multitude can be actually infinite, or so great that there cannot be a

3. A great number, loosely and indefinitely. It is a fault in a multitude of preachers, that they utterly neglect method in their harangues.

4. A crowd or throng: the vulgar. He the vast hissing multitude admires. Addison.

MULTITU'DINOUS. † adj. [from multitude.]

1. Having the appearance of a multitude. Will all great Neptune's ocean wash this blood Clean from my hand? No, this my hand will

Thy multitudinous sea incarnardine,

Making the green one red. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

2. Manifold.

At once pluck out The multitudinous tongue, let them not lick Shaksneare. The sweet that is their poison.

3. Belonging to a multitude. There was another parting speech, which was to have been presented in the person of a youth, and accompanied with divers gentlemen's younger sons of the country; but, by reason of the multitudinous press, was hindered. B. Jonson, Entertainments.

Multi'vagant. } adj. [multivagus, Lat.]
Multi'vagous. } That wanders or Dict. strays much abroad. MULTI'VIOUS. adj. [multus and via, Lat.]

Having many ways; manifold. Dict. MULTO'CULAR. adj. [multus and oculus,

Lat.] Having more eyes than two.

Flies are multocular, having as many eyes as there are perforations in their corneæ.

Derham, Physico-Theol.

MU'LTURE.* n. s. [moulture, Fr. from molo, Lat. to grind.] A grist, or grinding; the corn ground; also the toll, or fee, that is due for grinding. Cotgrave, and Sherwood. Molter, the toll of a mill; used in the north of England. Grose. This old English word is common in Scotland.

posed original is mentioned in mome: it may be observed, that when it is pronounced it leaves the lips closed. Mumme, Danish, a mask; whence mummers and maskers are the same. Upton.] A word denoting prohibition to speak, or resolution not to speak; silence;

But to his speach he aunswered no whit, But stood still mute, as if he had beene dum, Ne signe of sence did shew, ne common wit, As one with griefe and anguishe over-cum, And unto every thing did aunswere mum.

Mum then, and no more proceed.

Shakspeare, Tempest. Well said, master; mum ! and gaze your fill. Shakspeare.

Intrust it under solemn vows, Of mum, and silence, and the rose.

Mum.* adj. Silent.

The citizens are mum, say not a word. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

They rage with wrath, they daily fret and fume; Ruthfull revenge them alwaies hath in sute, And right in time makes might both mum and

Mir. for Mag. p. 212. The mum club is an institution of the same nature, and as great an enemy to noise.

Addison, Spect. No. 9.

Hudibras.

Mum-budget.* interj. [mum and budget. "I come to her in white, and cry mum; she cries, budget; and by that we know one another." Shakspeare, Merr. Wives of Windsor. "To play mumbudget, demeurer court, Fr." which Cotgrave renders "to be gravelled, put to silence or a nonplus."] An expression denoting secrecy as well as silence; used in a contemptuous or ludicrous manner.

I thought he laught not merrier than I, when I got this money

But mumbouget: for Carisophus I espie. Damon and Pithias, sign. C. iii. b.

They neither alledge the fond surmised causes by Frarine, nor mumble them over in mum budget, but plainlie declare the reasonable, sufficient, and necessarie causes.

Fulke, Answ. to P. Frarine, (1580,) p. 20. If a man call them to accomptes, and aske the cause of all these their tragical and cruel doings, he shall have a short answer with mum budget.

Orat. against the Unl. Insur. of the Protestants, (1615,) sign. C. 8.

Have these bones rattled, and this head So often in thy quarrel bled? Nor did I ever wince or grudge it, For thy dear sake. Quoth she, mum budget. Hudibras, i. iii.

Mum-chance.* n. s.

1. Silence.

Huloet.

2. A game of hazard with dice. They - repaire hither to viewe as well their incomparable beauty, as for to accompany them at mumchance, and then after to daunce with them. Cavendish, Life of Wolsey.

3. A fool, dropped as it were by chance, or by the fairies; one who is for the most part stupid and silent, rarely speaking to the purpose. [from mome, a fool.] Used in the west of England.

To Mum.* See To Mumm.

Mum. n. s. [mumme, Germ.] Ale brewed with wheat.

In Shenibank, upon the river Elbe, is a storehouse for the wheat of which mum is made at Brunswick. Mortimer. Sedulous and stout

With bowls of fattening mum-Philips. The clam'rous crowd is hush'd with mugs of

Till all tun'd equal send a general hum. To MU'MBLE. + v. n. [mommelen, Teut. mumler, Danish; momla, Su. Goth. to mutter.

2. To speak inwardly; to grumble; to mutter; to speak with imperfect sound or articulation.

As one then in a dream, whose drier brain Is tost with troubled sights, and fancies weake, He mumbled soft, but would not all his silence

break. Spenser, F. Q. Peace, you mumbling fool; Utter your gravity o'er a gossip's bowl. A wrinkled hag, with age grown double, Picking dry sticks, and mumbling to herself.

2. To chew; to bite softly; to eat with the

lips close. The man, who laugh'd but once to see an ass Mumbling to make the gross-grain'd thistles pass,

Might laugh again to see a jury chaw The prickles of unpalatable law. To MU'MBLE. + .v. a.

1. To utter with a low inarticulate voice. They neither alledge the fond surmised causes by Frarine, nor mumble them over in mum budget. Fulke, Answ. to P. Frarine, (1580,) p. 20.

Here stood he in the dark, Mumbling of wicked charms, conjuring the moon To stand 's auspicious mistress.

Shakspeare, K. Lear. He with mumbled pray'rs attones the deity.

Dryden, Juv. 2. To mouth gently.

Spaniels civilly delight

In mumbling of the game they dare not bite. Pope. 3. To slubber over; to suppress; to utter

The raising of my rabble is an exploit of consequence; and not to be mumbled up in silence Dryden. for all her pertness. Mu'mble-news.* n. s. A kind of tale-

bearer; one who privately reports news. Some carry-tale, some pleaseman, some slight

zany, Some mumble-news, some trencher-knight, some Dick,-

Told our intents before.

Shakspeare, Love's Lab. Lost. Mu'mbler. † n. s. [from mumble.] One

that speaks inarticulately; a mutterer. Mass-momblers, holy-water-swingers. Bale, Yet a Course, &c. fol. 88. b.

Employing a company of boys, or old illiterate mumblers, to read the service. Echard on the Cont. of the Clergy, p. 119.

Mu'mblingly. adv. [from mumbling.]

With inarticulate utterance.

To Mumm. v. n. [mumme, Danish.] To mask; to frolick in disguise. The thriftless games

With mumming and with masking all around. Spenser, Hubb. Tale.

Mu'mmer. † n. s. [from the verb; mommer also Teut. a masker.] A masker; one who performs frolicks in a personated dress. Dr. Johnson. - Originally, one who gesticulated, without speaking.

Good faith, sir, concernynge the people they are not gay;

And, as farre as I see, they be mummers; for nought they say. Damon and Pithias, sign. C. i. b.

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If you chance to be pinch'd with the colick, you make faces like mummers. Shakspeare, Coriol. Jugglers and dancers, anticks, mummers.

Milton, S. A. I began to smoke that they were a parcel of Addison. Peel'd, patch'd and pyebald, linsey-woolsey brothers;

Grave mummers!

Pone, Dunciad.

MU'MMERY. n. s. [momerie, Fr.] Masking; frolick in masks; foolery. This is sometimes written mommery.

Here mirth's but mummery, And sorrows only real be.

Wotton. This open day-light doth not shew the masks and mummeries, and triumphs of the world, half so stately as candlelight. Bacon, Nat. Hist. Your fathers

Disdain'd the mummery of foreign strollers.

To Mu'mmify.* v. a. [mummy, and fio, Latin.] To preserve as a mummy; to make a mummy of.

Thy virtues are The spices that embalm thee; thou art far More richly laid, and shalt more long remaine Still mummified within the hearts of men, Than if to lift thee in the rolls of fame Each marble spoke thy shape, all brass thy name.

J. Hall, Poems, (1646,) p. 50.

MU'MMY. † n. s. [mumie, French; mumia, Latin; derived by Salmasius from amomum, Latin, by Bochart, from the Arabick mumia. Dr. Johnson. - The Spaniards call pissasphalt cera de minera, mineral wax, perhaps from its consistency; but the Arabians term it mumia; whence, it may be, embalmed bodies came to be called mummies, from their being preserved with this pissasphalt: and this we are the more apt to believe, since the true asphalt, or bitumen Judaicum, was very scarce. Greenhill, Art of Embalming, 1705, p. 277.]

1. A dead body preserved by the Egyptian

art of embalming.

We have two substances for medici- Mu'mper. n. s. [In cant language.] A nal use under the name of mummy: one is the dried flesh of human bodies embalmed with myrrh and spice; the other is the liquor running from such mummies when newly prepared, or when affected by great heat, or by damps: this is sometimes of a liquid, sometimes of a solid form, as it is preserved in vials, or suffered to dry: the first kind is brought in large pieces, of a friable texture, light and spungy, of a blackish brown colour, and often black and clammy on the surface; it is of a strong but not agreeable smell: the second, in its liquid state, is blackish and a strong, but not disagreeable smell: in its indurated state it is a dry, solid substance, of a fine shining black colour and close texture, easily broken, and of a good smell: this sort is extremely dear, and the first sort so cheap, that we are not to imagine it to be the ancient Egyptian mummy. What MU'MPING. * n. s. [from mump.] our druggists are supplied with is the 1. Foolish tricks; acts of mockery. flesh of any bodies the Jews can get, who fill them with the common bitumen 2. Begging tricks.

so plentiful in that part of the world, and adding aloes, and some other cheap ingredients, send them to be baked in an oven till the juices are exhaled, and the embalming matter has penetrated. Hill, Mat. Med.

It is strange how long carcasses have continued uncorrupt, as appeareth in the mummies of Egypt, having lasted some of them three thousand years. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Sav'd by spice, like mummies, many a year, Old bodies of philosophy appear. Pope, Dunciad.

2. The liquor which distils from mummies; any gum.

The work -

Was died in mummy, which the skilful Conserv'd of maidens' hearts. Shakspeare, Othello. In or near this place is a precious liquor or mummy growing: — a moist, redolent gum it is, sovereign against poisons.

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 124.

3. Mummy is used among gardeners for a sort of wax used in the planting and grafting of trees. Chambers.

4. To beat to a Mummy. To beat soundly. Ainsworth.

To MUMP. † v. a. [mompelen, Teut. mund, Germ. the mouth; mumsa, Su. from mun, q. d. munsa, to work with the mouth. Serenius.]

1. To nibble; to bite quick; to chew with a continued motion.

Let him not pry nor listen,

Nor frisk about the house Like a tame mumping squirrel with a bell on.

2. To talk low and quick.

3. [In cant language.] To beg. Ainsworth.

4. To deceive; to chouse.

I'm resolved hereafter to bend my thoughts wholly for the service of the nursery, and mump your proud players! D. of Buckingham, Rehearsal.

He watches them like a younger brother, that

is afraid to be mump'd of his snip.

Wycherley, Love in a Wood.

beggar.

To Mump.* v. n.

To chatter; to make mouths; to grin like an ape.

Thou world of marmosets and mumping apes, Unmaske; put off thy feigned, borrowed shapes.

Marston, Scourge of Vill. (1599,) iii. 9. The ghost knocks; Harlequin opens the door; and, seeing the apparition, runs backward in a fright, whips up a dish of vermicelli, with which he retreats under the table: the ghost enters, sits down at table, talks to Don John, while Harle-

quin mumps below, with such buffoonery as excites the mirth of the whole audience. Drummond, Trav. (Lett. 1744,) p. 35.

a thick, opake, and viscous fluid, of a 2. To implore notice by making a face of distress; to beg with a false pretence A cant word.

They had no way left for getting rid of this mendicant perseverance, but by sending for the beadle, and forcibly driving our embassy of shreds and patches, with all its mumping cant, from the inhospitable door of cannibal castle, Burke on a Regicide Peace.

Sherwood.

Their own mumpings, and beggarly tones, while they pretend to speak in Plutarch's voice

Bentley, Phil. Lips. \$ 50. Mumps. † n. s. [mompelen, Dutch.] 1. Sullenness; silent anger.

2. The squinancy. Dr. Johnson from Ainsworth. - It is properly a swelling of the glans about the throat, and the jaws. [perhaps from the muns, the mouth.]

It [the disease] resembled the mumps, or

swelling of the chaps.

White, Jour. of a Voy. to N. South Wales, p. 22. Mun.* Must. See Mowe. Used in the north of England. "I mun gang: thoumunnot gang:" i. e. I must, thou must not, go.

Mun, or Muns.* n.s. A vulgar term for the mouth. See Mouth, and Muns.

To MUNCH.† v. a. [See To Mounch, and the etymology also of Mourth.] To chew by great mouthfuls. This is likewise written mounch.

Say, sweet love, what thou desir'st to eat?

Truly, a peck of provender; I could munch

your good dry oats.

To Munch. v. n. To chew eagerly by great mouthfuls. It is the son of a mare that's broken loose, and

munching upon the melons.

Dryden, Don Sebastian. Mu'ncher. n. s. [from munch.] One that munches.

MUND. n. s.

Mund is peace, from which our lawyers call a breach of the peace, mundbrech: so Eadmund is happy peace; Æthelmund, noble peace; Ælmund, all peace; with which these are much of the same import: Irenæus, Hesychius, Lenis, Pacatus, Sedatus, Tranquillus, &c.

Gibson's Camden. MU'NDANE. † adj. [mundanus, Latin.] Belonging to the world.

To have their pleasures mondayne.

Skelton, Poems, p. 266.

I, king Pericles, have lost This queen, worth all our mundane cost.

Shakspeare, Pericles. The platonical hypothesis of a mundane soul will relieve us. Glanville, Scepsis.

The atoms which now constitute heaven and earth, being once separate in the mundane space, could never without God, by their mechanical affections, have convened into this present frame of Bentley, Serm.

Munda'nity.* n. s. [from mundane.] Secularity; attention to the things of the world. Not in use.

The love of mundanity, wherein do reside the vital spirits of the body of sin.

W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. P. i. (1648,) p. 876. Munda'tion. n. s. [mundas, Latin.] Theact of cleansing.

Mu'ndatory. adj. [from mundus, Latin,]

Having the power to cleanse.

MU'NDICK.† n. s. A kind of marcasite or, semimetal found in tin mines. Dr. Johnson. - So called from its cleanly shining appearance. [mundus, Latin.] Borlase's Hist. of Cornwall, p. 131.

When any metals were in considerable quantity, these bodies lose the name of marcasites, and are called ores: in Cornwal and the West they call them mundick.

Besides stones, all the sorts of mundick are naturally figured.

Grew, Cosmol.

MUNDIFICA'TION. [mundus and fucio, Lat.]
Cleansing any body, as from dross, or
matter of inferior account to what is to
be cleansed. Quincy.

MUNDI'FICATIVE: † adj. [mundificatif, Fr. Cotgrave.] Cleansing; having the power to cleanse.

Gall is very mundificative, and was a proper medicine to clear the eyes of Tobit.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

A medicine to

MUNDI'FICATIVE.* n. s. A medicine to cleanse.

We incarned with an addition to the fore-men-

tioned mundificative. Wiseman, Surgery.

To MU'NDIFY:† v. a. [mundifier, Fr. Cotgrave, mundus and facto, Latin.] To

cleanse; to make clean.

Simple wounds, such as are mundified and kept clean, do not need any other hand but that of nature.

Brown.

The ingredients actuate the spirits, absorb the intestinal superfluities, and mundify the blood.

Mundi'vagant. adj. [mundivagus, Lat.]
Wandering through the world. Dict.
Mundi'vagus. n. s. Stinking tobacco. A

cant word.

Exhale mundungus, ill perfuming scent.

Mu'NERARY. adj. [from munus, Latin.]
Having the nature of a gift.

To MU'NERATE.* v. a. [munero, Lat.]
To reward. Not in use. Coles.
MUNERA'TION.* n. s. [muneratio, Lat.]
Gift; reward. Not in use. Lemon.

Mung-corn.* Mixed corn. See Mong-

MU'NGREL. n. s. [frequently written mongrel. See Mongrel.] Any thing generated between different kinds; any thing partaking of the qualities of different causes or parents.

Mastiff, greyhound, mungrel grim, Hound or spaniel, brache or lym,

Or bobtail tike, or trundle-tail. Shakspeare. Mu'ngrel. adj. Generated between dif-

ferent natures; baseborn; degenerate.
Thou art the composition of a knave, beggar, coward, pander, and the son and heir of a mungrel

coward, pander, and the son and heir of a mungreu bitch. Shakspeare. My people have grown half wild, they would not precipitate themselves else into such a mixt

mungrel war. Howell.

Mungrel curs bawl, snarle and snap, where the fox flies before them, and clap their tails between the legs when an adversary makes head against them.

L'Estrange.

A foreign son is sought and a mix'd mungrel brood.

Dryden.

MUNI CIPAL. † adj. [municipal, French; municipalis, municipium, Latin.] Belonging to a corporation.

The civil and municipal laws.
Fulke, Retentive, &c. (1580,) p. 111.
A counsellor, bred up in the knowledge of the municipal and statute laws, may honestly inform

a just prince how far his prerogative extends.

Dryden.

MUNICIPA'LITY.* n. s. [from municipal.]

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The people of a district in the division of republican France.

Do you seriously think, that the territory of France, upon the system of eighty-three independent municipalities, can ever be governed as one body?

To Munificate.* v.a. [munifico, Latin.]
To enrich. Not in use. Cockeram.
Munificence. n. s. [munificence, French;
munificentia, Latin.]

1. Liberality; the act of giving.

A state of poverty obscures all the virtues of liberality and munificence.

Addison, Spect.

In Spenser it is used, as it seems, for fortification or strength, from munitiones facere.

A nation straunge with their importune sway This land invaded with like violence, — Until that Locrine for his realms defence,

Did head against them make, and strong munificence. Spenser, F. Q.

MUNITICENT. adj. [munificus, Latin.]

Liberal; generous.

Is he not our most munificent benefactor, our

wisest counsellor and most potent protector?

Atterbury.

Muni'ficently. adv. [from munificent.] Liberally; generously.

MU'NIMENT.† n. s. [munimentum, Latin.]
1. Fortification; strong hold.

2. Support; defence.

The arm our soldier,
Our steed the leg, the tongue our triumpeter;
With other muniments and petty helps
In this our fabrick. Shakspeare, Coriol.

3. Record; writing upon which claims and rights are founded; evidences; charters. See Cowel in V. MUNIMENT.

The more antient muniments of Winchcombe were destroyed by fire in the reign of king Stephen. Warton, Hist. of Kiddington, p. 28. The venerable Gothic vaulting of the ancient

The venerable Gothic vaulting of the ancient muniment-room in Redcliffe chest, and the massy monumental chest which preserved these inestimable remains. Warton, Rowley Enq. p. 3.

To MUNITE. v. a. [munio, Latin.] To fortify; to strengthen. A word not in use.

Heat doth attenuate, and the more gross and tangible parts contract, both to avoid vacuum, and to munite themselves against the force of the fire.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Men, in the procuring or muniting of religious unity, must not dissolve the laws of charity and human society.

Bacon.

Muni'tion.† n. s. [munition, Fr. munitio, Lat.]

1. Fortification; strong hold.

All that fight against her and her munition.

Isa. xxix. 7.

Keep the munition; watch the way.

Nahum, ii. 1.

Authority is to be a fenced as well as a brazen wall. The inward firmness of one must be corroborated by the exterior munitions of the other.

South, Serm. vii. 75.
Victors under-pin their acquests jure belli, that
they might not be lost by the continuation of external forces of standing armies, castles, garrisons,

ternal forces of standing armies, castles, garrisons, munitions.

Hale.

2. Ammunition; materials for war; materials for commerce.

What penny hath Rome borne,
What men provided, what munition sent,
To underprop this action? Shakspeare, K. John.
The king of Tripolie in every hold

Shut up his men, munition, and his treasure.

Fairf

He provided victuals for the cities, and set

He provided victuals for the cities, and set in them all manner of munition. 1 Macc. xiv. 10.

The bodies of men, munition, and money, may justly be called the sinews of war.

Ralegh, Arts of Emp. ch. 25.

Master picklock, sir, your man o'law
And learn'd attorney, has sent you a bag of munition.

- What is 't? - Three hundred pieces.

B. Jonson, Staple of News.

It is a city, strong and well stored with muniion. Sandys.

VALUE A. S. Front munita J. Security.

MU'NITY.* n. s. [from munite.] Security; freedom. Not in use.

Devotion doth rather compose the munity than

infringe the true liberty of our affection.

W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. P. i. (1648,) p. 35.

Mu'nnion.† n. s. [mullion is probably the true word. See Mullion.]

The upright posts, that divide the several lights in a window frame, are called munnions.

Moxon.

Muns.* n. s. [mun, Su. Goth. mund, Germ. and Dan. munnr, Icel.] A term for the mouth and chops, noticed by Ray; and still used in vulgar language.

Mu'rage. n. s. [from murus, Lat.] Money paid to keep walls in repair.

Mu'ral. adj. [muralis, murus, Lat.] Pertaining to a wall.

And repair'd

Her mural breach, returning whence it roll'd.

Milton, P. L.

In the nectarine and the like delicate mural fruit, the later your pruning, the better.

Evelyn, Kalendar.

A soldier would venture his life for a mural crown.

Addison.

MU'RDER.† n. s. [mopŏop, mopŏep, Sax. murdrum, law Lat. the etymology requires that it should be written, as it anciently often was, murther; but of late the word itself has commonly, and its derivatives universally, been written with d. Dr. Johnson. — The etymology of the Sax mopŏ, whence mopŏop, and of the M. Goth. maurthr; require murther; but murder has also the authority of the Su. Goth. mord, the Teut. moord, and the old French murdre.] The act of killing a man unlawfully; the act of killing criminally.

Blood hath been shed ere now, i' the olden time, Ere human statute purg'd the general weal; Ay, and since too, murders have been perform'd Too terrible for the ear. Shakspeare, Macbeth. Slaughter grows murder when it goes too far,

And makes a massacre what was a war. Dryden.

The killing of their children had, in the account of God, the guilt of murder, as the offering them to idols had the guilt of idolatry.

Locke.

To Mu'RDER. v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To kill a man unlawfully.

If he dies, I murder him, not they.

2. To destroy; to put an end to.

To destroy; to put an end to.
 Can'st thou quake and change thy colour,
 Murder thy breath in middle of a word,

And then again begin, and stop again?

Let the mutinous winds

Strike the proud cedars to the fiery sun;

Murdering impossibility, to make
What cannot be, slight work. Shakspeare, Coriol.

Mu'rder. interj. An outcry when life is

in danger.

Kill men i' the dark! where be these bloody

thieves?

Ho, murder! murder! Shakspeare, Othello.

MU'RDERER. † n. s. [from murder.]

1. One who has shed human blood un-

lawfully; one who has killed a man criminally.

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Thou dost kill me with thy falsehood, and it! grieves me not to die; but it grieves me that thou art the murderer. I am his host

Who should against his murderer shut the door, Not bear the knife myself. Shakspeare, Macbeth.
Thou tell'st me there is murder in mine eyes; 'Tis pretty sure,

That eyes, that are the frail'st and softest things, Who shut their coward gates on atomies,

Should be call'd tyrants, butchers, murderers.

The very horrour of the fact had stupified all curiosity, and so dispersed the multitude, that even the murderer himself might have escaped.

Like some rich or mighty murderer, Too great for prison, which he breaks with gold, Who fresher for new mischiefs does appear, And dares the world to tax him with the old.

This stranger having had a brother killed by the conspirator, and having sought in vain for an opportunity of revenge, chanced to meet the murderer in the temple. Addison. With equal terrors, not with equal guilt,

The murderer dreams of all the blood he split.

2. A small piece of ordnance, in ships of war; called also a murdering-piece.

A case-shot is any kind of small bullets, nailes, old iron, or the like, to put into the case, to shoot out of the ordnances or murderers.

Smith's Sea Grammar, (1627.) Mu'rderess. n. s. [from murderer.] A

woman that commits murder. When by thy scorn, O murderess ! I am dead, Then shall my ghost come to thy bed, And thee feign'd vestal in worse arms shall see.

Diana's vengeance on the victor shown, The murderess mother, and consuming son.

Art thou the murderess then of wretched Laius.

Mu'RDERING-PIECE.* n. s. A small piece of ordnance. The small cannon, which are, or were, used in the forecastle, half-deck, or steerage of a ship of war, were within a century called murderingpieces. This,

Like to a murdering-piece, in many places Gives me superfluous death. Shaksp. Hamlet. And, like a murdering-piece, aims not at one, But all that stand within the dangerous level. Beaum. and Fl. Doub. Marriage.

MU'RDERMENT. n. s. [from murder.] The act of killing unlawfully. Not in use. To her came message of the murderment.

Fairfax. Mu'RDEROUS. adj. [from murder.] Bloody; guilty of murder; addicted to blood.

Upon thy eye-balls murderous tyranny Sits in grim majesty to fright the world. Shaksp. Oh murderous coxcomb! what should such a

Do with so good a wife? Shakspeare, Othello. Enforc'd to fly

Thence into Egypt, till the murderous king Were dead, who sought his life; and missing, fill?d

With infant blood the streets of Bethlehem.

Milton, P. R. If she has deform'd this earthly life With murderous rapine and seditious strife; In everlasting darkness must she lie.

Mu'RDEROUSLY.* adv. [from murderous.] In a bloody or a cruel manner. Sherwood. MURE. † n. s. [mur, Fr. murus, Lat.] A

wall. Not now in use.

The streightes seemed to be shutt up with a long mure of yee.

Settle, Last Voyage of Capt. Frobisher, (1577.) Girt with a triple mure of shining brass Heywood, Golden Age, (1611.)

The incessant care and labour of his mind Hath wrought the mure, that should confine it in, So thin, that life looks through and will break out. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. P. II.

To Mure. † v. a. [murer, Fr. from murus, Latin.] To inclose in walls.

The five kings are mured in a cave,

Joshua, x. Heads of the Chapter. He had wilfully mured up himself as an anachoret, the worst of all prisoners.

Bp. Hall, Epist. D. 1. E. 3. All the gates of the city were mured up, except such as were reserved to sally out at. Knolles.

Mu'renger. n. s. [murus, Latin.] An overseer of a wall. Ainsworth. Mu'riated.* adj. [from muria, Latin.]

Put in brine.

Early fruits of some plants, when muriated or pickled, are justly esteemed. Evelyn, Acet. § 12. MURIA'TICK. adj. Partaking of the taste or nature of brine, from muria, brine or pickle. Quincy.

If the scurvy be entirely muriatick, proceeding from a diet of salt flesh or fish, antiscorbutick vegetables may be given with success, but tempered with acids.

MURK. n. s. [morck, Danish, dark.] Darkness; want of light.

Ere twice in murk, and occidental damp, Moist Hesperus hath quench'd his sleepy lamp. Shakspeare.

MURK. n. s. Husks of fruit. Ainsworth. Mu'rky. adj. [morck, Danish.] cloudy; wanting light. The murkiest den,

The most opportune place, the strong'st suggestion Shall never melt mine honour into lust.

Shakspeare, Tempest. So scented the grim feature, and up-turn'd His nostrils wide into the murky air,

Sagacious of his quarry. Milton, P. L. A murky storm deep lowering o'er our heads Hung imminent, that with impervious gloom

Oppos'd itself to Cynthia's silver ray. MU'RMUR. n. s. [murmur, Latin; murmure, French.

I. A low shrill noise.

Flame as it moveth within itself, or is blown by a bellows, giveth a murmur or interiour sound. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

When the wing'd colonies first tempt the sky, Or setting, seize the sweets the blossoms yield, Then a low murmur runs along the field. Pope. Black Melancholy sits,

Deepens the murmur of the falling floods, And breathes a browner horrour on the woods.

2. A complaint half suppressed; a complaint not openly uttered. Some discontents there are; some idle mur-

murs;

How idle murmurs! The doors are all shut up; the wealthier sort, With arms across, and hats upon their eyes, Walk to and fro before their silent shops. Dryden.

To Mu'rmur. v. n. [murmuro, Latin; murmurer, French.]

1. To give a low shrill sound.

The murmuring surge That on the unnumber'd idle pebbles chafes, Can scarce be heard so high. Shaksp. K. Lear. Amid an isle around whose rocky shore The forests murmur, and the surges roar, A goddess guards in her enchanted dome. Pope.

The busy bees with a soft murmuring strain, Invite to gentle sleep the lab'ring swain. Dryden.

2. To grumble; to utter secret and sullen discontent; with at before things, and against before persons.

The good we have enjoy'd from heaven's free will;

And shall we murmur to endure the ill? Dryden. Murmur not at your sickness, for thereby you will sin against God's providence.

Wake, Prep. for Death. The good consequences of this scheme, which will execute itself without murmuring against the government, are very visible.

MURMURA'TION.* n. s. [murmuratio, Lat.]
A low sound; the act of murmuring, or muttering. Calling it a magical murmuration.

Annot. on the Rhem. Test. (1600,) p. 446. Mu'rmurer. n. s. [from murmur.]

who repines; one who complains sullenly; a grumbler; a repiner; a complainer.

Heaven's peace be with him!

That's christian care enough; for living murmurers

There's places of rebuke. Shaksp. Hen. VIII. The murmurer is turned off to the company of those doleful creatures, which were to inhabit the ruins of Babylon. Gov. of the Tongue. Still might the discontented murmurer cry,

Ah hapless fate of man! ah wretch doom'd once Blackmore, Creation.

Mu'rmuring.* n. s. [from murmur.] 1. A low sound; a continued murmur; a

confused noise.

A cloud of cumbrous gnatts doe him molest, All striving to infixe their feeble stinges, That from their noyance he no where can rest; But with his clownish hands their tender wings He brusheth oft, and oft doth mar their murmur-

Spenser, F. Q. His voice was hoarse and hollow, yet so strong, As when you hear the murmuring of a throng In some vast arched hall; or like as when A lordly lion anger'd in his den

ings.

Grumbles within the earth. Drayton, David and Goliah. 2. Complaint half suppressed.

Do all things without murmurings and dis-Phil. ii. 14. At his return to the court he found no change

in faces, but smothered murmurings for the loss of so many gallant gentlemen. Wotton, D. of Buckingham.

Murmuring is a secret discontented muttering one to another of things that we dislike, or persons that we distaste; and the very word in all languages seems as harsh unto our ears, as the sin is hateful unto our souls.

Bp. Williams, Chariot of Truth, p. 238.

Mu'rmuringly.* adv. [from murmuring.] With a low sound; mutteringly

Sherwood. Mu'rmurous.* adj. [from murmur.] Exciting murmur.

Round his swoln heart the murmurous fury Pope, Odyss. 20.

Mu'RNIVAL. n. s. [mornefle, Fr. from morner, to stun.] Four cards of a sort.

Skinner, and Ainsworth. Murr.* n.s. A catarrh. Obsolete. Dr.

Johnson notices this word in the etymology of murrain.

I never spit nor cough more than this; and that but since I caught this murre. Gascoigne, Tr. of Ariosto's Supposes, (1566.)

MU'RRAIN. † n. s. [The etymology of this word is not clear; mur is an old word for a catarrh, which might well answer to the glanders; muriana, low Latin. Skinner derives it from mori, to die. Dr. Johnson. — Minsheu derives it, with greater probability, from the Greek μαραίνω, to waste, to consume; whence the old French marrane, " sorte de maladie epidemique." Roq. Gloss. Our word was formerly written morren. The plague in cattle.

Away ragg'd rams, care I what murrain kill.

Some trials would be made of mixtures of water in ponds for cattle, to make them more milch, to fatten, or to keep them from murrain. A hallowed band

Cou'd tell what murrains, in what months begun.

Mu'rrain.* adj. Infected with the mur-

The fold stands empty in the drowned field, And crows are fatted with the murrain flock. Shakspeare, Mids. N. Dream.

MURRE. n. s. A kind of bird.

Among the first sort we reckon coots, meawes, murres, creysers, and curlews.

Mu'rrey. adj. [morée, Fr. morello, Ital. from moro, a moor.] Darkly red. Leaves of some trees turn a little murrey or

reddish. They employ it in certain proportions, to tinge

their glass both with red colour, or with a purplish Painted glass of a sanguine red, will not ascend

in powder above a murrey. Brown, Vulg. Err.
Cornelius jumps out, a stocking upon his head, and a waistcoat of murrey-coloured sattin upon

Mu'rrion. n. s. [often written morion. See Morion. Junius derives it from murus, a wall.] A helmet; a casque; armour for the head.

Their beef they often in their murrions stew'd, And in their basket-hilts their bev'rage brew'd.

MURTH of corn. n. s. Plenty of grain. Ainsworth.

Musa'RD.* n. s. [musard, French.] A dreamer; one who is apt to be absent of mind. Obsolete. The word is now muser.

She that maie be no musarde.

Chaucer, Rom. R. 3256.

Mu'scadel. †] n. s. [muscat, muscadel, Fr. Mu'scadine. \ moscatello, Italian; either from the fragrance resembling the nutmeg, nux moscata, or from musca, a fly; flies being eager of those grapes.] A kind of sweet grape, sweet wine, and sweet pear.

[He] quaff'd off the muscadel, And threw the sops all in the sexton's face.

The muscadine stays for the bride at church. Armin, Hist. of the Two Maids, &c. (1609.)

MU'SCLE. n. s. [muscle, Fr. musculus, Lat. murcula, Sax.]

1. Muscle is a bundle of thin and parallel plates of fleshy threads or fibres, inclosed by one common membrane: all the fibres of the same plate are parallel to one another, and tied together at extremely little distances by short and transverse fibres: the fleshy fibres are composed of other smaller fibres, inclosed likewise by a common membrane: each lesser fibre consists of very small vesicles or bladders, into which we suppose the veins, arteries, and nerves to open, for every muscle receives branches of all those vessels, which must be distributed to every fibre: the two ends of each muscle or the extremities of the fibres are, in the limbs of animals, fastened to two bones, the one moveable, the other fixed; and therefore, when the muscles contract, they draw the moveable bone according to the direction of their fibres. Quincy. The instruments of motion are the muscles, the

fibres whereof, contracting themselves, move the several parts of the body.

2. A bivalve shell-fish.

Of shell-fish, there are wrinkles, limpets, cockles nd muscles. Carew, Surv. of Cornwall.

It is the observation of Aristotle, that oysters and muscles. and muscles grow fuller in the waxing of the

Hakewill on Providence. Two pair of small muscle shells was found in a limestone quarry. Woodward on Fossils. Musco'sity. n. s. [muscosus, Latin.] Mos-

Mu'scular. adj. [from musculus, Lat.] Relating to muscles; performed by mus-

By the muscular motion and perpetual flux of the liquids a great part of the liquids are thrown out of the body.

Muscula'RITY. n.s. [from muscular.] The state of having muscles.

The guts of a sturgeon, taken out and cut to pieces, will still move, which may depend upon their great thickness and muscularity. Grew, Mus.

Mu'sculous. † adj. [musculeux, Fr. musculosus, Lat.]

1. Full of muscles; brawny.

They are musculous and strong, beyond what their size gives reason for expecting. Johnson, Journ. West. Islands.

2. Pertaining to a muscle.

The uvea has a musculous power, and can di-late and contract that round hole, called the pupil of the eye, for the better moderating the trans-More. mission of light.

Muse. n. s. [from the verb.]

1. Deep thought; close attention; absence of mind; brown study.

The tidings strange did him abashed make, That still he sat long time astonished

As in great muse, ne word to creature spake. Spenser, F. Q.

He was fill'd

With admiration and deep muse, to hear Of things so high and strange. Milton, P. L. 2. The power of poetry.

Cowley. Begin, my muse The muse-inspired train

Triumph, and raise their drooping heads again. Waller.

Lodona's fate, in long oblivion cast, The muse shall sing, and what she sings shall last.

To MUSE. v.n. [muser, Fr.; muysen, Dutch; musso, Lat.]

1. To ponder; to think close; to study in

If he spake courteously, he angled the people's hearts; if he were silent, he mused upon some dangerous plot.

St. Augustine, speaking of devout men, noteth, how they daily frequented the church, how atten-

tive ear they give unto the chapters read, how careful they were to remember the same, and to muse thereupon by themselves. Hooker. Cæsar's father oft,

When he hath mus'd of taking kingdoms in, Bestow'd his lips on that unworthy place,

As it rain'd kisses. Shaksneare. My mouth shall speak of wisdom; and my heart muse of understanding. Psalm xlix. 3. Her face upon a sudden glittered, so that I was afraid of her, and mused what it might be.

2 Esdras. x. 25. All men mused in their hearts of John, whether he were the Christ or not. St. Luke, iii. 15. On these he mus'd within his thoughtful mind.

We muse so much on the one, that we are apt to overlook and forget the other. Atterbury, Serm.

2. To be absent of mind; to be attentive to something not present; to be in a brown study.

Why hast thou lost the fresh blood in thy cheeks?

And given my treasures and my rights of thee, To thick-ey'd musing and curs'd melancholy.

You suddenly arose and walk'd about, Musing and sighing with your arms across,

Shakspeare.

The sad king Feels sudden terror and cold shivering, Lists not to eat, still muses, sleeps unsound.

Daniel. 3. To wonder; to be amazed.

Muse not that I thus suddenly proceed; For what I will, I will. Shaksneare. Do not muse at me, my most worthy friends; I have a strange infirmity. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

To Muse.* v.a. To meditate; to think

Man superiour walks

Amid the glad creation, musing praise.

Thomson, Spring. Come then, expressive Silence! muse his praise. Thomson, Hymn.

Mu'seful. adj. [from muse.] Deep thinking; silently thoughtful.

Full of museful mopings, which presage The loss of reason, and conclude in rage. Dryden.

Mu'seless.* adj. [muse and less.] Re-

gardless of the power of poetry. Museless and unbookish they were, minding nothing but the feats of war. Milton, Areopagitica.

Mu'ser. n. s. [from muse.] One who muses; one apt to be absent of mind.

Mu'ser. † n. s. [in hunting.] The place through which the hare goes to relief. Dr. Johnson from Bailey .- Muset is a gap in a hedge. Cotgrave in V.TROUEE. The purblind hare, -

How he outruns the wind, and with what care He cranks and crosses, with a thousand doubles: The many musits through the which he goes, Are like a labyrinth to amaze his foes.

Shakspeare, Ven. and Adon.

Muse'um. † n. s. [μεσεῖον.] A repository of learned curiosities.

Our sciolists will often write musæum for museum; as Mr. Thoresby, in the account he has given us of his collection of rarities, and others; but the Greek word is μεσεῖον, i. e. museum, in Pegge, Anonym. v. 43.

Mu'shroom. n. s. [mouscheron, French.]

1. Mushrooms are by curious naturalists esteemed perfect plants, though their flowers and seeds have not as yet been discovered: the true champignon or mushroom appears at first of a roundish

form like a button, the upper part of which, as also the stalk, is very white, but being opened, the under part is of a livid flesh colour, but the fleshy part, when broken, is very white; when they are suffered to remain undisturbed, they will grow to a large size, and explicate themselves almost to a flatness, and the red part underneath will change to a dark colour: in order to cultivate them, open the ground about the roots of the mushrooms, where you will find the earth very often full of small white knobs, which are the off-sets or young mushrooms; these should be carefully gathered, preserving them in lumps with the earth about them, and planted in hot beds.

2. An upstart; a wretch risen from the dunghill.

Mushrooms come up in a night, and vet they are unsown; and therefore such as are upstarts in state, they call in reproach mushrooms.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. Tully, the humble mushroom scarcely known, The lowly native of a country town. Dryden.

Mu'shroomstone. n. s. [mushroom and stone.] A kind of fossil.

Fifteen mushroomstones of the same shape. Woodward.

MU'SICK. n. s. [µeσική; musique, Fr.]

1. The science of harmonical sounds. The man that hath no musick in himself. Nor is not mov'd with concord of sweet sounds, Is fit for treasons. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. Now look into the musick-master's gains, Where noble youth at vast expence is taught, But eloquence not valu'd at a groat. Dryden, Juv.

2. Instrumental or vocal harmony. When she spake,

Sweet words, like droping honey, she did shed; And 'twixt the pearls and rubies softly brake A silver sound, that heavenly musick seem'd to Spenser, F. Q.

Such musick, as 'tis said. Before was never made,

But when of old the sons of morning sung. Milton, Ode Nativ.

By musick minds an equal temper know, Nor swell too high, nor sink too low; Warriours she fires with animated sounds, Pours balm into the bleeding lover's wounds.

Pope. We have dancing-masters and musick-masters. Arbuthnot, and Pope.

3. Entertainments of instrumental harmony.

What musick, and dancing, and diversions, are to many in the world, that prayers, and devotions, and psalms are to you.

Mu'sical, adj. [musical, Fr. from musick.]

1. Harmonious; melodious; sweet sounding.

The merry birds

Chaunted above their chearful harmony,

And made amongst themselves a sweet consort, That quicken'd the dull sp'rit with musical comfort. Spenser, F. Q. Sweet bird, that shunn'st the noise of folly,

Most musical, most melancholy;

Thee chauntress oft the wood among

I woo to hear thy even-song. Milton, Il Pens. Neither is it enough to give his author's sense, in poetical expressions and in musical numbers.

Dryden.

Belonging to musick.

the hands of Apollo's muses, which might give great light to the dispute between the ancient and modern musick.

Mu'sically. † adv. [from musical.] 1. Harmoniously: with sweet sound.

Valentine, musically coy, Shunn'd Phædra's arms.

2. In conformity to the rules of musick. Though he be not apt to break out into singing, - yet he will drink often musically a health to every one of these six notes, ut, re, mi, fa, sol, la.

Howell, Lett. ii. 54. Mu'sicalness. † n. s. [from musical.] Harmony.

The peculiar musicalness of the first of these lines, in particular, arises principally from its consisting entirely of iambic feet.

Dr. Warton, Ess. on Pope. Miller. Musi'cian. n. s. [musicus, Lat. musicien, Fr.] One skilled in harmony; one who performs upon instruments of musick.

Though the musicians that shall play to you, Stand in the air a thousand leagues from hence; Yet strait they shall be here. Shaksp. Hen. IV. The nightingale, if she should sing by day,

When every goose is cackling, would be thought No better a musician than the wren. Shakspeare. A painter may make a better face than ever was; but he must do it by a kind of felicity, as a musician that maketh an excellent air in musick, and not by rule. Racon, Essaus.

The praise of Bacchus then the sweet musician sung;

Of Bacchus ever fair and ever young. Mu'sing.* n. s. [from muse.] Meditation; contemplation.

If we did think His contemplation were above the earth, And fix'd on spiritual object, he should still

Dwell in his musings. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. Wisdom and knowledge-are sweet as the wakened musings of delightful thoughts which not only dew the mind with perfumes that ever refresh us, but raise us to the mountain that gives us view of Canaan; and shows us rays and glimpses of the glory that shall after crown us. Yet it is the object only that makes these good unto men, when God is the ocean that all his streams make way unto. Feltham on Eccles. ii. 11.

Men of learning are wont to be vilified, that they use to be so much affected with the pleasant musings of their own thoughts, as to abhor the roughness and toil of business.

Sp. Hist. R. S. p. 335. MUSK. † n. s. [muschio, Italian; musc, Fr. from the Arab. moscha, whence μόσχος or μεσχος, Gr. Barb. V. Meursii Gloss.

A dry, light, and friable substance of a dark blackish colour, with some tinge of a purplish or blood colour in it, feeling somewhat smooth or unctuous: its smell is highly perfumed, and too strong to be agreeable in any large quantity: its taste is bitterish: it is brought from the East Indies, mostly from the kingdom of Bantam, some from Tonquin and Cochin China: the animal which produces it is of a very singular kind, not agreeing with any established genus: it is of the size of a common goat but taller: the bag which MUSKME'LON. n. s. [musk and melon.] A contains the musk, is three inches long and two wide, and situated in the lower part of the creature's belly.

Some putrefactions and excrements yield excellent odours; as civet and musk.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Several musical instruments are to be seen in | To Musk.* v. a. [musquer, Fr. from the noun.] To perfume with musk.

> Cotgrave. Musk. n. s. [musca, Lat.] Grape hyacinth or grape flower.

Mu'skapple. n. s. A kind of apple. Ainsworth.

Mu'skcat. n. s. [musk and cat.] The animal from which musk is got. Mu'skcherry. n. s. A sort of cherry.

Ainsworth. MU'SKET. † n. s. [mousquet, French; mosquetto, Italian, a small hawk. Many of the fire-arms are named from animals. Dr. Johnson. - From moschetta, low Lat. " balista quædam antiquis." Du Cange.]

1. A soldier's handgun. Thou

Wast shot at with fair eyes, to be the mark Of smoky muskets. Shakspeare, All's Well.

We practise to make swifter motions than any you have out of your muskets. Bacon. They charge their muskets, and with hot desire

Of full revenge, renew the fight with fire. He perceived a body of their horse within

musket-shot of him, and advancing upon him. Clarendon One was brought to us, shot with a musket-ball

on the right side of his head. Wiseman, Surgery. 2. A male hawk of a small kind, the female of which is the sparrow-hawk; so that eyas musket is a young unfledged male hawk of that kind. Hanmer. [mouchet, Fr. perhaps from musca, Lat.

Here comes little Robin. -How now my eyas musket, what news with you? Shakspeare. The musket and the coystrel were too weak,

Too fierce the falcon. Dryden.

Muskete'er. † n. s. [from musket.] A soldier whose weapon is his musket.

The duke of Alva went himself with a company of muscateers, and conquered them.

Howell, Instr. For. Trav. p. 136. Notwithstanding they had lined some hedges with musketeers, they pursued them till they were

Musketo'on. † n. s. [mousqueton, Fr.] 1. A blunderbuss; a short gun of a large

2. One whose weapon is a musketoon. The ambassadour moved slowly towards the sultan's palace, all the way passing between a double guard of archers and musquetoons.

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 111. Mu'skiness. n. s. [from musk.] The scent of musk.

Muski'tto.* \ n. s. [musca, Lat.] A sting-Musqui'tto. \ ing fly or gnat of the Indies.

They paint themselves to keep off the muskitas. Purchas, Pilgrim. (1617,) p. 1085. If in writing voyages you have occasion to send

messengers through an uninhabited country,infest them with musquittos. Cambridge.

fragrant melon.

The way of maturation of tobacco must be from the heat of the earth or sun; we see some leading of this in muskmelons, which are sown upon a hotbed dunged below, upon a bank turned upon the south sun,

Mu'skpear. n. s. [musk and pear.] A Must. verb imperfect. [muessen, Teut.] fragrant pear.

Mu'skrose. n. s. [musk and rose.] A rose so called, I suppose, from its fragrance. In May and June come roses of all kinds, except the musk, which comes later. Bacon, Essays. Thyrsis, whose artful strains have oft delay'd

The huddling brook to hear his madrigal, And sweeten'd every muskrose of the dale.

Milton, Comus. The muskrose will, if a lusty plant, bear flowers 'in autumn, without cutting. Boyle.

Fragrant; Mu'sky. adj [from musk.] sweet of scent.

There eternal summer dwells, And west winds, with musky wing, About the cedar'n allies fling

Nard and cassia's balmy smells. Milton, Comus.

Mu'slin. † n. s. [mousselin, French; from Mossul, the port whence muslin was sent into Europe. Baumgarten, Supplem. Univ. His. ii. 144.] A fine stuff made of cotton, imported from the East Indies. There is, in modern times, an imitation of it called British muslin, made in this country.

By the use of certain attire made of cambrick or muslin upon her head, she attained to such an evil art in the motion of her eyes. Tatler.

In half-whipt muslin needles useless lie, And shuttlecocks across the counter fly.

Mu'srol. n. s. [muserole, French.] The noseband of a horse's bridle. Bailey.

Muss. + n. s. [Cotgrave mentions mousche, Fr. " the play called muss;" which sport Brand notices in his Popular Antiquities, and cites Dr. Grey as deducing it " à Muscho inventore."] A scramble. When I cry'd ho!

Like boys unto a muss, kings would start forth, And cry, Your will? Skakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. The monies rattle not, nor are they thrown,

To make a muss yet 'mong the gamesome suitors, B. Jonson, Magn. Lady.

Bauble and cap no sooner are thrown down, But there's a muss of more than half the town. Dryden, Prol. (1690.)

Mu'ssel.* n. s. A shell fish. So muscle

is sometimes written. [mussale, Fr.] Mussita'tion. † n. s. [mussito, Lat.] Murmur; grumble. Bullokar. Their words seemed as if they came out of a bottle, or whose voice resembled the murmur, or . mussitation, which liquor makes that is pent up in

Young on Idolatrous Corrupt. (1734,) ii. 144.

MU'SSULMAN.† n. s. [Arab. salama, which in the fourth conjugation is aslama, to enter into the state of salvation: hence eslam, the saving religion; and muslimon, or, as we call it, musleman, he that believeth therein. Prideaux, Life of Mahomet, 2d. ed. p. 19.] A mahometan believer.

Amongst Mahometans, she [Zaynab] is surnamed a mother of mussulmen or true believers. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 321.

The full-fed mussulman.

Dryden, Hind and Panther. With Turks they are good musselmans, with Jews they pass for Jews. Maundrell, Trav. p. 13.

Mu'ssulmanish.* adj. [from mussulman.] Mahometan.

They proclaimed them enemies to the mussul-Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 273. . manish faith.

to be obliged; to be by necessity. It is only used before a verb. Must is of all persons and tenses; and used of persons and things.

Do you confess the bond? - I do.

- Then must the Jew be merciful.

- On what compulsion must 1? tell me that, Shakspeare Must I needs bring thy son unto the land from

whence thou camest? Gen. xxiv. 5. Fade, flowers, fade, nature will have it so;

'Tis but what we must in our autumn do. Waller. Because the same self-existent being necessarily is what he is, 'tis evident that what he may be, or hath the power of being, he must be. Grew.

Every father and brother of the convent has a voice in the election, which must be confirmed by the pope. Addison.

MUST.† n. s. [mustum, Latin.] New wine; new wort.

Othir scornyden and seiden, for these men ben ful of must, [present version, new wine.]

Wicliffe, Acts, ii. 13. If in the must of wine, or wort of beer, before it be tunned, the burrage stay a small time, and be

often changed, it makes a sovereign drink for melancholy. Bacon, Nat. Hist. As a swarm of flies in vintage time,

About the wine-press, where sweet must is pour'd, Beat off, returns as oft with humming sound. Milton, P. R.

The wine itself was suiting to the rest, Still working in the must, and lately press'd

Dryden. A frugal man that with sufficient must His casks replenish'd yearly; he no more

Philips. Desir'd, nor wanted. Liquors, in the act of fermentation, as must and new ale, produce spasms in the stomach. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

To MUST. v. a. [mws, Welsh, stinking; mos, Dutch, mouldiness; or perhaps from moist.] To mould; to make mouldy.

Others are made of stone and lime; but they are subject to give and be moist, which will must Mortimer.

To Must. v. n. To grow mouldy.

Musta'che.† n. s. [mostaccio, mustaccio, Musta'chio.] Ital. from the Greek μύταξ, the hair suffered to grow on the upper lip; whence the French word moustache. The word in use amongst 2. A register of forces mustered. us is mustachio, though Dr. Johnson has only noticed mustaches, in the plural, as used by Spenser, who, however, uses not that word, but the Italian termination, viz. muschachios evidently for mustachios, in his State of Ireland. A 3. A collection: as, a muster of peacocks. whisker; hair on the upper lip.

Your mustachoes sharp at the ends, like shoemaker's aules; or hanging down to your mouth Lily, Midas. like goates' flakes.

A beard hanging to his middle, and spreading Seldon on Drayton's Polyolb. S. 9. a mustachio. The English then using to let grow on their upper lip large mustachios, as did anciently the Milton, Hist. of Eng. B. 6.

Mu'stard. n. s. [mwstard, Welsh; moustard, Fr.; sinapi.] A plant. Miller.

The pancakes were paught, and the mustard Shakspeare. was good. Sauce, like himself, offensive to its foes, The roguish mustard, dang'rous to the nose.

Mustard, in great quantities, would quickly bring the blood into an alkaline state, and destroy the animal. Arbuthnot.

'Tis yours to shake the soul, With thunder rumbling from the mustard bowl.

Pope. Stick your candle in a bottle, a coffee cup, or a To MU'STER. v. a. [mousteren, Dutch.]

To bring together; to form into an

The captain, half of whose soldiers are dead, and the other quarter never mustered nor seen, demands payment of his whole account.

Spenser, on Ireland. Had we no quarrel to Rome, but that

Thou art thence banish'd, we would muster all From twelve to seventy. Shakspeare, Coriol. I'll muster up my friends, and meet your grace. Shakspeare.

The principal scribe of the host mustered the

I could muster up as well as you, My giants and my witches too. Donne.

A daw tricked himself up with all the gay

L'Estrange. feathers he could muster. Old Anchises

Review'd his muster'd race and took the tale.

All the wise sayings and advices which philosopers could muster up to this purpose, have proved ineffectual to the common people. Tillotson.

A man might have three hundred and eighteen men in his family, without being heir to Adam, and might muster them up, and lead them out against the Indians.

Having muster'd up all the forces he could think of, the clouds above, and the deeps below: these, says he, are all the stores we have for water; and Moses directs us to no other for the causes of Woodward, Nat. Hist. the deluge.

To Mu'ster. v. n. To assemble in order to form an army.

Why does my blood thus muster to my heart, So dispossessing all my other parts

Of necessary fitness? Shaksp. Meas. for Meas. They reach the destin'd place,

And muster there, and round the centre swarm, And draw together. Blackmore, Creation.

Mu'ster. n. s. [from the verb.] 1. A review of a body of forces. All the names

Of thy confederates too, be no less great In hell than here; that when we would repeat Our strengths in muster, we may name you all.

Ye publish the musters of your own bands, and proclaim them to amount to thousands. Hooker. Deception takes wrong measures and makes false musters, which sounds a retreat instead of a charge, and a charge instead of a retreat.

South, Serm. Ainsworth.

With my mustachio. Shaksp. Love's Lab. Lost. 4. To pass Muster. To be allowed. Such excuses will not pass muster with God, who will allow no man's idleness to be the mea-South, Serm.

sure of possible or impossible. Double dealers may pass muster for a while; but all parties wash their hands of them in the L'Estrange.

Mu'sterbook. n. s. [muster and book.] A book in which the forces are registered. Shadow will serve for Summer: prick him; for we have a number of shadows to fill up the Shakspeare, Hen. IV. muster-book.

Mu'stermaster. n. s. [muster and master.] One who superintends the muster to prevent frauds.

A noble gentleman, then mustermaster, was | MUTA'TION. n. s. [mutation, French; mu- | To MU'TILATE. + v. a. [mutiler, French; appointed embassador unto the Turkish emperor. Knolles, Hist.

Mustermasters carry the ablest men in their Ralegh.

MU'STER-ROLL. n. s. [muster and roll.] A register of forces.

How many insignificant combatants are there in the Christian camp, that only lend their names to fill up the muster-roll, but never dream of going upon service! Decay of Chr. Piety.

One tragick sentence, if I dare deride, Which Betterton's grave action dignify'd; Or well-mouth'd Booth with emphasis proclaims, Though but perhaps a muster-roll of names.

Mu'stily. adv. [from musty.] Mouldily. Mu'stiness. n. s. [from musty.] Mould; damp foulness.

Keep them dry and free from mustiness. Evelyn, Kalendar.

Mu'sty. adj. [from must.] 1. Mouldy; spoiled with damp; moist and

Wast thou fain, poor father, To hovel thee with swine and rogues forlorn, In short and musty straw? Shakspeare, K. Lear. Pistachoes, so they be good and not musty,

made into a milk, are an excellent nourisher. Bacon, Nat. Hist. Let those that go by water to Gravesend prefer lying upon the boards, than on musty infectious straw

Harvey. 2. Stale; spoiled with age. While the grass grows - the proverb is somewhat musty. Shakspeare.

3. Vapid with fetidness. Let not, like Nævius, every errour pass;

The musty wine, foul cloth, or greasy glass.

4. Dull; heavy; wanting activity; wanting practice in the occurrences of life.

Xantippe, being married to a bookish man who has no knowledge of the world, is forced to take his affairs into her own hands, and to spirit him up now and then, that he may not grow musty and unfit for conversation. Addison, Spect.

MUTABI'LITY. n. s. [mutabilité, French; mutabilis. Latin.

1. Changeableness; not continuance in the same state.

The mutability of that end, for which they are made, maketh them also changeable. Hooker. My fancy was the air, most free,

And full of mutability,

Big with chimeras. Plato confesses that the heavens and the frame of the world are corporeal, and therefore subject to mutability. Stilling fleet.

2. Inconstancy; change of mind. Ambitions, covetings, change of prides, disdain, Nice longings, slanders, mutability.

Shakspeare, Cymb. MU'TABLE. adj. [mutabilis, Latin.]

1. Subject to change; alterable.

Of things of the most accidental and mutable nature, accidental in their production, and mutable in their continuance, yet God's prescience is as certain in him as the memory is or can be in us, South, Serm,

2. Inconstant; unsettled.

For the mutable rank-scented many, Let them regard me, as I do not flatter.

Shakspeare, Coriol.

I saw thee mutable

Of fancy, fear'd lest one day thou would'st leave Milton, P. L. MU'TABLENESS. † n. s. [from mutable.] Changeableness; uncertainty: instability. Sherwood. tatio, Latin.] Change; alteration. His honour

Was nothing but mutation, ay, and that From one bad thing to worse. Shaksp. Cymbeline. The vicissitude or mutations in the superior globe are no fit matter for this present argument. Bacon, Ess.

To make plants grow out of the sun or open air is a great mutation in nature, and may induce a change in the seed.

MUTE. † adj. [old Fr. mut, muet; Latin mutus; Greek μυδος. Chaucer writes our word muet.]

1. Silent; not vocal; not having the use of voice.

Why did he reason in my soul implant, And speech, the effect of reason? To the mute My speech is lost; my reason to the brute.

Mute solemn sorrow, free from female noise, Such as the majesty of grief destroys. Dryden. 2. Having nothing to say

Say she be mute, and will not speak a word, Then I'll commend her volubility. Shakspeare. All sat mute,

Pondering the danger with deep thoughts. Millon, P. L.

All the heavenly choir stood mute, And silence was in heav'n. Milton, P. L. The whole perplex'd ignoble crowd,

Mute to my questions, in my praises loud, Echo'd the word. MUTE. n. s.

1. One that has no power of speech. Either our history shall with full mouth Speak freely of our acts; or else our grave, Like Turkish mute, shall have a tongueless mouth. Shaksneare.

Your mute I'll be; When my tongue blabs, then let mine eyes not see. Shakspeare. He that never hears a word spoken, no wonder

if he remain speechless; as one must do, who from an infant should be bred up amongst mutes, and have no teaching. Holder. Let the figures, to which art cannot give a

voice, imitate the mutes in their actions. Dryden, Dufresnoy.

2. A letter which without a vowel can make no sound.

Grammarians note the easy pronunciation of a mute before a liquid, which doth not therefore necessarily make the preceding vowel long.

Holder, Elem. of Speech. To MUTE. v. n. [mutir, Fr.] To dung as birds.

Mine eyes being open, the sparrows muted warm dung into mine eyes. Tob. ii. 10. I could not fright the crows,

Or the least bird from muting on my head.

B. Jonson. MUTE.* n. s. [from the verb.] The dung of birds.

An ancient obelisk Was rais'd by him, found out by Fisk; On which was written, not in words,

But hieroglyphic mute of birds Many rare pithy saws! Hudibras, ii. iii.

Mu'TELY. adv. [from mute.] Silently; not

Driving dumb Silence from the portal door, Where he had mutely sat two years before.

Milton, Vac. Ex. MU'TENESS.* n. s. [from mute. Silence; aversion to speak.

Who knows not that the bashful muteness of a virgin may oft-times hide all the unliveliness, and natural sloth, which is really unfit for conversation? Milton, Doct. and Disc. of Div. i. 3. mutilo, Latin. Our word was considered by P. Heylin, in 1656, as uncouth and strange. It is, however, in the dictionary of Cotgrave, long before that time; and was much in use before the Restoration.] To deprive of some essential part.

Such fearing to concede a monstrosity, or mutilate the integrity of Adam, preventively conceive the creation of thirteen ribs. Brown, Vulg. Err. Sylburgius justly complains that the place is

Stilling fleet.

Among the mutilated poets of antiquity there is none whose fragments are so beautiful as those of Sappho. Addison.

Aristotle's works were corrupted, from Strabo's account of their having been mutilated and consumed with moisture. Baker.

MU'TILATE.* adj. [from the verb.] Deprived of some essential part.

The maimed, mutilate obedience.

Hammond, Of Conscience, § 69. Cripples, mutilate in their own persons, do come out perfect in their generations.

MUTILA'TION. † n. s. [mutilation, French; mutilatio, from mutilo, Latin.] Deprivation of a limb, or any essential part. This alteration [from Hoseah to Jehosuah] was

not made by a verbal mutation, as when Jacob was called Israel; nor by any literary change, as when Sarai was called Sarah; nor yet by diminution or mutilation; but by addition; as when Abram was called Abraham.

Pearson on the Creed, Art. 2. The subject had been oppressed by fines, imprisonments, mutilations, pillories, and banish-Clarendon.

Mutilations are not transmitted from father to son, the blind begetting such as can see: cripples, mutilate in their own persons, do come out perfect in their generations.

MU'TILATOR.* n. s. [mutilator, Latin.] One that mangles, or deprives of some essential part.

The Ebionites were mutilators of the sacred Quart. Rev. i. 225.

MU'TINE. n. s. [mutin, French.] A mutineer; a mover of insurrection. Not

In my heart there was a kind of fighting, That would not let me sleep; methought I lay Worse than the mutines in the bilboes.

Shakspeare, Hamlet. Like the mutines of Jerusalem, Be friends a while. Shakspeare, K. John.

To Mu'TINE.* v. n. [mutiner, French. This is the old word. Hickes derives mutiny from mor, a meeting.] To rise in mutiny.

Upon all occasions ready to mutine and rebel. Burton, Anat. of Mel. To the Reader. The soldiers so mutined, that at last the generals were constrained to embarque themselves and come

home to England. Ld. Herhert, Hen. VIII. p. 24. Against this decree all the whole faction of cler-

gymen fretted and mutined.

Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Marr. Clergy, p. 294.

MUTINE'ER. † n. s. [from mutin, French. Our word was formerly written mutiner, full as often as mutineer; and is so in our old lexicography.] A mover of sedition; an opposer of lawful authority.

The war of the duke of Urbin, head of the Spanish mutineers, was unjust.

Bacon, War with Spain.

Set wide the mufti's garden-gate; For there our mutineers appoint to meet.

They have cashiered several of their followers as mutineers, who have contradicted them in political conversations. Addison.

Mu'TING.* n. s. [from To mute.] The dung of birds.

With hooting wild

Thou causest uproars; and our holy things, Font, table, pulpit, they be all defil'd With thy broad mutings.

More, Life of the Soul, ii. 119. The bird not able to digest the fruit, from her inconverted muting ariseth this plant.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

Mu'tinous. adj. [mutiné, French.] Seditious; busy in insurrection; turbulently.

It tauntingly replied

To the discontented members, the mutinous parts, That envied his receipt. Shakspeare, Coriol. The laws of England should be administered, and the mutinous severely suppressed. Hayward. Lend me your guards, that if persuasion fail,

Force may against the mutinous prevail. Waller. My ears are deaf with this impatient crowd; Their wants are now grown mutinous and loud.

Dryden. MU'TINOUSLY. adv. [from mutinous.] Seditiously; turbulently.

A woman, a young woman, a fair woman, was to govern a people in nature mutinously proud, and always before used to hard governours.

Men imprudently often, seditiously and mutinously sometimes, employ their zeal for persons. Sprat, Serm.

MU'TINOUSNESS. n. s. [from mutinous.] Seditiousness; turbulence.

To Mu'tiny v. n. [mutiner, French.] To rise against authority; to make insurrection; to move sedition.

The spirit of my father begins to mutiny against this servitude. Shakspeare, As you like it. The people mutiny, the fort is mine,

And all the soldiers to my will incline. When Cæsar's army mutinied, and grew troublesome, no argument could appease them.

South, Serm. Mu'TINY. n. s. [from the verb.] Insur-

rection; sedition. The king fled to a strong castle, where he was

gathering forces to suppress this mutiny. Sidney. I' the war,

Their mutinies and revolts, wherein they shew'd Most valour, spoke not for them. Shaksp. Coriol. In most strange postures

We've seen him set himself. -There is a mutiny in's mind.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. Less than if this frame

Of heaven were falling, and these elements

In mutiny had from her axle torn Milton, P. L. The stedfast earth. Soldiers grow pernicious to their master who becomes their servant, and is in danger of their mutinies, as much as any government of seditious.

To MU'TTER. † v. n. [mutire, mussare, Latin. Dr. Johnson. - Su. Goth. muttra; Icel. "tala i motr, susurrare. Serenius.] To grumble; to murmur. What would you ask me, that I would deny,

Or stand so mutt'ring on? Shakspeare, Othello. They may trespass, and do as they please; no man dare accuse them, not so much as mutter against them.

Wizards that peep, and that mutter. Isa. viii. 19.

Bold Britons, at a brave bear-garden fray, Are rous'd; and clattering sticks cry, play, play,

Mean time your filthy foreigner will stare, And mutter to himself, ha, gens barbare ! And it is well he mutters, well for him;

Our butchers else would tear him limb from limb. When the tongue of a beautiful female was cut

out, it could not forbear muttering Addison, Spect.

To MU'TTER. v. a. To utter with imperfect articulation; to grumble forth. Amongst the soldiers this is muttered, That here you maintain several factions.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

A kind of men, so loose of soul, That in their sleep will mutter their affairs.

Shakspeare, Othello. Your lips have spoken lies, your tongue hath Isa. lix. 3 muttered perverseness.

A hateful prattling tongue, That blows up jealousies, and heightens fears, By muttering poisonous whispers in men's ears.

Mu'TTER. n. s. [from the verb.] Murmur;

obscure utterance. Without his rod revers'd. And backward mutters of dissevering power, We cannt free the lady. Milton, Comus.

Mu'tterer. † n.s. [from mutter.] Grumbler; murmurer.

'The words of a mutterer are as wounds going into the innermost part of the belly.

Barrow on the Decalogue. Mu'ttering.* n. s. [from mutter.] Murmur; utterance of a low voice.

The magicians came with wicked dispositions, to set themselves against Moses, and used all their wicked arts and incantations, mutterings, and diabolical ceremonies. Fleetwood on Miracles, p. 80.

MU'TTERINGLY. adv. [from muttering.] With a low voice; without distinct articulation.

MU'TTON. n. s. [mouton, French.]

1. The flesh of sheep dressed for food. The fat of roasted mutton or beef, falling on the birds, will baste them. Swift, Direct. to the Cook.

2. A sheep. Now only in ludicrous language.

Here's too small a pasture for such store of The flesh of muttons is better tasted where the

sheep feed upon wild thyme and wholesome herbs. Bacon, Nat. Hist. Within a few days were brought out of the

country two thousand muttons. Hayward, Edw. VI. Mu'ttonfist. n. s. [mutton and fist.] A

hand large and red. Will he who saw the soldier's muttonfist,

And saw thee maul'd, appear within the list To witness truth? Dryden, Juv. MU'TUAL. adj. [mutuel, French; mutuus,

Latin. Reciprocal; each acting in return or correspondence to the other.

Note a wild and wanton herd, Fetching mad bounds, bellowing and neighing loud,

If they perchance but hear a trumpet sound, You shall perceive them make a mutual stand, By the sweet power of musick.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. What should most excite a mutual flame, Your rural cares and pleasures are the same. Pope.

MU'TUALLY. adv. [from mutual.] Reciprocally; in return.

He never bore Like labour with the rest; where the other instruments

Did see, and hear, devise, instruct, walk, feel, And mutually participate. Shakspeare, Coriol. Dear love I bear to fair Anne Page,

Who mutually hath answer'd my affection. Shaksp. The tongue and pen mutually assist one another,

writing what we speak, and speaking what we write. Pellucid substances act upon the rays of light at a distance, in refracting, reflecting and inflect-

ing them, and the rays mutually agitate the parts of those substances at a distance for heating them. Newton, Opticks.

They mutually teach, and are taught, that lesson of vain confidence and security. Atterbury, Serm. May I the sacred pleasures know

Of strictest amity, nor ever want

A friend with whom I mutually may share Gladness and anguish.

MUTUA'LITY. n. s. [from mutual.] Reciprocation.

Villanous thoughts, Roderigo! when these mutualities so marshal the way, hard at hand comes the incorporate conclusion. Shakspeare, Othello.

MUTUATION.* n. s. [mutuatio, Latin.] The act of borrowing.

Here is a sale, there a lending : - In both there seems to be a valuation of time; which, whether in case of mutuation or sale, may justly be suspected for unlawful.

Bp. Hall, Cases of Cons. D 1. C. 4. MUTUATI'TIOUS.* adj. [mutuatitius, Lat.]

Borrowed; taken from some other.

Her goodly wares of mercenary masses, of pardons and indulgences, of the mutuatitious good works of their pretended holy men and women. More, Ant. against Idolatry, ch. 10.

Mux.* n. s. [a corruption of muck.] Dirt. Exmore dialect. Grose.

Mu'xx.* adj. [from the corrupt word mux.] Dirty; gloomy.

MU'ZZLE.† n. s. [museau, French. Dr. Johnson. - Hence our word, in con formity to its French origin, was at first written mosel, and then moozle. See Barret's Alv. 1580. in V. Moozle. And Chaucer: "With mosel fast ybound." Kn. Tale.]

1. The mouth of any thing; the mouth of a man in contempt.

But ever and anon turning her muzzle toward me, she threw such a prospect upon me, as might well have given a surfeit to any weak lover's stomach.

Huygens has proved, that a bullet continuing in the velocity with which it leaves the muzzle of the cannon, would require twenty-five years to pass from us to the sun.

If the poker be out of the way, or broken, stir the fire with the tongs; if the tongs be not at hand, use the muzzle of the bellows.

Swift, Direct. to Servants. 2. A fastening for the mouth, which hinders

The fifth Harry from curbed licence plucks

The muzzle of restraint; and the wild dog Shall flesh his tooth on ev'ry innocent. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

Greyhounds, snowy fair, And tall as stags, ran loose, and cours'd around

his chair; With golden muzzles all their mouths were bound.

To Mu'zzle. v. n. To bring the mouth

The bear muzzles, and smells to him, puts his nose to his mouth and to his ears, and at last leaves L'Estrange.

To Mu'zzle. v. a. 1. To bind the mouth.

This butcher's cur is vemon-mouth'd, and I Have not the power to muzzle him; therefore best Not wake him in his slumber.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. The bear, the boar, and every savage name, Wild in effect, though in appearance tame,

Lay waste thy woods, destroy thy blissful bower, And muzzled though they seem, the mutes devour.

Through the town with slow and solemn air. Led by the nostril, walks the muzzled bear.

Gay, Past.

2. To fondle with the mouth close. A low word.

The nurse was then muzzling and coaxing of the child. L'Estrange.

3. To restrain from hurt.

My dagger muzzled Lest it should bite its master, and so prove,

As ornaments oft do, too dangerous. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

Mu'zzy.* adj. [a corruption from to muse: or from the French musard.] Absent; forgetful; dreaming; bewildered by thought; bewildered by liquor. A low expression.

My. pronoun possessive. [See MINE.] Belonging to me. My is used before a consonant, and mine anciently and properly before a vowel. My is now commonly used indifferently before both. My is used when the substantive follows, Myro'Polist. n. s. [μύρον and πωλέω.] One and mine when it goes before: as, this is my book; this book is mine.

Her feet she in my neck doth place. I conclude my reply with the words of Christian poet. Bp. Bramhall.

If my soul had free election To dispose of her affection. Waller. I shall present my reader with a journal.

My'nchen. n. s. [mynchen, Saxon.] Dict.

MYNHE'ER.* n. s. [Dutch.] Sir, my lord or master, among the Dutch; among us, it usually means a Dutchman.

Our connoisseurs in their zeal all became myn-Coventry.

My'ography. n. s. [μυογραφία.] A description of the muscles.

My'ology. † n. s. [myologie, French; μύς, a muscle, and λόγος, discourse, Greek.] The description and doctrine of the muscles.

To instance in all the particulars, were to write a whole system of myology.

Cheyne, Phil. Principles. MY'OPE.* n. s. [myope, French; μύωψ, Greek; claudens oculos, from μίω, to close or shut, and $\delta\psi$, the eye.] A short-sighted person. It is sometimes myops, in the singular number; and myope is uncommon.

Upon the same principle we may account for the shortsighted so often rarely shutting their eye-lids, from whence they were formerly denominated Adams on Vision.

My'opy. n. s. [μύωψ.] Shortness of sight. MY'RIAD. † n. s. [μύριας.]

1. The number of ten thousand.

Thou seest, brother, how many thousands, or rather how many myriads, that is, ten thousands, of the Jews there are which believe.

Pearson on the Creed, Art. 2.

2. Proverbially any great number.

Assemble thou, Of all those myriads, which we lead, the chief.

Milton, P. L. Are there legions of devils who are continually designing and working our ruin? there are also myriads of good angels who are more cheerful and officious to do us good.

Safe sits the goddess in her dark retreat: Around her, myriads of ideas wait,

And endless shapes.

My'rmidon. n. s. [μυρμιδών.] Any rude ruffian; so named from the soldiers of Achilles.

The mass of the people will not endure to be governed by Clodius and Curio, at the head of their myrmidons, though these be ever so numerous, and composed of their own representatives.

Myro'BALAN. n. s. [myrobalanus, Latin.] A fruit.

The myrobalans are a dried fruit, of which we have five kinds: they are fleshy, generally with a stone and kernel, having the pulpy part more or less of an austere acrid taste: they are the production of five different trees growing in the East Indies, where they are eaten preserved.

The myrobalan hath parts of contrary natures; for it is sweet, and yet astringent.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

who sells unguents. MYRRH. n. s. [myrrha, Latin; myrrhe,

French.] A gum.

Myrrh is a vegetable product of the gum resin kind, sent to us in loose granules from the size of a pepper-corn to that of a walnut, of a reddish brown colour, with more or less of an admixture of yellow: its taste is bitter and acrid with a peculiar aromatick flavour, but very nauseous: its smell is strong, but not disagreeable: it is brought from Ethiopia, but the tree which produces it is wholly unknown. Our myrrh is the very drug known by the ancients under the same name. Hill, Mat. Med. The myrrhe sweet-bleeding in the bitter wound.

Spenser, F. Q. I dropt in a little honey of roses, with a few drops of tincture of myrrh. Wiseman, Surgery. My'rrhine. adj. [myrrhinus, Lat.] Made

of the myrrhine stone.

How they quaff in gold, Crystal and myrrhine cups imboss'd with gems And studs of pearl. Milton, P. R.

My'RTIFORM. adj. [myrtus, Latin, and form.] Having the shape of myrtle. My'RTLE. n. s. [myrtus, Latin; myrte,

French.] A fragrant tree sacred to

The flower of the myrtle consists of several leaves disposed in a circular order, which expand in form of a rose; upon the top of the foot-stalk is the ovary, which has a short star-like cup, divided at the top into five parts, and expanded; the ovary becomes an oblong umbilicated fruit, divided into three cells, which are full of kidney-shaped seeds. Miller.

There will I make thee beds of roses, With a thousand fragrant posies;

A cap of flowers, and a girdle

Imbroider'd all with leaves of myrtle. Marlow. I was of late as petty to his ends, As is the morn dew on the myrtle leaf To his grand sea.

o his grand sea. Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. Democritus would have Concord like a fair virgin, holding in one hand a pomegranate, in the other a bundle of myrtle; for such is the nature of these trees, that if they be planted though a good space one from the other, they will meet, and with twining one embrace the other.

Nor can the muse the gallant Sidney pass, The plume of war! with early laurels crown'd, The lover's myrtle and the poet's bay.

Thomson, Summer.

Myse'lf. n. s. [my and self.] 1. An emphatical word added to I: as, I myself do it, that is, not I by proxy; not

another.

As his host, I should against his murderer shut the door, Nor bear the knife myself. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

2. The reciprocal of I, in the oblique

They have missed another pain, against which I should have been at a loss to defend myself. Swift, Examiner.

3. I is sometimes omitted, to give force to the sentence.

Myself shall mount the rostrum in his favour, And try to gain his pardon.

My'stagogue. † n. s. [μυς αγωγος; mystagogus, Latin; mystagogue, French.] One who interprets divine mysteries; also one who keeps church relicks, and shews them to strangers. Cockeram.

The mystagogue taught them, that Jupiter, Mercury, Bacchus, Venus, Mars, and the whole rabble of licentious deities, were only dead mortals.

Warburton, Div. Legat. ii. § 4. MYSTE'RIAL.* adj. [from mystery.] Containing a mystery or enigma.

Beauty and love, whose story is mysterial, In yonder palm-tree and the crown imperial, Do, from the rose and lily so delicious, Promise a shade, shall ever be propitious To both the kingdoms.

B. Jonson, Masques. Myste RIARCH. n. s. [μυς ήρων and ἀρχή.] One presiding over mysteries.

Mysterious. adj. [mysterieux, French; from mystery.] 1. Inaccessible to the understanding; aw-

fully obscure. God at last

To Satan, first in sin, his doom apply'd, Though in mysterious terms. Milton, P. L. Then the true Son of knowledge first appear'd, And the old dark mysterious clouds were clear'd.

2. Artfully perplexed.

Those princes who were distinguished for mysterious skill in government, found, by the event, that they had ill consulted their own quiet, or the happiness of their people.

MYSTE'RIOUSLY. adv. [from mysterious.]

1. In a manner above understanding. 2. Obscurely; enigmatically.

Our duty of preparation contained in this one word, try or examine, being after the manner of mysteries, mysteriously and secretly described, there is reason to believe that there is in it very much duty. Bp. Taylor, Worthy Communicant. Each stair mysteriously was meant.

Milton, P. L.

Myste'riousness. n. s. [from mysterious.] 1. Holy obscurity.

My purpose is, to gather together into an union

all those several portions of truth, and differing apprehensions of mysteriousness.

Bp. Taylor, Worthy Communicant.

2. Artful difficulty or perplexity.

To My'sterize. v. a. [from mystery.] To explain as enigmas.

Mysterizing their ensigns, they make the particular ones of the twelve tribes accommodable unto the twelve signs of the zodiack. Brown, Vulg. Err.

MY'STERY. † n. s. [μυς ήριον ; mystere, Fr.] 1. Something above human intelligence; something awfully obscure.

They can judge as fitly of his worth, As I can of those mysteries which heaven

Will not have earth to know. Shakspeare, Coriol. Upon holy days, let the matter of your meditations be according to the mystery of the day; and to your ordinary devotions of every day, add the prayer which is fitted to the mystery. Bp. Taylor.

If God should please to reveal unto us this great mystery of the Trinity, or some other mysteries in our holy religion, we should not be able to understand them unless he would bestow on us some new faculties of the mind. Swift.

2. An enigma; any thing artfully made difficult.

To thy great comfort in this mystery of ill opinions, here's the twin-brother of thy letter. Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor.

Important truths still let your fables hold, And moral mysteries with art unfold. Granville.

3. A trade; a calling; in this sense it should, according to Warburton, be written mistery, from mestier, French, a trade. Dr. Johnson. - Mystery is a specious and easy corruption of maistery or mastery, the English of the Latin magisterium, or artificium; in French, maistrise, mestier, mestrie, Warton, Hist. of Eng. Poet. iii. xxxvii. Chaucer writes it mistere.

In youth he lerned hadde a good mistere: He was a wel good wright, a carpentere.

Chaucer, C. T. Prol. And that which is the noblest mysterie, Brings to reproach and common infamy.

Spenser, Hubb. Tale.

Instruction, manners, mysteries and trades, Degrees, observances, customs, and laws, Decline to your confounding contraries. Shakspeare.

4. [Mistere, old French.] A kind of ancient dramatick representation.

Dramatick poetry, in this and most other nations of Europe, owes its origin, or at least its revival, to those religious shows, which in the dark ages were usually exhibited on the more solemn festivals. At those times they were wont to represent, in the churches, the lives and miracles of the saints, or some of the more important stories of Scripture. And as the most mysterious subjects were frequently chosen, such as the Incarnation, Passion, and Resurrection of Christ, &c. these exhibitions acquired the general name of musteries.

Bp. Percy, Ess. on the Orig. of the English Stage.

My'stick. adj. [mysticus, Lat.]
1. Sacredly obscure.

Let God himself that made me, let not man that knows not himself, be my instructor concerning the mystical way to heaven. Hooker. From salvation all flesh being excluded this

way, God hath revealed a way mystical and supernatural. Hooker.

Involving some secret meaning; emblematical.

Ye five other wandering fires! that move In mystick dance, not without song, resound His praise, who out of darkness call'd up light.

Milton, P. L It is Christ's body in the sacrament and out of it; but in the sacrament not the natural truth, but the spiritual and mystical.

Bp. Taylor, Worthy Communicant. It is plain from the Apocalypse, that mystical Babylon is to be consumed by fire.

Burnet, Th. of the Earth.

3. Obscure: secret. Lest new fears disturb the happy state,

Know I have search'd the mystick rolls of fate.

My'stically. † adv. [from mystical.] In a manner, or by an act, implying some secret meaning; emblematically. These two in thy sacred bosom hold,

Till mystically join'd but one they be. Unto which I conceive the prophet Isaiah to allude, in that passage touching the city of Tyre, representing there mystically the church of Rome. More, Antid. cgainst Idolatry, ch. 10.

My'sticalness. n.s. [from mystical.] Involution of some secret meaning.

My'sticism.* n. s. [from mystick.] pretences of the mysticks; fanaticism. How much nobler a field of exercise, to the de-

vout and aspiring soul, are the seraphick entertainments of mysticism and extasy, than the mean and ordinary practice of a mere earthly and comon virtue! Coventry, Phil. to Hyd. Conv. 1. This ingenious man — has spent a long life in mon virtue!

hunting after, and with an incredible appetite devouring, the trash dropt from every species of mys-Warburton, Doc. of Grace, p. 306.

My'stick.* n. s. One of an old fanatick sect, pretending to talk and think of religion in a manner above the understanding of common Christians; dissipating all due composure and recollection of mind, and laying open the heart to all the wild extravagances of frantick en-

It is this way of thinking and talking in religion, that, I suppose, has given rise to what is called mystical theology; the teachers whereof have accordingly been styled mysticks.

Coventry, Phil. to Hyd. Conv. 1. My'THICAL.* } adj. [μυθικός, Greek.] Fa-My'THICK. } bulous.

The account we have of them so far from being mythick or unintelligible, is most plainly written for our admonition.

Shuckford on the Creation, (1753,) Pref. p. v.

Mytho'grapher.* n. s. Γμῦθος, fable, and γράφω, to write, Gr.] A writer of fables.
The statues of Mars and Venus I imagined had been copied from Fulgentius, Boccacio's favourite mythographer.
Warton, Hist. E. P. Add. ii. sign. e. 3.

MYTHOLO'GICAL.† adj. [from mytho-MYTHOLO'GICK.] logy.] Relating to the explication of fabulous history.

The original of the conceit was probably hieroglyphical, which after became mythological and by tradition stole into a total verity, which was but partially true in its covert sense and morality. Brown, Vulg. Err.

A relation, which her masters of the mythologick

prosopopeia expressed, we may suppose, by giving them in marriage to each other. Coventry, Phil. to Hyd. Conv. 3.

Mytholo'GICALLY.† adv. [from mythological.] In a manner suitable to the system of fables.

The relating mythologically physical or moral . truths concerning the origin and nature of things, was not perhaps, as modern writers too hastily imagine, the customary practice of Moses's age, but rather began after his times.

Shuckford on the Creat. Pref. p. vii. Mytho'logist. n. s. [from mythology.] A relater or expositor of the ancient fables of the heathens.

The grammarians and mythologists seem to be altogether unacquainted with his writings. Creech. It was a celebrated problem among the ancient mythologists, What was the strongest thing, what the wisest, and what the greatest? Norris, Miscel.

To Mytho'Logize. v. n. [from mythology; mythologiser, French. Cotgrave.] To relate or explain the fabulous history of the heathens.

He mythologizeth upon that fiction.

Fotherby, Atheom. (1622,) p. 320. They mythologized that five gods were now born, Osiris, Orus, Typho, Isis, and Nephte. Shuckford on the Creat. Pref. p. x.

MYTHO LOGY. n. s. [μύθος and λόγος; mythologie, French.] System of fables; explication of the fabulous history of the gods of the heathen world.

The modesty of mythology deserves to be commended: the scenes there are laid at a distance; it is once upon a time, in the days of yore, and in the land of Utopia.

A semivowel, has in English an NAFF. n. s. [mergus cirrhatus.] A kind 5. A measure of length; two inches and invariable sound: as, no, name, net; it is sometimes after m almost lost; NAG. † n. s. [negge, Belg. naek, Germ. from 6. On the nail. Readily; immediately; as, condemn, contemn.

To NAB. + v. a. [nappa, Swedish.] To catch unexpectedly; to seize without warning. A word seldom used but in low language.

Old cassock, we'll nab you.

Duke of Warton, Song.

NAB.* n. s. The summit of a rock or mountain. North. Ray, and Grose. See the third sense of NAP.

Na'Bob.* n. s. [nobobb, a nobleman, "in the language of the Mogul's kingdom, which hath mixt with it much of the Persian." Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 99.] The title of an Indian prince; sometimes applied to Europeans who have acquired great riches in the East Indies.

Among the princes dependent on this nation in the southern part of India, the most considerable at present is commonly known by the title of the nabob of Arcot.

Burke, Sp. on the Nabob of Arcot's Debts.

NACHE.* See NATCH.

Na'cker, or Na'ker.† n. s. [concha margaritifera, Lat. nacre, Fr. "nacre de perles." Cotgrave.] A shell that contained a pearl.

NA'CKER.* n. s. A collar-maker; a harness-maker. Norfolk. Lemon, and Grose.

NA'DIR.† n. s. [Arabick. Dr. Johnson, " Zenith, saith Christmannus, quem Arabes scribunt semith, vertex capitis est, seu polus horizontis: punctum vertici oppositum appellant nathir, quasi dicas, punctum simile: est enim illud quasi alter polus horizontis, nobis de- 2. The talons of birds; the claws or paws pressus." Bedwell's Arabian Trudgman, 1615, p. 99.] The point under foot di- 3. A spike of metal by which things are rectly opposite to the zenith.

As far as four bright signs comprize, The distant zenith from the nadir lies.

Næve.* n. s. [neve, Fr. nævus, Lat.] A spot. This is one of the words which Dryden has been blamed for using, and is supposed to have introduced into our language. It is certainly a bad word; yet was in use long before his employment of it; and it was a favourite expression of his contemporary, Aubrey.

Warts, neves, inequalities, roughness.

Burton, Anat. of Melancholy, P. III. § 2. So many spots, like næves on Venus' soil.

Dryden on the Death of Ld. Hastings I am sorry so great a wit should have such a næve. Aubrey, Of Chillingworth, Anecd. ii. 286. He was a tall, handsome, and bold man; but his nave was, that he was damnably proud.

Aubrey, Of Sir W. Ralegh, Anecd. ii, 509.

of tufted sea-bird.

NAI

hnegga, Icel. to neigh. Serenius. Nach, nag, equus. Loescheri Lit. Celt. p. 101.] 1. A small horse. A horse in familiar

language. A hungry lion would fain have been dealing

with good horse-flesh; but the nag would be too L'Estrange. Thy nags, the leanest things alive,

So very hard thou lov'st to drive. 2. A paramour; in contempt.

Your ribauld nag of Egypt Hoists sails, and flies. Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop.

NA'GGY.* adj. [nagg, Su. Goth. rixa, contentio. Spegel.] Contentious; disposed to quarrel. A northern word; and perhaps used in other parts. See also KNAGGY.

NA'IAD.* n. s. [Naiade, Fr. Naias, Lat.] A water-nymph.

You nymphs, call'd Naiads, of the wandering brooks,

With your sedg'd crowns, and ever harmless looks, Leave your crisp channels. Shakspeare, Tempest. What though nor fabled Dryad haunt their

Nor Naiads near their fountains rove. Shenstone. NAIL. n. s. [næzl, Saxon; nagel, Germ.] 1. The hard crust or horny substance at

the ends of the fingers and toes. My nails can reach unto thine eyes. Shakspeare.

The meanest sculptor in th' Æmilian square, Can imitate in brass, the nails and hair;

Expert in trifles. The nails of our fingers give strength to those parts in the various functions they are put to; and defend the numerous nerves and tendons that are under them.

of beasts.

fastened together.

As one nail by strength drives out another: So the remembrance of my former love

Is by a newer object soon forgotten. Shakspeare. For the body of ships no nation doth equal England, nor for the oaken timber to build them; and we need not borrow iron for spikes or nails, to fasten them together. Bacon.

The loadstone mines in the shore of India, are so placed in abundance and vigour, that it proves an adventure of hazard to pass those coasts in a ship with iron nails. Brown.

A beechen pail Hung by the handle, on a driven nail. Dryden. An equivocal word used for the nail of the hand or foot, and for an iron nail to fasten any thing.

Swift.

4. A stud; a boss. For not the desk with silver nails, Nor bureau of expence, Nor standish well japan'd avails To writing of good sense.

a quarter.

without delay. I once supposed it from a counter studded with nails, but have since found in an old record, solvere super unguem. It therefore means into the hand.

We want our money on the nail, The banker's ruin'd if he pays. To NAIL. + v. a. [næzlian, Sax.]

1. To fasten with nails; to fasten as with

How shall they come to thee, whom thou hast nayled to their bed? Donne, Dev. (1624,) p. 50.

To the cross he nails thy enemies, The law that is against thee, and the sins Of all mankind, with him are crucify'd.

Milton, P. L. He clasp'd his hand upon the wounded part. The second shaft came swift and unespy'd, And pierc'd his hand, and nail'd it to his side.

2. To stud with nails.

Those stars which nail heaven's pavement. Fanshaw, Tr. of Past. Fido. In golden armour glorious to behold.

Dryden.

The rivets of your arms were nail'd with gold. Dryden.

NA'ILER. n. s. [from nail.] One whose trade is to forge nails; a nail-maker. NA'ILERY.* n. s. [from nail.] A manu-

factory for nails. Near the bridge is a large alms house, and a vast nailer Pennant.

NA'IVETE.* n. s. [French.] Simplicity; ingenuousness.

Is not that naïveté and good humour, which his admirers celebrate in him, owing to this, that he has continued all his days an infant, but one that unhappily has been taught to read and write? Gray, Lett. to Beattie, (1770.)

To Nake.* \ v. a. [benacan, Saxon.] To To Naken. \} make naked; to expose. make naked; to expose. Not now in use. Huloet. Come, be ready, nake your swords.

Tourneur, Revenger's Tragedy. NA'KED. † adj. [naquath, Goth. nacob, Saxon, from na-cennes, newly born. Wachter.]

1. Wanting clothes; uncovered; bare.

A philosopher being asked in what a wise man differed from a fool? answered, Send them both naked to those who know them not, and you shall perceive.

He pitying how they stood Before him naked to the air, that now Must suffer change ; -

As father of his family, he clad
Their nakedness with skins of beasts. Milton, P. L. 2. Unarmed; defenceless; unprovided.

Had I but serv'd my God with half the zeal I serv'd my king, he would not in mine age, Have left me naked to mine enemies.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

Ungrateful men,
Behold my bosom naked to your swords,
And let the man that's injur'd strike the blow.

Addison.

3. Plain; evident; not hidden. [" nuda veritas." Hor.]

The truth appears so naked on my side, That any purblind eye may find it out.

4. Mere; bare; wanting the necessary additions; simple; abstracted.

Not that God doth require nothing unto happiness at the hands of men, saving only a nukel belief, for hope and charity we may not exclude; but that without belief all other things are as nothing, and it is the ground of those other divine virtues.

Hooker.

NA'KEDLY.† adv.

1. Without covering.

Numberless things, which we pass by in their common dress, shock us when they are nakedly represented.

Burke, Vindic. of Nat. Society.

2. Simply; merely; barely; in the abstract.

Though several single letters nakedly considered, are found to be articulations only of spirit or breath, and not of breath vocalized; yet there is that pretty in all letters of aptness, to be conjoined in syllables.

Holder.

3. Discoverably; evidently.

So blinds the sharpest counsels of the wise This overshadowing Providence on high, And dazzleth all their clearest sighted eyes,

That they see not how nakedly they lie. Daniel.
Truth seeketh no holes to hide itself: Princes, that will hold covenant, must deal openly and nakedly.
Fuller, Holy War, p. 92.

NA'KEDNESS.† n. s. [naceonýjje, Sax.]

1. Nudity; want of covering.

My face I'll grime with filth;

My face I'll grime with filth;
And with presented nakedness out-face
The winds and persecutions of the sky,

of the sky, Shakspeare, K. Lear.

Nor he their outward only, with the skins Of beasts, but inward nakedness, much more Opprobrious! with his robe of righteousness Arraying, cover'd from his father's sight.

Milton, P. L.

I entreat my gentle readers to sow on their
tuckers again, and not to imitate the nakedness,
but the innocence of their mother Eve.

Addison, Guardian.
Thou to be strong must put off every dress,
Thy only armour is thy nakedness.

Prior.

Thy only armour is thy nakedness.

2. Want of provision for defence.

Ye are spies; to see the nakedness of the land you are come.

Gen. xlii. 9.

3. Plainness; evidence; want of concealment.

Why seekest thou to cover with excuse That which appears in proper nakedness?

Shakspeare.
The nakedness of which opinion will not permit me to look any longer thereupon.

Spencer on Prodigies, p. 221.

NALL. n. s. An awl, such as collar-makers or shoemakers use.

Whole bridle and saddle, whitleather and nall, With collars and harness.

Tusser.

NA'MBYPAMBY.* adj. Having little affected prettinesses. Ash. A cant term, or rather a term of contempt.

NAME.† n. s. [namo, Gothick; nama, Saxon; naem, Dutch.]

1. The discriminative appellation of an individual.

What is thy name?

Thou'lt be afraid to hear it.

- No: though thou call'st thyself a hotter name Than any is in hell.

— My name's Macbeth. Shakspeare. He called their names after the names his father had called them. Gen. xxvi. 18. Thousands there were in darker fame that

dwell,
Whose names some nobler poem shall adorn.

ryden.

2. The term by which any kind of species is distinguished.

What's in a name? That which we call a rose,

By any other name would smell as sweet.

Shakspeare.

If every particular idea that we take in, should

have a distinct name, names must be endless.

Locke.

3. Person.

They list with women each degenerate name,

Who dares not hazard life for future fame.

Dryden.

4. Reputation; character.

The king's army was the last enemy the west had been acquainted with, and had left no good name behind.

Clarendon.

 Renown; fame; celebrity; eminence; praise; remembrance; memory; distinction; honour.

What men of name resort to him? Sir Walter Herbert, a renowned soldier; And Rice ap Thomas with a valiant crew, And many others of great name and worth.

Visit eminent persons of great name abroad;

to tell how the life agreeth with the fame.

Bacon, Ess.

Here rest thy bones in rich Hesperia's plains,

Thy name, 'tis all a ghost can have, remains.

Dryde

A hundred knights

Approv'd in fight, and men of mighty name.

Dryden.

These shall be towns of mighty fame,
Though now they lie obscure, and lands without
a name.
Bartolus is of great name; whose authority is
as much valued amongst the modern lawyers, as

Papinian's was among the ancients.

Baker on Learning.

6. Power delegated; imputed character.
In the name of the people,
And in the power of us the tribunes, we

Banish him. Shakspeare, Coriol.
7. Fictitious imputation.
When Ulysses with fallacious arts,

Had forg'd a treason in my patron's name,
My kinsman fell.

Dryden, Æn.

8. Appearance; not reality; assumed character.

I'll to him again in the name of Brook; He'll tell me all his purpose.

Shakspeare, M. W. of Windsor.
There is a friend which is only a friend in name.
Ecclus.

9. An opprobrious appellation.

The husband

Bids her confess; calls her ten thousand names; In vain she kneels.

Like the watermen of Thames,

I row by and call them names. Swift, Miscell.

To Name. t v. a. [namnjan, Goth. naman, Sax. and namen is our old verb.]

1. To discriminate by a particular appellation imposed.

I mention here a son of the king's whom Florizel I now name to you; and with speed so pace

To speak of Perdita.

Thou hast had seven husbands, neither wast thou named after any of them.

Shakspeare.

Shakspeare.

Tob. iii. 8.

His name was called Jesus, which was so named of the angel before he was conceived.

St. Luke, ii. 21.
Thus was the building left
Ridiculous, and the work, Confusion, nam'd.

2. To mention by name.

Accustom not thy mouth to swearing, neither use thyself to the naming of the Holy One.

Ecclus. xxiii. 9.
My tongue could name whate'er I saw.

Milton, P. L.
Those whom the fables name of monstrous size.
Milton, P. L.

To specify: to nominate.
 Did my father's godson seek your life?

 He whom my father nam'd? Your Edgar.

Shakspeare.

Bring me him up whom I shall name.

1 Sam. xxviii, 8.

Let any one name that proposition, whose terms or ideas were either of them innate. Locke.

4. To utter; to mention.

Let my name be named on them.

Gen. xlviii. 16.

5. To entitle.

Celestial, whether among the thrones, or nam'd

Of them the highest. Milton, P. L. NA'MELESS. † adj. [namelear, Saxon.]

1. Not distinguished by any discriminative appellation.

On the cold earth lies th' unregarded king,

A headless careass, and a nameless thing. Denham.

The milky way,

Fram'd of many nameless stars.

Thy reliques, Rowe, to this fair shrine we trust,
And sacred, place by Dryden's awful dust;
Beneath a rude and nameless stone he lies,

To which thy tomb shall guide enquiring eyes.

Pope.

2. One of which the name is not known or

mentioned.

Little credit is due to accusations of this kind, when they come from suspected, that is, from

nameless pens.

Such imag'ry of greatness ill became
A nameless dwelling, and an unknown name.

Harte. NA'MELY. adv. [from name.] Particularly;

specially; to mention by name.

It can be to nature no injury, that of her we say the same which diligent beholders of her

say the same which diligent beholders of her works have observed; namely, that she provideth for all living creatures nourishment which may suffice.

Which of there express is he subject to?

Which of these sorrows is he subject to?

To none of these, except it be the last;

Namely, some love that drew him oft from home.

Shakspeare.

The council making remonstrances unto queen Elizabeth, of the continual conspiracies against her life; and namely, that a man was lately taken, who stood ready in a very suspicious manner to do the deed; advised her to go less abroad weakly attended. But the queen answered, that she had rather be dead, than put in custody.

Bacon.

For the excellency of the soul, namely, its power of divining in dreams; that several such divinations have been made, none can question. Addison, Spect.

Solomon's choice does not only instruct us in that point of history, but furnishes out a very fine moral to us, namely, that he who applies his heart to wisdom, does at the same time take the most proper method for gaining long life, riches, and reputation.

Addison, Guardian.

NA'MER.† n. s. [from name.] One who calls or knows any by name. Sherwood.

NA'MESAKE. n. s. One that has the same name with another.

Nor does the dog-fish at sea much more make out the dog of land, than that his cognominal, or namesake in the heavens.

Brown, Vulg. Err. One author is a mole to another: it is impossible for them to discover beauties; they have eyes only for blemishes: they can indeed see the light, as is said of their namesakes; but immediately shut their eyes.

NANKI'N, or NANKE'EN.* n. s. A kind of light cotton, first manufactured at Nan-

king, in China.

NAP. † n. s. [hnappian, Saxon, to sleep.] 1. Slumber; a short sleep. A word ludicrously used.

Mopsa sat swallowing of sleep with open mouth, making such a noise, as nobody could lay the stealing of a nap to her charge. Sidney. Let your bounty take a nap, and I will awake Shakspeare.

The sun had long since in the lap

Of Thetis, taken out his nap. Hudibras. So long as I'm at the forge, you are still taking L'Estrange. 2. [Knoppa, Saxon; nopp, Su. Goth.]

Down; villous substance.

Amongst those leaves she made a butterfly With excellent device and wondrous flight; The velvet nap which on his wings doth lie, The silken down with which his back is dight.

Spenser, Muiopotmos. Jack Cade the clothier means to dress the Commonwealth, and set a new nap upon it. Plants, though they have no prickles, have a

kind of downy or velvet rind upon their leaves; which down or nap cometh of a subtil spirit in a soft or fat substance.

Ah! where must needy poet seek for aid, When dust and rain at once his coat invade? His only coat! where dust confus'd with rain Roughens the nap, and leaves a mingled stain.

Swift. 3. A knop; a protuberance; the top of a hill. [gnypa, Icel. cnæp, Sax.]

Between this intrenchment and the innermost one, is no space of ground at all, but only a deep trench and a high vallum, including a large level piece of ground, which is higher than any other part of this fortification, it being the nap of the Carew, Surv. of Cornwall.

To NAP. † v. n. [hnappian, Saxon.] To sleep; to be drowsy or secure; to be

supinely careless.

Whiles the housbonde taried, alle they nappiden Wicliffe, St. Matt. xxv. See how he nappeth, see, for cockes bones,

As he wold fallen from his horse atones.

Chaucer, Mancip. Prol. They took him napping in his bed. Hudibras. A wolf took a dog napping at his master's door.

What is seriously related by Helmont, that foul linen, stopt in a vessel that hath wheat in it, will in twenty-one days' time turn the wheat into mice; without conjuring, one may guess to have been the philosophy and information of some housewife, who had not so carefully covered her wheat, but that the mice could come at it, and were there taken napping just when they had made an end of their good chear. Bentley.

NA'PTAKING. n. s. [nap and take.] Surprize; seizure on a sudden; unexpected onset, like that made on men asleep.

Naptakings, assaults, spoilings, and firings, have in our forefathers' days, between us and France, been common.

NAPE. † n. s. [Of uncertain etymology. Skinner imagines it to come from nap, the hair that grows on it; Junius, with his usual Greek sagacity, from νάπη, α hill; perhaps from the same root with knob. Dr. Johnson. - That is from cnæp, Sax. any protuberance; hnappr, Icel. globus.] The joint of the neck behind.

Turn your eyes towards the napes of your necks, and make but an interiour survey of your good

Domitian dreamed, the night before he was slain, that a golden head was growing out of the nape of his neck.

NA'PERY. † n. s. [naperia, Ital. nappa, a table-cloth, a napkin; nappe, French, naparia, low Lat. from mappa, Lat. The Scotch use naiprie, which Dr. Jamieson has noticed with this remark: "Dr. Johnson mentions napery, but without any authority; the word being scarcely known in English." It happens, however, (though Dr. Johnson indeed could find no example,) that this word is common in English, and supported by indisputable authority.] Linen for the table; linen in general.

Some her husband's gowne, Some a pillowe of downe, Some of the napery ; And all this shifte they make

For the good ale sake. Skelton, Poems, p. 138. What use was there of a towel, where was no water? She that made a fountain of her eyes, made precious napary of her hair: that better flax shamed the linen in the Pharisee's chest.

Bp. Hall, Contempl. B. 4. Ye may see it in a servingman's fresh napery Overbury, Charact. sign. E. 3.

He did eat no meat on table-cloths; - out of mere necessity; because they had nor meat nor Gayton on D. Quix. p. 93. A gentleman that loves clean napery

Shirley, Hyde Park.

Na'PHEW. n.s. [napus, Lat.] An herb. Na'PHTHA.† n.s. [naphtha, Lat. naphte, Fr. Cotgrave. In the Persian language, neft, or napht. See Sir T. Herbert's Trav. p. 182. and Hole's Remarks on the Arabian Nights' Entert. p. 170.]

Naphtha is a very pure, clear, and thin mineral fluid, of a very pale yellow, with a cast of brown in it. It is soft and oily to the touch, of a sharp and unpleasing taste, and of a brisk and penetrating smell; of the bituminous kind. It is extremely ready to take fire.

Hill, Mat. Med. Strabo represents it as a liquation of bitumen. It swims on the top of the water of wells and springs. That found about Babylon is in some springs whitish, though it be generally black, and differs little from petroleum.

Woodward. This nephta is an oily or fat liquid substance; in colour not unlike soft white clay.

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 182.

From the arched roof Pendant by subtle magick, many a row Of starry lamps, and burning cressets, fed With naphtha and asphaltus, yielded light As from a sky. Milton, P. L.

NA'PPINESS. n. s. [from nappy.] The quality of having a nap.

NA'PKIN. 7 n. s. [from nap; which etymology is oddly favoured by Virgil, "Tonsisque ferunt mantilia villis;" naperia, Italian. Dr. Johnson - It is

rather a corruption, as napery is, of the Latin mappa, a cloth. See NAPERY. I. A cloth used at table to wipe the

hands.

By art were weaved napkins, shirts, and coats, inconsumptible by fire. Brown, Vulg. Err. The same matter was woven into a napkin at Louvain, which was cleansed by being burnt in the fire.

Napkins Heliogabalos had of cloth of gold, but they were most commonly of linen, or soft wool,

2. A handkerchief. This sense is retained in Scotland, and in some parts of the north of England.

I am glad I have found this napkin : This was her first remembrance from the Moor.

Shakspeare. NA'PLESS. adj. [from nap.] Wanting nap; threadbare.

Were he to stand for consul, ne'er would he Appear i' the market place, nor on him put The napless vesture of humility. Shaksp. Coriol. His only coat,

Eldest of things! and napless, as an heath Of small extent by fleecy myriads graz'd.

Shenston, Econ. P. iii. NA'PPY. † adj. [from nap. Lye derives it from nappe, Saxon, a cup. Dr. Johnson. - Serenius has given the same derivation, nape, Germ. nap, Goth. a cup; defining nappy, inebriating. So Sherwood renders nappy ale, bien forte, i.e. very strong. Dr. Johnson calls it, from nap, frothy, spumy; whence apples and ale are called lambs-wool. So we say the foaming bowl, i. e. having the liquor in it frothing, rising as it were with a head. Some have thought it referring to nap, in another sense, as producing

1. An old epithet applied to ale. Nappy ale, good and stale, in a browne bowle, Which did about the board merrilye trowle.

Old Ball. The King and Miller of Mansfield. When I my thresher heard, With nappy beer I to the barn repair'd.

2. Hairy; full of down.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood. NAR.* adj. old compar. of near. Obsolete.

Gay, Past.

To kirk the nar, from God more far, Has bene an old-said saw.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. July. NARCI'SSUS. n. s. [Latin; narcisse, French.] A daffodil. Nor narcissus fair

As o'er the fabled mountain hanging still.

Thomson. NARCO'SIS.* n. s. [vaguwois, Greek.] Stupefaction; privation of sense.

NARCO'TICAL.† adj. [rapxów, Gr. nar-NARCO'TICK. cotique, French.] Producing torpor, or stupefaction.

Narcotick includes all that part of the materia medica, which any way produces sleep, whether called by this name, or hypnoticks, or opiates.

Medicines which they call narcotical, that is to say, such as benowme and dead the diseased.

Harmar, Tr. of Beza, (1587,) p. 421.
The ancients esteemed it narcotick or stupefactive, and it is to be found in the list of poisons by Dioscorides.

NARCO'TICALLY.* adv. [from narcotical.] By producing torpor.

Arresting that impetuous motion of the spirits, -as those things do, that pass for narcotically cold. Whillock, Mann. of the English, p. 222.
NARCO'TICK.* n. s. A drug producing sleep.

Narcotikes and opie of Thebes fine.

Chaucer, Kn. Tale. NARCO'TICKNESS.* n. s. [from narcotick.] The quality which takes away the sense of pain.

NARD. n. s. [nardus, Latin; νάρδ, Gr.] 1. Spikenard; a kind of ointment.

He now is come

Into the blissful field, through groves of myrrh, And flow'ring odours, cassia, nard, and balm.

2. An odorous shrub.

Smelt, - o' the bud o' the briar, Or the nard in the fire. B. Jonson, Underwoods.

NARE. n. s. [naris, Lat.] A nostril; not used, except as in the following passage, in affectation.

There is a Machiavelian plot,

Though every nare olfact it not. Hudibras. NA'RWHALE. n. s. A species of whale. Those long horns preserved as precious heauties, are but the teeth of narwhales.

Brown, Vulg. Err. NA'RRABLE & adj. [from narro, Latin.] Capable to be told or related. Cockeram.

To Na'RRATE. † v. a. [narro, Lat.] To relate; to tell: a word only used in Scotland. Dr. Johnson. - Not confined to Scotland as stated by Dr. Johnson. Brockett's North country words.

NARRA'TION. n. s. [narracio, Latin; narration, French.] Account; relation;

He did doubt of the truth of that narration.

They that desire to look into the narrations of the story, or the variety of the matter we have been careful might have profit. 2 Mac. ii. 24. This commandment, containing, among other

things, a narration of the creation of the world, is commonly read.

Homer introduces the best instructions, in the midst of the plainest narrations.

Broome on the Odyssey.

NA'RRATIVE. adj. [narratif, French; from

narro, Latin.] 1. Relating; giving an account.

To judicial acts credit ought to be given, though Ayliffe, Parergon. the words be narrative. 2. Storytelling; apt to relate things past.

Age, as Davenant says, is always nurrati

The poor, the rich, the valiant and the sage, And boasting youth, and narrative old age. Pope.

NA'RRATIVE. n. s. A relation; an account;

In the instructions I give to others, concerning what they should do, take a narrative of what you

South. have done. Cynthio was much taken with my narrative.

NA'RRATIVELY. adv. [from narrative.] By way of relation.

The words of all judicial acts are written narratively, unless it be in sentences wherein dispositive and enacting terms are made use of.

Ayliffe, Parergon.

NARRA'TOR.† n. s. [narrateur, Fr.; from narro, Lat.] A teller; a relater.

He is but a narrator of other men's opinions, suspending his own judgement.

Mountagu, App. to Cæs. (1625,) p. 5.

Consider whether the narrator be honest and faithful, as well as skilful; whether he hath no peculiar gain or profit by believing or reporting it.

Watts, Logick. NA'RRATORY.* adj. [narratus, Lat. Giving a relation of things.

Letters, though they be capable of any subject, yet commonly they are either narratory, objurgatory, consolatory, &c. Howell, Lett. i. i. 1.

NA RROW. + adj. [neapep, napeu, nappe. Sax. from nyp, near. - Dr. Johnson. And so Serenius. Junius considers neapu, as the participle contracted, from nýppan, to streighten, to contract into a small compass. And so Mr. H. Tooke.]

1. Not broad or wide, having but a small distance from side to side.

Edward from Belgia,

Hath pass'd in safety through the narrow seas.

The angel stood in a narrow place, where was no way to turn either to the right hand or to the Num. ii. 26. In a narrow-bottom'd ditch cattle cannot turn.

By being too few, or of an improper figure and dimension to do their duty in perfection, they become narrow and incapable of performing their

native function. Blackmore. 2. Small; of no great extent; used of time

as well as place. From this narrow time of gestation may ensue a smallness in the exclusion; but this inferreth

no informity. Though the Jews were but a small nation, and confined to a narrow compass in the world, yet the first rise of letters and languages is truly to be

3. Covetous; avaricious.

ascribed to them.

To narrow breasts he comes all wrapt in gain, To swelling hearts he shines in honour's fire.

4. Contracted; of confined sentiments; ungenerous.

He is a narrow-minded man, that affects a triumph in any glorious study. B. Jonson, Discoveries. Love first invented verse, and form'd the rhime, The motion measur'd, harmoniz'd the chime,

To liberal acts enlarg'd the narrow-soul, Soften'd the fierce, and made the coward bold.

Dryden, Cym. and Iph. Nothing more shakes any society than mean divisions between the several orders of its members, and their narrow-hearted repining at each other's

The greatest understanding is narrow. How much of God and nature is there, whereof we Grew, Cosmol. Sacra. never had any idea?

The hopes of good from those whom we gratify, would produce a very narrow and stinted charity. Smalridge.

A salamander grows familiar with a stranger at first sight, and is not so narrow-spirited as to observe, whether the person she talks to, be in breeches or in petticoats.

It is with narrow-soul'd people as with narrowneck'd bottles; the less they have in them the more noise they make in pouring it out. Swift, Miscell.

5. Near; within a small distance.

Then Mnestheus to the head his arrow drove, But made a glancing shot, and miss'd the dove; Yet miss'd so narrow, that he cut the cord Which fasten'd by the foot the flitting bird. Druden.

6. Close; vigilant; attentive.

The orb he roam'd With narrow search; and with inspection deep Consider'd ev'ry creature, which of all Most opportune might serve his wiles.

Milton, P. L.

Many malicious spies are searching into the actions of a great man, who is not always the best prepared for so narrow an inspection.

Addison, Spect.

To Na'rrow. + v. a. [neappian, Sax.]

1. To diminish with respect to breadth or

In the wall he made narrowed rests, that the beams should not be fastened in the walls of the 1 Kings, vi. 6.

By reason of the great continent of Brasilia, the needle deflecteth toward the land twelve degrees; but at the Straits of Magellan, where the land is narrowed, and the sea on the other side, it varieth about five or six.

A government, which by alienating the affections, losing the opinions, and crossing the interests of the people, leaves out of its compass the greatest part of their consent, may justly be said, in the same degrees it loses ground, to narrow its

2. To contract; to impair in dignity of extent or influence.

One science is incomparably above all the rest, where it is not by corruption narrowed into a trade, for mean or ill ends, and secular interests; I mean, theology, which contains the knowledge of God and his creatures.

To contract in sentiment or capacity of knowledege.

Desuetude does contract and narrow our faculties, so that we can apprehend only those things in which we are conversant. Gov. of the Tongue.

How hard it is to get the mind, narrowed by a scanty collection of common ideas, to enlarge itself to a more copious stock.

Lo! every finish'd son returns to thee; Bounded by nature, narrow'd still by art, Pope. A trifling head, and a contracted heart.

To confine; to limit.

Wilkins.

I most find fault with his narrowing too much his own bottom, and his unwary sapping the found-Waterland. ation on which he stands.

By admitting too many things at once into one question, the mind is dazzled and bewildered; whereas by limiting and narrowing the question, you take a fuller survey of the whole. Watts, Logick.

Our knowledge is much more narrowed, if we confine ourselves to our own solitary reasonings, without much reading.

To NARROW.* v. n.

1. To be diminished with respect to breadth or wideness; to grow narrow; in opposition to widen: as, the road or way narrows.

2. [In farriery.] A horse is said to narrow, when he does not take ground enough, and does not bear far enough out to the one hand or to the other. Farrier's Dict.

NA'RROWER.* n. s. [from narrow.] The person or thing which narrows or con-

Love is a narrower of the heart.

Cælebs, vol. i. p. 235. NA'RROWLY. adv. [from narrow.]

1. With little breadth or wideness; with small distance between the sides.

2. Contractedly; without extent.

The church of England is not so narrowly calculated, that it cannot fall in with any regular species of government.

3. Closely; vigilantly; attentively. My fellow-schoolmaster

Doth watch Bianca's steps so narrowly. Shaksp. If it be narrowly considered, this colour will be reprehended or encountered, by imputing to all excellencies in compositions a kind of poverty.

For a considerable treasure hid in my vineyard, search narrowly when I am gone. L'Estrange. A man's reputation draws eyes upon him that will narrowly inspect every part of him. Addison.

4. Nearly: within a little. Some private vessels took one of the Aquapulca

ships, and very narrowly missed of the other. Swift.

5. Avariciously; sparingly. NA'RROWNESS. † n. s. [from narrow.]

1. Want of breadth or wideness.

The height of buildings, and narrowness of

streets, keep away the sun beams.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 260. In our Gothick cathedrals, the narrowness of the arch makes it rise in height, or run out in lenoth. Addison on Italy.

2. Want of extent; want of comprehen-

That prince, who should be so wise and godlike, as by established laws of liberty to secure protection and encouragement to the honest industry of mankind, against the oppression of power, and narrowness of party, will quickly be too hard for his neighbours.

3. Confined state; contractedness. The most learned and ingenious society in Europe, confess the narrowness of human attainments.

Cheap vulgar arts, whose narrowness affords No flight for thoughts, but poorly sticks at words.

The Latin, a severe and compendious language, often expresses that in one word, which either the barbarity or the narrowness of modern tongues cannot supply in more. Dryden.

4. Meanness; poverty. [neapanerre, Sax.

angustia, anxietas.

If God will fit thee for this passage, by taking off thy load and emptying thy bags, and so suit the narrowness of thy fortune to the narrowness of the way thou art to pass, is there any thing but mercy in all this? 5. Want of capacity.

Such is the poorness of some spirits, and the narrowness of their souls; and they are so nailed to the earth. Howell, Instruct. For. Trav. p. 198.

Another disposition in men, which makes them improper for philosophical contemplations, is not so much from the narrowness of their spirit and understanding, as because they will not take time to extend them. Burnet, Theory.

NAS. [from ne has, or has not.] Obsolete. For pity'd is mishap that nas remedy, But scorn'd been deeds of fond foolery. Spenser.

NA'SAL. + adj. [nasus, Latin.] Belonging to the nose.

Some nations may be found to have a peculiar gutteral or nasal smatch in their language.

Holder, Elem. of Speech, p. 59. When the discharge lessens, pass a small probe through the nasal duct into the nose every time it is drest, in order to dilate it a little. Sharp, Surgery.

NA'SAL.* n. s. [from the adjective.]

1. A medicine operating through the nose. Sneezings - and nasals are generally received: an empirick in Venice had a strong water to purge by the mouth and nostrils.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 393. 2. One of the letters spoken as through the nose.

In attempting to pronounce these two consonants, as likewise the nasals, and some of the vowels spiritally, the throat is brought to labour, and it makes that which we call a guttural pro-Holder, Elem. of Speech, p. 59.

NA'SCAL.* n. s. [nascale, low Lat.] kind of medicated pessary,

They may make use of a nascal or pessary, composed of castoreum mixed with rue.

Ferrand on Melancholy, (1640,) p. 355. Na'scency.* n. s. [from nascens, Lat.] Na'TALS.* n. s. pl. [natalis, Lat.] Time

There is such a spirit, to which belongs the

nascency or generation of things. Annot. on Glanville, &c. (1682,) p. 90.

NA'SCENT.* adj. [nascens, Latin.] Growing; encreasing.

The asperity of tartarous salts, and the fiery acrimony of alcaline salts, irritating and wounding the nerves, produce nascent passions and anxieties in the soul; which both aggravate distempers, and render men's lives restless and wretched, even when they are afflicted with no apparent distem-Bp. Berkeley, Siris, § 86.

Without any respect of climates, she [Imagination] reigns in all nascent societies of men, where the necessities of life force every one to think and act much for himself. Gray, Lett. to Dr. Brown.

Na'sicornous. adj. [nasus and cornu.] Having the horn on the nose.

Some unicorns are among insects: as those four kinds of nasicornous beatles described by Moffetus.

NA'STY. † adj. [nass, Germ. nat. Belg. nazzo, Franc. humid, wet; natjan, Goth. to wet; netzen, Germ.]

1. Dirty; filthy; sordid; nauseous; pol-

Sir Thomas More, in his answer to Luther, has thrown out the greatest heap of nasty language that perhaps ever was put together.

Atterbury. A nice man, is a man of nasty ideas. 2. Obscene; lewd.

NA'STILY. adv. [from nasty.] 1. Dirtily; filthily; nauseously.

The most pernicious infection next the plague, is the smell of the jail, when prisoners have been long and close and nastily kept. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

2. Obscenely; grossly. NA'STINESS. n. s. [from nasty.]

1. Dirt : filth.

This caused the seditious to remain within their station, which by reason of the nastiness of the beastly multitude, might more fitly be termed a kennel than a camp. Hayward.

Haughty and huge, as high Dutch bride. Such nastiness and so much pride

Are oddly join'd by fate. 2. Obscenity; grossness of ideas.

Their nastiness, their dull obscene talk and ribaldry, cannot but be very nauseous and offensive to any who does not baulk his own reason, out of love to their vice.

A divine might have employed his pains to better purpose, than in the nastiness of Plautus and Aristophanes. Dryden.

NA'SUTE.* adj. [nasutus, Lat. from nasus, the nose.] Critical; nice; captious. The nasuter criticks of this age scent some-

thing of pride in the ecclesiasticks.

Bp. Gauden, Hierasp. (1653,) p. 303. This is a piece of knowledge extremely slighted by such as would be accounted nasute, critical and

Dr. Bray's Biblioth. Paroch. (1707,) p. 34. NA'TAL. adj. [natal, Fr. natalis, Lat.] Native; relating to nativity.

Since the time of Henry III. princes' children took names from their natal places, as Edward of Carnarvon, Thomas of Brotherton. Camden.

Propitious star! whose sacred power Presided o'er the monarch's natal hour,

Thy radiant voyages for ever run. NATALI'TIAL.* adj. [natalitius, Lat.] Given at the day of one's nativity; consecrated to the nativity of a person.

We read in the life of Virgil, how far his natalitial poplar had outstripped the rest of its contemporaries. Evelyn, B. iv. § 13.

and place of nativity. Not in use.

Why should not we with joy resound and sing

The blessed natals of our heavenly king? Filz-geffry, Blessed Birthday, (1634,) p. 1. NATA'TION. n. s. [natatio, Latin.] The

act of swimming.

In progressive motion, the arms and legs move successively but in natation both together.

Brown, Vulg. Err. NA'TATORY.* adj. [from natation.] Enabling to swim.

When they feel the necessity of sleep, their natatory bladder is much inflated: they can support themselves at different heights by their levity

On Lacep. Hist. of Fishes, Brit. Crit. (1799,) p. 212. NATCH.* n. s. [corrupted perhaps from notch. Malone.] That part of the ox which lies near the tail or rump, between the two loins.

Fitzherbert's Husbandry. Width (of a cow) at the nache, 14 inches.

NA'THLESS. † adv. [na, Sax. that is, not the less.] Nevertherless; formed thus, natheless, nath'less. Wicliffe, Gower, and Chaucer use natheless; and as a poetical word it was certainly of three syllables, as Spenser also uses it; afterwards contracted into two. Now obsolete.

Yet nathëlesse it could not doe him diè.

Spenser, F. Q. i. ix. 54. Nath'less, my brother since we passed are Unto this point, we will appease our jar. Spenser. The torrid clime

Smote on him sore besides, vaulted with fire. Nathless he so endur'd, till on the beach Of that inflamed sea he stood, and call'd His legions. Milton, P. L.

NA'THMORE. † adv. [na the more.] the more. Spenser, from whom Dr. Johnson cites his example, does not use nathmore as a word only of two syllables, but as of three, both in the passage incorrectly cited by Dr. Johnson, and elsewhere. Obsolete.

Yet nathëmore by his bold hartie speach Could his blood-frosen heart emboldened be. Spenser, F. Q. i. ix. 25.

Yet nathëmore his meaning she ared. Ib. iv. viii. 14.

NA'TION. n. s. [nation, French; natio,

1. A people distinguished from another people; generally by their language, original, or government.

If Edward III. had prospered in his French

wars, and peopled with English the towns which he won, as he began at Calais driving out the French, his successors holding the same course, would have filled all France with our nation.

A nation properly signifies a great number of families derived from the same blood, born in the same country, and living under the same govern-

2. A great number; emphatically. When after battle I the field have seen

Spread o'er with ghastly shapes, which once were men;

A nation crush'd! a nation of the brave! A realm of death! and on this side the grave! Are there, said I, who from this sad survey, This human chaos, carry smiles away!

NA'TIONAL. adj. [national, French; from nation.

1. Public; general; not private; not particular.

They in their earthly Canaan plac'd,

Long time shall dwell and prosper, but when sins

National interrupt their public peace.

Milton, P. L. Such a national devotion inspires men with sentiments of religious gratitude, and swells their

hearts with joy and exultation. Addison, Freeholder. The astonishing victories our armies have been crowned with, were in some measure the blessings

returned upon that national charity which has been so conspicuous. Addison. God, in the execution of his judgements, never visits a people with public and general calamities, but where their sins are public and national too.

2. Bigotted to one's own country.

NATIONA'LITY.* n. s. [from national.] National character.

Let our friendship, let our love, that nationality of British love be still strengthened.

Howell, Lett. (dat. 1621,) ii. 18. He could not but see in them that nationality, which I believe no liberal Scotsman will deny. Boswell, Tour to the Heb. p. 11.

To NA'TIONALIZE.* v. a. [from national.]
To distinguish nationally. This is a very modern word, like denationalize. It is in use; but I have mislaid an ex-

ample of it. NA'TIONALLY. adv. [from national.] With

regard to the nation.

The term adulterous chiefly relates to the Jews, who being nationally espoused to God by covenant, every sin of theirs was in a peculiar manner spiritual adultery.

NA'TIONALNESS. n. s. [from national.] Reference to the people in general. NA'TIVE. † adj. [nativus, Latin; natif, Fr.]

1. Produced by nature; natural; not artificial.

She more sweet than any bird on bough, Would oftentimes amongst them bear a part, And strive to pass, as she could well enough, Their native musick by her skilful art. Spenser.

This doctrine doth not enter by the ear, But of itself is native in the breast.

2. Natural; such as is according to nature; original.

The members, retired to their homes, reassume the native sedateness of their temper.

Conferred by birth; belonging by birth.

But ours is a privilege ancient and native, Hangs not on an ordinance, or power legislative; And first, 'tis to speak whatever we please.

4. Relating to the birth; pertaining to

the time or place of birth.

If these men have defeated the law, and outrun native punishment; though they can outstrip men, they have no wings to fly from God. Shakspeare, Hen. V.

Many of our bodies shall, no doubt, Shakspeare, Hen. V. Find native graves.

5. Original; that which gave being. Have I now seen death! is this the way I must return to native dust? O sight Of terrour, foul, and ugly to behold.

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3. Born with; co-operating with; congenial.

The head is not more native to the heart, The hand more instrumental to the mouth, Than is the throne of Denmark to thy father. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

NA'TIVE. n. s.

1. Born in any place; original inhabitant. Make no extirpation of the natives, under pretence of planting religion, God surely will no way be pleased with such sacrifices.

Bacon, Adv. to Villiers. Tully, the humble mushroom scarcely known, The lowly native of a country town.

Dryden, Juv. There stood a monument to Tacitus the historian, to the emperors Tacitus and Florianus, natives of the place.

Our natives have a fuller habit, squarer, and more extended chests, than the people that be beyond us to the south.

2. Offspring.

The accusation, All cause unborn, could never be the native Of our so frank donation. Shakspeare, Coriol.

NA'TIVELY.* adv. [from native.]

1. Naturally; not artificially. We wear hair which is not natively our own.

Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 77. There is something so natively great and good in a person that is truly devout, that an awkward man may as well pretend to be genteel, as an hypocrite to be pious. Tatler, No. 211.

2. Originally.

I take two names given to Christ - to be natively Chaldee words. Lightfoot, Miscell. p. 118. This goodness of God natively proceeded from his will, as thought and truth proceedeth from his Shelford, Learned Disc. p. 184.

NA'TIVENESS. n. s. [from native.] State of being produced by nature.

NATI'VITY. n. s. [nativité, French.]

1. Birth: issue into life. Concluding ever with a thanksgiving for the nativity of our Saviour, in whose birth the births of all are only blessed.

They looked upon those as the true days of their nativity, wherein they were freed from the pains and sorrows of a troublesome world. Nelson.

2. Time, place, or manner of birth. My husband and my children both,

And you the calenders of their nativity, Go to a gossip's feast. Shakspeare, Com. of Err. They say there is divinity in odd numbers,

either in nativity, chance, or death. Shakspeare, M. W. of Windsor. When I vow, I weep; and vows so born,

In their nativity all truth appears. Shakspeare, Mid. N. Dream. Thy birth and thy nativity is of Canaan. Ezek. xvi. 3.

3. State or place of being produced. These, in their dark nativity, the deep

Shall yield us, pregnant with infernal flame. Milton, P. L. NA'TRON.* n. s. A sort of black salt im-

ported from Egypt. NA'TURAL. adj. [naturalis, Latin; naturel, Fr.]

1. Produced or effected by nature; not artificial.

There is no natural motion of any particular heavy body, which is perpetual, yet it is possible from them to contrive such an artificial revolution as shall constantly be the cause of itself. Wilkins, Dedalus.

2. Illegitimate; not legal.

This would turn the vein of that we call natural, to that of legal propagation; which has ever been encouraged as the other has been disfavoured by all institutions.

3. Bestowed by nature; not acquired.

If there be any difference in natural parts, it should seem that the advantage lies on the side of children born from noble and wealthy parents.

4. Not forced; not farfetched; dictated by nature.

I will now deliver a few of the properest and naturalest considerations that belong to this piece.

5. Following the stated course of things. If solid piety, humility, and a sober sense of themselves, is much wanted in that sex, it is the plain and natural consequence of a vain and cor-

rupt education. 6. Consonant to natural notions.

Such unnatural connections become, by custom, as natural to the mind as sun and light; fire and warmth go together, and so seem to carry with them as natural an evidence as self-evident truths themselves.

7. Discoverable by reason, not revealed. I call that natural religion, which men might know, and should be obliged unto, by the meer principles of reason, improved by consideration and experience, without the help of revelation.

8. Tender; affectionate by nature. To leave his wife, to leave his babes,

He wants the natural touch. Shaks. Macbeth. 9. Unaffected; according to truth and

reality. What can be more natural than the circumstances in the behaviour of those women who had

lost their husbands on this fatal day. Addison. 10. Opposed to violent: as, a natural death.

NA'TURAL. n. s. [from nature.]

1. An idiot; one whom nature debars from understanding; a fool.

That a monster should be such a natural.

Take the thoughts of one out of that narrow compass he has been all his life confined to, you will find him no more capable of reasoning than a perfect natural. Locke.

2. Native; original inhabitant. Not in

The inhabitants and naturals of the place, should be in a state of freemen.

Abbot, Descr. of the World. Oppression in many places, wears the robes of justice, which domineering over the naturals may not spare strangers, and strangers will not endure Ralegh, Essays.

3. Gift of nature; nature; quality. Not in use.

The wretcheder are the contemners of all helps; such as presuming on their own naturals, deride diligence, and mock at terms when they understand not things. B. Jonson.

To consider them in their pure naturals, the earl's intellectual faculties were his stronger part, and the duke, his practical.

NA'TURALISM.* n. s. [from natural.] Mere state of nature.

Those frolicksome, revelling, and thoroughly natural people, who give a full swing to their desires and appetites : - Those spirited and wanton cross-worms, as they call themselves, who are striving with speed and alacrity to come up to the naturalism and lawless privileges of the first class. Bp. Lavington, Moravians Comp. and Det. p. 63.

Lord Bolingbroke died in 1751, and his philosophical works were published in 1753. Every one knows the principles and presumption of that unhappy nobleman. He was of that sect, which, to avoid a more odious name, chooses to distinguish itself by that of naturalism.

Hurd, Life of Bp. Warburton.

NA'TURALIST. † n. s. [naturaliste, French. | NA'TURALNESS. n. s. [from natural.] Cotgrave. A student in physicks, or natural philosophy.

Admirable artifice! wherewith Galen, though a mere naturalist, was so taken, that he could not but adjudge the honour of a hymn to the wise Creator.

It is not credible, that the naturalist could be deceived in his account of a place that lay in the neighbourhood of Rome. Addison on Italy. NATURA'LITY.* n. s. [naturalité, Fr.]

Naturalness. Not in use.

This distinction will be found of most general use, for as much as there is such an intricate mixture of naturality and preternaturality in age. Smith on Old Age, (1666,) p. 133.

NATURALIZA'TION. n. s. [from naturalize.] The act of investing aliens with the privileges of native subjects.

The Spartans were nice in point of naturalization; whereby while they kept their compass, they stood firm; but when they did spread, they

became a windfal.

Encouragement may be given to any merchants that shall come over and turn a certain stock of their own, as naturalization, and freedom from customs the two first years. Temple.

Enemies, by taking advantage of the general naturalization act, invited over foreigners of all

To NA'TURALIZE. † v. a. [naturalizer, Fr. Cotgrave.

To adopt into a community; to invest with the privileges of native subjects. The lords informed the king, that the Irish

might not be naturalized without damage to themselves or the crown.

2. To make natural; to make easy like things natural.

He rises fresh to his hammer and anvil; custom has naturalized his labour to him. NA'TURALLY. adv. [from natural.]

1. According to the power or impulses of unassisted nature.

Our sovereign good is desired naturally; God, the author of that natural desire, hath appointed natural means whereby to fulfil it; but man having utterly disabled his nature unto these means, hath had other revealed, and hath received from heaven a law to teach him, how that which is desired naturally, must now supernaturally be at-

If sense be not certain in the reports it makes of things to the mind, there can be naturally no such thing as certainty of knowledge.

When you have once habituated your heart to a serious performance of holy intercession, you have done a great deal to render it incapable of spite and envy, and to make it naturally delight in the happiness of mankind. 2. According to nature; without affecta-

tion; with just representation.

These things so in my song, I naturally may

Now as the mountain highl; then as the valley low; Here fruitful as the mead; there, as the heath be

Then, as the gloomy wood, I may be rough, tho' Drayton. That part

Was aptly fitted, and naturally perform'd. Shaksp. This answers fitly and naturally to the place of the abyss before the deluge, inclos'd within the

The thoughts are to be measured only by their propriety; that is, as they flow more or less naturally from the persons and occasions. Dryden. 3. Spontaneously; without "art; without

cultivation: as there is no place where wheat naturally grows.

1. The state of being given or produced

by nature.

The naturalness of a desire, is the cause that the satisfaction of it is pleasure, and pleasure importunes the will; and that which importunes the will, puts a difficulty on the will refusing or forhearing it.

2. Conformity to truth and reality; not affectation.

He must understand what is contained in the temperament of the eyes, in the naturalness of the Druden.

Horace speaks of these parts in an ode that may be reckoned among the finest for the naturalness of the thought, and the beauty of the expression. Addison.

NA'TURE. n. s. [natura, Latin; nature, French.]

1. An imaginary being supposed to preside over the material and animal world.

Thou, nature, art my goddess; to thy law My services are bound. Shakspeare, K. Lear. When it was said to Anaxagoras, the Athenians have condemned you to die; he said, and nature

Let the postilion nature mount, and let The coachman art be set. Cowley. Heaven bestows

At home all riches that wise nature needs. Cowley. Simple nature to his hope was giv'n, Beyond the cloud topt hill an humbler heav'n.

2. The native state or properties of any

thing, by which it is discriminated from others.

Why leap'd the hills, why did the mountains shake? What ail'd them their fix'd natures to forsake?

Between the animal and rational province, some animals have a dark resemblance of the influxes of reason: so between the corporeal and intellectual world, there is man participating much of both

Hale, Orig. of Mankind. The nature of brutes, besides what is common to them with plants, doth consist in having such faculties, whereby they are capable of apprehending external objects, and of receiving pain or pleasure from them.

The constitution of an animated body. Nature, as it grows again tow'rd earth, Is fashion'd for the journey, dull and heavy.

Shakspeare. We're not ourselves, When nature, being oppress'd, commands the

mind To suffer with the body. Shakspeare, K. Lear. 4. Disposition of mind; temper.

Nothing could have subdued nature To such a lowness, but his unkind daughters.

A credulous father, and a brother noble, Whose nature is so far from doing harms That he suspects none; on whose foolish honesty

My practices ride easy. Shakspeare, K. Lear. 5. The regular course of things.

My end Was wrought by nature, not by vile offence. Shakspeare.

6. The compass of natural existence.

If their dam may be judge, the young apes are the most beautiful things in nature. Glanville. The constitution and appearances of

things.

The works, whether of poets, painters, moralists, or historians, which are built upon general nature, live for ever; while those which depend for their existence on particular customs and habits, a partial view of nature, or the fluctuation of fashion, can only be coeval with that which first raised them from obscurity. Reynolds.

8. Natural affection, or reverence; native sensations.

Have we not seen The murdering son ascend his parent's bed, Through violated nature force his way, And stain the sacred womb where once he lay?

Pope. 9. The state or operation of the material world.

He binding nature fast in fate, Left free the human will.

10. Sort; species. A dispute of this nature caused mischief in

abundance betwixt a king and an archbishop, Dryden.

11. Sentiments or images adapted to nature, or conformable to truth and reality. Only nature can please those tastes which are unprejudiced and refined. Addison.

Nature and Homer were, he found, the same. Pope.

12. Physicks; the science which teaches the qualities of things.

Nature and nature's laws lay hid in night, God said, Let Newton be, and all was light. Pope.

13. Of this word, which occurs so frequently, with significations so various, and so difficultly defined, Boyle has given an explication, which deserves to be epitomised.

Nature sometimes means the Authour of Nature, or natura naturans; as, nature hath made man partly corporeal and partly immaterial. For nature in this sense may be used the word Creator.

Nature sometimes means that on whose account a thing is what it is, and is called, as when we define the nature of an angle. For nature in this sense may be used essence or quality.

Nature sometimes means what belongs to a living creature at its nativity, or accrues to it by its birth, as when we say, a man is noble by nature, or a child is naturally forward. This may be expressed by saying, the man was born so ; or, the thing was generated such.

Nature sometimes means an internal principle of local motion, as we say, the stone falls, or the flame rises by nature; for this we may say, that the motion up or down is spontaneous, or produced by its proper cause.

Nature sometimes means the established course of things corporeal; as, nature makes the night succeed the day. This may be termed established order, or settled course.

Nature means sometimes the aggregate of the powers belonging to a body, especially a living one: as when physicians say, that nature is strong, or nature left to herself will do the cure. For this may be used, constitution, temperament, or structure of the body.

Nature is put likewise for the system of the corporeal works of God; as there is no phœnix or chimera in nature. For nature thus applied, we may use the world, or the universe.

Nature is sometimes indeed commonly taken for a kind of semideity. In this sense it is best not to use it at all. Boyle, Free Eng. into the Received Notion

of Nature.

To NA'TURE.* v. a. To endow with natural qualities. We have long ceased to use the verb, but we retain the participle in good-natured, ill-natured, and other compounds.

He whiche natureth every kynde, The myghty God, so as I fynde, Of man, whiche is his creature,

Hath so devyded the nature.

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 7. NATU'RITY. n. s. [from nature.] The state of being produced by nature. Not used. This cannot be allowed, except we impute that unto the first cause which we impose not on the second; or what we deny unto nature we impute unto naturity. Brown.

NA'VAL. adj. [naval, Fr. navalis, Lat.] 1. Consisting of ships.

Encamping on the main, Our naval army had besieged Spain;

They that the whole world's monarchy design'd, Are to their ports by our bold fleet confin'd.

As our high vessels pass their watery way, Let all the naval world due homage pay. 2. Belonging to ships.

Masters of such numbers of strong and valiant men, as well as of all the naval stores that furnish the world.

NA'VALS.* n. s. pl. Used by Clarendon for naval affairs; perhaps by no other

It was a day of signal triumph, the action of it having much surpassed all that was done in Cromwell's time, whose navals were much greater than had ever been in any age

Ld. Clarendon, Life, ii. 507.

NA'VARCHY.* n. s. [navarchus, Lat. captain of a ship.] Knowledge of managing

Navarchy, and making models for buildings and riggings of ships.

Sir W. Petty, Adv. to Hartlib, (1648,) p. 6.

NAVE. n. s. [nar, Sax.]

1. The middle part of the wheel in which

the axle moves. Out, out, thou strumpet fortune! all you gods In general synod take away her power;

Break all the spokes and fellies from her wheel, And bowl the round nave down the hill of heav'n, s low as to the fiends. Shakspeare, Hamlet. In the wheels of waggons the hollows of the As low as to the fiends.

naves, by their swift rotations on the ends of the axle-trees, produce a heat sometimes so intense as to set them on fire.

2. [From navis, nave, old Fr.] The middle part of the church distinct from the aisles or wings.

It comprehends the nave or body of the church, Ayliffe, Parergon. together with the chancel.

NA'VEL. n. s. [napela, navela, Sax.]

1. The point in the middle of the belly, by which embryos communicate with the parent.

Imbrasides addrest His javeline at him, and so ript his navill, that the

wound, As endlessly it shut his eyes, so open'd on the ground,

It powr'd his entrailes. As children, while within the womb they live, Feed by the navel: here they feed not so. Davies.

The use of the navel is to continue the infant unto the mother, and by the vessels thereof to convey its aliments.

NAU

Me from the womb the midwife muse did take, Cowley. She cut my navel.

There is a superintending providence, that some animals will hunt for the teat before they are quite gotten out of the secundines, and parted from the Derham. navelstring.

2. The middle; the interiour part. Being press'd to the war,

Even when the navel of the state was touch'd, They would not thread the gates. Shaksp. Coriol. Within the navel of this hideous wood,

Immur'd in cypress shades, a sorcerer dwells. Milton, Comus.

NA'VELGALL. n. s.

Navelgall is a bruise on the top of the chine of the back, behind the saddle, right against the navel, occasioned either by the saddle being split behind, or the stuffing being wanting, or by the crupper buckle sitting down in that place, or some hard weight or knobs lying directly behind the saddle.

NA'VELWORT. n. s. [cotyledon.] A plant. It hath the appearance of houseleek.

NA'VEW. n. s. [napus, Lat. navet, naveau, French.] A plant. It agrees in most respects with the turnep; but has a lesser root, and somewhat warmer in taste. In the isle of Ely the species, which is wild, is very much cultivated, it being the cole seed from which they draw the oil. Miller.

NAU'FRAGE.* n. s. [naufrage, old Fr. naufragium, Lat.] Shipwreck. Cockeram. Guilty of the ruin and naufrage, and perishing

of infinite subjects.

Bacon, Speech at taking his Place in Chancery. NAU'FRAGOUS.* adj. | from naufragus,

Lat.] Causing shipwreck.

That tempestuous, and oft naufragous sea, wherein youth and handsomeness are commonly tossed with no less hazard to the body than the Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 33.

NAUGHT. adj. [naht, naphiht, Saxon; that is, ne aught, not any thing.] Bad; corrupt; worthless: it is now hardly used but in ludicrous language.

With them that are able to put a difference between things naught and things indifferent in the church of Rome, we are yet at controversy about the manner of removing that which is naught.

Thy sister's naught: Oh Regan! she hath tied Sharp-tooth'd unkindness like a vulture here. Shaksneare.

NAUGHT. n. s. Nothing. This is commonly, though improperly, written nought. See Aught, Nought, and OUGHT.

Be you contented To have a son set your decrees at naught, To pluck down justice from your awful bench. Shakspeare.

NAU'GHTILY. adv. [from naughty.] Wickedly; corruptly.

NAU'GHTINESS. † n. s. [from naughty.] Wickedness; badness. Slight wickedness or perverseness, as of children.

No remembrance of naughtiness delights but mine own; and methinks the accusing his traps might in some manner excuse my fault, which certainly I loth to do.

Idleness, the bane of body and mind, the nurse of naughtiness. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 83.

NAU'GHTLY.* adv. [from naught.] Badly; corruptly. Thus did I for want of better wit,

Because my parents naughtly brought me up. Mir. for Mag. p. 297.

NAU'GHTY. adj. The same with naught.
1. Bad; wicked; corrupt.

A prince of great courage and beauty, but fostered up in blood by his naughty father. Sidney. These naughty times

Put bars between the owners and their rights. How far that little candle throws his beams!

So shines a good deed in a naughty world. Shakspeare.

2. It is now seldom used but in ludicrous censure.

If gentle slumbers on thy temples creep, But, naughty man, thou dost not mean to sleep, Betake thee to thy bed. Dryden.

NAVI'CULAR. adj. [navicularis, Latin; naviculaire, Fr.] In anatomy, the third bone in each foot that lies between the astragalus and ossa cuneiformia. Dict.

NA VIGABLE. adj. [navigable, French; navigabilis, Latin.] Capable of being passed by ships or boats.

The first-peopled cities were all founded upon these navigable rivers or their branches, by which

the one might give succour to the other. Ralegh, Hist. of the World.

Many have motioned to the council of Spain, the cutting of a navigable channel through this small isthmus, so to shorten their common voyages to China, and the Moluccoes. Almighty Jove surveys

Earth, air, and shores, and navigable seas.

NA'VIGABLENESS. n. s. [from navigable.] Capacity to be passed in vessels. To NA'VIGATE. v. n. [navigo, Lat. naviger,

French. To sail; to pass by water. The Phonicians navigated to the extremities of the western ocean. Arbuthnot on Coins.

To NA'VIGATE. v. a. To pass by ships or boats.

Drusus, the father of the emperour Claudius, was the first who navigated the northern ocean. Arbuthnot on Coins.

NAVIGA'TION. n. s. [navigation, French, from navigate.]

1. The act or practice of passing by water. Our shipping for number, strength, mariners, and all things that appertain to navigation, is as great as ever. Bacon. The loadstone is that great help to navigation.

Rude as their ships, was navigation then,

No useful compass or meridian known; Coasting, they kept the land within their ken, And knew no north but when the polestar shone.

Dryden. When Pliny names the Pœni as inventors of navigation, it must be understood of the Phœnicians, from whom the Carthaginians are descended. Arbuthnot on Coins.

2. Vessels of navigation.

Though you until the winds, and let them

Against the churches; though the yesty waves Confound and swallow navigation up.

Shakspeare, Macbeth.

NA'VIGATOR. n. s. [navigateur, French, from navigate.] Sailor; seaman; traveller by water.

By the sounding of navigators, that sea is not three hundred and sixty foot deep. Brerewood. 502

The rules of navigators must often fail. Brown. | NAU'SEOUSNESS. n. s. [from nauseous.] The contrivance may seem difficult, because the submarine navigators will want winds, tides, and the sight of the heavens

Wilkins, Math. Magic. This terrestrial globe, which before was only a globe in speculation, has since been surrounded by the boldness of many navigators. NAU'LAGE. † n. s. [naulage, French, Cotgrave; from naulum, Lat.] The freight

of passengers in a ship. NAU'MACHY.† n. s. [naumachie, French; naumachia, Latin.] A mock sea fight. Cockeram.

And now the naumachie begins. Close to the surface.

Lovelace, Luc. Posth. (1659,) p. 43. NAU'SCOPY.* n. s. [νᾶυς and σκοπέω, Greek.] The art of discovering the approach of ships, or the neighbourhood of lands, at a considerable distance. Dr. Maty.

NAU'SEA.* n. s. [Latin; vavla, Greek, from vaus, a ship.] Sea-sickness; any

The sickness and nausea, usual in other cases of the like nature, being marvellously in this transferred to the by-standers. Dodsley.

To NAU'SEATE. + v. n. [from nauseo, Latin.] To grow squeamish; to turn away with disgust.

We are apt to nauseate at very good meat, when we know that an ill cook did dress it.

Bp. Reynolds on the Passions, ch. 39. Don't over-fatigue the spirits, lest the mind be seized with a lassitude, and nauseate, and grow tired of a particular subject before you have finished Watts on the Mind.

To NAU'SEATE. v.a.

1. To loath; to reject with disgust.

While we single out several dishes, and reject others, the selection seems arbitrary; for many are cry'd up in one age, which are decryed and nauseated in another. Brown.

Old age, with silent pace, comes creeping on, Nauseates the praise, which in her youth she won, And hates the muse by which she was undone.

Dryden. The patient nauseates and loaths wholesome foods.

Blackmore. Those heads, as stomachs, are not sure the best, Which nauseate all, and nothing can digest. Pope.

2. To strike with disgust. He let go his hold and turned from her, as if

he were nauseated, then gave her a lash with his

NAU'SEOUS. adj. [from nausea, Latin; nausée, French.] Loathsome; disgustful; regarded with abhorrence.

Those trifles, wherein children take delight, Grow nauscous to the young man's appetite: And from those gaieties our youth requires

To exercise their minds, our age retires. Denham. Food of a wholesome juice is pleasant to the taste and agreeable to the stomach, till hunger and thirst be well appeased, and then it begins to be less pleasant, and at last even nauseous and loath-

Old thread-bare phrases will often make you go out of your way to find and apply them, and are nauseous to rational hearers. Swift.

NAU'SEOUSLY. adv. [from nauseous.] Loath-

somely; disgustfully.

This, though cunningly concealed, as well knowing how nauseously that drug would go down in a lawful monarchy, which was prescribed for a rebellious commonwealth, yet they always kept in reserve. Dryden.

Their satire's praise; So nauseously and so unlike they paint.

Garth, Disp.

Loathsomeness; quality of raising dis-

The nauseousness of such company disgusts a reasonable man, when he sees he can hardly approach greatness but as a moated castle; he must first pass through the mud and filth with which it is encompassed. Dryden, Aurengzebe.

NAU'TICAL. † adj. [nauticus, Lat.] Per-NAU'TICK. | taining to sailors.

He elegantly shewed by whom he was drawn, which depainted the nautical compass with aut magnes, aut magna. How did thy senses quail,

Seeing the shores so swarm'd, and round about Hearing confused shoutings of the nautick rout! Fanshaw, Poems, (1676,) p. 288.

NAU'TILUS. n. s. [Latin; nautile, Fr.] A shell fish furnished with something analogous to oars and a sail.

Learn of the little nautilus to sail, Spread the thin oar and catch the driving gale.

NA'vy.† n. s. [navye, nave, old French; navis, Latin.] An assemblage of ships, commonly ships of war; a fleet.

We mette of shyppes a grete nave, Full of people that wolde in to Irlonde.

Old Morality of Hycke-Scorner. On the western coast rideth a puissant navy. Shakspeare, Rich. III. Levy money, and return the same to the trea-

surer of the navy for his majesty's use. Clarendon.

The narrow seas can scarce their navy bear, Or crowded vessels can their soldiers hold.

NAWL.* n. s. An Awl. See NALL. The master was appointed to bore their ears

through with a nawl, and so to mark them for perpetual servants. Fotherby, Atheom. (1622,) p. 120.

NAY. † adv. [Goth. ne; Saxon, na, or ne aye.]

1. No; an adverb of negation. Disputes in wrangling spend the day, Whilst one says only yea, and t' other nay.

Denham. 2. Not only so, but more. A word of amplification.

A good man always profits by his endeavour, yea, when he is absent; nay, when dead, by his example and memory; so good authors in their B. Jonson, Discoveries.

He catechized the children in his chamber, giving liberty nay, invitation, to as many as would, to come and hear.

come and hear. Fell, Life of Hammond.
This is then the allay of Ovid's writings, which is sufficiently recompensed by his other excellencies; nay, this very fault is not without its beauties; for the most severe censor cannot but be pleased.

If a son should strike his father, not only the criminal but his whole family would be rooted out, nay, the inhabitants of the place where he lived, would be put to the sword, nay, the place itself would be razed. Addison, Spectator.

3. Word of refusal.

They have beaten us openly uncondemned, being Romans, and have cast us into prison; and now do they thrust us out privily? nay verily; but let them come themselves and fetch us out.

Acts, xvi. 37. The fox made several excuses, but the stork would not be said nay; so that at last he promised him to come. L'Estrange.

He that will not when he may, When he would he shall have nay. Old Proverb.

NAY.* n. s. Denial; refusal. See DE-NAY.

There is a faire bedde there also, which she determineth to sell, and would have you to have the first nay of it.

Radcliffe, Letters, (L. Mar. 26. 1613.) There was no nay, but I must in,

And take a cup of ale. To NAY.* v. a. To refuse. Obsolete. The state of a cardinal - was naied and denaied Holinshed, Chron. of Eng. p. 620.

NA'YWARD.* n. s. [nay and ward.] Tendency to denial. This word has been given by Dr. Johnson as a third illustration of nayword, but Shakspeare's expression is certainly nayward, as Mr. Mason also has noticed.

But I'd say, he had not, And, I'll be sworn, you would believe my saying, Howe'er you lean to the nayward. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

NA'YWORD. † n. s. [nay and word.]

1. A proverbial reproach; a bye word. If I do not gull him into a nayword, and make him a common recreation, do not think I have wit enough to lie straight in my bed. Shakspeare, Tw. Night.

2. A watch word. Not in use.

I have spoke with her; and we have a nayword how to know one another. I come to her in white, and cry mum; she cries budget; and by that we know one another.

Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor. NE.† adv. [Saxon. This particle was formerly of very frequent use, both singly and by contraction in compound words: as, nill for ne will or will not; nas for ne has or has not; nis for ne is or is not.

1. Neither.

His warlike shield all cover'd closely was, Ne might of mortal eye be ever seen, Not made of steel, nor of enduring brass, Spenser, F. Q.

2. Not.

Yet who was that Belphæbe, he ne wist. Spenser, F. Q.

But when she saw at last, that he ne would For ought or nought be wonne unto her will, She turn'd her love to hatred manifold.

Ib. v. iv. 30. NEAF. † n. s. [neft, Icelandick; naefwe, Su. Goth.] A fist. It is retained in Scotland, and the north of England. See NEIF.

Give me thy neaf, Monsieur Mustardseed. Shakspeare.

To NEAL. + v. a. [anælan, Saxon, to heat; neelen, old French, to enamel.] To temper by a gradual and regulated

The workmen let it cool by degrees in such relentings of fire, as they call their nealing heats: lest it should shiver by a violent succeeding of air in the room of fire.

This did happen for want of the glasses being gradually cooled or nealed.

If you file, engrave, or punch upon your steel, neal it first, because it will make it softer, and consequently work easier. The common way is to give it a blood-red heat in the fire, then let it cool of itself. Moxon, Mech. Ex.

To NEAL. v. n. To be tempered in fire. Reduction is chiefly effected by fire, wherein if they stand and neal, the imperfect metals vapour

NEAP.* n.s. [nep-plob, Saxon. Skinner derives it from nærte, nærtig, want, poor; implying, I suppose, that a neap

Many are the enemies of the priesthood: they

Milton, P. L.

are diligent to observe whatever may nearly or re-

It concerneth them nearly, to preserve that go-

vernment which they had trusted with their money.

Nearly it now concerns us, to be sure

is when the water flows not copious.] Low tide. Seamen use the expression

" deep neap." The mother of waters, the great deep, hath lost nothing of her ancient bounds. Her motion of ebbing and flowing, of high springs and dead neaps, are as constant as the changes of the moon. Hakewill on Providence.

NEAP. † adj. Low; decrescent. Used only of the tide. See the substantive.

The waters are in perpetual agitation of flux and refluxes; even when no wind stirs, they have their neap and spring tides. Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 66. How doth the sea constantly observe its ebbs and flows, its springs and neap-tides, and still retain its saltness, so convenient for the maintenance of its inhabitants.

NE'APED.* adj. [from neap.] Wanting sufficient depth of water. Spoken of ships. The same as beneaped. See BENEAPED.

kingdom of Naples.

O Stephano! two Neapolitans 'scap'd. Shakspeare, Tempest.

NEAPO'LITAN.* adj. Belonging to Naples. When a Neapolitan cavalier has nothing else to do, he gravely shuts himself up in his closet, and falls a tumbling over his papers to see if he can start a law-suit, and plague any of his neighbours. Addison, on Italy.

NEAR. † prep. [nep, Saxon, from neah, nigh; Su. Goth. and Belg. naer.] At no great distance from; close to; nigh; and time.

I have heard thee say, No grief did ever come so near thy heart,

As when thy lady and thy true love died. Shaksp. Thou thought'st to help me, and such thanks I give,

As one near death to those that wish him live.

Shakspeare.

With blood the dear alliance shall be bought, And both the people near destruction brought. Dryden.

To the warlike steed thy studies bend, Near Pisa's flood the rapid wheels to guide.

This child was very near being excluded out of the species of man, barely by his shape. NEAR. † adv.

1. Almost.

Whose fame by every tongue is for her minerals hurl'd. Near from the mid-day's point throughout the

western world. Drayton.

rather in this sense an adjective. Thou art near in their mouth, and far from their

Jer. xii, 2, He serv'd great Hector, and was ever neur,

Not with his trumpet only, but his spear. Dryden, Æn.

3. Within a little.

Self-pleasing and humourous minds are so sensible of every restraint, as they will go near to think their girdles and garters to be bonds and Bacon, Ess.

This eagle shall go near, one time or other, to L'Estrange. take you for a hare. He that paid a bushel of wheat per acre, would

pay now about twenty-five pounds per annum; which would be near about the yearly value of the

The Castilian would rather have died in slavery than paid such a sum as he found would go near Addison to ruin him.

4. By relation or alliance.

The earl of Armagnac, near knit to Charles, A man of great authority in France,

Proffers his only daughter to your grace In marriage. Shakspeare, Hen. VI. P. I. NEAR. adj.

1. Not distant in place, or time. [Sometimes it is doubtful whether near be an adjective or adverb.]

This city is near to flee unto. Accidents, which however dreadful at a distance, at a nearer view lost much of their terrour. Fell. The will free from the determination of such desires, is left to the pursuit of nearer satisfactions. Locke.

After he has continued his doubling in his thoughts, and enlarged his idea as much as he pleases, he is not one jot nearer the end of such ad-Locke.

dition than at first setting out.

Whether they nearer liv'd to the blest times, When man's Redeemer bled for human crimes; Whether the hermits of the desart fraught

With living practice, by example taught. Harte.

NEAPO'LITAN.* n. s. A native of the 2. Advanced towards the end of an enterprize or disquisition.

Unless they add somewhat else to define more certainly what ceremonies shall stand for best, in such sort that all churches in the world should know them to be the best, and so know them that there may not remain any question about this point; we are not a whit the nearer for that they have hitherto said.

3. Direct: straight: not winding.

Milton. Taught to live the nearest way. To measure life, learn then betimes, and know Tow'rd solid good what leads the nearest way.

not far from. It is used both of place 4. Close; not rambling; observant of style or manner of the thing copied.

Hannibal Caro's, in the Italian, is the neurest, the most poetical, and the most sonorous of any translation of the Æneid. Yet though he takes the advantage of blank verse, he commonly allows two lines for one in Virgil, and does not always hit his sense. Druden.

5. Closely related.

If one shall approach to any that is near of kin Lev. xviii. 6. 6. Intimate; familiar; admitted to con-

If I had a suit to master Shallow, I would humour his men with the imputation of being near their master. Shakspeare.

7. Touching; pressing; affecting; dear. Every minute of his being thrusts

Shakspeare, Macbeth. Against my near'st of life. He could never judge that it was better to be deceived than not, in a matter of so great and near

2. At hand; not far off. Unless it be 8. Parsimonious, inclining to covetousness; as, a near man.

A near and hard and hucking chapman shall never buy good flesh.

Hales (of Eton,) Serm. on 1 Cor. vi. 13. p. 20. NEAR hand. Closely; without acting or

waiting at a distance.

The entring near hand into the manner of performance of that which is under deliberation, hath overturned the opinion of the possibility or impos-Bacon, Holy War.

To NEAR*. v. a. [naederen, Teut.] To approach; to be near to.

Give up your key Unto that lord that neares you.

Heywood, Royal King. To NEAR.* v. n. To draw near. A naval expression: as, the vessels neared fast, i. e. drew near to each other. NEA'RLY. adv. [from near.]

NEA'RNESS. n. s. [from near.]

motely blemish it.

2. Closely; pressingly.

3. In a niggardly manner.

Of our omnipotence.

1. Closeness; not remoteness; approach. God, by reason of nearness, forbad them to be like the Canaanites or Egyptians. Hooker.

Delicate sculptures be helped with nearness, and

gross with distance; which was well seen in the controversy between Phidias and Alcmenes about the statue of Venus.

Those blessed spirits that are in such a nearness to God, may well be all fire and love, but you at such a distance cannot find the effects of it. Duppa.

The best rule is to be guided by the nearness, or distance at which the repetitions are placed in

2. Alliance of blood or affection.

Whether there be any secret passages of sympathy between persons of near blood; as, parents, children, brothers and sisters. There be many reports in history, that upon the death of persons of such nearness, men have had an inward feeling Bacon, Nat. Hist.

3. Tendency to avarice; caution of expence.

It shews in the king a nearness, but yet with a kind of justness. So these little grains of gold and silver, helped not a little to make up the great Bacon, Hen. VII.

NEARSI'GHTED.* adj. [near and sight.]
Shortsighted; applied to one who distinguishes objects only which are near. A common colloquial expression.

NEAT. † n. s. [neat, neaten, niten, Sax. naut, Icel. The Scotch use nowt and nolt; and the former is old English also: "Goodly nowt, both fat and bigge with bone," Churchyard's Worth. of Wales, 1578. And so nowtherd is in the north of England a neatherd. Naut is used in the Isle of Man.]

1. Black cattle; oxen. It is commonly used collectively.

The steer, the heifer, and the calf,

Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. Are all call'd neat. Smoak preserveth flesh; as we see in bacon, neat's tongues, and martlemas beef.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. His droves of asses, camels, herds of neat, And flocks of sheep, grew shortly twice as great.

What care of neat, or sheep is to be had, May, Virgil. I sing, Mecænas.

Some kick'd until they can feel, whether A shoe be Spanish or neats' leather. Hudibras.

As great a drover, and as great A critick too, in hog or neat. Hudibras.
Set it in rich mould, with neats' dung and lime. Hudibras.

Mortimer. 2. A single cow or ox.

Who both by his calf and his lamb will be known, May well kill a neat and a sheep of his own. Tusser.

Go and get me some repast. --What say you to a neat's foot? -

'Tis passing good; I pr'ythee, let me have it. Shaksveare. NEAT. + adj. [naett, Su. Goth. nitidus;

net, French; nitidus, Latin]

1. Elegant, but without dignity.

The thoughts are plain, yet admit a little quickness and passion; the expression humble, yet as pure as the language will afford; neat, but not florid; easy, and yet lively.

2. Cleanly.

Herbs and other country messes,

Which the neat-handed Phyllis dresses,

Milton, L'All. If you were to see her, you would wonder what poor body it was, that was so surprisingly neat and clean. Lann.

3. Pure; unadulterated; unmingled: now used only in the cant of trade, but formerly more extensive.

Tuns of sweet old wines, along the wall

Neat and divine drink. Chapman, Odyss. When the best of Greece besides, mixe ever, at our cheere.

My good old ardent wine, with small; and our inferiour mates Drinke even that mixt wine measured too; thou

drinkst without those crutes Our old wine, neate.

Chanman. Nea'therd. n. s. [neathyp6, Saxon.] A cowkeeper; one who has the care of

black cattle. Βεκόλος, bubulcus. There netherd, with cur and his horn, Be a fence to the meadow and corn. Tusser.

The swains and tardy neatherds came, and last Menalcas, wet with beating winter mast. Dryden.

NEA'TLY.† adv. [from neat.]

1. Elegantly, but without dignity; sprucely.

I will never trust a man again for keeping his sword clean; nor believe he can have every thing in him, by wearing his apparel neatly.

Shakspeare, All's well. To love an altar built,

Of twelve vast French romances neatly gilt. Pope.

2. Cleanlily. Whether there be any instance of a state, wherein

the people, living neatly and plentifully, did not aspire to wealth? Bp. Berkeley, Querist, § 60. NEA'TNESS. † n. s. [from neat.]

1. Spruceness; elegance without dignity. Pelagius carped at the curious neatness of men's apparel.

2. Cleanliness.

That no hardness of heart do steal upon me, under shew of more neatness of conscience than is Bacon to King James, Cabb. p. 11.

NEA'TRESS.* n. s. [from neat.] She who takes care of cattle.

I knew the lady very well, but worthless of such praise,

The neatresse said; and muse I do, a shepherd thus should blaze

The coate of beautie. Warner, Albion's England.

Neb. n. s. [nebbe, Saxon.]

1. Nose; beak; mouth. Retained in the north.

How she holds up the neb, the bill to him! And arms her with the boldness of a wife.

Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. Take a glass with a belly and a long neb. Bacon.

2. [In Scotland.] The bill of a bird. See Nib.

NE'BULA. n. s. [Latin.] It is applied to appearances, like a cloud in the human hody; as also to films upon the

Ne'Bulous. adj. [nebulosus, Latin.] Misty;

Ne'BULOUSNESS.* n. s. [from nebulous.] Mist; cloudiness,

Many spots in the brightest moons, and much (nebulousness in the fairest stars.

Bp. Gauden, Hierasp. (1653,) p. 525.

NECESSA'RIAN.* n. s. One of those who are advocates for the doctrine of philosophical necessity. More properly necessitarian. But it is a bad word, and has no useful meaning. Dr. Priestley employs it.

Ne'cessaries. n. s. [from necessary.] Things not only convenient but needful: things not to be left out of daily use. Quibus doleat natura negatis.

The supernatural necessaries are, the preventing, assisting, and renewing grace of God, which w suppose God ready to annex to the revelation of his will, in the hearts of all that with obedient humble spirits receive and sincerely embrace it.

Hammond on Fundamentals. We are to ask of God such necessaries of life as are needful to us, while we live here.

Wh. Duty of Man. The right a son has, to be maintained and provided with the necessaries and conveniences of life, out of his father's stock, gives him a right to succeed to his father's property for his own good. Locke.

NE'CESSARILY. adv. [from necessary.] 1. Indispensably.

I would know by some special instance, what one article of Christian faith, or what duty re-

quired necessarily unto all men's salvation there is, which the very reading of the word of God is not apt to notify. Hooker. Every thing is endowed with such a natural prin-

ciple, whereby it is necessarily inclined to promote its own preservation and well-being.

2. By inevitable consequence.

They who recall the church unto that which was at the first, must necessarily set bounds and limits unto their speeches.

3. By fate; not freely.

The church is not of such a nature as would necessarily, once begun, preserve itself for ever.

They subjected God to the fatal chain of causes, whereas they should have resolved the necessity of all inferiour events into the free determination of God himself; who executes necessarily, that which he first proposed freely.

Ne'cessariness. n. s. [from necessary.] The state of neing necessary.

NE'CESSARY. adj. [necessarius, Latin.] 1. Needful; indispensably requisite.

Being it is impossible we should have the same sanctity which is in God, it will be necessary to declare what is this holiness which maketh men be accounted holy ones, and called saints. Pearson.

All greatness is in virtue understood; 'Tis only necessary to be good. Dryden, Aureng. A certain kind of temper is necessary to the pleasure and quiet of our minds, consequently to our happiness; and that is holiness and goodness.

The Dutch would go on to challenge the military government and the revenues, and reckon them among what shall be thought necessary for their barrier. Swift.

2. Not free; fatal; impelled by fate. Death, a necessary end, Will come, when it will come. Shakspeare.

3. Conclusive; decisive by inevitable con-

They resolve us not, what they understand by the commandment of the word; whether a literal and formal commandment, or a commandment inferred by any necessary inference.

No man can shew by any necessary argument, 11. Want; need.

that it is naturally impossible that all the relations concerning America should be false

Tillotson, Pref. Ne'cessary.* n. s. A privy.

The boatmen make use of this part of the beach as a necessary. Swinburne, Trav. through Spain, L. 14.

To NECE'SSITATE. v. a. [from necessitas, Latin.] To make necessary; not to leave free; to exempt from choice.

Hast thou proudly ascribed the good thou hast done to thy own strength, or imputed thy sins and follies to the necessitating and inevitable decrees of God. Duppa, Rules for Devotion.

The marquis of Newcastle being pressed on both sides, was necessitated to draw all his army into York. Clarendon.

Man seduc'd, And flatter'd out of all, believing lies Against his Maker: no decree of mine Concurring to necessitate his fall. Milton, P. L.

Our voluntary service he requires, Not our necessitated.

Milton, P. L. Neither the Divine Providence, or his determinations, persuasions, or inflexions of the understanding, or will of rational creatures doth deceive the understanding, or pervert the will, or necessitate or incline either to any moral evil.

The politician never thought that he might fall dangerously sick, and that sickness necessitate his removal from the court.

The Eternal, when he did the world create And other agents did necessitate;

So what he order'd they by nature do: Thus light things mount, and heavy downward go,

Man only boasts an arbitrary state. Dryden. The perfections of any person may create our veneration; his power, our fear; and his authority arising thence, a servile and necessitated obedience; but love can be produced only by kindness. Rogers.

NECESSITA'TION. n. s. [from necessitate.] The act of making necessary; fatal compulsion.

This necessity, grounded upon the necessitation of a man's will without his will, is so far from lessening those difficulties which flow from the fatal destiny of the Stoicks, that it increaseth them.

Bramhall against Hobbes. Where the law makes a certain heir, there is a necessitation to one; where the law doth not name a certain heir, there is no necessitation to one, and

there they have power or liberty to choose. Bramhall against Hobbes. NECE'SSITIED. adj. [from necessity.] In a state of want. Not used.

This ring was mine, and when I gave it Helen, I bade her, if her fortunes ever stood

Necessitied to help, that by this token I would relieve her. Shakspeare, All's well.

NECE'SSITOUS. † adj. [necessiteux, French. Cotgrave. Pressed with poverty.

They who were envied, found no satisfaction in what they were envied for, being poor and neces-

In legal seisures, and righting himself on those who, though not perfectly insolvent, are yet very necessitous, a good man will not be hasty in going to extremities. Kettlewell

There are multitudes of necessitous heirs and penurious parents, parsons in pinching circumstances, with numerous families of children.

Arbuthnot.

NECE'SSITOUSNESS. n. s. [from necessitous.] Poverty; want; need.

Universal peace is demonstration of universal plenty, for where there is want and necessitousness, there will be quarrelling. Burnet, Theory.

NECE'SSITUDE. n. s. [from necessitudo, Latin.]

The mutual necessitudes of human nature necessarily maintain mutual offices between them. Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

2. Friendship.

NECE'SSITY. n. s. [necessitas, Lat.]

1. Cogency; compulsion; fatality. Necessity and chance

Approach not me; and what I will is fate. Milton. P. L.

Though there be no natural necessity, that such things must be so, and that they cannot possibly be otherwise, without implying a contradiction; yet may they be so certain as not to admit of any reasonable doubt concerning them. Wilkins.

2. State of being necessary; indispensableness.

Urge the necessity, and state of times.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. Racine used the chorus in his Esther, but not that he found any necessity of it: it was only to give the ladies an occasion of entertaining the king with vocal musick. We see the necessity of an augmentation, to

Addison. bring the enemy to reason.

3. Want; need; poverty.

The art of our necessities is strange,

That can make vile things precious. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

The cause of all the distractions in his court or army, proceeded from the extreme poverty, and necessity his majesty was in. We are first to consult our own necessities, but

then the necessities of our neighbours have a christian right to a part of what we have to spare. L'Estrange

4. Things necessary for human life. These should be hours for necessities,

Not for delights; times to repair our nature With comforting repose, and not for us

To waste these times. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. Great part of the world are free from the necessities of labour and employment, and have their time and fortunes in their own disposal.

5. Cogency of argument; inevitable con-

sequence.

There never was a man of solid understanding, whose apprehensions are soher, and by a pensive inspection advised, but that he hath found, by an irresistible necessity, one true God and everlasting Ralegh, Hist.

Good-nature, or beneficence and candour, is the product of right reason; which of necessity will give allowance to the failings of others. Dryden.

6. Violence; compulsion. Never shall

Our heads get out; if once within we be, But stay compell'd by strong necessitie. Chapman.

NECK.+ n. s. [Sax. hnecca, necca, collum; Icel. hnacke, Su. nacke, occiput; ab. Icel. and Sueth. ant. hniga, inclinare, (to bow, to bend.) Serenius.

1. The part between the head and body. He'll beat Aufidius' head below his knee,

And tread upon his neck. Shukspeare, Coriol. The length of the face twice exceedeth that of Brown, Vulg. Err. the neck

She clapp'd her leathern wing against your towers

And thrust out her long neck, even to your doors.

I look on the tucker to be the ornament and de-Addison fence of the female neck.

2. A long narrow part.

The access of the town was only by a neck of land, between the sea on the one part, and the harbour water on the other. Bacon. Thou walk'st as on a narrow mountain's neck,

A dreadful height, with scanty room to tread. Dryden.

3. On the NECK. Immediately after; from one following another closely.

He depos'd the king, And, on the neck of that, task'd the whole state.

Shaksneare. The second way to aggregate sin, is by addition of sin to sin, and that is done sundry ways; first by committing one sin on the neck of another; as David sinned, when he added murther to adultery.

Instantly on the neck of this came news, that Ferdinando and Isabella had concluded a peace.

4. To break the NECK of an affair. To hinder any thing from being done; or,

to do more than half. NE'CKATEE. 1 n. s. A gorget; hand-

Ne'ckerchief. kerchief for a woman's

NE'CKBEEF. n. s. [neck and beef.] The coarse flesh of the neck of cattle, sold to the poor at a very cheap rate.

They'll sell (as cheap as neckbeef) for counters.

NE'CKCLOTH. n. s. [neck and cloth.] That which men wear on their necks.

Will she with huswife's hand provide thy meat, And ev'ry Sunday morn thy neckcloth plait? Gay. NE'CKED.* adj. [from neck.] Used in composition, figuratively and literally; having a neck.

Stiff-neck'd pride nor art nor force can bend.

The first [horse] -

Dauntless at empty noises, lofty-neck'd. Dryden, Georg.

NE'CKLACE. n. s. [neck and lace.] An ornamental string of beads or precious stones, worn by women on their necks. Ladies, as well then as now, wore estates in

their ears. Both men and women wore torques, chains, or necklaces of silver and gold set with precious stones. Arbuthnot on Coins. Or lose a heart, or necklace, at a ball.

NE'CKLACED.* adj. [from necklace.] Marked as with a necklace.

The hooded and the necklaced snake. Sir W. Jones.

NE'CKLAND.* n. s. [neck and land.] long narrow part of land. See NECK. Promontories and necklands which butt into the

sea, what are they but solid creeks? Hakewill on Providence, p. 32.

NECK-VERSE.* n. s. The verse which was anciently read to entitle the party to benefit of clergy,; said to be the beginning of the fifty-first Psalm, " Miserere mei," &c.

They have a sanctuary for thee, to save thee, ea and a necke verse, if thou canst rede but a lytle latenly, thoughe it be never so soryly.

Tindal, Obed. of a Christen Man, fol. 69. a. If a monk had been taken for stealing of bacon, For burglary, murder, or rape;

If he could but rehearse, (well prompt,) his neck verse

He never could fail to escape.

Brit. Apollo, (1710,) vol. iii. No. 72.

NE'CKWEED. n. s. [neck and weed.] Hemp: in ridicule.

NECRO LOGY. * n. s. Γνέμρος and λόγος, Gr.; necrologie, Fr.] An account of persons

E'CROMANCER. † n.s. [νεκρός and μάνλις, Gr. Sometimes corruptly written by old authors negromancer; and thus Cotgrave calls it, in French also, "nigromance, one who practises the black art;" mistakenly alluding to niger, black, as part of the etymology: but it is certainly from vexpds, a dead person.] One who by charms can converse with the ghosts of the dead; a conjurer; an enchanter.

There shall not be found among you - a charmer, or a consulter with familiar spirits, or a wizard, or a necromancer, [in old translations, that asketh advice or counsel of the dead, or that seeketh Deut. xviii, 11.

I am employed like the general who was forced to kill his enemies twice over, whom a necromancer had raised to life. Swift, Miscell.

Ne'cromancy.† n. s. [νεκρὸς and μάνλις; necromance, French.] The art of revealing future events, by

communication with the dead. The resurrection of Samuel is nothing but de-

lusion in the practice of necromancy and popular conception of ghosts.

2. Enchantment; conjuration.

It was by necromancy,

By carectes and conjuration.

Skelton, Poems, p. 161. He did it partly by necromancy, wherein he was much skilled. Abbot, Desc. of the World. This palace standeth in the air,

By necromancy placed there,

That it no tempests needs to fear. Drayton.

NECROMA'NTICAL.* adj. [from necro-NE'CROMANTICK. | mancy. Old in our language; though Dr. Johnson has not noticed either form of this adjective.] Belonging to necromancy; performed by enchantment.

And by him stands that necromanticke chaire, In which he makes his direful invocations,

And binds the fiends that shall obey his will. Merry Dev. of Edmonton, (1617,) Prol.

Some necromantick trick. Hammond, Works, iv. 506.

His necromantical prophecies. Sir T. Brown, Miscell. p. 177.

Strange effects performed by necromantick arts. Hallywell, Melampr. p. 52. Thy necromantick forms, in vain,

Haunt us on the tented plain. Warton, Ode 12.

NECROMA'NTICALLY.* adv. [from necromantical.] By charms; by conjuration.

Lamps must be solemnly burned before it; and then, after some diabolical exorcisms necromantically performed, the head shall prove vocal.

Gregory, Posthum. (1650,) p. 199.

NE'CROMANTICK.* n. s. Trick; conjura-With all the necromanticks of their art.

Young, Night Th. 8.

NECRO'SIS.* n. s. [vénpwois, Gr; necrose, Fr. 7 A disease of the bones.

NE'CTAR.† n. s. [νένταρ, Gr. nectar, Lat. and Fr.] Pleasant liquor, said to be drank by the heathen deities; any pleasant liquor.

What will it be,
When that the watry palate tastes indeed

Love's thrice reputed nectar? Shakspeare, Tr. and Cress.

Zephyr, in the spring,

Gently distils his nectar-dropping showers. Drummond, Sonnet.

Thy nectar-dropping muse, thy sugar'd song. More, Cupid's Conflict, (1647). In heaven the trees

Of life ambrosial fruitage bear, and vines Milton, P. L.

Thus having spoke, the nymph the table spread, Ambrosial cates with nectar rosy red. Pope, Odyss. NECTA'REAL.* \ adj. [from nectar.] Sweet \3. Want: lack of any thing for use. NECTA'REAN. as nectar, resembling nectar.

A nectarean, a balsam kiss.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 535.

Thy nectareal fragrancy Hourly there meets

An universal synod of all sweets.

Crashaw, Poems, p. 151. NE'CTARED. adj. [from nectar.] Tinged with nectar; mingled with nectar;

abounding with nectar.

He gave her to his daughters to imbathe In nectar'd lavers, strew'd with asphodil.

Milton, Comus. How charming is divine philosophy! Not harsh and crabbed, as dull fools suppose, But musical as is Apollo's lute, And a perpetual feast of nectar'd sweets, Where no crude surfeit reigns. Milton, Comus. He with the Nais wont to dwell,

Leaving the nectar'd feasts of Jove. Fenton. NECTA'REOUS. adj, [nectareus, Lat.] Resembling nectar; sweet as nectar.

Annual for me, the grape, the rose renew, The juice nectareous and the balmy dew. Pope. NE'CTARINE. † adj. [nectarin, French, Cotgrave.] Sweet as nectar.

To their supper-fruits they fell,

Nectarine fruits. Milton, P. L. NE'CTARINE. n. s. [nectarine, Fr.] A fruit of the plumb kind.

This fruit differs from a peach in having a smooth rind and the flesh Miller.

The only nectarines are the murry and the French; of the last there are two sorts, one, which is the best, very round, and the other something long: of the murry there are several sorts.

Temple. To To NE'CTARIZE.* v. a. [from nectar.] sweeten. Not in use. Cockeram. NE'CTAROUS.* adj. [from nectar,] as nectar.

Nectarous draughts between from milky stream, Berry, or grape. Milton, P. L. NE'DDER.* n. s. An adder: a word yet used in Derbyshire. [nadr, Goth.

nessen, Sax.7 Anon the nedders gan her for to sting.

Chaucer, Leg. of Good Women. NEED. † n. s. [neos, Sax. nauth, M. Goth. naud, Icel. necessitas; neida, cogere, (to compel,) ab antiquiss. na, con, prope.

1. Exigency; pressing difficulty; necessity. The very stream of his life, and the business he hath helmed, must, upon a warranted need, give him a better proclamation.

Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas. That spirit that first rush'd on thee,

In the camp of Dan, Be efficacious in thee now at need. Milton, S. A. In thy native innocence proceed,

And summon all thy reason at thy need. Dryden. 2. Want; distressful poverty.

Famine is in thy cheeks; Need and oppression stare within thine eyes, Contempt and beggary hang upon thy back.

Shakspeare. Defer not to give to him that is in need.

Ecclus. iv. 3. The distant heard, by fame, her pious deeds;

And laid her up for their extremest needs A future cordial for a fainting mind. Dryden. God sometimes calls upon thee to relieve the needs of thy brother, sometimes the necessities of

thy country, and sometimes the urgent wants of South. God grant we never may have need of you.

God, who sees all things intuitively, neither stands in need of logick, nor uses it. To NEED. v. a. [from the noun.] To want; to lack; to be in want of; to require. Basest beggars

Are in the poorest thing superfluous; Allow not nature more than nature needs.

Man's life is cheap as beast's. Shaksp. K. Lear. The whole need not a physician, but the sick.

St. Matthew. Thou thy regal sceptre shalt lay by,

For regal sceptre then no more shall need. Milton. To ask whether the will has freedom? is to ask, whether one power has another? A question too absurd to need an answer. To NEED. v. n.

1. To be wanted; to be necessary.

More ample spirit than hitherto was wont, Here needs me whiles the famous ancestors Of my most dreadful sovereign I recount. Spenser.

When we have done it, we have done all that is in our power, and all that needs. 2. To have necessity of any thing; to be

in want of any thing.

We have instances of perception whilst we are asleep: but how incoherent and how little conformable to the perfection of a rational being, those who are acquainted with dreams need not be Locke.

He that would discourse of things, as they agree in the complex idea of extension and solidity, needed but use the word body. Locke.

NEE DER. n. s. [from need.] One that wants any thing.

If the time thrust forth A cause for thy repeal, we shall not send O'er the vast world, to seek a single man; And lose advantage, which doth ever cool In th' absence of the needer. Shakspeare, Coriol.

NEE'DFUL. † adj. [need and full.] 1. Distressed; in want. This is the primary sense, but not noticed by Dr. Johnson. He nought helpeth needful in their neede.

Chaucer, Man of Lawes Tale.
Why standest thou so far off, O Lord, and hidest thy face in the needful time of trouble.

Psalm x. 1. Common Pr. 2. Necessary; indispensably requisite. Give us all things that be needful, both for our souls and bodies. Common Prayer.

Do you consent we shall acquaint him with it, As needful in our loves, fitting our duty? Shakspeare, Hamlet.

All things needful for defence abound, Mnestheus, and brave Seresthus walk the round.

Druden. To my present purpose it is not needful to use arguments, to evince the world to be finite. Locke. A lonely desart and an empty land,

Shall scarce afford, for needful hours of rest, A single house to their benighted guest. Addison on Italy.

NEE'DFULLY. adv. [from needful.] Necessarily.

They who

Dare for these poems, yet both ask and read, And like them too; must needfully, though few, Be of the best. NEE'DFULNESS. n. s. [from needful.] Ne-

cessity. NEE'DILY. adv. [from needy.] In poverty;

poorly. NEE'DINESS. n. s. [from needy.] Want; poverty.

Whereas men have many reasons to persuade; to use them all at once, weakeneth them. For it argueth a neediness in every of the reasons, as if one did not trust to any of them, but fled from one to another.

NEE/DLE.† n. s. [Goth. nethal; Saxon nebl; Icel. nael; a Teut. neten, suere. Wachter and Serenius.

1. A small instrument pointed at one end to pierce cloth; and perforated at the other to receive the thread, used in

For him you waste in tears your widow'd hours, For him your curious needle paints the flowers.

The most curious works of art, the sharpest finest needle, doth appear as a blunt rough bar of iron coming from the furnace of the forge. Wilkins.

2. The small steel bar which in the mariner's compass stands regularly north and south. Go bid the needle its dear north forsake,

To which with trembling reverence it doth bend. Cowley

The use of the loadstone, and the mariners' needle was not then known. Burnet, Theory. NEE'DLE-FISH. n. s. [belone; needle and

fish. A kind of sea-fish. One rhomboidal bony scale of the needle-fish.

Woodward. NEE'DLEFUL. n. s. [needle and full.] As much thread as is generally put at one time in the needle.

NEE'DLER. n. s. [from needle.] He NEE'DLE-MAKER. | who makes needles. NEE'DLE-WORK. n. s. [needle and work.] 1. The business of a sempstress.

2. Embroidery by the needle.

In needle-works and embroideries, it is more pleasing to have a lively work upon a lightsome ground, than a dark and melancholy work upon a lightsome ground.

In a curious brede of needle-work, one colour falls away by such just degrees, and another rises so insensibly, that we see the variety without being able to distinguish the total vanishing of the one from the first appearance of the other. Addison.

NEE'DLESS. adj. [from need.] 1. Unnecessary; not requisite.

Their exception against easiness, as if that did nourish ignorance, proceedeth altogether of a needless jealousy. Hooker.

This sudden stab of rancour I misdoubt; Pray God, I say, I prove a needless coward.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. Would not these be great and needless abatements of their happiness, if it were confined within the compass of this life only? Atterbury.

Money we either lock up in chests, or waste it in needless and ridiculous expences upon ourselves, whilst the poor and the distressed want it for necessary uses. Law.

2. Not wanting; out of use. For his weeping in the needless stream, Poor dear, quoth he, thou mak'st a testament, As worldlings do, giving thy sum of more To that which had too much.

Shakspeare, As you like it.

NEE'DLESSLY. adv. [from needless.] Unnecessarily; without need.

The consequences whereof have been to render languages more difficult to be learnt, and needlessly to advance orthography into a troublesome and laborious art. Holder, Elem. of Speech, Pref. NEE'DLESSNESS. n. s. [from needless.] Unnecessariness.

To explain St. Paul's epistles, after so great a train of expositors, might seem censurable for its needlessness; did not daily examples of pious and learned men justify it.

NEE'DMENT. n. s. [from need.] Something necessary.
Behind

His scrip did hang, in which his needments he did bind. Spenser, F. Q.

NEEDS. † adv. [neber, Saxon, unwilling. Dr. Johnson. - It is merely need is, used parenthetically. Mr. H. Tooke.] Necessarily; by compulsion; indispensably.

The general and perpetual voice of men is as the sentence of God himself; for that which all men have at all times learned, nature herself must needs have taught. Hooker.

God must needs have done the thing which they imagine was to be done. Hooker. I must needs after him, madam, with my letter.

Another being elected and his ambassadours returned, he would needs know the cause of his repulse.

I perceive Thy mortal sight to fail: objects divine Must needs impair, and weary, human sense.

Milton, P. L. To say the principles of nature must needs be

such as philosophy makes them, is to set bounds to omnipotence.

A trial at law must needs be innocent in itself, when nothing else corrupts it; because it is a thing which we cannot but want, and there is no living in this world without it. Kettlewell. I have affairs below,

Which I must needs dispatch before I go. Dryden.

NEE'DY. adj. [from need.] Poor; necessitous; distressed by poverty.

Their gates to all were open evermore And one sat waiting ever them before, To call in comers by, that needy were and poor.

- In his needy shop a tortoise hung,

An aligator stuff'd, and other skins
Of ill-shup'd fishes.
Shakspeare, Rom. & Jul. Of ill-shap'd fishes. The poor and needy praise thy name.

Psalm lxxiv. 21. We bring into the world a poor needy uncertain life, short at the longest, and unquiet at the Being put to right himself upon the needy, he

will look upon it as a call from God to charity. Kettlewell.

Nuptials of form, of interest, or of state, Those seeds of pride are fruitful in debate: Let happy men for generous love declare, And choose the needy virgin, chaste and fair. Granville

To relieve the needy, and comfort the afflicted, are duties that fall in our way every day. Addison, Spect.

NEEL.* n. s. [nael, Icel. naael, Dan.] A needle. Written also neeld and neld.

These and ill lucke together -Have stacke away my dear neele.

Comedy of Gamm. Gurton's Needle, (1551.) She with her neele composes Nature's own shape, of bud, bird, branch, or berry.

Shakspeare, Pericles, (1607.) Their thimbles into armed gauntlets change

Shakspeare, K. John. Their neelds to lances. For thee fit weapons were

Thy neld and spindle, not a sword and spear. Fairfax, Tass. xx. 95.

NE'ER. [for never.] It appears I am no horse,

That I can argue and discourse; Hudibras. Have but two legs, and ne'er a tail.

NE'ARE.* n. s. [niere, Teut.] The kidney. Craven Dialect. It is in our old vocabularies, and is now also a Cheshire word. Wilbraham's Chesh. Gloss.

To NEESE. + v. n. [nieren, Saxon; niesen, VOL. II.

nose.] To sneeze; to discharge flatulencies by the nose. Used in Scotland, and in the north of England.

He went up and stretched himself upon him; and the child neesed seven times, and opened his eyes. 2 Kings, iv. 35. The whole quire hold their hips, and loffe;

And waxen in their mirth, and neeze and swear A merrier hour was never wasted there.

Shakspeare, Mids. N. Dream. How apt our nature is to catch and propagate the infection of a superstitious tradition, may appear from that ancient and modern usage of praying for a person upon neezing, the vulgar presages consequent to the approach of any strange fish to our shore, the regarding of any casual stops and breeches in any known rivers, any odd noises, &c. Spenser on Prodigies, p. 61.

Nee'sing.* n. s. [from neese.] The act of sneezing; sternutation.

By his neesings a light doth shine, and his eyes are like the eye-lids of the morning. Job, xli. 18.

You summer neezings when the sun is set, That fill the air with a quick fading fire, Cease from your flashings!

More, Philos. Poems, (1647,) p. 323. Nee'sewort.* n. s. An herb. Sherwood. NEF. n. s. [old French; from nave.] The

body of a church; the nave.

The church of St. Justina, by Palladio, is the most handsome, luminous, disencumbered building in Italy. The long nef consists of a row of five cupolas, the cross one has on each side a single cupola deeper than the others. Addison.

NEFA'ND.* } adj. [nefandus, Latin.] Not to be named; abominable. Knowing what nefand abominations are prac-

Sheldon, Mirror of Antichrist, (1616,) p. 198. The press restrain'd! nefandous thought! In vain our sires have nobly fought.

Green's Poem of the Spleen, (1754,) p. 23.

NEFA'RIOUS. adj. [nefarius, Latin.] Wicked; abominable.

The most nefarious bastards, are they whom the law stiles incestuous bastards, which are begotten between ascendants and descendants, and between collateral, as far as the divine prohibition extends. Ayliffe, Parergon.

NEFA'RIOUSLY.* adv. [from nefarious.] Abominably; wickedly. That unhallowed villany nefariously attempted

That unhallowed values upon the person of our agent.

Milton, Letters of State.

NEGA'TION. n. s. [negatio, Lat. negation, French.

1. Denial: the contrary to affirmation. Our assertions and negations should be yea and nay, for whatsoever is more than these is sin.

2. Description by denial, or exclusion, or

Negation is the absence of that which does not naturally belong to the thing we are speaking of, or which has no right, obligation, or necessity to be present with it; as when we say a stone is Watts, Logick. inanimate, or blind, or deaf.

Chance signifies, that all events called casual, among inanimate bodies, are mechanically and naturally produced according to the determinate figures, textures, and motions of those bodies, with this only negation, that those inanimate bodies are not conscious of their own operations. Bentley. 3. Argument drawn from denial.

It may be proved in the way of negation, that they came not from Europe, as having no remainder of the arts, learning, and civilities of it.

Teut. niessen, German; from nære, the NE'GATIVE. † adj. [negatif, Fr. negativus, Latin.

1. Denying; contrary to affirmative. If thou wilt confess,

Or else be impudently negative, To have nor eyes, nor ears, nor thought. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

Implying only the absence of something; not positive; privative.

There is another way of denying Christ with our mouths which is negative, when we do not acknowledge and confess him. South. Consider the necessary connection that is be-

tween the negative and positive part of our duty. Tillotson. 3. Having the power to withhold, though

not to compel.

Denying me any power of a negative voice as king, they are not ashamed to seek to deprive me of the liberty of using my reason with a good King Charles. conscience.

NE'GATIVE. n. s.

1. A proposition by which something is denied.

Of negatives we have the least certainty; they are usually hardest, and many times impossible to be proved.

2. A particle of denial; as, not. A purer substance is defin'd,

But by an heap of negatives combin'd; Ask what a spirit is, you'll hear them cry,

· It hath no matter, no mortality.

To NE'GATIVE.* v. a. [from the noun.] To dismiss by negation.

The proposal was negatived by a small majority. Andrews, Anecd. p. 169.

Ne'GATIVELY. adv. [from negative.]

1. With denial; in the form of denial; not affirmatively.

When I asked him whether he had not drunk at all? he answered negatively. Boyle.

2. In form of speech implying the absence of something.

The fathers draw arguments from the Scripture negatively in reproof of that which is evil; Scriptures teach it not, avoid it therefore.

To this I shall suggest something by way of answer, both negatively and positively. Wilkins. I shall shew what this image of God in man is, negatively, by shewing wherein it does not consist; and positively, by shewing wherein it does.

NE'GATORY.* adj. [negatoire, Fr.] Belonging to negation.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood.

To NEGLE'CT. v. a. [neglectus, Lat.] 1. To omit by carelessness.

Heaven, Where honour due and reverence none neglects. Milton, P. L.

2. To treat with scornful heedlessness. If he neglect to hear them, tell it unto the

St. Matthew. This my long suffering and my day of grace, Those who neglect and scorn shall never taste.

Milton, P. L.

3. To postpone.

I have been long a sleeper; but I trust My absence doth neglect no great design, Which by my presence might have been con-

cluded. Shakspeare.

Negle'cr. n. s. [neglectus, Lat.]

1. Instance of inattention.

2. Careless treatment; scornful inatten-

I have perceived a most faint neglect of late, which I have rather blamed as my own jealous

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Shaksp. K. Lear.

3. Negligence: frequency of neglect. Age breeds neglect in all, and actions Remote in time, like objects remote in place, Are not beheld at half their greatness. Denham. 4. State of being unregarded.

Rescue my poor remains from vile neglect, With virgin honours let my horse be deck't, And decent emblem.

NEGLE'CTER. + n. s. [from neglect.] One who neglects.

Christianity has backed all its precepts with eternal life, and eternal death, to the performers or neglecters of them. South, Serm. vii. 99.

NEGLE'CTFUL. adj. [neglect and full.] 1. Heedless; careless; inattentive: with

of. Moral ideas not offering themselves to the senses, but being to be framed to the understanding, people are neglectful of a faculty they are apt to think wants nothing. Locke.

Though the Romans had no great genius for trade, yet they were not entirely neglectful of it. Arbuthnot on Coins.

2. Treating with indifference.

If the father caress them when they do well, shew a cold and neglectful countenance to them upon doing ill, it will make them sensible of the difference. Locke on Education.

Negle'ctfully. adv. [from neglectful.] With heedless inattention; careless indifference. Not used.

NEGLE'CTINGLY.* adv. [from the part. neglecting.] Carelessly; inattentively. I then, all smarting with my wounds, being cold.

Out of my grief and my impatience To be so pester'd with a popinjay, Answer'd neglectingly, I know not what.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. P. I. NEGLE'CTION. n. s. [from neglect.] The state of being negligent.

Sleeping neglection doth betray to loss The conquests of our scarce cold conqueror.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. P. I. NEGLE'CTIVE. † adj. [from neglect.] Inattentive to; regardless of.

An absolute forbearance, and neglective forget-

fulness, of all earthly comforts.

Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 167. It is a wonder they should be so neglective of their own children. Fuller, Holy War, p. 202. I wanted not probabilities sufficient to raise jealousies in any king's heart, not wholly stupid, and neglective of the publick peace. King Charles.

NEGLIGE'E.* n. s. [French.] A sort of fashionable gown, which the ladies continued to wear in the early part of the present reign.

He fancied twenty Cupids prepared for execution in every folding of her white negligee. Goldsmith, Ess. 15.

The story is an antique statue painted white and red, fringed and dressed in a negligee made by a Yorkshire mantua-maker.

NE'GLIGENCE.† n. s. [negligence, Fr. negligentia, Latin.]

1. Habit of omitting by heedlessness, or of acting carelessly.

By a thorough contempt of little excellencies, he is perfectly master of them. This temper of mind leaves him under no necessity of studying his air; and he has this peculiar distinction, that

Spectator, No. 75.

his negligence is unaffected. 2. Instance of neglect.

She let it drop by negligence; And, to the advantage, I being here, took't up. Shakspeare.

curiosity, than as a very pretence or purpose of NE'GLIGENT. adj. [negligent, Fr. negligens, | NEGOTIA'TION. n. s. [negociation, Fr. from

1. Careless; heedless; habitually inatten-

My sons, be not now negligent; for the Lord hath chosen you to stand before him. 2 Chron. xxix. 11.

2. Careless of any particular; with of before a noun.

Her daughters see her great zeal for religion; but then they see an equal earnestness for all sorts They see she is not negligent of her devotion; but then they see her more careful to preserve her complexion.

We have been negligent in not hearing his voice. Baruch, i. 19.

3. Scornfully regardless.

Let stubborn pride possess thee long, And be thou negligent of fame;

With ev'ry muse to grace thy song, May'st thou despise a poet's name. Swift, Miscell.

Ne'GLIGENTLY. adv. [from negligent.]

1. Carelessly; heedlessly; without exact-

Insects have voluntary motion, and therefore imagination; and whereas some of the ancients have said that their motion is indeterminate, and their imagination indefinite, it is negligently observed; for ants go right forwards to their hills, and bees know the way to their hives.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Of all our elder plays, This and Philaster have the loudest fame; Great are their faults, and glorious is their flame. In both our English genius is exprest, Lofty and bold, but negligently drest. Waller.

In comely figure rang'd my jewels shone, Or negligently plac'd for thee alone.

With scornful inattention.

NEGO'TIABLE.* adj. [negotium, Latin.] Capable of being negotiated.

NEGO'TIANT.* n. s. [from negotiate.] negotiator; one employed to treat with

Ambassadours, negotiants, and generally all other ministers of mean fortune, in conversation with princes and superiours must use great re-Ralegh, Arts of Emp. ch. 25.

To NEGO'TIATE. v. n. [negocier, Fr. from negotium, Lat.] To have intercourse or business; to traffick; to treat: whether of publick affairs, or private matters.

Have you any commission from your lord to negotiate with my face? Shaksp. Tw. Night. She was a busy negotiating woman, and in her withdrawing chamber had the fortunate conspiracy for the king against king Richard been hatched. Bacon, Hen. VII.

It is a common errour in negotiating; whereas men have many reasons to persuade, they strive to use them all at once, which weakeneth them.

Racon. They that received the talents to negotiate with, did all of them, except one, make profit of them.

A steward to embezzle those goods he undertakes to manage; an embassador to betray his prince for whom he should negotiate; are crimes that double their malignity from the quality of the Decay of Chr. Piety.

I can discover none of these intercourses and negotiations, unless that Luther negotiated with a black boar. Atterbury.

To Nego'TIATE.* v. a. To manage; to conclude by treaty or agreement.

Lady - is gone into the country with her lord, to negotiate, at leisure, their intended separation.

negotiate.] Treaty of business, whether publick or private.

Oil is slow, smooth, and solid; so are Spaniards observed to be in their motion; Though it be a question yet unresolved, whether their affected gravity and slowness in their negotiations have tended more to their prejudice or advantage,

Howard. They ceased not from all worldly labour and White. negotiation.

NEGO'TIATOR. n. s. [negociateur, Fr. from negotiate.] One employed to treat with others.

Those who have defended the proceedings of our negotiators at Gertruydenberg, dwell much upon their zeal in endeavouring to work the French up to their demands; but say nothing to justify those demands.

NE'GRO. n. s. [Spanish; negre, Fr.] blackmoor.

Negroes transplanted into cold and flegmatic habitations, continue their hue in themselves and their generations.

Ne'gus.* n. s. A mixture of wine, water, sugar, lemon, and nutmeg.

The mixture now called negus was invented in Queen Anne's time by Colonel Negus.

Malone, Life of Dryden, p. 484.

Neif. † n. s. [nefi, Icel. naeve, Dan. neive or nieve, Scottish; and so in the north of England.] Fist. It is likewise written neaf.

Sweet knight, I kiss thy neif.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. Reach me thy neif. B. Jonson, Poetaster.

To NEIGH. † v.n. [hnæzan, Saxon; naeyen, Teut. hinnio, Latin. 7 To utter the voice of a horse or mare.

Note a wild and wanton herd.

Or race of youthful and unhandled colts, Fetching mad bounds, bellowing and neighing Shakspeare. They were as fed horses, every one neighed.

Jer. v. 8. The generous horse, that nobly wild,

Neighs on the hills, and dares the angry lion.

NEIGH. n. s. [from the verb.] The voice of an horse.

It is the prince of palfreys; his neigh is like the bidding of a monarch, and his countenance enforces homage. Shakspeare.

NEI'GHING.* n. s. [from neigh.] The voice of a horse or mare.

The snorting of his horses was heard from Dan: the whole land trembled at the sound of the neighing of his strong ones. Shrill neighings fill the neighbouring plain.

NEI'GHBOUR. † n. s. [nehzebup, nehbup,

Saxon; from neh, nigh, near, and zebup, an inhabitant.] 1. One who lives near to another.

A kid sometimes for festivals he slew, The choicer part was his sick neighbour's due.

Harte. 2. One who lives in familiarity with an-

other; a word of civility. Masters, my good friends, mine honest neigh-

bours,

Will you undo yourselves? Shaksp. Macbeth. 3. Intimate; confident.

The deep revolving witty Buckingham

No more shall be the neighbour to my counsels. Ld. Chesterfield. 4. [In divinity.] One partaking of the

good offices. Sins against men are injuries; hurts, losses and damages, whereby our neighbour is in his dignity, life, chastity, wealth, good name, or any way justly offended, or by us hindred. Perkins. The gospel allows no such terms as a stranger;

makes every man my neighbour. Sprat, Serm. You should always change and alter your intercessions, according as the needs and necessities of your neighbours or acquaintance seem to re-

NEI'GHBOUR.* adj. Near to another; adjoining; next.

I long'd the neighbour town to see.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. Jan. God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah, and the neighbour cities thereof. Ter. i. 40.

I'll lug the guts into the neighbour room. Shakspeare.

He sent such an addition of foot, as he could draw out of Oxford and the neighbour garrisons. Clarendon.

To NEI'GHBOUR. v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To adjoin to; to confine on.

Wholesome berries thrive and ripen best, Neighbour'd by fruit of baser quality.

Shakspeare, Hen. V. Give me thy hand,

Be pilot to me, and thy places shall

Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. Still neighbour mine. These grow on the leisurely ascending hills that Sandys, Journey. neighbour the shore. Things nigh equivalent and neighbouring value, Prior. By lot are parted.

2. To acquaint with; to make near to. That being of so young days brought up with

And since so neighbour'd to his youth and haviour. Shakspeare.

To Nei'GHBOUR.* v. n. [from the noun.] To inhabit the vicinity.

As a king's daughter being in person sought Of divers princes who do neighbour near, On none of them can fix a constant thought.

Nei'GHBOURHOOD. n. s. [from neighbour.]

1. Place adjoining.

One in the neighbourhood mortally sick of the small-pox, desiring the doctor to come to him. Fell. I could not bear

To leave thee in the neighbourhood of death, But flew in all the haste of love to find thee. Addison, Cato.

2. State of being near each other.

Consider several states in a neighbourhood; in order to preserve peace between these states, it is necessary they should be formed into a balance. Swift.

3. Those that live within reach of communication.

How ill mean neighbourhood your genius suits? To live like Adam midst an herd of brutes!

Net'GHBOURLINESS.* n. s. [from neighbourly.] State or quality of being Scott. neighbourly.

NEI'GHBOURLY. adj. [from neighbour.] Becoming a neighbour; kind; civil.

The Scottish lord hath a neighbourly charity in him; for he borrowed a box of the ear of the Englishman, and swore he would pay when he Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. was able. The Woodberry so nigh, and neighbourly doth

live. With Abberley his friend. Drayton. He steals my customers; twelve he has under bonds never to return; judge if this be neighbourly Arbuthnot. dealing.

With social civility.

Being neighbourly admitted, - by the courtesy of England, to hold possessions in our province, a country better than their own. Milton, Observ. on the Articles of Peace.

NEI'GHBOURSHIP.* n. s. [from neighbour.] State of being near each other.

How happy are the dead, who quietly rest Beneath these stones! each by his kindred laid, Still in a hallow'd neighbourship with those, Who when alive his social converse shar'd.

Miss Baillie, Series of Plays on the Passions, (1798.)

NEI'THER + conjunct. [napšep. našæp, Sax. ne either.]

A particle used in the 1. Not either. first branch of a negative sentence, and answered by nor. Dr. Johnson. - Improperly used when more than two things come under consideration: as where Addison uses " determined in his conduct neither by the dictates of his own conscience, the suggestions of true honour, nor the principles of religion,' he should have either left out "the suggestions of true honour," or he should have said, "is not determined by the dictates of his own conscience, the suggestions of true honour, or the principles of religion." Bp. Hurd.

He was neither there ne here, But clene out of himselfe away, That he n'ot wot to thinke or say.

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 2. Fight neither with small nor great, save only ith the king. 1 Kings, xxii. 31. with the king.

Men lived at home, neither intent upon any foreign merchandise, nor inquisitive after the lives and fortunes of their neighbours.

2. It is sometimes the second branch of a negative or prohibition to any sentence. Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it. Gen. iii. 3.

This commandment standeth not for a cypher, neither is it read and expounded in vain among Christians.

3. Sometimes at the end of a sentence it follows as a negative; and though not very grammatically, yet emphatically, after another negative; in old English two negatives denied.

If it be thought that it is the greatness of distance, whereby the sound cannot be heard; we see that lightnings and coruscations, near at hand, yield no sound neither.

Men come not to the knowledge of which are thought innate, till they come to the use of reason, nor then neither.

NEI'THER. pronoun. Not either; nor one

nor other. He neither loves

Nor either cares for him. Shaksp. Ant. and Cleop. Which of them shall I take?

Both, one, or neither? neither can be enjoy'd Shakspeare, K. Lear. If both remain alive. The balance, by a propensity to either side,

inclined to neither. Suffice it that he's dead; all wrongs die with

Thus I absolve myself, and excuse him, Who sav'd my life and honour, but praise neither.

Dryden. Experience makes us sensible of both, though our narrow understandings can comprehend

They lived with the friendship and equality of brethren, neither lord, neither slave to his brother; but independent of each other.

same nature, and therefore entitled to NEI'GHBOURLY.† adv. [from neighbour.] NEM-CON.*An abbreviation of the Latin nemine contradicente, no one opposing; often used in colloquial language. See

Ne'morous.* adj. [nemorosus, Latin.] Woody. Cockeram. Paradise itself was but a kind of nemorous temple, or sacred grove. Evelyn, B. iv. § 4.

To NEMPNE.* v.a. [nemnan, Saxon.] To name. Obsolete.

Ye moten nempne him to what place also. Chaucer, Squ. Tale. As much disdeigning to be so misdempt,

Or a warmonger to be basely nempt. Spenser, F. Q. iii. x. 29.

NE'NIA.* n. s. [Greek.] A funeral song; an elegy.

NE'NUPHAR. n. s. [nymphæa, Lat.] Water lily, or water rose.

NEOLO GICAL. * adj. [neologique, French.] Employing new words or phrases.

Such examples really make one tremble; and will, I am convinced, determine my fair fellowsubjects and their adherents to adopt, and scrupulously conform to, [Dr.] Johnson's rules of true orthography by book. In return to this concession, I seriously advise him to publish, by way of appendix to his great work, a genteel neological dictionary, containing those polite, though perhaps not strictly grammatical, words and phrases, commonly used, and sometimes understood, by the beau monde. Ld. Chesterfield, World, No. 101.

NEO'LOGY.* n. s. [neologie, Fr. from the Greek νέος, new, and λόγος, a word, discourse.] Invention or use of new words and phrases.

They endeavour by a sort of neology of their own to confound all ideas of right and wrong. Boothby on Burke, p. 266.

NEO'LOGISM.* n. s. [neologisme, Fr.] A new and quaint expression.

NE'OPHYTE.† n. s. [neophyte, Fr. νεὸς and φύω.] One regenerated; a convert; one entered into a new state.

In effects of grace, which exceed far the effects of nature, we see St. Paul makes a difference between those he calls neophytes, that is newly grafted into Christianity; and those that are brought up in the faith.

Bacon, Sp. on the Union of Laws. He tells thee true, my noble neophyte; my little grammaticaster, he does. B. Jonson, Poetaster.

Ne'ophyte.* adj. Newly entered into an employment.

It is with your young grammatical courtier, as with your neophpte player, a thing usual to be daunted at the first presence or interview. B. Jonson, Cynth. Revels.

NEOTE'RICK. † n. s. [neotericus, Latin, from νέος, new, Gr. νεώτερος, more recent.] One of modern times.

I refer you to the voluminous tomes of Galen, Areteus, Rhasis, &c. and those exact neotericks, Savanorala, Capivaccius, Donatus.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 7. The students in that profession [divinity] should apply themselves in the first place to the reading of the Scriptures, next the councils and ancient fathers, and then the schoolmen; excluding those neotericks, both Jesuits and Puritans, who are known to be meddlers in matters of state and monarchy.

The King's Let. to Vice-Ch. of Oxf. (1622.) A. Wood, An. We are not to be guided either by the misreports of some ancients, or the capricios of one or two neotericks.

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NEOTE'RICAL.* \ adj. Modern; novel; NEOTE'RICK. late.

They were the inventions of men, which lived in diverse ages, and had also diverse ends, some

being ancient, others neoterical.

Bacon, Pref. to Wisdom of the Ancients. I advise you not to neglect old authors; for though we be come as it were to the meridian of truth, yet there be many neoterical commentators, and self-conceited writers, that eclipse her in many things, and go from "obscurum" to "ob-Howell, Lett. iv. 31.

Nep. † n. s. [nepeta, Lat.] The herb catmint.

The dog when he is stomach-sick can go right to his proper grass, the cat to her nep, the goat to his hemlock. Bp. Hall, Select Thoughts, § 51.

Nepe'nthe.† n. s. [Gr. νη, and πένθος; Fr. népenthés.] A drug that drives away all

Not that Nepenthes, which the wife of Thone In Egypt gave to Jove-born Helena,

Is of such power to stir up joy as this. Milton, Comus.

There where no passion, pride, or shame trans-Lull'd with the sweet nepenthe of a court;

There where no fathers, brothers, friends disgrace, Once break their rest nor stir them from their place. Pope.

NE'PHEW. n. s. [nepos, Latin; neveu, French.]

1. The son of a brother or sister. Immortal offspring of my brother Jove: My brightest nephew and whom best I love.

Dryden. I ask, whether in the inheriting of this paternal power, the grandson by a daughter, hath a right before a nephew by a brother?

2. The grandson. Out of use.

With what intent they were first published, those words of the nephew of Jesus do plainly signify, after that my grandfather Jesus had given himself to the reading of the law and the prophets, and other books of our fathers, and had gotten therein sufficient judgement, he proposed also to write something pertaining to learning and Her sire at length is kind,

Prepares his empire for his daughter's ease, And for his hatching nephews smooths the seas. Dryden.

3. Descendant, however distant. Out of use.

All the sons of these five brethren reign'd By due success, and all their nephews late, Even thrice eleven descents the crown retain'd.

Spenser. NEPHRI'TICAL.† adj. [veqoilinos; nephre-1. Belonging to the organs of urine.

Mr. Harrison hath been of late somewhat more than heretofore troubled with certain nephritical fits; but they are transient and light.

Wotton to Sir E. Bacon, Rem. p. 481. A very valuable medicine, and of great account

in divers cases, particularly asthmas, nephritick pains, nervous colicks, and obstructions. Bp. Berkeley, Siris, § 62.

2. Troubled with the stone.

The diet of nephritick persons ought to be op-posite to the alkalescent nature of the salts in their blood. Arbuthnot.

3. Good against the stone.

The nephritick stone is commonly of an uniform dusky green; but some samples I have seen of it that are variegated with white, black, and sometimes yellow.

NE'POTISM. n.s. [nepotisme, Fr.; nepos, Latin.] Fondness for nephews.

To this humour of nepotism Rome owes its present splendour; for it would have been impossible to have furnished out so many glorious palaces with such a profusion of pictures and statues, had not the riches of the people fallen into different families. Addison on Italy.

NE'REID.* n. s. [Nereis, Lat.; pl. Nereides, daughters of Nereus.] A sea-nymph.

Her gentlewomen, like the Nereids. So many mermaids, tended her i' the eyes, And made their bends adornings,

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop.

NERVE. † n. s. [nervus, Latin; nerf, Fr.] 1. The organs of sensation passing from the brain to all parts of the body.

The nerves do ordinarily accompany the arteries through all the body; they have also blood vessels, as the other parts of the body. Wherever any nerve sends out a branch, or receives one from another, or where two nerves join together, there is generally a ganglio or plexus. What man dare, I dare:

Approach thou like the rugged Russian bear; Take any shape but that, and my firm nerves

Shall never tremble. Shakspeare, Macbeth. 2. It is used by the poets for sinew or tendon.

If equal powres Thou wouldst inflame, amids my nerves, as then I could encounter with three hundred men.

Strong Tharysmed discharged a speeding blow Full on his neck, and cut the nerves in two. Pope, Odyss.

3. Force; strength.

The nerve and emphasis of the verb will lie in the preposition. Abp. Sancroft, Serm. p. 20. To Nerve.* v. a. [from the noun.] To

strengthen.

Thou, last, Tremendous goddess, nerve this lifted arm ! Agran Hill.

Ne'RVELESS. † adj. [from nerve.] Without

There sunk Thalia, nerveless, faint and dead, Had not her sister Satire held her head.

Pope, Dunciad. O'er all profound dejection sat,

And nerveless fear. Thomson, Liberty, P. iii. The western eloquence, in its turn, appeared nerveless and effeminate, frigid or insipid, to the hardy and inflamed imaginations of the east.

Warburton, Doct. of Grace, p. 71.

Ne'rvous.† adj. [nervosus, Latin.]

1. Full of nerves.

The body of this fish is three yards long, and one yard broad, thick skinn'd, without scales, narrow towards the tail, which is nervous, slow in swimming, wanting fins.

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 26. We may imagine what acerbity of pain must be endured by our Lord - by the piercing his hands and feet, parts very nervous, and exquisitely sen-Barrow, vol. i. S. 32.

2. Well strung; strong; vigorous.

As "sine nervis esse" is a phrase for debility, so to be nervous, is taken to be valid and strong Waterhous on Fortescue, (1663,) p. 197.

What nervous arms he boasts, how firm his tread, His limbs how turn'd. Pope, Odyss.

3. Relating to the nerves; having the seat in the nerves.

The venal torrent, murm'ring from afar, Whisper'd no peace to calm this nervous war; And Philomel, the siren of the plain, Sung soporifick unisons in vain.

[In medical cant.] Having weak or diseased nerves.

Poor, weak, nervous creatures. NE'RVOUSLY.* adv. [from nervous.] With strength; with force.

He thus nervously describes the strength of Warton, Hist. E. P. iv. 66.

Ne'RVOUSNESS.* n. s. [from nervous.] Vigour; strength.

If there had been epithets joined with the other substantives, it would have weakened the nervousness of the sentence.

Dr. Warton, Ess. on Pope.

NE'RVY. adj. [from nerve.] Strong; vigorous. Not in use.

Death, that dark spirit, in his nervy arm doth Which being advanc'd, declines, and then men

Shakspeare. Ne'science.† n. s. [from nescio, Latin.]

Ignorance; the state of not knowing.

Not vincible ignorance, or of things he might know, but invincible; not privative ignorance, or of things he ought to know, but mere nescience: in brief, ignorance: - simple ignorance, and not sinful ignorance.

Walsall, Life of Chr. (1615,) sign. B. 4. God fetched it about for me, in that absence and nescience of mine.

Bp. Hall, Specialties of his Life. Many of the most accomplished wits of all ages, have resolved their knowledge into Socrates his sum total, and after all their pains in quest of science, have sat down in a professed nescience.

Glanville, Scepsis.

NESH. † adj. [nerc, Sax.] Soft; tender: easily hurt. Skinner. The word is used in several parts of England. Sometimes with the pronunciation of naish or nash; and it is old in our lan-

For love his herte is tendre and nesshe.

Chaucer, Court of Love. The nesh tops of the young hazel. Crowe, Lewesdon Hill.

To NESH.* v. a. To render weak; to soften injuriously. Not in use.

I councell you to eat and drinke temperately: nesh not your womb by drinking immoderately. Old Poem in Ashmole's Theat. Chem. (1652,) p. 113.

1. A termination added to an adjective to change it into a substantive, denoting state or quality; as, poisonous, poisonousness; turbid, turbidness; lovely, loveliness; from niffe, Saxon.

2. The termination of many names of places where there is a headland or promontory; from nere, Saxon; a nose

of land, or headland.

NEST. † n. s. [nert, Saxon; the past participle of neran, to visit frequently, to haunt. Mr. H. Tooke, Div. of Purl. ii. 375. Su. Goth. naeste.]

1. The bed formed by the bird for incubation and feeding her young.

If a bird's nest chance to be before thee in the

way, thou shalt not take the dam with the young. Deut. xxii. 6.

Th' example of the heavenly lark, Thy fellow poet, Cowley, mark,

Above the skies let thy proud musick sound, Thy humble nest build on the ground. Cowley.

2. Any place where animals are produced. Redi found that all kinds of putrefaction did only afford a nest and aliment for the eggs and young of those insects he admitted. Bentley. 3. An abode; place of residence; a receptacle. Generally in a bad sense: | Ne'sTLING.* adj. Newly hatched; newly as, a nest of rogues and thieves.

Not farre away, not meete for any guest, They spide a little cottage, like some poor man's Spenser, F. Q. Come from that nest

Of death, contagion, and unnatural sleep.

Shakspeare. 4. A warm close habitation, generally in contempt.

Some of our ministers having livings offered unto them, will neither, for zeal of religion, nor winning souls to God, be drawn forth from their

5. Boxes or drawers; little pockets or repositories.

To NEST. v. n. [from the noun.] To build nests.

This poor dove, being driven thrice away by that horrible northern wind, which razed at length the dove-house and the city, did she not nest, and as it were hide her head, in secret holes?

Harmar, Tr. of Beza, (1587,) p. 279. The cedar stretched his branches as far as the mountains of the moon, and the king of birds nested within his leaves. Howell, Voc. For.

Ne'sregg. n. s. [nest and egg.] An egg left in the nest to keep the hen from forsaking it.

Books and money laid for shew,

Like nesteggs, to make clients lay. Hudibras To Ne'sTLE. † v. n. [nerchan, Saxon.] To settle; to harbour; to lie close and snug, as a bird in her nest.

Their purpose was, to fortify in some strong place of the wild country, and there nestle till

succours came. A cock got into a stable was nestling in the L'Estrange.

straw among the horses. The king's fisher wonts commonly by the waterside, and nestles in hollow banks.

Fluttering there, they nestle near the throne, And lodge in habitations not their own. Dryden The floor is strowed with several plants, amongst which the snails nestle all the winter.

Mark where the shy directors creep, Nor to the shore approach too nigh; The monsters nestle in the deep,

Swift, Miscel. To seize you in your passing by. To NE'STLE. v. a.

1. To house, as in a nest.

Poor heart!

That labour'st yet to nestle thee, Thou think'st by hov'ring here to get a part, In a forbidden or forbidding tree. Donne. Cupid found a downy bed,

Prior. And nestled in his little head.

2. To cherish, as a bird her young. This Ithacus, so highly is endear'd

To this Minerva, that her hand is ever in his deeds:

She, like his mother, nestles him.

Chapman, Iliad.

Addison on Italy.

Ne'stling. † n. s. [nertling, Saxon.] 1. A young bird in the nest: in some parts, the smallest bird of the nest, and called also nestlecock.

Second brothers, and poor nestlings.

B. Hall, Sat. ii. 2. The chief object of children, looking after nests is the eggs, or nestlings, not the bird which lays Barrington, Ess. 4.

2. A receptacle; a nest. Not in use. They [the physicians] inquire not of the diversities of the parts, the secrecies of the passages, and the seats or nestlings of the humours. Bucon, Adv. of Learning, B. 2. deposited in the nest.

I have taken four young ones from a hen skylark, and placed in their room five nestling nightingales, as well as five wrens, the greater part of which were reared by the foster-parent.

Barrington, Ess. 4.

NET. † n. s. [nati, Goth. net, Icel. net, Sax. from the Germ. neten, suere. Serenius.

1. A texture woven with large interstices or meshes, used commonly as a snare for animals.

Poor bird! thou'dst never fear the net, nor lime

The pitfall nor the gin. Shakspeare, Macbeth. Impatience intangles us like the fluttering of a bird in a net, but cannot at all ease our trouble. Bp. Taylor, Holy Living.

2. Any thing made with interstitial vacuities.

He made nets of chequered work for the chapiters, upon the top of the pillars.

1 Kings, vii. 17. The vegetative tribes,

Wrapt in a filmy net, and clad with leaves. Thomson.

To NET.* v. n. [from the noun.] To knit a net; to knot.

Ideal visits I often pay you, see you posting round your sylvan walks or sitting netting in your parlour, and thinking of your absent friends. A. Seward, (Lett. 1789,) ii. 314.

NET.* adj. [net, French; netto, Ital.] 1. Pure; clear; genuine.

Her breast all naked, as nett ivory Without adorne of gold or silver bright Wherewith the craftsman wonts its beautify, Of her dew honour was despoyled quight. Spenser, F. Q. iii. xii. 20.

2. Clear; denoting the total of a receipt of salary or income after certain de-

The net revenues of the crown, at the abdication of K. James, without any tax on land, &c. amounted to somewhat more than two millions. Bolingbroke on Parties, Lett. 18.

3. Clear; denoting the weight of any commodity, after allowances have been made for tare and tret.

To NET.* v. a. [from the adjective.] To bring as clear produce.

NE'THER. adj. [neoder, Saxon; neder, Dutch. It has the form of a comparative, but is never used in expressed, but only in implied comparison; for we say the nether part, but never say this part is nether than that, nor is any positive in use, though it seems comprised in the word beneath. Nether is not now much

1. Lower; not upper.

No man shall take the nether or the upper millstone to pledge; for he taketh a man's life to Deut. xxiv. 6. In his picture are two principal errors, the one in the complexion and hair, the other in the mouth, which commonly they draw with a full and nether

Peacham. great lip. This odious offspring, Thine own begotten, breaking violent way Tore through my entrails; that with fear and pain Distorted, all my nether shape thus grew

Milton, P. L. Transform'd. The upper part whereof was whey, The nether, orange mix'd with grey. Hudibras.

A beauteous maid above, but magick arts, With barking dogs deform'd her nether parts. Roscommon.

As if great Atlas from his height Should sink beneath his heavenly weight, And with a mighty flaw the flaming wall Should gape immense, and rushing down o'erwhelm this nether ball.

Two poles turn round the globe; The first sublime in heaven, the last is whirl'd Below the regions of the nether world. Dryden.

2. Being in a lower place. This shews you are above,

You justices, that these our nether crimes So speedily can revenge. Shakspeare, K. Lear. Numberless were those bad angels, seen Hovering on wing under the cope of hell, 'Twixt upper, nether, and surrounding fires.

Milton, P. L. 3. Infernal; belonging to the regions

below. No less desire To found this nether empire, which might rise;

In emulation opposite to heaven. Milton, P. L. The gods with hate beheld the nether sky, The ghosts repine. Dryden, Æn.

NE'THERMOST. adj. [superl. of nether.] Lowest.

Great is thy mercy toward me, and thou hast delivered my soul from the nethermost hell.

Psalm lxxxvi, 13. Undaunted to meet there whatever power, Or spirit of the nethermost abyss-

· Might in that noise reside. All that can be said of a liar lodged in the very nethermost hell, is this, that if the vengeance of God could prepare any place worse than hell for sinners, hell itself would be too good for him.

Heraclitus tells us, that the eclipse of the sun was after the manner of a boat, when the concave, as to our sight, appears uppermost, and the convex nethermost. Keil against Burnet.

NE'TTING. n. s. A reticulated piece of

NETTLE.† n. s. [netel, Sax. naella, Icel. to prick, to sting. Serenius.] A stinging herb well known.

The strawberry grows underneath the nettle. Shakspeare.

Some so like to thorns and nettles live, That none for them can, when they perish, grieve.

To NE'TTLE. v. a. [from the noun.] To sting; to irritate; to provoke.

The princes were so nettled at the scandal of this affront, that every man took it to himself.

Although at every part of the Apostle's discourse some of them might be uneasy and nettled, yet a moderate silence and attention was still ob-

NE'TTLER.* n. s. [from nettle,] One who provokes; that which stings or irritates. Cotgrave, and Sherwood.

These are the nettlers, these are the blabbing books that tell, though not half your fellows' feats. Milton, Animad. Rem. Defence.

NE'TWORK. n. s. [net and work.] Any thing reticulated or decussated, at equal distances, with insterstices between the intersections.

Nor any skill'd in workmanship emboss'd; Nor any skill'd in loops of fingering fine; Might in their diverse cunning ever dare, With this so curious network to compare.

A large cavity in the sinciput was filled with ribbons, lace, and embroidery, wrought together in a curious piece of network. Addison, Spect.

Whoever contemplates with becoming attention this curious and wonderful network of veins, must be transported with admiration. Blackmore.

NE'VER.† adv. [ne ever, næppe, Sax. ne ærne, not ever; Goth. niaivi, i. e. ne and aiv.]

1. At no time.

Never, alas, the dreadful name That fuels the infernal flame. Cowley. Never any thing was so unbred as that odious By its own force destroy'd, fruition ceas'd,

And always weary'd, I was never pleas'd. Prior. Death still draws nearer, never seeming near.

2. It is used in a form of speech handed down by the best writers, but lately accused, I think, with justice, of soleso wise. It is now maintained, that propriety requires it to be expressed thus, he is mistaken though ever so wise ; that is, he is mistaken how wise soever he be. The common mode can only be defended by supplying a very harsh and unprecedented ellipsis; he is mistaken though so wise, as never was any: such, however, is the common use of the word among the best authors. Dr. Johnson. - "Be the distance never so remote:" Some have thought this mode of expression incongruous and ungrammatical: but never is the same as not ever; and the sentence is to be filled up thus: "be the distance not [near, but] ever so remote." Addison, Spect. No. 590. This, then, is one of those elliptical forms which are to be explained "by observing nicely the posture of the mind in discoursing," (to use Mr. Locke's words,) and not by attending merely to the obvious sense of the terms employed. For, in discoursing, we love to contract our ideas, though the opposition be not always, or but imperfectly expressed. Never so remote, if we regard this posture of the mind, is, therefore, as intelligible, and as proper as ever so remote; and, till of late, was more commonly used. We now say ever so remote, more clearly indeed, but with something less force: for never so implies an effort, or vehemence in asserting which ever so has not. However as perspicuity is the main object of grammar, I acknowledge it to be a good general rule to avoid not only real but seeming incongruities of speech. Bp. Hurd.

Be it never so true which we teach the world to believe, yet if once their affections begin to be alienated, a small thing persuadeth them to change their opinions. Hooker.

Ask me never so much dowry and gift, and I

will give according as ye shall say.

Gen. xxxiv. 12. In a living creature, though never so great, the sense and the affects of any one part of the body, instantly make a transcursion throughout the whole body.

They destroyed all, were it never so pleasant, within a mile of the town.

Knolles, Hist. of the Turks. Death may be sudden to him, though it comes by never so slow degrees. Who Duty of Man.

He that shuts his eyes against a small light, would not be brought to see that which he had no mind to see, let it be placed in never so clear a light, and never so near him.

That prince whom you espouse, although never so vigorously, is the principal in war, you but a

3. In no degree.

Whosoever has a friend to guide him, may carry his eyes in another man's head, and yet see never the worse.

4. It seems in some phrases to have the sense of an adjective. Not any; but in reality it is not ever.

He answered him to never a word, insomuch that the governour marvelled. St. Matt. xxvii. 14.

There would be never a plain text.

Atterbury, Serm. iii. cism; as, he is mistaken though never 5. It is much used in composition: as,

never-ending, having no end; of which some examples are subjoined.

Nature assureth us, by never-failing experience, and reason by infallible demonstration, that our times upon the earth have neither certainty nor durability.

But a smooth and stedfast mind, Gentle thoughts and calm desires.

Hearts with equal love combin'd, Kindle never-dying fires.

Ye myrtles brown, with ivy never sere I come to pluck your berries harsh and crude. Milton, Lycidas.

Your never-failing sword made war to cease, And now you heal us with the acts of peace.

So corn in fields, and in the garden flowers, Revive and raise themselves with moderate show-

But over-charg'd with never-ceasing rain,

Waller. Become too moist. Our heroes of the former days, Deserv'd and gain'd their never-fading bays.

Roscommon. Not Thracian Orpheus should transcend my

Nor Linus crown'd with never-fading bays.

Leucippus, with his never-erring dart. Dryden. Farewell, ye never-opening gates. Dryden He to quench his drought so much inclin'd, May snowy fields and nitrous pastures find;

Meet stores of cold so greedily pursued, And be refresh'd with never-wasting food.

Blackmore. Norton hung down his never-blushing head, And all was hush'd, as folly's self lay dead.

What the weak head with strongest bias rules, Is pride, the never-failing vice of fools. Thy busy never-meaning face,

Thy screw'd-up front, thy state grimace.

NEVERTHELE'SS. adv. [never the less.] Notwithstanding that.

They plead that even such ceremonies of the church of Rome as contain in them nothing which is not of itself agreeable to the word of God, ought nevertheless to be abolished.

Many of our men were gone to land, and our ships ready to depart; nevertheless the admiral, with such ships only as could suddenly be put in readiness, made forth towards them.

Creation must needs infer providence; and God's making the world, irrefragably proves that he governs it too; or that a being of a dependent nature remains nevertheless independent upon him in that respect.

NEU'ROLOGY. n. s. [νεύρον and λόγος.] description of the nerves.

Neu'rospast.* n. s. [neurospaston, Latin, νευροσπας έω, Greek; nervis seu fidiculis traho, moveo.] A puppet; a figure put in motion.

That outward form is but a neurospast: The soul it is, that, on her subtile ray That she shoots forth, the limbs of moving beast

Doth stretch strait forth. More, Immortal. of the Soul. (1647.) i. ii. 34.

NEU'ROTOMY. n. s. [νεύρον and τέμνω.] The anatomy of the nerves.

NEU'TER. adj. [neuter, Latin; neutre,

1. Indifferent; not engaged on either side.

The general division of the British nation is into Whigs and Tories; there being very few, if any, who stand neuter in the dispute, without ranging themselves under one of these denomi-Addison, Freeholder.

2. [In grammar.] A noun that implies no sex.

The adjectives are neuter, and animal must be understood to make it grammar. Druden. A verb neuter is that which signifies neither

action nor passion; but some state or condition of being; as, sedeo, I sit. Clarke, Latin Grammar.

NEU'TER. † n. s. One indifferent and unengaged.

He is an odious neuter, a lukewarm Laodicean. Bp. Hall, Select Thoughts, \$ 81.

The learned heathens may be looked upon as neuters in the matter, when all these prophecies were new to them, and their education had left the interpretation of them indifferent.

Addison on the Christian Religion.

NEU'TRAL. adj. [neutral, French.]

1. Indifferent; not acting; not engaged on either side.

Who can be wise, amaz'd, temperate, and fu-

Loyal and neutral, in a moment? No man.

Shakspeare. He no sooner heard that king Henry was settled by his victory, but forthwith he sent ambassadors unto him, to pray that he would stand Bacon, Hen. VII.

The allies may be supplied for money, from Denmark and other neutral states.

Addison on the War.

2. Indifferent; neither good nor bad. Some things good, and some things ill do seem. And neutral some, in her fantastick eye. Davies.

3. Neither acid nor alkaline. Salts which are neither acid nor alkaline, are

called neutral. Arbuthnot NEU'TRAL. n. s. One who does not act

nor engage on either side.

The treacherous who have misled others, and the neutrals and the false-hearted friends and followers, who have started aside like a broken bow, are to be noted.

NEU'TRALIST.* n. s. [from neutral.] An indifferent or careless being; one who is on neither side. Bullokar, (ed. 1656.)

Intrusting of the militia and navy in the hands of neutralists, unfaithful and disaffected persons. Pet. of the City of London to the H. of Com. (1648.) p.6.

NEUTRA'LITY. † n. s. [neutralité, French.] 1. A state of indifference; of neither

friendship nor hostility. His majesty's clearness in the beginning of these motions: his neutrality in the progress thereof.

Wotton, Propos. (in 1620,) Rem. p. 503. Men who possess a state of neutrality in times of publick danger, desert the interest of their fel-

low-subjects. Addison. The king, late griefs revolving in his mind,

These reasons for neutrality assign'd. Garth, Ovid.

All pretences to neutrality are justly exploded,. only intending the safety and ease of a few individuals, while the publick is embroiled. This was the opinion and practice of the latter Cato. Swift.

2. A state between good and evil. There is no health: physicians say, that we

At best enjoy but a neutrality. 3. The state of being of the neuter gender.

Jesus answered, "I and my Father are one:" where the plurality of the verb, and the neutrality of the noun, with the distinction of their persons, speak a perfect identity of their essence.

Pearson on the Creed, Art. 2.

To NEU'TRALIZE.* v. a. [from neutral.] 1. To render indifferent; to engage on

neither side.

2. [In agriculture.] To make neutral. These [till and vitriolic soils] necessarily require the calcareous ingredient to neutralise their Kirwan on Manures, p. 90.

NEU'TRALLY. adv. [from neutral.] Indifferently; on neither part.

NEW. † adj. [niuja, Goth. neop, Saxon, newyd, Welsh; neu, Germ. neuf, Fr.]

1. Not old; fresh; lately produced, made or had: novel. New is used of things, and young of persons.

Shoon full moist and newe.

Chaucer, C. T. Prol. What's the newest grief? -

That of an hour's age doth hiss the speaker ; Each minute teems a new one. Shaksp. Macbeth.

2. Not being before.

Do not all men complain how little we know, and how much is still unknown? And can we ever know more, unless something new be discovered?

3. Modern; of the present time.

Whoever converses much among old books, will be something hard to please among new.

Temple, Miscell.

4. Different from the former.

Steadfastly purposing to lead a new life. Comm. Prayer.

5. Not antiquated; having the effect of

novelty. There names inscrib'd unnumber'd ages past, From time's first birth, with time itself shall last; These ever new, nor subject to decays,

Spread and grow brighter with the length of days.

6. Not habituated; not familiar.

Such assemblies, though had for religion's sake, may serve the turn of hereticks, and such as privily will instil their poison into new minds. Hooker. Seiz'd with wonder and delight,

Gaz'd all around me, new to the transporting

Twelve mules, a strong laborious race, New to the plough, unpractis'd in the trace.

7. Renovated; repaired, so as to recover

the first state. Men, after long emaciating diets, wax plump, Bacon, Nat. Hist. fat, and almost new.

8. Fresh after any thing.

Nor dare we trust so soft a messenger, New from her sickness to that northern air.

9. Not of ancient extraction. A superior capacity for business, and a more

extensive knowledge, are steps by which a new man often mounts to favour, and outshines the "Addison. rest of his contemporaries.

New. adv. This is, I think, only used in composition for newly, which the following examples may explain.

As soon as she had written them, a new swarm of thoughts stinging her mind, she was ready with her foot to give the new-born letters both to death and burial.

God hath not then left this to chuse that, neither would reject that to chuse this, were it not for some new-grown occasion, making that which hath been better worse.

So dreadfully he towards him did pass, Forelifting up aloft his speckled breast,

And often bounding on the bruised grass, As for great joyance of his new-come guest. Spenser

Your master's lines Are full of new-found oaths; which he will break Shakspeare. As easily as I do tear this paper.

Will you with those infirmities she owes, Unfriended, new-adopted to our hate,

Dower'd with our curse, and stranger'd with our oath.

Take her or leave her? Shakspeare, K. Lear. Lest by a multitude The new-heal'd wound of malice should break

Shakspeare. out. Now hath my soul brought forth her prodigy,

And I a gasping, new-deliver'd mother, Have woe to woe, sorrow to sorrow join'd. Shakspeare, Rich. II.

He saw heaven blossom with a new-born light, On which, as on a glorious stranger gaz'd The golden eyes of night; whose beams made

bright The way to Beth'lem, and as boldly blaz'd;

Nor ask'd leave of the sun, by day as night. Crashau.

I've seen the morning's lovely ray Hover o'er the new-born day; With rosy wings so richly bright, As if he scorn'd to think of night, When a ruddy storm, whose scoul Made heaven's radiant face look foul, Call'd for an untimely night

To blot the newly blossom'd light. Crashaw Some tree, whose broad smooth leaves together sow'd.

And girded on our loins, may cover round Those middle parts; that this new-comer shame, There sit not, and reproach us as unclean.

Milton, P. L. Their father's state,

Milton, Comus. And new-entrusted sceptre. The new-created world, which fame in heaven Long had foretold. Milton, P. L.

His evil Thou usest, and from thence creat'st more good, Witness this new-made world, another heav'n. Milton, P. L.

All clad in liveliest colours, fresh and fair As the bright flowers that crown'd their brighter hair:

All in that new-blown age which does inspire Warmth in themselves, in their beholders fire.

If it could, yet that it should always run them into such a machine as is already extant, and not often into some new-fashioned one, such as was never seen before, no reason can be assigned or · Ray on the Creation.

This English edition is not so properly a translation, as a new composition, there being several additional chapters in it, and several new-

Burnet, Theory. moulded. New-found lands accrue to the prince whose subject makes the first discovery. Burnet, Theory.

Let this be nature's frailty, or her fate, Or Isgrim's counsel, her new-chosen mate. Dryden.

Shewn all at once you dazzled so our eyes, As new-born Pallas did the gods surprise; When springing forth from Jove's new-closing wound,

She struck the warlike spear into the ground. Dryden. A bird new-made about the banks she plies,

Not far from shore, and short excursions tries. Dryden. Our house has sent to-day To insure our new-built vessel, call'd a play.

Dryden. Then curds and cream, And new-laid eggs, which Baucis' busy care

Turn'd by a gentle fire, and roasted rare. When pleading Matho, born abroad for air,

With his fat paunch fills his new-fashion'd chair. Dryden. A new-form'd faction does your power oppose, The fight's confus'd, and all who met were foes.

Dryden. If thou ken'st from far Among the Pleiads a new-kindled star; If any sparkles than the rest more bright,

'Tis she that shines in that propitious light. Druden. If we consider new-born children, we shall have little reason to think that they bring many ideas

into the world with them. Drummers with vellum-thunder shake the pile, To greet the new-made bride. Gay, Trivia.

Ah Blouzelind! I love thee more by half, Than does their fawns, or cows the new-fall'n calf.

The proctor exhibits his proxy from the dean and chapter, and presents the new-elected bishop to the vicar-general. Ayliffe. The new-fall'n young here bleating for their

dams, The larger here, and there the lesser lambs. Pope.

Learn all the new-fashion words and oaths.

To New.* v. a. [neopian, Saxon.] To make new; to renew. Obsolete.

The presents every day ben newed. Gower, Conf. Am. B. 6.

The good name of a man is sone gon and passed, when it is not newed.

Chaucer, Tale of Melibeus. And many a maiden's sorrowe for to newe. Chaucer, Tr. and Cress. iii. 306.

NE'WEL. + n. s.

1. The compass round which the staircase is carried.

Let the stairs to the upper rooms be upon a fair open newel, and finely railed in. 2. A new thing; novelty.

He was so enamoured with the newel, That nought he deemed dear for the jewel.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. May.

NEWFA'NGLE.* adj. [new and fangle. Some have pretended that nova evangelia, "new evangels," gave rise to this word; it being much used, they say, about the time that the gospellers, or reformers, began to flourish in England. But it was in use long before. Fangle was probably a cant term, corrupted from fingo, to form, to fashion; fingle, fangle.] Desirous of new things.

Flesh is so newefangle. Chaucer, Manc. Tale. Newfa'ngle.* \ n. s. One desirous of

Newfa'nglist. In the Cobler's Prophecie, 1594, Niceness is Venus's maid, and Newfangle her man.

Learned men have ever resisted the private spirits of these newfanglists, or contentious and quarrelous men.

Tooker, Fabr. of the Ch. (1904,) p. 90.

To Newfa'ngle.* v. a. [from the adjective.] To change by introducing novelties.

To controul and newfangle the Scripture. Milton, Of Prelat. Episcopacy. NEWFA'NGLED. † adj. [from newfangle.] Formed with vain or foolish love of novelty; desirous of novelty.

At Christmas I no more desire a rose, Than wish a snow in May's newfangled shows; But like of each thing, that in season grows.

Shakspeare. Have no fellowship with newfangled teachers.

1 Tim. vi. Arg. of the Chapter. Those charities are not newfangled devices of yesterday, but are most of them as old as the re-

Newfa'ngledness. \ n. s. [from new-Newfa'ngleness. \ fangled.] Vain and foolish love of novelty.

So to newfangleness both of manner, apparel, and each thing else, by the custom of self-guilty evil, glad to change though often for a worse. Sidney. Yet he them in newfangleness did pass.

Spenser, Hubb. Tale. The women would be loth to come behind the fashion in newfangledness of the manner, if not in costliness of the matter.

Ne'wing. n. s. [from new.] Yest or barm. Ainsworth. Ne'wish.* adj. [from new.] As if lately

made.

It drinketh not newish at all.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. NE'wLy. † adv. [niplice, Saxon, from new.] 1. Freshly; lately.

Her breath indeed those hands have newly stopp'd. Shakspeare. They newly learned by the king's example, that attainders do not interrupt the conveying of title to the crown.

Her lips were red, and one was thin, Compar'd to that was next her chin;

Some bee had stung it newly. Suckling. He rubb'd it o'er with newly gather'd mint, Dryden.

2. In a manner different from the former. Such is the power of that sweet passion, That it all sordid baseness doth repel, And the refined mind doth newly fashion

Spenser, Hymn on Love. Into a fairer form. 3. In a manner not existing before. Ne'wness. † n. s. [nipnýrre, Saxon, from

1. Freshness; lateness; recentness; state

of being lately produced.

Their stories, if they had been preserved, and what else was performed in that newness of the world, there could nothing of more delight have

been left to posterity. Ralegh. In these disturbances, And newness of a wavering government,

To avenge them of their former grievances. Daniel.

When Horace writ his satires, the monarchy of his Cæsar was in its newness, and the government but just made easy to his conquered people. Dryden, Juv.

2. Novelty; unacquaintance.

Words borrowed of antiquity do lend majesty to style; they have the authority of years, and out of their intermission do win to themselves a kind of grace like newness. B. Jonson.

Newness in great matters, was a worthy entertainment for a mind; it was an high taste, fit for the relish. South.

3. Something lately produced.

There are some newnesses of English, translated from the beauties of modern tongues, as well as from the elegances of the Latin; and here and there some old words are sprinkled, which, for their significance and sound, deserved not to be antiquated. Dryden, Don Sebastian.

4. Innovation; late change.

Away, my friends, new flight; And happy newness that intends old right.

5. Want of practice.

His device was to come without any device, all in white like a new knight, but so new as his newness shamed most of the others long exercise.

6. Difference from the former manner.

Like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

NEWS. n. s. without the singular, unless it be considered as singular; Milton has joined it with a singular verb. [from new; nouvelles, French.

1. Fresh account of any thing.

As he was ready to be greatly advanced for some noble pieces of service which he did, he heard news

When Rhea heard these news, she fled from her husband to her brother Saturn. Ralegh, Hist. of the World.

Evil news rides fast, while good news baits. Milton.

With such amazement as weak mothers use, And frantick gesture, he receives the news.

We talk in ladies' chambers love and news.

Now the books, and now the bells, And now our act the preacher tells, To edify the people;

All our divinity is news. And we have made of equal use

The pulpit and the steeple. Denham. The amazing news of Charles at once was spread, At once the general voice declared

Our gracious prince was dead. Dryden. They have news-gatherers and intelligencers distributed into their several walks, who bring in their respective quotas, and make them acquainted with the discourse of the whole kingdom.

2. Something not heard before.

It is no news for the weak and poor to be a prey to the strong and rich. L' Estrange.

3. Papers which give an account of the transactions of the present times.

Their papers, filled with a different party spirit, divide the people into different sentiments, who generally consider rather the principles than the truth of the news-writer.

Advertise both in every news-paper; and let it not be your fault or mine, if our countrymen will not take warning.

News-monger. n. s. [news and monger.] One that deals in news; one whose employment it is to hear and to tell news. Many tales devis'd,

Which oft the ear of greatness needs must hear, By smiling pick-thanks and base news-mongers.

This was come as a judgement upon him for laying aside his father's will, and turning stockjobber, news-monger, and busy body, meddling with other people's affairs. Arbuthnot.

NE'WSPAPER.* See the third sense of

NEWT. † n. s. [efece, Saxon. Newt is supposed by Skinner to be contracted from an evet. Ben Jonson writes it neuft; and thus we trace the contraction, nefet, neuft, neut, or newt. " Hath not a snail, a spider, yea, a neuft been found there?" B. Jonson, Barthol. Fair.] Eft; small lizard: they are supposed to be appropriated some to the land, and some to the water: they are harmless.

O thou! whose self-same mettle, Whereof thy proud child, arrogant man, is puft, Engenders the black toad, and adder blue. The gilded newt, and cycless venom'd worm.

Shakspeare.

Newts and blind worms, do no wrong; Come not near our fairy queen.

Shakspeare, Mid. N. Dream. Such humidity is observed in newts and waterlizards, especially if their skins be perforated or pricked.

New-YEAR'S-GIFT. n. s. [new, year, and gift.] Present made on the first day of the year.

If I be served such a trick, I'll have my brains taken out and buttered, and give them to a dog for a new-year's-gift. Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor.

When he sat on the throne distributing newyears-gifts, he had his altar of incense by him, that before they received gifts they might cast a little incense into the fire; which all good christians refused to do. Stilling fleet.

Ne'xible.* adj. [nexibilis, Latin.] That may be knit together. Not in use.

Cockeram.

NEXT. adj. [next, Saxon, by a colloquial change from nehrt or nyhrt, the superlative of neh or nyh; neest, Scottish.]

1. Nearest in place; immediately succeeding in order.

Want supplieth itself of what is next, and many times the next way.

The queen already sat High on a golden bed; her princely guest Was next her side, in order sat the rest. Dryden.

The next in place and punishment were they, Who prodigally throw their souls away. Dryden. 2. Nearest in time.

The good man warn'd us from his text. That none could tell whose turn should be the next.

3. Nearest in any gradation.

If the king himself had staid at London, or, which had been the next best, kept his court at York, and sent the army on their proper errand, his enemies had been speedily subdued.

Clarendon. O fortunate young man! at least your lays Are next to his, and claim the second praise.

Finite and infinine, being by the mind looked on as modifications of expansion and duration, the next thing to be considered, is, how the mind comes by them. Locke.

That's a difficulty next to impossible. Rowe. There, blest with health, with business unperplext.

This life we relish, and ensure the next. Young. NEXT. adv. At the time or turn immediately succeeding. Th' unwary nymph

Desir'd of Jove, when next he sought her bed, To grant a certain gift. Addison, Ovid.

NIAS. † n. s. [Dr. Johnson has here given, by way of definition, " simple, silly, foolish," as if the word were an adjective: and then transcribed, from Bailey, "a nias hawk is one taken newly from the nest, and not able to help itself; and hence nisey, a silly person." So far as to taken from the nest, Bailey's account of the hawk is right.] A young hawk: an eyas. See Eyas,

Laugh at, sweet bird, is that the scruple? come, come:

Thou art a niase. B. Jonson, Dev. an Ass. NIB. n. s. [neb, Saxon, the face; nebbe, Dutch, the bill.

1. The bill or neck of a bird. See NEB. 2. The point of any thing, generally of a

A tree called the bejuco, which twines about other trees, with its end hanging downwards, travellers cut the nib off it, and presently a spout of water runs out from it as clear as crystal.

NI'BBED. adj. [from nib.] Having a nib. To NI'BBLE. v. a. [from nib, the beak or mouth. Dr. Johnson. - It has been thought allied to the Greek γνάπλω, vellico; and gnibble, I have observed, is the old orthography of this word. See Barret's Alv. 1580. So Junius cites the Belg. knabbelen, or knibbelen, "quod sicuti iis frequentativum est à knawen, 2. Delicate; scrupulously and minutely ita gnibble Anglis est à gnaw."]

1. To bite by little at a time; to eat slowly.

Thy turfy mountains, where live nibbling sheep, And flat meads thatch'd with stover them to keep. Shakspeare.

It is the rose that bleeds, when he

Cleaveland. Nibbles his nice phlebotomy. Had not he better have born Wat's nibbling of his plants and roots now, than the huntsman's eating of him out of house and home?

L'Estrange. Many there are who nibble without leave;

But none, who are not born to taste, survive. Granville.

2. To bite as a fish does the bait. The roving trout Greedily sucks in the twining bait,

And tugs and nibbles the fallacious meat.

To NI'BBLE. v. n.

1. To bite at. As pigeons bill, so wedlock would be nibbling.

They gape at rich revenues which you hold, And fain would nibble at your grandame gold.

If you would be nibbling, here is a hand to stay Dryden, Don Sebastian. your stomach. This fish plunging himself in mud, and then

lifting up his head a little, casts out the string; which the little fishes taking for a worm, and nibbling at it, he immediately plucks them both in Grew, Mus.

2. To carp at; to find fault with.

Instead of returning a full answer to my book, he manifestly falls a nibbling at one single passage Tillotson.

NI'BBLE.* n. s. [from the verb.] A word used by anglers, denoting the act of the fish trying the bait, as it were: not immediately swallowing it.

NI'BBLER. + n. s. [from nibble.]

I. One that bites by little at a time. The tender nibbler would not touch the bait. Shakspeare, Passionate Pilgrim.

2. A carper. You tell me what the wits say of your book, suppose you mean those identical dunces, who have been at war with sense for these last twenty years, as they were with wit for twenty years before. But these are nibblers at the outside. I can tell you of a London divine that has gone deeper, and has returned your book in a great rage to the book-Warburton to Hurd, Lett. 130.

NICE. † adj. [Goth. hnasquia, soft; hnerc, nerc, Saxon; tender, effeminate, from hnercian, to soften; neische, old Engl. effeminate, Gloss. to Wicliffe; nice, old French, silly, weak, simple.]

1. Accurate in judgement to minute ex-VOL. II.

actness; superfluously exact. It is often | 13. To make Nice. To be scrupulous: used to express a culpable delicacy.

Such a man was Argalus, as hardly the nicest eye can find a spot in. Sidney. Nor be so nice in taste myself to know,

If what I swallow be a thrush or no.

Dryden, Pers. Thus criticks, of less judgement than caprice, Curious, not knowing, not exact, but nice, Form short ideas, and offend in arts

As most in manners, by a love to parts. Our author, happy in a judge so nice, Produc'd his play, and begg'd the knight's advice.

She is so nice and critical in her judgement, so sensible of the smallest errour, that the maid is often forced to dress and undress her daughters three or four times a-day.

cautious.

Dear love! continue nice and chaste; For if you yield, you do me wrong; Let duller wits to love's end haste,

I have enough to woo thee long. Of honour men at first, like women, nice, Raise maiden scruples at unpractis'd vice. Lord Halifax.

Having been compiled by Gratian, in an ignorant age, we ought not to be too nice in examining Baker.

3. Fastidious; squeamish. God hath here

Varied his bounty so with new delights, As may compare with heaven; and to taste, Think not I shall be nice.

4. Easily injured; delicate.

With how much ease is a young muse betray'd? How nice the reputation of the maid? Roscommon. 5. Formed with minute exactness.

Indulge me but in love, my other passions Shall rise and fall by virtue's nicest rules.

Addison, Cato.

6. Requiring scrupulous exactness. Supposing an injury done, it is a nice point to proportion the reparation to the degree of the in-

My progress in making this nice and troublesome experiment, I have set down more at large. Newton, Opt.

A nice and subtile happiness I see Thou to thyself proposest, in the choice Of thy associates, Adam; and wilt taste No pleasure, though in pleasure solitary.

8. Having lucky hits: as in the following passage of Shakspeare; a signification not in use, Dr. Johnson says. It is here used by Shakspeare rather in the sense of triffing, toying, wanton; and so in the Mirror for Magistrates.

When my hours Were nice and lucky, men did ransom lives Shakspeare, Ant. & Cleop. Of me for jests. Shore's wife was my nice cheat,

The holy whore, and eke the wily peat. Mir. for Mag. p. 412.

9. Foolish; weak; effeminate. A nyce heart! fie for shame! A coward heart, of love unlered, Whereof art thou so sore afered?

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 4. Men wax nice and effeminate. Barret, Alv. (1580.)

10. Trivial; unimportant. The letter was not nice, but full of charge, Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul. Of dear import.

11. Delicious.

Look, how nice he makes it ! Barret, Alv. (1580.) 12. Handsome; pleasing: a colloquial expression in several parts of England.

perhaps from faire le delicat.

He that stands upon a slippery place, Makes nice of no vile hold to stay him up. Shakspeare, K. John.

NI'CELY. adv. [from nice.] 1. Accurately; minutely; scrupulously.

Knaves in this plainness Harbour more craft, and more corrupter ends, Than twenty silly ducking observants,

That stretch their duties nicely. Shaksp. K. Lear. What mean those ladies which, as tho' They were to take a clock to pieces, go

So nicely about the bride? Donne. He ought to study the grammar of his own tongue, that he may understand his own countryspeech nicely, and speak it properly. Locke.

The next thing of which the doses ought to be

nicely determined, are opiates. Arbuthnot on Coins. At nicely carving, shew thy wit;

Swift, Miscell. But ne'er presume to eat a bit. 2. Delicately.

The inconveniences attending the best of governments, we quickly feel, and are nicely sensible of the share that we bear in them. Atterbury.

NICE'NE Creed.* The Creed drawn up, for the most part, by the first general counsel of Nice in the year 325; enlarged in the year 381.

That other confession of faith, which we call the Nicene creed. Hooker, Ecc. Pol. v. § 42.

NI'CENESS. n. s. [from nice.]

1. Accuracy; minute exactness.

Where's now that labour'd niceness in thy dress, And all those arts that did the spark express? Dryden.

2. Superfluous delicacy or exactness.

A strange niceness were it in me to refrain that from the ears of a person representing so much worthiness, which I am glad even to rocks and woods to utter. Only some little boats, from Gaul that did her

feed With trifles, which she took for niceness more than

Drayton. need. Unlike the niceness of our modern dames,

Affected nymphs, with new affected names

Nor place them where

Roast crabs offend the niceness of their nose. Dryden.

NI'CETY. n. s. [from nice.]

1. Minute accuracy of thought.

Nor was this nicety of his judgement confined only to literature, but was the same in all other parts of art. 2. Accurate performance, or observance.

As for the workmanship of the old Roman pillars, the ancients have not kept to the nicety of proportion and the rules of art so much as the moderns. Addison on Italy.

3. Fastidious delicacy; squeamishness. He them with speeches meet

Does fair intreat; no courting nicety, But simple true, and eke unfeigned sweet.

So love doth loathe disdainful nicety. Spenser. 4. Minute observation; punctilious discrimination; subtilty.

If reputation attend these conquests, which depend on the fineness and niceties of words, it is no wonder if the wit of men so employed, should perplex and subtilize the signification of sounds.

His conclusions are not built upon any niceties, or solitary and uncommon appearances, but on the most simple and obvious circumstances of these terrestrial bodies.

5. Delicate management; cautious treat-

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Love such nicety requires. One blast will put out all his fires. Swift

6. Effeminate softness.

7. Niceties, in the plural, is generally applied to dainties or delicacies in eating. Ni'char. n. s. A plant. Miller. NICHE. n. s. [French.] A hollow in

which a statue may be placed.

Niches, containing figures of white stone or marble, should not be coloured in their concavity too block

They not from temples, nor from gods refrain, But the poor lares from the niches seize,

If they be little images that please. On the south a long majestick race

Of Ægypt's priests, the gilded niches grace. Pope. The heirs to titles and large estates are well enough qualified to read pamphlets against religion and high flying; whereby they fill their niches, and carry themselves through the world with that dignity which best becomes a senator and a squire. Swift, Miscell.

NICK. † n. s. [nicke, Teutonick, the twinkling of an eye.]

1. Exact point of time at which there is necessity or convenience.

That great instrument of state suffered the fatal thread to be spun out to that length for some politick respects, and then to cut it off in the very Howell, Voc. For.

What in our watches that in us is found, So to the height and nick we up be wound, No matter by what band or trick.

That trick, Had it come in the nick,

Had touch'd us to the quick. Denham. Though dame fortune seem to smile, And leer upon him for a while;

She'll after shew him in the nick Of all his glories a dog trick. Hudibras. And some with symbols, signs and tricks,

Engraved in planetary nicks, With their own influences will fetch them

Down from their orbs, arrest and catch them. Hudibras.

This nick of time is the critical occasion for the gaining of a point. L'Estrange.

2. A notch cut in any thing. [Corrupted from nock or notch.

Though but a stick with a nick.

Fotherby, Atheom. (1622,) p. 23.

3. A score; a reckoning: from reckonings kept anciently upon tallies, or notched sticks.

Launce, his man, told me, he lov'd her art of Shakspeure, Two Gent. of Ver.

4. A winning throw. [niche, Fr. a ludicrous trick.

Come, seven's the main, Cries Ganymede; the usual trick Seven, slur a six, eleven a nick.

NICK.* n. s. An evil spirit of the waters, in the northern mythology of elder times; and in later transferred to the devil himself, by the English, with the addition of old. Butler, Spence, and others have pretended that Old Nick is derived from Nicholas Machiavel, the Florentine politician of infamous memory; and that "as cunning or as wicked as Old Nick," first referring to his character, afterwards was applied to the father of evil. But the evil being was called Old Nick long before Machiavel was born. Nocca or Nicken was a deity of the waters, which the ancient Danes and Germans worshipped; whom

they represented as appearing in a monstrous shape, presaging shipwreck and death, and strangling persons that were drowning. See Keysler's Antiq. Septentr. p. 261. where Keysler suggests the Germ. neigen, signifying, as the Latin necare, to kill; and also mentions, as cited in a Belg. Gall. Dictionary, neccer, a spirit of the waters, and necce, to kill. " Neccus, numen malignum aquarium." Verelius, Epit. Hist. Su. Goth. p. 13. " Nikur, bellua aquatica." Dick. Island. Hickes.

Mr. Warburton is of opinion, that this is a blunder of the editors, to suppose the devil was called Old Nick, from Nick Machiavel, who lived in the sixteenth century; whereas they could not but know, that our English writers, before Machiavel's time, used the word Old Nick very commonly to signify the devil; and that it came from our Saxon ancestors, who called him old Nicka. The Goths, I will add, called the devil Nidhog, and the Danes the god of the sea Nocka, and some Nicken. Sheringham de Gentis Angl. Orig. cap. Dr. Grey, Notes on Hudibras.

To Nick. v. a. [from the noun.]

To hit; to touch luckily; to perform by some slight artifice used at the lucky moment.

Is not the winding up of witness

A nicking more than half the bus'ness? Hudibras. The just season of doing things must be nick'd, and all accidents improved. L'Estrange.

Take any passion of the soul of man, while it is predominant and afloat, and just in the critical height of it, nick it with some lucky or unlucky word, and you may certainly over-rule it.

South, Serns. ii. 333.

2. To cut in nicks or notches.

His beard they have sing'd off with brands of And ever as it blaz'd they threw on him

Great pails of puddled mire to quench the hair. My master preaches patience, and the while His man with scissars nicks him like a fool. Shaksp. Breaks watchmen's heads, and chairmen's

glasses, And thence proceeds to nicking sashes.

3. To suit, as tallies cut in nicks. Words, nicking and resembling one another, are applicable to different significations.

Camden, Rem. Allusions. 4. To defeat or cozen, as at dice; to disappoint by some trick or unexpected

Why should he follow you? The itch of his affection should not then Have nick'd his captainship at such a point. Shaksp.

NI'CKEL.* n. s. A metal, first described by Mr. Cronstadt in the Swedish Memoirs for the years 1751 and 1754. Chambers. It resembles silver in appearance; is softer than iron; and like iron is malleable, both hot and cold.

NI'CKER.* n. s. [from nick.] One who watches an opportunity to pilfer, or practise some knavish artifice. A low

Did not Pythagoras stop a company of drunken bullies from storming a civil house, by changing the strain of the pipe to the sober spondæus? And yet your modern musicians want art to defend their windows from common nickers.

Arbuthnot and Pope, Mart. Scrib. NI'CKNAME. n. s. [nom de nique, French.] A name given in scoff or contempt; a term of derision; an opprobrious or contemptuous appellation.

The time was when men were had in price for learning; now letters only make men vile. He is upbraidingly called a poet, as if it were a contemptible nickname.

My mortal enemy hath not only falsely surmised me to be a feigned person, giving me nicknames, but also hath offered large sums of money to corrupt the princes with whom I have been Bacon, Hen. VII.

So long as her tongue was at liberty, there was not a word got from her, but the same nickname in derison. L'Estrange.

To Ni'ckname. v. a. To call by an opprobrious appellation. You nickname virtue vice ;

For virtue's office never breaks men's troth.

Shakspeare. Less seem these facts which treasons nickname force, Than such a fear'd ability for more. Denham.

ICO'TIAN.* n. s. [French.] Tobacco; first sent into France by Nicot, the maker of the great French dictionary, in the year 1560, when he was embassador leger in Portugal. Cotgrave, Bullokar, and Sherwood. Not now in use. Your Nicotian is good too.

B. Jonson, Every Man in his Humour.

NICO'TIAN. * adj. Denoting tobacco.

This gourmand sacrifices whole hecatombs to his paunch, and whiffs himself away in Nicotion incense to the idol of his vain intemperance. Bp. Hall, St. Paul's Combat.

To NI'CTATE. v. a. [nicto, Latin.] To wink.

There are several parts peculiar to brutes, which are wanting in man; as the seventh or suspensory muscle of the eye, the nictating membrane, and the strong aponeuroses on the sides of the neck.

NICTA'TION.* n. s. [nictatio, Latin.] A twinkling of the eve. Cockeram. Ni'ctitating Membrane.* In anatomy, a

thin membrane which covers the eyes of several creatures; defending them without a total obstruction of vision. The observation may be repeated of the muscle

which draws the nictitating membrane over the eye. Its office is in the front of the eye; but its body is lodged in the back part of the globe, where it lies safe, and where it incumbers nothing. Paley, Nat. Theol. ch. 9.

NIDE. n. s. [nidus, Lat.] A brood: as a

nide of pheasants.

NI'DGET. † n. s. [corrupted from nithing or niding; the opprobrious term with which the man was anciently branded who refused to come to the royal standard in times of exigency. Dr. Johnson. - In colloquial language a nidget is a trifler; and so the old Fr. nigeur, which Cotgrave renders "a fop, a nidget, a trifler;" and we had formerly the substantive nidgeries for fooleries.] coward; a dastard.

There was one true English word of as great, if not greater force than them all, now out of all use, - it signifieth no more than abject, base-minded, false-hearted, coward, or nidget. Camden, Rem.

NIDIFICA'TION. n. s. [nidificatio, Latin.] The act of building nests.

That place, and that method of nidification, doth abundantly answer the creature's occasions.

Derham

NI'DING. † n. s. [niðing, Sax.; niding, Su. Goth. a worthless person; from nio, vileness.] A coward; a dastard; a base fellow.

There was one true English word of as great, if not greater force than them all: - it is niding. For when there was a dangerous rebellion against king William Rufus, and Rochester castle, then the most important and strongest fort of this realm, was stoutly kept against him; after that he had but proclaimed that his subjects should repair 2. Sparing; wary. thither to his camp, upon no other penalty, but that whoever refused to come should be reputed a niding; they swarmed to him immediately from all sides. Camden, Rem.

He is worthy to be called a niding, one, the pulse of whose soul beats but faintly towards heaven, as having taken but weak impressions of the image of his Maker, who will not run and reach his hand to bear up his temple.

NI'DOUR.* n. s. [nidor, Latin; nideur, French.] Scent; savour.

When the flesh-pots reek, and the uncovered dishes send forth a nidor and hungry smells.

Bp. Taylor, Serm. p. 211.

And again, of περί την δλην δαίμονες — The material demons do strangely gluttonize upon the nidours and blood of sacrifices.

Hallywell, Melampron. (1681,) p. 102.

NI'DOROUS. adj. [nidoreux, from nidor, Lat. Resembling the smell or taste of roasted fat.

Incense and nidrous smells, such as of sacrifices, were thought to intoxicate the brain, and to dispose men to devotion; which they may do by a kind of contristation of the spirits, and partly also by heating and exalting them.

The signs of the functions of the stomach being depraved, are eructations with the taste of the aliment, acid, nidorose, or fœtid, resembling the taste Arbuthnot.

of rotten eggs.

NIDORO'SITY. n. s. [from nidorous.] Eructation with the taste of undigested roast-

The cure of this nidorosity is, by vomiting and Floyer on the Humours. To NI'DULATE. * v. n. [nidulor, Lat.] To build a nest. Not in use. Cockeram.

NIDULA'TION. n. s. [nidulor, Lat.] The time of remaining in the nest.

The ground of this popular practice might be the common opinion concerning the virtue prognostick of these birds; as also, the natural regard . they have unto the winds, and they unto them again; more especially remarking in the time of their nidulation, and bringing forth their young. Brown, Vulg. Err.

NIECE. n. s. [niece, niepce, French; neptis, Latin.] The daughter of a brother or

sister.

My niece Plantagenet, Led in the hand of her kind aunt of Gloster. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

While he thus his niece bestows, About our isle he builds a wall.

NI'FLE.* n. s. [nifle, Norm. Fr. a thing of no value.] A trifle. Yet used in Lan- NI'GGARDLY. adv. Sparingly; parsi-

He served them with nifles and with fables. Chaucer, Sompn. Tale.

NI'GGARD. n. s. [niuggr, Icelandick.] A miser; a curmudgeon; a sordid, avaricious; parsimonious fellow.

Then let thy bed be turned from fine gravel to weeds or mud. Let some unjust niggards make weres to spoil thy beauty.

Be not a niggard of your speech.

Shakspeare, Macbeth.

Serve him as a grudging master, As a penurious niggard of his wealth. Milton. Be niggards of advice on no pretence; For the worst avarice is that of sense. Pope.

NI'GGARD. adj. 1. Sordid; avaricious; parsimonious.

One she found With all the gifts of bounteous nature crown'd, Of gentle blood; but one whose niggard fate Had set him far below her high estate. Dryden.

Most free of question, but to our demands Niggard in his reply. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

To NI'GGARD. v. a. [from the noun.] To stint; to supply sparingly.

The deep of night is crept upon our talk, And nature must obey necessity Which we will niggard with a little rest.

Shakspeare.

Howell, Instruct. For. Trav. p. 229. NI'GGARDISE.* n. s. [from niggard.] Niggardliness; avarice.

For he, whose daies in wilfull woe are worne, The grace of his Creator doth despise, That will not use his gifts for thanklesse nigardise.

Spenser, F. Q. iv. viii. 15. The niggardise and miserable wretchedness of the stewards will not afford it.

Favour, Antiq. Trav. over Novelty, (1619,) p. 516. 'Twere pity thou by niggardise should'st thrive, Whose wealth by waxing craveth to be spent; For which thou of the wisest shall be shent, Like to some rich churl hoarding up his pelf, Both to wrong others, and to starve himself.

Drayton, Legend of Matilda. NI'GGARDISH. † adj. [from niggard.] Having some disposition to avarice.

Barret, Alv. (1580.) NI'GGARDLINESS. † n. s. [from niggardly.]

Avarice; sordid parsimony. Oh damnable niggardliness of vain men, that shames the Gospel, and loses Heaven!

Bp. Hall, Contempl. B. 4. Niggardliness is not good husbandry; nor generosity, profusion. Addison, Spect.

NI'GGARDLY. adj. [from niggard.]

1. Avaricious; sordidly parsimonious.

Where the owner of the house will be bountiful, it is not for the steward to be niggardly. Bp. Hall.

Love a penurious god, very niggardly of his opportunities, must be watched like a hard-hearted

Why are we so niggardly to stop at one fifth? Why do we not raise it one full moiety, and double our money? Locke.

Providence, not niggardly but wise, Here lavishly bestows, and there denies, That by each other's virtues we may rise. Granville

Tiberius was noted for his niggardly temper; he used only to give to his attendants their diet. , Arbuthnot on Coins.

2. Sparing; wary.

I know your mind, and I will satisfy it; neither will I do it like a niggardly answerer, going no farther than the bounds of the question.

moniously.

I have long loved her, followed her, ingross'd opportunities to meet her; feed every slight occasion that could but niggardly give me sight of her.

Shakspeare, M. W. of Windsor.

NI'GGARDNESS.† n. s. [from niggard.] Avarice; sordid parsimony.

All preparations, both for food and lodging, such as would make one detest niggardness, it is Against him that is a niggard of his meat the | To NIGH.* v. a. To come near to; to so sluttish a vice.

whole city shall murmur; and the testimonies of his niggardness shall not be doubted of.

Ecclus. xxi. 24. NI'GGARDSHIP.* n. s. [from niggard.] Avarice. Not in use. Huloet, and Barret. This was but misery and wretched niggardship in a man of such honour.

Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 198. NI'GGARDY.* n. s. Niggardness. Obsolete. Disdeigneth all covetise,

And hateth all nigardie. Gower, Conf. Am. B. 5. To NIGGLE.* v. n. [probably from the French niger, to trifle, to play the fool. Cotgrave. To play with; to trifle with Take heed, daughter,

You niggle not with your conscience, and religion, In styling him an innocent, from your fear And shame to accuse yourself.

Massinger, Emp. of the East. To Ni'GGLE.* v. a. To mock; to play on contemptuously.

I shall so niggle ye,

Reaum. and Fl. Pilgrim. And juggle ye. NI'GGLER.* n. s. [from niggle.] One who is clever and dextrous. North. Grose. NIGH. + prep. [newha, Gath. neah, neh,

Sax.; and so nee, in old Engl. At no great distance from. They shone

Stars distant, but nigh hand seem'd other worlds. Milton, P. L.

Nigh this recess, with terrour they survey, Where death maintains his dread tyrannick sway.

NIGH. adv.

1. Not at a great distance, either in time or place, or course of events: when it is used of time, it is applied to time future. He was sick nigh unto death. Phil. ii. 27.

2. To a place near. Mordecai sent letters both nigh and far.

Esther, ix. 20. He drew nigh, and to me held,

Ev'n to my mouth, of that same fruit held part Which he had pluck'd. Milton, P. Milton, P. L. I will defer that anxious thought,

And death by fear shall not be nigher brought.

3. Almost; as, he was nigh dead. NIGH. adj.

1. Near; not distant; not remote: either in time or place.

When the fig-tree - putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh. St. Matt. xxiv. 32. The loud tumult shews the battle nigh. Prior. Now too nigh the archangel stood.

Milton, P. L. 2. Allied closely by blood.

He committed the protection of his son Asanes to two of his nigh kinsmen and assured friends. Knolles.

His uncle or uncle's son, or any that is nigh of kin unto him of his family, may redeem him. Lev. xxv. 49.

To Night v. n. [nehpan, Saxon, to approach. To approach; to advance; to

Whanne he had entrid into Capernaum, the centurien neighede to him, and priede him, and seid, Lord, my child lijth in the hous syke on the Wicliffe, St. Matt. viii.

The joyous time now nigheth fast. Spenser, Shep. Cal. March.

The dewy night now doth nye, I hold it best for us home to hye.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. May. Now day is done, and night is nighing fast. Spenser, Epithalam.

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touch: to nigh a thing, is to be close to it; to touch it. North. Grose.

Love gan nigh me nere.

Chaucer, Rom. R. ver. 1775. They shall never nigh it nere. Ibid. ver. 2003. A knave catchpoll nyghed us nere.

Old Morality of Hycke-Scorner.
But Cloudesley cleft the apple in twaine.

But Cloudesley cleft the apple in twaine, His son he did not nec.

Old Song of Adam Bell, &c. Percy, i. ii. 1.

NI'GHLY. adv. [from nigh the adject.]

Nearly; within a little.

A man born blind, now adult, was taught by his touch to distinguish between a cube and a sphere of the same metal, and nighty of the same bigness,

Locke.

NI'GHNESS.† n. s. [from nigh.] Nearness; Proximity.

He could not prevail with her to come back; till about four years after, when the garrison of Oxon was surrendered, (the nighness of her father's house to which having for the most part of the mean time hindered any communication between them,) she of her own accord returned.

A. Wood, Acc. of Milton, Fast. Ox. under 1635.

NIGHT. n. s. [nauts, Gothick; niht, Sax.; nuit, Fr.]

1. The time of darkness; the time from sun-set to sun-rise.

The duke of Cornwall, and Regan his dutchess, will be here this night. Shakspeare, K. Lear. In the morning he shall devour the prey, and a night divide the spoil.

Gen. xlix. 27.

might divide the spoil.

Let them sleep, let them sleep on,
Till this stormy night be gone,
And the eternal morrow dawn;
Then the curtains will be drawn;
And they waken with that light,
Whose day shall never sleep in night.
Dire Tisiphone there keeps the ward,
Girt in her sanguine gown by night and day,
Observant of the souls that pass the downward
way.

Druden.

 The end of the day of life; death. She clos'd her eyes in everlasting night. Dryden.

State or time of ignorance or obscurity.
 When learning, after the long Gothick night,
 Fair o'er the western world diffus'd her light.

4. State of being not understood; unintelligibility.

Nature and Nature's works lay hid in night.

5. It is much used in composition.

To NIGHT. adverbially. In this night; at this night.

There came men in hither to-night of the children of Israel, to search out the country.

Josh. ii. 2.

NI'GHTBIRD.* n. s. [night and bird.] A bird that flies only in the night.

Lurkinge nightbyrds that fle the lyghte. Confut. of N. Shaxton, (1546,) sign. E. iii. b. He hates to be a nightbird any longer, but boldly flies forth, and looks upon the face of the sun.

Bp. Hall, Contempt. B. 4. There be a sort of birds that fly only in the night, called from thence nightbirds and nightravens, which are afraid of light, as an enemy to spy, to assault, or betray them.

Hammond, Works, iv. 658.

NI'GHTBORN.* adj. [night and born.] Produced in darkness.
And in his mercy did his power oppose,

Gainst Errour's night-born children.

Mir. for Mag, p. 784.

My solemn nightborn adjuration hear; Hear, and I'll raise thy spirit from the dust, While the stars gaze on this enchantment new. Young, Night Th. 9.

NIGHTBRA'WLER. n. s. [night and brawler.]
One who raises disturbances in the night.
You unlace your reputation,
And spend your rich opinion for the name

Of a nightbrawler. Shakspeare, Othello.

NI'GHTCAP. n. s. [night and cap.] A cap worn in bed, or in undress.

The rabblement houted, and clapt their chopt hands, and threw up their sweaty night-caps.

Shakspeare, Jul. Cas.

Great mountains have a perception of the disposition of the air to tempests sooner than the vallies below; and therefore they say in Wales, when certain hills have their night-caps on, they mean mischief.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

How did the humbled swain detest His prickly beard and hairy breast! His night-cap border'd round with lace, Could give no softness to his face.

NI'GHTCROW. n. s. [night and crow; nycticorax, Lat.] A bird that cries in the

The owl shriek'd at thy birth, an evil sign; The night-crow cry'd, a boding luckless time.

NI'GHTDEW. n. s. [night and dew.] Dew that wets the ground in the night.

All things are hush'd, as nature's self lay dead, The mountains seem to nod their drowsy head; The little birds in dreams their songs repeat, And sleeping flowers beneath the night-dew sweat; Ev'n lust and envy sleep.

Dryden, Ind. Emp.

NI'GHTDOG. n. s. [night and dog.] A dog that hunts in the night. Used by deer-stealers.

When night-dogs run, all sorts of deer are chased.

NI'GHTDRESS. n. s. [night and dress.] The dress worn at night.

The fair ones feel such maladies as these,

When each new night-dress gives a new disease.

NI'GHTED. adj. [from night.] Darkened; clouded; black. It was great ignorance, Gloster's eyes being out,

To let him live: Edmund, I think, is gone;
In pity of his misery to dispatch
His nighted life.

Shakspeare, K. Lear.

Good Hamlet, cast thy nighted colour off,
And let thine eye look like a friend on Denmark.

Shakspeare.

NI'GHTFALL.* n. s. [night and fall.] The close of day; the beginning of night. Swift somewhere uses this word.

NIGHTFA'RING. n. s. [night and fare.] Travelling in the night.

Will-a-Wisp misleads night-faring clowns,
O'er hills, and sinking bogs, and pathless downs.

Gau.

NI'GHTFIRE. n. s. [night and fire.] Ignis fatuus; Will-a-Wisp. Foolish night-fires, women's and children's

Foolish night-fires, women's and children's wishes,
Chases in arras, gilded emptiness:

Chases in arras, gilded emptiness: These are the pleasures here.

These are the pleasures here.

Ni'GHTFLY. n. s. [night and fly.] Moth that flies in the night.

Why rather, sleep, ly'st thou in smoaky cribs, And hush't with huzzing night-files to thy slumber; Than in the perfum'd chambers of the great, And lull'd with sounds of sweetest melody?

Nightfou'ndered. adj. [from night and founder.] Lost or distressed in the night.

Either some one like us night-foundered here, Or else some neighbour woodman, or at worst, Some roving robber calling to his fellows.

Ni'GHTGOWN. n. s. [night and gown.] A loose gown used for an undress.

Since his majesty went into the field,
I have seen her rise from her bed, throw
Her night-gown upon her. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

They have put me in a silk night-gown, and a gaudy fool's cap.

Addison, Guardian.
To meagre muse-rid mope, adust and thin,

In a dun night-gown of his own loose skin. Pope.
NI'GHTHAG. n. s. [night and hag.] Witch
supposed to wander in the night.

Nor uglier follows the night-hag, when called In secret, riding through the air she comes Lur'd with the smell of infant-blood, to dance With Lapland witches. Milton, P. L.

NI'GHTINGALE.† n. s. [Sax. nihrezale; from night, and zalan, to sing. In Chaucer, this bird is said to crie and gale. See the second sense of To Gale.]

 A small bird that sings in the night with remarkable melody; philomel.
 I think,

The nightingale, if she should sing by day,
When every goose is cackling, would be thought
No better a musician than the wren. Shakspeare

Although the wezon, throtle, and tongue, be the instruments of voice, and by their agitations concur in those delightful modulations, yet cannot we assign the cause unto any particular formation; and I perceive the nightingale hath some disadvantage in the tongue.

Brown.

Thus the wise nightingale that leaves her home, Pursuing constantly the cheerful spring, To foreign groves does her old musick bring,

2. A word of endearment.

My nightingale!
We'll beat them to their beds.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop.
Ni'GHTISH.* adj. [from night.] Belonging
to the night; attached to the night.
When hawks shall dread the silly fowl.

And men esteem the nightish owl.

Turbervile, Sonn. (1567.)

NI'GHTLY.† adj. [from night, Sax. nihché.]
Done by night; acting by night; happening by night.

May the stars and shining moon attend Your nightly sports, as you vouchsafe to tell What nymphs they were who mortal forms excel.

Soon as the flocks shook off the nightly dews,
Two swains, whom love kept wakeful and the
muse,

Pour'd o'er the whit'ning vale their fleecy care.

Pope.

NI'GHTLY. adv. [from night.]
1. By night.

Let all things suffer,
Ere we will eat our meal in fear, and sleep
In the affliction of those terrible dreams
That shake us nightly. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

Thee, Sion! and the flowery brooks beneath,
That wash thy hallow'd feet, and warbling flow,
Nightly I visit.

Milton, P. L.

2. Every night.

Soon as the evening shades prevail, The moon takes up the wondrous tale, And nightly to the list'ning earth Repeats the story of her birth. Add:

Repeats the story of her birth. Addison, Spect.

NI'GHTMAN. n. s. [night and man.] One
who carries away ordure in the night.

NI'GHTMARE.† n. s. [night, and according to Temple, mara, a spirit that, in

torment or suffocate sleepers. Su. Goth. mara, a spectre of the night; maere, Germ. one of the fates; from marren, to disturb. Serenius. Ihre is very doubtful as to the origin of this word. Some consider it as the plural of mai, a maid; an appellation of the fates. Our common people call the night-mare, witchriding: the French coque-mare, with a similar allusion.] A morbid oppression in the night, resembling the pressure or weight upon the breast.

Saint Withold footed thrice the would, He met the nightmare, and her name he told; Bid her alight, and her troth plight.

Shakspeare, K. Lear. The forerunners of an apoplexy are, dullness, drowsiness, vertigoes, tremblings, oppressions in Arbuthnot on Aliments. sleep, and night-mares.

NI'GHTPIECE. n. s. [night and piece.] A picture so coloured as to be supposed seen by candle light; not by the light of the day.

He hung a great part of the wall with nightpieces, that seemed to show themselves by the candles which were lighted up; and were so inflamed by the sun-shine which fell upon them, that I could scarce forbear crying out fire.

NI'GHTRAIL. † n. s. [night and rezl, Saxon, a gown or robe.] A loose cover thrown over the dress at night.

To survey Embroider'd petticoats; and, sickness feign'd, That your nightrails of forty pounds a-piece Might be seen with envy of the visitants.

Massinger, City Madam. An antiquary will scorn to mention a pinner or night-rail; but will talk as gravely as a father of the church on the vitta and peplus.

Addison on Medals. NIGHT-RA'VEN. n. s. [night and raven; nycticorax.] A bird supposed of ill omen, that cries loud in the night.

The ill-fac'd owl, death's dreadful messenger, The hoarse night-raven, trump of doleful drere.

I pray his bad voice bode no mischief: I had as lief have heard the night-raven, Come what plague would have come after it.

Shakspeare. NIGHTRE'ST.* n. s. [night and rest.] Repose of the night.

Domestick awe, night-rest, and neighbourhood. Shakspeare, Tim. of Athens.

NIGHTRO'BBER. n. s. [night and robber.] One who steals in the dark.

Highways should be fenced on both sides, whereby thieves and night-robbers might be more easily pursued and encountered.

Spenser on Ireland. NI'GHTRULE. † n. s. [night and rule; supposed to be a corruption of revel, formerly written reuel. See also Mis-RULE.] A frolick of the night.

How now, mad spirit? What night-rule now about this haunted grove?

Shakspeare, Mids. N. Dream.

Ni'GHTSHADE. † n. s. [nihtreaba, Saxon.] 1. A plant of two kinds ; 1. Common nightshade. [solanum.] 2. Deadly nightshade. Miller. [belladonna.] And I ha' been plucking (plants among)

Hemlock, henbane, adder's tongue, Nightshade, moonwort, libbards-bane,

B. Jonson, Masques.

the northern mythology, was related to 2. The darkness of the night. Not in use. Through the darke night-shade herselfe she drew from sight. Phædr. Tr. of Virgil, (1562,) Æn. 2.

> NIGHTSHI'NING. adj. [night and shine.] Shewing brightness in the night.

None of these noctiluca, or night-shining bodies, have been observed in any of the antient sepul-Wilkins, Dædalus.

NI'GHTSHRIEK. n. s. [night and shriek.] A cry in the night.

I have almost forgot the taste of fears: The time has been, my senses would have cool'd To hear a night-shriek; and my fell of hair Would at a dismal treatise rouse and stir, Shakspeare, Macbeth. As life were in't.

NI'GHTSPELL.* n. s. [night and spell.] A charm against the accidents of the

I crouch thee from elves, and from wightes: Therewith the nightspel said he anon rightes.

Chaucer, Mill. Tale. Spell is a kind of verse or charme, that in elder times they used often to say over every thing that they would have preserved, as the nightspell for thieves, and the woodspell.

E. K. on Spenser's Shep. Cal. March. NI'GHTTRIPPING. adj. [night and trip.] Going lightly in the night.

Could it be prov'd, That some night-tripping fairy had exchang'd In cradle clothes, our children where they lay, Then would I have his Harry, and he mine.

NI'GHTVISION.* n. s. [night and vision.] A vision of the night.

Then was the secret revealed unto Daniel in a Dan. ii. 19. night-vision.

NI'GHTWAKING.* adj. [night and wake.] Watching during the night. Yet, foul night-waking cat, he doth but dally,

While in his holdfast foot the weak mouse panteth. Shakspeare, Rape of Lucrece.

NI'GHTWALK. n. s. [night and walk.] Walk in the night.

If in his night-walk he met with irregular scholars, he took their names, and a promise to appear, unsent for, next morning Walton, Life of Sanderson.

NI'GHTWALKER. n. s. [night and walk.] One who roves in the night upon ill designs.

Men that hunt so, be privy stealers, or night-Ascham. walkers.

NI'GHTWALKING.* adj. [night and walking.] Roving in the night.

They shall not need bereafter, in old cloaks and false beards, to stand to the courtesy of a nightwalking cudgeller for eaves-dropping.

Milton, Animadv. Rem. Defence. NI'GHTWALKING.* n. s. The act of walking in sleep; noctambulation.

After hard meats, it [sleep] increaseth fearful dreams, incubus, night-walking, crying out, and much unquietness. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 88.

NIGHTWA'NDERER.* n. s. [night and wander.] One that wanders by night. Huloet.

Or 'stonish'd as night-wanderers often are. Shakspeare, Ven. and Adon. Every body will be ready to take him up for a night-wanderer, and to chastise him for being out More, Conj. Cabb. p. 201. of his way. A wandering fire,

Compact of unctuous vapour, which the night Condenses, and the cold environs round, Kindled through agitation to a flame, (Which oft, they say, some evil spirit attends,) Hovering, and blazing, with delusive light, Misleads the amaz'd night-wanderer from his way. Milton, P. L.

NIGHTWA'NDERING.* adj. [night and wander.] Roving in the night. Night-wandering weesels shriek to see him there.

Shakspeare, Rape of Lucrece. NIGHTWA'RBLING. adj. [night and warble.]

Singing in the night. Now is the pleasant time,

The cool, the silent, save where silence yields To the night-warbling bird. Milton, P. L. NI'GHTWARD. adj. [night and ward.] Approaching towards night.

Their night-ward studies, wherewith they close the day's work. Milton on Education.

NI'GHTWATCH. n. s. [night and watch.]
A period of the night as distinguished by change of the watch.

I remember thee upon my bed, and meditate on thee in the night-watches. Psalm lxiii. 6. NI'GHTWATCHER.* n. s. [night and watch.]

One who watches through the night Huloet. upon some ill design. NI'GHTWITCH.* n. s. [night and witch.]

Huloet. A nighthag. NIGRE'SCENT. adj. [nigrescens, Latin.] Growing black; approaching to black-

NIGRIFICA'TION. n. s. [niger and facio,

Lat.] The act of making black. NIHI'LITY. n. s. [nihilité, French, nihilum, Latin. 7 Nothingness; the state of being

Not being is considered as excluding all substance, and then all modes are also necessarily excluded; and this we call pure nihility, or mere Watts, Logick.

To NILL. v. a. [from ne will; nillan, Saxon. 7 Not to will; to refuse; to reject.

Certes, said he, I nill thine offer'd grace, Ne to be made so happy do intend; Another bliss before mine eyes I place,

Another happiness, another end. In all affections she concurreth still; If now, with man and wife to will and nill The self same things, a note of concord be, I know no couple better can agree.

B. Jonson, Epigram. To NILL. * v. n. To be unwilling; not to

Your father hath consented That you shall be my wife; your dowry 'greed on; And will you, nill you, I will marry you.

Shakspeare, Tam. of the Shrew. NILL. n. s. The shining sparks of brass in

trying and melting the ore. To NIM. + v.a. [Goth. niman; Saxon,

To take. In cant, to steal. The old pret. and part. used by Chaucer, is nome, simply for took and taken. To nim is still to take up hastily, in the north of England, according to Grose. Thence goes he to their present,

And there he doth purloyne; For, looking in their plate,

He nimmes away their coyne.

Bp. Corbet's Poems, p. 28. They'll question Mars, and by his look

Detect who 'twas that nimm'd a cloak. Hudibras. They could not keep themselves honest of their fingers, but would be nimming something or other for the love of thieving.

NI'MBLE. adj. [from nim; or numan, Sax. tractable.] Quick; active; ready; speedy; lively; expeditious.

They being nimbler-jointed than the rest, And more industrious, gathered more store.

You nimble lightnings, dart your blinding flames

Into her scornful eyes. Shakspeare, K. Lear. You have dancing shoes

With nimble soles. Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul. His offering soon propitious fire from heaven, Consum'd with nimble glance and grateful steam; The others not, for his was not sincere.

Milton, P. L. Through the mid seas the nimble pinnace sails Aloof from Crete before the northern gales. Pope.

NI'MBLENESS. n. s. [from nimble.] Quickness; activity; speed; agility; readiness; dexterity; celerity; expedition; swiftness.

The hounds were straight uncoupled, and ere long the stag thought it better to trust to the nimbleness of his feet, than to the slender fortification of his lodging.

Himself shewing at one instant both steadiness and nimbleness.

All things are therefore partakers of God; they are his offspring, his influence is in them, and the personal wisdom of God is for that very cause said to excel in nimbleness or agility, to pierce into all intellectual, pure, and subtile spirits, to go through all, and to reach unto every thing.

Racon

We, lying still, Are full of rest, defence, and nimbleness.

Ovid ranged over all Parnassus with great nimbleness and agility; but as he did not much care for the toil requisite to climb the upper part of the hill, he was generally roving about the Addison, Guardian.

NI'MBLESS. † n.s. Nimbleness. Seemed those little angels did uphold

The cloth of state, and on their purpled wings Did beare the pendants through their nimblesse bold. Spenser, F. Q. v. ix. 29.

NI'MBLE-WITTED. adj. [nimble and wit.]

Quick; eager to speak. Sir Nicholas Bacon, when a certain nimblewitted counsellor at the bar, who was forward to speak, did interrupt him often, said unto him, There is a great difference betwixt you and me;

a pain to me to speak, and a pain to you to hold NI'MBLY. adv. [from nimble.] Quickly; speedily; actively.

He capers nimbly in a lady's chamber, To the lascivious playing of a lute.

your peace.

Shakspeare, Rich. III.

The air Nimbly and sweetly recommends itself. Shaksp. Most legs can nimbly run, though some be Davies.

The liquor we poured from the crystals, and set it in a digesting furnace to evaporate more

NI'MIETY. + n. s. [nimietas, school Latin.] The state of being too much.

They become, though never so good, by their nimiety fastidious.

Instruct. for Oratory, (1682,) p. 56.

NI'MMER. † n. s. [from nim.] A thief; a pilferer.

Blank schemes to discover nimmers.

Hudibras, ii. iii.

NI'NCOMPOOP. n. s. [A corruption of the Latin non compos.] A fool; a trifler. An old ninnyhammer, a dotard, a nincompoop, is the best language she can afford me. Addison.

NINE. n.s. [niun, Gothick; nigon, Sax.] One more than eight; one less than ten.

The weird sisters, Thus do go about, about, Thrice to thine, and thrice to mine, And thrice again to make up nine.

At ninety nine a modern and a dunce. Pope. NINE.* adj. Five and four.

Shaksneare, Macheth.

A thousand scruples may startle at first, and

yet in conclusion prove but a nine days' wonder. L'Estrange. The faults are nine in ten owing to affectation,

and not to the want of understanding.

NI'NEFOLD. † adj. [nine and fold.] Nine times; any thing nine times repeated. This huge convex of fire,

Outrageous to devour, immures us round Ninefold. Milton, P. L.

NI'NEHOLES.* n.s. [nine and hole.] game; in which nine holes are made in the ground, into which a pellet is to be bowled.

At nineholes on the heath while they together Drayton, Polyolb. S. 14. play.

NINE Men's Morris.* See the second sense of Morris.

NI'NEPENCE. n. s. [nine and pence.] A silver coin valued at nine-pence. Three silver pennies, and a ninepence bent.

Gay, Past. NI'NEPINS. n. s. [nine and pin.] A play where nine pieces of wood are set up on the ground to be thrown down by a howl.

A painter made blossoms upon trees in December, and school-boys playing at nine-pins upon ice in July.

For as when merchants break, o'erthrown Like ninepins they strike others down. Hudibras. NI'NESCORE. adj. [nine and score.] Nine

times twenty. Eugenius has two hundred pounds a year; but never values himself above nine-score, as not thinking he has a right to the tenth part, which he always appropriates to charitable uses.

Addison, Spect. NI'NETEEN. adj. [nizoncyne, Sax.] Nine and ten; one less than twenty.

Nineteen in twenty of perplexing words might be changed into easy ones, such as occur to ordinary men. Swift.

NI'NETEENTH. adj. [nizonceoða, Saxon.] The ordinal of nineteen; the ninth after the tenth. In the nineteenth year of king Nebuchadnezzar

king of Babylon, came Nebuzaradan. 2 Kings, xxv. 8.

NI'NETY. adj. [hunbnizontiz, Sax.] Nine times ten.

Enos lived ninety years and begat Cainan.

NINTH. adj. [nizoča, Sax.] That which precedes the tenth; the first after the eighth; the ordinal of nine.

Upon a strict observation of many, I have not found any that see the ninth day,

Brown, Vulg. Err. NI'NTHLY.* adv. [from ninth.] In the ninth place. Sherwood.

Nı'netieth. adj. [hunbnizonteozoða, Sax.] The ordinal of ninety; the tenth nine times told.

NI'NNY. n. s. [nino, a child, Spanish.] A fool; a simpleton.

What a pied ninny's this? Shakspeare, Tempest. The dean was so shabby and look'd like a ninny,

That the captain suppos'd he was curate. Swift. NI'NNYHAMMER. n. s. [from ninny.] A simpleton.

Have you no more manners than to rail at Hocus, that has saved that clod-pated, numskulled, ninny-hammer of yours from ruin, and all his family? Arbuthnot, John Bull.

To NIP. v. a. [nijpen, Teut.]

1. To pinch off with the nails; to bite with the feeth.

In oranges and lemons, the nipping of their rind giveth out their smell more. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

2. To cut off by any slight means.

The small shoots that extract the sap of the most leading branches, must be nipt off. Mortimer. 3. To blast; to destroy before full growth.

This is the state of man; to day he puts forth The tender leaves of hopes, to-morrow blossoms, And bears his blushing honours thick upon him; The third day comes a frost, a killing frost; And when he thinks, good easy man, full surely His greatness is a ripening, nips his root; And then he falls as I do. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

A flower doth spread and dye, Thou would'st extend me to some good, Before I were by frost's extremity nipt in the bud,

His delivery now proves
Abortive, as the first-born bloom of spring, Nipt with the lagging rear of winter's frost.

Milton, S. A. Had he not been nipped in the bud, he might have made a formidable figure in his own works among posterity.

From such encouragement it is easy to guess to what perfection I might have brought this work, had it not been nipt in the bud.

4. To pinch as frost.

The air bites shrewdly, it is very cold -It is a nipping and an eager air.

Shakspeare, Hamlet.

When icicles hang by the wall, And Dick the shepherd blows his nail: When blood is nipt, and ways be foul, Then nightly sings the staring owl.

Shakspeare, Love's L. Lost. 5. To vex; to bite.

Arbuthnot, John Bull.

And sharp remorse his heart did prick and nip, That drops of blood thence like a well did play,

6. To satirise; to ridicule; to taunt sarcastically. But the right gentle mind would bite his lip

To hear the javel so good men to nip.

Spenser, Hubb. Tale. Quick wits commonly be in desire new-fangled; in purpose unconstant; bold with any person; busy in every matter; soothing such as be present, nipping any that is absent. Ascham, Schoolmaster.

NIP. n. s. [from the verb.] 1. A pinch with the nails or teeth.

I am sharply taunted, yea, sometimes with pinches, nips, and bobs. Ascham, Schoolmaster. 2. A small cut.

What this a sleeve? 'tis like a demicannon; What up and down carv'd like an apple-tart? Here's snip, and nip, and cut, and slish, and slash,

Like to a censer in a barber's shop. Shakspeare.

3. A blast. So hasty fruits and too ambitious flowers,

Scorning the midwifry of ripening show'rs, In spite of frosts, spring from the unwilling earth, But find a nip untimely as their birth. Stepney.

4. A taunt; a sarcasm. NI'PPER. n. s. [from nip.] A satirist.

Out of use. Ready backbiters, sore nippers, and spiteful reporters privily of good men. Ascham.

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NI'PPERKIN.* n. s. [Aleman. nap, nap- | NI'THING. n. s. [or niding; see NIDING.] pekin; Sax. nappe, hnæp; Belg. nap, nappe; Fr. hanap: Ital. nappo; cyathus, poculum.] A little cup; a small tank-

NI'PPERS. n. s. [from nip.] Small pincers. NI'PPINGLY. adv. [from nip.] With bitter

NI'PPLE. n. s. [nypele, Saxon.]

1. The teat; the dug; that which the sucking young take into their mouths. The babe that milks me, -

I would, while it was smiling in my face, Have pluckt my nipple from his boneless gums.

In creatures, that nourish their young with milk, are adapted the nipples of the breast to the mouth and organs of suction. Ray on the Creation-

2. It is used by Chapman of a man.

As his foe went then suffis'd away, Thoas Ætolius threw a dart, that did his pile

Above his nipple, through his lungs. Chapman.

3. The orifice at which any animal liquor is separated.

In most other birds there is only one gland, in which are divers little cells ending in two or three larger cells, lying under the nipple of the oil bag. Derham, Physico-Theol.

NI'PPLEWORT. n. s. [Lampsana.] A weed. Nis.* [ne is; Sax. nij.] Is not. Obsolete. Leave me those hills, where harbrough nis to Spenser, Shep. Cal. June.

Nisi Prius. n. s. [In law.] A judicial writ, which lieth in case where the inquest is pannelled and returned before the justices of the bank; the one party or the other making petition to have this writ for the ease of the country. It is directed to the sheriff, commanding that he cause the men impannelled to come before the justices in the same county, for the determining of the cause there, except it be so difficult that it need great deliberation: in which case, it is sent again to the bank. It is so called from the first words of the writ nisi apud talem locum prius venerint; whereby it appeareth, that justices of assizes and justices of nisi prius differ. So that justices of nisi prius must be one of them before whom the cause is depending in the bench, with some other good men of the county associated to him.

NIT. † n. s. [hnivu, Saxon.]

1. The egg of a louse, or small animal. The whame, or burrel-fly, is vexatious to horses

in summer, not by stinging them, but only by their bombylious noise, or tickling them in sticking their nits, or eggs, on the hair. Derham, Physico-Theol.

2. [Pompholyx.] A small ash that flies forth of the furnace where brass is melt-Huloet.

NI'TENCY. n. s. [nitentia, Latin.]

1. Lustre; clear brightness.

2. [From the Latin, nitor.] Endeavour; spring to expand itself.

The atoms of fire accelerate the motion of these particles; from which acceleration their spring, or endeavour outward, will be augmented; that is, those zones will have a strong nitency to fly wider

A coward, dastard, poltroon. NI'TID. † adj. [nitidus, Latin.]

1. Bright; shining; lustrous.

We restore old pieces of dirty gold to a clean and nitid yellow, by putting them into fire and aqua fortis, which take off the adventitious filth. Boyle on Colours.

2. Applied to persons, gay, spruce, fine. Amongst these doth the nitid spark spend out his time: this is the gallant's day Reeve, God's Plea for Nieveh, (1657.)

NITRE. n. s. [v/tpov, Gr. nitrum, Lat. nitre, Fr. The salt commonly called saltpetre, as well as nitre; in chemical language, nitrate of potash, that is, composed of the nitrick acid and potash. It is found, in great abundance, in a state of incrustation on the surface of the earth in various parts. Several plants contain nitre. Artificial methods of procuring it are also used.

Some tumultuous cloud, Instinct with fire and nitre, burried him.

Milton, P. L. Some steep their seed, and some in cauldrons boil.

With vigorous nitre, and with lees of oil. Dryden. NI TROGEN.* n. s. [νίτρον and γεννάω or γείνομαι, Gr.] An elastick fluid, invisible, of which, with oxygen, atmospherical air is composed. It bears also the chemical name of azote; and exists in

all animal substances, but is most plentiful in the atmosphere. NITRO'SITY.* n. s. [nitrosité, Fr.] Quality

of nitre. Not in use.

NI'TROUS. adj. [nitreux, Fr. from nitre.] Impregnated with nitre; consisting of nitre.

Earth and water, mingled by the heat of the sun, gather nitrous fatness more than either of

them have severally. The northern air being more fully charged with those particles supposed nitrous, which are the aliment of fire, is fittest to maintain the vital heat in that activity which is sufficient to move such an unwieldy bulk with due celerity.

He to quench his drought so much inclin'd, May snowy fields and nitrous pastures find, Meet stores of cold so greedily pursu'd, And be refresh'd with never-wasting food. Rlackmore.

NI'TRY. adj. [from nitre.] Nitrous. Winter my theme confines; whose nitry wind Shall crust the slabby mire, and kennels bind.

NI'TTILY. adv. [from nitty.] Lousily.
One Bell was put to death at Tyburn for moving a new rebellion; he was a man nittily needy, and therefore adventrous.

Hayward.

NI'TTY. † adj. [from nit.]

1. Abounding with the eggs of lice. Huloet.

I'll know the poor, egregious nitty rascal. B. Junson, Poetaster.

2. An epithet of contempt, perhaps from

O dapper, rare, compleat, sweet nittie youth! Marston, Sat. iii. (1598.)

NI'VAL. adj. [nivalis, Latin.] Abounding with snow. NI'VEOUS. adj. [niveus, Latin.] Snowy; resembling snow.

Cinabar becomes red by the acid exhalation of sulphur, which otherways presents a pure and niveous white.

NI'ZY. † n. s. [from niais. Dr. Johnson. — Whence the Fr. nice, in a contemptuous sense. Kelham mentions the Norm. Fr. nessi, an idiot. A learned writer notices the Heb. nibzeh, a word of reproach, to express the utmost contempt of any man's person; and he says, "if it be considered, that the b of the ancients had a very soft pronunciation in some cases, in all probability the word still lives in our language, and is the same with nisey." Harris on the 53d chap. of Isaiah, p. 102. It may be, however, of the same origin with zany. See ZANY.] A dunce; a simpleton. A low word. True criticks laugh, and bid the trifling nisy

Go read Quintilian.

NO. adv. [na, Saxon.]

1. The word of refusal: contrary to yea or yes.

Our courteous Antony, Whom ne'er the word of no, woman heard speak, Being barber'd ten times o'er, goes to the feast. Shakspeare.

Henceforth my wooing mind shall be exprest, In russet yeas and honest kersey noes. Shaksp. If you will not consider these things now, the time will shortly come when you shall consider them whether you will or no. Calamy, Serm.

2. The word of denial, opposite to concession or affirmation.

I think it would not sort amiss, to handle the question, whether a war for the propagation of the Christian faith, without another cause of hostility, be lawful or no, and in what cases?

Cotgrave, and Sherwood. 3. It sometimes confirms a foregoing negative.

My name's Macbeth: -The devil himself could not pronounce a title More hateful to mine ear .-- No, nor more fearful. Shaksneare.

Never more This hand shall combat on the crooked shore: No: let the Grecian powers, opprest in fight, Unpity'd perish in their tyrant's sight.

Dryden, Homer. 4. It sometimes strengthens a following negative; no not, not even.

No not the bow which so adorns the skies, So glorious is, or boasts so many dies. No. adj.

1. Not any; none.

Let there be no strife between me and thee. Gen. xiii. 8.

Some dire misfortune to portend, No enemy can match a friend. Woman and fool are two hard things to hit, For true no meaning puzzles more than wit. Pope.

No wit to flatter left of all his store,

No fool to laugh at, which he valued more. Pope. No weeping orphan saw his father's stores,

Our shrines irradiate, or imblaze the floors. Pope. Our bard

No common object to your sight displays. Poor Edwin was no vulgar boy. Beattie.

2. It seems an adjective in these phrases, no longer, no more, no where; though sometimes it may be so commodiously changed to not, that it seems an adverb; as, the days are yet no shorter.

When we saw that they were no where, we came to Samuel. 1 Sam. x. 14. In vain I reach my feeble hands to join

In sweet embraces; ab, no longer thine. Dryden.

3. No one; none; not any one.

No one who doeth good to those only from whom he expects to receive good, can ever be fully satisfied of his own sincerity. Smalridge.

Nob.* n.s. The head; in ridicule. A colloquial low word, and perhaps adopted from knob, which see.

To NOBI'LITATE. † v. a. [nobilito, Lat.] To ennoble; to make noble.

Bullokar, and Sherwood.

NOBILITA'TION.* n. s. [from nobilitate.] The act of ennobling.

Both the prerogatives and rights of the Divine Majesty are concerned, and also the perfection, nobilitation, and salvation of the souls of men. More, Antid. against Idolatry, ch. 2.

NOBI'LITY. n. s. [nobilitas, Lat.]

1. Antiquity of family joined with splendour.

When I took up Boccace unawares, I fell on the same argument of preferring virtue to nobility of blood, and titles, in the story of Sigismunda. Dryden.

Long galleries of ancestors Challenge nor wonder, or esteem from me : Virtue alone is true nobility. Dryden.

2. Rank or dignity of several degrees, conferred by sovereigns. Nobility in England is extended to five ranks: duke, marquis, earl, viscount, baron.

3. The persons of high rank; the persons who are exalted above the commons. It is a purpos'd thing, To curb the will of the nobility

Shaksv. Coriol. 4. Dignity; grandeur; greatness.

Though she hated Amphialus, yet the nobility of her courage prevailed over it; and she desired he might be pardoned that youthful errour; considering the reputation he had to be the best knight in the world; so as hereafter he governed himself, as one remembering his fault. Sidney. But ah, my muse, I would thou hadst facility

To work my goddess so by thy invention, On me to cast those eyes where shine nobility

Base men, being in love, have then a nobility in their natures more than is native to them.

Shakspeare, Othello. They thought it great their sovereign to controul.

And nam'd their pride, nobility of soul. Dryden. NO'BLE. † adj. [noble, French; nobilis,

1. Of an ancient and splendid family. Choosing rather to die manfully, than to come into the hands of the wicked, to be abused other-

wise than beseemed his noble birth. 2 Mac. xiv. 42. 2. Exalted to a rank above commonalty.

From virtue first began, The difference that distinguish'd man from man: He claim'd no title from descent of blood, But that which made him noble, made him good.

Dryden. 3. Great; worthy; illustrious: both men and things.

Thus this man died, leaving his death for an example of a noble courage, and a memorial of virtue. 2 Mac. vi. 31.

To vice industrious, but to nobler deeds Timorous. Milton, P. L.

A noble stroke he lifted high,

Which hung not, but with tempest fell.

Milton, P. L. Those two great things that so engross the desires and designs of both the nobler and ignobler sort of mankind, are to be found in religion; namely, wisdom and pleasure, South.

4. Exalted; elevated; sublime.

My share in pale Pyrene I resign, And claim no part in all the mighty nine : Statues, with winding ivy crown'd, belong To nobler poets, for a nobler song.

Dryden. 5. Magnificent; stately: as, a noble parade.

6. Free; generous; liberal; ingenuous. These were more noble than those in Thessa-

lonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind. Acts, xvii. 11. 7. Principal; capital: as, the heart is one

of the noble parts of the body. No'BLE. n. s.

1. One of high rank.

Upon the nobles of the children of Israel he laid not his hand. Exodus. How many nobles then should hold their places,

That must strike sail to spirits of vile sort!

What the nobles once said in parliament, Nolumus leges Angliæ mutari, is imprinted in the

hearts of all the people. Bacon. The nobles amongst the Remans took care in their last wills, that they might have a lamp in their monuments. Wilkins.

See all our nobles begging to be slaves, See all our fools aspiring to be knaves,

It may be the disposition of young nobles, that they expect the accomplishments of a good education without the least expence of time or study. Swift, Mod. Education.

The second natural division of power, is of such men who have acquired large possessions, and consequently dependencies; or descend from ancestors who have left them great inheritances, together with an hereditary authority: these easily unite in thoughts and opinions. Thus commences a great council or senate of nobles, for the weighty affairs of the nation.

Men should press forward in Fame's glorious chase. Nobles look backward, and so lose the race.

2. A coin rated at six shillings and eightpence; the sum of six and eightpence. He coined nobles, of noble, fair, and fine gold.

Many fair promotions

Are daily given, to ennoble those That scarce, some two days since, were worth a Shakspeare.

Upon every writ procured for debt or damage, amounting to forty pounds or more, a noble, that is six shillings and eightpence, is, and usually hath been paid to fine. Bacon.

Noble liverwort. [Hepatica.] A plant. To Noble. * v. a. To ennoble. Not in

Thou nobledest so far forth our nature.

Chaucer, Sec. Nonnes Tale. No'BLEMAN. n. s. [noble and man.] One who is ennobled.

If I blush,

It is to see a nobleman want manners.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. The nobleman is he, whose noble mind Is fill'd with inborn worth. Dryd. Wife of Bath.

No'BLEWOMAN.* n. s. [noble and woman.] A female who is ennobled.

These noblewomen maskers spake good French unto the Frenchmen; which delighted them very much, to hear these ladies speak to them in their own tongue. Cavendish, Life of Wolsey.

No'BLENESS. † n. s. [from noble.]

1. Greatness; worth; dignity; magnani-The nobleness of life

Is to do this; when such a mutual pair, And such a twain can do't.

Any thing That my ability may undergo, And nobleness impose. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. True nobleness would

Learn him forbearance from so foul a wrong.

Shakspeare. He that does as well in private between God and his own soul, as in public, hath given himself a testimony that his purposes are full of honesty, nobleness, and integrity. Bp. Taylor. Greatness of mind, and nobleness, their seat

Build in her loveliest. Milton, P. L. There is not only a congruity herein between the nobleness of the faculty and the object, but also

the faculty is enriched and advanced by the worth of the object. You have not only been careful of my fortune, which was the effect of your nobleness, but you

have been solicitous of my reputation, which is that of your kindness. 2. Splendour of descent; lustre of pedi-

3. Stateliness.

For nobleness of structure, and riches, it [the abbey of Reading] was equal to most in England. Ashmole, Berk. ii. 341.

No'BLESS. † n. s. [noblesse, French.] 1. Nobility. This word is not now used

in any sense. Dr. Johnson. - It certainly was in use, as Mr. Mason also has observed, at the time Dr. Johnson made this remark; and has been since supported by good authorities. See the third sense, as well as the first.

Fair branch of nobless, flower of chivalry, That with your worth the world amazed make.

True noblesse consists in a liberal education, and honourable pursuits and employments, followed even from the cradle. Wealth may confer this, but it must be hereditary, not acquired. The upstart himself, whatever may be his talents or opulence, will seldom have the sentiments and inclinations of a gentleman.

Michell, Principles of Legislation, (1796.)

2. Dignity; greatness.

Thou, whose nobless keeps one stature still, And one true posture, though besieg'd with ill. B. Jonson, Epigr. 102.

3. Noblemen collectively. Let us haste to hear it,

And call the nobless to the audience. Shaks. Haml. I know no reason we should give that advantage to the commonality of England to be foremost in brave actions, which the nobless of France would never suffer in their peasants.

His fancies spread wonderfully among the no-Warburton on Prodigies, p. 90. The intendant of Gascony, among other mag-

nificent festivities, treated the noblesse of the province with a dinner and desert.

Hor. Walpole, World, No. 6. My enquiries and observations did not present to me any incorrigible vices in the noblesse of France.

No'bly. adv. [from noble.]

1. Of ancient and splendid extraction. Only a second laurel did adorn

His colleague Catulus, though nobly born : He shar'd the pride of the triumphal bay,

But Marius won the glory of the day. 2. Greatly; illustriously; magnanimously. Did he not straight the two delinquents tear,

That were the slaves of drink and thralls of sleep? Was not that nobly done? Shakspeare, Macbeth.

This fate he could have 'scap'd, but would not

Honour for life, but rather nobly chose Death from their fears, than safety from his own. Denham.

Shukspeare, Ant. and Cleop. 3. Grandly; splendidly.

There could not have been a more magnificent design than that of Trajan's pillar. Where could an emperor's ashes have been so nobly lodged, as in the midst of his metropolis, and on the top of Addison on Italy. so exalted a monument?

No'Body. n. s. [no and body.] No one;

not any one.

This is the tune of our catch played by the picture of nobody. Shakspeare, Tempest. It fell to Coke's turn, for whom nobody cared, to be made the sacrifice; and he was out of his office.

If in company you offer something for a jest, and nobody seconds you on your own laughter, you may condemn their taste, and appeal to better judgements; but in the mean time you make a very indifferent figure. Swift, Miscell.

No'CENT. † adj. [nocens, Latin.]

1. Guilty; criminal.

The earl of Devonshire being interested in the blood of York, that was rather feared than nocent; yet as one, that might be the object of other plots, remained prisoner in the Tower during the king's Bacon, Hen. VII.

Secretly Catesby resorts to you - to enquire whether it were lawful, considering the necessity of the time, to undertake an enterprise for the advancement of the Catholick religion, though it were likely that, among many that were nocent, some should perish that were innocent.

Ld. Northampt. Proceed. agst. Garnet, (1606,) A a. 2. God made us naked and innocent, yet we pre-

sently made ourselves nocent.

Hewyt, Serm. Chr. Day, p. 74. (1658.) A great scruple arose even in the minds of the most confident assassinates, whether the nocent and the innocent might be destroyed and perish

Bp. Pearson, Serm. (Nov. 5, 1673,) p. 21.

2. Hurtful; mischievous.

His head the midst, well stor'd with subtile

Not yet in horrid shade, or dismal den,

Nor nocent yet; but on the grassy herb, Fearless unfear'd he slept. Mile Milton, P. L. The warm limbeck draws

Salubrious waters from the nocent brood. They meditate whether the virtues of the one will exalt or diminish the force of the other, or correct any of its nocent qualities.

Watts on the Mind.

No'cent.* n. s. One who is criminal.

Not now in use. Catesby, coming unto Garnet, - asketh, whether for the good and promotion of the Catholick cause against hereticks, it be lawful or not, amongst many nocents, to destroy and take away

some innocents also. Sir E. Coke, Proceed. ag. Garnet, (1606,) R. 3. b. No nocent is absolved by the verdict of himself. Brown, Chr. Mor. i. 22,

No'cive. * adj. [nocivus, Lat.] Hurtful;

destructive. Be it that some nocive or hurtful thing be towards us, must fear of necessity follow thereupon? Hooker.

A vow proving either idle, unprofitable, or unjust, or nocive and hurtful to the common good. Sheldon, Mir. of Ant. p. 200

NOCK. † n. s. [nocke, Teut. nocchia, Ital.] 1. A slit; a nick; a notch: as of an arrow,

Huloet. bow, or spindle. The good fleacher that mended his bolte with cutting of the nocke.

Martin, Marr. of Priests, (1554,) Hh. i. b.

2. The fundament. Les fesses.

When the date of nock was out,

Hudibras. Off dropt the sympathetick snout.

To Nock. v. a. To place upon the notch. VOL. II.

Then tooke he up his bow And nockt his shaft, the ground whence all their future griefe did grow.

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Chapman. No'cked. * adj. [from nock.] Notched. Sherwood.

Arrows -

Nockid and featherid aright Chaucer, Rom. R. NOCTAMBULA'TION.* n. s. [nox and ambulo, Latin.] The act of walking in Bailey. sleep.

NOCTA'MBULO. n. s. [nox and ambulo, Latin. One who walks in his sleep.

Respiration being carried on in sleep is no argument against its being voluntary. What shall we say of noctambulos? There are voluntary motions carried on without thought, to avoid pain. Arbuthnot on Air.

Nocti'dial. adj. [noctis and dies, Lat.] Comprising a night and a day.

The noctidial day, the lunar periodick month, and the solar year, are natural and universal; but incommensurate each to another, and difficult to be reconciled.

Nocti'ferous. adj. [nox and fero.] Bringing night. Dict.

NOCTILUCA.* n. s. [Latin; nox, the night, and luceo, to shine.] A kind of phosphorus, shining in the night, without any light thrown upon it.

Nocti'lucous.* adj. [from noctiluca.]

Shining in the night.

This appearance was occasioned by myriads of noctilucous Nereids, that inhabit the ocean, and on every agitation become at certain times apparent, and often remain sticking to the oars; and, like glow-worms, give a fine light. Pennant.

Nocti'vagant. adj. [noctivagas, Lat.] Wandering in the night.

Noctivica'tion.* n. s. [from noctivagus, Lat.] The act of rambling or wandering in the night.

Could he not remember what befel him, when, upon the entrance of his adventures, this vertigo of noctivigation and watching his arms seized him? Gayton on D. Quixote, p. 253.

The townsmen acknowledge 6s. 8d, to be paid for noctivigation.

A. Wood, Life of Himself, p. 274.

No'ctuary. n. s. [from noctus, Lat.] An account of what passes by night.

I have got a parcel of visions and other miscel-lanies in my noctuary, which I shall send to enrich your paper.

No'cturn. n. s. [nocturne, Fr. nocturnus, Lat.] An office of devotion performed in the night.

The reliques being conveniently placed before the church-door, the vigils are to be celebrated that night before them, and the nocturn and the matins for the honour of the saints, whose the Stilling fleet. reliques are.

NOCTU'RNAL. adj. [nocturnus, Lat.] Nightly.

From gilded roofs depending lamps display Nocturnal beams that emulate the day. Dryden.

I beg leave to make you a present of a dream, which may serve to lull your readers till such time as you yourself shall gratify the publick with any of your nocturnal discoveries. Addison.

NOCTU'RNAL. n. s. An instrument by which observations are made in the night.

That projection of the stars which includes all the stars in our horizon, and therefore reaches to the thirty-eighth degree and a half of southern latitude, though its centre is the north pole, gives us a better view of the heavenly bodies as they appear every night to us; and it may serve for a nocturnal, and shew the true hour of the night.

No'cument.* n. s. [nocumentum, Lat.] Harm. Not in use.

All these noyful nocuments are the holy fruites of the whordome of that church. Bale on the Rev. P. ii. (1550,) sign. k. vii.

No'cuous.* adj. [nocuus, Lat.] Noxious;

Though the basilisk be a nocuous creature. Swan, Spec. Mundi, (1635,) p. 487.

To NOD. + v. n. | Of uncertain derivation: νεύω, Gr. nuto, Lat. amneidio, Welsh. Dr. Johnson. - It is the past participle of the Sax. hnizan, caput inclinare. The past tense of hnigan is hnah. By adding to hnah, or nah, the participial termination ed we have nahed, nah'd, nad (a broad) or nod. Mr. H. Tooke, Div. of Purl. ii. 198.7

1. To decline the head with a quick

motion. On the faith of Jove rely,

On the faith of Jove rely,
When nodding to thy suit he bows the sky.

Dryden.

2. To pay a slight bow.

Cassius must bend his body,
If Cæsar carelessly but nod on him. Shakspeure. 3. To bend downwards with quick motion.

When a pine is hewn on the plains, And the last mortal stroke alone remains, Labouring in pangs of death, and threatening all,

This way and that she nods, considering where to Dryden. He climbs the mountain rocks,

Fir'd by the nodding verdure of its brow.

Thomson.

4. To be drowsy.

Your two predecessors were famous for their dreams and visions, and contrary to all other authors, never pleased their readers more than Addison. when they were nodding.

To Nop. * v. a.

1. To bend; to incline. Cleopatra

Hath nodded him to her: He hath given his empire

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. Up to a whore. 2. To shake.

Let every feeble rumour shake your hearts; Your enemies, with nodding of their plumes, Fan you into despair. Shakspeare, Coriol.

Non. n. s. [from the verb.] 1. A quick declination of the head.

Children being to be restrained by the parents only in vicious things; a look or nod only ought to correct them when they do amiss.

Locke on Education.

A mighty king I am, an earthly God; Nations obey my word, and wait my nod:
And life and death depend on my decree. Prior.

2. A quick declination. Like a drunken sailor on a mast,

Ready with every nod to tumble down Into the fatal bowels of the deep.

Shakspeare, Rich. III.

3. The motion of the head in drowsiness. Every drowsy nod shakes their doctrine who teach, that the soul is always thinking. 4. A slight obeisance.

Will he give you the nod?

Shakspeare, Troil. and Cress. Since the wisdom of their choice is rather to

have my cap than my heart, I will practise the insinuating nod, and be off to them most counter-Shakspeare, Coriol.

Noda'Tion. + n.s. [from nodo.] The state of being knotted, or act of making knots. Cockeram.

No'dden.* adj. [from nod.] Bent; declined.

> To the barn the nodden sheaves they drove. Thomson, Cast. of Ind. i. 10.

No'dder. † n. s. [from nod.]

1. One who makes nods.

A set of nodders, winkers, and whisperers, whose business is to strangle all other offspring of wit in their birth.

2. A drowsy person.

We have shown, that, according to Moses his philosophy, the soul is secure both from death, and from sleep after death, which those drowsy nodders over the letter of the Scripture have very oscitantly More, Conj. Cabb. (1653,) Ded.

No'DDLE. n. s. [hnol, Saxon.] A head; in contempt.

Her care shall be

To comb your noddle with a three-legg'd stool. Shakspeare.

Let our wines without mixture, or stain, be all

Or call up the master and break his dull noddle. B. Jonson.

My head's not made of brass,

As friar Bacon's noddle was. He would not have it said before the people, that images are to be worshipped with Latria, but rather the contrary, because the distinctions necessary to defend it are too subtile for their noddles. Stilling fleet.

Come, master, I have a project in my noddle, that shall bring my mistress to you back again, with as good will as ever she went from you.

Why shouldst thou try to hide thyself in youth? Impartial Proserpine beholds the truth;

And laughing at so fond and vain a task, Will strip thy hoary noddle of its mask. Addison.

Thou that art ever half the city's grace, And add'st to solemn noddles, solemn pace.

Fenton. No'ddy.† n. s. [from naudin, Norman,

French.]

1. A simpleton; an idiot.

And he that's not in print they hold a noddy, Because themselves are noddies still in print. Davies, Wit's Pilgr. sign. O. 3. b.

Soft fellows, stark noddies.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 149. The whole race of bawling, fluttering noddies, by what title soever dignified, are a-kin to the ass in this fable. L'Estrange.

2. A game at cards.

Why should not the thrifty and right worshipful game of post and pair content them, or the witty B. Jonson, Masques. invention of noddy? Room for fresh gamesters; here is a chess-board

to my host's noddy-board, Moors and Christians. Gayton, on D. Quix. p. 239.

Node. n. s. [nodus, Latin.]

1. A knot; a knob.

2. A swelling on the bone.

If nodes be the cause of the pain, foment with spirits of wine wherein opium and saffron have been dissolved. Wiseman.

3. Intersection.

All these variations are finished in nineteen years, nearly agreeing with the course of the nodes; i. e. the points in the ecliptic where the moon crosseth that circle as she passeth to her northern or southern latitude; which nodes are called the head and tail of the dragon.

Nodo'sity. † n. s. [nodosité, French, Cotgrave; from nodosus, Latin. 7 Complication; knot.

These the midwife cutteth off, contriving them into a knot close unto the body of the infant; from whence ensueth that tortuosity, or complicated nodosity we call the navel.

Brown, Vulg. Err. It has all the nodosities of the oak without its Johnson, in Boswell's Life of him. Nodo'sous. † adj. [nodosus, Latin. This No'dous.] adj. is not a word in either form, much in use. Cockeram gives nodosous.] Knotty; full of knots.

This is seldom affected with the gout, and when that becometh nodous, men continue not long after. Brown.

NO'DULE. n. s. [nodulus, Latin.] small lump.

Those minerals in the strata, are either found in grains, or else they are amassed into balls, lumps or nodules: which nodules are either of an irregular figure, or of a figure somewhat more regular.

Woodward, Nat. Hist. No'DULED.* adj. [from nodule.] Having little knots or lumps.

Dissect with hammers fine The granite rock; the nodul'd flint calcine.

Darwin, Botan. Garden, P. 1. No'EL.* See Nowel.

Noe'tick.* adj. [vontinos, Greek.] Intellectual; transacted by the understand-

All learning, whether noetick or manual, of book or hand, proceeds from God, who is as truly parent of the one, as of the other.

Waterhouse, Apol. for Learn. (1653,) p. 12. Nog.* n. s. [an abbreviation of noggin.]

1. A little pot. Skinner.

Walpole laid a quart of nog on't, He'd either make a hog or dog on't.

Swift, Plot Discov. 3. Nog of a mill; the little piece of wood, which, rubbing against the hopper, makes the corn fall from it.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood. No'GGEN. adj. Hard; rough; harsh.

He put on a hard, coarse, noggen shirt of Pen-Escape of King Charles.

No'ggin. † n. s. [nossel, German; a pint.] A small mug.

Of drinking cups divers and sundry sorts we have : - some of maple, some of holly : - mazers, broad-mouth'd dishes, noggins, whiskins, pig-

Heywood, Drunkard Opened, &c. (1635,) p. 45. Frog laughed in his sleeve, gave the squire the other noggin of brandy, and clapped him on the

No'GGING.* n. s. [In building.] A partition framed of timber scantlings, with the interstices filled up by bricks. Mason.

Noi'ance. See Noyance. See To Nov. To Noie. Nor'er. † See Nover. Nor'ous. + See Novous.

To NOINT.* v. a. [oint, French; from oindre.] To anoint. Barret.

Nointed with sweet smells and odours. Huloet. NOISE.† n. s. [noise, French; which Menage derives from the Latin, noxia, or noxa, employed in the sense of jurgium, simultas, scolding, strife. Serenius refers it to the Icel. hnya, nistra, stridere.]

1. Any kind of sound.

Noises as of waters falling down, sounded about them, and sad visions appeared unto them.

Wis. xvii. 4. Whether it were a whistling sound, or a melodious noise of birds among the spreading branches, these things made them swoon. Wis. xvii. 18.

Great motions in nature pass without sound or noise. The heavens turn about in a most rapid motion, without noise to us perceived; though in some dreams they have been said to make an excellent musick. Bacon, Nat. Hist. Fear

Shakes your hearts, while through the isle they

A lasting noise, as horrid and as loud As thunder makes, before it breaks the cloud.

2. Outcry: clamour; boasting or importunate talk. What noise have we had about transplantation

of diseases, and transfusion of blood. Baker on Learning.

3. Occasion of talk.

Socrates lived in Athens during the great plague, which has made so much noise through all ages, and never caught the least infection. Addison, Spect.

4. A concert; and those who performed a concert. In both meanings obsolete.

See, if thou canst find out Sneak's noise; Mrs. Tearsheet would fain hear some musick

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. P. II. There be guests and meat now, how shall we do for musick? - The smell of the venison, going through the street, will invite one noise of fidlers or other. B. Jonson, Epicane.

God is gone up with a merry noise. Psalm xlvii. 5.

Divinely warbled voice, Answering the stringed noise. Milton, Ode Nativ. To Noise. v. n. [from the noun.] To sound loud.

Harm Those terrours, which thou speak'st of, did me none:

I never fear'd they could, though noising loud And threatening nigh. Milton, P. R.

To Noise. v. a. To spread by rumour, or

All these sayings were noised abroad throughout all the hill country. St. Luke, i. 65. I shall not need to relate the affluence of young

nobles from hence into Spain, after the voice of our prince's being there had been quickly noised. They might buz and whisper it one to another:

and tacitly withdrawing from the presence of the apostle, they then lift up their voices, and noised it about the city. Bentley.

Noi'seful. † adj. [noise and full.] Loud; clamorous.

A rook-yard in a spring morning is neither so ill, nor noiseful, as is one of these. Feltham, Res. i. 93.

That eunuch, guardian of rich Holland's trade, Whose noiseful valour does no foe invade, And weak assistance will his friends destroy

Dryden. Noi'seless. adj. [from noise.] Silent;

without sound. On our quick'st decrees,

The inaudible and noiseless foot of time Steals, ere we can effect them. .. Shakspee So noiseless would I live such death to find, Shakspeare.

Like timely fruit, not shaken by the wind, But ripely dropping from the sapless bough. Dryden.

Convinc'd, that noiseless piety might dwell In secular retreats, and flourish well.

Noi'siness. n. s. [from noisy.] Loudness of sound; importunity of clamour.

Noi'semaker. n. s. [noise and maker.] No'MAD.* \ adj. [nomade, French; νομάς, Clamourer.

The issue of all this noise is, the making of the noisemakers still more ridiculous. L'Estrange.

NOI'SOME. adj. [noioso, Italian.] 1. Noxious; mischievous; unwholesome.

In case it may be proved, that among the number of rites and orders common unto both, there are particulars, the use whereof is utterly unlawful in regard of some special bad and noisome quality; there is no doubt but we ought to relinquish such rites and orders, what freedom soever we have to retain the other still. Hooker.

The brake and the cockle are noisome too much.

All my plants I save from nightly ill

Of noisome winds, and blasting vapours chill. Milton, Arcades.

Gravisca, noisome from the neighbouring fen, And his own Cære sent three hundred men.

The noisome pestilence, that in open war Terrible, marches through the mid-day air, And scatters death.

2. Offensive; disgusting.

The seeing these effects, will be

Both noisome and infectious. Shakspeare, Cymb. Foul words are but foul wind, and foul wind is but foul breath, and foul breath is noisome.

Shakspeare, Much Ado. The filthiness of his smell was noisome to all his 2 Mac. ix. 9.

An errour in the judgement is like an impostem in the head, which is always noisome and frequently mortal.

Nor'somely. † adv. [from noisome.] With a fetid stench; with an infectious steam. The fir, whereof that coffin is made, yields a

natural redolence, alone; now that it is stuffed thus noisomely, all helps are too little to countervail that scent of corruption.

Bp. Hall, Occas. Medit. § 86.

Noi'someness. n. s. [from noisome.]

Aptness to disgust; offensiveness. Not subject to any foggy noisomeness from fens marshes. Wotton on Architecture. or marshes.

Noisomeness or disfigurement of body.

Milton, Doct. and Disc. of Div. i. 10. A kind of carcass, or piece of noisomeness.

Hammond, Works, iii. 697. If he must needs be seen, with all his filth and noisomeness about him, he promises himself, however, that it will be some allay to his reproach, to be but one of many to march in a troop.

South, Serm.

Nor'sy. adj. [from noise.] 1. Sounding loud.

2. Clamorous; turbulent.

O leave the noisy town, O come and see Our country cots, and live content with me!

Dryden. To noisy fools a grave attention lend. Although he employs his talents wholly in his closet, he is sure to raise the hatred of the noisy

crowd. Noll. n. s. [hnol, Saxon.] A head; a

An ass's noll I fixed on his head. Shakspeare.

NO'LI me tangere. [Latin.]

1. A kind of cancerous swelling, exasperated by applications.

2. A plant.

Noli me tangere may be planted among your Mortimer. flowers for the rarity of it.

NOLI'TION. n. s. [nolitio, Latin.] Unwillingness: opposed to volition.

Proper acts of the will are, volition, nolition, choice, resolution, and command, in relation to subordinate faculties.

No'MADICK. Συομαδικός, Greek, from νέμω, to feed. Rude; savage; having no fixed abode, and shifting it for the convenience of pasturage.

We are glad to find these last and most authentick observations on this nomad tribe, thus

brought together into one view.

On the Journal for Russia, Brit. Crit. (1798.) No'MAD.* n. s. [see the adjective.] A wandering tribe or party. The substantive is old.

Fierce Idumæans, who in nomads stray.

Sandys, Tr. of the Psalms, (1636,) p. 136. No'MANCY. n. s. [nomance, nomancie, Fr. nomen, Latin, and µavleia, Greek.] The art of divining the fates of persons by the letters that form their names. Dict. No'mbles. n. s. The entrails of a deer.

See NUMBLES. Nome.* n. s. [νομὸς, Greek; from νέμω, to feed, and to distribute.]

1. Province; tract of country; an Egyptian

government or division. Zoan or Tanis, the head of a nome, was a most

ancient and famous city of the Delta.

The Student, (1750,) vol. i. p. 343. He told his brethren, that they and his aged father should dwell near him; and he placed them with Pharaoh's own shepherds in the Heliopolitan nome, which bordered on the Red Sea, and of which the metropolis was On, or Heliopolis. - This country, being situated some leagues distant from the banks of the Nile, was not subject to the annual inundations of that river, and therefore was a more proper place of residence for shepherds and the pasturage of flocks, than any other of the Egyptian nomes.

Maurice, Hist. of Hindostan, vol. ii. (1798.)

2. [from nomen, Latin.] In algebra, a simple quantity affixed to some other

quantity by its proper sign.

NOMENCLA'TOR. † n. s. [Latin; nomenclateur, French.] One who calls things or persons by their proper names.

They were driven to have their nomenclators, controllers, or remembrancers, to tell them the names of their servants, and people about them, so many they were. Hakewill on Providence, p. 421.

What, will Cupid turn nomenclator, and cry B. Jonson, Cynthia's Revels. them? There were a set of men in old Rome, called by the name of nomenclators; that is, in English, men who could call every one by his name.

Addison, Guardian, No. 107. Are envy, pride, avarice, and ambition, such ill nomenclators that they cannot furnish appellations for their owners?

Nomencla'tress.* n. s. A female nomenclator.

I have a wife who is a nomenclatoress, and will be ready on any occasion to attend the ladies. Addison, Guard, No. 107.

Nomencla'ture. n. s. [nomenclature, Fr.; nomenclatura, Latin.]

1. The act of naming.

To say where notions cannot fitly be reconciled, that there wanteth a term or nomenclature for it, Bacon, Nat. Hist. is but a shift of ignorance.

2. A vocabulary; a dictionary.

The watry plantations fall not under that nomenclature of Adam, which unto terrestrious animals assigned a name appropriate unto their

NO'MINAL. adj. [nominalis, Latin.] Referring to names rather than to things; not real; titular.

Profound in all the nominal

And real ways beyond them all. The nominal definition, or derivation of the word is not sufficient to describe the nature of it.

The nominal essence of gold is that complex idea the word gold stands for; as a body yellow of a certain weight, malleable, fusible, and fixed. But the real essence is the constitution of the insensible parts of that body on which those qualities depend.

Were these people as anxious for the doctrines essential to the church of England, as they are for the nominal distinction of adhering to its interests.

No'MINAL.* \ n. s. One of the scholasti-No'MINALIST. Cal philosophers, who maintained that words or names only were to be attended to in all logical disquisitions. "They were called nominals, because they held universals to be not res, but nomina." Bp. Morton's Discharge, &c. (1633,) p. 121.

Commentators on Peter Lombard, Scotists,

Thomists, Reals, Nominals.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 677. Superficial men, who cannot get beyond the title of nominals. B. Jonson, Discoveries. The faction now of the nominalists and realists being very rife and frequent in the university.

A. Wood, Ann. Univ. Ox. under the year 1341. To No'MINALIZE. * v. a. [nominalis, Lat.]

To convert into a noun.

Verbs, (where else circumlocution must be used,) nominalized, do admit one termination familiarly. Instruct. for Orat. (1682,) p. 32. No'MINALLY.† adv. [from nominal.] By name; with regard to a name; titularly. This, nominally no tax, in reality comprehends

Burke, Observ. on the State of the Nation, (1769.) To No'MINATE. v.a. [nomino, Latin.]

1. To name; to mention by name.

Suddenly to nominate them all, It is impossible. Shakspeare, Hen. VI. One lady, I may civilly spare to nominate, for her sex's sake, whom he termed the spider of the court.

2. To entitle; to call.

Aread, old father, why of late

Didst thou behight me, born of English blood, Whom all a fairy's son doen nominate. Spenser. To set down; to appoint by name.

If you repay me not on such a day, let the forfeit

Be nominated for an equal pound

Of your fair flesh to be cut off. Shakspeare. Never having intended, never designed any heir in that sense, we cannot expect he should nominate or appoint any person to it.

No'MINATELY.* adv. [from nominate.] Particularly.

Locus religiosus is that which is assigned to some offices of religion, and nominately where the body of a dead person hath been buried. Spelman. Nomina'tion. † n. s. [nomination, French; from nominate.]

The act of mentioning by name.

The forty-one immediate electors of the duke must be all of several families, and of them twenty-five at least concur to this nomination.

Hammond was named to be of the assembly of divines; his invincible levalty to his prince, and obedience to his mother, the church, not being so valid arguments against his nomination, as the repute of his learning and virtue were on the other part, to have some title to him.

Fell, Life of Hammond.

2. The power of appointing.

The nomination of persons to places being so principal and inseparable a flower of his crown, he would reserve to himself. Clarendon.

In England the king has the nomination of an archbishop; and after nomination, he sends a congé d'élire to the dean and chapter, to elect the person elected by him. Ayliffe.

3. Denomination.

First, shew your nominacion, -Of my name to make declaracion, Without any dissimulacion, I am called Friendship,

Wever, Morality of Lusty Juventus. Divers characters are given to several persons. by which they are distinguished from all others of the same common nomination.

Pearson on the Creed, Art. 3,

No'minative. † adj. [in grammar, nominatif, French.] The epithet of the case that primarily designates the name of any thing, and is called right, in opposition to the other cases called oblique.

The nominative case cometh before the verb.

He dares not thinke a thought that the nomi-Overbury. native case governes not the verb. No'MINATOR.* n.s. [nominator, Lat.] One

that names or appoints to a place. While Tiberius Gracchus was creating new

consuls, one of the nominators suddenly fell down dead: however, Gracchus proceeded and finished the creation. Bentley, Phil. Lips. § 52.

Nomine's.* n. s. A person nominated to any place or office.

Nomothe Tical.* adj. [νομοθέτης, Greek, a legislator; from νόμος, a law, and τίθημι, to establish. Tegislative.

Suppose a monarch, who hath a supreme nomothetical power to make a law, and when it is made and written, should lay it up in " archivis imperii," so that it be not known nor published to his subjects; it is manifest that such a law neither is nor can be obliging till he takes care for the

Bp. Barlow, Rem. p. 126. NON. adv. [Latin.] Not. It is never used separately, but sometimes prefixed to words with a negative power.

Since you to non-regardance cast my faith, Live you the marble-breasted tyrant still. Shaksp. Behold also there a lay non-residency of the rich, which in times of peace, too much neglecting their habitations, may seem to have provoked God

to neglect them. Holyday. A mere inclination to matters of duty, men reckon a willing of that thing; when they are justly charged with an actual non-performance of

what the law requires.

publishing of it.

For an account at large of bishop Sanderson's last judgement concerning God's concurrence or non-concurrence with the actions of men, and the positive entity of sins of commission, I refer you to his letters.

The third sort of agreement or disagreement in our ideas, which the perception of the mind is employed about, is co-existence, or non-existence in the same subject.

It is not a non-act which introduces a custom, a custom being a common usage,

Ayliffe, Parergon. In the imperial chamber this answer is not admitted, viz. I do not believe it as the matter is alleged. And the reason of this non-admission is, its great uncertainty. Auliffe.

An apparitor came to the church, and informed the parson, that he must pay the tenths to such a man; and the bishop certified the ecclesiastical court under his seal on the non-payment of them, that he refused to pay them. Ayliffe.

The non-appearance of persons to support the united sense of both houses of parliament, can never be construed as a general diffidence of being able to support the charge against the patent and

This may be accounted for by the turbulence of passions upon the various and surprising turns of good and evil fortune, in a long evening at play; the mind being wholly taken up, and the conso quence of non-attention so fatal.

NO'NAGE. † n. s. [non and age; nonage, old French, " minorité," used in the eleventh century, according to Lacombe.] Minority; time of life before legal maturity.

In him there is a hope of government; Which in his nonage, counsel under him. And in his full and ripen'd years, himself Shakspeare, Rich, III.

Shall govern well. Be love but there, let poor six years Be pos'd with the maturest fears Man trembles at, we straight shall find

Love knows no nonage nor the mind. We have a mistaken apprehension of antiquity, calling that so which in truth is the world's nonage.

'Tis necessary that men should first be out of their nonage, before they can attain to an actual use of this principle: and withal, that they should be ready to exert and exercise their faculties.

Wilking. Those charters were not avoidable for the king's nonage; and if there could have been any such pretence, that alone would not avoid them. Hale.

After Chaucer there was a Spenser, a Harrington, a Fairfax, before Waller and Denham were in being; and our numbers were in their nonage till these last appeared. Dryden.

In their tender nonage, while they spread Their springing leaves, and lift their infant head, Indulge their childhood, and the nursling spare.

No'naged.* adj. [from nonage.] Not arrived at due maturity; being in nonage.

Shade not that dial night will blind too soon; My nonag'd day already points to noon; How simple is my suit, how small my boon!

Quarles, Embl. iii. 13. The muse's love appears In nonag'd youth, as in the length of years.

Browne, Brit. Past. i. 5.

Nonatte'ndance.* n. s. [non and attendance.] The not giving personal attendance.

Nonattendance in former parliaments ought to be a bar against the choice of men who have been guilty of it. Ld. Halifax.

Nonce. † n.s. [The original of this word is uncertain; Skinner imagines it to come from own or once; or from nutz, German, need or use: Junius derives it less probably from noiance; to do for the nonce being, according to him, to do it merely for mischief. Dr. Johnson. -Tyrwhitt and Ritson suppose it to be from the Latin pro-nunc; viz. for the nunc, i.e. for the now, the occasion; the Lat. nunc being corrupted into nonce; and Mr. Tyrwhitt adds that "so anon came from the Latin ad-nunc." anon has a very different origin. The etymology, which Serenius gives of nonce, seems most probable: "Icel. nenna, nenning, arbitrium, will, inclination; Su. Goth. nenna, nennas, à se impetrare posse;" i. e. to prevail with one's self to do a thing, to have a mind to do it: an etymology, to which Dr. Jamieson had also inclined before he saw the observation of Serenius. Our word was formerly written nones and nanes; as nones by R. of Gloucester and Chaucer, and nanes in the old Romance of Ywaine and Gawin. This is in favour of the northern etymon: Mr. Chalmers, however, has supposed it to be from the French nonce, a nuncio, the prelate whom the pope used to send for his special purposes, for the nonce: noncier, in the Rom. de la Rose, for annoncer.] Purpose; intent; design. Not now in use. I saw a wolf

Nursing two whelps; I saw her little ones In wanton dalliance the teat to crave.

While she her neck wreath'd from them for the nonce. They used at first to fume the fish in a house

built for the nonce. When in your motion you are hot, And that he calls for drink, I'll have prepar'd him

A chalice for the nonce. Shakspeare, Hamlet. Such a light and metall'd dance, Saw you never;

And they lead men for the nonce, That turn round like grindle-stones. B. Jonson. A voider for the nance.

I wrong the devil should I pick their bones. Cleaveland.

Coming ten times for the nonce, I never yet could see it flow but once. Cotton.

Noncompliance.* n. s. [non and compliance.] Refusal to comply with any request.

The first act of non-compliance sendeth you to gaol again. Ld. Halifax.

Nonconfo'rming.* adj. [non and conform. Not joining in the established

A non-conforming minister of eminence.

Nonconfo'rmist. † n. s. [non and conform-

1. One who refuses to comply with others. Is it just, is it handsome, that I should be a non-conformist either in the publick sorrow or joy? Barrow, vol. iii. S. 9.

2. One who refuses to join in the established worship.

On his death-bed he declared himself a nonconformist, and had a fanatick preacher to be his spiritual guide.

Nonconfo'rmity. n. s. [non and conformity.

1. Refusal of compliance.

The will of our Maker, whether discovered by reason or revelation, carries the highest authority with it; a conformity or nonconformity to it, determines their actions to be morally good or Watts, Logick.

2. Refusal to join in the established re-

Since the liturgy, rites, and ceremonies of our church, are so much struck at, and all upon a plea of conscience, it will concern 'us to examine the force of this plea, which our adversaries are still setting up as the grand pillar and butteress of nonconformity. South, Serm.

The lady will plead the toleration which allows her nonconformity in this particular.

Addison, Specia

Nondescri'pt.* adj. [non and descript, old French.] Undescribed: used also as a substantive for any natural proA modern word.

None. adj. [ne one; nan, ne ane, Saxon.] 1. Not one: used both of persons and things.

Ye shall flee when none pursueth you.

Lev. xxvi. 17. That killing power is none of thine,

I gave it to thy voice and eyes: Thy sweets, thy graces, all are mine;

Thou art my star, shin'st in my skies. Carew.

That fowl which is none of the lightest, can easily move itself up and down in the air without Wilkins. stirring its wings.

Another, which is none of the least advantages of hope is, its great efficacy in preserving us from setting too high a value on present enjoyments.

Addison, Spect.

2. Not any: no was in this sense used anciently before a consonant, and none before a vowel.

Six days shall ye gather it, but on the sabbath there shall be none. Exod. xvi. 26

Thy life shall hang in doubt, and thou shalt have none assurance of this life. Deut. xxviii. 66. Before the deluge, the air was calm; none of those tumultuary motions of vapours, which the mountains and winds cause in ours.

Burnet, Theory. The most glaring and notorious passages, are none of the finest. Felton on the Classicks.

3. Not other. This is none other but the house of God, and the gate of heaven. Gen. xxviii. 17.

4. None of sometimes signifies only emphatically nothing.

My people would not hearken to my voice; Ps. lxxxi. 11. and Israel would none of me.

5. None is always used when it relates to a substantive going before; as, we shall have no wine: wine we shall have none.

6. None seems originally to have signified according to its derivation, not one, and therefore to have had no plural, but it is now used plurally.

Terms of peace were none

Milton, P. L. Vouchsaf'd. In at this gate none pass

The vigilance here plac'd, but such as come Milton, P. L. Well known from heav'n.

Nor think though men were none That heaven would want spectators, God want Milton, P. L.

None'ntity. n. s. [non and entity.] 1. Nonexistence; the negation of being.

When they say nothing from nothing, they must understand it as excluding all causes. In which sense it is most evidently true; being equivalent to this proposition, that nothing can make itself, or, nothing cannot bring its no-self out of nonentity into something.

2. A thing not existing. There was no such thing as rendering evil for evil, when evil was truly a nonentity, and no where

to be found. We have heard, and think it pity that your inquisitive genius should not be better employed, than in looking after that theological nonentity. Arbuthnot and Pope.

Nones.* n. s. [from nonus, Latin.]

1. Certain days in each month of the old Roman calendar.

The nones were so called, because they reckoned nine days from them to the ides.

Kennet, Rom. Antiq.

2. Prayers formerly so called. See the etymology of Noon. No'NESUCH.* n. s. The name of an apple.

duction that has not been described. Nonexi's Tence. † n. s. [non and existence.] 1. Inexistence; negation of being.

How uncomfortable would it be to lie down in a temporary state of non-existence! How delightful is it to think that there is a world of spirits; that we are surrounded with intelligent living beings, rather than in a lonely, unconscious universe, a wilderness of matter!

A. Baxter on the Soul, ii. 189.

2. The thing not existing.

A method of many writers, which depreciates the esteem of miracles is, to salve not only real verities, but also non-existences. Brown, Vulg. Err. Nonju'ring. adj. [non and juro, Latin.]

Belonging to those who will not swear allegiance to the Hanoverian family.

This objection was offered me by a very pious, learned, and worthy gentleman of the nonjuring

Nonju'ror. † n. s. [from non and juror.] One who, conceiving James II. unjustly deposed, refuses to swear allegiance to those who have succeeded him.

The nonconformists were then exactly upon the same foot with our nonjurors now, whom we double-tax, forbid their conventicles, and keep under hatches, without thinking ourselves possessed with a persecuting spirit, because we know they want nothing but the power to ruin us.

Swift, Exam. No. 36.

NONNA'TURALS. n. s. pl. [non naturalia.] Physicians reckon these to be six, viz. air, meat and drink, sleep and watching, motion and rest, retention and excretion, and the passions of the mind.

The six nonnaturals are such as neither naturally constitutive, nor merely destructive, do preserve or destroy according unto circumstances.

No'NNY.* n. s. In Norfolk, the same as ninny, which see. Mr. Steevens upon the words from the old song in Hamlet, "hey ho nonny," observes that, among the common people in Norfolk, to nonny signifies to trifle or play with. Ninnynonny is one of the colloquial expressions so frequent in our language for the sake of rhyme, alliteration, or jingle.

NON-OBSTA'NTE.* [Latin; non-obstant, old French.] Notwithstanding any thing to the contrary: a law phrase. I ask no dispensation now

To falsify a tear, or sigh, or vow; I do not sue from thee to draw A non-obstante on nature's law.

Donne, Poems, p. 28. If in any one point, never so small, we may set aside, or supersede, the rule delivered down to us from the beginning with our non-obstantes and notwithstandings. Biblioth, Bibl. i. 264. Nonpare'il. n. s. [non and pareil, French.]

1. Excellence unequalled.

My lord and master loves you: O such love Could be but recompens'd tho' you were crown'd The nonpareil of beauty. Shakspeare, Tw. Night. 2. A kind of apple.

3. Printers' letter of a small size, on which small Bibles and Common Prayers are printed.

Nonpare'il.* adj. Peerless. Bullokar. In the mean time the most nonpareil beauty of Bullokar. the world, beauteous knowledge, standeth unregarded, or cloistered up in mere speculation.

Whitlock, Mann. of the Eng. (1654,) p. 204.

NO'NPLUS. n. s. [non and plus, Latin.] Puzzle; inability to say or do more. A low word.

Let it seem never so strange and impossible, the nonplus of my reason will yield a fairer opportunity to my faith.

One or two rules, on which their conclusions depend, in most men have governed all their thoughts: take these from them and they are at a loss, and their understanding is perfectly at a

Such an artist did not begin the matter at a venture, and when put to a nonplus, pause and hesitate which way he should proceed; but he had first in his comprehensive intellect a compleat idea of the whole organical body.

To No'NPLUS. v. a. [from the noun.] To confound; to puzzle; to put to a stand;

Nor is the composition of our own bodies the only wonder; we are as much nonplust by the most contemptible worm and plant.

Glanville, Scepsis. His parts were so accomplisht,

That right or wrong he ne'er was nonplust.

Hudibras. That sin that is a pitch beyond all those, must needs be such an one as must nonplus the devil himself to proceed farther. What, you are confounded, and stand mute?

Somewhat nonplust to hear you deny your name. Dryden.

Tom has been eloquent for half an hour together, when he has been nonplused by Mr. Dry's desiring him to tell what it was that he endeavoured to

Nonproficient.* n. s. [non and proficient.] One who has made no progress in the art or study in which he is engaged.

God hath in nature given every man inclination to some one particular calling; which if he follow, he excells; if he cross, he proves a non-proficient. Bp. Hall, Holy Observ.

Nonre'sidence. n. s. [non and residence.] Failure of residence.

If the character of persons chosen into the church had been regarded, there would be fewer complaints of nonresidence.

NONRE'SIDENT. R. S. [non and resident.] One who neglects to live at the proper place.

As to nonresidents, there are not ten clergymen in the kingdom who can be termed nonresidents.

Nonre'sident.* adj. Not residing in the proper place.

Her household is her charge; her care to that makes her seldom non-resident. Overbury, Charact.

Nonresi'stance. † n. s. [non and resistance.] The principle of not opposing the king; ready obedience to a supe-

If the doctor had pretended to have stated the particular bounds and limits of non-resistance, he would have been much to blame.

Sir Joseph Jekyll at Sacheverel's Trial.

Nonresi'stant.* adj. Not resisting; un-

This is that Œdipus, whose wisdom can reconcile inconsistent opposites, and teach passive obedience, and non-resistant principles to despise government, and to fly in the face of sovereign

NO'NSENSE. † n. s. [non and sense. This word is said by P. Heylin, in 1656, to be new and uncouth. But Mr. Malone observes that Anthony Stafford, in his Meditations printed in 1611, uses it; writing it, however, non-sense, apparently as a new word. It continued to be so written, I may add, long after; and had the accent on sense; as in an Elegy on the death of Donne, at the end of his Poems. This word is not in Shakspeare.]

1. Unmeaning or ungrammatical language. Till understood, all tales,

Like nonsense are not true nor false. Hudibras. Many copies dispersed gathering new faults, I saw more nonsense than I could have crammed

This nonsense got into all the following editions by a mistake of the stage editors. Pope on Shaksp. Trifles; things of no importance. A

low word.

What's the world to him?

'Tis nonsense all. Thomson. Nonse'nsical. adj. [from nonsense.] Unmeaning; foolish.

They had produced many other inept combinations, or aggregate forms of particular things, and nonsensical systems of the whole.

Ray on the Creation. Nonse'nsically. * adv. [from nonsensical.]

Foolishly; ridiculously.

Never was any thing more nonsensically pleasant. L'Estrange, Tr. of Quevedo. Nonse'nsicalness. n.s. [from nonsensical.] Ungrammatical jargon; foolish absurdity.

Nonse'nsitive. * n. s. [non and sensitive.] One that wants sense or perception.

Whatsoever we preach of contentedness in want, no precepts can so gain upon nature as to make her a nonsensitive. Feltham, Res. i. 18.

Inability to pay.

Probably some of the purchasers may be content to live cheap in a worse country, rather than be at the charge of exchange, and agencies, and perhaps of nonsolvencies in absence, if they let their lands too high. Swift, Proposal for paying the Nat. Debt.

Nonso'LVENT. adj. [non and solvent.] Who

cannot pay his debts. Nonsolu'tion. n. s. [non and solution.]

Failure of solution. Athenœus instances enigmatical propositions, and the forfeitures and rewards upon their solution and nonsolution.

Broome. Nonspa'ring. adj. [non and sparing.] Merciless; all destroying.

Is't I expose

Those tender limbs of thine to the event

Of the nonsparing war. Shakspeare, All's Well. No'NSUIT.* n. s. [non and suit.] Stoppage of a suit at law; a renouncing of the suit by the plaintiff, most commonly upon the discovery of some errour or defect, when the matter is so far proceeded in, as the jury is ready at the bar to deliver their verdict.

If the plaintiff is guilty of delays against the rules of law in any stage of the action, a nonsuit

To No'NSUIT. v. a. [non and suit.] To deprive of the benefit of a legal process, for some failure in the management.

The addresses of both houses of parliament, the council, and the declarations of most counties and corporations, are laid aside as of no weight, and the whole kingdom of Ireland nonsuited, in default of appearance. Swift.

Noo'dle. n. s. [from noddle or noddy.] A fool; a simpleton.

Nook. † n.s. [from een hoeck; Teut. angulus. In some parts of the north of England, this word is pronounced newk. Nookshotten, which Shakspeare uses for shooting out into nooks, is, in some places, according to Mr. Pegge, a modern application to a wall in a bevel, and not at right angles with another wall.] corner; a covert made by an angle or intersection.

Safely in harbour,

Is the king's ship, in the deep nook, where once Thou call'dst me up. Shakspeare, Tempest. Buy a slobbery and a dirty farm,

In that nook-shotten isle of Albion.

Shakspeare, Hen. V. Thus entred she the light-excluding cave, And through it sought some inmost nooke to save The gold.

The savages were driven out of their great Ards, into a little nook of land near the river of Strangford; where they now possess a little terri-

Meander, who is said so intricate to be, Hath not so many turns, nor crankling nooks as she. Drayton.

Unsphere The spirit of Plato, to unfold What worlds or what vast regions hold The immortal mind, that hath forsook Her mansion in this fleshly nook. Milton, Il Pens. Ithurial and Zephon,

Search through this garden, leave unsearch'd no nook. Milton, P. L. A third form'd within the ground A various mold; and from the boiling cells,

By strange conveyance fill'd each hollow nook.

Nonso'Lvency.* n. s. [non and solvency.] NOON. n. s. [non, Saxon; nawn, Welsh; none, Erse; supposed to be derived from nona, Latin, the ninth hour, at which their cæna or chief meal was eaten: whence the other nations called the time of their dinner or chief meal, though earlier in the day, by the same name. Dr. Johnson. - The ninth hour, or noon, (Sax. non,) was three o'clock in the afternoon. Thus the nones, a name given to certain prayers, began at twelve, and ended at three in the afternoon, which was called high noon. See Glos. to Wicliffe, edit. Baber. Serenius says that the ancient Icelanders divided the day into four intervals, of which noon, so called, was that from twelve till three; "quo durante," he adds, "post sesquihoram nimirùm à meridie elapsam prandium sumebant."]

> 1. The middle hour of the day; twelve; the time when the sun is in the meridian; middáv.

Fetch forth the stocks, there shall he sit till noon.

Till noon ! till night, my lord. Shaksp. K. Lear. The day already half his race had run,

And summon'd him to due repast at noon. Dryden. If I turn my eyes at noon towards the sun, I cannot avoid the ideas which the light or sun produces in me.

In days of poverty his heart was light: He sung his hymns at morning, noon, and night.

2. It is taken for midnight.

Full before him at the noon of night, He saw a quire of ladies. Dryden.

Noon. adj. Meridional.

How oft the noon, how oft the midnight bell, That iron tongue of death! with solemn knell,

On folly's errands, as we vainly roam, Knocks at our hearts, and finds our thoughts from

Noo'NDAY. n.s. [noon and day.] Midday.

The bird of night did sit, Ev'n at noonday, upon the market place, Hooting and shricking. Shakspeare, Jul. Cas. The dimness of our intellectual eyes, Aristotle

fitly compares to those of an owl at noonday. Boyle.

Noo'nday. adj. Meridional. The scorching sun was mounting high, In all its lustre to the noonday sky. Addison, Ovid.

Noo'ning. t n. s. [from noon.] 1. Repose at noon; noon-rest; sleeping in the day-time.

2. Repast at noon.

If he be disposed to take a whet, a nooning, an evening's draught, or a bottle after midnight, he goes to the club, and finds a knot of friends to his Addison, Spect. No. 72.

Noo'nstead.* n. s. [noon and stead.] The station of the sun at noon.

The free sun.

That tow'rds the noonstead half his course had run. Drayton, David and Goliali. Dew which there had tarried long,

And on the ranker grass till past the noonsted hong. Drayton, Polyolb. S. 13. Whilst the main tree, still found

Upright and sound, By this sun's noonsteds made

So great, his body now alone projects the shade, B. Jonson, Underwoods.

Noo'ntide. n. s. [noon and tide.] Midday: time of noon.

Sorrow breaks seasons and reposing hours, Makes the night morning, and the noontide night. Shakspeare.

Noo'ntide. adj. Meridional. Phaeton hath tumbled from his car, And made an evening at the noontide prick.

Shakspeare. All things in best order to invite Noontide repast, or afternoon's repose.

Milton, P. L. We expect the morning red in vain; 'Tis hid in vapours, or obscur'd in rain. The noontide yellow we in vain require;

'Tis black in storm, or red in lightning fire. Prior.

NOOSE. n. s. [nosada, entangled; a word found in the glosses of Lipsius. Lye.] A running knot, which the more it is drawn binds the closer.

Can'st thou with a weak angle strike the whale? Catch with a hook, or with a noose inthral? Sandys.

Where the hangman does dispose, To special friend the knot of noose. Hudibras. They run their necks into a noose,

They'd break 'em after, to break loose. Hudibras. Falsely he falls into some dangerous noose, And then as meanly labours to get loose. Dryd.

A rope and a noose are no jesting matters. To Noose. v. a. [from the noun.] To tie

in a noose; to catch; to entrap. The sin is woven with threads of different

sizes, yet the least of them strong enough to noese and entrap us. Gov. of the Tongue, p. 40.

A kind of bird Nope. † n. s. [rubicilla.] called a bulfinch or redtail.

By that warbling bird the woodlark place we

The redsparrow, the nope, the redbreast, and the Drayton, Polyolb. S. 13. wren.

Non. conjunct. [ne or.]

1. A particle marking the second or subsequent branch of a negative proposition: correlative to neither or not.

I neither love, nor fear thee. Neither love will twine, nor hay. Marvel 2. Two negatives are sometimes joined, but not according to the propriety of our present language, though rightly in

the Saxon.

Mine eyes, Which I have darted at thee, hurt thee not; Nor, I am sure there is no force in eyes That can do hurt. Shakspeare, As you like it.

3. Neither is sometimes included in nor,

but not elegantly.

Before her gates hill wolves and lions lay; Which with her virtuous drugs so tame she made, That wolfe, nor lion would one man invade.

Charman Pow'r, disgrace, nor death could ought divert Thy glorious tongue, thus to reveal thy heart.

Simois nor Xanthus shall be wanting there; A new Achilles shall in arms appear. Dryden

4. Nor is in poetry used in the first branch for neither.

Idle nymph, I pray thee, be Modest, and not follow me,

I nor love myself nor thee. B. Jonson. Nor did they not perceive their evil plight, -Or the fierce pains not feel. Milton, P. L. But how perplext, alas! is human fate!

I whom nor avarice, nor pleasures move; Yet must myself be made a slave to love. Walsh.

No'RMAL. * adj. [norma, Latin.] In ge-

ometry, perpendicular. No'RMAN. * n. s. [old French; low Lat. Normanus; from the Saxon, nopo and

man.] At first, a Norwegian; then, a native of Normandy. This people, as before I have said of the Danes,

are not otherwise to be accompted of, than most anciently to have been of the German nation. Their habitation was in Norway, so called from the northern situation thereof: and themselves Northmen, now vulgarly Normans, upon like ason. Verstegan, Rest. of Dec. Intell. ch. 6. The Normans had been a late colony from Norway and Denmark, where the Scalds had

arrived to the highest pitch of credit before Rollo's expedition into France. Bp. Percy, Ess. on the Anc. Minstrels.

No'RMAN.* adj. Denoting persons, cus-

toms, or the language of Normandy. Great verily was the glory of our tongue, before ' the Norman conquest, in this; that the old English could express most aptly all the conceits of the mind in their own tongue, without borrow-Camden, Rem. Languages. ing from any. A monk of very little eloquence, but who had a

smattering of the Norman language.

Tyrwhitt, Ess. on the Lang. of Chaucer. No'RROY.* n. s. [nord and roy, Fr.] The title of the third of the three kings at arms, or provincial heralds.

Prouder by far than all the Garters, Norroys and Clarencieux.

NORTH.† n. s. [nopo, Saxon. Dr. Johnson. - North is nypped, or nypo, the third person singular of nyppan, coarctare, constringere, that is, to narrow, to constrain, to confine. Mr. H. Tooke, Div. of Purl. ii. 399. — So forced an etymon will not be received. Serenius gives us the Icel. nordr, the north; and with the following satisfactory remark: " Antiquitatem vocis probat EDDA, ubi filii Bore ex capite Ymeri cœlum fabricasse et quatuor ejus angulis totidem Nanos subjecisse dicunter; quorum hæc

Nordre."] The point opposite to the sun in the meridian.

More unconstant than the wind; who wooes Ev'n now the frozen bosom of the north; And being anger'd puffs away from thence Turning his face to the dew-dropping south.

The tyrannous breathing of the north Shakes all our buds from blowing. Shaksp. Cymb. Fierce Boreas issues forth

To invade the frozen waggon of the north.

NORTH. adj. Northern; being in the north. This shall be your north border from the great sea to mount Hor. Numa xxxiv. 7.

NORTHE'AST. + n. s. The point between the north and east.

Can they resist

The parching dog-star, and the bleak north-east? Prior, Hen. and Emma.

Northe'Ast. † adj. Denoting the point between the north and east.

The north-east wind, Which then blew bitterly against our faces Awak'd the sleeping rheum. Shaksp. Rich. II. Off at sea north-east winds blow

Sabean odours from the spicy shore Of Araby the blest.

Milton, P. L. John Cabot, a Venetian, the father of Sebastian Cabot, in behalf of Henry the Seventh of England, discovered all the north-east coasts hereof.

The inferiour sea towards the south-east, the Ionian towards the south, and the Adriatick on the north-east side, were commanded by, three different nations. Arbuthnot.

No'RTHERLY. adj. [from north.] Being towards the north.

The northerly and southerly winds, commonly esteemed the causes of cold and warm weather, are really the effects of the cold or warmth of the

No'RTHERN. adj. [from north.] Being in the north.

Proud northern lord, Clifford of Cumberland.

If we erect a red hot wire until it cool, and hang it up with wax and untwisted silk, where the lower end which cooled next the earth doth rest, that is the northern point. Brown,

No'RTHERNLY.* adv. [from northern.] Towards the north.

foot northward.

In summer it [the sun] came more northernly and nearer us. Hakewill on Providence, p. 102. NORTHSTA'R. n. s. [north and star.] The polestar; the lodestar.

If her breath were as terrible as her terminations, there were no living near her, she would Shakspeare. infect to the northstar.

No'RTHWARD. adj. [north and peaps, Sax.] Being towards the north.

No'RTHWARD. | adv. [north and peaps, Sax.] Towards the No'rthwards.

Mislike me not for my complexion, The shadow'd livery of the burnish'd sun. Bring me the fairest creature northward born, Where Phœbus' fire scarce thaws the icicles,

And prove whose blood is reddest. Shakspeare. Going northward aloof, as long as they had any doubt of being pursued, at last they crossed the ocean to Spain.

Northward beyond the mountains we will go, Where rocks lie cover'd with eternal snow.

A close prisoner in a room, twenty foot square, being at the northside of his chamber, is at liberty to walk twenty foot southward, not walk twenty

sunt nomina, Austre, Westre, Sudre, et | Northwe'sr. n. s. [north and west.] The point between the north and west.

The bathing places that they may remain under the sun until evening, he exposeth unto the summer setting, that is northwest. Brown, Vulg. Err. NORTHWI'ND. n. s. [north and wind.] The wind that blows from the north.

The clouds were fied, Driven by a keen northwind. Milton, P. L. When the fierce northwind, with his airy forces Rears up the Baltick to a foaming fury,

Norwe'GIAN.* n. s. A native of Norway. Harold, king of Denmark, who also commanded over Norway, departed with his troops, consisting of Norwegians and Danes.

Verstegan, Rest. of Dec. Intell. ch. 6.

Norwe'GIAN.* adj. Belonging to Nor-Norwe'YAN. way.

The Norweyan banners flout the sky.

Shakspeare, Macbeth. The tallest pine, Hewn on Norwegian hills. Milton, P. L.

NOSE.† n. s. [nære, nere, Saxon, nasa, Germ. naz, Norm. Fr. naese. Su. Goth. nasus, Lat. Our word is written nase. by Gower. "Both at mouth and at nase." Conf. Am. B. 5.]

1. The prominence on the face, which is the organ of scent and the emunctory of the brain.

Down with the nose,

Take the bridge quite away Of him that, his particular to forefend, Smells from the gen'ral weal. Shakspeare, Timon. Nose of Turks and Tartars lips.

Shakspeare, Macbeth. Our decrees, Dead to infliction, to themselves are dead;

And liberty plucks justice by the nose.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. There can be no reason given why a visage somewhat longer, or a nose flatter, could not have consisted with such a soul.

Poetry takes me up so entirely, that I scarce see what passes under my nose. Pope, Lett.

2. The end of any thing.

The lungs are as bellows, the aspera arteria is the nose of the bellows. Holder, Elem. of Speech. 3. Scent; sagacity.

We are not offended with a dog for a better Collier on Envy. nose than his master.

4. To lead by the Nose. To drag by force; as a bear by his ring; to lead blindly.

Tho' authority be a stubborn bear, Yet he is oft led by the nose with gold.

Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. In suits which a man doth not understand, it is good to refer them to some friend, but let him chuse well his referendaries, else he may be led by

That some occult design doth lie In bloody cynarctomachy, Is plain enough to him that knows,

How saints lead brothers by the nose. Hudibras. This is the method of all popular shams, when the multitude are to be led by the noses into a fool's L'Estrange.

5. To thrust one's Nose into the affairs of others. To be meddling with other people's matters; to be a busy body.

6. To put one's Nose out of joint. To put one out in the affections of another.

To Nose. v. a. [from the noun; and nosa, Su. Goth. to scent.]

1. To scent; to smell. Nose him as you go up the stairs.

Shakspeare, Hamlet.

2. To face; to oppose.

Suffering them to nose and impudentize the doctors and masters of the old stamp.

A. Wood, Ann. Univ. Oz. (in 1549.)

To Nose. v. n. To look big; to bluster.

Adulterous Antony

Gives his potent regiment to a trull

That noses it against us. Shakspeare. No'SEBLEED. n. s. [nose and bleed; mille-folium] A kind of horb.

folium.] A kind of herb. No'sep.* adj. [from nose.]

1. Having a nose; as, long-nosed, flat-nosed.

The slaves are nosed like vulturs.

Beaumont and Fl. Sea-Voyage.

2. Having sagacity.

There's no knavery but is nos'd like a dog, and

can smell out a dog's meaning.

Middleton's Witch.

No'segay. n. s. [nose and gay.] A posy; a bunch of flowers.

She hath four and twenty nosegays for the shearers.

Shakspeare.

Ariel sought
The close recesses of the virgin's thought;

As on the nosegay in her breast reclin'd,
He watch'd the ideas rising in her mind.

Get you gone in the country to dress up nose-

gays for a holyday. Arbuthnot, J. Bull.
No'seless. adj. [from nose.] Wanting a
nose; deprived of the nose.

Mangled Myrmidons,

Noseless, and handless, hackt and chipt, come to him.

Shakspeare.

No'sle.* See Nozle.

No'sethril.* See Nostril.

Noso'Logy.† n. s. [νέσος and λέγος, Greek, nosologie, Fr.] Doctrine of diseases. Stand in awe, and sin not. Psalms

Medical writers have endeavoured to enumerate the diseases of the body, and to reduce them to a system under the name of nosology; and it were to be wished, that we had also a nosology of the human understanding.

Nosopoe' Tick. αdj. [νόσος and ποιέω.] Pro-

ducing diseases.

The qualities of the air are nosopoetick; that is, have a power of producing diseases.

Arbuthnot on Air.

No'sesmart. n. s. [nose and smart; nasturtium.] The herb cresses.

No'stril. n. s. [nær öýpl, Saxon; nose and öýpl, a hole: formerly written nosethril, as by Chaucer and Spenser:

and oyli, a hole: normerly written nosethril, as by Chaucer and Spenser; and not wholly disused late in the seventeenth century.] The cavity in the nose.

Turn then my freshest reputation to A savour that may strike the dullest nostril.

Stinks which the nostrils straight abhor, are not the most pernicious.

He form'd thee, Adam, and in thy nostrils breath'd

The breath of life.

The secondary action subsisted in concomitancy with the other; so the nostrils are useful both for respiration and smelling, but the principal use is smelling.

use is smelling.

These ripe fruits recreate the nostrils with their aromatick scent.

More, Divine Dialogues.

NO'STRUM. n. s. [Latin.] A medicine not yet made publick, but remaining in some single hand.

Very extraordinary, and one of his nostrums, let it be writ upon his monument, Hic jacet auctor hujus argumenti; for no body ever used it before.

Stilling fleet.

What drop or nostrum can this plague remove?

Pope.

Nor. † adv. [nace, nohr, nochr, Sax.]
1. The particle of negation, or refusal.

If thou be indeed, as men thee call,
The world's great parent, the most kind preserver
Of living wights, the soveraine lord of all,
How falls it then that with thy furious fervour
Thou dost afflict as well the mod-deserver,
As him that doth thy lovely hests despise?

Spenser, Hymn of Love,
His countenance likes me not Shakso, K. Leav.

His countenance likes me not. Shaksp. K. Lear. The man held his peace, to wit whether the Lord had made his journey prosperous or not.

The question is, may I do it, or may I not do it?

Sanderson.

He is invulnerable, I not. Milton, P. L. Let each man do as to his fancy seems;

I wait, not I, till you have better dreams. Dryden.
This objection hinders not but that the heroic action enterprised for the Christian cause, and executed happily, may be as well executed now as it was of old.

Dryden.

Grammar being to teach men not to speak, but to speak correctly: where rhetorick is not neces-

sary, grammar may be spared.

Locke on Education.
This day, be bread and peace my lot;
All else beneath the sun

Thou know'st if best bestow'd or not, And let thy will be done. Pope, Univ. Prayer.

Wanting a 2. The first member of an egative sentence, followed by nor or neither.

I was not in safety, neither had I rest.

Not for price nor reward.

Job.

Isaiah.

3. A word of exception.

I will for this afflict the seed of David, but not for ever.

Kings.

4. A word of prohibition, or deprecation.

Stand in awe, and sin not.

Forsake me not, O Lord; O my God, be not far from me!

Psalms.

5. It denotes cessation or extinction. No more.

Thine eyes are upon me, and I am not.

Job, vii. 8.

6. Not only: elliptically.

Given hostile strokes, and that not in the presence Of dreaded justice, but on the ministers

That do distribute it. Shakspeare, Coriol.

He therefore that despiseth, despiseth not man, but God.

1 Thess. iv. 8.

Despiseth not man [only,] but God.

Whitby on 1 Thess. iv. 8.

Nor.* adj. Shorn. See Norr.

NO'TABLE. adj. [notable, Fr. notabilis, Latin.]

 Remarkable; memorable; observable: it is now scarcely used, but in irony. The success of those wars was too notable to be

unknown to your ears; which, it seems, all worthy fame hath glory to come unto.

Sidney.

The same is notified in the notablest places of

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Whitgift.

At Kilkenny, many notable laws were enacted, which shew, for the law doth best discover enormities, how much the English colonies were corrupted.

Davies.

Two young men appeared notable in strength, excellent in beauty, and comely in apparel.

They bore two or three charges from the horse with notable courage, and without being broken.

Clarendon.

Both armies lay still without any notable action, for the space of ten days, - Clarendon.

It is impossible but a man must have first passed

It is impossible but a man must have first passed this notable stage, and got his conscience thoroughly debauched and hardened, before he can arrive to the height of sin. South. 2. Careful; bustling: in contempt and

This absolute monarch was as notable a guardian of the fortunes, as of the lives of his subjects. When any man grew rich, to keep him from being dangerous to the state, he sent for all his goods.

Addison. Freeholder.

No'TABLE.* n. s. A thing worthy to be observed.

Varro's aviary is still so famous, that it is reckoned for one of those notables which foreign nations record.

Addison.

No'tableness.† n. s. [from notable.]
1. Remarkableness; worthiness of observation.

Neither could the notableness of the place—make us to mark it.

Homilies, Serm. I. against Idolatry.

2. Appearance of business; importance; in contempt.

No'TABLY. adv. [from notable.]

1. Memorably: remarkably.

This we see *notably* proved, in that the oft polling of hedges conduces much to their lasting.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Herein doth the endless mercy of God notably appear, that he vouchsafeth to accept of our repentance, when we repent, though not in particular as we ought to do.

Perkins.

2. With consequence; with shew of importance: ironically.

Mention Spain or Poland, and he talks very notably; but if you go out of the gazette, you drop him.

Addison.

Nota'rial. adj. [from notary.] Taken by a notary.

It may be called an authentick writing, though not a publick instrument, through want of a notarial evidence.

Ayliffe.

No TARY. n. s. [notaire, Fr. from notarius, Lat.] An officer whose business it is to take notes of any thing which may concern the publick.

There is a declaration made to have that very book and no other set abroad, wherein their present authorised notaries do write those things fully and only, which being written and there read, are by their own open testimony acknowledged to be their own.

Go with me to a notary, seal me there

Your bond. Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven.
One of those with him, being a notary, made
an entry of this act. Bacon, New Atlantis.

So I but your recorder am in this, Or mouth and speaker of the universe, A ministerial notary; for 'tis

Not I, but you and fame that make this verse.

They have in each province, intendants and notaries.

Temple.

Nota'tion. n. s. [notatio, Latin.]

1. The act or practice of recording any thing by marks; as by figures or letters.

Notation teaches how to describe any number

Avoiding teaches how to describe any number by certain notes and characters, and to declare the value thereof being so described, and that is by degrees and periods,

Cocker.

Meaning: signification.

A foundation being primarily of use in architecture, hath no other literal notation but what belongs to it in relation to a building. Hammond.

Conscience, according to the very notation of the word, imports a double knowledge; one of a divine law, and the other of a man's own action; and so is the application of a general law, to a particular instance of practice. South.

NOTCH.† n. s. [noche, Teut. nocchia, Ital. See Nock.]

1. A nick; a hollow cut in any thing; a nock.

The convex work is composed of black and citrin pieces in the margin of a pyramidal figure appositely set, and with transverse notches.

Grew. Mus. From his rug the skew'r he takes,

And on the stick ten equal notches makes:
There take my tally of ten thousand pound, Swift.

2. It seems to be erroneously used for nich.

He shew'd a comma ne'er could claim

A place in any British name; Yet making here a perfect botch,

Thrusts your poor vowel from his notch. Swift

To Notch. v. a. [from the noun.] To cut in small hollows.

He was too hard for him directly: before Corioli, he scotcht him and notcht him like a carbonado.

Shakspeare.

The convex work is composed of black and citrin pieces, cancellated and transversely notched.

Grew, Mus.

From him whose quills stand quiver'd at his ear, To him who notches sticks at Westminster. Pope.

Notchwee'd. n. s. [notch and weed; atriplex olida.] An herb called orach. Note.† [for ne wote.]

1. Know not.

But soth to say, I n'ot how men him call.

Chaucer, C. T. Prol.

Deare sonne, great beene the evils which ye bore

From first to last in your late enterprise, That I n'ote, whether praise or pitty more.

Spenser, F. Q.

2. Could not; could not know how to.

But he that last left helpe away did take,

And both her hands fast bound unto a stake,

That she n'ote stirre.

Spenser, F. Q.

Ne let him then admire,

But yield his sense to be too blunt and base,
That n'ote without an hound fine footing trace.

Spenser, F. Q. NOTE. n. s. [nota, Lat. notte, Fr.]

1. Mark; token: as, Bellarmine's notes of the church.

Whosoever appertain to the visible body of the church, they have also the *notes* of external profession whereby the world knoweth what they are.

2. Notice; heed.

Give order to my servants that they take
No note at all of our being absent hence. Shaksp.
I will bestow some precepts on this virgin,
Worthy the note. Shakspeare, All's Well.

3. Reputation; consequence.

Divers men of note have been brought into England.

Abbot.
Andronicus and Junia, — who are of note among the apostles.

Rom. xvi. 7.
As for metals, authors of good note assure us,

that even they have been observed to grow. Boyle.

Reproach; stigma.
 The more to aggravate the note,
 With a foul traytor's name stuff I thy throat.

5. Account; information; intelligence; notice. Not used.

She that from Naples
Can have no note; unless the sun were post,
The man i' th' moon's too slow. Shaksp. Tempest.

In suits of favour, the first coming ought to take little place; so far forth consideration may be had of his trust, that if intelligence of the matter could not otherwise have been had but by him, advantage be not taken of the note, but the party left to his other means, and in some sort recompensed for his discovery.

Bacon.

6. State of being observed.

Small matters come with great commendation, because they are continually in use and in note: whereas the occasion of any great virtue cometh but on festivals.

Bacon.

7. Tune; voice; harmonick or melodious sound.

These are the notes wherewith are drawn from the hearts of the multitude so many sighs; with these tunes their minds are exasperated against the lawful guides and governors of their souls.

Hooker
The wakeful bird tunes her nocturnal note.
Milton, P. L.
I now must change those notes to tragick.

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Milton, P. L.

You that can tune your sounding string so well,

Of ladies' beauties and of love to tell; Once change your note, and let your lute report The justest grief that ever touch'd the court.

One common *note* on either lyre did strike, And knaves and fools we both abhorr'd alike.

8. Single sound in musick.
From harmony, from heavenly harmony!

This universal frame began:
From harmony to harmony,
Through all the compass of the notes it ran,
The diapason closing full in man.

Dry

The diapason closing full in man. Dryden.

9. Short hint; small paper; memorial

register.

He will'd me
In heedfull'st reservation to bestow them,

As notes whose faculties inclusive were, More than they were in note, Shakspeare. In the body's prison so she lies, As through the body's windows she must look,

As through the body's windows she must look,
Her divers pow'rs of sense to exercise,
By gath'ring notes out of the world's great book.

Abbreviation; symbol; musical character.
 Contract it into a narrow compass by short notes

Contract it into a narrow compass by short notes and abbreviations.

Baker on Learning.

11. A small letter.

A hollow cane within her hand she brought,
But in the concave had inclos'd a note. Dryden.

12. A written paper.

I cannot get over the prejudice of taking some little offence at the clergy, for perpetually reading their sermons; perhaps, my frequent hearing of foreigners, who never make use of notes, may have added to my disgust.

Swift.

13. A paper given in confession of a debt.

His note will go farther than my bond.

Arbuthnot, J. Bull.

14. Explanatory annotation.

The best writers have been perplexed with notes, and obscured with illustrations.

Felton on the Classicks.

This put him upon a close application to his studies. He kept much at home, and writ notes upon Homer and Plautus.

Law.

To Note + v. a. [noto, Latin; noter, Fr.]

 To mark; to distinguish. This is the primary meaning, but is overpassed by Dr. Johnson.

Can we once imagine that Christ's body so miraculously made, now clad with incorruption and inriched with glory, was ever afflicted with malady, or enfeebled with infirmity, or noted with deformity?

Walsall, Life of Christ, (1615,) sign. B. 2. 2. To observe; to remark; to heed; to

attend; to take notice of.

The fool hath much pined away.

No more of that, I have noted it well.

Shakspeare, K. Lear.

If much you note him, You shall offend him. Shakspeare, Macbeth. Some things may in passing be fitly noted.

Hammond
I began to note

The stormy Hyades, the rainy goat. Addison, Ovid.
Wandering from clime to clime, observant stray'd,

Their manners noted, and their states survey'd.

3. To deliver; to set down.

Saint Augustin speaking of devout men, noteth how they daily frequented the church, how attentive ear they gave unto the lessons and chapters read.

Note it in a book, that it may be for ever and

ever.

4. To charge with a crime: with of or for nor.

Sine veste Dianam, agrees better with Livia,
who had the fame of chastity, than with either of
the Julia's, who were both noted of incontinency.

5. [In musick.] To set down the notes of a tune.

To Note.* v. a. [hnitan, Sax. hniota, Icel.] To push, or strike, with the horns, as a bull or ram. North.

Ray, and Grose.

No'TEBOOK. n. s. [note and book.] A
book in which notes and memorandums
are set down.

are set down.

Cassius all his faults observ'd;

Set in a notebook, learn'd, and conn'd by rote,

To cast into my teeth. Shakspeare, Jul. Cas.
No'TED. part. adj. [from note.] Remarkable; eminent: celebrated.

A noted chymist procured a privilege, that none but he should vend a spirit. Boyle. Justinian's laws, if we may believe a noted author, have not the force of laws in France or Holland.

No'TEDLY.* adv. [from noted.] With observation; with notice.

Do you remember what you said of the duke?
— Most notedly, sir. Shoks. Meas, for Meas.
No'TEDNESS.* n. s. [from noted.] Conspicuousness; state of being remarkable.
To attain the so criminally courted notedness.

Boyle, Style of H. Script. p. 186.
No'TELESS.* adj. [note and less.] Not

No'TELESS.** adj. [note and less.] Not attracting notice.

A courtezan,

Let her walk saintlike, noteless, and unknown, Yet she's betray'd by some trick of her own. Decker, Hon. Whore, P. ii.

No'TER.† n. s. [from note.]
1. He who takes notice.

He who takes notice.
 An annotator.

Postellus, and the noter upon him, Severtius, have much admired this manner of section.

Gregory, Posthum. (1650,) p. 308.

Notewo'RTHY.* adj. [note and worthy.]
Deserving notice.

Think on thy Protheus, when thou haply seest Some rare note-worthy object in thy travel.

Shakspeare, Two Gent. of Verona.
Two are especially note-worthy in their steeples,
being small but exceeding high towers,
Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 129.

NO'THING. n. s. [no and thing; nathing, Scottish.]

1. Negation of being; nonentity; universal negation: opposed to something.

sal negation: opposed to something.

It is most certain, that there never could be

nothing. For, if there could have been an instant, wherein there was nothing, then either nothing made something, or something made itself: and so was, and acted, before it was. But if there never could be nothing; then there is, and was, a being of necessity, without any beginning.

We do not create the world from nothing and by nothing; we assert an eternal God to have been the efficient cause of it. Bentley.

This nothing is taken either in a vulgar or phi losophical sense; so we say there is nothing in the cup in a vulgar sense, when we mean there is no liquor in it; but we cannot say there is nothing in the cup, in a strict philosophical sense, while there is air in it. Watts, Logick.

2. Nonexistence.

Mighty states characterless are grated To dusty nothing. Shakspeare, Troil. and Cress.

3. Not any thing; no particular thing. There shall nothing die. Exod. ix. 4. Yet had his aspect nothing of severe,

But such a face as promis'd him sincere. Dryden.

Philosophy wholly speculative, is barren and produces nothing but vain ideas.

Dryden, Don Seb. Nothing at all was done, while any thing remained undone. Addison on the War.

4. No other thing.

Nothing but a steady resolution brought to practice; God's grace used, his commandments obeyed, and his pardon begged; nothing but this will intitle you to God's acceptance.

Wake, Prep. for Death. Words are made to declare something; where they are, by those who pretend to instruct, otherwise used, they conceal indeed something; but that which they conceal, is nothing but the ignorance, error, or sophistry of the talker, for there is, in truth, nothing else under them.

5. No quantity or degree.

The report which the troops of horse make, would add nothing of courage to their fellows.

6. No importance; no use; no value.

The outward shew of churches, draws the rude people to the reverencing and frequenting thereof, whatever some of our late too nice fools say, there is nothing in the seemly form of the church.

Spenser on Ireland. Behold, ye are of nothing, and your work of naught. Tsainh.

7. No possession or fortune.

A most homely shepherd; a man that from very nothing is grown into an unspeakable estate. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

8. No difficulty; no trouble.

We are industrious to preserve our bodies from slavery, but we make nothing of suffering our souls to be slaves to our lusts.

Ray on the Creation.

9. A thing of no proportion.

The charge of making the ground, and otherwise is great, but nothing to the profit.

Bucon, Nat. Hist. 10. Trifle; something of no consideration or importance.

I had rather have one scratch my head i' th' sun, When the alarum were struck, than idly sit

To hear my nothings monster'd. My dear nothings, take your leave,

No longer must you me deceive. 'Tis nothing, says the fool; but says the friend,

This nothing, sir, will bring you to your end.
Do I not see your dropsy-belly swell? Dryden. That period includes more than a hundred sen-

tences that might be writ to express multiplication of nothings, and all the fatiguing perpetual business of having no business to do. Pope, Lett. Narcissus is the glory of his race;

For who does nothing with a better grace?

11. Nothing has a kind of adverbial signification. In no degree; not at all.

Who will make me a liar, and make my speech nothing worth? Job, xxiv. 25. Auria, nothing dismayed with the greatness of the Turk's fleet, still kept on his course.

Knolles, Hist.

But Adam with such counsel nothing sway'd. Milton, P. L.

No'THINGNESS. † n. s. [from nothing.]

1. Nihility; nonexistence.

His art did express A quintessence even from nothingness,

From dull privations, and lean emptiness. Donne, Poems, p. 36. Being demolished as to themselves, and turned

into a chaos or dark nothingness. More, Conj. Cabb. p. 241.

2. Nothing; thing of no value.

Other stars may have their several virtues and effects; but their marvellous remoteness, and my undiscernible nothingness, may seem to forbid any certain intelligence of their distinct workings Bp. Hall, Select Thoughts, § 22. I that am

A nothingness in deed and name, Did scorn to hurt his forfeit carcass.

Hudibras, i. ii.

NO'TICE. n. s. [notice, old French; notitia, Latin.]

1. Remark; heed; observation; regard. The thing to be regarded in taking notice of a child's miscarriage is, what root it springs from.

Locke. This is done with little notice; very quick the actions of the mind are performed. Locke. How ready is envy to mingle with the notices which we take of other persons! Watts.

2. Information; intelligence given or re-

I have given him notice, that the duke of Cornwal and his duchess will be here.

Shakspeare, K. Lear.

To No'TICE. * v. a. [from the noun. Mr. Mason has pretended, that this is a word imported into English conversation from Ireland. So far from its being such an innovation, it is, as Mr. Malone has observed, of great age in our language. To note; to need; to observe; to re-

As some do perceive, yea and like it well, they should be so noticed.

T. Howard, in Harrington's Nugæ Ant. (about 1608.) These pieces contain several curious circumstances of Milton's early life, situations, friendships, and connections; which are often so transiently, or implicitly noticed, as to need examination and enlargement.

Warton, Pref. to Milton's Sm. Poems. It is impossible not to notice a strange comment of Mr. Lindsey's.

Bp. Horne, Lett. to Dr. Priestley, p. 41.

Notifica'tion. n. s. [notification, French, from notify. Act of making known: representation by marks or symbols.

Four or five torches elevated or depressed out of their order, either in breadth or longways, may, by agreement, give great variety of notifications. Holder on Speech.

To No'TIFY. v.a. [notifier, French; notifico, Latin.] To declare; to make known; to publish.

There are other kind of laws, which notify the will of God. Hooker. Good and evil operate upon the mind of man,

by those respective appellations by which they are notified and conveyed to the mind. This solar month is by civil sanction notified in

authentic calendars the chief measure of the year: a kind of standard by which we measure time. Holder.

NO'TION. n. s. [notion, French; notio, Latin.

1. Thought; representation of any thing

formed by the mind; idea; image; conception.

Being we are at this time to speak of the proper notion of the church, therefore I shall not look upon it as comprehending any more than the sons of men.

The fiction of some beings which are not in nature; second notions, as the logicians call them, has been founded on the conjunction of two natures, which have a real separate being.

Dryden, St. of Innocence. Many actions are punished by law, that are acts of ingratitude; but this is merely accidental to them, as they are such acts; for if they were punished properly under that notion, and upon that account, the punishment would equally reach all actions of the same kind. South.

What hath been generally agreed on, I content myself to assume under the notion of principles, in order to what I have farther to write.

Newton, Opticks. There is nothing made a more common subject of discourse than nature and its laws; and yet few agree in their notions about these words.

Cheyne, Phil. Prin. That notion of hunger, cold, sound, colour, thought, wish, or fear, which is in the mind, is called the idea of hunger, cold, sound, wish, &c. Watts, Logick.

2. Sentiment; opinion.

God hath bid dwell far off all anxious cares. And not molest us; unless we ourselves

Seek them with wandering thoughts and notions vain. Milton, P. L.

It would be incredible to a man who has never been in France, should one relate the extravagant notion they entertain of themselves, and the mean opinion they have of their neighbours. Addison, Freeholder.

Sensual wits they were, who, it is probable, took pleasure in ridiculing the notion of a life to come. Atterbury.

3. Sense; understanding; intellectual power. This sense is frequent in Shakspeare, but not in use.

His notion weakens, his discernings Are lethargied.

Shakspeare, K. Lear. So told, as earthly notion can receive.

Milton, P. L. No'TIONAL. adj. [from notion.]

1. Imaginary; ideal; intellectual; subsisting only in idea; visionary; fantas-

The general and indefinite contemplations and notions, of the elements and their conjugations, of the influences of heaven, are to be set aside, being but notional and ill-limited; and definite axioms are to be drawn out of measured instances.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. Happiness, object of that waking dream

Which we call life, mistaking; fugitive theme Of my pursuing verse, ideal shade,

Notional good, by fancy only made. Prior.
We must be wary, least we ascribe any real subsistence or personality to this nature or chance; for it is merely a notional and imaginary thing; an abstract universal, which is properly nothing; a conception of our own making, occasioned by our reflecting upon the settled course of things; denoting only thus much, that all those bodies move and act according to their essential properties, without any consciousness or intention of so

2. Dealing in ideas, not realities. The most forward notional dictators sit down in

a contented ignorance. Glanville, Scepsis.

NOTIONA'LITY. † n. s. [from notional.] Empty, ungrounded opinion. Not now in use.

I aimed at the advance of science, by discrediting empty and talkative notionality.

Glanville.

True and manly religion is no cold and computess thing; it is not a lukewarm notionality, Publick fame; notoriety.

NOTO'RIOUSNESS.† n. s. [from notorious.] NOVA'TION.† n. s. [novation, old French novatio, Latin.] The introduction of fortless thing; it is not a lukewarm notionality, not a formal and bayardly round of duties, not a dull "temperamentum ad pondus," as they call it; but is lively, vigorous, and sparkling.

Goodman, Wint. Ev. Conf. P. iii. No'TIONALLY adv. [from notional.] In idea; mentally; in our conception,

though not in reality.

The whole rational nature of man consists of two faculties, understanding and will, whether really or notionally distinct, I shall not dispute.

Norris, Miscell. No'TIONIST.* n. s. [from notion.] One who holds an ungrounded opinion. Not in use.

Content not yourselves with some part of it, that you read, the Gospel, or New Testament, but neglect the Old, as is the practice of some flush notionists.

Bp. Hopkins, Expos. of the Lord's Prayer, p. 297. Notori'ety. n. s. [notorieté, French; from notorious.] Publick knowledge; pub-

lick exposure.

We see what a multitude of pagan testimonies may be produced for all those remarkable passages: and indeed of several that more than answer your expectation, as they were not subjects in their own nature so exposed to publick notoriety. Addison on the Chr. Religion.

NOTO'RIOUS, adj. [notorius, Lat.; notoire, French.] Publickly known; evident to the world; apparent; not hidden. It is commonly used of things known to their disadvantage; whence by those who do not know the true signification of the word, an atrocious crime is called a notorious crime, whether publick or secret.

What need you make such ado in cloaking a matter too notorious? Whitgift.

The goodness of your intercepted packets You writ to the pope against the king; your good-

ness. Since you provoke me, shall be most notorious.

I shall have law in Ephesus, To your notorious shame. Shakspeare, Com. of Err. In the time of king Edward III. the impediments of the conquest of Ireland are notorious?

This presbyterian man of war congratulates a certain notorious murther, committed by a zealot of his own devotion.

We think not fit to condemn the most notorious malefactor before he hath had licence to propose

What notorious vice is there that doth not blemish a man's reputation? Tillotson.

The inhabitants of Naples have been always very notorious for leading a life of laziness and pleasure, which arises partly out of the plenty of their country, and partly out of the temper of their climate.

Addison on Italy. their climate.

The bishops have procured some small advancement of rents; although it be notorious that they do not receive the third penny of the real value.

Swift, Miscell. Noto'RIOUSLY. adv. [from notorious.] Publickly; evidently; openly.

The exposing himself notoriously, did sometimes change the fortune of the day. This is notoriously discoverable in some differ-

Brown, Vulg. Err. ences of brake or fern. Ovid tells us, that the cause was notoriously known at Rome, though it be left so obscure to

government, than in morals, learning, and complexion; which do all notoriously vary in every Swift.

His actions are strong encounters, and for their notoriousness always upon record.

Overbury, Charact. NOTT.* adj. [hnot, Saxon.] Smooth; shorn. Nott sheep, i. e. sheep without NOVA'TOR. n. s. [Latin.] The introhorns: Essex. That field is nott, i. e. well tilled: Berkshire. Grose. Hence the adjectives, now obsolete, nott-headed, nott-pated, having the hair cut short; from the "head being like a nut," according to Mr. Tyrrwhitt and others. But the Saxon word hnot, is smooth, cropped, shorn.

A notte head hadde he, with a broune visage. Chaucer, C. T. Prol.

To Nott. + v. a. To shear. Dr. Johnson cites this verb on the authority of Ainsworth. It is in the dictionary of Barret in 1580.

notted, and no more shaven.

Stowe, Ann. under the Year 1535. No'TWHEAT. n. s. [not and wheat.]

Of wheat there are two sorts; French, which is bearded, and requireth the best soil, and notwheat, so termed because it is unbearded, being contented with a meaner earth.

Notwithsta'nding. conj. [This word, though in conformity to other writers called here a conjunction, is properly a participial adjective, as it is compounded of not and withstanding, and answers exactly to the Latin non obstante. It is most properly and analogically used in the ablative case absolute with a noun; as, he is rich notwithstanding his loss; it is not so proper to say, he is rich notwithstanding he has lost much; yet this mode of writing is too frequent; Addison has used it: but when a sentence follows, it is more grammatical to insert that; as, he is rich notwithstanding that he has lost much. When notwithstanding is used absolutely, the expression is elliptical, this, or that being understood, as in the following passages of Hooker.] 1. Without hindrance or obstruction from.

Those on whom Christ bestowed miraculous cures, were so transported that their gratitude made them, notwithstanding his prohibition, proclaim the wonders he had done for them.

Decay of Chr. Piety. 2. Although. This use is not proper.

A person languishing under an ill habit of body, may lose several ounces of blood, notwithstanding it will weaken him for a time, in order to put a new ferment into the remaining mass, and draw into it fresh supplies.

3. Nevertheless; however.

They which honour the law as an image of the wisdom of God himself, are notwithstanding to know that the same had an end in Christ. Hooker.

The knowledge is small, which we have on earth concerning things that are done in heaven:
notwithstanding this much we know even of saints Hooker. in heaven, that they pray.

He hath a tear for pity, and a hand Open as day, for melting charity:

Yet notwithstanding, being incens'd, he's flint; As humourous as winter. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

Should the genius of a nation be more fixed in wernment, than in morals, learning, and com-Notus, and Afer black with thunderous clouds From Serraliona. Milton, P. L.

something new.

I shall easily grant, that novations in religion are a main cause of distempers in commonwealths. Abp. Laud, Hist. of his Troubles, ch. 3.

ducer of something new.

NO VEL. † adj. [novel, old French; nouvelle, modern; novellus, Latin.]

1. New; not ancient; not used of old;

The Presbyterians are exacters of submission to their novel injunctions, before they are stamped with the authority of laws. King Charles. It is no novel usurpation, but though void of other title, has the prescription of many ages.

Decay of Chr. Piety. Such is the constant strain of this blessed saint, who every where brands the Arian doctrine, as the new, novel, upstart heresy, folly and madness. Waterland.

He caused — from thenceforth his beard to be 2. [In the civil law.] Appending to the code, and of later enaction.

By the novel constitutions, burial may not be denied to any one. Ayliffe, Parergon.

No'vel.† n. s. [nouvelle, French.] 1. Novelty.

[They] loving novels, full of affectation, Receive the manners of each other nation.

Sylvester, Du Bart. (1621.) It is the condition of common people to press into the view of such novels.

Comment on Chaucer, (1665,) p. 56.

2. A small tale, generally of love. To nought more, Thenot, my mind is bent, Than to hear novels of his devise;

They ben so well thewed, and so wise, Whatever that good old man bespake. Spenser, Shep. Cal. Feb.

Such as the old woman told Psyche in Apuleius, Boccace's novels, and the rest.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 271. Nothing of a foreign nature; like the trifling novels which Ariosto inserted in his poems.

Druden. Her mangled fame in barbarous pastime lost, The coxcomb's novel and the drunkard's toast.

3. A law annexed to the code.

By the civil law, no one was to be ordained a presbyter till he was thirty-five years of age: though by a later novel it was sufficient, if he was above thirty. Ayliffe.

No'velism.* n. s. [from novel.] Innova-

The other three [positions] are disciplinarian in the present way of novellism.

Sir E. Dering's Speeches, p. 44.

No'velist. n. s. [from novel.]

1. Innovator; assertor of novelty. In this sense the word was also written noveller. Telesius, who hath renewed the philosophy of Parmenides, is the best of novelists.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. The fathers of this synod were not schismatical, or novelists in the matter of the sabbath. White.

They ought to keep that day, which these novellers teach us to contemn.

Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 303. Aristotle rose

Who nature's secrets to the world did teach,

Yet that great soul our novelists impeach. Denham. The fooleries of some affected novelist have discredited new discoveries.

The abettors and favourers of them he ranks with the Abonites, Argemonites, and Samosaterians, condemn'd hereticks, brands them as novelists of late appearing. Waterland.

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2. A writer of news. Not now in use.

My contemporaries the novelists have, for the better spinning out paragraphs, and working down to the end of their columns, a most happy art in saying and unsaying, giving hints of intelligence, and interpretations of indifferent actions, to the great disturbance of the brains of ordinary readers.

Tatler, No. 178.

3. A writer of novels, or tales. This is a modern usage of the word.

The best stories of the early and original Italian novelists, — appeared in an English dress, before the close of the reign of Elizabeth.

Warton, Hist, E. P. iii. 487. Our novelists, like Sam Foote in his farces, often touch upon real characters.

Pegge, Anonym. vii. 21.

To No'velize.* v. a. [from novel.] To innovate; to change by introducing novelties.

The novelizing spirit of man lives by variety, and the new faces of things.

M. Wilkinson, not taken out of the depth of divinity, but fitly chosen to discover how affections do stand to be novellized by the mutability of the present times. Sir E. Dering's Speeches, p. 44.

The Holy Scriptures should be interpreted not by novelizing humourists, but by the primitive fathers and councils.

Archd. Arnway, Tablet of Mod. (1661,) p. 54.

No'velty.† n. s. [nouvelté, old French.]
1. Newness; state of being unknown to

former times.

They which do that which men of account did before them, are, although they do amiss, yet the less faulty, because they are not the authors of harm: and doing well, their actions are freed

harm: and doing well, their actions are freed from prejudice or novelty.

Hooker.

Freshness; recentness; newness with

respect to a particular person.

Novelty is only in request; and it is dangerous

to be aged in any kind of course.

Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas.
As religion entertains our speculations with great objects, so it entertains them with new; and novelty is the great parent of pleasure; upon which account it is that men are so much pleased with

NOVEMBER. n. s. [Latin.] The eleventh month of the year, or the ninth reckoned from March, which was, when the Romans named the months, accounted the first.

November is drawn in a garment of changeable green, and black upon his head.

No'venary. n. s. [novenarius, Lat.] Number of nine; nine collectively.

Ptolemy by parts and numbers implieth climacterical years; is septenaries and novenaries.

Brown.

Looking upon them as in their original differences and combinations, and as selected out of a natural stock of nine quaternions, four novenaries, their nature and differences lie most obvious to be understood.

Holder.

Nove'nnial.* adj. [novenus, Lat.] Done every ninth year. Bullokar. A novemial festival, celebrated by the Beeotians, in honour of Apollo.

Potter, Antiq. of Greece, ii. ch. 20.

Nove'RCAL. adj. [novercalis, from noverca, Latin.] Having the manner of a stepmother; beseeming a stepmother.

When the whole tribe of birds by incubation, produce their young, it is a wonderful deviation, that some few families should do it in a more novercal way.

Derham.

Nought. † n. s. [ne auht, not any thing, Saxon; as therefore we write aught not ought for any thing, we should, according to analogy, write naught not nought for nothing; but a custom has irreversibly prevailed of using naught for bad, and nought for nothing. Dr. Johnson. - This custom originated in the desire of distinguishing, injudiciously conducted. There is indeed no real ground for a distinction; the word naught, in the sense of wicked, being only a figurative signification of naught, nothing; meaning worthless, or nothing worth, nothing in point of value or goodness. Nares, Elem. of Orthoepy, p. 300. - The regular deduction of this word, from its original, will warrant the writing it either naught or nought: M. Goth. niwaiht, from ni, the negative particle, and waiht, the smallest thing possible, our whit; and thus the Sax. napihe, and also nopihe; nauht, and noht. See also WHIT. 1

1. Not any thing; nothing.

Who cannot see this palpable device? Yet who so bold, but says he sees it not? Bad is the world, and it will come to nought, When such ill dealings must be seen in thought. Shakspeare.

Such smiling rogues as these sooth ev'ry passion: Renege, affirm, and turn their halcyon beaks With every gale and vary of their masters, As knowing nought, like dogs, but following. Shakspeare.

We are of nothing, and your work of nought.

Is. xli. 24.

Be frustrate all ye stratagems of hell,

And devilish machinations come to nought.

Milton, P. R.

 In no degree. A kind of adverbial signification, which nothing has sometimes. In young Rinaldo fierce desires he spy'd, And noble heart, of rest impatient.

To wealth or sovereign power he nought apply'd. Fairfax.

3. To set at Nought. Not to value; to slight; to scorn; to disregard.

Ye have set at nought all my counsel, and would none of my reproof.

Prov. i. 25.

No'vice.† n. s. [novice, French; novitius, Latin.] Dr. Johnson. — The word is very old in the French language. Huloet gives our word in the form of nophice, with the Lat. neophitus, a neophyte.]

 One not acquainted with any thing; a fresh man; one in the rudiments of any knowledge.

Triple-twin'd whore! 'tis thou
Has sold me to this novice. Shaksp. Ant. and Cleop.
You are novices; 'tis a world to see
How tame, when men and women are alone,

How tame, when men and women are alone, A meacock wretch can make the curstest shrew.

Shakspeare.

We have novices and apprentices, that the succession of the former employed men do not fail.

If any unexperienced young novice happens into the fatal neighbourhood of such pests, presently they are plying his full purse and his empty pate.

I am young, a novice in the trade, The fool of love, unpractis d to persuade; And want the soothing arts that catch the fair, But caught myself lie struggling in the snare. And she I love, or laughs at all my pain, Or knows her worth too well, and pays me with

In these experiments I have set down such circumstances by which either the phenomenon might be rendered more conspicuous, or a novice might more easily try them, or by which I did try them only.

Newton, Opticks.

 One who has entered a religious house, but not yet taken the vow; a probationer.

Fran. When you have vow'd, you must not speak with men

But in the presence of the prioress.

Luc. Hail, virgin, if you be; as those cheek-

roses
Proclaim you are no less! Can you so stead me,
As bring me to the sight of Isabella,
A novice of this place. Shaken, Mens. for More

A novice of this place. Shaksp. Meas. for Meas.

Novi'tiate.† n. s. [noviciat, French.]

1. The state of a novice; the time in

which the rudiments are learned.

This is so great a masterpiece in sin, that he must have passed his tyrocinium or novitiate in sinning, before he come to this, be he never so quick a proficient.

South.

 The time spent in a religious house, by way of trial, before the vow is taken. None were admitted into this order, but after a long and laborious nonticiate.

Burke, Abridg. of Eng. Hist. i. 1.

3. Once used by Addison, improperly, for a novice.

The abbess had been informed the night before of all that had passed between her noviciate and father Francis.

Spectator, No. 164.

Novi'Tious.* adj. [novitius, Lat.] Newly invented.

What is now taught by the church of Rome, is, as unwarrantable, so a novitious interpretation.

Pearson on the Creed, Art. 9.

No'vity.† n. s. [novitas, Lat.] Newness; novelty.

Some conceive she might not yet be certain, that only man was privileged with speech, and being in the novity of the creation and unexperience of all things, might not be affrighted to hear a serpent speak.

It remainesh that we stedfastly believe, not only that the heavens and earth and all the host of them were made, and so acknowledge a creation, or an actual and immediate dependence of all things on God; but also that all things were created by the hand of God, in the same manner, and at the same time, which are delivered unto us in the books of Moses by the Spirit of God, and so acknowledge a novity, or no long existence of the creature.

Pearson on the Creed, Art. 1.

Noul. † n. s. [hnol, Sax. a top, a head; nol, Germ.] The crown or top of the head; the head itself. See Noddle, and Noll.

Softly, quoth the steward, it lieth all in thy noll, Both wit and wysdom. Hist. of Beryn, (1524.) Then came October full of merry glee;

For yet his noule was totty of the must.

Nould: Ne would; would not.

His enemie

Had kindled such coles of displeasure, That the goodman *nould* stay his léasure, But home him hasted with furious heate.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. Feb.
Noun. n. s. [noun, old French; nomen,
Lat.] The name of any thing in gram-

A noun is the name of a thing, whether substance, mode or relation, which in

speech is used to signify the same when there is occasion to affirm or deny any thing about it, or to express any relation it has to any other thing. Clarke.

Thou hast men about thee, that usually talk of a noun and a verb, and such abominable words as no christian ear can endure to hear.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI.
The boy, who scarce has paid his entrance down,
To his proud pedant, or declin'd a noun. Dryden.

Nou'rice.* n. s. [French, nourrice.] A

It shall be expedient, that a noble man's son, in his infancye, have with him continuallye onely such as may accustome him, by little and little, to speake pure and elegant Latin: the nourises and other women about him, if it be possible, to do the same. Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 16. b. Cambden! the nourice of antiquitie,

And lanterne unto late succeeding age.

Spenser, Ruins of Time.

To NOU'RISH. v. a. [nourrir, French; nutrio, Lat.]

1. To encrease or support by food, or aliment of any kind.

He planteth an ash, and the rain doth nourish it.

Is. xliv. 14.

Thro' her nourish'd powers enlarg'd by thee,

She springs aloft. Thomson, Summer.
You are to honour, improve, and perfect the spirit that is within you: you are to prepare it for the kingdom of heaven, to nourish it with the love of God, and of virtue, to adorn it with good works, and to make it as holy and heavenly as you can.

Law.

2. To support; to maintain.

Whilst I in Ireland nourish a mighty band, I will stir up in England some black storm.

Him will I follow, and this house forgo

That nourisht me a maid.

Pharaoh's daughter took him up, and nourished him for her own son.

Acts, vii. 21.

To encourage; to foment. Out of use.
 What madness was it with such proofs to nourish their contentions, when there were such effectual means to end all controversy? Hooker.
 In soothing them, we nourish 'gainst our senate
The cockle of rebellion. Shakspeare.

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Yet to nourish and advance the early virtue of young persons was his more chosen desire. Fell.

Gorgias hired soldiers, and nourished war continually with the Jews.

2 Mac. x. 14.

4. To train, or educate.

Thou shalt be a good minister of Jesus Chrlst, nourished up in the words of faith. 1 Tim. iv. 6. I travel not, neither do I nourist up young men, nor bring up virgins.

1s. xxiii. 4.

5. To promote growth or strength, as food.

In vegetables there is one part more nourishing than another; as grains and roots nourish more than their leaves.

Bacon.

To Nou'rish. v. n. To gain nourishment.
Unusual.

Fruit trees grow full of moss, which is caused partly by the coldness of the ground, whereby the parts nourish less.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Nou'rish.* n.s. [from the verb.] A nurse. The word, however, in the following passage of Shakspeare has been doubted. Pope, and Warburton, and Ritson, would have it to be marish. Steevens and Malone defend the old reading. Now certainly obsolete.

Athens—
Was called nourish of philosophers wise.

Lydgate, Trag. of J. Bochas, B. i. c. xii.

Our isle be made a nourish of salt tears, And none but women left to waii the dead. Shaksp. K. Hen. VI. P. I.

Nou'rishable.† adj. [from nourish.] Susceptive of nourishment.

These are the bitter herbs, wherewith if we shall eat this passover, we shall find it most wholesome and *nourishable* unto us to eternal life.

Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 197.
The chyle is mixed herewith, partly for its better conversion into blood, and partly for its more ready adhesion to all the nourishable parts.

Grew, Cosmol.

Nou'risher. n. s. [from nourish.] The person or thing that nourishes.

Sleep, chief nourisher in life's feast. Shakspeare.

A restorer of thy life, and a nourisher of thine old age.

Ruth.

Milk warm from the cow is a great nourisher, and a good remedy in consumptions.

Bran and swine's dung laid up together to rot is a very great nourisher and comforter to a fruit tree.

Bacon.

Please to taste

These bounties, which our nourisher hath caus'd

The earth to yield.

Milton, P. L.

Nou'rishment. n. s. [nourissement, Fr.]

 That which is given or received, in order to the support or encrease of growth or strength; food; sustenance; nutriment.

When the nourishment grows unfit to be assimilated, or the central heat grows too feeble to assimilate it, the motion ends in confusion, putrefaction, and death.

Newton, Opticks.

2. Nutrition; support of strength.

By temperance taught,
In what thou eat'st and drink'st; seeking from
thence

Due nourishment, no gluttonous delight.

The limbs are exhausted by what is called a atrophy, and grow lean and thin by a defect of nourishment, occasioned by an inordinate scorbutick or erratick heat.

Millon, P. L.

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3. Sustentation; supply of things needful.

He instructeth them, that as in the one place they use to refresh their bodies, so they may in the other learn to seek the nourishment of their souls.

Hooker.

Nou'riture.† n. s. [nourriture, French: this was afterwards contracted to nurture.] Education; institution.

Thither the great magician Merlin came, As was his use, oftimes to visit me;

For he had charge my discipline to frame, And tutors nouriture to oversee. Spenser. Repaying thankfully the nouriture, which themselves received whiles they were young.

Brysket, Disc. of Civ. Life, (1606,) p. 75.
This trade also, connected at the root, deriving its nouriture from the same sources, — must have come within the sphere of the same attraction.

Pounall on Antia (1782,) p. 94.

To Nou'rsle.* v. a. [nourir, French. See also To Nousle.] To nurse up. Whether ye list him traine in chivalry,

Or noursle up in lore of learn'd philosophy.

Spenser, F. Q. vi. iv. 35.

Nou'rsling.† n. s. The creature nursed,

nursling.
A little noursling of the humid air.

ng of the humid air.

Spenser, Virgil's Gnat.

To NOU'SLE.† v.a. [The same I believe with nuzzle, and both, in their original import, corrupted from nursle.] To nurse up.

Bald friars and knavish shavelings — sought to nousel the common people in ignorance, lest, being once acquainted. with the truth of things, they would in time smell out the untruth of their packed pelt and masse-penny religion.

E. K. on Spenser's Shep. Cal. June.
Mothers, who, to nousle up their babes,
Thought nought too curious. Shaksp. Pericles.

To Nou'sle. v. a. [nuzzle, noozle, noose, or nosel; from nose.] To entrap; to ensare; as in a noose or trap. They nuzzle hogs to prevent their digging, that is, put a ring in their noses.

NOW.† adv. [nauh, nu, M. Gothick; nu, Su. Goth. and Sax.]

1. At this time; at the time present.

Thy servants' trade hath been about cattle, from our youth even until now. Gen. xlvi. 34, Refer all the actions of this short and dying life to that state which will shortly begin, but never have an end; and this will approve itself to be wisdom at last, whatever the world judge of it now. Tillotson.

Now that languages abound with words standing for such combinations, an usual way of getting these complex ideas, is by the explication of those terms that stand for them.

Locke.

A patient of mine is now living, in an advanced age, that thirty years ago did, at several times, cast up from the lungs a large quantity of blood.

2. A little while ago; almost at the present time.

Blackmore.

Now the blood of twenty thousand men

Did triumph in my face, and they are fled.

Shah

How frail our passions!
They that but now for honour and for plate,
Made the sea blush, with blood resign their hate.

3. At one time; at another time.

Now high, now low, now master up, now miss.

Pane

4. It is sometimes a particle of connection, like the French or, and Latin autem: as, if this be true, he is guilty; now this is true, therefore he is guilty.

Now whatsoever he did or suffered, the end thereof was to open the doors of the kingdom of heaven, which our iniquities had shut up. Hooker. He seeks their hate with greater devotion than

they can render it him. Now to affect the malice of the people, is as bad as that which he dislikes, to flatter them.

They exist they call again, saying Not this people.

Then cried they all again, saying, Not this man, but Barabbas; now Barabbas was a robber.

St. John.

Natural reason persuades man to love his neighbour, because of similitude of kind: because mutual love is necessary for man's welfare and preservation, and every one desires another should love him. Now it is a maxim of Nature, that one do to others, according as he would himself be done to.

White.

Pheasants, which are granivorous birds, the young live mostly upon antis' eggs. Now birds, being of a hot nature, are very voracious, therefore there had need be an infinite number of insects produced for their sustenance.

Ray.

The other great and undoing mischief which befals men, is by their being misrepresented. Now by calling evil good, a man is misrepresented to others in the way of slander and detraction. South.

Helim bethought himself, that the first day of the full moon of the month Tizpa, was near at hand. Now it is a received tradition among the Persians, that the souls of the royal family, who are in a state of bliss, do, on the first full moon after their decease, pass through the eastern gate of the black palace.

Addison, Guardian.

The praise of doing well Is to the ear, as ointment to the smell. Now if some flies, perchance, however small, Into the alabaster urn should fall,

The odours die. Prior. The only motives that can be imagined of obedience to laws, are either the value and certainty of rewards, or an apprehension of justice and severity. Now neither of these, exclusive of the other, is the true principle of our obedience to

A human body a forming in such a fluid in any imaginable posture, will never be reconcilable to this hydrostatical law. There will be always something lighter beneath, and something heavier above. Now what can make the heavier particles of bone ascend above the lighter ones of flesh, or depress these below those, against the tendency of nature? Bentley.

5. After this; since things are so, in familiar speech.

How shall any man distinguish now betwixt a parasite and a man of honour, where hypocrisy and interest look so like duty and affection?

6. Now and then; at one time and another uncertainly. This word means, with regard to time, what is meant by here and there, with respect to place.

Now and then they ground themselves on human authority, even when they most pretend di-

Now and then something of extraordinary, that is any thing of your production, is requisite to refresh your character. Dryden.

A most effectual argument against spontaneous generation is, that there is no new species produced, which would now and then happen, were there any such thing.

He who resolves to walk by the gospel rule of forbearing all revenge, will have opportunities every now and then to exercise his forgiving tem-Atterbury.

They now and then appear in the offices of religion, and avoid some scandalous enormities.

7. Now and then are applied to places considered as they rise to notice and

A mead here, there a heath, and now and then a wood. Drauton.

Now. n. s. Present moment. A poetical

Nothing is there to come, and nothing past, But an eternal now does ever last. She vanish'd, we can scarcely say she dy'd, For but a now did heaven and earth divide :

This moment perfect health, the next was death.

Not less ev'n in this despicable now Than when my name fill'd Africk with affrights. Dryden.

No'wadays, t adv. [now and adays, i. e. on days. So Gower. "Now on days." Conf. Am. B. 5. See Adays. This word, though common and used by the best writers, is perhaps barbarous.] In the present age.

Not so great as it was wont of yore, It's nowadays, ne half so straight and sore.

Reason and love keep little company together Shakspeare, Mids. N. Dream. It was a vestal and a virgin fire, and differed as

much from that which passes by this name nowadays, as the vital heat from the burning of a

Such are those principles, which by reason of the bold cavils of perverse and unreasonable men, we are nowadays put to defend.

What men of spirit nowadays, Come to give sober judgement of new plays.

No'ways.* } adv. [no and ways. Dr. No'ways. } Johnson has hastily condemned this expression, under nowise. See Nowise.] Not in any manner or degree.

Wherever a considerable number of authorities can be produced in support of two different though resembling modes of expression for the same thing, there is always a divided use, and one cannot be said to speak barbarously, or to oppose the usage of the language, who conforms to either side. Of this divided use the words nowise, noway, and noways, afford a proper instance. learned lexicographer hath denominated all those, who either write or pronounce the word noways, ignorant barbarians. These ignorant barbarians (but he surely hath not adverted to this circumstance) are only Pope, and Swift, and Addison, and Locke, and several others of our most eminent writers. This censure is the more astonishing, that, even in this form which he has thought fit to repudiate, the meaning assigned to it is strictly conformable to that which etymology, according to his own explication, would suggest. See the senses of the word way marked with these numbers, 15, 16, 18, and 19.

Campbell, Philos. of Rhetorick. No'web. adj. [noué, Fr.] Knotted; in-

wreathed.

Reuben is conceived to bear three barres waved, Judah a lion rampant, Dan a serpent

No'wel.* n. s. [Fr. noel, nouel: which Menage derives from the Lat. natalis; and Borel from the Lat. novus, being a corruption of the Fr. nouvel. "From gnoul, signifying a child in Hebrew, comes the French word noel, signifying the child's day, (by way of distinction,) or Christmas-day; of which word the French criticks give but a very slender and imperfect account, as may be seen in the dictionary of Trevoux, and Monsieur Menage." Harris on the 53d Ch. of Isaiah, 2d edit. 1739. Pref. p. 34.] A cry of joy; originally a shout of joy at Christmas. Obsolete.

And nowel crieth every lusty man.

Chaucer, Frankl. Tale. Nowes. n. s. [from nou, old French.]

The marriage knot. Out of use. Thou shalt look round about and see Thousands of crown'd souls throng to be Themselves thy crown, sons of thy nowes; The virgin births with which they spouse Made fruitful thy fair soul. Crashaw.

No'where. adv. [no and where.] Not in any place.

Some men of whom we think very reverendly, have in their books and writings nowhere mentioned or taught that such things should be in the

True pleasure and perfect freedom are nowhere to be found but in the practice of virtue. Tillotson.

No'wise. + adv. [no and wise; this is commonly spoken and written by ignorant barbarians, noways. Dr. Johnson. - The censure is not just. See Noway. The noun wise, signifying manner, is quite obsolete. It remains now only in composition, in which along with an adjective, or other substantive, it forms an adverb or conjunction. Such are length-

wise, coastwise, likewise, &c. These always preserve the compound form; and never admit a preposition; consequently nowise, which is an adverb of the same order, ought analogically to be written in one word, and not to be preceded by it. Campbell, Phil. of Rhet. - Dr. Johnson's solitary example from Bentley gives this word with the preposition: but I add from Barrow, one of our finest writers, an example which confirms the judicious reasoning of Campbell.] Not in any manner or degree.

No, God was so to prosecute his designs of goodness and mercy, as thereby nowise to impair or obscure, but rather to advance and illustrate, the glories of his sovereign dignity, of his severe justice, of his immaculate holiness, of his unchangeable steadiness in word and purpose.

Barrow, Serm. on G. Friday, (1677.) A power of natural gravitation, without contact or impulse, can in nowise be attributed to mere matter.

Nowl.* See Noul.

NO'XIOUS. adj. [noxius, Lat.]

1. Hurtful; harmful; baneful; mischievous; destructive; pernicious; unwhole-

Preparation and correction, is not only by addition of other bodies, but separation of noxious parts from their own. Brown, Vulg. Err. Kill noxious creatures, where 'tis sin to save,

This only just prerogative we have. See pale Orion sheds unwholesome dews, Arise, the pines a noxious shade diffuse;

Sharp Boreas blows, and nature feels decay, Time conquers all, and we must time obey. Pope. Noxious seeds of the disease are contained in a smaller quantity in the blood.

2. Guilty; criminal.

Those who are noxious in the eye of the law, are justly punished by them to whom the execution of the law is committed. Bramhall against Hobbes. 3. Unfavourable; unkindly.

Too frequent an appearance in places of much resort, is noxious to spiritual promotions.

Swift, Miscell. No'xiousness.† n. s. [from noxious. Pronounced new and uncouth, in 1656, by P. Heylin. 7 Hurtfulness; insalubrity.

The writers of politicks have warned us of the noxiousness of this doctrine to all civil governments, which the christian religion is very far from disturbing. Hammond.

No'xiously, adv. [from noxious.] Hurtfully; perniciously.

To NOY. + v. a. [noyen, Teut.] To annoy. Not now in use. Dr. Johnson has printed this word noie, and its derivatives noiance, noious, &c. But our best old writers, and our old lexicography, are in favour of the orthography before us.

He noyede him nothing, [hurt him not, present rsion.] Wicliffe, St. Luke, iv. 35.
The heat whereof, and harmefull pestilence, version. 1

So sore him noy'd, that forc'd him to retire.

Spenser, F. Q. Let servant be ready with mattock in hand, To stub out the bushes that noieth the land.

Tusser.

Nov.* n. s. Annoy. Not in use. He shall sustain no noy.

Hist. of Sir Clyomon, [1599,) sign. G. i. b. No'YANCE. † n. s. Mischief; inconvenience. See Annoyance.

A cloud of cumbrous gnatts doe him molest, All striving to infixe their feeble stinges, That from their noyance he no where can rest; But with his clownish hands their tendar wings He brusheth oft, and oft doth mar their mur-

Spenser, F. Q. To borrow to day, and to-morrow to miss, For lender and borrower noiance it is. Tusser. The single and peculiar life is bound,

With all the strength and armour of the mind, To keep itself from noyance. Shaksp. Hamlet. No'yer. + n. s. [from noy.] One who

annoys. Not in use. The north is a noier to grass of all suits, The east a destroyer to herbs and all fruits.

No'YFUL.* adj. [noy and full.] Noisome; hurtful. Obsolete. Very execrable and noyfull to them that shall Bale, Yet a Course, &c. fol. 88. receive them.

No'yous. † adj. [from noy; Ital. noioso.] Hurtful; troublesome; inconvenient. Obsolete.

We be delivered fro noyouse and yvele men. Wicliffe, 2 Thess. iii. 2. Being bred in a hot country, they found much hair on their faces to be noyous unto them.

The false Duessa leaving noyous night, Return'd to stately palace of dame Pride.

Spenser, F. Q. No'YSANCE.* n. s. Offence; trespass; nuisance. The word is now nuisance. Or suffer that may be noysance

Againe our old accustomance.

Chaucer's Dreams ver. 255. No'zle. † n. s. [nazal, old Fr. from naz, the nose.] The nose; the snout; the end.

It is nothing but a paultry old sconce, with the noxle broke off. Arbuthnot and Pope, Mart. Scribb.

To Nu'BBLE. + v. a. [properly to knubble, or knobble, from knob, for a clenched fist. Dr. Johnson. - Skinner derives knubble, to beat, from knipler, Danish.] To bruise with handy cuffs. Ainsworth. NUBI'FEROUS. adj. [nubifer, Lat.] Bring-

ing clouds. To Nu'BILATE. v. a. [nubilo, Latin.] To Dict.

Nu'BILE. adj. [nubile, Fr. nubilis, Lat.] Marriageable; fit for marriage.

The cowslip smiles, in brighter yellow drest, Than that which veils the nubile virgin's breast.

Nu'BILOUS.* adj. [nubilus, Lat.] Cloudy. Bailey.

Nuci'rerous. adj. [nuces and fero, Lat.] Nutbearing.

NU'CLEUS. n. s. [Latin.] A kernel; any thing about which matter is ga-

thered or conglobated. The crusts are each in all parts nearly of the same thickness, their figure suited to the nucleus,

and the outer surface of the stone exactly of the same form with that of the nucleus.

Woodward on Fossils.

NU'DATION. n. s. [nudation, French, nudo. Lat.] The act of making bare or naked. NUDE.* adj. [nud, French, nudus, Lat.] Bullokar. Bare; naked. Contract by nude paroles, i. e. by bare words.

Huloet, in V. Contracte. Nu'dity.† n. s. [nudité, Fr. nudus, Lat.]

Naked parts; nakedness; poverty. Cotgrave, and Sherwood.

There are no such licences permitted in poetry any more than in painting, to design and colour obscene nudities.

Young, Night Th. 8.

The man who shews his heart, Is hooted for his nudities, and scorn'd.

Nu'el. See Newel.

Nuga'city. † n. s. [nugax, nugacis, Lat.] Futility; trifling talk or behaviour.

Such arithmetical nugacities as are ordinarily recorded for his.

More, Conj. Cabb. (1653,) p. 155. NUGA'TION. n. s. [nugor, Latin.] The act or practice of trifling.

The opinion that putrefaction is caused either by cold or peregrine and preternatural heat, is but

Nu'GATORY. adj. [nugatorius, Latin.] Trifling; futile; insignificant.

Some great men of the last age, before the mechanical philosophy was revived, were too much addicted to this nugatory art: when occult quality, and sympathy and antipathy were admitted for satisfactory explications of things.

Nul'sance. n. s. [nuisance, French.] 1. Something noxious or offensive.

This is the liar's lot, he is accounted a pest and a nuisance; a person marked out for infamy and scorn.

A wise man who does not assist with his counsels, a rich man with his charity, and a poor man with his labour, are perfect nuisances in a commonwealth. Swift, Miscell.

2. [In law.] Something that incommodes the neighbourhood.

Nusances, as necessary to be swept away, as dirt out of the streets. Kettlewell.

To NULL. v. a. [nullus, Lat.] To annul; to annihilate; to deprive of efficacy or existence.

Thy fair enchanted cup, and warbling charms, No more on me have power, their force is null'd. Milton, S. A.

Reason hath the power of nulling or governing all other operations of bodies. Grew, Cosmol.

Null. adj. [nullus, Latin.] Void; of no 2. Producing chilness; benumbing. force; ineffectual.

With what impatience must the muse behold The wife, by her procuring husband sold? For though the law makes null the adulterous deed Of lands to her, the cuckold may succeed.

Their orders are accounted to be null and invalid by many.

The pope's confirmation of the church lands to those who hold them by King Henry's donation, was null and fraudulent. Swift, Miscell.

NULL. n.s. Something of no power or no meaning. Marks in ciphered writing, which stand for nothing, and are inserted only to puzzle, are called nulls.

If part of the people be somewhat in the election, you cannot make them nulls or ciphers in the privation or translation. Bacon, War with Spain.

NULLIBI'ETY. n. s. [from nullibi, Latin.] The state of being nowhere.

Nullifi'dian.* adj. [Lat. nullus, none, and fides, faith.] Of no honesty; of no religion; of no faith. Bullokar. A solifidian Christian is a nullifidian Pagan, and confutes his tongue with his hand.

Feltham, Res. ii. 47. To Nu'LLIFY. † v. a. [from nullus, Lat.]

To annul; to make void. You will say, that this nullifies all exhortations to piety; since a man, in this case, cannot totally come up to the thing he is exhorted to. But to

this I answer, that the consequence does not hold: for an exhortation is not frustrate, if a man be but able to come up to it partially, though not entirely and perfectly. South, Serm. vii. 95.

Nu'llity. n.s. [nullité, French.]

1. Want of force or efficacy.

It can be no part of my business to overthrow this distinction, and to shew the nullity of it; which has been solidly done by most of our polemick writers. The jurisdiction is opened by the party, in de-

fault of justice from the ordinary, as by appeals or

Want of existence.

A hard body struck against another hard body, will yield an exteriour sound, in so much as if the percussion be over soft, it may induce a nullity of sound; but never an interiour sound.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

NUMB. † adj. [benumen, benumeb, Sax. This word was formerly written num, as Mr. H. Tooke has also observed. How, or why, or when the b was added to it, he says, he knows not. Certain it is, I may add, that Milton omitted the b, and in later times Bentley. Nay, Dr. Johnson himself, in all the editions of his Dictionary, has given benum, not benumb. The etymon which Mr. Tooke gives of this word is from the Saxon nıman, capere, eripere, to nim, to take away; that is, as Skinner also explains it by the Lat. membris captus, deprived of the use of the limbs.]

Torpid; deprived in a great measure of the power of motion and sensation;

chill; motionless.

Like a stony statute, cold and numb. Shakspeare. Leaning long upon any part maketh it numb and asleep; for that the compression of the part suffereth not the spirits to have free access; and therefore when we come out of it, we feel a stinging or pricking, which is the re-entrance of the spirits. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

When we both lay in the field, Frozen almost to death, how he did lap me Even in his garments, and did give himself All thin and naked to the numb cold night.

To Numb. v. a. To make torpid; to make dull of motion or sensation; to deaden;

to stupify.

Bedlam beggars with roaring voices, Strike in their numb'd and mortify'd bare arms, Pips, wooden-pricks, nails, sprigs of rosemary; And with this horrible object from low farms, Inforce their charity. Shakspeare, K. Lear. She can unlock

The clasping charm, and thaw the numbing spell. Milton, Comus.

Plough naked, swain, and naked sow the land, For lazy winter numbs the lab'ring hand. Dryden.

Nought shall avail The pleasing song, or well repeated tale, When the quick spirits their warm march forbear,

And numbing coldness has unbrac'd the ear.

Nu'mbedness. n. s. [from numbed.] Torpor; interrruption of sensation. If the nerve be quite divided, the pain is little, only a kind of stupor or numbedness.

Wiseman, Surgery.

To NU'MBER. v. a. [nombrer, French; numero, Latin.] 1. To count; to tell; to reckon how many.

If a man can number the dust of the earth, then shall thy seed also be numbered. Gen. xiii. 16. I will number you to the sword. Is. xlv. 12. The gold, the vest, the tripods number'd o'er, All these he found. Pope, Odyss.

2. To reckon as one of the same kind. He was numbered with the trangressors, and bare the sin of many.

NU'MBER. † n. s. [number, old French of the tenth century; nombre, modern; numerus, Latin.

1. The species of quantity by which it is computed how many; either unity, or a multitude of units.

Hie thee from this slaughter-house, Lest thou increase the number of the dead.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. The silver, the gold, and the vessels, were weighed by number and by weight. Ezra, viii. 34. There is but one gate for strangers to enter at, that it may be known what numbers of them are in the town.

2. Any particular aggregate of units, as even or odd.

This is the third time; I hope good luck lies in odd numbers: they say there is divinity in odd numbers, either in nativity, chance, or death. Shakspeare, M. W. of Windsor.

3. Many; more than one.

Much of that we are to speak may seem to a number perhaps tedious, perhaps obscure, dark, and intricate.

Water lily hath a root in the ground; and so have a number of other herbs that grow in ponds.

Ladies are always of great use to the party they espouse, and never fail to win over numbers.

4. Multitude that may be counted. Of him came nations and tribes out of number. 2 Esdras, iii, 7. Loud as from numbers without number.

5. Comparative multitude.

Number itself importeth not much in armies, where the people are of weak courage: for, as Virgil says, it never troubles the wolf how many the sheep be.

Milton, P. L.

6. Aggregated multitude.

If you will, some few of you shall see the place; and then you may send for your sick, and the rest of your number, which ye will bring on land.

Bacon, New Atlantis. Sir George Summers sent thither with nine ships and five hundred men, lost a great part of their numbers in the isle of Bermudaz. Heylin.

7. Harmony; proportions calculated by

They, as they move Their starry dance in numbers that compute Days, months, and years tow'rds his all-chearing lamp,

Turn swift. Milton, P. L. 8. Verses; poetry. Then feed on thoughts that voluntary move,

Harmonious numbers as the wakeful bird Sings darkling. Milton, P. L. Yet should the muses bid my numbers roll Strong as their charms, and gentle as their soul.

9. [In grammar.]

In the noun is the variation or change of termination to signify a number more than one. When men first invented names, their application was to single things; but soon finding it necessary to speak of several things of the same kind together, they found it likewise necessary to vary or alter the noun.

Clark, Latin Grammar.

How many numbers is in nouns? -Two. Shakspeare, M. W. of Windsor. Nu'mberer. † n. s. [from number.] One who numbers. Sherwood.

Nu'mberful.* adj. [number and full.] Many in number. Not in use.

About the year 700 great was the company of learned men of the English race, yea, so numberfull, that they upon the point excelled all nations in learning, piety, and zeal.

Waterhouse, Apol. for Learning, (1653,) p. 50. NU'MBERLESS. adj. [from number.] Innumerable; more than can be reckoned.

I forgive all; There cannot be those numberless offences

'Gainst me. Shakspeare. About his chariot numberless were pour'd Cherub and seraph. Milton, P. L.

Deserts so great, Though numberless, I never shall forget. Denham. The soul converses with numberless beings of her own creation. Addison, Spect.

Travels he then a hundred leagues, And suffers numberless fatigues. Swift, Miscell.

Nu'mbers.* n. s. pl. The title of the fourth book in the Old Testament.

This book is called by the name of Numbers in our language, because it begins with an account of the numbering of the people in the beginning of the second year after they came out of Egypt; though it contain a great many things besides that; particularly another numbering of them (ch. 26.) towards the conclusion of their travels in the wilderness. Bp. Patrick on Numbers.

Nu'mbles. † n. s. [nombles, Fr.] The entrails of a deer. Bailey. His glorious heart, as it were numbles, chopped

in pieces. Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 161. NU'MBNESS. n. s. [from numb.] Torpor; interruption of action or sensation; deadness: stupefaction.

Stir, nay, come away; Bequeath to death your numbness, for from him Dear life redeems you. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. Till length of years,

And sedentary numbness craze my limbs
To a contemptible old age obscure. Milton, S. A. Cold numbness strait bereaves

Her corpse of sense, and th' air her soul receives. Denham.

Silence is worse than the fiercest and loudest accusations; since it may proceed from a kind of numbness or stupidity of conscience, and an absolute dominion obtained by sin over the soul, so that it shall not so much as dare to complain, or make a stir.

Nu'MERABLE.† adj. [numerabilis, Latin.]
Capable to be numbered. Huloet. So numerous in islands as they are scarce nu-

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 58. NU'MERAL. adj. [numeral, Fr.; from numerus, Lat.] Relating to number; consisting of number.

Some who cannot retain the several combinations of numbers in their distinct orders, and the dependance of so long a train of numeral progressions, are not able all their life-time regularly to go over any moderate series of numbers. Locke. NU'MERAL.* n. s. A numeral character

The learned Dr. Wallis, of Oxford, delivers it as his opinion, that the Indian or Arabick numerals were brought into Europe together with other Arabick learning, about the middle of the tenth century, if not sooner.

Astle, Orig. and Prog. of Writing, ch. 7. NU'MERALLY. adv. [from numeral.] According to number.

The blasts and undulary breaths thereof, maintain no certainty in their course; nor are they numerally feared by navigators. Brown, Vulg. Err. NU'MERARY. adj. [numerus, Lat.] Any thing belonging to a certain number.

A supernumerary canon, when he obtains a prebend, becomes a numerary canon. Ayliffe, Parergon.

To Nu'MERATE.* v. n. [numero, Lat.] To reckon; to calculate.

A boy of eight years old, who can barely read writing, and numerate well, is qualified by means of the guide to teach the four first rules of arithmetick.

Numera'tion. n. s. [numeration, French; numeratio, Latin.]

1. The art of numbering.

Numeration is but still the adding of one unit more, and giving to the whole a new name or sign, whereby to know it from those before and after. Locke. 2. Number contained.

In the legs or organs of progression in animals, we may observe an equality of length, and parity of numeration.

3. The rule of Arithmetick which teaches the notation of numbers, and method of reading numbers regularly noted. NU'MERATOR. n. s. [Latin.]

1. One that numbers.

2. [Numerateur, Fr.] That number which serves as the common measure to others. NUME'RICAL. adj. [from numerus, Latin.]

1. Numeral; denoting number; pertaining to numbers.

The numerical characters are helps to the memory, to record and retain the several ideas about which the demonstration is made. Locke. 2. The same not only in kind or species,

but number.

Contemplate upon his astonishing works, particularly in the resurrection and reparation of the same numerical body, by a re-union of all the scattered parts.

NUME'RICALLY. adv. [from numerical.] With respect to sameness in number.

I must think it improbable, that the sulphur of antimony would be but numerically different from the distilled butter or oil of roses.

NUME'RICK.* adj. [from numerus, Lat.] The same in species and number.

This is the same numerick crew,

This is the same numerick crew,

Hudibras, i. iii. Which we so lately did subdue. Shew me the same numerick flea,

That bit your neck but yesterday. Swift to Delany. Nu'merist. n. s. [from numerus, Lat.]

One that deals in numbers. We cannot assign a respective fatality unto

each which is concordant unto the doctrine of the numerists.

Numero'sity. † n. s. [numerosité, Fr.; from numerosus, Lat.]

1. Number; the state of being numerous. Of assertion, if numerosity of assertors were a sufficient demonstration, we might sit down herein as an unquestionable truth. Brown, Vulg. Err.

It seems unlikely that the comets be Synods of stars that in wide heaven stray;

Their smallness eke, and numerosity, Encreaseth doubt, and lessens probability.

More, Infin. of Worlds, st. 87. 2. Harmony; numerous flow.

The numerosity of the sentence pleased the ear. Parr on Education, p. 2. Nu'merous. adj. [numerosus, Latin.]

1. Containing many; consisting of many; not few; many.

Queen Elizabeth was not so much observed for having a numerous, as a wise council.

Bacon.

We reach our foes,

Who now appear so numerous and bold. Waller.

Many of our schisms in the west were never heard of by the numerous Christian churches in the east of Asia.

Leslie.

2. Harmonious; consisting of parts rightly numbered; melodious; musical.

Thy heart, no ruder than the rugged stone,
I might, like Orpheus, with my numerous moan
Melt to compassion.

Walle:

His verses are so numerous, so various, and so harmonious, that only Virgil, whom he professedly imitated, has surpassed him.

Dryden.

NU'MEROUSNESS.† n. s. [from numerous.]

1. The quality or state of being numerous.
The numerousness of these holy houses may
easily be granted, seeing that a very few make up

a Jewish congregation.

L. Addison, State of the Jews, p. 89.

2. Harmony; musicalness.

That which will distinguish his style is, the numerousness of his verse. There is nothing so delicately turned in all the Roman language.

Druden.

Numi'smaticks.* n. s. pl. [numismatique, Fr.; numismata, Lat.] The science of coins and medals.

Nu'mmary. adj. [from nummus, Lat.] Re-

lating to money.

The money drachma in process of time decreased; but all the while the ponderal drachma continued the same, just as our ponderal libra remains as it was, though the nummary hath much decreased.

Arbuthnot on Coins.

NU'MMULAR. adj. [nummularius, Lat.] Relating to money. Dict.

Numps.* n. s. [probably from numb, dull, insensible.] A cant expression for a

weak, foolish person.

These are villainous engines indeed; but take heart, numps / here is not a word of the stocks;

and you need never stand in awe of any more

honourable correction.

Bp. Parker, Repr. of Rehears. Transpr. (1673,) p. 85.

There is a certain creature called a grave hobby-horse, a kind of a she mamps, that pretendeth to be pulled to a play, and must needs go to Bartholomew fair to look after the young folks.

Ld. Halifax.

Nu'mskull. n. s. [probably from numb, dull, torpid, insensible; and skull.]

1. A dullard; a dunce; a dolt; a blockhead.

They have talked like numskulls.

Arburthnot and Pope.

2. The head. In burlesque.

Or toes and fingers in this case
Of Numskull's self should take the place. Prior.

Nu'MSKULLED. adj. [from numksull.] Dull; stupid; doltish.

Hocus has saved that clod-pated, numskulled ninnyhammer of yours from ruin, and all his family.

Arbuthnot.

NUN.† n. s. [nunne, Saxon; nonne, Fr. Our word was anciently nonne. Vossius and others consider it as an Egyptian word, signifying a virgin. Græcobarb. voit, voiva, monialis. Meursii Lex. Low Lat. nonnus, a monk, nonna, a nun. Others refer it to the Greek vévve, and vávvn, and to the Italian nonno and nonna, which signify uncle and aunt, grandfather and grandmother, applied by way of honourably distinguishing the reli-

gious as fathers and mothers. The Lat. nonna first denoted a penitent woman, then a religious.] A woman dedicated to the severer duties of religion, secluded in a cloister from the world, and debarred by a vow from the converse of men.

My daughters

Shall all be praying nuns, not weeping queens.

Shakspeare.

A devout nun had vowed to take some young child, and bestow her whole life and utmost industry to bring it up in strict piety. Hammond.

The most blooming toost in the island might

The most blooming toast in the island might have been a nun.

Addison, Freeholder.

Every shepherd was undone,

To see her cloister'd like a nun. Swift, Miscell. Nun.† n. s. [parus minor.]

1. The blue titmouse. Sherwood.

2. A small kind f pigeon.

NU'NCHION, n. s. Corrupted from noonshun, a meal eaten about noon, when
country labourers usually retire from
the heat of the sun, as Mr. Malone also
has observed; citing the following passage from Browne, which Mr. Mason in
his Supplement to Dr. Johnson's Dictionary has also given, with the definition of "a shady place to retire to at
noon." But it is the meal, and not the
place, which the poet means. Sherwood, in his Dict. 1632, calls it "a nuncions or nuncheon, an afternoones repast."] A piece of victuals eaten between meals.

That harvest folkes (with curds and clouted

cream,

With cheese and butter, cakes and cates ynow That are the yeoman's from the yoake or cowe) On sheafes of corne, were at their noonshuns close. Browne, Brit. Past. (1616.)

Laying by their swords and trunchions, They took their breakfasts or their nunchions.

Hudibras

Nu'nciature. † n. s. [from nuncio, Latin.]

The office of a nuncio.

They who knew him [Pope Alexander] but little, had very much esteem of him as a man of wisdom and extraordinary civility, upon which account the princes of Germany, who had known him during his nunciature, were exceedingly pleased with his promotion.

Clarendon, on Papal Usurp. chap. 9.

NU'NCIO. n. s. [Italian; from nuncio,

Latin.

 A messenger; one that brings tidings. She will attend it better in thy youth,

Than in a nuncio of more grave aspect. Shaksp.
They honour'd the nuncios of the spring; and the Rhodians had a solemn song to welcome in the swallow.

Brown.

2. A kind of spiritual envoy from the pope.
This man was honoured with the character of nuncio to the Venetians.

Atterbury.

To NU'NCUPATE.* v. a. [nuncupo, Lat.]
To declare publickly or solemnly.

The Gentiles nuncupated vows to them, [idols.]

Dr. Westfield, Serm. (1646,) p. 65.

But how doth that will appear? In what table
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Barrow on the Pope's Supremacy.

NUNCUPA'TION.* n. s. [nuncupatio, Lat.]
The act of naming.

God hath divers sons; some by adoption, and then he is made so; some by nuncupation, and then he is called so.

Farindon's Serm. (1647,) p. 5.

An instance of this manner of nuncupation take here from the author I promised you.

Gregory's Learned Works, (1684,) p. 161.

NU'NCUPATIVE.† adj. nuncupatus, Lat.]

NU'NCUPATORY. nuncupatif, French.]

1. Publickly or solemnly declaratory.

The same appeareth by that nuncupalize title wherewith both Heathens and Christians have honoured their oaths, in calling their swearing an oath of God. Fotherby, Atheom. (1622,) p. 41.

. Verbally pronounced; not written. Wills nuncupatory and scriptory.

Swift, Tale of a Tub.

Testaments are divided into two sorts; written and nuncupative: the latter depends merely upon oral evidence, being declared by the testator in extremis before a sufficient number of witnesses, and afterwards reduced to writing.

Blackstone.

NU'NDINAL. } adj. [nundinal, French, NU'NDINARY.] from nundinæ, Lat.] belonging to fairs. Dict.

To NU'NDINATE.* v. n. [nundinor, Lat.]
To buy and sell as at fairs. Cockeram.

Nundina'Tion.* n. s. [nundination, Fr.]
Traffick at fairs and markets; any buying and selling.

Cockeram.

Witness their penitentiary tax, wherein a man might see the price of his sin before hand; their common nundination of pardons; their absolving subjects from their oaths of allegiance.

Bp. Bramhall, Schism Guarded, p. 149

NU'NNERY. n. s. [from nun.] A house of nuns; of women under a vow of chastity, dedicated to the severer duties of religion.

I put your sister into a nunnery, with a strict command not to see you, for fear you should have wrought upon her to have taken the habit.

ave taken the habit.

Dryden, Span. Friar.

NU'PTIAL. adj. [nuptial, French; nuptialis, Latin.] Pertaining to marriage; constituting marriage; used or done in marriage.

Confirm that amity
With nuptial knot, if thou vouchsafe to grant
Bona to England's king.
Shakspee

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Because propagation of families proceedeth from the napital copulation, I desired to know of him what laws and customs they had concerning marriage.

Bacon.

Then all in heat
They light the nuptial torch. Millon, P. I..
Whoever will partake of God's secrets, must
pare off whatsoever is amiss, not eat of this sacrifice with a defiled head, nor come to this feast
without a nuptial garment. Ep. Taylor.
Fir'd with her love, and with ambition led.

The neighb'ring princes court her nuptial bed.

Dryden.

Let our eternal peace be seal'd by this,
With the first ardor of a nuptial kiss.

Dryden, Aurengz. NU'PTIALS. † n. s. like the Latin without singular. [nuptiæ, Lat. Dr. Johnson. -From nubo. "It has been an opinion long received, and almost as universally admitted, that " nuptiæ dictæ, quia flammeo caput nubentis obvolvatur, quod antiqui obnubere vocârunt." But this is a custom evidently posterior to civil society, when ceremonies were instituted to give sanction and permanency to a rite, on which so much depended the good order and happiness of civil life. The union, which was the origin of society, must have been antecedent to the rites ordained to make it legal. We

must therefore search higher for the primitive signification of nubo. Dr. Taylor on the Civil Law, p. 287, mentions an Hebrew radix, consisting of the same elements, which signifies procreation, birth, &c. which he thinks bids fairer for the etymon than any other that can be assigned. But, with deference to so excellent a writer, I think that even this does not satisfy. To effect this union, there must have been something prior to the liberos procreare. For though the stipulation of the political contract was liberorum quærendorum causa; vet it is expressly mentioned in a law which Taylor quotes before, and afterwards enlarges upon, that "nuptias non concubitus sed consensus facit:" a law founded on the very essence, and natural principles, of marriage. And this signification, if we can discover it in nubo, will perhaps have the fairest claim to our preference: which I think we may be able to do, by shewing that nubo originally signified to assent, and is really the same as nuo. It is well known that the Eolic, the parent, or perhaps rather the sister, dialect of the Latin, made use of the digamma F, (which, as well as the Latin V, was pronounced like our W,) between two vowels: and thus nuo, nufo, i.e. nuvo; as from pluo came plui, pluvi, in the old Latin writers, in the same manner as they said fuvisti for fuisti, luvit for luit. &c. But the digamma, from the affinity of its sound, often became B: thus nuvo, nubo, as vado, βαδο; uro, (pronounced furo,) buro, mug: with which may be compared our burn, and fire, and anciently written fuyr. Though nuo does not exist by itself at present in the Latin language, it remains in its compounds annuo, renuo, &c. as buro in amburo, comburo, and bustum. It has been given as a reason for nubo being not spoken of the man, because it was the virgin only who veiled her head. But if there is any probability in what has been before proposed, this reason will fall to the ground. We may account for it otherwise, and consistently with the signification attributed to nubo. Viri est petere; virginis est assentiri, annuere, nuberg. This privilege, allowed to the delicacy of the sex, is expressed by Milton, P. L. B. 8.

"Her wirtue, and the conscience of

"her worth,

"That would be woo'd, and not un-

" sought be won."

If we add, that connubium implies the ratification of the union in the consent of both, it will confirm the observation, that nubo properly and originally signifies annuo, assentior; and therefore that connubium is consensus. Bp. Burgess, Ess. on the Study of Antiq. 2d. ed. p. 80.]

1. Marriage.

My better nuptials, which in spite of fate, For ever join me to my dear Morat.

Dryden, Aurengz. 2. It is in Shakspeare singular, but contrarily to use.

Lift up your countenance, as 'twere the day Of celebration of that nuptial, which We two have sworn shall come. Shaksp. W. Tale.

NURSE. † n. s. [nopice, Saxon; nourice, French; nource, old Eng. as in Barret's Alv. 1580. See also Nourice.

1. A woman that has the care of another's

Unnatural curiosity has taught all women, but the beggar to find out nurses, which necessity only ought to commend.

Ralegh, Hist. of the World. 2. A woman that has care of a sick person.

Never master had

A page so kind, so duteous, diligent, So feat, so nurse-like. Shakspeare, Cymb. One Mrs. Quickly, which is in the manner of

his nurse, or his dry nurse, or his cook. Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor. 3. One who breeds, educates, or protects.

Rome, the nurse of judgement, Invited by your noble self, hath sent, One general tongue unto us.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

We must lose The country, our dear nurse, or else thy person

Our comfort in the country. Shakspeare, Coriol. 4. An old woman in contempt.

Can tales more senseless, ludicrous, and vain,

By winter-fires old nurses entertain? Blackmore. 5. The state of being nursed. Can wedlock know so great a curse,

As putting husbands out to nurse? Cleaveland. 6. In composition, any thing that supplies food. Dr. Johnson. - And also what is supplied by food or nursing.

Sweet nurse-child of the Spring's young hours. Davies, Hymn 7. To the Rose, (1622.) Put into your breeding pond three melters for one spawner; but if into a nurse-pond or feeding

pond, then no care is to be taken. Walton, Angler. To Nurse. v. a. [from the noun, or by contraction from nourish; nourir, Fr.]

1. To bring up a child or any thing young. I was nursed in swaddling cloaths with cares. Wisd. vii. 7.

Him in Egerian groves Aricia bore, And nurs'd his youth along the marshy shore.

2. To bring up a child not one's own. Shall I call a nurse of the Hebrew women, that she may nurse the child? Ex. ii. 7.

To feed; to keep; to maintain.
 Thy daughters shall be nursed at thy side.

Our monarchs were acknowledg'd here, That they their churches nursing fathers were. Denham.

The Niseans in their dark abode Nurs'd secretly with milk the thriving God. Addison.

4. To tend the sick.

5. To pamper; to foment; to encourage; to soften; to cherish.

And what is strength, but an effect of youth, which if time nurse, how can it ever cease?

By what fate has vice so thriven amongst us, and by what hands been nursed up into so uncontrouled a dominion?

Nu'rser. n. s. [from nurse.] 1. One that nurses. Not used.

This is the triumph of the nuptial day,

See where he lies, inhersed in the arms Of the most bloody nurser of his harms. Shaksneare.

2. A promoter; a fomenter. Nu'rsery. n. s. [from nurse.] 1. The act or office of nursing.

I lov'd her most, and thought to set my rest On her kind nursery. Shaksp. K. Lear. 2. That which is the object of a nurse's

She went forth among her fruits and flowers. To visit how they prosper'd, bud and bloom Her nursery: they at her coming sprung, And touch'd by her fair tendance gladlier grew.

Milton, P. I. 3. A plantation of young trees to be transplanted to other ground.

Your nursery of stocks ought to be in a more barren ground than the ground is whereunto you remove them.

My paper is a kind of nursery for authors, and some who have made a good figure here, will hereafter flourish under their own names.

Addison, Guardian.

4. Place where young children are nursed and brought up.

I' th' swathing cloaths, the other from their nursery

Were stol'n. Shakspeare, Cymbeline. You see before you the spectacle of a Plantagenet, who hath been carried from the nursery to the sanctuary, from the sanctuary to the direful prison, from the prison to the hand of the cruel tormentor, and from that hand to the wide wilderness; for so the world hath been to me. Bacon.

Forthwith the devil did appear, Not in the shape in which he plies At miss's elbow when she lies; Or stands before the nursery doors,

To take the naughty boy that roars.

They have public nurseries, where all parents are obliged to send their infants to be educated.

5. The place or state where any thing is fostered or brought up, from a nursery of children, or whence any thing is to be removed from a nursery of trees.

This keeping of cows is of itself a very idle life, and a fit nursery for a thief. Spenser on Ireland.

To see fair Padua, nursery of arts,

I am arriv'd from fruitful Lombardy. Shakspeare. A luxurious court is the nursery of diseases; it breeds them, it encourages, nourishes, and entertains them. L'Estrange.

A nursery erects its head, Where queens are form'd and future heroes bred: Where unfledg'd actors learn to laugh and cry. Dryden.

Nu'rsling. n. s. [from nurse.] One nursed

up; a fondling. Then was she held in sovereign dignity, And made the nursling of nobility.

I was his nursling once, and choice delight, His destin'd from the womb. Milton, S. A.

In their tender nonage, while they spread Their springing leaves and lift their infant head, Indulge their childhood, and the nursling spare. Dryden.

NU'RTURE. † n. s. [contracted from nourriture, French.7

1. Food: diet.

For this did the angel twice descend,

Ordain'd thy nurture holy, as of a plant Select and sacred? Milton, S. A.

2. Education; institution. She should take order for bringing up of wards in good nurture, not suffer them to come into bad hands. Spenser on Ireland.

The thorny point Of bare distress hath ta'en from me the shew Of smooth civility; yet am I inland bred,

And know some nurture. Shaksp. As you like it. Ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath; but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. Ephes. vi. 4.

To NU'RTURE. v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To educate; to train; to bring up. Thou broughtest it up with thy righteousness, and nurturedst it in thy law, and reformedst it 2 Esdr. viii. 12. with thy judgment.

He was nurtured where he had been born in his first rudiments, till the years of ten.

When an insolent despiser of discipline, nurtured into impudence, shall appear before a church governour, severity and resolution are that governour's virtues.

2. To nurture up; to bring by care and food to maturity.

They suppose mother earth to be a great animal, and to have nurtured up her young offspring with a conscious tenderness.

To Nu'stle. v. a. To fondle; to cherish. Corrupted from noursle. See To Nuz-Ainsworth.

NUT. n. s. [hnut, Saxon; noot, Dutch;

noix, Fr.]

1. The fruit of certain trees; it consists of a kernel covered by a hard shell. If the shell and kernel are in the center of a pulpy fruit, they then make not a

nut but a stone.

One chanc'd to find a nut In the end of which a hole was cut, Which lay upon a hazel root, There scatter'd by a squirrel; Which out the kernel gotten had; When quoth this Fay, dear queen, be glad,

Let Oberon be ne'er so mad, I'll set you safe from peril. Drayton, Nymphid. Nuts are hard of digestion, yet possess some good medicinal qualities. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

2. A small body with teeth, which cor-

respond with the teeth of wheels. This faculty may be more conveniently used by the multiplication of several wheels, together with nuts belonging unto each, that are used for the

roasting of meat. Clocks and jacks, though the screws and teeth of the wheels and nuts be never so smooth, yet if

they be not oiled, will hardly move. Ray on the Creation.

To Nur. * v. n. [from the noun.] gather nuts.

A. W. went to angle with Will. Staine of Mert. Coll. to Wheately bridge, and nutted in Shotover by the way.

A. Wood, Life of himself, (under 1652,) p. 73.

NUTA'TION. * n. s. [nutatio, Lat.] A kind of tremulous motion of the axis of the earth.

What subject of human contemplation shall compare in grandeur with that, which the tides, adjusts the nutation of the earth, &c.

Wakefield, Mem. p. 101.

NU'TBROWN. adj. [nut and brown.] Brown

like a nut kept long. Young and old come forth to play,

Till the live-long daylight fail, Milton, L'All. Then to the spicy nutbrown ale. When this nutbrown sword was out,

Hudibras. With stomach huge he laid about. Two milk-white kids run frisking by her side, For which the nutbrown lass, Erithacis,

Full often offer'd many a savoury kiss. Druden. King Hardicnute, midst Danes and Saxons

stout. Carous'd in nutbrown ale, and din'd on grout. instrument used to enclose nuts and break them by pressure.

He cast every human feature out of his countenance, and became a pair of nutcrackers.

Addison, Spect.

NU'TGALL. n. s. [nut and gall.] Hard excrescence of an oak.

In vegetable excretions, maggots terminate in flies of constant shapes, as in the nutgalls of the outlandish oak.

NU'THATCH.] n. s. [picus martius.] A. NU'TJOBBER. bird. Ainsworth. NU'TPECKER.

Nu'THOOK. † n. s. [nut and hook.]

1. A stick with a hook at the end to pull down boughs that the nuts may be ga-

She's the king's nut-hook, that, when any filbert is ripe, pulls down the bravest boughs to his hand. Comedy of Match me in London, (1631.)

2. It was anciently, I know not why, a name of contempt, Dr. Johnson here says; but, in a note on Shakspeare, considers it as the designation of a catchpoll. Other commentators believe it to be the reproachful name of a person who stole goods out at windows, by means of a pole with a hook at the end of it.

Nuthook, nuthook, you lie.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. P. II.

NU'TMEG. † n. s. [nut and muguette, Fr. And so our old word is notemuge. See

the citation from Chaucer.]

The nutmeg is a kernel of a large fruit not unlike the peach, and separated the mace, before it is sent over to us; except that the whole fruit is sometimes sent over in preserve, by way of sweat-meat or as a curiosity. There are two kinds of nutmeg; the male, which is long and cylindrical, but it has less of the fine aromatick flavour than the female, which is of the shape of an

Notemuge, to put in ale, Whether it be moist or stale.

Chaucer, Rime of Sir Thopas. The second integument, a dry and flosculous coat, commonly called mace; the fourth, a kernel included in the shell, which lieth under the mace, is the same we call nutneg. Brown.

I to my pleasant gardens went, Where nutmegs breathe a fragrant scent. Sandys.

NU'TSHELL. n. s. [nut and shell.]

1. The hard substance that incloses the kernel of the nut.

I could be bounded in a nutshell, and count myself a king of infinite space. Shaksp. Hamlet. It seems as easy to me, to have the idea of space empty of body, as to think of the hollow of a nutshell without a kernel.

2. It is used proverbially for any thing of little value.

A fox had me by the back, and a thousand pound to a nutshell, I had never got off again. L'Estrange.

NU'T-TREE. n. s. [nut and tree.] A tree that bears nuts; commonly a hazel. Of trees you shall have the nut-tree and the

Peacham. Like beating nut-trees, makes a larger crop. Dryden.

Nu'tcrackers. n. s. [nut and crack.] An [Nutrica'Tion. n. s. [nutricatio, Lat.] Manner of feeding or being fed.

Besides the teeth, the tongue of this animal is a second argument to overthrow this airy nutri-

NU'TRIMENT. † n. s. [nutriment, old French; nutrimentum, Lat.] That which feeds or nourishes; food; aliment.

This slave Has my lord's meat in him,

Why should it thrive and turn to nutriment? Shaksneare.

The stomach returns what it has received, in strength and nutriment, diffused into all the parts of the body. South.

Does not the body thrive and grow

By food of twenty years ago?
And is not virtue in mankind,

The nutriment that feeds the mind? Swift, Miscell.

NUTRIME'NTAL. † adj. [from nutriment.] Having the qualities of food; alimental. Much nutrimental store,

Thorough excess of humours perfited.

The Silkeworms, (1599.) By virtue of this oil vegetables are nutrimental,

for this oil is extracted by animal digestion as an NUTRI'TION. n. s. [from nutritio, nutrio,

Lat. nutrition, Fr.]

1. The act or quality of nourishing, supporting strength, or encreasing growth. New parts are added to our substance to sup-

ply our continual decayings; nor can we give a certain account how the aliment is so prepared for nutrition, or by what mechanism it is so regularly distributed, Glanville, Scepsis. The obstruction of the glands of the mesentery

is a great impediment to nutrition; for the lymph in those glands is a necessary constituent of the aliment before it mixeth with the blood. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

from that and from its investient coat, 2. That which nourishes; nutriment. Less properly.

Fix'd like a plant on his peculiar spot, Pope. To draw nutrition, propagate, and rot.

NUTRI'TIOUS. adj. [from nutrio, Latin.]
Having the quality of nourishing.

O may'st thou often see Thy furrows whiten'd by the woolly rain Philips. Nutritious ! secret nitre lurks within.

The heat equal to incubation is only nutritious; and the nutritious juice itself resembles the white of an egg in all its qualities. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

NU'TRITIVE. † adj. [nutritif, old French.]

Nourishing; nutrimental; alimental. It cannot be very savoury, wholesome, or nu-Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 97. tritive. The fruits of the earth were not now so nutri-

tive as they had been. Patrick on Gen. ix. 3. While the secretory, or separating glands, are too much widened and extended, they suffer a great quantity of nutritive juice to pass through. Blackmore.

NU'TRITURE. n. s. [from nutrio, Latin.] The power of nourishing. Not used. Never make a meal of flesh alone, have some other meat with it of less nutriture.

Harvey on Consumptions.

To Nu'zzle. v. a. [This word, in its original signification, seems corrupted from noursle; but when its original meaning was forgotten, writers supposed it to come from nozzle or nose, and in that sense used it. See the verb neuter, which Dr. Johnson had intermixed with the present verb.]

1. To nurse; to foster.

Old men long nozzled in corruption, scorning | Ny'CTALOPY.* n. s. [nyctalopie, Fr. nurtathem that would seek reformation. Sidney 2. To nestle; to house, as in a nest. Not

noticed by Dr. Johnson. She [Wisdom] nuzzleth herself in his bosom,

cherisheth his soul.

Stafford's Niobe, P. ii. (1611,) p. 199. To Nu'zzle. † v. n. To go with the nose down like a hog.

He charged through an army of lawyers, sometimes with sword in hand, at other times nuzzling Arbuthnot, J. Bull. like an eel in the mud.

Sir Roger shook his ears, and nuzzled along, well satisfied that he was doing a charitable work. Arbuthnot, J. Bull.

The blessed benefit, not there confin'd, Drops to a third, who nuzzles close behind. Pope. Ny'CTALOPS.* n. s. [νυκτάλωψ, Gr.] One who sees best in the night.

λωπία, Gr.] A disease or indisposition of the eye, in which a person sees better by night than by day.

NYE of pheasants.* A brood of pheasants: So an eye is sometimes called. Perhaps nye is a corruption of nide. See NIDE. But eye is right; ey, Teut. an egg. See

NYMPH. n. s. [νύμφη; nympha, Lat.]

1. A goddess of the woods, meadows, or waters.

And as the moisture which the thirsty earth Sucks from the sea, to fill her empty veins, From out her womb at last doth take a birth, And runs a nymph along the grassy plains. Davies.

Coles. 2. A lady. In poetry.

This resolve no mortal dame, None but those eyes cou'd have o'erthrown; The nymph I dare not, need not name. Ny'mphish. adj. [from nymph.] Relating to nymphs; ladylike.

Tending all to nymphish war. Drayton, Polyolb. S. 3. Ny'MPHLY.* 7 adj. [from nymph; French, Ny MPHLIKE. J nympheux, "nymphly." Cotgrave. Resembling a nymph. A thousand nymphlike and enamour'd graces.

Drayton, Idea 3. If chance with nymphlike step fair virgin pass. Milton, P. L.

Nys. [A corruption of ne is.] None is; not is. Obsolete.

Thou findest fault, where nys to be found, And buildest strong work upon a weak ground.

drone, groan, stone, alone, cloke, broke, coal, droll; or short, got, knot, shot, prong, long. It is usually denoted long by a servile a subjoined; as, moan, or by e at the end of the syllable; as, bone: when these vowels are not appended, it is generally short, except before ll; as, droll, scroll; and even then sometimes short; as, loll.

O is used as an interjection of wishing or exclamation.

O that we, who have resisted all the designs of his love, would now try to defeat that of his anger! Decay of Chr. Piety.

0 / were he present, that his eyes and hands Might see, and urge, the death which he com-Dryden.

O. + n. s. Used with no great elegance by Shakspeare for a circle or oval, Dr. Johnson says; citing only the example from the Prologue to Shakspeare's Henry the Fifth. It is also used by Bacon: and indeed was common in Shakspeare's time.

Can this cockpit hold The vasty field of France? or may we cram, Within this wooden O, the very casques, That did affright the air at Agincourt?

Shakspeare, Hen. V. Prol. Yon fiery oes and eyes of light.

Shakspeare, Mids. N. Dream. The colours, that shew best by candle-light, are white, carnation, and a kind of sea-water green; and oes or spangs, as they are of no great cost, so are they of most glory.

Bacon, Ess. 27. (ed. 1632,) p. 225.

OAF

Has in English a long sound; as, OAD.* n. s. Woad: a plant used in dying. OAK. n. s. [ac, &c, Saxon; which, says See WOAD.

He must admit no difference between oad and frankincense, or the most precious balsamum and a tar-barrel. B. Jonson, Poetaster.

OAF.† n. s. [This word is variously written; auf, ofe, and oph; it seems a corruption of ouph, a demon or fairy; in German and Dutch alf, from which elf: and means properly the same with changeling; a foolish child left by malevolent ouphs or fairies in the place of one more witty, which they steal away. See Auf, and Elf.]

1. A changeling; a foolish child left by the fairies.

These, when a child baps to be got, Which after proves an idiot, When folk perceives it thriveth not, The fault therein to smother: Some silly doating brainless calf. That understands things by the half, Says that the fairy left this ouf,

And took away the other. Drayton, Nymphid. 2. A dolt; a blockhead; an idiot. Used in the north of England; and corrupted sometimes into goaf, goff, and gaff. The fear of breeding fools

And ophs. Beaum, and Fl. Night Walker. He, who when cool is a mere oaf, may be quite humourous in his cups.

Philos. Lett. on Physingnomy, p. 76. OA'FISH. adj. [from oaf.] Stupid; dull; doltish.

OA'FISHNESS. n. s. [from oafish.] Stupidity; dulness. 13

OAK

Skinner, to shew how easy it is to play the fool, under a shew of literature and deep researches, I will, for the diversion of my reader, derive from bexos, a house; the oak being the best timber for building. Skinner seems to have had Junius in his thoughts, who on this very word has shewn his usual fondness for Greek etymology, by a derivation more ridiculous than that by which Skinner has ridiculed him. Ac or oak, says the grave critick, signified among the Saxons, like robur among the Latins, not only an oak but strength, and may be well enough derived, non incommode deduci potest, from ἀλκή, strength; by taking the three first letters and then sinking the à, as is not uncommon; quercus.]

The oak-tree hath male flowers, or katkins, which consist of a great number of small slender threads. The embryos, which are produced at remote distances from these on the same tree, do afterwards become acorns, which are produced in hard scaly cups; the leaves are sinuated. The species are five.

Miller. He return'd with his brows bound with oak. Shakspeare.

He lay along Under an oak, whose antique root peeps out Upon the brook that brawls along this wood.

No tree beareth so many bastard fruits as the oak: for besides the acorns, it beareth galls, oak apples, oak nuts, which are inflammable, and oak berries, sticking close to the body of the tree without Bacon, Nat. Hist.

The monarch oak, the patriarch of the trees, Shoots rising up and spreads by slow degrees: Three centuries he grows, and three he stays Supreme in state, and in three more decays

An oak, growing from a plant to a great tree, and then lopped, is still the same oak. Locke. A light, earthy, stony, and sparry matter, incrusted and affixed to oak leaves.

Woodward on Fossils. Let India boast her plants, nor envy we

The weeping amber and the balmy tree, While by our oaks the precious loads are born, And realms commanded which those trees adorn.

OAK Evergreen. n. s. [ilex.]

The fruit is an acorn like the common oak. The wood of this tree is accounted very good for many sorts of tools and utensils; and affords the most durable charcoal in the world. Miller. OAKA'PPLE. n. s. [oak and apple.] A kind of spongy excrescence on the oak.

Another kind of excrescence is an exudation of plants joined with putrefaction, as in oakapples, which are found chiefly upon the leaves of oaks. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

OA'KEN. adj. [from oak.] Made of oak; gathered from oak.

No nation doth equal England for oaken timber wherewith to build ships. Bacon, Adv. to Villiers. I am the Power

Of this fair wood, and live an oaken bower.

Milton, Arcades. Clad in white velvet all their troop they led, With each an oaken chaplet on his head. Dryden.

An oaken garland to be worn on festivals, was the recompence of one who had covered a citizen in battle. He snatched a good tough oaken cudgel and

Arbuthnot, J. Bull. began to brandish it.

OA'KENPIN. n. s. An apple.

Oakenpin, so called from its hardness, is a lasting fruit, yields excellent liquor, and is near the nature of the Westbury apple, though not in form. Mortimer. OA'KLING. * n. s. A young oak.

There was lately an avenue of four leagues in length, and fifty paces in breadth, planted with Evelyn, B. i. ch. 9. § 3. young oaklings.

OA'KUM. n. s. [A word probably formed by some corruption.] Cords untwisted and reduced to hemp, with which, mingled with pitch, leaks are stopped.

They make their oakum, wherewith they chalk the seams of the ships, of old seer and weather beaten ropes, when they are over spent and grown so rotten as they serve for no other use but to make rotten oakum, which moulders and washes away with every sea as the ships labour and are Ralegh.

Some drive old oakum through each seam and rift;

Their left hand does the calking-iron guide; The rattling mallet with the right they lift. Dryden, Ann. Mir.

OA'KY.* adj. [from oak.] Hard as oak.

I tell you of the oaky, rocky, flinty hearts of men turned into flesh.

Bp. Hall, Estate of a Christian.

OAR. n. s. [ape, Saxon; perhaps by allusion to the common expression of plowing the water, from the same root with ear, to plow, aro, Latin.] A long pole with a broad end, by which vessels are driven in the water, the resistance made by water to the oar pushing on the vessel.

The oars were silver,

Which to the tune of flutes kept stroke, and made The water, which they beat, to follow faster. As amorous of their strokes.

Shakspeare, Ant, and Cleop. So tow'rds a ship the oar-finn'd gallies ply, Which wanting sea to ride, or wind to fly Stands but to fall reveng'd.

In shipping such as this, the Irish kern And untaught Indian, on the stream did glide, E'er sharp-keel'd boats to stem the flood did

Or fin-like oars did spread from either side. Dryd. Its progressive motion may be effected by the help of several oars, which in the outward ends of them shall be like the fins of a fish to contract and dilate.

To OAR. v. n. [from the noun.] To row. He more undaunted on the ruin rode, And oar'd with labouring arms along the flood.

To OAR. v. a. To impel by rowing. His bold head

'Bove the contentious waves he kept, and oar'd Himself with his good arms in lusty strokes To the shore. Shakspeare, Tempest.

OA'RY. adj. [from oar.] Having the form or use of oars.

The swan with arched neck,

Between her white wings mantling, proudly rows Her state with oary feet. Milton, P. L. His hair transforms to down, his fingers meet, In skinny films, and shape his oary feet. Addison.

O'Asis.* n. s. A fertile spot surrounded by an arid desert. A word adopted by modern oriental travellers, and coming into general use.

They are like an oasis in the desert. Abstr. of the Proc. of the Soc. for the Prop. of the Gospel, (1826,) p. 134.

OAST. † n. s. [perhaps from the Lat. ustus, of uro, to burn. In some places it is pronounced oost.] A kiln for drying

Empty the binn into a hop bag, and carry them immediately to the oast or kiln, to be dried.

OAT.* n. s. [are, Saxon.]

1. A grain: rarely used in the singular number, except in composition; as, oatstraw. See Oats.

The hay and oat-book was the register.

Gayton on D. Quix. p. 8. 2. A small pipe made of an oaten straw. See OATEN.

But now my oat proceeds. Milton, Lycidas. OATCA'KE. n. s. [oat and cake.] Cake made of the meal of oats.

Take a blue stone they make haver or oatcakes upon, and lay it upon the cross bars of iron. Peacham

OA'TEN. adj. [from oat.] Made of oats: bearing oats.

When shepherds pipe on oaten straws,

And merry larks are ploughmen's clocks.

OATH.† n.s. [aith, Gothick; aŏ, Sax.; eid, Iceland. from the German ehe, ee, religio. Wachter. The distance between the noun oath, and the verb swear, is very observable, as it may shew that our oldest dialect is formed from different languages.] An affirmation, negation, or promise, corroborated by the attestation of the Divine Being.

Read over Julia's heart, thy first best love, For whose dear sake thou then didst rend thy

Into a thousand oaths; and all those oaths Descended into perjury to love me. Shakspeare. All the oath-rites said,

I then ascended her adorned bed. Chapman. We have consultations, which inventions shall be published, which not: and take an oath of secrecy for the concealing of those which we think fit to keep secret.

Those called to any office of trust, are bound by an oath to the faithful discharge of it: but an oath is an appeal to God, and therefore can have no influence, except upon those who believe that

OA'THABLE. adj. [from oath. A word not used.] Capable of having an oath administered.

You're not oathable,

Although I know you'll swear

Into strong shudders th' immortal gods. Shaksp. OA'THBREAKING. n. s. [oath and break.] Perjury; the violation of an oath.

His oathbreaking he mended thus, By now forswearing that he is forsworn.

Shakspeare, Hen. IV. OA'TMALT. n. s. [oat and malt.] Malt made of oats.

In Kent they brew with one half oatmalt, and the other half barleymalt. Mortimer.

OA'TMEAL. n. s. [oat and meal.] Flower made by grinding oats.

Oatmeal and butter, outwardly applied, dry the scab on the head. Arbuthnot on Aliments, Our neighbours tell me oft, in joking talk, Of ashes, leather, outmeal, bran, and chalk. Gay.

OA'TMEAL. n. s. [panicum.] An herb. Ainsworth.

OATS. n.s. [aten, Saxon.] A grain, which in England is generally given to horses, but in Scotland supports the people.

It is of the grass leaved tribe; the flowers have no petals, and are disposed in a loose panicle; the grain is eatable. The meal makes tolerable good bread. Miller.

The cats have eaten the horses. Shakspeare. It is bare mechanism, no otherwise produced than the turning of a wild oatbeard, by the insinuation of the particles of moisture. For your lean cattle, fodder them with barley

Mortimer. straw first, and the oat straw last. His horse's allowance of oats and beans was greater than the journey required.

OA'TTHISTLE. n. s. [oat and thistle.] An Ainsworth. herb. To OBA'MBULATE.* v. n. [obambulo,

Lat. To walk about. Not in use. Cockeram.

OBAMBULA'TION. n. s. [obambulatio, from obambulo, Latin.] The act of walking about. Dict.

Impute all these obambulations and nightwalks to the quick and fiery atoms, which did abound in our Don. Gayton on D. Quix. (1654,) p. 217.

OBDORMI'TION.* n.s. [from obdormio, Lat.]

Sleep; rest; repose. A peaceable obdormition in thy bed of ease and Bp. Hall, Contempl. B. 4.

To OBDU'CE. v. a. [obduco, Latin.] To

draw over as a covering.

No animal exhibits its face in the native colour of its skin but man; all others are covered with feathers, hair, or a cortex that is obduced over the OBDU'CTION. † n. s. [from obductio, obduco,

Latin.] The act of covering, or laying | 2. To render inflexible; to make oba cover. Cockeram.

OBDU'RACY. n. s. [from obdurate.] Inflexible wickedness; impenitence; hardness of heart.

Thou think'st me as far in the Devil's book, as thou and Falstaff, for obduracy and persistency. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

God may, by a mighty grace, hinder the absolute completion of sin in final obduracy. South.

OBDU'RATE. adj. [obduratus, Latin.] 1. Hard of heart; inflexibly obstinate in ill; hardened; impenitent.

Oh! let me teach thee for thy father's sake, That gave thee life, when well he might have slain thee :

Be not obdurate, open thy deaf ears. Shakspeare. If when you make your pray'rs, God should be so obdurate as yourselves, How would it fare with your departed souls?

Women are soft, mild, pitiful, and flexible; Thou stern, obdurate, flinty, rough, remorseless. Shaksneare.

To convince the proud what signs avail, Or wonders move the obdurate to relent; They harden'd more, by what might more reclaim. Milton.

Obdurate as you are, oh! hear at least My dying prayers, and grant my last request.

Dryden 2. Hardened; firm; stubborn: always with some degree of evil.

Sometimes the very custom of evil makes the heart obdurate against whatsoever instructions to the contrary.

A pleasing sorcery could charm Pain for a while, or anguish, and excite Fallacious hope, or arm the obdurate breast With stubborn patience, as with triple steel.

No such thought ever strikes his marble, obdurate heart, but it presently flies off and rebounds from it. It is impossible for a man to be thorough-paced in ingratitude, till he has shook off all fetters of pity and compassion.

3. Harsh; rugged. They joined the most obdurate consonants without one intervening vowel.

To OBDU'RATE.* v. a. To harden; to make obdurate.

They are obdurated to the height of boldness. More, Myst. of Godl. p. 38. OBDU'RATELY. adv. [from obdurate.] Stub-

bornly; inflexibly; impenitently. OBDU'RATENESS. † n. s. [from obdurate.]

Stubbornness; inflexibility; impenitence. This reason of his was grounded upon the

obdurateness of men's hearts, which would think that nothing concerned them. Hammond, Works, iv. 687.

Their obstinacy, and obdurateness in their sins. Pococke on Hosea, p. 180.

OBDURA'TION. n. s. [from obdurate.] Hardness of heart; stubbornness.

What occasion it had given them to think, to their greater obduration in evil, that through a froward and wanton desire of innovation, we did constrainedly those things, for which conscience was pretended?

This barren season is always the reward of obstinate obduration. Hammond.

To OBDU'RE.* v. a. [obduro, Lat.]

1. To harden.

The buildings are for the most part of brick, not burnt with fire, but hardened by the sun, which makes them so hard, that they appear no less solid and useful than those the fire obdures.

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 112.

durate.

All hearts are not alike: no means can work upon the wilfully obdured.

Bp. Hall, Contempl. B. 4. His infinite power, justice, wisdom, mercy, knows when and how to scourge one, to chastise a second, to warn a third, to humble a fourth, to obdure a fifth. Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 76. Arm the obdured breast

With stubborn patience. Milton, P. L. This saw his hapless foes, but stood obdur'd.

Milton, P. L. The justice of your cause has won over your obdured rebel subjects.

Montrose, Lett. to K. Charles I.

Obdu'redness.* n. s. [from obdure.] Hardness; stubbornness.

Even the best of us lies open to a certain deadness and obduredness of heart. Seasonable exhortation shakes off this peril.

Bp. Hall, Christ. Mystical, § 23. OBE'DIENCE. n. s. [obedience, French, obedientia, Latin.] Obsequiousness; submission to authority; compliance with command or prohibition.

If you violently proceed against him, it would shake in pieces the heart of his obedience. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

Thy husband Craves no other tribute at thy hands, But love, fair looks, and true obedience.

Shakspeare. His servants ye are, to whom ye obey, whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteous-Rom. vi. 16. It was both a strange commission, and a strange

obedience to a commission, for men so furiously assailed, to hold their hands. Bacon, War with Spain.

In vain thou bidst me to forbear, Obedience were rebellion here. Cowley.

Nor can this be. But by fulfilling that which thou didst want, Obedience to the law of God, impos'd

On penalty of death. We must beg the grace and assistance of God's Spirit to enable us to forsake our sins, and to walk in obedience to him. Wh. Duty of Man.

The obedience of men is to imitate the obedience of angels, and rational beings on earth, are to live unto God, as rational beings in heaven live unto

OBE'DIENT. adj. [obediens, Lat.] Submissive to authority; compliant with command or prohibition; obsequious.

To this end did I write, that I might know the proof of you, whether ye be obedient in all things. 2 Cor. ii. 9.

To this her mother's plot

She, seemingly obedient, likewise hath

Made promise. Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor. Religion hath a good influence upon the people, to make them obedient to government, and peaceable one towards another. Tillotson.

The chief his orders gives; the obedient band, With due observance, wait the chief's command.

OBEDIE'NTIAL. adj. [obedientiel, Fr. from obedient.] According to the rule of

Faith is such as God will accept of, when it affords fiducial reliance on the promises, and obediential submission to the command. Hammond. Faith is then perfect, when it produces in us a

fiduciary assent to whatever the gospel has revealed and an obediential submission to the commands. Wake, Prep. for Death.

OBE'DIENTLY. adv. [from obedient.] With obedience.

We should behave ourselves reverently and obediently towards the Divine Majesty, and justly and charitably towards men.

OBE'ISANCE. n. s. [oblisance, Fr. This word is formed by corruption from abaisance, an act of reverence. A bow: a courtesy; an act of reverence made by inclination of the body or knee.

Bartholomew my page, See drest in all suits like a lady: Then call him madam, do him all obeisance.

Bathsheba bowed and did obeisance unto the 1 Kings, i. 16. The lords and ladies paid

Their homage, with a low obeisance made; And seem'd to venerate the sacred shade. Dryden.

OBELI'SCAL.* adj. [obeliscus, Lat.] In form of an obelisk.

In the open temples of the druids, they had an obeliscal stone, set upright. Stukeley, Palæogr. Sacr. p. 16.

O'BELISK. n. s. [obeliscus, Latin.]

1. A magnificent high piece of solid marble, or other fine stone, having usually four faces, and lessening upwards by degrees, till it ends in a point like a py-Harris.

Between the statues obelisks were plac'd, And the learn'd walls with hieroglyphics grac'd.

2. A mark of censure in the margin of a book, in the form of a dagger [+].

He published the translation of the Septuagint, having compared it with the Hebrew, and noted by asterisks what was defective, and by obelisks what redundant.

To OBE'QUITATE.* v. n. [obequito, Lat.] To ride about. Not in use.

Cockeram. OBEQUITA'TION. † n. s. [from obequito, Lat.] The act of riding about. This word occurs in the old vocabulary of Cockeram, though Dr. Johnson has given it without reference to any usage of it; and is another kind of proof against the pretended modern coinage of equitation. See Equitation. Both are pedantick words.

OBERRA'TION. n. s. [from oberro, Latin.] The act of wandering about.

OBE'SE. † adj. [obesus, Lat.] Fat; loaden

with flesh. The author's counsel runs upon his corpulency,

just as one said of an over-obese priest that he was an Armenian; grant, quoth a second, that he be an Arminian, I'll swear he is the greatest that ever I saw. Gayton on D. Quix. (1654,) p. 8. OBE'SENESS. †] n. s. [from obese.] Morbid

OBE'SITY. fatness; incumbrance of flesh.

The fatness of monks, and the obeseness of ab-Bp. Gauden, Hierasp. (1653,) p. 560. On these many diseases depend; as on the straitness of the chest, a phthisis; on the largeness of the veins, an atrophy: on their smallness, obesity

To OBE'Y. v. a. [obéir, Fr. obedio, Lat.] 1. To pay submission to; to comply with, from reverence to authority.

The will of Heaven

Be done in this and all things! I obey. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. I am asham'd, that women are so simple

To seek for rule, supremacy, and sway, When they are bound to serve, love, and obey. Shakspeare. Let not sin reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof. Rom. vi. 12.

The ancient Britons yet a sceptred king obeyed.

Was she thy God, that her thou didst obey,
Before his voice?
Milton, P. L.
Africk and India shall his power obey,

He shall extend his propagated sway Beyond the solar year, without the starry way.

e solar year, without the starry way.

Dryden.

Drayton.

 It had formerly sometimes to before the person obeyed, which Addison has mentioned as one of Milton's Latinisms; but it is frequent in old writers; when we borrowed the French word we borrowed the syntax, obéir au roi.

He commanded the trumpets to sound; to which the two brave knights obeying, they performed their courses, breaking their staves. Sidney.

The flit bark, obeying to her mind,
Forth launched quickly, as she did desire. Spenser.
His servants ye are, to whom ye obey.

Nor did they not perceive the evil plight In which they were, or the fierce pains not feel,

Yet to their general's voice they soon obey'd.

Milton, P. L.

OBEYER.* n. s. [from obey.] One who obeys.

He approved himself to be a religious hearer, judicious observer, and obsequious obseyer of the word of his Maker.

Price, Serm. on Prince Henry's Death, (1618,) p. 16.

To Obfi'rm.* v. a. [obfirmo, Lat.] To resolve; to harden in resolution.

The obfirmed traitor knows his way to the highpriest's hall, and to the garden; the watchword is already given, Hail, master!

Bp. Hall, Contempt. B. 4.

To Obfi'rmate.* v. a. [obfirmo, Latin.]

To resolve; to harden in determination.

Not in use.

They do obstinate and make obstinate their minds for the constant suffering of death. Sheldon, Miracles of Antichrist, (1616,) p. 327.

To OBFU'SCATE. * v. a. [obfusquer, Fr.; ob and fusco, Lat.] To darken. See To Offuscate. The Scotch use obfusk. Sherwood.

If passion and prejudice do not obfuscate his reason and judgement.

Waterhouse, Apol. for Learning, p. 93.
The sprightly green is then obfuscated.
Shenstone.

OBEU'SCATE.* part. adj. Darkened.
Which with the mixture of a terrestrial sub-

stance is obfuscate, or made dark.

Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 198. b.

A very obfuscate and obscure sight.

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Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 487.

OBFUSCA'TION.* n. s. [from obfuscate.]

The act of darkening.

O'BJECT. n. s. [objet, Fr. objectum, Lat.]

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1. That about which any power or faculty is employed.

Pardon
The flat unrais'd spirit, that hath dar'd,
On this unworthy scaffold to bring forth
So great an object.
Shakspeare, Hen. V.

They are her farthest reaching instrument, Yet they no beams unto their objects send; But all the rays are from their objects sent,

And in the eyes with pointed angles end. Davies.

The object of true faith is, either God himself, or the word of God: God who is believed in, and the word of God as the rule of faith, or matter to be believed.

**Eithis emplicated to the object according to the object

The act of faith is applicated to the object according to the nature of it; to what is already

past, as past; to what is to come, as still to come; to that which is present, as it is still present.

Those things in ourselves, are the only proper objects of our zeal, which, in others, are the unquestionable subjects of our praises.

Sprat.

Truth is the object of our understanding, as good is of the will.

Dryden, Dufresnoy.

As you have no mistress to serve, so let your

own soul be the *object* of your daily care and attendance.

Law.

2. Something presented to the senses to

Something presented to the senses to raise any affection or emotion in the mind,

Dishonour not your eye

By throwing it on any other object. Shakspeare.
Why else this double object in our sight,

Of flight pursu'd in the air, and o'er the ground?

Milton, P. L.

This passenger felt some degree of concern, at the sight of so moving an object, and therefore withdrew.

Atterbury.

3. [In grammar.] Any thing influenced by somewhat else.

The accusative after a verb transitive, or a sentence in room thereof, is called, by grammarians, the *abject* of the verb.

Clarke.

O'BJECTGLASS. n. s. Glass of an optical instrument remotest from the eye.

An objectglass of a telescope I once mended, by grinding it on pitch with putty, and leaning easily on it in the grinding, lest the putty should scratch it.

Newton, Opt.

To Object. v. a. [objecter, Fr. objicio, objectum, Lat.]To oppose; to present in opposition.

Pallas to their eyes

The mist objected, and condens'd the skies. Pope.

2. To propose as a charge criminal; or a reason adverse: often with to or against.

Were it not some kind of blemish to be like unto Infidels and Heathens, it would not so usually be objected; men would not think it any advantage in the cause of religion to be able therewith justly to charge their adversaries.

Hooker.

The book requireth due examination, and giveth liberty to object any crime against such as are to be ordered.

Whilgift.

Men in all deliberations find ease to be of the negative side, and affect a credit to object and foretel difficulties; for when propositions are denied, there is an end of them; but if they be allowed, it requireth a new work; which false point of wisdom is the bane of business.

Bacon.

The old truth was, object ingratitude, and ye object all crimes: and is it not as old a truth, is it not a higher truth, object rebellion, and ye object all crimes.

Hotyday.

This the adversaries of faith have too much reason to object against too many of its professors; but against the faith itself nothing at all. Sprat.

It was objected against a late painter, that he drew many graceful pictures, but few of them were like.

Others object the poverty of the nation, and

difficulties in furnishing greater supplies.

Addison, State of the War.

There was but this single fault that Erasmus,

There was but this single fault that Erasmus, though an enemy, could object to him. Atterbury.

O'BJECT.* part. adj. Opposed; presented in opposition.

His mercy is so object even unto sense.

Abp. Sandys, Serm. fol. 110.

Flowers, growing scattered in divers beds, will shew more so as that they be object to view at once.

Racon.

Object. Able. * adj. [from To object.]
That may be opposed. The word is now objectionable.

It is as objectable against all those things, which either native beauty or art afford.

Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 145.
Objection. n. s. [objection, Fr. objectio,
Latin.]

 The act of presenting any thing in opposition.

2. Criminal charge.

Speak on, sir, I dare your worst objections.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

3. Adverse argument.

There is ever between all estates a secret war. I know well this speech is the objection and not the decision; and that it is after refuted.

Bacon, War with Spain.

Whosoever makes such objections against an hypotheses, hath a right to be heard, let his temper and genius be what it will.

Burnet, Theory of the Earth.
4. Fault found.

I have shewn your verses to some, who have made that objection to them. Walsh, Lett.

Objection. Exposed or liable to objection.

OBJE'ČTIVE.† adj. [objectif, Fr. objectus, Latin.]

I. Belonging to the object; contained in the object.

Certainty, according to the schools, is distinguished into objective and subjective. Objective certainty is when the proposition is certainly true in itself; and subjective, when we are certain of the truth of it. The one is in things, the other in our minds.

Watts, Logick.

2. Made an object; proposed as an object; residing in objects.

If this one small piece of nature still affords new matter for our discovery, when should we be able to search out the vast treasuries of objective knowledge that lies within the compass of the universe?

Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

3. [In grammar.] A case which follows the verb active, or the preposition, answers to the oblique cases in Latin, and may be properly enough called the objective case.

Lowth.

OBJE'CTINELY. adv. [from objective.]

1. In manner of an object.

This may fitly be called a determinate idea, when, such as it is at any time objectively in the mind, it is annexed, and without variation determined to an articulate sound, which is to be steadily the sign of that same object of the mind. Locke.

In the state of an object.
 The basilisk should be destroyed, in regard he first receiveth the rays of his antipathy and venomous emission, which objectively move his sense.

OBJE'CTIVENESS. n. s. [from objective.] The state of being an object.

Is there such a motion or objectiveness of external bodies, which produceth light? The faculty of light is fitted to receive that impression or objectiveness, and that objectiveness fitted to that faculty.

Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

OBJE'CTOR. n. s. [from object.] One who offers objections; one who raises diffi-

culties.

But these objectors must the cause upbraid,
That has not mortal man, immortal made.

That has not mortal man, initiotal made.

Blackmore.

Let the objectors consider, that these irregularities

must have come from the laws of mechanism.

Bentley.

Part 7 s. s. Tobit, old Fr. a corruption of

O'BIT.† n. s. [obit, old Fr. a corruption of the Lat. obiit, or obivit.] Funeral solemnity; anniversary service for the soul Bullokar.

Homar, his successor, enshrined him there; appointed an obit and anniversary for him there.

Mountagu, App. to Cæs. p. 154. In this chapel of St. George were heretofore several anniversaries or obits held and celebrated. Ashmole, Berk. iii. 123.

Obi'TUARY.* n. s. [obituaire, old Fr.] list of the dead; a register of burials. To OBJU'RGATE. † v. a. [objurgo, Lat.]

To chide; to reprove. Cockeram. OBJURGA'TION. † n. s. Fobjurgation, old Fr. objurgatio, Lat.] Reproof; reprehension

If there be no true liberty, but all things come to pass by inevitable necessity, then what are all interrogations and objurgations, and reprehensions and expostulations?

Our Saviour replies shortly by way of objurgation or exprobration, as it were upbraiding his incredulity with indignation.

Knatchbull, Ann. N. Test. Tr. p. 51.

Objurgatorius, Lat.] Reprehensory; culpatory; chiding.

Letters, though they be capable of any subject, yet commonly they are either narratory, objurgatory, consolatory, monitory, or congratulatory.

Howell, Lett. i. i. 1. (dat. 1625.) The concluding sentence brings back the whole train of thoughts to the objurgatory question of the Pharisees.

Paley, Evid. of the Chr. Rel. ii. ch. 4. OBLA'TE. adj. [oblatus, Latin.] Flatted at the poles. Used of a spheroid.

By gravitation bodies on this globe will press towards its centre, though not exactly thither, by reason of the oblate spheroidical figure of the earth, arising from its diurnal rotation about its axis. Cheyne, Phil. Prin.

OBLA'TION. n. s. [oblation, French; oblatus, Latin.] An offering; a sacrifice; any thing offered as an act of worship or reverence.

She looked upon the picture before her, and straight sighed, and straight tears followed, as if the idol of duty ought to be honoured with such oblations.

Many conceive in the oblation of Jephtha's daughter, not a natural but a civil kind of death, and a separation from the world.

Brown The will gives worth to the oblation, as to God's acceptance, sets the poorest giver upon the same level with the richest. South.

The kind oblation of a falling tear. Dryden. Behold the coward, and the brave,

All make oblations at this shrine.

OBLA'TIONER.* n. s. [from oblation.] One who makes an offering as an act of worship or reverence.

He presents himself an oblationer before the Almighty. More, Myst. of Godd. 1660. p. 423. To Obla'trate.* v. n. [oblatro, Latin.] To bark or rail against any one.

To OBLE'CTATE.* v.a. [oblecter, Fr. oblecto, Latin.] To delight.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood. OBLECTA'TION. † n. s. [oblectatio, Latin.] Delight; pleasure.

man that hath not experienced the contentt of innocent piety - will hardly believe there are such oblectations that can be hid in good-Feltham, Res. ii. 66.

To O'BLIGATE. v. a. [obligo, Latin.] To bind by contract or duty.

of the deceased, on the day of his Obligation. n. s. [obligatio, from obligo, Latin; obligation, French. 7

1. The binding power of any oath, vow, duty; contract.

Your father lost a father : That father his; and the survivor bound In filial obligation, for some term,

To do ohsequious sorrow. Shakspeare, Hamlet. There was no means for him as a Christian. to satisfy all obligations both to God and man, but to offer himself for a mediator of an accord and peace. Bacon, Hen. VII.

Nothing can be more reasonable than that such creatures should be under the obligation of accepting such evidence, as in itself is sufficient for their conviction. Wilkins.

The better to satisfy this obligation, you have early cultivated the genius you have to arms.

Dryden. No ties can bind, that from constraint arise, Where either's forc'd, all obligation dies.

2. An act which binds any man to some performance.

The heir of an obliged person is not bound to make restitution, if the obligation passed only by a personal act; but if it passed from his person to his estate, then the estate passes with all its Bp. Taylor, Rule of Holy Living.

3. Favour by which one is bound to gratitude.

Where is the obligation of any man's making me a present of what he does not care for himself?

So quick a sense did the Israelites entertain of the merits of Gideon, and the obligation he had laid upon them, that they tender him the regal and hereditary government of that people.

OBLIGA'TO.* [Italian.] A musical term, signifying necessary, on purpose, for the instrument named.

O'BLIGATORY. adj. [obligatoire, French, from obligate.] Imposing an obligation; binding; coercive: with to or on.

And concerning the lawfulness, not only permissively, but whether it be not obligatory to Christian princes and states. Bacon. As long as the law is obligatory, so long our

obedience is due.

Bp. Taylor, Rule of Holy Living.
A people long used to hardships, look upon themselves as creatures at mercy, and that all impositions laid on them by a stronger hand, are legal and obligatory.

If this patent is obligatory on them, it is contrary to acts of parliament, and therefore void.

To OBLI'GE. v. a. [obliger, Fr. obligo,

Latin.] 1. To bind; to impose obligation; to com-

pel to something. All these have moved me, and some of them

obliged me to commend these my labours to your grace's patronage.

The church hath been thought fit to be called Catholick, in reference to the universal obedience which it prescribeth; both in regard of the persons, obliging men of all conditions, and in relation to the precepts, requiring the performance of all the evangelical commands.

Religion obliges men to the practice of those virtues which conduce to the preservation of our Tillotson.

The law must oblige in all precepts, or in none. If it oblige in all, all are to be obeyed; if it oblige in none, it has no longer the authority of a law.

2. To indebt; to lay obligations of gra-

He that depends upon another, must Oblige his honour with a boundless trust. Since love obliges not, I from this hour Assume the right of man's despotic power.

Dryden. Vain wretched creature, how art thou misled, To think thy wit these godlike notions bred! These truths are not the product of thy mind. But dropt from heav'n, and of a nobler kind: Reveal'd religion first inform'd thy sight, And reason saw not, till faith sprung the light. Thus man by his own strength to heaven would

And would not be obliged to God for more.

When int'rest calls off all her sneaking train, When all the oblig'd desert, and all the vain, She waits or to the scaffold or the cell.

To those hills we are obliged for all our metals, and with them for all the conveniences and comforts of life.

3. To please; to gratify.

A great man gets more by obliging his inferiour, than by disdaining him; as a man has a greater advantage by sowing and dressing his ground, than he can have by trampling upon it. Some natures are so sour and so ungrateful,

that they are never to be obliged. L'Estrange. Happy the people, who preserve their honour. By the same duties that oblige their prince.

Addison, Cato. Oblige's n. s. [from oblige.] The person to whom another, called the obligor. is bound by a legal or written contract. See Cowel.

The bond had been taken in the obligee's own name, and not in the king's.

Sanderson, Cases of Cons. p. 85.

OBLI'GEMENT. n. s. [obligement, French.] Obligation.

I will not resist, whatever it is, either of divine or human obligement, that you lay upon me. Milton, Education.

Let this fair princess but one minute stay, A look from her will your obligements pay. Dryden.

OBLI'GER. † n. s.

1. That which imposes obligation.

It is the natural property of the same hear to be a gentle interpreter, which is so noble an Wotton, Rem. p. 453. 2. One who binds by contract.

Obligeant, French; from oblige.] Civil; complaisant; re-

spectful; engaging.

Nothing could be more obliging and respectful than the lion's letter was, in appearance; but there was death in the true intent. L'Estrange.

Monseigneur Strozzi bas many curiosities, and is very obliging to a stranger who desires the sight of them. Addison. Obliging creatures! make me see

All that disgrac'd my betters, met in me. Pope. So obliging that he ne'er oblig'd. Pope.

OBLI'GINGLY. adv. [from obliging.] villy; complaisantly.

Eugenius informs me very obligingly, that he never thought he should have disliked any passage

in my paper. Addison. I see her taste each nauseous draught,

And so obligingly am caught; I bless the hand from whence they came,

Nor dare distort my face for shame.

OBLI'GINGNESS. † n. s. [from obliging.] 1. Obligation; force.

Those legal institutions did consequently set a period to the obligingness of those institutions.

Hammond, Works, i. 232. They look into them not to weigh the obligingness, but to quarrel with the difficulty of the injunctions: not to direct practice, but excuse prevarications. Decay of Chr. Piety.

2. Civility; complaisance.

His behaviour was with such condescension and obligingness to the meanest of his clergy, as to know and be known to most of them.

Walton, Life of Bp. Sanderson.

OBLI'GOR.* See OBLIGEE.

OBLIQUATION n. s. [obliquatio, from obliquo, Latin.] Declination from straightness or perpendicularity; obliquity.

The change made by the obliquation of the eyes, is least in colours of the densest than in thin substances. Newton, Opt.

OBLI'QUE. adj. [oblique, French; obliquus, Latin.

1. Not direct; not perpendicular; not parallel.

One by his view

Mought deem him born with ill-dispos'd skies, When oblique Saturn sat in the house of th' agonies.

If sound be stopped and repercussed, it cometh about on the other side in an oblique line. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

May they not pity us, condemn'd to bear The various heaven of an obliquer sphere;

While by fix'd laws, and with a just return, They feel twelve hours that shade, for twelve that

Bavaria's stars must be accus'd which shone

That fatal day the mighty work was done, With rays oblique upon the Gallick sun.

It has a direction oblique to that of the former Cheyne, Phil. Prin. Criticks form a general character from the ob-

servation of particular errors, taken in their own oblique or imperfect views; which is as unjust, as to make a judgement of the beauty of a man's body, from the shade it casts in such and such a Broome on the Odyssey. position.

2. Not direct; indirect; by a side glance. Has he given the lie

In circle, or oblique, or semicircle,

Or direct parallel; you must challenge him. Shaksneare.

3. [In grammar.] Any case in nouns except the nominative.

OBLI'QUELY. adv. [from oblique.]

1. Not directly; not perpendicularly. Of meridian altitude, it hath but twenty-three degrees, so that it plays but obliquely upon us, and as the sun doth about the twenty-third of January.

Declining from the noon of day, The sun obliquely shoots his burning ray. Pope.

2. Not in the immediate or direct mean-

They haply might admit the truths obliquely levelled, which bashfulness persuaded not to enquire for.

His discourse tends obliquely to the detracting from others, or the extolling of himself.

Addison, Spect. OBLI'QUENESS. \ n. s. [obliquité, Fr. from oblique.]

1. Deviation from physical rectitude; deviation from parallelism or perpendicularity.

Which else to several spheres thou must ascribe, Mov'd contrary with thwart obliquities. Milton, P. L.

2. Deviation from moral rectitude.

There is in rectitude, beauty; as contrariwise in obliquity, deformity.

Count Rhodophill cut out for government and high affairs, and balancing all matters in the scale of his high understanding, hath rectified all obliquities.

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For a rational creature to conform himself to the will of God in all things, carries in it a rational rectitude or goodness; and to disobey or oppose his will in any thing, imports a moral obliquity. South. To OBLITERATE. v. a. Toblitero, ob and

litera, Latin.]

1. To efface any thing written.

2. To wear out; to destroy; to efface. Wars and desolations obliterate many ancient monuments.

Hale, Orig. of Mankind. Let men consider themselves as ensnared in that unhappy contract, which has rendered them part of the Devil's possession, and contrive how they may obliterate that reproach, and disentangle their mortgaged souls. Decay of Chr. Piety.

These simple ideas, the understanding can no more refuse to have, or alter, or blot them out, than a mirrour can refuse, alter, or obliterate the images, which the objects set before it produce. Locke

OBLITERA'TION. n. s. [obliteratio, Latin.]

Effacement; extinction.

Considering the casualties of wars, transmigrations, especially that of the general flood, there might probably be an obliteration of all those monuments of antiquity that ages precedent at some time have yielded. Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

OBLIVION. † n. s. Foblivion, old French; oblivio, Latin.]

1. Forgetfulness; cessation of remembrance.

Water drops have worn the stones of Troy, And blind oblivion swallow'd cities up,

And mighty states characterless are grated To dusty nothing. Shakspeare, Troil. and Cress.

Thou shouldst have heard many things of worthy memory, which now shall die in oblivion, and thou return unexperienced to thy grave. Shakspeare, Tam. of the Shrew.

Knowledge is made by oblivion, and to purchase a clear and warrantable body of truth, we must forget and part with much we know.

Can they imagine, that God has therefore forgot their sins, because they are not willing to remember them? Or will they measure his pardon by their own oblivion?

Among our crimes oblivion may be set; But 'tis our king's perfection to forget. Dryden. 2. Amnesty; general pardon of crimes in

By the act of oblivion, all offences against the crown, and all particular trespasses between subject and subject, were pardoned, remitted, and utterly extinguished.

OBLI'VIOUS. † adj. [obliviosus, Latin; oblivieux, French.

1. Causing forgetfulness.

Raze out the written troubles of the brain, And with some sweet oblivious antidote Cleanse the stuff'd bosom. Shakspeare, Macbeth. The British souls

Exult to see the crouding ghosts descend Unnumber'd; well aveng'd they quit the cares Of mortal life, and drink the oblivious lake.

Oh born to see what none can see awake! Behold the wonders of th' oblivious lake. 2. Forgetful.

There was never thing that repented me more that ever I did, than doth the remembraunce of my great and most oblivious negligence.

Cavendish, Life of Wolsey. O'BLOCUTOR.* n. s. [oblocutor, Latin.] A

gainsayer. Not in use.

There be dyverse (oblocutors) which, by report of his enemyes, - saye that he would never have set forth such thinges as he promysed.

Bale, Pref. to Leland's Itinerary. O'BLONG. adj. [oblong, Fr. oblongus, Latin.] Longer than broad; the same with a rectangle parallelogram, whose sides are unequal.

The best figure of a garden I esteem an oblong upon a descent. Temple, Miscell.

Every particle, supposing them globular or not very oblong, would be above nine million times their own length from any other particle. Bentley. O'BLONGLY. adv. [from oblong.] In an

oblong form.

The surface of the temperate climates is larger than it would have been, had the globe of our earth or of the planets, been either spherical, or oblongly spheroidical.

O'BLONGNESS. n. s. [from oblong.] The state of being oblong.

Oblo'Quious.* adj. [from obloquy.] Re-Cotgrave, and Sherwood. proachful. Emulations which are apt to rise and vent in obloquious acrimony.

Naunton, Fragm. Regal. Obs. on Q. Eliz. O'BLOQUY. n. s. [obloquor, Lat.]

1. Censorious speech; blame; slander;

Reasonable moderation hath freed us from being deservedly subject unto that bitter kind of obloquy, whereby as the church of Rome doth, under the colour of love towards those things which be harmless, maintain extremely most hurtful corruptions; so we peradventure might be upbraided, that under colour of hatred towards those things that are corrupt, we are on the other side as extreme, even against most harmless ordinances. Hooker.

Here new aspersions, with new obloquies, Are laid on old deserts. Daniel, Civil Wars.

Canst thou with impious obloquy condemn The just decree of God, pronounc'd and sworn?

Milton, P. L. Shall names that made your city the glory of the earth, be mentioned with obloquy and detraction? Addison.

Every age might perhaps produce one or two true genius, if they were not sunk under the censure and obloquy of plodding, servile, imitating pedants.

2. Cause of reproach; disgrace. proper.

My chastity's the jewel of our house, Bequeathed down from many ancestors; Which were the greatest obloquy i' the world In me to lose. Shakspeare, All's Well.

OBLUCTA'TION.* n. s. [from obluctor, Lat. to struggle against. Opposition; resistance.

He hath not the command of himself, to use that artificial obluctation, and facing out of the matter, which he doth at other times.

Fotherby, Atheom. (1622,) p. 125. OBMUTE'SCENCE. † n. s. [from obmutesco, Lat.]

1. Loss of speech.

A vehement fear often produceth obmutescence.

2. Observation of silence.

Compare Christianity, as it came from Christ, with the same religion, after it fell into other hands: - with the extravagant merit very soon ascribed to celibacy, solitude, voluntary poverty; with the rigours of an ascetic, and the vows of a monastic life; the hair-shirt, the watchings, the midnight prayers, the obmutescence, the gloom and mortification of religious orders, and of those who aspired to religious perfection.

Paley, Ev. of the Chr. Rel. ii. P. ii. ch. 2.

OBNO'XIOUS. adj. [obnoxius, Lat.]

I propound a character of justice in a middle form, between the speculative discourses of philophers, and the writings of lawyers, which are tied and obnoxious to their particular laws.

Bacon, Holy War.

2. Liable to punishment.

All are obnoxious, and this faulty land, Like fainting Hester, does before you stand, Watching your sceptre. Waller.

We know ourselves obnoxious to God's severe justice, and that he is a God of mercy and hateth sin; and that we might not have the least suspicion of his unwillingness to forgive, he hath sent his only begotten Son into the world, by his dismal sufferings and cursed death, to expiate our offences

Thy name, O Varus, if the kinder powers Preserve our plains, and shield the Mantuan towers.

Obnoxious by Cremona's neighbouring crime, The wings of swans, and stronger pinion'd rhime Shall raise aloft. Dryden.

3. Reprehensible; not of sound reputation.

Conceiving it most reasonable to search for primitive truth in the primitive writers, and not to suffer his understanding to be prepossest by the contrived and interested schemes of modern, and withal obnoxious authors.

4. Liable; exposed.

Long hostility had made their friendship weak in itself, and more obnoxious to jealousies and distrusts.

But what will not ambition and revenge Descend to? who aspires, must down as low As high he soar'd; obnoxious first or last, To basest things Milton, P. L. Beasts lie down,

To dews obnoxious on the grassy floor. They leave the government a trunk naked, defenceless, and obnoxious to every storm. Davenant.

Obno'xiousness. † n. s. [from obnoxious.] Subjection; liableness to punishment.

Every man is loth to be an informer, whether out of the office, or out of the conscience of his own obnoxiousness.

Bp. Hall, Cases of Consc. D. 2. C. 5. Men, by incurring guilt and being exposed to vengeance, are subject to restless fears and stinging remorses of conscience; nor can they be exempted from such obnoxiousness otherwise than by the free grace and mercy of God. Barrow on the Forgiveness of Sins.

Obno'xiously. adv. [from obnoxious.] In a state of subjection; in the state of one liable to punishment.

To OBNU'BILATE. + v. a. [obnubilo, Latin; obnubiler, Fr.] To cloud; to obscure.

As a black and thick cloud covers the sun, and intercepts his beams and light; so doth this melancholy vapour obnubilate the mind.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 200. But corporal life doth so obnubilate Our inward eyes, that they be nothing bright.

More, Sleep of the Soul, C. 3. st. 10.

Obnubila'Tion.* n. s. [from obnubilate.] The act of making obscure.

Let others glory in their triumphs and trophies, in their obnubilation of bodies coruscant; that they have brought fear upon champions.

Waterhouse, Apol. for Learning, p. 175.

O'BOLE. n. s. [obolus, Latin.] In pharmacy, twelve grains. Ainsworth.

OBRE PTION. † n. s. [obreptio, Latin.] The act of creeping in with secrecy or by surprise.

Sudden incursions and obreptions, sins of mere ignorance and inadvertency.

Cudworth, Serm. p. 81.

OBREPTI'TIOUS.* adj. [from obreption.] Secretly obtained; done with secrecy.

To O'BROGATE. v. a. [obrogo, Latin.] To 4. Not noted; not observable. proclaim a contrary law for the dissolution of the former.

OBSCE'NE. adj. [obscene, Fr. obscænus, 1. Immodest; not agreeable to chastity

of mind; causing lewd ideas. Chemos, the obscene dread of Moab's sons.

Milton, P. L. Words that were once chaste, by frequent use

grow obscene and uncleanly. Watts, Logick. 2. Offensive; disgusting.

A girdle foul with grease binds his obscene at-Dryden. Home as they went, the sad discourse renew'd,

Of the relentless dame to death pursu'd, And of the sight obscene so lately view'd. Dryden.

3. Inauspicious; ill omened.

Care shuns thy walks, as at the chearful light The groaning ghosts, and birds obscene take flight.

It is the sun's fate like your's to be displeasing to owls and obscene animals, who cannot bear his Pope, Lett.

Obsce'nely.† adv. [from obscene.] an impure and unchaste manner.

That all words which are written in the law obscenely, must be changed to more civil words. Milton, Apol. for Smectymnuus. Expos'd obscenely naked and asleep.

Dryden, Hind and Panther, P. iii.

Obsce'neness.†) n. s. [obscenité, Fr. from OBSCE'NITY.] obscene.] Impurity of thought or language; unchastity; lewd-

We avoid loss by it, and escape obsceneness; and gain in the grace and property which helps significance. B. Jonson, Discoveries.

Mr. Cowley asserts plainly, that obscenity has no place in wit. Those fables were tempered with the Italian

severity, and free from any note of infamy or obsceneness. Dryden. Thou art wickedly devout,

In Tiber ducking thrice by break of day, To wash the obscenities of night away. No pardon vile obscenity should find, Tho' wit and art conspire to move your mind.

Pope. OBSCURA'TION. n. s. [obscuratio, Lat.] 1. The act of darkening.

2. A state of being darkened.

As to the sun and moon, their obscuration or change of colour happens commonly before the eruption of a fiery mountain.

OBSCU'RE. † adj. [obscur, Fr. obscurus, Lat. This word was formerly accented on the first syllable; as in the examples, which follow from Shakspeare, and Davies, and Beaumont and Fletcher.]

1. Dark; unenlightened; gloomy; hindering sight.

Whoso curseth his father or mother, his lamp shall be put out in obscure darkness. Prov. xx. 20. Who shall tempt with wand'ring feet

The dark unbottom'd infinite abysi And through the palpable obscure find out

His uncouth way? Milton, P. L. 2. Living in the dark.

The obscure bird clamour'd the live-long night. 3. Not easily intelligible; abstruse; dif-

ficult. explain some of the most obscure passages, and those which are most necessary to be understood, and this according to the manner wherein he used to express himself. Dryden.

My short-wing'd Muse doth haunt None but the obscure corners of the earth. Davies, Bien Venu, (1606,) C. 2. The soldiers murmur

To see their warlike eagles mew their honours Beaum. and Fl.

In obscure towns. He says that he is an obscure person; one, I suppose, that is in the dark. Atterbury.

To Obscu're. v. a. [obscuro, Lat.] 1. To darken; to make dark.

They are all couched in a pit hard by Hearne's oak, with obscured lights; which at the very instant of Falstaff's and our meeting, they will at once display to the night. Shakspeare. Sudden the thunder blackens all the skies,

And the winds whistle, and the surges roll Mountains on mountains, and obscure the pole.

2. To make less visible.

What must I hold a candle to my shames? They in themselves, good sooth, are too, too light. Why, 'tis an office of discovery, love, And I should be obscur'd.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven-Thinking by this retirement to obscure himself. from God, he infringed the omnisciency and essential ubiquity of his Maker. Brown, Vulg. Err. 3. To make less intelligible.

By private consent it hath been used in dangerous times to obscure writing, and make it hard to be read by others not acquainted with the intrigue. Holder.

There is scarce any duty which has been so obscured by the writings of learned men, as this.

4. To make less glorious, beautiful, or illustrious.

Think'st thou, vain spirit, thy glories are the

And seest not sin obscures thy godlike frame; I know thee now by thy ungrateful pride, That shews me what thy faded looks did hide. Druden.

5. To conceal; to make unknown, O might I here

In solitude live savage, in some glade Obscur'd, where highest woods, impenetrable To sun or starlight, spread their umbrage broad. Milton, P. L.

OBSCU'RELY. + adv. [from obscure.] 1. Not brightly; not luminously; darkly. The lightning's light is lost; it shines not clear, But shoots obscurely through night's stormy air.

May, Lucan, B. 5. Through the thick shades obscurely might you

Minotaurs, cyclopses. Crashaw, Sosp. d'Herode. 2. Out of sight; privately; without notice; not conspicuously.

After many years wandering obscurely through all the island. Milton, Hist. of Engl. B. 4. Such was the rise of this prodigious fire,

Which in mean buildings first obscurely bred, From thence did soon to open streets aspire.

There live retir'd, Content thyself to be obscurely good. Addison, Cato.

3. Not clearly; not plainly; darkly to the mind.

The woman's seed at first obscurely told, Now ampler known, thy Saviour and thy Lord. Milton, P. I.

OBSCU'RENESS. \ n. s. [obscuritas, Lat. ob-OBSCU'RITY. | scurité, Fr.]

1. Darkness; want of light.

Lo! a day of darkness and obscurity, tribulation and anguish upon the earth. Esther, xi. 8. Should Cynthia quit thee, Venus, and each star, It would not form one thought dark as mine are !

I could lend them obscureness now, and say, Out of myself there should be no more day.

2. Unnoticed state; privacy. You are not for obscurity design'd, But like the sun, must cheer all human kind.

3. Darkness of meaning.

Not to mention that obscureness that attends prophetic raptures, there are divers things knowable by the bare light of nature, which yet are so uneasy to be satisfactorily understood by our imperfect intellects, that let them be delivered in the clearest expressions, the notions themselves will yet appear obscure. Boyle on Colours.

That this part of sacred Scripture had difficulties in it: many causes of obscurity did readily occur

What lies beyond our positive idea towards infinity, lies in obscurity, and has the undeterminate confusion of a negative idea, wherein I know I do not comprehend all I would, it being too large for a finite capacity.

OBSCU'RER.* n. s. [from obscure.] Whatever or whoever obscures.

It was pity desolation and loneliness, should be such a waster and obscurer of such loveliness. Lord's Hist. of the Banians, (1630,) p. 24.

To O'BSECRATE.* v. a. [obsecro, Lat.] To beseech; to intreat. Not now in use. Sir T. Wyat somewhere employs Cockeram.

OBSECRA'TION. n. s. [obsecratio, from obsecro, Lat.] Intreaty; supplication. That these were comprehended under the sacra,

is manifest from the old form of obsecration. Stilling fleet.

O'BSEQUENT.* adj. [obsequens, Lat.] Obedient; dutiful; submitting to. A very useful word.

Unto himself he hath reserved an infinite power to put any form upon any matter; which he always findeth pliant, and obsequent to his pleasure, even against the propriety of its own parti-cular nature. Fotherby Atheom. (1622,) p. 181.

O'BSEQUIES. † n. s. [obsequies, French. know not whether this word be not anciently mistaken for exequies, exequiæ, Latin: this word, however, is apparently derived from obsequium.]

1. Funeral rites; funeral solemnities. There was Dorilaus valiantly requiting his friend's help, in a great battle deprived of life, his obsequies being not more solemnized by the tears of his partakers, than the blood of his ene-Sidney. mies

Fair Juliet, that with angels dost remain, Accept this latest favour at my hand; That living honour'd thee, and being dead With funeral obsequies adorn thy tomb. Shakspeare. I spare the widows' tears, their woeful cries,

And howling at their husbands' obsequies; How Theseus at these funerals did assist, And with what gifts the mourning dames dismist, Dryden.

His body shall be royally interr'd, I will, myself

Dryden. Be the chief mourner at his obsequies. Alas! poor poll, my Indian talker dies, Go birds and celebrate his obsequies.

2. It is found in the singular, perhaps more properly.

M. Grindall, in his late funeral sermon at the obsequy of Ferdinandus, saieth and confesseth, that it cannot be denied but that after S. Gregories time purgatory went with full sail.

Stapleton, Fort. of the Faith, (1565,) fol. 8. b. In this last solemnity of obsequy unto his ever honoured sovereign and mistress, he was the most eminent person of the whole land, and principal

Sir G. Paul, Life of Abp. Whitgift, p. 116. Or tune a song of victory to me,

Or to thyself, sing thine own obsequy-Him I'll solemnly attend,

With silent obsequy and funeral train, Milton, S. A. Home to his father's house.

OBSE QUIOUS. adj. [from obsequium,

1. Obedient; compliant; not resisting.

Adore not so the rising son, that you forget the father, who raised you to this height; nor be you so obsequious to the father, that you give just cause to the son to suspect that you neglect him. Bacon, Adv. to Villiers.

At his command the up-rooted hills retir'd Each to his place; they heard his voice, and went Milton, P. L. Obsequious.

I follow'd her; she what was honour knew, And with obsequious majesty approv'd

My pleaded reason. Milton, P. L. See how the obsequious wind and liquid air The Theban swan does upward bear.

A genial cherishing heat acts so upon the fit and obsequious matter, as to organize and fashion it according to the exigencies of its own nature.

His servants weeping, Obsequious to his orders, bear him hither.

The vote of an assembly, which we cannot reconcile to public good, has been conceived in a private brain, afterwards supported by an obsequious party.

2. In Shakspeare it seems to signify, funereal; such as the rites of funerals

Your father lost a father; That father his; and the survivor bound In filial obligation, for some term, Shakspeare, Hamlet. To do obsequious sorrow.

OBSE'QUIOUSLY. adv. [from obsequious.]

1. Obediently: with compliance. They rise, and with respectful awe,

At the word given, obsequiously withdraw. Dryden. We cannot reasonably expect, that any one should readily and obsequiously quit his own opinion, and embrace ours with a blind resig-

2. In Shakspeare it signifies, with funeral rites: with reverence for the dead.

I a while obsequiously lament The untimely fall of virtuous Lancaster. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

OBSE'QUIOUSNESS. † n. s. [from obsequious.] Obedience; compliance.

No less famous for her liberty, than obsequiousness towards her husband.

Bacon, Hist. of Life and Death. An heart - of singular obsequiousness towards Wotton, Paneg. to K. Charles I. your father. They apply themselves both to his interest and humour, with all the arts of flattery and obsequiousness, the surest and the readiest way to advance a man.

O'BSEQUY.* n. s. [obsequium, Lat.] 1. Funeral ceremony. See Obsequies.

2. Obsequiousness; compliance. Not in

Sway'd by strong necessity, I am enforc'd to eat my careful bread

B. Jonson, Fox. With too much obsequy. To O'BSERATE.* v. a. [obsero, Lat.] To

Cockeram. lock up; to shut in. OBSE'RVABLE. adj. [from observo, Latin.] Remarkable; eminent; that may deserve notice.

They do bury their dead with observable cere-

These proprieties affixed unto bodies from considerations deduced from east, west, or those observable points of the sphere, will not be justified Brown. from such foundations.

I took a just account of every observable circumstance of the earth, stone, metal, or other matter, from the surface quite down to the bottom of the pit, and entered it carefully into a journal. Woodward, Nat. Hist.

The great and more observable occasions of exercising our courage, occur but seldom. Rogers.

Obse'ryably. adv. [from observable.] In a manner worthy of note.

It is prodigious to have thunder in a clear sky, as is observably recorded in some histories.

Brown, Vulg. Err.

OBSE'RVANCE. n. s. [observance, Fr. observo, Lat.]

1 Respect; ceremonial reverence. In the wood a league without the town, Where I did meet thee once with Helena,

To do observance on the morn of May. Shakspeare. Arcite left his bed, resolv'd to pay

Observance to the month of merry May. Dryden. 2. Religious rite.

Some represent to themselves the whole of religion as consisting in a few easy observances, and never lay the least restraint on the business or diversions of this life.

3. Attentive practice. Use all the observance of civility, Like one well studied in a sad ostent

To please his grandam.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. Love rigid honesty

And strict observance of impartial laws.

Roscommon. If the divine laws were proposed to our observ-

ance, with no other motive than the advantages attending it, they would be little more than an Rogers, Serm. advice.

4. Rule of practice.

There are other strict observances; As, not to see a woman.

Shakspeare, Love's Lab. Lost.

5. Careful obedience.

We must attend our Creator in all those ordinances which he has prescribed to the ob-Rogers. servance of his church.

6. Observation; attention.

There can be no observation or experience of greater certainty, as to the increase of mankind. than the strict and vigilant observants of the calculations and registers of the bills of births and Hale, Orig. of Mankind. deaths.

7. Obedient regard; reverential attention. Having had such experience of his fidelity and observance abroad, he found himself engaged in honour to support him.

OBSE'RVANCY.* n. s. [from observance.] Attention.

We must think, men are not gods; Nor of them look for such observancy,

As fits the bridal. Shakspeare, Othello. OBSERVA'NDA.* n. s. pl. [Latin.]

Things to be observed.

The issues of my observanda begin to grow too large for the receipts. Swift, Tule of a Tub, Concl.

Obse'rvant. adj. [observans, Latin.]

1. Attentive; diligent; watchful.

These writers, which gave themselves to follow

and imitate others, were observant sectators of those masters they admired. Ralegh, Hist. of the World.

Wandering from clime to clime observant stray'd, Their manners noted, and their states survey'd.

2. Obedient; respectful; with of. We are told how observant Alexander was of his master Aristotle. Digby on the Soul, Ded.

3. Respectfully attentive; with of. She now observant of the parting ray,

Eyes the calm sun-set of thy various day. 4. Meanly dutiful; submissive.

How could the most base men attain to honour but by such an observant slavish course ? Ralegh.

OBSE'RVANT. + n. s. [This word has the accent on the first syllable in Shak-

1. A slavish attendant. Not in use. These kind of knaves I know, which in this

Harbour more craft and more corrupter ends,

Than twenty silly ducking observants
That stretch their duties nicely. Shaksp. K. Lear.

2. A diligent observer. Such observants they are thereof, [of the law.] Hooker, Ecc. Pol. i. § 4.

OBSERVA'TION. † n. s. [observatio, from observo, Latin; observation, Fr.]

1. The act of observing, noting, or remarking.

These cannot be infused by observation, because they are the rules by which men take their first apprehensions and observations of things; as the being of the rule must be before its application to the thing directed by it.

The rules of our practice are taken from the conduct of such persons as fall within our observation. Rogers.

2. Show; exhibition.

The kingdom of God cometh not with observ-St. Luke, xvii. 20.

3. Notion gained by observing; note; remark; animadversion.

In matters of human prudence, we shall find the greatest advantage by making wise observations on our conduct, and of the events attending it.

Watts, Logick. 4. Obedience; ritual practice.

He freed and delivered the Christian church from the external observation and obedience of all such legal precepts, as were not simply and formally moral.

Observation. n. s. [observateur, Fr. from observo, Latin.] One that observes; a remarker.

The observator of the bills of mortality, hath given us the best account of the number that late plagues have swept away. Hale, Orig. of Mankind. She may be handsome, yet be chaste, you say, -Good observator, not so fast away.

OBSE'RVATORY. n. s. [observatoire, Fr.] A place built for astronomical observations.

Another was found near the observatory in Greenwich Park. Woodward on Fossils.

To OBSE'RVE. v. a. [observer, French, observo, Lat. 7

1. To watch; to regard attentively. Remember, that as thine eye observes others, so art thou observed by angels and by men.

2. To find by attention; to note.

It is observed, that many men who have seemed to repent when they have thought death approaching, have yet, after it hath pleased God to restore them to health, been as wicked, perhaps worse, as ever they were. Wh. Duty of Man.

If our idea of infinity be got from the power we observe in ourselves, of repeating without end our own ideas, it may be demanded why we do not attribute infinity to other ideas, as well as these of space and duration.

One may observe them discourse and reason pretty well, of several other things, before they can tell twenty.

3. To regard or keep religiously. A night to be much observed unto the Lord, for

bringing them out of Egypt. Ex. xii. 42. 4. To practise ritually.

In the days of Enoch, people observed not circumcision, or the Sabbath. White.

5. To obey; to follow.

To OBSE'RVE. v. n.

1. To be attentive.

Observing men may form many judgments by the rules of similitude and proportion, where causes and effects are not entirely the same. Watts, Logick.

2. To make a remark.

I observe, that when we have an action against any man, we must for all that look upon him as our neighbour, and love him as ourselves, paying him all that justice, peace and charity, which are due to all persons. Kettlewell.

Wherever I have found her notes to be wholly another's, which is the case in some hundreds, I have barely quoted the true proprietor, without observing upon it. Pope, Lett.

Obse'rver. n. s. [from observe.]

1. One who looks vigilantly on persons and things; close remarker.

He reads much ; He is a great observer; and he looks Quite through the deeds of men.

Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs.

Angelo, There is a kind of character in thy life, That to the observer doth thy history Fully unfold. Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas. Careful observers may foretel the hour, By sore prognostics when to dread a show'r.

2. One who looks on; the beholder. If a slow-pac'd star had stol'n away,

From the observer's marking, he might stay Three hundred years to see't again. Company, he thinks, lessens the shame of vice, by sharing it; and therefore, if he cannot wholly

avoid the eye of the observer, he hopes to distract it at least by a multiplicity of objects. South. Sometimes purulent matter may be discharged from the glands in the upper part of the wind-pipe, while the lungs are sound and uninfected, which now and then has imposed on undistinguishing

observers. Blackmore. 3. One who keeps any law, or custom, or practice.

Many nations are superstitious, and diligent observers of old customs, which they receive by tradition from their parents, by recording of their bards and chronicles.

The king after the victory, as one that had been bred under a devout mother, and was in his nature a great observer of religious forms, caused Te Deum to be solemnly sung in the presence of the whole army upon the place.

He was so strict an observer of his word, that no consideration whatever could make him break

Himself often read useful discourses to his servants on the Lord's day, of which he was always a very strict and solemn observer.

Atterbury. OBSE'RVINGLY. adv. [from observing.] Attentively; carefully.

There is some soul of goodness in things evil, Would men observingly distil it out.

Shukspeare, Hen. V. To OBSE'SS.* v. a. [obsideo, obsessus, Lat.

1. To besiege; to compass about. Not in

The mind is obsessed with inordinate glory,

Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 92. 2. A man is said to be obsessed, when an evil spirit followeth him, troubling him, and seeking opportunity to enter into him. See the second sense of OBSES-

Obse'ssion. † n. s. [obsessio, Lat.]

1. The act of besieging.

2. The first attack of Satan, antecedent to possession.

Melancholy persons are most subject to diabolical temptations and illusions, and most apt to entertain them; and the devil best able to work upon them; but whether by obsession or possession, I will not determine. Burion, Anat. of Mel. p. 52. Grave fathers, he's possess'd; again, I say,

Possess'd: nay, if there be possession, And obsession, he has both. B. Jonson, Fox.

Obsidionalis, Latin. Belonging to a Sherwood.

Their honorary crowns, triumphal, ovary, civical, obsidional, had little of flowers in them. Sir T. Brown, Miscell. p. 91.

To OBSI'GNATE.* v.a. [obsigno, Lat.] To ratify; to seal up.

As circumcision was a seal of the covenant made with Abraham and his posterity, so keeping the Sabbath did obsignate the covenant made with the children of Israel, after their delivery out of Barrow on the Decalogue.

OBSIGNA'TION.* n. s. [from obsignate.] Ratification by sealing; act of fixing a seal; confirmation.

As the spirit of obsignation was given to them under a seal, and within a vail; so the spirit of manifestation or patefaction was like the germ of a vine, or the bud of a rose, plain indices and significations of life.

Bp. Taylor, Serm. on Whitsunday.
They are builders also of God's house, founding it on initial conversation, rearing it by continued instruction, covering and finishing it by sacra-mental obsignation.

Barrow, vol. i. S. 12.

By way of obsignation of that covenant, by which we are engaged to that obedience. Whitby on the N. Test. ii. 702.

OBSI'GNATORY.* adj. [from obsignate.]

Merely obsignatory signs. Dr. Ward to Bp. Bedel, Parr's Letts. of Usher, p. 441.

Obsole'scent.* adj. [obsolescens, Latin.] Growing out of use.

All the words compounded of here, and a preposition, are obsolescent or obsolete. Dr. Johnson.

OBSOLE'TE. adj. [obsoletus, Lat.] Worn out of use; disused; unfashionable.

Obsolete words may be laudably revived, when they are more sounding, or more significant than those in practice. Dryden. What if there be an old dormant statute or two

against him, are they not now obsolete?

Obsole'Teness. † n. s. [from obsolete.] State of being worn out of use; unfashionableness.

The reader is embarrased at once with dead and with foreign languages, with obsoleteness and in-

Dr. Johnson, Prop. for printing Shakspeare.

O'BSTACLE. n. s. [obstacle, French; obsta-culum, Latin.] Something opposed; Something opposed; hindrance; obstruction.

Conscience is a blushing shame-fac'd spirit, That mutinies in a man's bosom: it fills One full of obstacles. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

If all obstacles were cut away, And that my path were even to the crown, As the ripe reverence and the due of birth.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. Disparity in age seems a greater obstacle to an intimate friendship than inequality of fortune. For the humours, business, and diversions, of young and old, are generally very different

Collier on Friendship. Some conjectures about the origin of mountains and islands, I am obliged to look into that they may not remain as obstacles to the less skilful.

Woodward, Nat. Hist. What more natural and usual obstacle to those who take voyages, than winds and storms? Pope.

O'BSTANCY.* n. s. [obstantia, Latin.] Opposition; impediment; obstruction. Not in use.

After marriage it is of no obstancy. B. Jonson, Epicæne.

To OBSTETRICATE.* v. n. [obstetricor, Latin. To perform the office of a midwife.

Nature does obstetricate, and do that office of herself, when it is the proper season.

Evelyn, ii. ii. 6.

To OBSTE'TRICATE. * v. a. To assist as a midwife.

None so obstetricated the birth of the expedient to answer both brute and his Trojan's advantage Waterhouse on Fortescue, (1663,) p. 202.

OBSTETRICA'TION. + n. s. [from obstetricor, Latin.] The office of a midwife.

There he must lie, in an uncouth posture, for his appointed month, till the native bonds being loosed, and the doors forced open, he shall be by an helpful obstetrication drawn forth into the larger prison of the world. Bp. Hall, Free Prisoner, § 8.

OBSTE'TRICK. adj. [from obstetrix, Latin.] Midwifish; befitting a midwife; doing OBSTRI'CTION. n. s. [from obstrictus, Lat.] the midwife's office.

There all the learn'd shall at the labour stand, And Douglas lend his soft obstetrick hand. Pope.

O'BSTINACY. n. s. [obstination, French; obstinatio, Latin; from obstinate.] Stubbornness; contumacy; pertinacy; per-

Chusing rather to use extremities, which might drive men to desperate obstinacy, than apply mo-K. Charles.

derate remedies.

Most writers use their words loosely and uncertainly, and do not make plain and clear deductions of words one from another, which were not difficult to do, did they not find it convenient to shelter their ignorance, or obstinacy, under the obscurity of their terms. Locke.

What crops of wit and honesty appear, From spleen, from obstinacy, hate or fear.

O'BSTINATE. adj. [obstinatus, Latin.] Stubborn; contumacious; fixed in resolution. Absolutely used, it has an ill sense; but relatively, it is neutral.

The queen is obstinate, Stubborn to justice, apt to accuse it, and Disdainful to be try'd by't. Shaksp. Hen. VIII.
Yield,

Except you mean with obstinate repulse, Shakspeare, To slay your sov'reign.

I have known great cures done by obstinate resolutions of drinking no wine. Her father did not fail to find

In all she spoke, the greatness of her mind; Yet thought she was not obstinate to die, Nor deem'd the death she promis'd was so nigh. Dryden.

Look on Simo's mate; No ass so meek, no ass so obstinate. Pope. O'ESTINATELY. adv. [from obstinate.] Stubbornly; inflexibly; with unshaken determination.

Pembroke abhorred the war as obstinately, as he loved hunting and hawking. A Greek made himself their prey,

To impose on their belief, and Troy betray; Fix'd on his aim, and obstinately bent

To die undaunted, or to circumvent. The man resolv'd, and steady to his trust, Inflexible to ill, and obstinately just, Can the rude rabble's influence despise. Addison.

My spouse maintains her royal trust, Though tempted, chaste, and obstinately just. Pope.

O'BSTINATENESS.† n. s. [from obstinate.] Stubbornness.

We had like to have forgotten the neck and shoulders of the world, which have an ill fashion of stiffness and inflexible obstinateness, stubbornly refusing to stoop to the yoke of the Law, or the By. Hall, Fashions of the World.

Obstipa'tion. n. s. [from obstipo, Latin.] The act of stopping up any passage.

OBSTRE'PEROUS. adj. [obstreperus, Latin.] Loud; clamorous; noisy; turbulent; vociferous.

These obstreperous scepticks are the bane of divinity, who are so full of the spirit of contradiction, that they raise daily new disputes.

Howel, Voc. For. These obstreperous villains shout, and know not for what they make a noise. The players do not only connive at his obstre-

perous approbation, but repair at their own cost whatever damages he makes. Addison, Spect.

OBSTRE'PEROUSLY. adv. [from obstreperous.] Loudly; clamorously; noisily.

Obstre'perousness. n. s. [from obstreperous.] Loudness; clamour; noise; turbulence.

Obligation; bond.

He hath full right to exempt Whom so it pleases him by choice, Milton, S. A. From national obstriction.

To OBSTRUCT. v. a. [obstruo, Latin.] 1. To block up; to bar.

He then beholding, soon Comes down to see their city, ere the tow'r Obstruct Heav'n-tow'rs.

Milton, P. L. In their passage through the glands in the lungs, they obstruct and swell them with little tumours.

Fat people are subject to weakness in fevers, because the fat, melted by feverish heat, obstructs the small canals. 2. To oppose; to retard; to hinder; to be

in the way of.

No cloud interpos'd, Milton, P. L. Or star to obstruct his sight. OBSTRUCTER. † n. s. [from obstruct.] One

that hinders or opposes. O blest obstructer of justice !

Whitlock, Mann. of the Eng. (1654,) p. 28. OBSTRU'CTION. † n. s. [obstructio, Latin; obstruction, French; from obstruct.]

1. Hindrance; difficulty. Sure God by these discoveries did design, That his clear light thro' all the world should shine; But the obstruction from that discord springs,

The prince of darkness makes 'twixt Christian kings. 2. Obstacle; impediment; that which

All obstructions in parliament, that is, all freedom in differing in votes, and debating matters with reason and candour, must be taken away. King Charles.

In his winter quarters the king expected to meet with all the obstructions and difficulties his enraged enemies could lay in his way.

Whenever a popular assembly free from obstructions, and already possessed of more power than an equal balance will allow, shall continue to think that they have not enough, I cannot see how the same causes can produce different effects among us, from what they did in Greece and Rome.

3. [In physick.] The blocking up of any canal in the human body, so as to prevent the flowing of any fluid through it, on account of the increased bulk of that fluid, in proportion to the diameter of the vessel. Quincy. Obstructions are the cause of most diseases.

Herbert, Country Parson, ch. 10. 4. In Shakspeare it once signifies some-

thing heaped together. Aye, but to die, and go we know not where;

To lie in cold obstruction, and to rot; This sensible warm motion to become

A kneaded clod. Shakspeare, Meas. for Meas. OBSTRU'CTIVE. † adj. [obstructif, French; from obstruct.] Hindering; causing impediment.

Having thus separated this doctrine of God's predetermining all events from three other things confounded with it, it will now be discernible how noxious and obstructive this doctrine is to the superstructing all good life. Hammond.

Being immoderately taken, it [flesh] is exceeding obstructive. Herbert, Country Parson, ch. 10.

OBSTRU'CTIVE. n. s. Impediment; obstacle.

The second obstructive is that of the fiduciary, that faith is the only instrument of his justification, and excludes good works from contributing any thing toward it. Hammond.

O'BSTRUENT. adj. [obstruens, Lat.] Hindering; blocking up.

OBSTUPEFA'CTION. n. s. [obstupefacio, Latin.] The act of inducing stupidity, or interruption of the mental powers.

OBSTUPEFA'CTIVE. adj. [from obstupefacio, Latin. 7 Obstructing the mental powers; stupifying.

The force of it is obstupefactive, and no other.

To OBSTU'PIFY.* v. a. [ob and stupify.]

Bodies more dull and obstupifying, to which they impute this loss of memory.

Annot. on Glanville, &c. (1682,) p. 38. To OBTAIN. t v. a. [obtenir, French; obtineo, Latin.]

1. To gain; to acquire; to procure. May be that I may obtain children by her.

We have obtained an inheritance. Eph. i. 11. The juices of the leaves are obtained by ex-Arbuthnot.

2. To impetrate; to gain by the concession or excited kindness of another.

In such our prayers cannot serve us as means to obtain the thing we desire. By his own blood he entered in once into the

holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for Heb. ix. 12. If they could not be obtained of the proud tyrant,

then to conclude peace with him upon any conditions. Some pray for riches, riches they obtain;

But watch'd by robbers for their wealth are slain. Dryden.

The conclusion of the story I forbore, because I could not obtain from myself to shew Absalom unfortunate.

Whatever once is denied them, they are certainly not to obtain by crying. Locke on Education.

3. To keep; to hold; to continue in the possession of.

His mother then is mortal, but his sire, He who obtains the monarchy of heaven.

To OBTA'IN. v. n.

1. To continue in use.

The Theodosian Code, several hundred years after Justinian's time, did obtain in the western parts of Europe.

Milton, P. R.

2. To be established: to subsist in nature or practice.

Our impious use no longer shall obtain, Brothers no more, by brothers shall be slain.

Druden. The situation of the sun and earth, which the theorist supposes, is far from being preferable to this which at present obtains, that this hath infinitely the advantage of it.

Where wasting the public treasure has obtained in a court, all good order is banished. Davenant.

The general laws of fluidity, elasticity, and

gravity, obtain in animal and inanimate tubes. Cheyne, Phil. Prin.

3. To prevail; to succeed. Not in use. There is due from the judge to the advocate, some commendation where causes are fair pleaded; especially towards the side which obtaineth not.

OBTA'INABLE. adj. [from obtain.]

1. To be procured.

Spirits which come over in distillations, miscible with water, and wholly combustible, are obtainable from plants by previous fermentation. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

2. To be gained.

What thinks he of his redemption, and the rate it cost, not being obtainable unless God's only Son would come down from heaven, and be made man, and pay down his own life for it?

OBTA'INER. n. s. [from obtain.] One who obtains.

OBTA'INMENT.* n. s. [from obtain.] Act of obtaining.

What is chiefly sought, the obtainment of love or quietness. Millon, Colasterion.

There is no difference between the acquired and supernatural knowledge of tongues, as to the nature and the quality of the things themselves, but only in respect of their first obtainment, that one is by industrious acquisition; and the other by divine South, Serm. on the Chr. Pentecost.

To OBTE'MPERATE. v. a. [obtemperer, Fr.; obtempero, Latin.] To obey. To OBTE'ND. † v. a. [obtendo, Latin.]

1. To oppose; to hold out in opposition. 'Twas given to you your darling son to shroud, To draw the dastard from the fighting croud, And for a man obtend an empty cloud.

Dryden, En. 2. To pretend; to offer as the reason of any thing.

Thou dost with lies the throne invade, Obtending Heaven for whate'er ills befal. Dryden.

OBTENEBRA'TION. n. s. [ob and tenebræ, Latin.] Darkness; the state of being

darkened; the act of darkening; cloudi-In every megrim or vertigo, there is an obtene-

bration joined with a semblance of turning round. Bacon, Nat. Hist. OBTE'NSION. n. s. [from obtend.] The

act of obtending. To OBTE ST. v. a. [obtester, French; obtestor, Lat.] To be seech; to supplicate. Suppliants demand

A truce, with olive branches in their hand; Obtest his clemency. Dryden. Obtesting them by all that is sacred to reflect se-

riously on this great trust. Bp. Burnet, Past. Care, ch. 10.

To Obtestor, Lat. 7 To protest.

We must not bid them good speed, but obtest against them.

Waterhouse, Apol. for Learning, (1653,) p. 210. OBTESTA'TION. † n. s. [obtestatio, Lat. from obtest.

1. Supplication; entreaty.

With which words, obtestations, and tears of Gissipus, Titus [was] constrayned.

Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 124. b. Our humblest petitions and obtestations at his Milton on the Art. of Peace.

2. Solemn injunction.

Let me take up that obtestation of the Psalmist, "O, all ye that love the Lord, hate the thing which is sin." Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 189.

We do by apostolical authority, under obtestation of the divine judgement, enjoin to thee, that, in Triers and Colen, thou shouldest not suffer any bishop to be chosen, before a report be made to our apostleship.

Barrow on the Pope's Suprem. Introduct.

OBTRECTA'TION. † n. s. [obtrecto, Latin.] Slander; detraction; calumny. Cockeram. To use obloquy or obtrectation.

Barrow, Serm. i. 206. To OBTRU'DE. v. a. [obtrudo, Lat.] To thrust into any place or state by force

or imposture; to offer with unreasonable importunity.

It is their torment, that the thing they shun doth follow them, truth, as it were, even obtruding itself into their knowledge, and not permitting them to be so ignorant as they would be. Hooker.

There may be as great a vanity in retiring and withdrawing men's conceits from the world, as in obtruding them.

Some things are easily granted; the rest ought not to be obtruded upon me with the point of the sword. King Charles.

Who can abide, that against their own doctors six books should, by their fatherhoods of Trent. be, under pain of a curse, imperiously obtruded upon God and his church? By. Hall. Why shouldst thou then obtrude this diligence

In vain, where no acceptance it can find? Milton. Whatever was not by them thought necessary,

must not by us be obtruded on, or forced into that catalogue. Hammond.

A cause of common error is the credulity of men; that is, an easy assent to what is obtruded, or believing at first ear what is delivered by others.

The objects of our senses obtrude their particular ideas upon our minds, whether we will or no; and the operations of our minds will not let us be without some obscure notions of them,

Whether thy great forefathers came From realms that bear Vesputio's name; For so conjectures would obtrude And from thy painted skin conclude.

Swift. OBTRU'DER. n. s. [from obtrude.] One that obtrudes.

Do justice to the inventors or publishers of the true experiments, as well as upon the obtruders of false ones.

To OBTRU'NCATE.* v. a. Fobtrunco, Lat.] To deprive of a limb; to lop. An old word, (occurring in the vocabulary of Cockeram,) revived in a modern poem of great merit, where the participial adjective describes the mutilated limbs of the beggar.

Those props, on which the knees obtruncate stand;

That crutch, ill wielded in the widow'd hand. London Cries, or Pictures of Tumult and Distress (1805.) OBTRUNCA'TION.* n. s. [obtruncatio, Lat.]

The act of lopping or cutting. Cockeram. OBTRU'SION. n. s. [from obtrusus, Lat.] The act of obtruding.

No man can think it other than the method of slavery, by savage rudeness and importunate obtrusions of violence, to have the mist of his errour and passion dispelled. K. Charles.

OBTRU'SIVE. adj. [from obtrude.] Inclined to force one's self, or any thing else, upon others.

Not obvious, not obtrusive, but retir'd The more desirable. Milton, P. L.

To OBTU'ND. † v. a. [obtundo, I.at.] To blunt; to dull; to quell; to deaden.

He asks my opinion of John-a-Noakes and John-a-Stiles; and I answer him, that I, for my part, think John Dory was a better man than both of them; for certainly they were the greatest wranglers that ever lived, and have filled all our law-books with the obtunding story of their suits and trials. Milton, Colasterion.

. The over quantity of ware, fretting too much upon the woad, is obtunded or dulled by throwing in bran, sometimes loose, sometimes in bags.

Sir W. Petty, Sprat's Hist. R. S. p. 501. Avicen countermands letting blood in cholerick bodies, because he esteems the blood a bridle of gall, obtunding its acrimony and fierceness.

Harvey on Consumptions. OBTURA'TION. † n. s. [obturation, Fr. from obturatus, Lat.] The act of stopping up any thing with something smeared over Cotgrave, and Sherwood.

OBTUSA'NGULAR. adj. [from obtuse and angle.] Having angles larger than right

OBTU'SE.† adj. [obtusus, Lat.] . Not pointed; not acute.

2. Not quick; dull; stupid. Though the fancy of this dolt be as obtuse and sad as any mallet. Milton, Colasterion.

Thy senses then, Obtuse, all taste of pleasures must forego.

Milton, P. L. Ages dark, obtuse, and steep'd in sense Young, Night Th. 9.

3. Not shrill; obscure: as, an obtuse sound.

OBTU'SELY. adv. [from obtuse.]

1. Without a point. 2. Dully; stupidly.

OBTU'SENESS. n. s. [from obtuse.] Bluntness; dullness.

OBTU'SION. n. s. [from obtuse.] 1. The act of dulling.

2. The state of being dulled. Obtusion of the senses, internal and external.

Harvey.

OBVE'NTION. n. s. [obvenio, Lat.] Something happening not constantly and regularly, but uncertainly; incidental ad-

When the country grows more rich and better inhabited, the tythes and other obventions, will also be more augmented and better valued.

Spenser on Ireland. OBVE'RSANT.* adj. [obversans, Latin.]

Conversant; familiar. Example - transformeth the will of man into the similitude of that, which is most obversant and familiar towards it. Bacon, Disc. to Sir H. Savile. To Obvert. v.a. [obverto, Lat.] To turn towards.

The laborant with an iron rod stirred the kindled part of the nitre, that the fire might be more diffused, and more parts might be obverted to the air.

A man can from no place behold, but there will be amongst innumerable superficieculæ, that look some one way, and some another, enough of them obverted to his eye to afford a confused idea of light. Boyle on Colours.

An erect cone placed in an horizontal plane, at a great distance from the eye, we judge to be nothing but a flat circle, if its base be obverted to-Watts, Logick.

To O'BVIATE. v. a. [from obvius, Lat. obvier, Fr. 7 To meet in the way; to prevent by interception.

To lay down every thing in its full light, so as to obviate all exceptions, and remove every difficulty, would carry me out too far.

Woodward, Nat. Hist.

OB'VIOUS. adj. [obvius, Lat.]

1. Meeting any thing; opposed in front to any thing.

I to the evil turn My obvious breast; arming to overcome By suffering, and earn rest from labour won. Milton, P. L.

2. Open; exposed.

Whether such room in nature unpossest Only to shine, yet scarce to contribute Each orb a glimpse of light, convey'd so far Down to this habitable, which returns Light back to them, is obvious to dispute.

Milton, P. L.

3. Easily discovered; plain; evident; easily found: Swift has used it harshly for easily intelligible.

Why was the sight To such a tender ball as the eye confin'd, So obvious and so easy to be quench'd?

Milton, P. L. Entertain'd with solitude, Where obvious duty ere while appear'd unsought.

They are such lights as are only obvious to every man of sense, who loves poetry and understands it.

Dryden. I am apt to think many words difficult or ob-

scure, which are obvious to scholars. These sentiments, whether they be impressed on the soul, or arise as obvious reflections of our reason, I call natural, because they have been found in all ages. Rogers.

All the great lines of our duty are clear and obvious; the extent of it understood, the obligation acknowledged, and the wisdom of complying with it freely confessed. Rogers.

O'BVIOUSLY. adv. [from obvious.]

1. Evidently; apparently. All purely identical propositions obviously and

at first blush, contain no instruction.

2. Easily to be found.

For France, Spain, and other foreign countries, the volumes of their laws and lawyers have obviously particulars concerning place and precedence of their magistrates and dignities.

3. Naturally. We may then more obviously, yet truly, liken the civil state to bulwarks, and the church to a Holyday. city.

O'EVIOUSNESS. n. s. [from obvious.] State of being evident or apparent.

Slight experiments are more easily and cheaply tried : I thought their easiness or obviousness fitter to recommend than depreciate them.

To OBU'MBRATE. v. a. [obumbro, Lat.] To shade; to cloud.

The rays of royal majesty reverberated so strongly upon Villerio, dispelled all those clouds which did hang over and obumbrate him. Howell, Voc. For.

OBUMBRA'TION.† n. s. [obombration, Fr. from obumbro, Lat.] The act of darkening or clouding. Sherwood. OCCA'SION. n. s. [occasion, Fr. occasio,

1. Occurrence; casualty; incident. The laws of Christ we find rather mentioned by occasion in the writings of the Apostles, than any solemn thing directly written to comprehend them in legal sort.

2. Opportunity; convenience.

Me unweeting, and unware of such mishap, She brought to mischief through occasion, Where this same wicked villain did me light upon.

Because of the money returned in our sacks are we brought in, that he may seek occasion, fall upon

us, and take us for bondmen. Gen. xliii. 18. Use not liberty for an occasion. Gal. v. 13.

Let me not let pass Milton, P. L. Occasion which now smiles. I'll take th' occasion which he gives to bring Him to his death. Waller.

With a mind as great as theirs he came To find at home occasion for his fame,

Where dark confusions did the nations hide.

Waller. From this admonition they took only occasion to redouble their fault, and to sleep again. South. This one has occasion of observing more than once in several fragments of antiquity, that are still to be seen in Rome. Addison on Italy.

3. Accidental cause.

Have you ever heard what was the occasion and first beginning of this custom? Spenser on Ireland. That woman that cannot make her fault her husband's occasion, let her never nurse her child herself, for she will breed it like a fool.

Shakspeare, As you like it. The fair for whom they strove, Nor thought, when she beheld the fight from far, Her beauty was th' occasion of the war. Dryden. Concerning ideas lodged in the memory, and upon occasion revived by the mind, it takes notice of them as of a former impression. Locke.

Reason not cogent, but opportune. Your business calls on you,

And you embrace the occasion to depart. Shaksp.

5. Incidental need; casual exigence. Never master had

A page so kind, so duteous, diligent, So tender over his occasions. Shakspeare, Cymb. Antony will use his affection where it is: He married but his occasion here.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. My occasions have found time to use them to-Shakspeare, Timon. ward a supply of money. They who are desirous of a name in painting, should read with diligence, and make their observations of such things as they find for their

purpose, and of which they may have occasion. Dryden, Dufresnoy. Syllogism is made use of on occasion to discover

a fallacy hid in a rhetorical flourish. The ancient canons were very well fitted for the occasion of the church in its purer ages.

Baker on Learning. God hath put us into an imperfect state, where we have perpetual occasion of each other's assist-Swift. A prudent chief not always must display

His pow'rs in equal ranks, and fair array, But with the occasion and the place comply, Conceal his force, nay, seem sometimes to fly. Pope.

To Occa'sion. v. a. [occasionner, Fr. from the noun.]

1. To cause casually.

Who can find it reasonable that the soul should, in its retirement, during sleep, never light on any of those ideas it borrowed not from sensation, preserve the memory of no ideas but such, which being occasioned from the body, must needs be less natural to a spirit. Locke.

The good Psalmist condemns the foolish thoughts, which a reflection on the prosperous state of his affairs had sometimes occasioned in

2. To cause; to produce.

I doubt not, whether the great encrease of that disease may not have been occasioned by the custom of much wine introduced into our common

A consumption may be occasioned by running sores, or sinous fistulas, whose secret caves and winding burrows empty themselves by copious discharges. Blackmore.

By its styptic quality it affects the nerves, very often occasioning tremors. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

To influence.

If we enquire what it is that occasions men to make several combinations of simple ideas into distinct modes, and neglect others which have as much an aptness to be combined, we shall find the reason to be the end of language.

Occa'sionable.* adj. [from occasion.] That may be occasioned.

This practice, of constantly and carefully observing our hearts, will fence us against immoderate pleasure, occasionable by men's hard opinions or harsh censures passed on us.

Barrow, vol. iii. S. 13.

Occa'sional. adj. [occasionel, Fr. from occasion.

1. Incidental; casual.

Thus much is sufficient out of Scripture, to verify our explication of the deluge, according to the Mosaical history of the flood, and according to many occasional reflections dispersed in other places of Scripture concerning it. 2. Producing by accident.

The ground or occasional original hereof, was the amazement and sudden silence the unexpected appearance of wolves does often put upon travel-Brown, Vulg. Err.

3. Produced by occasion or incidental exigence.

Besides these constant times, there are likewise occasional times for the performance of this duty. Wh. Duty of Man.

Those letters were not writ to all; Nor first intended but occasional,

Their absent sermons. Dryden, Hind. & Panth.

OCCA'SIONALLY. adv. [from occasional.] According to incidental exigence; incidentally.

Authority and reason on her wait As one intended first, not after made

Milton, P. L. Occasionally. I have endeavoured to interweave with the as-

sertions some of the proofs whereon they depend, and occasionally scatter several of the more important observations throughout the work

Woodward, Nat. Hist.

Occa'sioner. n. s. [from occasion.] One that causes, or promotes by design or accident.

She with true lamentations made known to the world, that her new greatness did no way comfort her in respect of her brother's loss, whom she studied all means possible to revenge upon every one of the occasioners.

Some men will load me as if I were a wilful and resolved occasioner of my own and my subjects' King Charles. miseries.

In case a man dig a pit and leave it open, whereby it happeneth his neighbour's beast to fall thereinto and perish, the owner of the pit is to make it good, in as much as he was the occasioner of that loss to his neighbour. Sanderson.

Occeca'tion. † n.s. [occæcatio, from occæco, Lat. The act of blinding or making blind; state of being blind.

It is an addition to the misery of this inward occecation. Bp. Hall, Occas. Medit. \$ 57.

We fall under the same occecation, which our Saviour upbraids to the Jews, that seeing we see not, neither do we understand.

Lively Oracles, &c. p. 199. Those places speak of obduration and occepation. so as if the blindness that is in the minds, and hardness that is in the hearts of wicked men, were from God. Sanderson.

O'CCIDENT. n. s. [from occidens, Latin.] The west.

The envious clouds are bent To dim his glory, and to stain the tract Of his bright passage to the occident.

Shakspeare, Rich. II. Occide 'NTAL. adj. [occidentalis, Latin.] Western.

Ere twice in murk and occidental damp, Moist Hesperus hath quench'd his sleepy lamp.

If she had not been drained, she might have tiled her palaces with occidental gold and silver.

East and west have been the obvious conceptions of philosophers, magnifying the condition of India above the setting and occidental climates. Brown, Vulg. Err.

Occi'duous. adj. [occidens, Lat.] Western. Occi'pital. adj. [occipitalis, Lat.] Placed in the hinder part of the head.

O'CCIPUT. n. s. [Latin.] The hinder part of the head.

His broad-brim'd hat Hangs o'er his occiput most quaintly,

To make the knave appear more saintly. Butler. Occi'sion. † n. s. [from occisio, Lat.] The act of killing.

This kind of occision of a man, according to the laws of the kingdom, and in execution thereof, ought not to be numbered in the rank of crimes. Hale, H. P. C. ch. 42.

To OCCLU'DE. v. a. [occludo, Latin.]

They take it up, and roll it upon the earths, whereby occluding the pores they conserve the natural humidity, and so prevent corruption.

Brown. Occlu'se. adj. [occlusus, Latin.] Shut up; closed.

The appulse is either plenary and occluse, so as to preclude all passages of breath or voice through the mouth; or else partial and previous, so as to give them some passages out of the mouth.

Holder on Speech.

Occlu'sion. † n. s. [from occlusio, Latin.] The act of shutting up.

The constriction and occlusion of the orifice. Howell, Lett. i. iii. 30.

OCCU'LT. adj. [occulte, Fr. occultus, Lat.] Secret; hidden; unknown; undiscover-

An artist will play a lesson on an instrument without minding a stroke; and our tongues will run divisions in a tune not missing a note, even when our thoughts are totally engaged elsewhere: which effects are to be attributed to some secret act of the soul, which to us is utterly occult, and without the ken of our intellects. Glanville.

These instincts we call occult qualities; which is all one with saying that we do not understand how they work.

These are manifest qualities, and their causes only are occult. And the Aristotelians give the name of occult qualities not to manifest qualities. but to such qualities only as they supposed to lie hid in bodies, and to be the unknown causes of manifest effects. Newton, Opt.

Occulta'Tion. n. s. [occultatio, Lat.] In astronomy, is the time that a star or planet is hid from our sight, when eclipsed by interposition of the body of the moon, or some other planet between it and us. Harris.

Occu'lted.* adj. [from occult.] Secret. Not in use.

If his occulted guilt Do not itself unkennel in one speech, It is a damned ghost that we have seen.

Shakspeare, Hamlet. Occu'LINESS. n. s. [from occult.] Secretness; state of being hid.

O'CCUPANCY. n. s. [from occupans, Latin.] 3. To follow as business. The act of taking possession.

Of moveables, some are things natural; others, things artificial. Property in the first is gained by occupancy, in the latter by improvement. Warburton on Lit. Property.

O'CCUPANT. † n. s. [occupans, Latin.] that takes possession of any thing.

Of beasts and birds the property passeth with the possession, and goeth to the occupant; but of civil people not so.

The number of the apostles was not yet full: one room is left void for a future occupant.

Bp. Hall, Contempl. B. 3.

To O'CCUPATE. v. a. [occupo, Latin.] To possess; to hold; to take up.

Drunken men are taken with a plain destitution in voluntary motion; for that the spirits of the wine oppress the spirits animal, and occupate part of the place where they are, and so make them weak to move. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

OCCUPA'TION. n. s. [from occupation, Fr. occupatio, Lat.]

The act of taking possession.

Spain hath enlarged the bounds of its crown within this last sixscore years, much more than the Ottomans: I speak not of matches or unions, but of arms, occupations, invasions. Bacon.

2. Employment; business.

Such were the distresses of the then infant world; so incessant their occupations about provision for food, that there was little leisure to commit any thing to writing. Woodward.

In your most busy occupations, when you are never so much taken up with other affairs, yet now and then send up an ejaculation to the God of your salvation.

3. Trade; calling; vocation.

The red pestilence strike all trades in Rome, And occupations perish. Shakspeare, Coriol. He was of the same craft with them, and wrought, for by their occupation they were tent-Acts. xviii. 3.

O'CCUPIER. n. s. [from occupy.]

1. A possessor; one who takes into his possession.

If the title of occupiers be good in a land unpeopled, why should it be bad accounted in a country peopled thinly? Ralegh.

2. One who follows any employment. Thy merchandise, and the occupiers of thy merchandise, shall fall into the midst of the seas.

Ezek, xxvii. 27. To O'CCUPY. v. a. [occuper, French; occupo, Lat.]

1. To possess; to keep; to take up. How shall he that occupieth the room of the un-

learned say Amen at thy giving of thanks, seeing he understandeth not what thou sayest?

1 Cor. xiv. 16.

Powder being suddenly fired altogether, upon this high rarefaction, requireth a greater space than before its body occupied. Brown, Vulg. Err.

He must assert infinite generations before that first deluge; and then the earth could not receive them, but the infinite bodies of men must occupy an infinite space. Bentley, Sermons.

2. To busy; to employ.

An archbishop may have cause to occupy more chaplains than six. Act of Hen. VIII. They occupied themselves about the sabbath, yielding exceeding praise to the Lord.

2 Mac. viii. 27. How can he get wisdom that driveth oxen and is occupied in their labours, and whose talk is of bullocks? Ecc. xxxviii. 25.

He that giveth his mind to the law of the most high, and is occupied in the meditation thereof. will seek out the wisdom of all the ancient, and be occupied in prophecies. Ecclus. xxxix. 1.

They that go down to the sea in ships, and occupy their business in deep waters. Ps. 107. Comm. Prayer.

Mariners were in thee to occupy thy merchandise. Ez. xxvii. 9.

4. To use; to expend.

All the gold occupied for the work, was twenty and nine talents. Exodus, xxxviii. 24. To O'ccupy. v. n. To follow business.

He called his ten servants, and delivered them ten pounds, and said unto them, Occupy, till I St. Luke, xix, 13.

To OCCU'R. v. n. [occurro, Latin.] 1. To be presented to the memory or at-

There doth not occur to me any use of this experiment for profit. Bacon, Nat. Hist. The mind should be always ready to turn itself to the variety of objects that occur, and allow

them as much consideration as shall be thought The far greater part of the examples that occur

to us, are so many encouragements to vice and disobedience.

To appear here and there.

In Scripture though the word heir occur, yet there is no such thing as heir in our author's

3. To clash; to strike against; to meet. Bodies have a determinate motion according to the degrees of their external impulse, their inward principle of gravitation, and the resistance of the bodies they occur with, Bentley.

4. To obviate; to intercept; to make opposition to. A Latinism.

Before I begin that I must occur to one specious objection against this proposition.

Occu'rrence. n. s. [occurrence, Fr. from occur: this was perhaps originally occurrents.] 1. Incident: accidental event.

In education most time is to be bestowed on that which is of the greatest consequence in the ordinary course and occurrences of that life the young man is designed for. 2. Occasional presentation.

Voyages detain the mind by the perpetual occurrence and expectation of something new. Watts. OCCU'RRENT. n. s. [occurrent, Fr. occurrens,

Latin.] Incident; any thing that happens.

Contentions were as yet never able to prevent two evils, the one a mutual exchange of unseemly and unjust disgraces, the other a common hazard of both, to be made a prey by such as study how to work upon all occurrents, with most advantage Hooker's Dedication.

He did himself certify all the news and occurrents in every particular, from Calice, to the mayor and aldermen of London. Bacon, Hen. VII. O'ccurse.* n. s. [occursus, Lat.] Meeting. If any thing at unawares shall pass from us a sudden accident, occurse, or meeting, &c. Burton, Anat. of Mel. 7th ed. p. 208.

Occu'rsion. n. s. [occursus, Latin.] Clash; mutual blow.

In the resolution of bodies by fire, some of the dissipated parts may, by their various occursion occasioned by the heat, stick closely.

Now should those active particles, ever and anon justled by the occursion of other bodies, so orderly keep their cells without alteration of site. Glanville, Scepsis.

O'CEAN. † n. s. [ocean, Fr. oceanus, Latin; ωκεανός, Greek, from ωκέως ναίειν, to flow or slide swiftly. Eustathius. Others say, that the Greeks adopted the Phenician word og, which denotes the circumference of the ocean, and which is derived from the Hebrew hhog, it surrounds.] 1. The main; the great sea.

Will all great Neptune's ocean wash this blood Clean from my hand? Shakspeare, Macbeth. The golden sun salutes the morn.

And, having gilt the ocean with his beams, Gallops the zodiack. Tit. Andronicus.

2. Any immense expanse.

Time, in general, is to duration, as place to expansion. They are so much of those boundless oceans of eternity and immensity, as it set out and distinguished from the rest, to denote the position of finite real beings, in those uniform, infinite oceans of duration and space.

O'CEAN. † adj. [This is not usual, though conformable to the original import of the word, Dr. Johnson says, citing only Milton, Nothing, however, was more usual among our old writers. Pertaining to the main or great sea.

At forty miles beyond the city, it falleth into

the ocean sea.

Robinson, Tr. of More's Utopia, (1551), ch. 2. To burst the billows of the ocean sea.

Hist. of Orlando Furioso, (1599.) And too long painted on the ocean streams. Drummond, Poems, P. ii. (1616.)

In bulk as huge as that sea-beast Leviathan, which God of all his works Created hugest that swim the ocean stream.

Milton, P. L. Bounds were set

To darkness, such as bound the ocean wave. Milton, P. L.

Pertain-OCEA'NICK. † adj. [from ocean.] ing to the ocean. Dict. No one yet knows, to what distance any of the Cook's Voyage. oceanic birds go to sea.

OCE'LLATED. adj. [ocellatus Latin.] Re- O'CTAVE. † n. s. [octave, Fr.; octavus, Lat.] sembling the eye.

The white butterfly lays its offspring on cabbage leaves; a very beautiful reddish occellated one.

Derham, Phys. Theol. Ochlo'CRATY.* n. s. [oxxonparia, Greek.] Government by a mob.

If any form of policy degenerate, it must be either into a tyranny, an oligarchy, or a dissolute ochlocraty.

Downing, Disc. of the State, Eccl. (1633,) p. 22. If it begin to degenerate into an ochlocraty, then it turns into a most headstrong intolerable Ibid. p. 15.

O'CHRE. † n. s. [ochre, ocre, Fr. axpa, Gr. perhaps from expos, pale.]

The earths distinguished by the name of ochres are those which have rough or naturally dusty surfaces, are but slightly coherent in their texture, and are com-VOL. II.

posed of fine and soft argillaceous par- | O'CTAVE.* adj. Denoting eight. ticles, and are readily diffusible in water. They are of various colours; such as red, yellow, blue, green, black. The yellow sort are called ochres of iron, and the blue ochres of copper.

Hill, Mat. Med. O'CHREOUS. adj. [from ochre.] Consisting of ochre.

In the interstices of the flakes is a grey, chalky, or ochreous matter. Woodward on Fossils. O'CHREY. adj. [from ochre.] Partaking

This is conveyed about by the water; as we find in earthy, ochrey, and other loose matter.

Woodward.

O'CHIMY. n. s. [formed by corruption from from alchymy.] A mixed base metal.

O'CTAGON. n. s. [oxla and yarla.] In geometry, a figure consisting of eight sides and angles; and this, when all the sides and angles are equal, is called a regular octagon, which may be inscribed in a circle. Harris.

OCTA'GONAL.† \ adj. from octagon. OCTO'GONAL. Having eight angles

and sides.

Here was anciently a large church, built in honour of that glorious triumph: but all that now remains of it is only an octogonal cupola, about eight yards in diameter. Maundrell, Trav. p.104.

The font, remaining in its old situation near the chief entrance, is large, and well ornamented; and was probably constructed at the time of the present church, with some of whose windows the Gothick mouldings on the faces of its octogonal panes uniformly correspond.

Warton, Hist. of Kiddington, p. 4. OCTA'NGULAR. adj. [octo and angulus, Lat.] Having eight angles.

OCTA'NGULARNESS. n. s. [from octangular.] The quality of having eight angles. Dict. O'CTANT. \ adj. In astrology, is, when a O'CTILE. | planet is in such an aspect or position with respect to another, that their places are only distant an eighth part of a circle or forty-five degrees.

O'CTATEUCH.* n. s. [octateuque, Fr.; outo, eight, and τεῦχος, a work, Gr.] for the eight first books of the Old Testament.

Not unlike unto that [style] of Theodoret in his questions upon the octoteuch.

Hanmer, View of Antiq. (1677,) p. 37. 1. The eighth day after some peculiar festival.

It was a custom among the primitive Christians, to observe the octave or eighth day after their principal feasts with great solemnity.

Wheatly on the Comm. Pr. ch. 5. § 5. 2. Eight days together after a festival.

Ainsworth. Celestine granted from the feast, - and in the octaves, every day, thirty thousand yeares of pardon! Fulke against Allen, (1580,) p. 356. [In musick.] An eighth or an interval of eight sounds.

Although the same notes on the different octaves are in reality unisonous, yet there is a variety of tones in treble, contratenor, tenor, and bass voices, which, when combined in a numerous chorus, produces an effect of a noble if not a sublime kind, that must be felt rather than described.

Mason on Church Mus. p. 10.

Boccace - particularly is said to have invented the octave rhyme, or stanza of eight lines.

Dryden, Pref. to the Fables. OCTA'VO.† n. s. [Latin.] A book is said to be in octavo when a sheet is folded into eight leaves.

They accompany the second edition of the original experiments, which were printed first in English in octavo. Boule.

Folios, quartos, octavos, and duodecimos! ungrateful varlets that you are, who have so long taken up my house without paying for your lodging! Pope, Acc. of Curl.

Octe'nnial. adj. [from octennium, Latin.] Happening every eighth year.

2. Lasting eight years.

OCTO'BER. n. s. [October, Lat.; octobre, Fr.] The tenth month of the year, or the eighth numbered from March.

October is drawn in a garment of yellow and carnation; upon his head a garland of oak leaves, in his right hand the sign Scorpio, in his left a basket

OCTOE'DRICAL. adj. Having eight sides.

OCTOGENA'RIAN.* n. s. [from octogeni, Lat.] One who is eighty years of age. Octo'GENARY. † adj. [octogeni, Lat.] Of eighty years of age.

He went to visit, being then octogenary, and very decrepit with the gout. Aubrey, Anec. ii. 315. O'CTONARY. adj. [octonarius, Lat.] Be-

longing to the number eight. Dict. OCTONO'CULAR. adj. [octo and oculus.] Having eight eyes.

Most animals are binocular; spiders for the most part octonocular, and some senocular. Derham, Phys. Theol.

Octope Talous. adj. [οκλώ and πελαλον, Gr.] Having eight flower leaves. O'CTOSTYLE. n. s. [ox/w and 5000, Gr.] In

the ancient architecture, is the face of a building or ordonnance containing eight columns. Harris.

Octosy'LLABLE.* adj. [octo, Lat. and syllable. Consisting of eight syllables. In the octosyllable metre Chaucer has left seve-

ral compositions : - Though I call this the octosyllable metre from what I apprehend to have been its original form, it often consists of nine and sometimes ten syllables; but the eighth is always the last accented syllable.

Tyrwhitt, Ess. on the Lang. and Vers. of Chaucer, § 8. O'CTUPLE. adj. [octupulus, Lat.] Eight Dict.

O'CULAR. adj. [oculaire, Fr. from oculus. Lat.] Depending on the eye; known by the eye.

Prove my love a whore, Be sure of it: give me the ocular proof, Or thou hadst better have been born a dog.

Shakspear He that would not believe the menace of God at first, it may be doubted whether before an ocular example he believed the curse at first. Brown.

O'CULARLY. † adv. [from ocular.] To the observation of the eye.

Great desire I had to inform myself ocularly of the state and practice of the Roman church; the knowledge whereof might be of no small use to me in my holy station.

Bp. Hall, Specialties of his Life. The same is ocularly confirmed by Vives upon

O'CULATE. adj. [oculatus, Lat.] Having eyes, knowing by the eye.

O'culist. n. s. [from oculus. Lat.] One who professes to cure distempers of the

If there be a speck in the eye, we take it off; but he were a strange oculist who would pull out

I am no oculist, and if I should go to help one eye and put out the other, we should have an untoward business.

1. Estrange.

O'CULUS beli. [Latin.]

The oculus beli of jewellers, probably of Pliny, is an accidental variety of the agat kind; having a grey horny ground, circular delineations, and a spot in the middle, resembling the eye; whence its Woodward.

ODD.† adj. [udda, Swedish. Dr. Johnson and others. Junius thinks it to be derived from added. Mr. H. Tooke contends, that it is the participle owed, ow'd. "Thus," he says, "when we are counting by couples, or by pairs, we say, one pair, two pairs, &c. and one owed, ow'd, to make up another pair. It has the same meaning when we say, an odd man, or an odd action: it still relates to pairing; and we mean - without a fellow, unmatched, not such another, one owed to make up a couple." Div. of Purley, ii. 38. This specious etymon will hardly be received. A later writer carries it to the Greek 18105, "which signifies every thing that can relate to the unity, if I may so express myself, of a being. Idus, say the ordinary lexicographers, peculiaris, sui generis, suus, priva-Whiter, Etym. Mag. p. 478. Our word is thus to be traced to the first syllable (id) of the Greek word; but the same etymologist also notices the Arab, ahd, the term for one.]

1. Not even; not divisible into equal numbers.

This is the third time; I hope

Good luck lies in odd numbers. Shakspeare. What verity there is in that numeral conceit, in the lateral division of man by even and odd; ascribing the odd unto the right side, and the even unto the left; and so by parity, or imparity of letters in men's names, to determine misfortunes. Brown, Vulg. Err.

2. More than a round number; indefinitely exceeding any number specified. The account of the profits of Ulster, from the fifth year of Edward III. until the eighth, do

amount but to nine hundred and odd pounds, Davies on Ireland.

Sixteen hundred and odd years after the earth was made, it was destroyed in a deluge of water. Burnet, Theory.

The year, without regard to days, ends with an odd day, and odd hours, odd minutes, and odd seconds of minutes; so that it cannot be measured by any even number of days, hours, or minutes. Holder on Time.

3. Particular; uncouth; extraordinary; not like others; not to be numbered among any class. In a sense of contempt or dislike.

Her madness hath the oddest frame of sense, Such a dependency of thing on thing, As e'er I heard in madnes

Of thee, kind boy, I ask no red and white, To make up my delight,

No odd becoming graces, Black eyes, or little know not what's in faces.

Suckling. When I broke loose from writers who have employed their wit and parts in propagating of vice, I did not question but I should be treated as an odd kind of a fellow.

Spectator.

No fool Pythagoras was thought; He made his list'ning scholars stand, Their mouth still cover'd with their hand: Else, may be, some odd thinking youth, Might have refus'd to let his ears Attend the musick of the spheres.

This blue colour being made by nothing else than by reflexion of a specular superficies, seems so odd a phenomenon and so difficult to be explained by the vulgar hypothesis of philosophers, that I could not but think it deserved to be taken notice of. Newton, Opticks.

So proud I am no slave, So impudent I own myself no knave, So odd, my country's ruin makes me grave. Pope. To counterpoise this hero of the mode,

Some for renown are singular and odd; What other men dislike is sure to please, Of all mankind these dear antipodes.

4. Not noted; not taken into the common account: unheeded.

I left him cooling of the air with sighs, In an odd angle of the isle. Shakspeare, Tempest.
There are yet missing some few odd lads that you remember not. Shakspeare, Tempest.

5. Strange; unaccountable; fantastical. How strange or odd soe'er I bear myself, As I, perchance, hereafter shall think meet,

To put an antick disposition on.

Shakspeare, Hamlet. It is an odd way of uniting parties to deprive a majority of part of their ancient right, by conferring it on a faction, who had never any right at all. Swift.

Patients have sometimes coveted odd things which have relieved them; as salt and vinegar, Arbuthnot on Aliments.

With such odd maxims to thy flocks retreat, Nor furnish mirth for ministers of state. Young.

6. Uncommon; particular. The odd man to perform all three perfectly is, Joannes Sturmius. Ascham, Schoolmaster.

7. Unlucky.

The trust Othello puts him in, On some odd time of his infirmity,

Will shake this island. Shakspeare, Othello. 8. Unlikely; in appearance improper.

Mr. Locke's Essay would be a very odd book for a man to make himself master of, who would get a reputation by critical writings.

Addison, Spectator. O'DDITY.* n. s. [from odd.] Singularity; particularity: applied both to persons and things.

I should not ridicule a squinting eye, a stammering voice; a provincial dialect, the peculiarities of a profession, or indeed any oddity, or deformity, that was not strictly immoral.

Amusements of Clergymen, p. 138. O'DDLY. adv. [from odd.] This word and oddness, should, I think, be written with one d; but the writers almost all com-

bine against it.]

1. Not evenly.

Strangely; particularly; irregularly; unaccountably; uncouthly; contrarily to custom.

How oddly will it sound, that I Must ask my child forgiveness

Shakspeare, Tempest. One man is pressed with poverty, and looks somewhat oddly upon it. Collier on the Spleen.

The dreams of sleeping men are made up of the waking man's ideas, though for the most part oddly put together.

This child was near being excluded out of the species of man barely by his shape. It is certain a figure a little more oddly turned had cast him, and he had been executed.

The real essence of substances we know not; and therefore are so undetermined in our nominal essences, which we make ourselves, that if several men were to be asked concerning some oddlyshaped fetus, whether it were a man or no? one should meet with different answers. Locke.

Her aukward love indeed was oddly fated; She and her Polly were too near related.

As masters in the clare obscure, With various light your eyes allure: A flaming yellow here they spread; Draw off in blue, or charge in red; Yet from these colours oddly mix'd,

Your sight upon the whole is fix'd. They had seen a great black substance lying on the ground very oddly shaped. Swift.

Fossils are very oddly and elegantly shaped, according to the modification of their constituent salts, or the cavities they are formed in. Bentley. O'DDNESS. n. s. [from odd.]

1. The state of being not even.

Take but one from three, and you not only destroy the oddness, but also the essence, of that number. Fotherby, Atheom. p. 307.

2. Strangeness; particularity; uncouthness; irregularity.

Coveting to recommend himself to posterity, Cicero begged it as an alms of the historians, to remember his consulship: and observe the oddness of the event; all their histories are lost, and the vanity of his request stands recorded in his own writings. Dryden.

A knave is apprehensive of being discovered; and this habitual concern puts an oddness into his

My wife fell into a violent disorder, and I was a little discomposed at the oddness of the accident.

Odds. n. s. [from odd.]

1. Inequality; excess of either compared with the other.

Between these two cases there are great odds.

The case is yet not like, but there appeareth great odds between them. Spenser on Ireland. I will lay the odds that ere this year expire, We bear our civil swords and native fire,

As far as France. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. I chiefly who enjoy

So far the happier lot, enjoying thee Pre-eminent by so much odds. Milton, P. L. Shall I give him to partake

Full happiness with me? or rather not: But keep the odds of knowledge in my power Without copartner? Milton, P. L. Cromwel, with odds of number and of fate,

Remov'd this bulwark of the church and state. Waller

All these, thus unequally furnished with truth, and advanced in knowledge, I suppose of equal natural parts; all the odds between them has been the different scope that has been given to their understandings to range in. Torke-

Judging is balancing an account, and determining on which side the odds lie.

2. More than an even wager; more likely

than the contrary. Since every man by nature is very prone to think the best of himself; and of his own con-

dition; it is odds but he will find a shrewd temptation. The presbyterian party endeavoured one day to

introduce a debate about repealing the test clause, when there appeared at least four to one odds against them.

Some bishop bestows upon them some inconsiderable benefice, when 'tis odds they are already encumbered with a numerous family.

Swift, Miscell.

3. Advantage; superiority.

And though the sword, some understood, In force had much the odds of wood, 'Twas nothing so; both sides were balanc'd So equal, none knew which was valiant'st, Hudibras.

4. Quarrel; debate; dispute.

I can't speak Any beginning to this peevish odds.

Shakspeare, Othello.

What is the night? Almost at odds with the morning, which is which.

He flashes into one gross crime or other, Shakspeare, K. Lear. That sets us all at odds. The fox, the ape, and the humble-bee,

Were still at odds, being but three; Until the goose came out of door, And staid the odds by adding four.

Shakspeare, L. Lab. Lost.

Gods of whatsoe'er degree, Resume not what themselves have given, Or any brother god in heav'n;

Which keeps the peace among the gods, Or they must always be at odds. Swift, Miscell,

ODE † n. s. [ode, Fr. ωδή, Gr. from α είδω, to sing. Ronsard is said to have introduced the word into the French language. A poem written to be sung to musick; a lyrick poem; the ode is either of the greater or less kind. The less is characterised by sweetness and ease; the greater by sublimity, rapture, and quickness of transition.

A man haunts the forests that abuses our young plants with carving Rosalind on their barks; hangs odes upon hawthorns, and elegies on brambles, all forsooth deifying the name of Rosalind.

Shakspeare, As you like it. O run, prevent them with thy humble ode, And lay it lowly at his blessed feet. Milton, Ode.

What work among you scholar gods! Phœbus must write him am'rous odes; And thou, poor cousin, must compose His letters in submissive prose.

O'DIBLE. † adj. [from odi.] Hateful. Dict.

Apes, howlettes, meremaydes, and other odible monsters. Bale on the Rev. P. iii. (1550,) A a. 4.

O'DIOUS. adj. [odieux, Fr. odiosus, Lat,] 1. Hateful; detestable; abominable. For ever all goodness will be most charming;

for ever all wickedness will be most odious. Sprat. Hatred is the passion of defence, and there is a kind of hostility included in its very essence. But then, if there could have been hatred in the world, when there was scarce any thing odious, it would have acted within the compass of its proper object.

Let not the Trojans, with a feign'd pretence Of proffer'd peace, delude the Latian prince : Expel from Italy that odious name. Druden. She breathes the odious fume

Of nauseous steams, and poisons all the room. Granville.

2. Exposed to hate.

Another means for raising money, was, by inquiring after offences of officers in great place, who as by unjust dealing they became most odious, so by justice in their punishments the prince acquired both love and applause. He had rendered himself odious to the parlia-

3. Causing hate; invidious.

The seventh from thee, The only righteous in a world perverse, And therefore hated, therefore so beset With foes, for daring single to be just, And utter odious truth that God would come Milton, P. L. To judge them with his saints.

4. A word expressive of disgust: used by women.

Green fields and shady groves, and crystal springs,

And larks and nightingales, are odious things; But smoke, and dust, and noise, and crowds delight.

O'DIOUSLY. adv. [from odious.]

1. Hatefully; abominably.

Had thy love, still odiously pretended, Been as it ought, sincere, it would have taught thee

Far other reasonings. Milton, S. A. 2. Invidiously; so as to cause hate.

Arbitrary power no sober man can fear, either from the king's disposition or his practice; or even where you would odiously lay it, from his ministers. Dryden.

O'DIOUSNESS. n. s. [from odious.]

1. Hatefulness.

Have a true sense of his sin, of its odiousness, and of its danger. Wake, Prep. for Death. 2. The state of being hated.

There was left of the blood royal, an aged

gentleman of approved goodness, who had gotten nothing by his cousin's power but danger from him, and odiousness for him.

O'DIUM. n. s. [Latin.] Invidiousness; quality of provoking hate.

The odium and offences which some men's rigour or remissness had contracted upon my government, I was resolved to have expiated.

She threw the odium of the fact on me, And publickly avow'd her love to you. Dryden. Projectors, and inventors of new taxes being

hateful to the people, seldom fail of bringing odium upon their master.

Odonta'lgick. adj. [δδών and ἄλγος.] Pertaining to the tooth-ach.

O'DORAMENT.* n. s. [odoramentum, Lat.] A perfume; any strong scent.

To these you may add odoraments, perfumes, and suffumigations. Burlon, Anat. of Mel. p. 387. O'DORATE. † adj. [odoratus, Lat. odorato, Ital.] Scented; having a strong scent, whether fetid or fragrant.

Smelling is with a communication of the breath, or vapour of the objects odorate, Bacon, Nat. Hist. Some oriental kind of ligustrum - producing a sweet and odorate bush of flowers.

Sir T. Brown, Miscell. p. 9.

ODORI'FEROUS. adj. [oderifer, Lat.] Giving scent; usually, sweet of scent; fragrant; perfumed.

A bottle of vinegar so buried, came forth more lively and odoriferous, smelling almost like a Bacon.

There stood in this roome presses that enclosed Robes odoriferous. Gentle gales

Fanning their odoriferous wings dispense Native perfumes, and whisper whence they stole Milton, P. L. These balmy spoils.

Smelling bodies send forth effluvias of steams, without sensibly wasting. A grain of musk will send forth odoriferous particles for scores of years, without its being spent.

Odori'Ferousness. n. s. [from odoriferous.] Sweetness of scent; fragrance.

O'dorous, † adj. [odorus, Lat. odoreux, old French. Milton has once placed the accent on the second syllable of this word; which, Mr. Nares says, is a licence found only in this passage, and, if the etymology were considered, would be accounted right. But this accentuation is not peculiar to Milton. 7 Fragrant; perfumed; sweet of scent.

Such fragrant flowers do give most odorous smell

But her sweet odour did them all excel. Spenser. Their private roofs on odorous timber borne, Such as might palaces for kings adorn. The bright consummate flower

Spirits odórous breathes. Milton, P. L. v. 482. The hills, and dales, that plants odórous bare. Transl. of Marino, by T. R. (1675,) p. 60.

We smell, because parts of the odorous body touch the nerves of our nostrils.

Cheyne, Phil. Prin.

O'DOUR. n. s. [odor, Lat. odeur, Fr.] Scent, whether good or bad.

Democritus, when he lay a dying, sent for loaves of new bread, which having opened and poured a little wine into them, he kept himself alive with the odour till a certain feast was past. Bacon

Infusions in air, for so we may call odours, have the same diversities with infusions in water; in that the several odours which are in one flower or other body, issue at several times, some earlier, some later. Bacon.

They refer sapor unto salt, and odour unto sulphur; they vary much concerning colour.

Brown, Vulg. Err. Where silver riv'lets play thro' flow'ry meads, And woodbines give their sweets, and limes their shades.

Black kennels absent odours she regrets, And stops her nose at beds of violets.

2. Fragrance; perfume; sweet scent. Me seem'd I smelt a garden of sweet flow'rs

That dainty odours from them threw around, For damsels fit to deck their lovers' bow'rs.

By her intercession with the king she would lay a most seasonable and popular obligation upon the whole nation, and leave a pleasant odour of her grace and favour to the people behind her.

The Levites burned the holy incense in such quantities as refreshed the whole multitude with its odours, and filled all the region about them with perfume.

OE. This combination of vowels does not properly belong to our language, nor is ever found but in words derived from the Greek, and not yet wholly conformed to our manner of writing : oe has in such words the sound of E.

ŒCONO'MICKS. n. s. pl. [οἰκονομικὸς; œconomique, Fr. from æconomy. Both it and its' derivatives are under @conomy.] Management of household affairs.

A prince's leaving his business wholly to his ministers, is as dangerous an errour in politicks, as a master's committing all to his servant, is in L'Estrange. economicks.

Œcume'nical. adj. [οἰκθμενικὸς, from olusμενη.] General; respecting the whole habitable world.

This Nicene council was not received as an ecumenical council in any of the eastern patriarchiates, excepting only that of Constantinople.

Stilling fleet.

We must not make a computation of the Catholick church from that part of it which was within the compass of the Roman empire, though called acumenical.

ŒDE'MA. † n. s. [οίδημα, from οἰρέω, to swell. The word is ædeme, in the enlarged edition of Bullokar's Expositor, 1656, and must have been in use long before, as it occurs among the words 5 x 2

requiring explanation in Sylvester's Du Bartas, 1621.] A tumour. It is now and commonly by surgeons confined to a white, soft, insensible tumour, proceeding from cold and aqueous humours. such as happen to hydropick constitu-Quincy.

EDEMA'TICK. adj. from ædema. Per-EDE'MATOUS. taining to an ædema.

It is primarily generated out of the effusion of melancholick blood, or secondarily out of the dregs and remainder of a phlegmonous or ædematick Harvey.

The great discharge of matter, and the extremity of pain, wasted her, adematus swellings arose in her legs, and she languished and died. Wiseman. ŒI'LIAD. n. s. [from œil, French.] Glance; wink; token of the eye.

She gave williads and most speaking looks To noble Edmund. Shakspeare, K. Lear. O'ER. contracted from over. See OVER.

His tears defac'd the surface of the well, With circle after circle as they fell, And now the lovely face but half appears, O'er-run with wrinkles and defac'd with tears. Addison.

Œso'phagus. n. s. [from diods, wicker, from some similitude in the structure of this part to the contexture of that; and φάγω to eat.] The gullet; a long, large, and round canal, that descends from the mouth, lying all along between the windpipe and the joints of the neck and back, to the fifth joint of the back, where it turns a little to the right, and gives way to the descending artery; and both run by one another, till at the ninth the æsophagus turns again to the left, pierces the midriff, and is continued to the left orifice of the stomach.

Wounds penetrating the asophagus and aspera arteria, require to be stitched close, especially those of the asophagus, where the sustenance and saliva so continually presseth into it.

Wiseman, Surgery. Of. rprep. [af, Goth. of, Icel. of, Saxon. This word is sometimes redundantly placed after the participle active; and should be avoided. Some have objected to the ternary exhibition, in one sentence, of this word: " She [Great Britain] sits in the midst of a mighty affluence of all the necessaries and conveniencies of life." Addison, State of the War. The image in this sentence, bishop Hurd has observed, is fine; but the expression somewhat exceptionable on the account of three ofs coming together. Others see no inelegance in this accumulation; and cite Genesis, iii. 2. "We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden."]

1. It is put before the substantive that follows another in construction; as, of these part were slain; that is, part of

I cannot instantly raise up the gross Of full three thousand ducats.

Shakspeare. He to his natural endowments of a large invention, a ripe judgement, and a strong memory, has joined the knowledge of the liberal arts.

Dryden.

All men naturally fly to God in extremity, and the most atheistical person in the world, when forsaken of all hopes of any other relief, is forced to acknowledge him.

The rousing of the mind with some degrees of vigour, does set it free from those idle companions.

The value of land is raised only by a greater plenty of money.

They will receive it at last with an ample accumulation of interest. Smalridge.

2. It is put among superlative adjectives. The most renowned of all are those to whom

the name is given Philippinæ. Abbot, Desc. of the World. We profess to be animated with the best hopes

of any men in the world. At midnight the most dismal and unseasonable time of all other, all those virgins arose and trimmed their lamps.

We are not to describe our shepherds as shepherds at this day really are, but as they may be conceived then to have been, when the best of men followed the employment.

Peace, of all worldly blessings, is the most va-Inable. Small.

3. From.

The captain of the Helots, with a blow whose violence grew of fury, not of strength, or of strength proceeding of fury, struck Palladius upon the side of the head. Sidney.

One that I brought up of a puppy, one that I sav'd from drowning.

Shakspeare, Two Gent. of Ver. He borrowed a box of the ear of the Englishman, and swore he would pay him again when he was able.

It was called Corcyra of Corcyra, the daughter of Æsopus. Sandys, Trav.

4. Concerning; relating to. The quarrel is not now of fame and tribute, Or of wrongs done unto confederates,

But for your own republick. This cannot be understood of the first disposition of the waters, as they were before the flood.

Burnet. All have this sense of war. Smalridge. 5. Out of.

Yet of this little he had some to spare, To feed the famish'd, and to clothe the bare.

Look once again, and for thy husband lost, Lo all that's left of him, thy husband's ghost,

6. Among.

He is the only person of all others for an epic

Of all our heroes thou canst boast alone, That Jove, whene'er he thunders, calls thee son.

Neither can I call to mind any clergyman of my own acquaintance who is wholly exempt from this errour. Swift.

7. By. This sense was once very frequent, but is not now in use.

She dying

Shall be lamented, pitied, and excus'd Of every bearer. Shakspeare.

Like heav'n in all, like earth in this alone, That tho' great states by her support do stand,

Yet she herself supported is of none, But by the finger of the Almighty's hand. Davies. I was friendly entertained of the English con-

Lest a more honourable man than those be bidden of him. Nelson, Fest.

8. According to.

The senate

And people of Rome, of their accustom'd great-

Will sharply and severely vindicate Not only any fact, but any practice 'Gainst the state. B. Jonson, Catiline.

They do of right belong to you, being most of them first preached amongst you.

Tillotson, Dedication. Tancred, whose delight Was plac'd in his fair daughter's daily sight, Of custom, when his state affairs were done, Would pass his pleasing hours with her alone.

9. Noting power, ability, choice, or spontaneity. With the reciprocal pronoun. Some soils put forth odorate herbs of themselves;

as wild thyme. Bacon, Nat. Hist. Of himself man is confessedly unequal to his duty. Stephens.

The Venice glasses would crack of themselves.

Of himself is none, But that eternal infinite and one, Who never did begin, who ne'er can end; On him all beings, as their source, depend.

Dryden. The thirsty cattle, of themselves, abstain'd From water, and their grassy fare disdain'd.

Druden. To assert mankind to have been of himself, and without a cause, hath this invincible objection against it, that we plainly see every man to be from another. Tillotson.

No particle of matter, nor any combination of particles; that is, no bodies can either move of themselves, or of themselves alter the direction of their motion.

A free people, as soon as they fall into any acts of civil society, do of themselves divide into three

Howe'er it was civil in angel or elf, For he ne'er could have filled it so well of himself. Swift.

10. Noting properties, qualities, or con-

He was a man of a decayed fortune, and of no good education.

The colour of a body may be changed by a liquor which of itself is of no colour, provided it be saline.

The fresh eglantine exhal'd a breath, Whose odours were of pow'r to raise from death.

A man may suspend the act of his choice from being determined for or against the thing proposed, till he has examined whether it be really of a nature, in itself and consequences, to make him

The value of land is raised, when remaining of the same fertility it comes to yield more rent.

11. Noting extraction.

Lunsford was a man of an ancient family in Sussex. Clarendon. Mr. Rowe was born of an ancient family in Devonshire, that for many ages had made a hand-

some figure in their country. Rowe's Life. 12. Noting adherence, or belonging.

Tubal, a wealthy Hebrew of my tribe, Will furnish me.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. Pray that in towns and temples of our own, The name of great Anchises may be known.

13. Noting the matter of any thing.

The chariot was all of cedar, gilt and adorned with crystal, save that the fore end had pannels of sapphires set in borders of gold, and the hinder end the like of emeralds of the Peru colour.

Bacon, New Atlantis. The common materials which the ancients made

their ships of, were the wild ash, the evergreen oak, the beech, and the alder. Arbuthnot on Coins.

14. Noting the motive.

It was not of my own choice I undertook this Our sovereign Lord has ponder'd in his mind The means to spare the blood of gentle kind;

And of his grace and inborn clemency, He modifies his first severe decree.

Dryden. 15. Noting form or manner of existence. As if our Lord, even of purpose to prevent this fancy of extemporal and voluntary prayers, had not left of his own framing, one which might remain as a part of the church liturgy, and serve as a pattern whereby to frame all other prayers with efficacy, yet without superfluity of words. Hooker.

16. Noting something that has some par-

ticular quality.

Mother, says the thrush, never had any such a friend as I have of this swallow. No, says she, nor ever mother such a fool as I have of this same

17. Noting faculties of power granted. If any man minister, let him do it as of the ability which God giveth. 1 Peter, iv. 11.

18. Noting preference, or postponence. Your highness shall repose you at the Tower. - I do not like the Tower of any place.

19. Noting change of one state to another.

O miserable of happy! is this the end Of this new glorious world, and me so late The glory of that glory, who now become Milton, P. L.

Accurs'd, of blessed? 20. Noting causality.

Good nature, by which I mean beneficence and candour, is the product of right reason; which of necessity will give allowance to the failures of others, by considering that there is nothing perfect in mankind.

21. Noting proportion. How many are there of an hundred, even amongst scholars themselves.

Locke.

22. Noting kind or species.

To cultivate the advantages of success, is an affair of the cabinet; and the neglect of this success may be of the most fatal consequence to a

23. It is put before an indefinite expression of time: as, of late, in late times; of old, in old time.

Of late, divers learned men have adopted the three hypostatical principles. Boyle on Colours. In days of old there liv'd, of mighty fame,

A valiant prince, and Theseus was his name.

Off. adv. [af, Dutch.]

1. Of this adverb the chief use is to conjoin it with verbs : as, to come off; to fly off; to take off; which are found under the verbs.

2. It is generally opposed to on: as, to lay on; to take off. In this case it signifies, disunion; separation; breach of

Since the wisdom of their choice is rather to have my cap than my heart, I will practise the insinuating nod, and be off to them most counter-Shakspeare, Coriol.

Where are you, Sir John? come, off with your Shakspeare.

The lurking gold upon the fatal tree;

Dryden. Then rend it off. A piece of silver coined for a shilling, that has half the silver clipped off, is no more a shilling than a piece of wood, which was once a sealed yard, is still a yard, when one half of it is broke

3. It signifies distance.

West of this forest, scarcely off a mile, In goodly form comes on the enemy. Shakspeare. About thirty paces off were placed harquebu-

4. In painting or statuary it signifies projection or relief.

'Tis a good piece;

This comes off well and excellent. Shakspeare.

5. It signifies evanescence; absence or departure.

Competitions intermit, and go off and on as it happens, upon this or that occasion. L'Estrange.

6. It signifies any kind of disappointment; defeat; interruption; adverse division: as, the affair is off; the match is off.

7. On the opposite side of a question. The questions no way touch upon puritanism,

either off or on. Sanderson.

8. From; not toward.

Philoclea, whose delight of hearing and seeing was before a stay from interrupting her, gave herself to be seen unto her with such a lightening of beauty upon Zelmane, that neither she could look on. nor would look off.

9. Off hand; not studied.

Several starts of fancy off hand look well enough. L'Estrange. 10. To be off. In common talk, signifies

to recede from an intended contract or design. 11. To come off. To escape by some ac-

cident or subterfuge.

12. To get off. To make escape.

13. To go off. To desert; to abandon.
14. To go off. Applied to guns, to take

fire and be discharged; borrowed from the arrow and bow.

15. Well or ill off. Having good or bad success.

16. Off, whether alone or in composition, means either literally or figuratively, disjunction, absence, privation, or dis-

Off. interject. An expression of abhorrence, or command to depart.

Off, or I fly for ever from thy sight! Smith, Phædra.

Off. prep.

1. Not on. I continued feeling again the same pain; and finding it grow violent I burnt it, and felt no more after the third time; was never off my legs, nor kept my chamber a day. Temple.

2. Distant from.

Cicero's Tusculum was at a place called Grotto Ferrate, about two miles off this town, though most of the modern writers have fixed it to Fres-Addison on Italy.

O'ffal. n. s. [off fall, says Skinner, that which falls from the table : perhaps from offa, Lat.]

1. Waste meat; that which is not eaten at the table.

He let out the offals of his meat to interest, and kept a register of such debtors in his pocket-book. Arbuthnot.

2. Carrion; coarse flesh. I should have fatted all the region kites

Shakspeare, Hamlet. With this slave's offal. Cram'd, and gorg'd, nigh burst, With suck'd and glutted offal. Milton, P. L.

3. Refuse; that which is thrown away as of no value.

To have right to deal in things sacred, was accounted an argument of a noble and illustrious descent; God would not accept the offals of other professions.

If a man bemoan his lot, That after death his mouldering limbs shall rot, A secret sting remains within his mind; The fool is to his own cast offals kind. Dryden. They commonly fat hogs with offal corns.

4. Any thing of no esteem.

What trash is Rome? what rubbish and what offal ? Shakspeare. OFFE'NCE. n. s. [offense, Fr. offensa, from offendo, Latin.

1. Crime; act of wickedness.

Thither with speed their hasty course they ply'd, Where Christ the Lord for our offences dy'd.

Thou hast stol'n that, which after some few hours Were thine without offence. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

2. A transgression.

If, by the law of nature, every man hath not a power to punish offences against it, I see not how the magistrates of any community can punish an alien of another country.

3. Injury.

I have given my opinion against the authority of two great men, but I hope without offence to their memories; for I loved them living, and reverence them dead.

4. Displeasure given; cause of disgust; scandal.

Giving no offence in any thing, that the ministry be not blamed. 2 Cor. vi. 3. He remembered the injury of the children of Bean, who had been a snare and an offence unto

the people. 1 Mac. iv. The pleasures of the touch are greater than those of the other senses; as in warming upon cold, or refrigeration upon heat: for as the pains of the

touch are greater than the offences of other senses, so likewise are the pleasures. Bacon. By great and scandalous offences, by incorrigible

misdemeanours, we may incur the censure of the

5. Anger; displeasure conceived.

Earnest in every present humour, and making himself brave in his liking, he was content to give them just cause of offence when they had power to make just revenge.

6. Attack; act of the assailant.

Courtesy that seemed incorporated in his heart, would not be persuaded to offer any offence, but only to stand upon the best defensive guard.

I have equal skill in all the weapons of offence. Richardson.

Offe'nceful. adj. [offence and full.] Injurious; giving displeasure. It seems your most offenceful act

Was mutually committed. Shaksp. Meas. for Meas. Offe'nceless. † adj. [from offence.] Un-

offending; innocent. You are but now cast in his mood, a punish-

ment more in policy than in malice; even so as one would beat his offenceless dog to affright an imperious lion. Shaksp. Othello. I shall endeavour it may be offenceless to other

men's ears. Milton, Apol. for Smectymnuus.

To Offe'nd. v. a. [offendo, Lat.]

 To make angry; to displease. If much you note him

You shall offend him, and extend his passion; Feed and regard him not. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

Three sorts of men my soul hateth, and I am greatly offended at their life. Ecclus. xxv. 2.

The emperour himself came running to the place in his armour, severely reproving them of cowardice who had forsaken the place, and grievously offended with them who had kept such

negligent watch. Knolles, Hist. of the Turks. Gross sins are plainly seen, and easily avoided by persons that profess religion. But the indiscreet and dangerous use of innocent and lawful things, as it does not shock and offend our consciences, so it is difficult to make people at all sensible of the danger of it.

2. To assail; to attack.

He was fain to defend himself, and withal so to offend him that by an unlucky blow the poor Philoxenus fell dead at his feet. Sidney.

3. To transgress; to violate.

Many fear More to offend the law.

Ballad.

4. To injure.

Cheaply you sin, and punish crimes with ease, Not as the offended, but th' offenders please.

To Offe'nd. v. n.

1. To be criminal; to transgress the law. This man that of earthly matter maketh graven images, knoweth himself to offend above all others.

Wisd. xiv. 13. Whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all.

James, ii. 10. The bishops therefore of the church of England did noways offend by receiving from the Roman church into our divine service, such materials, circumstances or ceremonies as were religious and good.

To cause anger.

I shall offend, either to detain or give it.

Shakspeare, K. Lear. 3. To commit transgression; with against. Our language is extremely imperfect, and in many instances it offends against every part of grammar. Swift.

Offe'nder. n. s. [from offend.]

1. A criminal; one who has committed a crime; a transgressor; a guilty person.
All that watch for iniquity are cut off, that make a man an offender for a word. Is. xxix. 21.

Every actual sin, besides the three former, must he considered with a fourth thing, to wit, a certain stain, or blot which it imprints and leaves in the offender, Perkins.

So like a fly the poor offender dies; But like the wasp, the rich escapes and flies.

How shall I lose the sin, yet keep the sense, And love th' offender, yet detest th' offence? Pope. The conscience of the offender shall be sharper

than an avenger's sword. Richardson, Clarissa. He that, without a necessary cause, absents himself from publick prayers, cuts himself off from the church, which hath always been thought so unhappy a thing, that it is the greatest punishment the governors of the church can lay upon the worst offender. Wh. Duty of Man.

2. One who has done an injury. All vengeance comes too short,

Which can pursue the offender

Shakspeare, K. Lear.

Offe'ndress. n. s. [from offender.] A woman that offends,

Virginity murthers itself, and should be buried in highways out of all sanctified limit, as a desperate offendress against nature. Shakspeare, All's Well.

Offe'nsible.* adj. [offensible, French.] Hurtful. Not in use.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood. Offersif, French; from offensus, Latin.]

1. Causing anger; displeasing; disgust-

ing.

Since no man can do ill with a good conscience, the consolation which we herein seem to find is but a meer deceitful pleasing of ourselves in error, which must needs turn to our greater grief, if that which we do to please God most, be for the manifold defects thereof offensive unto him. Hooker.

It shall suffice, to touch such customs of the Irish as seem offensive and repugnant to good government. Spenser.

2. Causing pain; injurious.

It is an excellent opener for the liver, but offensive to the stomach. Bacon, Nat. Hist. The sun was in Cancer, in the hottest time of the year, and the heat was very offensive to me.

Brown, Trav. Some particular acrimony in the stomach sometimes makes it offensive, and which custom at last will overcome.

3. Assailant; not defensive.

He recounted the benefits and favours that he had done him, in provoking a mighty and opulent king by an offensive war in his quarrel. Bacon.

We enquire concerning the advantages and disadvantages betwixt those military offensive engines used among the ancients, and those of these latter Wilking.

Their avoiding, as much as possible, the defensive part, where the main stress lies, and keeping themselves chiefly to the offensive; perpetually objecting to the Catholick scheme, instead of clearing up the difficulties, which clog Waterland.

FFE'NSIVELY. † adv. [from offensive.] 1. Mischievously; injuriously.

In the least thing done offensively against the good of men, whose benefit we ought to seek for as our own, we plainly shew that we do not acknowledge God to be such as indeed he is. Hooker.

2. So as to cause uneasiness or displea-

A lady had her sight disordered, so that the images in her hangings did appear to her, if the room were not extraordinarily darkened, embellished with several offensively vivid colours.

Boyle on Colours.

3. By way of attack; not defensively. Therewith they in war offensively might wound.

Drayton, Polyolb. S. 2. All I shall observe on this head is, to entreat the polemick divine, in his controversy with the deists, to act rather offensively than to defend; to push home the grounds of his belief, and the impracticability of theirs, rather than to spend time in solving the objections of every opponent. Goldsmith, Ess. 17.

Offe'nsiveness. n. s. [from offensive.]

1. Injuriousness; mischief. 2. Cause of disgust.

The muscles of the body, being preserved sound and limber upon the bones, all the motions of the parts might be explicated with the greatest ease and without any offensiveness. Grew, Mus.

To O'FFER. + v.a. [offpian, Saxon; offero, Latin; offrir, French.]

1. To present; to exhibit any thing so as that it may be taken or received.

Some ideas forwardly offer themselves to all men's understandings; some sort of truths result from any ideas, as soon as the mind puts them into propositions.

Servants placing happiness in strong drink, make court to my young master, by offering him that which they love.

The heathen women under the Mogul offer themselves to the flames at the death of their husbands.

2. To sacrifice; to immolate; to present as an act of worship: often with up, emphatical.

They offered unto the Lord of the spoil which they had brought, seven hundred oxen.

2 Chron. xv. 11. An holy priesthood to offer up spiritual sa-1 Pet. ii. 5. Whole herds of offer'd bulls about the fire,

And bristled boars and woolly sheep expire

When a man is called upon to offer up himself to his conscience, and to resign to justice and truth, he should be so far from avoiding the lists, that he should rather enter with inclination, and thank God for the honour.

3. To bid, as a price or reward, Nor shouldst thou offer all thy little store, Will rich Iolas yield, but offer more? Dryden.

To attempt; to commence. Lysimachus armed about three thousand men,

and began first to offer violence. 2 Mac. iv. 40. 5. To propose. In that extent wherein the mind wanders in

remote speculations, it stirs not one jot beyond those ideas which sense or reflection have offered for its contemplation. Locke. Locke.

Our author offers no reason.

To O'FFER. v. n.

1. To be present; to be at hand; to present itself.

Th' occasion offers, and the youth complies.

2. To make an attempt.

No thought can imagine a greater heart to see and contemn danger, where danger would offer to make any wrongful threatning upon him.

We came close to the shore, and offered to land. One offers, and in off'ring makes a stay;

Another forward sets, and doth no more.

Daniel, Civ. Wars.

I would treat the pope and his cardinals roughly, if they offered to see my wife without my leave.

3. With at; to make an attempt.

I will not offer at that I cannot master. Bacon. I hope they will take it well that I should offer at a new thing, and could forbear presuming to meddle where any of the learned pens have ever touched before.

Write down and make signs to him to pronounce them, and guide him by shewing him by the motion of your own lips to offer at one of those letters; which being the easiest, he will stumble upon one of them. Holder.

The masquerade succeeded so well with him, that he would be offering at the shepherd's voice and call too. L'Estrange.

It contains the grounds of his doctrine, and offers at somewhat towards the disproof of mine.

Without offering at any other remedy, we hastily engaged in a war, which hath cost us sixty millions.

O'FFER. n. s. [offre, Fr. from the verb.]

1. Proposal of advantage to another. Some nymphs there are, too conscious of their

These swell their prospects, and exalt their pride, When offers are disdain'd, and love deny'd. Pope. 2. First advance.

Force compels this offer, And it proceeds from policy, not love. -- Mowbray, you overween to take it so: This offer comes from mercy, not from fear.

What wouldst beg, Laertes, That shall not be my offer, not thy asking? Shakspeare.

3. Proposal made.

The offers he doth make, Were not for him to give, nor them to take.

I enjoined all the ladies to tell the company, in case they had been in the siege, and had the same offer made them as the good women of that place, what every one of them would have brought off with her, and have thought most worth the Addison, Spect-

It carries too great an imputation of ignorance, or folly, to quit and renounce former tenets upon the offer of an argument which cannot immediately be answered.

The Arians, Eunomians and Macedonians, were then formally and solemnly challenged by the Catholicks, to refer the matter in dispute to the concurring judgement of the writers that lived before the controversy began; but they declined the Waterland.

4. Price bid; act of bidding a price. When stock is high, they come between, Making by second hand their offers:

Then cunningly retire unseen, With each a million in his coffers.

5. Attempt; endeavour.

Many motions, though they be unprofitable to expel that which burteth, yet they are offers of nature, and cause motions by consent; as in

Swift.

groaning, or crying upon pain. It is in the power of every one to make some essay, some offer and attempt, so as to shew that the heart is not idle or insensible, but that it is full and big, and knows itself to be so, though it wants South, Serm. strength to bring forth.

One sees in it a kind of offer at modern architecture, but at the same time that the architect has shown his dislike of the Gothic manner, one may see that they were not arrived at the know-Addison on Italy. ledge of the true way.

6. Something given by way of acknowledgement.

Fair streams that do vouchsafe in your clearness to represent unto me my blubbered face, let the tribute offer of my tears procure your stay a while with me, that I may begin yet at last to find something that pities me.

O'FFERABLE.* adj. [from offer.] That may be offered.

Allowing all, that hath Cesar's image only on it, offerable to Cesar.

W. Montague, Dev. Ess. P. i. (1648,) p. 124.

O'FFERER. n. s. [from offer.]

1. One who makes an offer. Bold offerers

Of suite and gifts to thy renowned wife.

2. One who sacrifices, or dedicates in worship.

If the mind of the offerer be good, this is the only thing God respecteth. When he commanded Abraham to sacrifice Isaac, the place of the offering was not left unde-

termined, and to the offerer's discretion. South, Serm.

Dryden, Virg.

O'FFERING.† n. s. [offpung, Saxon.] A sacrifice; any thing immolated, or offered in worship.

Plucking the entrails of an offering forth, They could not find a heart within the beast.

They are polluted offerings, more abhorr'd Shakspeare. Than spotted livers in the sacrifice. When thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see his seed. Is. liii. 10.

The gloomy god Stood mute with awe, to see the golden rod; Admir'd the destin'd offering to his queen,

Dryden.

A venerable gift so rarely seen. Dryden What nations now to Juno's power will pray, Or offerings on my slighted altars lay?

I'll favour her, That my awaken'd soul may take her flight, Renew'd in all her strength, and fresh with life,

An offering fit for heaven. Addison, Cato. Inferior offerings to thy god of vice

Are duly paid in fiddles, cards, and dice. Young.

O'ffertory. † n. s. [offertoire, Fr.] An anthem chanted during the offering, a part of the mass; and, since the reformation, applied to the sentences in the communion-office, read while the alms are collected: and hence the act of offering.

Wel coude he rede a lesson or a storie, But alderbest he sang an offertorie.

Chaucer, C. T. Prol. Then shall the priest return to the Lord's table, and begin the offertory.

Comm. Pr. Rubrick, Comm. Office. He went into St. Paul's church, where he made offertory of his standards, and had orisons and Te Deum sung.

The administration of the sacrament he reduced to an imitation, though a distant one, of primitive frequency, to once a month, and therewith its anciently inseparable appendant, the offertory.

Fell.

O'fferture. † n. s. [from offer.] Offer: proposal of kindness. A word not now

Thou hast prevented us with offertures of thy love, even when we were thine enemies.

King Charles. The people's good should be first considered; not bargained for, and bought by inches with the bribe of more offertures. Milt. Eiconoclast. ch. 11.

O'FFICE. n. s. [office, Fr. officium, Lat.] 1. A publick charge or employment; magistracy.

You have contriv'd to take From Rome all season'd office, and to wind

Yourself into a power tyrannical. Shaksp. Coriol. Methought this staff, mine office-badge in court, Was broke in twain. Shakspeare, Hen. VI. The insolence of office. Shakspeare

Is it the magistrate's office, to hear causes or suits at law, and to decide them? Kettleworth.

2. Agency; peculiar use.

All things that you should use to do me wrong Deny their office. Shakspeare, K. Lear. In this experiment the several intervals of the teeth of the comb do the office of so many prisms, every interval producing the phenomenon of one Newton, Opticks.

3. Business; particular employment. The sun was sunk, and after him the star Of Hesperus, whose office is to bring

Twilight upon the earth. Milton, P. L.

4. Act of good or ill voluntarily tendered. Wolves and bears

Casting their savageness aside, have done Like offices of pity. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale. Mrs. Ford, I see you are obsequious in your love, and I profess requital to a hair's breadth; not only in the simple office of love, but in all the accoustrement, complement, and ceremony of it. Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor.

I would I could do a good office between you. Shakspeare. The wolf took occasion to do the fox a good

L'Estrange. You who your pious offices employ,

To save the reliques of abandon'd Troy. Dryden, Virg.

5. Act of worship.

This gate Instructs you how to adore the heavens, and bows

To morning's holy office. Shakspeare, Cymbeline.

6. Formulary of devotions.

Whosoever hath children or servants, let him take care that they say their prayers before they begin their work: the Lord's prayer, the ten commandments, and the creed, is a very good office for them, if they are not fitted for more regular offices. Bp. Taylor.

7. Rooms in a house appropriated to particular business.

What do we but draw anew the model In fewer offices? at least desist

To build at all. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

Let offices stand at distance, with some low galleries to pass from them to the palace itself.

8. [Officina, Latin.] Place where business is transacted.

What shall good old York see there, But empty lodgings and unfurnish'd walls, Unpeopled offices, untrodden stones?

Shakspeare, Rich. II. Empson and Dudley, though they could not but hear of these scruples in the king's conscience, yet as if the king's soul and his money were in several offices, that the one was not to intermeddle with the other, went on with as great rage as ever-Bacon, Hen. VII.

He had set up a kind of office of address; his general correspondencies by letters.

To O'ffice. v. a. [from the noun.] To perform; to discharge; to do. I will be gone, although

The air of Paradise did fan the house, Shakspeare, All's well. And angels offic'd all.

O'fficer. n. s. [officier, French.] 1. A man employed by the publick.

'Tis an office of great worth,
And you an officer fit for the place.
Submit you to the people's voices, Shakspeare.

Allow their officers, and be content To suffer lawful censure.

Shakspeare, Coriol. The next morning there came to us the same officer that came to us at first to conduct us to the stranger's house.

If it should fall into the French hands, all the princes would return to be the several officers of

As a magistrate or great officer he locks himself up from all approaches. South, Serm. Birds of prey are an emblem of rapacious officers. A superior power takes away by violence from them that which by violence they took away from L'Estrange.

Since he has appointed officers to hear it, a suit at law in itself must needs be innocent. Kettleworth.

2. A commander in the army. If he did not nimbly ply the spade, His surly officer ne'er fail'd to crack

His knotty cudgel on his tougher back. Dryden.

I summon'd all my officers in haste, All came resolv'd to die in my defence. Dryden. The bad disposition he made in landing his men, shews him not only to be much inferiour to Pompey as a sea officer, but to have had little or no skill in that element,

3. One who has the power of apprehending criminals, or men accountable to the law.

The thieves are possest with fear So strongly, that they dare not meet each other; Each takes his fellow for an officer. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

We charge you To go with us unto the officers.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. O'fficered. adj. [from officer.]

manded; supplied with commanders. What could we expect from an army officered

by Irish papists and outlaws. Addison, Freeholder. Official, adj. [official, French; from office.7

1. Conducive; appropriate with regard to

In this animal are the guts, the stomach, and other parts official unto nutrition, which, were its aliment the empty reception of air, their provisions had been superfluous.

2. Pertaining to a publick charge. The tribunes

Endue you with the people's voice. Remains That, in th' official marks invested, you Anon do meet the senate. Shakspeare, Coriol. OFFI'CIAL. n. s.

Official is that person to whom the cognizance of causes is committed by such as have ecclesiastical jurisdiction.

A poor man found a priest over familiar with his wife, and because he spake it abroad and could not prove it, the priest sued him before the bishop's official for defamation. Camden.

Offi'cially.* adv. [from official.]

1. By authority.

Some bitterness is officially squeezed into every man's cup for his soul's health.

Sterne, Serm. on Penances.

Milton, P. L.

2. Agreeably to the duties of an office: by virtue of an office.

Offi'ciality. n. s. [officialité, French; from official.] The charge or post of an official.

The office of an officialty to an archdeacon:

Ayliffe. To Officiate. v. a. [from office.] To give in consequence of office. All her number'd stars that seem to roll Spaces incomprehensible, for such Their distance argues, and their swift return Diurnal, merely to officiate light Round this opacous earth, this punctual spot.

To Offi'ciate. v. n.

1. To discharge an office, commonly in worship.

No minister officiating in the church, can with a good conscience omit any part of that which is commanded by the aforesaid law.

Sanderson.

Who of the bishops or priests that officiates at the altar, in the places of their sepulchres, ever said we offer to thee Peter or Paul? Stilling fleet.

To prove curates no servants, is to rescue them from that contempt which they will certainly fall into under this notion; which considering the number of persons officiating this way, must be very prejudicial to religion.

2. To perform an office for another.

Offici'NAL. † adj. [from officina, a shop.] Used in a shop, or belonging to it: thus officinal plants and drugs are those used in the shops.

I had always, in my officinal state, been kept in awe by lace and embroideries,

Johnson, Rambler, No. 123.

OFFI'CIOUS. adj. [officieux, French; officiosus, Latin.]

1. Kind; doing good offices.

Yet, not to earth are those bright luminaries Officious; but to thee earth's habitant.

Milton, P. L.

2. Importunately forward.

You are too officious In her behalf that scorns your services. Shakspeare. At Taunton they killed in fury an officious and eager commissioner for the subsidy.

Bacon, Hen. VII. Cato, perhaps

I'm too officious, but my forward cares Would fain preserve a life of so much value. Addison.

Officiously. † adv. [from officious.]

1. Importunately forward.

This was the rare morsel so officiously snatched Milton, Areopagitica. The most corrupt are most obsequious grown, And those they scorn'd, officiously they own.

Dryden. Flatt'ring crouds officiously appear, To give themselves, not you, an happy year.

Dryden.

2. Dutifully; with proper service.

Trusting only upon our Saviour, we act wisely and justly, gratefully and officiously.

Barrow, vol. iii. & I. 3. Kindly; with unasked kindness. Let thy goats officiously be nurst,

And led to living streams to quench their thirst.

Offi'ciousness. n. s. [from officious.] 1. Forwardness of civility, or respect, or endeavour. Commonly in an ill sense.

I shew my officiousness by an offering, though I betray my poverty by the measure.

2. Service.

In whom is required understanding as in a man, courage and vivacity as in a lion, service and ministerial officiousness as in the ox, and expedition as in the eagle.

O'ffing. † n. s. [from off.] The act of steering to a distance from the land. Dr. Johnson. - Offing implies out at sea, or at a competent distance from the shore. Dr. Hawkesworth.

We had by noon a pretty good offing.

Carteret's Voyage. O'ffset. n. s. [off and set.] Sprout;

shoot of a plant.

They are multiplied not only by the seed, but many also by the root, producing offsets or creeping under ground.

Some plants are raised from any part of the root, others by offsets, and in others the branches set in the ground will take root. Locke.

Offscou'ring. n. s. [off and scour.] Recrement; part rubbed away in cleaning any thing.

Thou hast made us as the offscouring and refuse in the midst of the people. Lam. iii. 45 Being accounted, as St. Paul says, the very filth of the world, and the off-scouring of all things.

Kettlewell.

O'ffscum.* adj [off and scum.] Refuse;

A most vile game, devised by the offscum rascals Tr. of Boccalini, (1626,) p. 207.

O'FFSPRING. † n. s. [off and spring.] Sax. offpping. Spenser has placed the accent on the last syllable, F. Q. iii. ix. 44.7

1. Propagation; generation.

All things coveting to be like unto God in being ever, that which cannot hereunto attain personally, doth seem to continue itself by offspring and pro-

2. The thing propagated or generated; children; descendants.

When the fountain of mankind

Did draw corruption, and God's curse, by sin; This was a charge, that all his heirs did bind. And all his offspring grew corrupt therein, Davies.
To the gods alone

Our future offspring, and our wives are known.

Dryden. His principal actor is the son of a goddess, not

to mention the offspring of other deities. Addison, Spect.

3. Production of any kind.

Though both fell before their hour, Time on their offspring hath no power; Nor fire nor fate their bays shall blast, Nor death's dark vail their days o'ercast. Denham.

To OFFU'SCATE. † v. a. [offusco, Latin; offusquer, French.] To dim; to cloud; to darken.

Disdaining and despising all vice and laziness, which offuscate and diffame the children of good houses. Wodroephe, Fr. Gramm. (1623,) p. 364. OFFUSCA'TION. 7 n. s. [from offuscate.]

The act of darkening.

Is this the honour which man hath by being a little world, that he hath these earthquakes in himself, sudden shakings; these lightnings, sudden flashes; these thunders, sudden noises; these eclypses, sudden offuscations and darknings of his senses, &c. ? Donne, Devot. p. 6.

OFT. † adv. Fort, Saxon; ufta, Goth. oft, Icel. from of, oft, too much. Serenius. In the superlative, of test.] Often; frequently; not rarely; not seldom.

In labours more abundant, in stripes above measure, in prisons more frequent, in deaths oft.

2 Cor. ii. 23. It may be a true faith, for so much as it is; it is one part of true faith, which is oft mistaken for the whole. Hammond. Glory and popular praise,

Rocks, whereon greatest men have oftest wreck'd. Milton, P. R.

Favours to none, to all she smiles extends, Oft she rejects, but never once offends.

O'FTEN, adv. [from oft, Saxon; in the comparative, oftener, oftner; super-lative, oftenest, oftnest.] Oft; frequently; many times; not seldom.

The queen that bore thee, Oftner upon her knees than on her feet,

Died every day she liv'd. Shakspeare, Macbeth. In journeying often. 2 Cor. ii. 26. He sent for him the oftener. Acts, xxiv. 26. A lusty black-brow'd girl, with forehead broad and high,

That often had bewitcht the sea-gods with her eye. Drauton.

Who does not more admire Cicero as an author, than as a consul of Rome, and does not ofiner talk of the celebrated writers of our own country in former ages, than of any among their contempo-Addison, Frecholder.

O'FTEN.* adj. Frequent.

Our merciful God first visited this people in great and often mercy. . Abp. Sandys, Serm. Use a little wine for thy stomach's sake, and thine often infirmities. 1 Tim. v. 23. See, by often trials, what turn they take.

Locke on Educat. § 66. O'ftenness.* n. s. [from often.] Fre-

Degrees of well-doing there could be none, except in the seldomness and oftenness of doing Hooker.

OFTENTI'MES. adv. [often and times. From the composition of this word it is reasonable to believe, that oft was once an adjective, of which often was the plural; which seems retained in the phrase thine of ten infirmities: See Often.] Frequently; many times; often.

Is our faith in the blessed Trinity a matter needless, to be so oftentimes mentioned and opened in the principal part of that duty which we owe to God, our publick prayer? Hooker.

The difficulty was by what means they could ever arrive to places oftentimes so remote from the

It is equally necessary that there should be a future state, to vindicate the justice of God, and solve the present irregularities of Providence, whether the best men be oftentimes only, or always the most miserable. Atterbury.

Oftti'mes. adv. [oft and times.] Fre-

quently; often. Oftimes nothing profits more Than self-esteem, grounded on just and right,

Well manag'd. Milton, P. L. Oftimes before I hither did resort,

Charm'd with the conversation of a man Who led a rural life. Dryden and Lee. OGDOA'STICH.* n. s. Toyboog and sixog, Gr.] A poem of eight lines.

His request to Diana in an hexastich, and her answer in an ogdoastich, hexameters and penta-

meters, - are in the British story.

Selden on Drayton's Polyolb. S. 1. It will not be much out of the bias to insert, in this ogdoastique, a few verses of the Latin which was spoken in that age.

Howell, Instr. For. Trav. p. 143.

OGE'E. † \ n. s. [ogive, augive, Fr. Cot-OGI'VE. S grave. A sort of moulding in architecture, consisting of a round and a hollow; almost in the form of an S, and is the same with what Vitruvius calls cima. Cima reversa, is an ogee with the hollow downwards. Harris.

OGGANI'TION.* n. s. [oggannio, Lat.] The act of snarling like a dog; murmuring;

grumbling.

Nor will I abstain, notwithstanding your oggan. nition, to follow the steps and practice of antiquity. Mountagu, App. to Cas. (1625,) p. 288.

O'GHAM.* n. s. A particular kind of steganography, or writing in cipher, practised by the Irish.

King Charles I. corresponded with the earl of Glamorgan, when in Ireland, in the ogham cipher. Astle, Orig. and Prog. of Writing, ch. 6.

To O'GLE. v. a. [oogh, an eye, Dutch.] To view with side glances, as in fondness; or with a design not to be heeded. From their high scaffold with a trumpet cheek, And ogling all their audience, then they speak.

Whom is he ogling yonder? himself in his looking glass. Arbuthnot. O'GLE.* n. s. [from the verb.] A side

glance.

I teach the church ogle in the morning, and the playhouse ogle by candie-light. I have also brought over with me a new flying ogle fit for the Addison, Spect. No. 46.

O'GLER. n s. [oogheler, Dutch.] A sly gazer; one who views with side glances. Upon the disuse of the neck-piece, the tribe of oglers stared the fair sex in the neck rather than in

Jack was a prodigious ogler; he would ogle you the outside of his eye inward, and the white Arbuthnot.

O'GLING.* n s. [from the verb.] Practice

of viewing with side glances.

If the female tongue will be in motion, why should it not be set to go right? Could they talk of the different aspects and conjunctions of planets, they need not be at the pains to comment upon oglings, and clandestine marriages. Addison.

If we inspect into the usual process of modern courtship, we shall find it to consist in a devout turn of the eyes, called ogling. * Swift, Fragment.

The speech from the throne, in the opening of the session in 1795, threw out oglings and glances Burke on a Regicide Peace. of tenderness.

O'GLIO. n. s. [from olla, Spanish.] dish made by mingling different kinds of meat; a medley; a hotchpotch.

These general motives of the common good, I will not so much as once offer up to your lordship, though they have still the upper end; yet, like great oglios, they rather make a shew than provoke Suckling.

Where is there such an oglio or medley of various opinions in the world again, as those men entertain in their service, without any scruple as to the diversity of their sects and opinions? King Charles.

He that keeps an open house, should consider that there are oglios of guests, as well as of dishes, and that the liberty of a common table is as good | OI'LER.* n. s. [from oil.] as a tacit invitation to all sorts of intruders.

L'Estrange. O'GRE.* \ n. s. [ogre, French.] An ima-O'GRESS.] ginary monster of the East. The prince heard enough to convince him of his

danger, and then perceived that the lady, who called herself the daughter of an Indian king, was an ogress; wife to one of those savage demons, called ogre; who stay in remote places, and make use of a thousand wiles to surprize and devour

Transl. of Arabian Nights' Entertainments. O'GRESSES. † n. s. [In heraldry.] Cannon balls of a black colour. Ainsworth. Argent two bends sable betwixt two ogresses.

Ashmole, Berk. ii. 417. OH. interject. An exclamation denoting

pain, sorrow, or surprise. Oh me! all the horse have got over the river, what shall we do? Walton, Angler.

My eyes confess it, My every action speaks my heart aloud; But, oh, the madness of my high attempt

Speaks louder yet! Dryden, Span. Friar. OIL. † n. s. [æl, Saxon; aleu, Goth. from ala, ignem sustentare. Ihre, and Serenius.

Oel, Teut. oleum, Lat. ¿λαιον, Gr.] 1. The juice of olives expressed.

Bring pure oil olive beaten for the light.

2. Any fat, greasy, unctuous, thin matter. In most birds there is only one gland; in which are divers cells, ending in two or three larger cells, lying under the nipple of the oil bag. Derham, Phys. Theol.

3. The juices of vegetables, whether expressed or drawn by the still, that will

not mix with water.

Oil with chemists called sulphur, is the second of their hypostatical, and of the true five chymical principles. It is an inflammable, unctuous, subtile substance, which usually rises after the spirit. The chemists attribute to this principle all diversity of colours. There are two sorts of oil; one, which will swim upon water, as oil of anniseed and lavender, which the chemists call essential; and another kind, which probably is mixt with salts, and will sink in water, as the oil of guaiacum and cloves.

Harris. After this expressed oil, we made trial of a distilled one; and for that purpose made choice of the common oil or spirit.

A curious artist long inur'd to toils Of gentler sort, with combs, and fragrant oils, Whether by chance, or by some god inspir'd, So touch'd his curls, his mighty soul was fir'd.

Young. To OIL. v. a. [from the noun.] To smear or lubricate with oil.

The men fell a rubbing of armour, which a great while had lain oiled.

Amber will attract straws thus oiled, it will convert the needles of dials, made either of brass or iron, although they be much oiled, for in those needles consisting free upon their centre there can be no adhesion. Brown, Vulg. Err. Swift oils many a spring which Harley moves. Swift.

OI'LCOLOUR. n. s. [oil and colour.] Colour made by grinding coloured substances in oil.

Oilcolours, after they are brought to their due temper, may be preserved long in some degree of softness, kept all the while under water. Boyle.

One who trades in oils and pickles. This word is in Huloet. We now say oilman.

OI'LINESS. n. s. [from oily.] Unctuousness; greasyness; quality approaching

to that of oil.

Basil bath fat and succulent leaves; which oiliness, if drawn forth by the sun, will make a very great change. Wine is inflammable, so as it bath a kind of

oiliness. Bacon. Smoke from unctuous bodies and such whose

oiliness is evident, he nameth nidor.

Brown, Vulg. Err. Chyle has the same principles as milk, viscidity from the caseous parts, an oiliness from the butyraceous parts, and an acidity from the tartareous.

Floyer. The flesh of animals which live upon other animals, is most antiacid; though offensive to the stomach sometimes by reason of their oiliness.

Arbuthnot on Aliments. OI'LMAN. n. s. [oil and man.] One who trades in oils and pickles.

Ol'LSHOP. n. s. [oil and shop.] A shop where oils and pickles are sold.

Ol'LY. adj. [from oil.]

1. Consisting of oil; containing oil; having the qualities of oil.

The cloud, if it were oily or fatty, will not discharge; not because it sticketh faster, but because air preyeth upon water and flame, and fire upon Bacon, Nat. Hist. Watry substances are more apt to putrify than

Bacon.

Flame is grosser than gross fire, by reason of the mixture with it of that viscous oily matter, which, being drawn out of the wood and candle, serves for fewel. 2. Fatty; greasy.

This oily rascal is known as well as Paul's; Go call him forth. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

OI'LYGRAIN. n. s. A plant. Miller. Ol'LYPALM. n. s. A tree. It grows as high as the mainmast of a ship. The inhabitants make an oil from the pulp of the fruit, and draw a wine from the body of the trees, which inebriates; and with the rind of these trees they make mats to lie on.

To OINT. + v. a. [oincter, ointer, old Fr. from unctus, Lat. To anoint; to smear with something unctuous. Huloet. Ointing [them] with honey in the sun.

Blount, Voyage to the Levant, (1650,) p. 94. They oint their naked limbs with mother'd oil, Or from the founts where living sulphurs boil, They mix a medicine to foment their limbs.

Ismarus was not wanting to the war, Directing ointed arrows from afar; And death with poison arm'd. Dryden, Æn.

OI'NTMENT. n. s. [from oint.] Unguent; unctuous matter to smear any thing. Life and long health that gracious ointment gave, And deadly wounds could heal, and rear again

The senseless corpse appointed for the grave. Spenser. O'KER. n. s. [See Ochre.] A colour.

And Klaius taking for his younglings cark, Lest greedy eyes to them might challenge lay, Busy with oker did their shoulders mark. Sidney. Red oker is one of the most heavy colours; yellow oker is not so, because it is clearer. Dryden, Dufresnoy.

OLD.† adj. [ealb. alb, ýlb, Saxon; from ýlban, ılban, senescere. See Eld.]

1. Past the middle part of life; not young.

To old age since you yourself aspire,

Let not old age disgrace my high desire. Sidney. He wooes high and low, young and old. Shaksp. Wanton as girls, as old wives fabulous. Cowley. 'Tis greatly wise to know, before we're told, The melancholy news that we grow old. Young.

2. Decayed by time.

Thy raiment waxed not old upon thee.

Deut. viii. 4. 3. Of long continuance; begun long ago.

When Gardiner was sent over as ambassador into France, with great pomp, he spoke to an old acquaintance of his that came to take his leave of Camden, Rem.

4. Not new.

Ye shall eat of the old store. Levit. xxvi. 10. The vine beareth more grapes when it is young; but grapes that make better wine when it is old; for that the juice is better concocted.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

5. Ancient; not modern.

The Genoese are cunning, industrious, and inured to hardship; which was the character of the old Ligurians.

6. Of any specified duration,

How old art thou? Not so young, sir, to love a woman for singing; nor so old to doat on her for any thing. I have years on my back forty-Shakspeare, K. Lear. Plead you to me, fair dame, I know you not,

In Ephesus I am but two hours old,

As strange unto your town as to your talk. Shakspeare.

He did enfold

Within an oxe hide, flea'd at nine years old, All the airie blasts, that were of stormie kinds.

Chapman. Any man that shall live to see thirty persons descended of his body alive together, and all above three years old, makes this feast, which is done at the cost of the state.

7. Subsisting before something else. Equal society with them to hold,

Thou need'st not make new songs, but sing the old. Cowley.

The Latian king, unless he shall submit, Own his old promise, and his new forget, Let him in arms the power of Turnus prove.

He must live in danger of his house falling about his ears, and will find it cheaper to build it from the ground in a new form; which may not be so convenient as the old.

8. Long practised.

Then said I unto her that was old in adulteries, will they now commit whoredoms with her?

Ezek. xxiii. 43.

9. A word to signify, in burlesque language, more than enough. Dr. Johnson. - It is a common expression, in the middle and northern parts of England, for great, without burlesque intention.

I shall have old laughing.

Trag. of Soliman and Perseda, (1599.) Here will be old utis; it will be an excellent

Shakspeare. Here's a knocking indeed; if a man were porter of hell gate, he should have old turning the key. Shakspeare.

10. Of old. Long ago; from ancient times.

These things they cancel, as having been instituted in regard of occasions peculiar to the times of old, and as being now superfluous. Whether such virtue spent of old now fail'd

More angels to create. Milton, P. L. A land there is, Hesperia nam'd of old,

The soil is fruitful, and the men are bold : Now call'd Italia, from the leader's name. Dryden.

In days of old there liv'd of mighty fame, A valiant prince, and Theseus was his name.

Dryden. O'LDEN. adj. [from old; perhaps the Saxon plural. Ancient. This word is not now in use.

Blood hath been shed ere now, i'th' olden time, Ere human statute purg'd the gen'ral weal.

OLDFA'SHIONED. [old and fashion.] Formed according to obsolete custom.

Some are offended that I turned these tales into modern English; because they look on Chaucer as a dry, oldfashioned wit, not worth reviving.

He is one of those oldfashioned men of wit and pleasure, that shews his parts by raillery on marriage. Addison.

O'LDISH.* adj. [from old.] Somewhat old. Sherwood.

O'LDNESS.† n. s. [from old.] Old age; antiquity; not newness; quality of being old.

This policy and reverence of ages, makes the world bitter to the best of our times; keeps our fortunes from us till our oldness cannot relish Shakspeare, K. Lear. We should serve in newness of spirit, not in

oldness of the letter. Rom. vii. 6. OLEA'GINOUS. adj. [oleaginus, Lat. from oleum, oleagineux, Fr.] Oily; unctuous. The sap when it first enters the root, is earthy, watery, poor, and scarce oleaginous.

Arbuthnot on Aliments.

OLEA'GINOUSNESS. n. s. [from oleaginous.] Oiliness.

In speaking of the oleaginousness of urinous spirits, I employ the word most rather than all.

OLEA'NDER. n. s. [oleandre, Fr.] The plant rosebay.

OLEA'STER. n. s. [Latin.] Wild olive; a species of olive. It is a native of Italy, but will endure the cold of our climate, and grow to the height of sixteen or eighteen feet. It blooms in June, and perfumes the circumambient air to a great distance. Miller.

O'LEOSE. adj. [oleosus, Lat.] Oily.

Rain water may be endued with some vegetating or prolifick virtue, derived from some saline or oleose particles it contains,

Ray on the Creation. In falcons is a small quantity of gall, the oleous parts of the chyle being spent most on the fat,

Floyer on the Humours. O'LDSAID.* adj. [old and said.] Long since said; reported of old.

To kirk the nar, from God more far,

Has been an old-said saw.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. July. O'LDWIFE.* n. s. [old and wife.] A contemptuous name for an old prating woman.

Refuse profane and old-wives' fables.

1 Tim. iv. 7. Countrymen lighten their toiling, oldwives their spinning, mariners their labours, soldiers their dangers, by their several musical harmonies.

Fotherby, Atheom, p. 334. She did gallop at an oldwife's rate. Fanshaw, Poems, (1676,) p. 297.

OLERA'CEOUS.* adj. [oleraceus, Latin.] Like to potherbs.

It [mustard] is the smallest of seeds of plants apt to grow unto a lignous substance, and from

an herby and oleraceous vegetable to become a kind of tree. Sir T. Brown, Miscell. p. 28. To OLFA'CT. v. a. [olfactus, Latin.]

smell. A burlesque word. There is a machiavilian plot,

Tho' every nare olfact it not. Hudibras. OLFA'CTORY. adj. [olfactoire, Fr. from olfacio, Latin.] Having the sense of smelling.

Effluvias, or invisible particles that come from bodies at a distance, immediately affect the olfactory nerves. Locke.

O'LID. adj. [olidus, Latin.] Stink-O'LIDOUS. ing; fetid.

In a civit cat a different and offensive odour proceeds partly from its food, that being especially fish, whereof this humour may be a garous excretion and olidous separation. The fixt salt would have been not unlike that

of men's urine; of which olid and despicable liquor I choose to make an instance, because chemists are not wont to take care for extracting the fixt salt of it.

OLIGA'RCHICAL,* adj. [from oligarchy.] Belonging to or denoting an oligarchy. I cannot by royal favour, or by popular delusion, or by oligarchical cabal, elevate myself

above a certain very limited point.

Burke, Speech in Parl. (1782.) O'LIGARCHY. n. s. [ἀλιγαςχία.] À form of government which places the supreme power in a small number : aristocracy.

The worst kind of oligarchy, is, when men are governed indeed by a few, and yet are not taught to know what those few be, whom they should Sidney.

We have no aristocracies but in contemplation; all oligarchies, wherein a few men domineer, do what they list.

After the expedition into Sicily, the Athenians chose four hundred men for administration of affairs, who became a body of tyrants, and were called an oligarchy, or tyranny of the few; under which hateful denomination they were soon after deposed. Swift.

O'LIO. n. s. [olla, Span.] A mixture; a medley. See Oglio.

Ben Jonson, in his Sejanus and Catiline, has given us this olio of a play, this unnatural mixture of comedy and tragedy.

Dryden. on Dram. Poetry.

I am in a very chaos, to think I should so forget myself: but I have such an olio of affairs, I know not what to do. Congreve, Way of the World.

O'LITORY. n. s. [olitor, Latin.] Belonging to the kitchen garden.

Gather your olitory seeds. Evelyn, Kalendar. OLIVA'STER. † adj. [olivastre, Fr.] Darkly brown; tawny.

The countries of the Abyssenes, Barbary, and Peru, where they are tawny, olivaster, and pale, are generally more sandy. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

The Bannyans are olivaster, or of a tawny com-Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 45. plexion.

O'LIVE. † n. s. [olive, Fr. olea, Lat. from the Greek ἐλαία, having the digamma inserted, i. e. ¿λα/Fa. Morin. The tree was brought into Europe from Greece.] A plant producing oil; the emblem of peace; the fruit of the tree.

The leaves are for the most part oblong and evergreen; the flower consists of one leaf, the lower part of which is hollowed, but the upper part is divided into four parts; the ovary, which is fixed in the centre of the flower cup,

becomes an oval, soft, pulpy fruit, O'MENED. adj. [from omen.] Containing abounding with a fat liquor inclosing an hard rough stone.

To thee the heavens, in thy nativity, Adjudg'd an olive branch and laurel crown, As likely to be blest in peace and war.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. In the purlieus of this forest, stands

A sheepcote fenc'd about with olive trees. Shakspeare. The seventh year thou shalt let it rest: in like manner thou shalt deal with thy vineyard and

Ex. xxiii. 11. olive yard. Their olive-bearing town. Dryden, Æn. It is laid out into a grove, a vineyard, and an allotment for olives and herbs. Broome.

O'LIVED.* adj. [from olive.] Decorated with olive trees.

Green as of old each oliv'd portal smiles, And still the Graces build my Grecian piles : My Gothic spires in ancient glory rise, And dare with wonted pride to rush into the skies. Warton, Triumph of Isis.

O'LLA.* n. s. [Spanish.] An oglio. I was at an olla podrida of his making. B. Jonson, Staple of News.

Not to tax him for want of elegance as a courtier, in writing oglio for olla, the Spanish Milton, Eiconoclast. § 15.

OLY'MPIAD.* n. s. [olympias, Latin.] A Grecian epoch; the space of four

The Olympick games were celebrated every fifth year; and the interval was called an olympiad,

consisting of four Julian years.

Gregory, Posthum. p. 151.
The same was 316 years before the first olympiad, the reckoning of the annals of the Greeks. Donne, Hist. of the Septuagint, p. 209.

O'MBRE. n. s. [hombre, Spanish.] A game of cards played by three.

He would willingly carry her to the play; but she had rather go to lady Centaure's and play at Tatler.

When ombre calls his hand and heart are free, And, join'd to two, he fails not to make three.

Ome'GA. n. s. [ωμέγα.] The last letter of the Greek alphabet, therefore taken in the Holy Scripture for the last.

I am alpha and omega, the beginning and the

O'MELET. † n. s. [omelette, or amelette, Fr. M. de la Mothe le Vayer plausibly derives it from œuf, an egg, and melez, mingled. But see Critopuli Emend. et Animady. in Meursii Glossarium Græco-Barb. p. 9, "AMTAATON. Du. Fresne placentam esse ait ex ἀμύλου, seu ex farina candidissima."] A kind of pancake made with eggs.

Clary, when tender, not to be rejected, and, in omlets, made up with cream. Evelyn, Acet. § 16.

O'MEN. n. s. [omen, Lat.] A sign good or bad; a prognostick.

Hammond would steal from his fellows into places of privacy, there to say his prayers, omens of his future pacifick temper and eminent devotion.

When young kings begin with scorn of justice, They make an omen to their after reign. Dryden. The speech had omen that the Trojan race

Should find repose, and this the time and place. Dryden.

Choose out other smiling hours, Such as have lucky omens shed O'er forming laws and empires rising. Prior. prognosticks.

Fame may prove, Or omen'd voice, the messenger of Jove, Propitious to the search. Pope, Odyss.

OME'NTUM. n. s. [Latin.]

The cawl, called also reticulum, from its structure, resembling that of a net. When the peritonæum is cut, as usual, and the cavity of the abdomen laid open, the omentum or cawl presents itself first to view. This membrane, which is like a wide and empty bag, covers the greatest part of the guts.

Quincy. O'MER. n.s. A Hebrew measure about three pints and a half English. Bailey. OMILE TICAL.* adj. Γδμιλητικός, Gr. See HOMILETICAL.] Mild; humane; friend-

Those omiletical virtues, silence, peaceableness,

honesty, meekness, doing our own business. Farindon, Serm. (1647,) p. 454.

To O'MINATE. v. n. [ominor, Latin.] To foretoken; to shew prognosticks.

This ominates sadly, as to our divisions with the Romanists. Decay of Chr. Piety.

To O'MINATE.* v. a. To foretoken. I take no pleasure, God knows, to ominate ill

to my dear nation, and dearer mother the Church of England. Seasonable Serm. (1644,) p. 23.

OMINA'TION. † n.s. [from ominor, Latin.] Prognostick.

The falling of salt is an authentick presagement of ill luck, yet the same was not a general prognostick of future evil among the ancients; but a particular omination concerning the breach of friendship.

Ominations by words, names, places, times, in so many several chapters full of elaborate vanity. Spenser on Prodigies, p. 102.

O'minous. adj. [from omen.]

1. Exhibiting bad tokens of futurity; foreshewing ill; inauspicious.

Let me be duke of Clarence;

For Glo'ster's dukedom is ominous. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

Pomfret, thou bloody prison, Fatal and ominous to noble peers.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. These accidents the more rarely they bappen, the more ominous are they esteemed, because they are never observed but when sad events do ensue.

Roving the Celtick and Iberian fields, [He] last betakes him to this ominous wood.

Milton, Comus. As in the heathen worship of God, a sacrifice without an heart was accounted ominous; so in

the christian worship of him, an heart without a sacrifice is worthless. Pardon a father's tears, And give them to Charinus' memory;

May they not prove as ominous to thee. Dryden. 2. Exhibiting tokens good or ill. Though he had a good ominous name to have

made a peace, nothing followed. Bacon, Hen. VII.

It brave to him, and ominous does appear, To be oppos'd at first, and conquer here. Cowley.

O'MINOUSLY. † adv. [from ominous.] With good or bad omen.

Philo Judæus collecteth, that this his sublime and celestial disposition was ominously foretold him, in his very name. Fotherby, Atheom. p. 319.

To me how ominously the prophets sung, Even from the time that heavenly infant sprung In my chaste womb! Old Simeon this reveal'd, And in my soul the deadly wound beheld.

Sandy's Christ's Passion, p. 65. We see then how credible an author Manetho is, and what truth there is like to be in the account of ancient times given by the Egyptian historians, when the chief of them so lamentably and ominously stumbles in his very entrance into it.

Stilling fleet, Orig. Sac. i. 2. O'MINOUSNESS. n. s. [from ominous.]

The quality of being ominous.

When the day, set for his audience, came, there happened to be such an extraordinary thunder, and such deluges of rain, as disgraced the show, and heightened the opinion of the ominousness of this embassy. Burnet, Hist. of his own Times, (an. 1687.)

Omi'ssion. n. s. [omissus, Lat.]

1. Neglect to do something; forbearance of something to be done.

Whilst they were held back purely by doubts and scruples, and want of knowledge without their own faults, their omission was fit to be connived Kettlewell.

If he has made no provision for this change, the omission can never be repaired, the time never re-Rogers.

2. Neglect of duty, opposed to commission or perpetration of crimes.

Omission to do what is necessary Seals a commission to a blank of danger. Shaksneare.

The most natural division of all offences, is into those of omission and those of commission.

Addison, Freeholder. OMI'SSIVE.* adj. [omissus, Lat.] Leaving

out; overpassing. This silence is no argument of their existence, because we find him omissive in other particulars of

the like nature. Stackhouse, Hist. of the Bible, B. 7. ch. 4.

To OMI'T. v. a. [omitto, Lat.]

1. To leave out; not to mention.

These personal comparisons I omit, because I would say nothing that may savour of a spirit of Great Cato there, for gravity renown'd,

Who can omit the Gracchi, who declare

The Scipio's worth? Dryden. 2. To neglect to practise.

Her father omitted nothing in her education that might make her the most accomplished woman of

Omi'TTANCE. n. s. [from omit.] Forbearance. Not in use.

He said, mine eyes were black, and my hair black.

And now I am remember'd, scorn'd at me! I marvel why I answer'd not again; But that's all one, omittance is no quittance.

OMNIFA'RIOUS. adj. [omnifariàm, Latin.]

Of all varieties or kinds. These particles could never of themselves, by omnifarious kinds of motion, whether fortuitous or

mechanical, have fallen into this visible system. Bentley-But if thou omnifarious drinks wouldst brew;

Besides the orchard, ev'ry hedge and bush Affords assistance.

Omni'ferous. adj. [omnis and fero, Lat.] Allbearing.

OMNI'FICK. adj. [omnis and facio, Latin.] All-creating.

Silence, ye troubled waves, and thou deep, peace

Said then the Omnifick Word, your discord end. Milton, P. L.

O'MNIFORM. † adj. [omnis and forma, Lat.] Having every shape. 5 x 2

What else need, and what else can be, the immediate object of our understanding, but the divine ideas, the omniform essence of God?

Norris, Reflect. on Locke, p. 31. The living fire, the living omniform seminary of the word, and other expressions of the like nature, - in the ancient and Platonic philosophy.

Bp. Berkeley, Siris, § 281.

OMNIFO'RMITY.* n.s. [from omniform.] Quality of possessing every shape. Her self-essential omniformity.

More, Song of the Soul, B. iii. Truth in the power, or faculty, is nothing else but a conformity of its conceptions or ideas unto the natures and relations of things; which in God we may call an actual, steady, immovable, eternal omniformity, as Plotinus calls the Divine Intellect, ζυ πάντα. Bp. Rust, Disc. on Truth, § 18.

Omni'GENOUS. adj. [omnigenus, Latin.] Consisting of all kinds.

OMNIPA'RITY. n. s. [omnis and par, Lat.] General equality.

Their own working heads affect, without commandment of the word, to wit, omniparity of churchmen.

OMNIPERCI'PIENCE.* \ n. s. [omnis and per-OMNIPERCI'PIENCY. cipio, Lat. 7 Perception of every thing.

This omnipresence, or omnipercipience terrestrial, is one main ground of that religious worship due to God, which we call invocation.

More, Antid. against Idol. ch. 2. All the modes or ways of the communication of this omnipercipiency to saints or angels are either very incredible, if not impossible, or extremely ridiculous as to any excuse for their invocation. More, Antid. against Idol. ch. 2.

OMNIPERCI'PIENT.* adj. [omnis and percipiens, Lat.] Perceiving every thing. An omnipercipient omnipresence, which does hear and see whatever is said or transacted in the world, - is a certain excellency in God. More, Antid. against Idol. ch. 2.

OMNI'POTENCE.† \ n. s. [omnipotence, old OMNI'POTENCY.] French; omnipotentia, Lat.] Almighty power; unlimited power. Whatever fortune

Can give or take, love wants not, or despises;

Or by his own omnipotence supplies. As the soul bears the image of the divine

wisdom, so this part of the body represents the omnipotency of God, whilst it is able to perform such wonderful effects. Wilkins.

The greatest danger is from the greatest power, and that is omnipotency. Tillotson. How are thy servants blest, O Lord,

How sure is their defence,

Eternal wisdom is their guide,

Their help omnipotence ! Will omnipotence neglect to save,

The suffering virtue of the wise and brave? Pope. Omni'potent, † adj. [omnipotent, old Fr.; omnipotens, Lat.] Almighty; powerful

without limit; all-powerful. You were also Jupiter, a swan, for the love of

Leda: oh omnipotent love! how near the god drew to the complexion of a goose!

Shakspeare, Mer. Wives of Windsor. The perfect being must needs be omnipotent; both as self-existent and as immense; for he that is self-existent, having the power of being, hath the power of all being; equal to the cause of all being, which is to be omnipotent.

OMNI'POTENT.* n. s. One of the appellations of the Godhead.

So spake the Omnipotent, and with his words All seem'd well pleas'd. Milton, P. L.

Fool! not to think how vain Against the Omnipotent to rise in arms.

Milton, P. L. OMNI'POTENTLY. * adv. [from omnipotent.] Powerfully without limit.

And, to close all, omnipotently kind. Young, Night Th. 9.

Omnipre'sence.† \ n. s. [omnis and præ-Omnipre'sency. \} sentia, Lat.] Ubiquity; unbounded presence.

Ĥe also went

Invisible, yet staid, such privilege Hath omnipresence.

Adam, thou know'st his omnipresence fills Lands, sea, and air. Milton, P. L.

Milton, P. L.

The soul is involved and present to every part : and if my soul can have its effectual energy upon my body with ease, with how much more facility can a being of immense existence and omnipresence, of infinite wisdom and power, govern a great but finite universe?

Lose not the advantage of solitude, and the society of thy self; nor be only content, but delight, to be alone and single with omnipresency.

Brown, Chr. Mor. iii. 9. Omnipresency no invisible Power, which we know, has, but only God. More, Antid. against Idol. ch. 7.

OMNIPRE'SENT. adj. [omnis and præsens,

Lat.] Ubiquitary; present in every place. Omniscient master, omnipresent king,

To thee, to thee, my last distress I bring.

OMNIPRESE'NTIAL.* adj. [from omnipresent.] Implying unbounded presence. His omnipresential filling all things, being an inseparable property of bis divine nature, always agreed to him. South, Serm. vii. 22.

Omni'science. n. s. [omnis and scientia, Omnisciency.] Lat.] Boundless knowledge; infinite wisdom.

In all this misconstruction of my actions, as I have no judge but God above me, so I can have comfort to appeal to his omniscience. King Charles.

Thinking by retirement to obscure himself from God, Adam infringed the omnisciency and essential ubiquity of his Maker, who, as he created all things, is beyond and in them all.

An immense being does strangely fill the soul: and omnipotency, omnisciency, and infinite goodness, enlarge the spirit while it fixtly looks upon

Since thou boast'st th' omniscience of a god, Say in what cranny of Sebastian's soul, Unknown to me, so loath'd a crime is lodg'd?

OMNI'SCIENT. adj. [omnis and scio, Lat.] Infinitely wise; knowing without bounds; knowing every thing.

By no means trust to your own judgement alone; for no man is omniscient.

Bacon, Adv. to Villiers. What can 'scape the eye

Of God all-seeing, or deceive his heart Omniscient?

Milton, P. L. Whatsoever is known, is some way present; and that which is present, cannot but be known by him who is omniscient.

It is one of the natural notions belonging to the Supreme Being, to conceive of him that he is om-Wilkins.

Omniscient master, omnipresent king, To thee, to thee, my last distress I bring. Prior.

Omni'scious. adj. [omnis and scio, Lat.] All-knowing. Not in use.

I dare not pronounce him omniscious, that being an attribute individually proper to the Godhead, and incommunicable to any created substance. Hakewill on Providence. O'MNIUM.* n. s. [Latin.] The aggregate of certain portions of different stocks in the publick funds. Mason. You are my omnium.

Coleman, Polly Honeycomb. O'MNIUM-GATHERUM.* A cant term for a miscellaneous collection of things or persons.

At a solemn dancing, first you had the grave measures; then the corantoes; - at length to Trenchmore, and the cushion-dance; and then all the company dances, lord and groom, lady and kitchen-maid; no distinction. So, in our court in Queen Elizabeth's time, gravity and state were kept up. In king James's time things were pretty well. But in king Charles's time there has been nothing but Trenchmore, and the cushiondance, omnium-gatherum, &c. Selden, Table Talk.

OMNI'VOROUS. † adj. [omnis and voro, Lat.] All-devouring. He has not observed on the nature of vanity,

who does not know, that it is omnivorous. Burke. Ομο' PLATE. n. s. [ώμος and πλαλύς.] The shoulder blade. Dict.

OMPHALO'PTICK. n. s. [δμφαλός and οπλικός.] An optick glass that is convex on both sides, commonly called a convex lens.

O'MY.* adj. [em, Su. Goth.; im, Icel. vapour, which Verelius derives (as Dr. Jamieson observes, noticing the affinity of our word to the Scottish oam, steam,) from the M. Goth. ahma, spiritus; to which we may add the Gr. ἄημα.] Mellow: spoken in the north, of land.

Ray, and Grose. ON.† prep. [ana, Gothick; an, Germ.; aen, Teut.]

1. It is put before the word, which signifies that which is under, that by which any thing is supported, which any thing strikes by falling, which any thing covers, or where any thing is fixed.

He is not lolling on a lewd love-bed,

But on his knees at meditation.

Shakspeare, Rich. III.

What news? - Richmond is on the seas. -

- There let him sink, and be the seas on him. Shakspeare. Distracted terror knew not what was best

On what determination to abide. Daniel, Civ. Wars. How soon hath Time, the subtle thief of youth, Stol'n on his wing my three-and-twentieth year.

Milton, Sonnet. As some to witness truth, Heav'n's call obey, So some on earth must, to confirm it, stay.

They stooping low, Perch'd on the double tree. Dryden.

On me, on me, let all thy fury fall, Nor err from me, since I deserve it all. 2. It is put before any thing that is the

subject of action. The unhappy husband, husband now no more,

Did on his tuneful harp his loss deplore. Dryden. 3. Noting addition or accumulation.

Mischiefs on mischiefs, greater still and more, The neighbouring plain with arms is cover'd o'er. Druden.

4. Noting a state of progression. Ho, Mæris! whither on thy way so fast? This leads to town. Dryden.

5. It sometimes notes elevation.

Choose next a province for thy vineyard's reign, On hills above, or in the lowly plain. Dryden. The spacious firmament on high. Addison.

6. Noting approach or invasion. Their navy ploughs the watery main,

Yet soon expect it on your shores again. Dryden. 7. Noting dependance or reliance.

On God's providence and on your bounty, all their present support and future hopes depend.

8. At, noting place.

On each side her, Stood pretty dimpled boys, like smiling Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop.

9. It denotes the motive or occasion of any thing.

The same prevalence of genius, the world cannot pardon your concealing, on the same consideration; because we neither have a living Varus nor a Horace.

The joy of a monarch for the news of a victory, must not be expressed like the ecstasy of a harlequin on the receipt of a letter from his mistress.

Dryden, Dufresnoy. The best way to be used by a father on any occasion, to reform any thing he wishes mended in Locke.

We abstain, on such solemn occasions from things lawful, out of indignation that we have often gratified ourselves in things unlawful.

Smalridge, Serm.

10. It denotes the time at which any thing happens: as, this happened on the first day. On is used, I think, only before day or hour, not before denominations of longer time.

In the second month on the seven-and-twentieth day. Gen. viii. 14.

11. It is put before the object of some passion.

Compassion on the king commands me stoop. Shaksneare.

Cou'd tears recall him into wretched life, Their sorrow hurts themselves; on him is lost.

12. In forms of denunciation it is put before the thing threatened. Hence on thy life: the captive maid is mine, Whom not for price or pray'rs I will resign.

13. Noting imprecation. Sorrow on thee, and all the pack of you, That triumph thus upon my misery. Shakspeare.

14. Noting invocation. On thee, dear wife, in desarts all alone

Dryden, Georg. He call'd. 15. Noting the state of a thing fired. This sense seems peculiar, and is perhaps an

old corruption of a fire. - The earth shook to see the heavens on fire

And not in fear of your nativity. Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

The horses burnt as they stood fast tied in the stables, or by chance breaking loose, ran up and down with their tails and manes on a light fire. Knolles, Hist. of the Turks.

His fancy grows in the progress, and becomes on fire like a chariot wheel by its own rapidity. Pope, Pref. to Iliad.

16. Noting stipulation or condition. I can be satisfied on more easy terms. Dryden.

Noting distinction or opposition. The Rhodians, on the other side, mindful of their former honour, valiantly repulsed the enemy. Knolles.

18. Before it, by corruption, it stands for of.

This tempest, Dashing the garment of this peace, aboded The sudden breach on't. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. A thriving gamester has but a poor trade on't, who fills his pockets at the price of his reputation. Locke on Education. 19. Noting the matter of an event. Note,

How much her grace is alter'd on the sudden?

Shakspeare. 20. On, the same with upon. See Upon.

21. Formerly common for in: as, on live, i. e. in life. Chaucer. See the ninth sense of A, and also the adjective ALIVE. On. adv.

1. Forward; in succession.

As he forbore one act, so he might have forborn another, and after that another, and so on, till he had by degrees weakened, and at length mortified and extinguished the habit itself. South, Serm.

If the tenant fail the landlord, he must fail his creditor, and he his, and so on. Locke.

These smaller particles are again composed of others much smaller, all which together are equal to all the pores or empty spaces between them; and so on perpetually till you come to solid particles, such as have no pores.

2. Forward; in progression. On indeed they went; but oh! not far; A fatal stop travers'd their head-long course.

> So saying, on he led his radiant files. Milton, P. L.

My hasting days fly on with full career. Milton, Sonnet. Hopping and flying, thus they led him on To the slow lake

What kindled in the dark the vital flame, And ere the heart was form'd, push'd on the reddening stream? Blackmore on Creation.

Go to, I did not mean to chide you; On with your tale. Rowe, Jane Shore.

3. In continuance; without ceasing. Let them sleep, let them sleep on, Till this stormy night begone, And the eternal morrow dawn. Crashaw. Sing on, sing on, for I can ne'er be cloy'd. Dryden.

You roam about, and never are at rest; By new desires, that is, new torments still possest: As in a feverish dream you still drink on, And wonder why your thirst is never gone.

Dryden. The peasants defy the sun; they work on in the hottest part of the day without intermission. Locke.

4. Not off; as, he is neither on nor off; that is, he is irresolute.

5. Upon the body, as part of dress. His cloaths were neither on nor off; they were disordered. See Off.

A long cloak he had on. Sidney. Stiff in brocade, and pinch'd in stays, Her patches, paint, and jewels on; All day let envy view her face,

And Phyllis is but twenty-one. A painted vest prince Voltager had on, Which from a naked Pict his grandsire won. Blackmore.

6. It notes resolution to advance forward; not backward. Since 'tis decreed, and to this period lead

A thousand ways, the noblest path we'll tread; And bravely on, till they or we, or all, A common sacrifice to honour fall.

7. It is through almost all its significations opposed to off, and means approach, junction, addition, or presence.

On. interject. A word of incitement or encouragement to attack; elliptically

Therefore on, or strip your sword stark-naked; Shakspeare, Tw. Night. for meddle you must.

Cheerly on, couragious friends, To reap the harvest of perpetual peace, By this one bloody trial of sharp war.

Shakspeare, Rich. III. On then, my muse! and fools and knaves ex-

And, since thou can'st not make a friend, make foes.

ONCE † adv. [the genitive case of one; anır, aner, Sax. of an. "At enast, una vice. Sueth. ant. Kon. Styr." Serenius.]

One time.

Trees that bear mast, are fruitful but once in two years; the cause is the expence of sap.

Forthwith from out the ark a raven flies, And after him the surer messenger,

A dove, sent forth once and again to spy Green trees or ground. Milton, P. L. Once every morn he march'd, and once at night.

You came out like some great monarch, to take a town but once a year, as it were for your diversion, though you had no need to extend your ter-Dryden. O virgin! daughter of eternal night,

Give me this once thy labour, to sustain My right, and execute my just disdain. Dryden. In your tuneful lays,

Once more resound the great Apollo's praise.

2. A single time.

Who this heir is, he does not once tell us. Locke-

3. The same time.

At once with him they rose : Their rising all at once was as the sound Milton, P. L. Of thunder heard remote. Fir'd with this thought, at once he strain'd the

And on the lips a burning kiss impress'd. Dryd.

4. At a point of time indivisible.

Night came on, not by degrees prepared, But all at once; at once the winds arise,

Dryden, Cim. and Iphig. The thunders roll. Now that the fixed stars, by reason of their immense distance, appear like points, unless so far as their light is dilated by refraction, may appear from hence, that when the moon passes over them and eclipses them, their light vanishes, not gradually like that of the planets, but all at once.

Newton.

One time, though no more. Fuscinus, those ill deeds that sully fame, In blood once tainted, like a current run From the lewd father to the lewder son. Dryden.

At the time immediate. This hath all its force at once upon the first

impression, and is ever afterwards in a declining state. Atterbrumy. 7. Formerly; at a former time.

Thereon his arms and once-lov'd portrait lay, Thither our fatal marriage-bed convey. Denham. My soul had once some foolish fondness for thee,

But hence 'tis gone. Addison.

8. At a future time. Obsolete. The wisdom of God thought fit to acquaint

David with that court which we shall once govern. Bp. Hall, Contempl.

9. Once seems to be rather a noun than an adverb, when it has at before it, and when it is joined with an adjective: as, this once, that once.

One. adj. [an, æn, Saxon; een, Dutch: ein, German; &, Gr.

1. Less than two; single; denoted by an

The man he knew was one that willingly,

Daniel.

Daniel. For one good look would hazard all.

Pindarus the Poet, and one of the wisest, acknowledged also one God, the most high, to be the father and creator of all things.

Love him by parts in all your numerous race, And from those parts form one collected grace; Then when you have refin'd to that degree, Imagine all in one, and think that one is he.

Druden. 2. Indefinitely: any; some one. We shall

Present our services to a fine new prince,

One of these days. Shakspeare. I took pains to make thee speak, taught thee

each hour One thing or other. Shakspeare, Tempest.

3. It is added to any.

his heart.

When any one heareth the word of the kingdom, and understandeth it not, then cometh the wicked one, and catcheth away that which was sown in

St. Matt. xiii. 19. If any one prince made a felicity in this life, and left fair fame after death, without the love of his subjects, there were some colour to despise it.

4. Different; diverse: opposed to another. What a precious comfort to have so many, like brothers, commanding one another's fortunes.

It is one thing to draw outlines true, the features like, the proportions exact, the colouring tolerable, and another thing to make all these graceful. Dryden.

Suppose the common depth of the sea, taking one place with another, to be about a quarter of a mile. Burnet.

It is one thing to think right, and another thing to know the right way to lay our thoughts before others with advantage and clearness. Locke.

My legs were closed together by so many wrappers one over another, that I looked like an Egyptian mummy.

There can be no reason why we should prefer any one action to another, but because we have greater hopes of advantage from the one than from the other. Smalridge.

Two bones rubbed hard against one another, or with a file produce a fetid smell.

Arbuthnot on Aliments. At one time they keep their patients so warm, as almost to stifle them, and all of a sudden the cold regimen is in vogue. Baker on Learning.

5. One of two opposed to the other. Ask from the one side of heaven unto the other,

whether there hath been any such thing as this.

Deut. iv. 32. Both the matter of the stone and marchasite, had been at once fluid bodies, till one of them, probably the marchasite, first growing hard, the other, as being yet of a more yielding consistence, accommodated itself to the harder's figure. Boyle.

6. Not many; the same.

The church is therefore one, though the members may be many; because they all agree in one faith. There is one Lord and one faith, and that truth once delivered to the saints, which whosoever shall receive, embrace, and profess, must necessarily be accounted one in reference to that profession: for if a company of believers become a church by believing, they must also become one church by believing one truth. Pearson.

7. Particularly one.

One day when Phœbe fair, With all her band was following the chase, This nymph quite tir'd with heat of scorching air, Sat down to rest.

One day, in turning some uncultur'd ground, In hopes a free-stone quarry might be found, His mattock met resistance, and behold A casket burst, with diamonds fill'd, and gold.

8. Some future.

Heaven waxeth old, and all the spheres above Shall one day faint, and their swift motion stay; And time itself, in time shall cease to move, Only the soul survives and lives for aye. Davies.

ONE. n. s. [There are many uses of the word one, which serve to denominate it a substantive, though some of them may seem rather to make it a pronoun relative, and some may perhaps be considered as consistent with the nature of an adjective, the substantive being ununderstood.7

1. A single person.

If one by one you wedded all the world, She you kill'd would be unparallel'd.

Although the beauties, riches, honours, sciences, virtues, and perfections of all men were in the present possession of one, yet somewhat beyond and above all this there would still be sought and earnestly thirsted for.

From his lofty steed he flew, And raising one by one the suppliant crew, To comfort each. Dryden, Kn. Tale. If one must be rejected, one succeed,

Make him my Lord, within whose faithful breast Is fix'd my image, and who loves me best.

When join'd in one, the good, the fair, the

Descends to view the muse's humble seat.

2. A single mass or aggregate. It is one thing only as a heap is one. Blackmore.

The first hour. Till 'tis one o'clock, our dance of custom

Let us not forget. Shaksp. M. Wives of Wind. 4. The same thing.

I answer'd not again : But that's all one. Shakspeare. To be in the understanding, and not to be understood, is all one as to say any thing is, and is not in the understanding.

5. A person, indefinitely and loose. A good acquaintance with method will greatly assist every one in ranging human affairs.

Watts, Logick. A person by way of eminence. Ferdinand

My father, king of Spain, was reckon'd one, The wisest prince that there had reign'd. Shaksp. 7. A distinct or particular person.

That man should be the teacher is no part of the matter; for birds will learn one of another.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. No nations are wholly aliens and strangers the one to the other. Bacon, Holy War.

The obedience of the one to the call of grace, when the other, supposed to have sufficient, if not an equal measure, obeys not, may reasonably be imputed to the humble, malleable, melting temper.

Hammond. One or other sees a little box, which was carried away with her, and so discovers her to her friends.

8. Persons united.

As I have made ye one, lords, one remain: So I grow stronger, you more honour gain.

9. Concord; agreement; one mind. The king was well instructed how to carry himself between Ferdinando and Philip, resolving to keep them at one within themselves.

Bacon, Hen. VII. He is not at one with himself what account to give of it.

10. [On, l'on, French. It is used sometimes as a general or indefinite nominative for any man, any person. For one the English formerly used men; as, they live obscurely, men know not how; or die obscurely, men mark not when. Ascham. For which it would now be said, one knows not how, one knows not when: or it is not known how.] Any person; any man indefinitely.

It is not so worthy to be brought to heroical effects by fortune or necessity, like Ulysses and Æneas, as by one's own choice and working.

One may be little the wiser for reading this dialogue, since it neither sets forth what Erona is, nor what the cause should be which threatens her with death.

One would imagine these to be the expressions of a man blessed with ease, affluence, and power; not of one who had been just stripped of all those advantages. Atterbury.

For provoking of urine, one should begin with the gentlest first. Arbuthnot on Aliments. For some time one was not thought to under-

stand Aristotle, unless he had read him with Averroe's comment, Baker. 11. A person of particular character.

Then must you speak Of one that lov'd not wisely but too well; Of one not easily jealous; but being wrought

Perplex'd in the extreme. Shakspeare, Othello. With lives and fortunes trusting one Who so discreetly us'd his own. Waller. Edward I. was one who very well knew how to

use a victory, as well as obtain it. Hale. One who contemned divine and human laws. Dryden.

Forgive me, if that title I afford To one, whom Nature meant to be a lord. Harte. 12. One has sometimes a plural, either when it stands for persons indefinitely; as, the great ones of the world: or when it relates to something going before, and is only the representative of the antecedent noun. This relative mode of speech, whether singular or plural, is in my ear not very elegant, yet is used by good authors.

Be not found here; hence with your little ones, Does the son receive a natural life? The sub-

ject enjoys a civil one: that's but the matter, this the form. Holiday. These successes are more glorious which bring

benefit to the world, than such ruinous ones as are dyed in human blood. Glanville. He that will overlook the true reason of a thing which is but one, may easily find many

false ones, error being infinite. Tillotson. The following plain rules and directions, are not the less useful because they are plain ones.

Atterbury. There are many whose waking thoughts are wholly employed on their sleeping ones.

Addison, Spect. Arbitrary power tends to make a man a bad sovereign, who might possibly have been a good one, had he been invested with an authority limited by law.

Addison, Freeholder. This evil fortune which attends extraordinary men, hath been imputed to divers causes that need not be set down, when so obvious an one occurs, that when a great genius appears, the dunces are all in conspiracy against him.

13. One another, is a mode of speech very frequent; as, they love one another; that is, one of them loves another: the storm beats the trees against one another; that is, one against another.

In democratical governments, war did commonly unite the minds of men; when they had enemies abroad, they did not contend with one another at home. Davenant.

O'NEBERRY. n. s. [aconitum, Lat.] Wolf's-1

ONEEYED. adj. [one and eye.] Having only one eye.

A sign-post dauber wou'd disdain to paint The one-ey'd hero on his elephant. The mighty family

Of one-ey'd brothers hasten to the shore. Addison.

ONEIROCRITICAL. adj. [oneirocritique, French; δνειροκριδικός, Gr.; it should therefore according to analogy be written onirocritical and onirocritick.] pretative of dreams.

If a man has no mind to pass by abruptly from his imagined to his real circumstances, he may employ himself in that new kind of observation which my oneirocritical correspondent has directed him to Addison, Spect.

ONEIROCRI'TICK. n. s. [overponpilinds, Greek.] An interpreter of dreams.

Having surveyed all ranks and professions, I do not find in any quarter of the town an onsirocritick, or an interpreter of dreams. Addison, Spect.

ONEIROCRI'TICKS.* n. s. pl. Interpretations of dreams.

A pretence as groundless and silly as the dreaming oneirocriticks of Artemidorus and Astrampsychus, or the modern chiromancy and divinations of gipsies. Bentley, Serm. 4.

ONEIROMA'NCY.* n. s. [ονειρος and μαντεία, Greek. Divination by dreams.

These rude observations were at last licked into an art, physical oneiromancy; in which physicians, from a consideration of the dreams, proceeded to a crisis of the disposition of the person. Spenser on Prod. (1665,) p. 297.

O'NEMENT.* n. s. [from one.] State of being one; union. Not in use.

Ye witless gallants, I beshrew your hearts, That sets such discord 'twixt agreeing parts, Which never can be set at onement more.

Bp. Hall, Sat. iii. 7.

O'NENESS. n. s. [from one.] Unity; the quality of being one.

Our God is one, or rather very oneness and mere unity, having nothing but itself in itself, and not consisting, as all things do besides God,

The oneness of our Lord Jesus Christ, referring to the several hypostases, is the one eternal indivisible divine nature, and the eternity of the Son's generation, and his co-eternity, and his consubstantiality with the Father when he came down from Heaven and was incarnate. Hammond.

O'NERARY. adj. [onerarius, Lat. oneraire, Fr.] Fitted for carriage or burthens; comprising a burthen.

To O'NERATE, v. a. Jonero, Latin.] To load; to burthen.

ONERA'TION. n. s. [from onerate.] The Dict. act of loading.

O'NEROUS † adj. [onereux, French; one-rosus, Latin.] Burthensome; oppressive.

Overcome and tormented with worldly cares, and onerous business.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 171. A banished person, absent out of necessity, retains all things onerous to himself, as a punishment for his crime.

O'NION. † n. s. [oignon, French; unian, Su. Goth. unio, Latin. Perhaps all from the Celtic: wynwyn is the Welsh word.] A plant.

If the boy have not a woman's gift To rain a shower of commanded tears, An onion will do well.

Shakspeare, Tam. of the Shrew. I an ass, am onion-eyed. Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop.

This is ev'ry cook's opinion, No savoury dish without an onion : But lest your kissing should be spoil'd, Your onions must be throughly boil'd. Smift.

O'NLY. † adj. [from one, onely, or onelike; ænlıc, Saxon.]

1. Single; one and no more. Of all whom fortune to my sword did bring, This only man was worth the conquering. Dryden.

2. This and no other.

The only child of shadeful Savernake. Drayton. The logick now in use has long possessed the chair, as the only art taught in the schools for the direction of the mind in the study of the sciences.

3. This above all other: as, he is the only man for musick.

Whose only joy was to relieve the needs Of wretched souls. His only heart-sore, and his only foe. Spenser, F. Q.

4. Alone.

With the only twinkle of her eye She could or save or spill. Spenser, F. Q.

The only sound Of leaves and fuming rills. Milton, P. L. O'NLY.† adv. [supposed by some to be an

abbreviation of alonely. See ALONELY.] 1. Simply; singly; merely; barely.

I propose my thoughts only as conjectures.

The posterity of the wicked inherit the fruit of their father's vices; and that not only by a just judgement, but from the natural course of things. Tillotson.

All who deserve his love, he makes his own; And to be lov'd himself, needs only to be known, Dryden.

The practice of virtue is attended not only with present quiet and satisfaction, but with comfortable hope of a future recompence. Nor must this contrition be exercised by us, only for grosser evils; but when we live the best.

2. So and no otherwise.

Every imagination of the thoughts of his heart, was only evil continually. 3. Singly without more: as, only begotten. O'NOMANCY. n.s. [ovopa and parlela.]

Divination by a name.

Destinies were superstitiously, by onomancy, deciphered out of names, as though the names and natures of men were suitable, and fatal necessities concurred herein with voluntary motion.

Onoma'ntical. adj. [ονομα and μάνλις.]

Predicting by names.

Theodatus, when curious to know the success of his wars against the Romans, an onomantical or name-wisard Jew, willed him to shut up a number of swine and give some of them Roman names, others Gothish names with several marks, and there to leave them.

O'NSET. † n. s. [on and set.]

1. Attack; storm; assault; first brunt. As well the soldier dieth, which standeth still, as he that gives the bravest onset. Sidney. All breathless, weary, faint,

Him spying, with fresh onset he assail'd, And kindling new his courage, seeming queint, Struck him so hugely, that through great constraint

He made him stoop. Spenser, F. Q. Of battle now began, and rushing sound Of onset.

Milton, P. L. Sometimes it gains a point; and presently it finds itself baffled and beaten off; yet still it renews the onset, attacks the difficulty afresh; plants this reasoning and that argument, like so many intellectual batteries, till at length it forces a way into the obstinate enclosed truth. South.

Without men and provisions it is impossible to secure conquests that are made in the first onsets of an invasion.

The first impetuous onsets of his grief; Use every artifice to keep him stedfast. Philips.

2. Something added or set on by way of ornamental appendage. This sense, says Nicholson, is still retained in Northumberland, where onset means a tuft. Dr. Johnson. - The northern meaning is not disputed; but the word in the tragedy of Titus Andronicus, which Dr. Johnson cites as an example of that meaning, signifies simply a beginning; "an inchaation or onset," as Hakewill in his Apology for Providence illustrates it, p. 86. ed. 1630.

I will with deeds requite thy gentleness; And for an onset, Titus, to advance Thy name and honourable family, Lavinia will I make my emperess.

Tit. Andronicus. To O'NSET. v. a. [from the noun.] To set upon; to begin. Not used.

This for a while was hotly onsetted and a reasonable price offered, but soon cooled again.

O'NSLAUGHT. † n. s. [on and slay. Sax. onrlagan. See Anslaight, and Slaugh-TER.] Attack; storm; onset. Not in

They made a halt To view the ground, and where t' assault ; Then call'd a council, which was best, By siege or onslaught, to invest The enemy; and 'twas agreed By storm and onslaught to proceed.

Hudibras. The several duels, onslaughts, storms, and military appearances. Gayton on D. Quix. p. 19.

O'NSTEAD.* n. s. [on and rteb, locus, Sax.] A single farm-house. North. Grose. Buildings on a farm; a stead near the house for cattle or stacks. See Brockett's N. C. Words.

ONTO'LOGIST. n. s. [from ontology.] One who considers the affections of being in general; a metaphysician.

ONTO LOGY. n. s. [orra and λόγος.] The science of the affections of being in general; metaphysicks.

The modes, accidents, and relations that belong to various beings, are copiously treated of in metaphysicks, or more properly ontology.

Watts, Logick.

O'NWARD. adv. [onbpeaps, Saxon.]

1. Forward; progressively. My lord,

When you went onward on this ended action, I look'd upon her with a soldier's eye. Satan was now at hand, and from his seat The monster moving onward came as fast,

With horrid strides. Millon, P. L. Him through the spicy forest onward come

Adam discern'd, as in the door he sat Milton, P. L. Of his cool hower.

Not one looks backward, onward still he goes, Yet ne'er looks forward farther than his nose.

2. In a state of advanced progression.

You are already so far *onward* of your way, that you have forsaken the imitation of ordinary converse.

Dryden.

3. Somewhat farther.

A little onward lend thy guiding hand To these dark steps, a little farther on.

Milton

Milton, S. A.

O'NWARD.* adj. [from the adverb.]

Advanced; encreased; improved.
 Philoxenus came to see how onward the fruits were of his friend's labour.
 Sidney.

2. Conducting; leading forward to perfection.

Sincerity,

Thou first of virtues, let no mortal leave
Thy onward path! Home, Trag. of Douglas.
In agonies of grief they curse the hour,
When first they left Religion's onward way,

Glynn, Day of Judgement.

O'nwards.* adv. In progression.

Onwards, that such separation may not be made of man and wife for heresy or misbelief, we need no other conviction than that peremptory and clear determination of our Saviour, which we have formerly insisted on

Bp. Hall, Cases of Cons. D. 4. C. 2.

O'NYCHA. n. s. It is found in two different senses in Scripture. — The odoriferous snail or shell, and the stone onyx. The greatest part of commentators explain it by the onyx or odoriferous shell. The onyx is fished for in the Indies, where grows the spicanardi, the food of this fish and what makes its shell so aromatic.

Calmet.

Take sweet spices, onycha, and galbanum.

Ex. xxx. 34.

O'NYX. n.s. [bwf.] The onyx is a semipellucid gem, of which there are several
species, but the bluish white kind, with
brown and white zones, is the true
onyx legitima of the ancients.

Hill, Mat. Med.

Nor are her rare endowments to be sold,

For glittering sand by Ophir shown,

The blue-ey'd sapphir, or rich onyx stone. Sandys.

The onyx is an accidental variety of the agat kind: it is of a dark horny colour, in which is a plate of a bluish white, and sometimes of red: when on one or both sides the white, there happens to lie also a plate of a reddish or fresh colour, the jewellers call the stone a sardonyx.

Woodward on Fossils.

OOZE.† n.s. [either from eaux, waters, Fr. or pær, wetness, Saxon. Dr. Johnson.—Serenius refers to the Su. Goth. os, the mouth of a river, "kaell-os, locus uliginosus;" and to the German asche, flowing water; which Wachter pronounces a Celtick word. See Asche in Wachter.]

 Soft mud; mire at the bottom of water; slime.

My son i'the ooze is bedded. Shaksp. Tempest. Some carried up into their grounds the ooze or salt water mud, and found good profit thereby.

Old father Thames rais'd up his rev'rend head, Deep in his ooze he sought his sedgy hed, And shrunk his waters back into his urn. Dryden.

2, Soft flow; spring. This seems to be the meaning in Prior.

From his first fountain and beginning ooze. Down to the sea each brook and torrent flows.

3. The liquor of a tanner's vat. [See Wachter in Asche.]

Before the bark of the oak is used, it is ground to powder, and the infusion of it in water is by the tanners termed ooze.

Woodland Companion, p. 4.

To Ooze, v. n. [from the noun.] To flow by stealth; to run gently; to drain away.

When the contracted limbs were cramp'd, even then

A wat'rish humour swell'd and oozed agen.

Dryden.
The lily drinks

The latent rill, scarce oozing through the grass.

Thomson.
O'ozy.† adj. [from ooze.] Miry; muddy;

His rustick crew with mighty poles Would drive his prey out from their oozy holes,

Would drive his prey out from their oozy holes,
And so pursue them down the rolling flood.

King, The Fisherman.

The oozy places and holes, which, it must be supposed, the sea left behind it.

Leslie, Short Meth. with the Deists.

From his oozy bed Old father Thames advanc'd his reverend head.

To OPA'CATE. v. a. [opaco, Latin.] To shade; to cloud; to darken; to observe

The same corpuscles upon the unstopping of the glass, did opacate that part of the air they moved in.

Boule.

OPA'CITY. n. s. [opacité, Fr. opacitas, Latin.] Cloudiness; want of transparency.

Can any thing escape eyes in whose opticks there is no opacity?

Brown.

Had there not been any night, shadow, or opacity, we should never have had any determinate conceit of darkness.

Glanville.

How much any body hath of colour, so much hath it of opacity, and by so much the more unfit is it to transmit the species. Ray on the Creation.

The least parts of almost all bodies, are in some measure transparent; and the opacity of those bodies ariseth from the multitude of reflexions caused in their internal parts.

Nemutors.

Opa'cous. adj. [opacus, Latin.] Dark; obscure; not transparent.

When he perceives that opacous bodies do not hinder the eye from judging light to have an equal diffusion through the whole place that it irradiates, he can have no difficulty to allow air, that is diaphonous, and more subtile far than they, and consequently, divisible into lesser atoms; and having lesser porces, gives less scope to our eyes to miss light.

Diebu.

Upon the firm opacous globe Of this round world, whose first convex divides The luminous inferiour orbs, inclos'd

From chaos, and the inroad of darkness old, Satan alighted. Milton, P. L.

Opa'cousness.* n. s. [from opacous.]
The state of being opaque.

Mysteries, which (without these coverings) even the opacousness of the place were not obscure enough to conceal.

Evelyn, B.iv. § 8.

O'PAL.† n. s. [opalus, Lat.] A gem of great beauty, of a milky hue, and remarkable for the changes of colour belonging to other gems, which it exhibits, as it is variously turned about.

Thy mind is a very opal. Shaksp. Tw. Night.

S. I

The empyreal heaven, extended wide
In circuit, undetermin'd square or round;
With opal towers, and battlements adorn'd
Of living sapphire.
Milton, P. L.

We have this stone from Germany, and is the same with the opal of the ancients.

Woodward on Fossils.

OPA'QUE.† adj. [opacus, Lat. Written also opake.] Dark; not transparent; cloudy. The night's nimble net, That doth encompass every opake ball.

More, Life of the Soul, iii. 2. They

Shot upward still direct, whence no way round Shadow from body opaque can fall. Milton, P. I.

These disappearing fixt stars were actually ex-

tinguished and turned into more opaque and gross planet-like bodies.

Cheyne, Phil. Prin.

OPA'QUE.* n. s. Opacity.

Through this opaque of nature and of soul,

This double night.

Young, Night Th. 1.

Vivid green,

Warm brown, and black opake, the foreground bears Conspicuous. Mason.

OPA'QUENESS.* n. s. [from opaque.] State of being opaque.

The earth's opakeness, enemy to light.

More, Immortal. of the Soul, i. ii. S1.

To OPE. \ v. a. [open, Saxon; op, Ice-To OPEN. \ landick, όπη, Gr. a hole. Ope is used only in poetry, when one syllable is more convenient than two.]

 To unclose; to unlock; to put into such a state as that the inner parts may be seen or entered: the contrary to shut. The world's mine oyster,

Which I with sword will open.

Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor.
Before you fight, ope this letter.

They consent to work us harm and woe,

To ope the gates, and so let in our foe. Fairfar,

If a man open a pit and not cover it, and an ox fall therein, the owner of the pit shall make it good.

Ex. xxi, 23.

Let us pass through your land, and none shall do you any hurt: howheit they would not open unto him.

1 Mac. v. 48.

Open thy mouth for the dumb in the cause of all

such as are appointed to destruction.

Adam, now ope thine eyes; and first behold
The effects which thy original crime hath wrought
In some to spring from thee.

Milton, P. L.

The draw-bridges at Amsterdam part in the middle, and a vessel, though under sail, may pass them without the help of any one on shore; for the mast-head, or break-water of the ship bearing against the bridge in the middle, opens it. Brown.

Our fleet Apollo sends,

Where Tuscan Tyber rolls with rapid force, And where Numicus opes his holy source. Dryden. When first you ope your doors, and passing by The sad ill-omen'd object meets your eye. Dryden. My old wounds are open'd at this view,

And in my murderer's presence bleed anew.

Dryden.

When the matter is made, the side must be opened to let it out. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

2. To show; to discover.

The English did adventure far for to open the north parts of America. Abbat. Desc. of the World.

were not obscure
were not obscure

Evelyn, B. iv. § 8.

To divide; to break.

The wall of the cathedral church was opened by an earthquake, and shut again by a second.

4. To explain; to disclose.
Some things wisdom openeth by the sacred books

Some things wisdom openeth by the sacred books of Scripture, some things by the glorious works of nature.

Hooker.

Paul reasoned with them out of the Scriptures, opening and alleging, that Christ must needs have suffered, and risen again from the dead.

Acts, xvii. 3. After the earl of Lincoln was slain, the king opened himself to some of his council, that he was sorry for the earl's death, because by him he might have known the bottom of his danger.

Bacon, Hen. VII. Gramont, governour of Bayonne, took an exquisite notice of their persons and behaviour, and opened himself to some of his train, that he thought them to be gentlemen of much more worth than their habits bewrayed.

A friend who relates his success, talks himself into a new pleasure; and by opening his misfortunes, leaves part of them behind him.

Collier on Friendship. 5. To begin; to make the initial exhibition. You retained him only for the opening of your cause, and your main lawyer is yet behind.

Dryden, Ep. to the Whigs. Homer opens his poem with the utmost simplicity and modesty; he continually grows upon the reader. Notes on the Odyssey.

To OPE. To O'PEN. v. n.

1. To unclose itself; not to remain shut; not to continue closed.

The hundred doors

Ope of themselves; a rushing whirlwind roars Within the cave. Dryden, Æn.

Unnumber'd treasures ope at once, From each she nicely culls with curious toil, And decks the goddess. Pope, Rape of the Lock.

2. To bark. A term of hunting. If I cry out thus upon no trail, never trust me

when I open again. Shaksp. M. Wives of Windsor The night restores our actions done by day; As hounds in sleep will open for their prey.

Hark! the dog opens, take thy certain aim; The woodcock flutters. Gay, Rural Sports.

OPE. † \ adj. [ope is scarcely used but by O'PEN. old authors, and by them in the primitive not figurative sense.]

1. Unclosed; not shut.

The gates are ope; now prove good seconds; 'Tis for the followers fortune widens them; Not for the fliers. Shakspeare, Coriol.

Most sacrilegious murder hath broke ope The Lord's anointed temple, and stole thence

The life o' the building. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

Then sent Sanballat his servant, with an open Neh. vi. 5. letter in his hand. With the same key set ope the door

Wherewith you lock'd it fast before. Cleaveland. Through the gate,

Wide open and unguarded, Satan pass'd. Milton, P. L

They meet the chiefs returning from the fight, And each with open arms embrac'd her chosen

He, when Æneas on the plain appears, Meets him with open arms and falling tears

Dryden. The bounce broke ope the door. Dryden. The door was ope, they blindly grope the way. Dryden.

2. Plain; apparent; evident; publick. They crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put him to an open shame. Heb. vi. 6. He irefully enrag'd would needs to open arms. Drauton.

The under-work, transparent, shews too plain Where open acts accuse, th' excuse is vain.

3. Not wearing disguise; clear; artless; sincere.

He was so secret therein, as not daring to be open, that to no creature he ever spake of it.

Lord Cordes, the hotter he was against the 3. That which separates; disuniter. English in time of war, had the more credit in a negotiation of peace; and besides was held a man open and of good faith.

The French are always open, familiar, and talkative; the Italians stiff, ceremonious, and reserved.

This reserved mysterious way of acting towards persons, who in right of their posts expected a more open treatment, was imputed to some hidden

His generous, open, undesigning heart Has begg'd his rival to solicit for him. Addison, Cato.

4. Not clouded; clear.

With dry eyes, and with an open look, She met his glance midway. Dryden, Boccace. Then shall thy Craggs

On the cast ore another Pollio shine; With aspect open shall erect his head. 5. Not hidden; exposed to view.

In that little spot of ground that lies between those two great oceans of eternity, we are to exercise our thoughts, and lay open the treasures of the divine wisdom and goodness hid in this part of nature and providence.

Moral principles require reasoning and discourse to discover the certainty of their truths: they lie not open as natural characters engraven on the Locke.

6. Not restrained; not denied; not pre-

If Demetrius and the craftsmen have a matter against any man, the law is open, and there are deputies: let them implead one another.

7. Not cloudy; not gloomy. Dr. Johnson. - The solitary example, which Dr. Johnson here brings from Bacon, shews that not frosty, or mild, is the meaning of the word; and such is the general acceptation of an open winter.

An open and warm winter portendeth a hot and Bacon, Nat. Hist. dry summer. Did you ever see so open a winter in England? We have not had two frosty days; but it pays it

off in rain. 8. Uncovered.

With open head, and foot all bare, Hir haire to-sprad, she gan to fare.

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 5. Here is better than the open air.

Swift, Lett.

Shakspeare, K. Lear. And when at last in pity you will die, I'll watch your birth of immortality

Then, turtle-like, I'll to my mate repair, And teach you your first flight in open air. Dryd.

9. Exposed; without defence. The service that I truly did his life,

Hath left me open to all injuries. Shaksp. Hen. IV. 10. Attentive.

Thine eyes are open upon all the sons of men, to give every one according to his ways. Jer. xxxii. 19.

The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous, and his ears are open unto their cry. Ps. xxxiv. 15.

O'PENER. † n. s. [from open.]

1. One that opens; one that unlocks; one

that uncloses. True opener of mine eyes,

Much better seems this vision, and more hope Of peaceful days portends, than those two past. Milton, P. L.

It is a letter sealed, and sent; which to the bearer is but paper, but to the receiver and opener is full of power. Herbert, Country Parson, ch. 34. 2. Explainer; interpreter.

To us, th' imagin'd voice of heav'n itself; The very opener and intelligencer Between the grace, the sanctities of heav'n, Shakspeare, Hen. IV.

And our dull workings.

There may be such openers of compound bodies, because there wanted not some experiments in Boyle. which it appeared.

OPENEY'ED. adj. [open and eye.] Vigilant; watchful.

While you here do snoring lie,

Openeyed conspiracy His time doth take. Shakspeare, Tempest. OPENHA'NDED. † adj. [open and hand.] Ge-

nerous; liberal; munificent.

How open-handed Providence had been to him,

in heaping upon him all external blessings. South, Serm. vii. 217. Good Heaven, who renders mercy back for

mercy, With openhanded bounty shall repay you. Rowe.

OPENHE'ADED.* adj. [open and head.]
Bareheaded. Chaucer, C. T. ver. 6227. ed. Tyrwhitt. See the eighth sense of

OPENHEA'RTED. adj. [open and heart.] Generous; candid; not meanly subtle.

I know him well; he's free and openhearted.

Of an openhearted generous minister you are not to say that he was in an intrigue to betray his country; but in an intrigue with a lady.

[open and OPENHEA'RTEDNESS.† n. s. heart. Liberality; frankness; sincerity; munificence; generosity.

Mirth, gravity, open-heartedness, reservedness.

More, Conj. Cabb. (1653,) p. 211. He was a man of innocence and open-hearted-Walton, Life of Bp. Sanderson.

O'PENING. n. s. [from open.]

1. Aperture; breach.

The fire thus up, makes its way through the cracks and openings of the earth.

Woodward, Nat. Hist. 2. Discovery at a distance; faint know-

ledge; dawn. God has been pleased to dissipate this confusion and chaos, and to give us some openings, some dawnings of liberty and settlement. South, Serm-

The opening of your glory was like that of light; you shone to us from afar, and disclosed your first Dryden. beams on distant nations.

O'PENLY. † adv. [openlice, Saxon.]

1. Publickly; not secretly; in sight; not obscurely.

Their actions, always spoken of with great honour, are now called openly into question. Hooker. Prayers are faulty, not whensoever they be openly made, but when hypocrisy is the cause of open praying. Hooker. Why should you have put me to deny

This claim which now you wear so openly? Shaksp. I knew the time,

Now full, that I no more should live obscure,

But openly begin, as best becomes The authority which I deriv'd from heaven.

Milton, P. R. How grossly and openly do many of us contradict the precepts of the gospel, by our ungodliness

and worldly lusts! We express our thanks by openly owning our parentage, and paying our common devotions to

God on this day's solemnity. Atterbury 2. Plainly; apparently; evidently; without disguise.

Too openly does love and hatred show: A bounteous master, but a deadly foe. Dryden.

OPENMOU'THED. + adj. [open and mouth.] Greedy; ravenous; clamorous; vociferous.

Up comes a lion openmouthed toward the ass.

Ringwood, a French black whelp of the same breed, a fine openmouthed dog. Tutter, No. 62. O'PENNESS.† n. s. [from open.]

1. Plainness; clearness; freedom from obscurity or ambiguity.

Deliver with more openness your answers
To my demands. Shakspeare, Cymbeline.

Plainness; freedom from disguise.
 The noble openness and freedom of his reflections, are expressed in lively colours.

These letters, all written in the openness of friendship, will prove what were my real senti-

3. Openness of weather, i. e. mildness. See the seventh sense of Open.

O'PETIDE.* n. s. [ope and tide.] The ancient time of marriage from Epiphany to Ashwednesday.

So lavish ope-tide causeth fasting Lents.

Bp. Hall, Sat. ii. 1.

He grudges not our moderate and seasonable jollities: there is an ope-tide by his allowance, as well as a Lent.

Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 69.

O'PERA. n. s. [Italian.]

An opera is a poetical tale or fiction, represented by vocal and instrumental musick, adorned with scenes, machines, and dancing.

You will hear what plays were acted that week, which is the finest song in the opera. Law. O'PERABLE. adj. [from operor, Latin.] To

be done; practicable. Not in use.

Being uncapable of operable circumstances, or rightly to judge the prudentiality of affairs, they only gaze upon the visible success, and thereafter condemn or cry up the whole progression.

O'PERANT. adj. [operant, French.] Active; having power to produce any effect. A word not in use, though elegant.

Earth, yield me roots!

Who seeks for better of thee, sauce his palate
With thy most operant poison. Shakspeare, Timon.
I must leave thee, love, and shortly too;
My operant powers their functions leave to do.

To O'PERATE. v. n. [operor, Latin; operer, Fr.] To act; to have agency; to produce effects: with on before the subject of operation.

The virtues of private persons operate but on a few; their sphere of action is narrow, and their influence is confined to it.

Atterbury.

influence is confined to it.

Bodies produce ideas in us manifestly by impulse, the only way which we can conceive bodies operate in.

Lacks

It can operate on the guts and stomach, and thereby produce distinct ideas.

Locke.

A plain convincing reason operates on the mind, both of a learned and ignorant hearer as long as they live.

Swift.

Where causes operate freely, with a liberty of indifference to this or the contrary, the effect will be contingent, and the certain knowledge of it belongs only to God.

Watts.

OPERA'TION. n. s. [operatio, Latin; opera-

1. Agency; production of effects; influence.

There are in men operations natural, rational, supernatural, some politick, some finally ecclesiastical.

Hooker.

By all the operations of the orbs,

From whom we do exist, and cease to be, Here I disclaim all my paternal care.

Shakspeare, K. Lear.

All operations by transmission of spirits, and imagination, work at distance and not at touch.

Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Waller's presence had an extraordinary operation to procure any thing desired. Clarendon.

The tree whose operation brings

Knowledge of good and ill, shun to taste.

If the operation of these salts be in convenient glasses promoted by warmth, the ascending steams may easily be caught and reduced into a penetrant spirit.

Boyle.

Speculative painting, without the assistance of manual operation, can never attain to perfection, but slothfully languishes; for it was not with his tongue that Apelles performed his noble works.

Dryden, Dufresnoy.

The pain and sickness caused by manna, are the effects of its operation on the stomach and guts by the size, motion, and figure of its insensible parts.

2. Action; effect. This is often confounded with the former sense.

Repentance and renovation consist not in the strife, wish, or purpose, but in the actual operations of good life.

Hammond.

Many medicinal drugs of rare operation.

Heylyn.

That false fruit
Far other operation first display'd,

Carnal desire inflaming. Milton, P. L.

The offices appointed, and the powers exercised in the church, by their institution and operation are

In the church, by their institution and operation are holy.

In this understanding piece of clock-work, his body as well as other senseless matter has colour, warnth, and coffuse a production of the colours.

body as well as other senseless matter has colour, warmth, and softness. But these qualities are not subsistent in those bodies, but are operations of fancy begotten in something clse. Bentley, I'll chipropery. The part of the

 [In chirurgery.] The part of the art of healing which depends on the use of instruments.

4. The motions or employments of an army.

O'PERATIVE. adj. [from operate.] Having the power of acting; having forcible agency; active; vigorous; efficacious.

To be over curious in searching how God's allpiercing and operative spirit distinguishing gave form to the matter of the universal, is a search like unto his, who, not contented with a known ford, will presume to pass over the greatest rivers in all parts where he is ignorant of their depths. Ralegh.

Many of the nobility endeavoured to make themselves popular, by speaking in parliament against those things which were most grateful to his majesty; and he thought a little discountenance upon those persons would suppress that spirit within themselves, or make the poison of it less operative upon others.

Clarendon.

In actions of religion we should be zealous, active, and operative, so far as prudence will permit.

Bp. Taylor.

This circumstance of the promise must give life to all the rest, and make them operative toward the producing of good life. Decay of Chr. Piety, It holds in all operative principles, especially in morality; in which not to proceed, is certainly to

go backward.

South.

The will is the conclusion of an operative syl-

O'FERATOR. n. s. [operateur, French; from operate.] One that performs any act of the hand; one who produces any effect.

An imaginary operator opening the first with a great deal of nicety, upon a cursory view it appeared like the head of another. Addison, Spect. To administer this dose, there cannot be fewer.

than fifty thousand operators, allowing one operator to every thirty.
O'PEROSE,† adj. [operosus, Latin.] Laborious; full of trouble and tediousness.

The square letters are less operose, more expedite and facile, than the Samaritan.

Stilling fleet, Orig. Sac. i. 6.

Such an explication is purely imaginary, and also very operose; they would be as hard put to it to get rid of this water, when the deluge was to cease, as they were at first to procure it.

Burnet, Theory.

Written language, as it is more operous, so it is more digested, and is permanent.

Neatness, usefulness, and elegant simplicity,

seemed to have taken place of operose grandeur and a profusion of stupid ornaments.

Coventry, Phil. to Hyd. Conv. 2.
O'PEROSENESS.* n. s. [from operose.] State
of being operose.

They are far more easy, and reach the main design in a less compass of words; and have not that operoseness of synchronisms necessarily hanging on them as the other have for the clearing of the sense. More on the Seven Churches, (1669,) Pref. OPERO'SITY.* n. s. [from operose.] Operation; action.

There is a kind of operosity in sin, in regard whereof sinners are styled the workers of iniquity.

Bp. Hall, Select Thoughts, § 65.
OPHIO'PHAGOUS. adj. [σρις and φαγω.]
Serpent-eating. Not used.

All snakes are not of such poisonous qualities as common opinion presumeth; as is confirmable from ophiophagous nations, and such as feed upon serpents.

OPHI'TES. n. s. A stone, resembling a serpent.

Ophities has a dusky greenish ground, with spots of a lighter green, oblong, and usually near square.

Woodward.

Ophiu'chus.* n. s. [οφιεχος, Greek, anguitenens, serpent-bearer.] A constellation of the northern hemisphere.

Satan stood

Unterrified, and like a comet burn'd, That fires the length of Ophiuchus huge In the arctick sky.

In the arctick sky.

OPHTHA LIMICK. adj. [ophthalmique, Fr.; from δφδαλμος, Greek.] Relating to the eye.

OPHTHALMY, † n. s. [ophthalmie, Fr.; from δφθαλμος, Greek, the eye. Not content with this word, which is of considerable age in our language, many persons now affectedly use ophthalmia.] A disease of the eyes, being an inflammation in the coats, proceeding from arterious blood gotten out of the vessels and collected into those parts. Dict. By reason of some particular distemper of the

eyes, as exulceration, fistula, ophthulmy.

Ferrand on Love Melanch. (1640,) p. 128.

The use of coal applications, externally, is most

The use of cool applications, externally, is most easy to the eye; but after all, there will sometimes ensue a troublesome ophthalmy. Sharp, Surgery. YPIATE.† n. s. [from opium.] A medi-

cine that causes sleep.

They chose afficism as an opiate, to still those frightening apprehensions of hell, by inducing a dulness and lethargy of mind, rather than to make use of that native and salutary medicine, a hearty repentance.

Bentley.

Thy thoughts and music change with ev'ry line; No sameness of a prattling stream is thine,

Which with one unison of murmur flows,

Opiate of inattention and repose.

Harte

O'PIATE. adj. Soporiferous; somniferous; narcotick; causing sleep.

The particular ingredients of those magical ointments, are *opiate* and soporiferous. For anointing of the forehead and back bone, is used for procuring dead sleeps.

Bacon.

Spangled with eyes, more numerous than those Of Argus, and more wakeful than to drouze, Charm'd with Arcadian pipe, the pastoral reed

Of Hermes, or his opiate rod. Milton, P. L. Lettuce, which has a milky juice with an anodyne or opiate quality resolvent of the bile, is proper for melancholy. Arbuthnot on Aliments.

O'PIFICE. n. s. [opificium, Latin.] Workmanship; handiwork.

OPI'FICER. n. s. [opifex, Latin.] One that performs any work; artist. A word not received.

Considering the infinite distance betwixt the poor mortal artist, and the almighty opificer. Bentley, Serm. 2.

OPI'NABLE. † adj. [opinor, Latin.] Which may be thought. Dict. Opinable matters, and disputable.

Confutation of N. Shaxton, &c. (1546,) sign. C. iii. b. OPINA'TION. n. s. [opinor, Latin.] Opinion; notion.

OPI'NATIVE.* adj. [opinor, Latin.] Stiff in a preconceived notion. We now say opinionative.

Speak truth: be not opinative: maintain no fac-Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 365.

OPINA'TOR. † n. s. [opinor, Latin.] One who holds an opinion; one fond of his own notion.

Fond opinators invest their beloved congregation with all the glorious privileges and titles, making angels of their own men. Glanville, Serm. p. 135. Consider against what kind of opinators the

reason above given is levelled.

Hale, Orig. of Mankind. To OPI'NE. v. n. [opinor, Latin.] To think; to judge; to be of opinion.

Fear is an ague, that forsakes And haunts by fits those whom it takes; And they'll opine they feel the pain

And blows they felt to-day, again. In matters of mere speculation, it is not material to the welfare of government, or themselves, whether they opine right or wrong, and whether they be philosophers or no.

But I, who think more highly of our kind, Opine, that nature, as in duty bound,

Deep hid the shining mischief under ground. Pope. OPI'NER.* n. s. [from opine.] One who

holds an opinion. Weak and wilful opiners, but not just arbitrators.

Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 157. Opi'ning.* n. s. [from opine.] Opinion;

Very few examine the marrow and inside of

things, but take them upon the credit of customary Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 131.

OPINIA'STRE.* adj. [opiniastre, French.]
OPINIA'STROUS. Fond of one's own opinion. Not in use. The substantives opiniastre and opiniastrie have likewise not been received. See what Dr. Johnson says under opiniatrety.

Men are so far in love with their own opiniastre conceits, as that they cannot patiently endure op-Ralegh, Arts of Emp. ch. 14. position.

Next, in matters of death, the laws of England, whereof you have intruded to be an opiniastrous subadvocate, and are bound to defend them, conceive it not enjoined in Scripture, when or for what cause they shall be put to death, as in adultery, theft, and the like. Milton, Colasterion.

To Opi'niate. * v. a. [opiniatrer, French.] To maintain obstinately.

They did opiniate two principles, not distinct only, but contrary the one to the other.

Barrow, Serm.

OPI'NIATIVE. † adj. [from opinion.] 1. Stiff in a preconceived notion.

If either the obstinacy of the pope's ambition, or the wilfulness or scrupulosity of any opiniative ministers should oppose against and impeach the unity of charity; then, the unity of authority to be interposed to assist it.

Sir E. Sandys, State of Rel. (ed. 1605,) sign. T. 2.

2. Imagined; not proved.

It is difficult to find out truth, because it is in such inconsiderable proportions scattered in a mass of opiniative uncertainties; like the silver in Hiero's crown of gold.

OPI'NIATIVENESS.* n. s. [from opinionative.] Inflexibility of opinion; obsti-

The first obstacle to good counsel is pertinacy or opiniativeness. Ralegh, Arts of Emp. ch. 14.

OPINIA'TOR. n. s. [opiniatre, French.] One fond of his own notion; inflexible; adherent to his own opinion.

What will not opiniators and self-believing men dispute of and make doubt of? Ralegh. Essex left lord Roberts governour; a man of

a sour and surly nature, a great opiniator, and one who must be overcome before he would believe that he could be so. Clarendon.

For all his exact plot, down was he cast from all his greatness, and forced to end his days in a mean condition; as it is pity but all such politick oviniators should.

PINIA'TRE. † adj. [French.] Obstinate; stubborn; inflexible.

Spare yourself, lest you bejade the good galloway, your own opiniatre wit, and make the very conceit itself blush with spurgalling.

Milton, Animadv. Rem. Defence. What in common life would denote a man rash, fool-hardy, hair-brained, opiniatre, crazed, is recommended in this scheme as the true method in speculation. Bentley, Phil. Lips. § 15.

Instead of an able man, you desire to have him an insignificant wrangler, opiniatre in discourse, and priding himself in contradicting others. Locke.

OPINIA'TRE.* n. s. One fond of his own notions; one stiff in his own opinions.

To be termed a foppish simpleton, a clownish singularist, or non-conformist to ordinary usage, a stiff opiniatre, are opprobrious names, which divert many persons from their duty.

Barrow, vol. iii. S. 34.

OPINIA'TRETY. \ n. s. [opiniatreté, Fr.]
OPI'NIATRY. \ Obstinacy; inflexibility; determination of mind; stubbornness. This word, though it has been tried in different forms, is not yet received, nor

Lest popular opiniatre should arise, we will deliver the chief opinions. Brown, Vulg. Err. The one sets the thoughts upon wit and false

colours, and not upon truth; the other teaches fallacy, wrangling, and opiniatry.

Locke on Education. So much as we ourselves comprehend of truth and reason, so much we possess of real and true knowledge. The floating of other men's opinions in our brains, make us not one jot the more knowing, though they happen to be true: what in them was science, is in us but opiniatrety. Locke.

I can pass by opiniatry and the busy meddling of those who thrust themselves into every thing.

Woodward, Lett. I was extremely concerned at his opiniatrety in leaving me: but he shall not get rid so.

OPI'NION. † n. s. [opinion, Fr. opinio,

1. Persuasion of the mind, without proof or certain knowledge.

Opinion is a light, vain, crude, and imperfect thing, settled in the imagination, but never arriving at the understanding, there to obtain the tincture of reason. B. Jonson.

Opinion is, when the assent of the understanding is so far gained by evidence of probability, that it rather inclines to one persuasion than to another, yet not altogether without a mixture of incertainty or doubting.

Time wears out the fictions of opinion, and doth by degrees discover and unmask that fallacy of ungrounded persuasions; but confirms the dictates and sentiments of nature. Wilkins.

Blest be the princes who have fought For pompous names, or wide dominion,

Since by their error we are taught, That happiness is but opinion. Prior.

2. Sentiments; judgement; notion. Where no such settled custom hath made it law, there it bath force only according to the strength of reason and circumstances joined with it, or as it shews the opinion and judgement of them that made it; but not at all as if it had any commanding power of obedience.

Can they make it out against the common sense and opinion of all mankind, that there is no such thing as a future state of misery for such as have lived ill here? South.

Charity itself commands us, where we know no ill, to think well of all; but friendship, that always goes a pitch higher, gives a man a peculiar right and claim to the good opinion of his friend.

We may allow this to be his opinion concerning heirs, that where there are divers children the eldest son has the right to be heir.

Philosophers are of opinion, that infinite space is possessed by God's infinite omnipresence. Locke. A story out of Boccalini sufficiently shews us the opinion that judicious author entertained of the criticks.

3. Favourable judgement.

In actions of arms small matters are of great moment, especially when they serve to raise an opinion of commanders.

Howsoever I have no opinion of those things; yet so much I conceive to be true, that strong imagination hath more force upon things living, than things merely inanimate. Bacon.

If a woman had no opinion of her own person and dress, she would never be angry at those who are of the opinion with herself.

4. Reputation.

Thou hast redeem'd thy lost opinion. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. P. I.

You have the opinion Of a valiant gentleman, one that dares Fight, and maintain your honour against odds.

Shirley, Gamester.

To Opi'nion. v. a. [from the noun.] To opine; to think. A word out of use, and unworthy of revival.

The Stoicks opinioned the souls of wise men dwell about the moon, and those of fools wandered about the earth: whereas the Epicureans held nothing after death.

That the soul and the angels are devoid of quantity and dimension, is generally opinioned. Glanville, Scepsis.

OPI'NIONED.* adj. Attached to particular opinions; conceited.

He may cast him upon a bold self-opinioned physician, worse than his distemper.

South, Serm. i. 298.

OPI'NIONATE.*) adj. [from opinion.] Ob-OPI'NIONATED. \ stinate; inflexible in

Are you so simple as not to discern between the choler of some few opinionate men, and the consequence of their opinions?

Bp. Bedell, Lett. to Mr. Waddesworth, (about 1620,) p. 3254

People of clear heads are what the world calls opinionated.

OPI'NIONATELY. * adv. [from opinionate.] Obstinately; conceitedly; in one's own

Self-conceited people never agree well together: they are wilful in their brawls, and reason cannot reconcile them: where either are only opinionately wise, hell is there; unless the other be a patient Feltham, Res. i. 85.

OPI'NIONATIST.* n. s. [from opinionate.] One who is obstinate or conceited.

If we would hearken to the pernicious counsels of some such opinionatists.

Fenton, Serm. before the Univ. of Oxf. (1720,) p. 11. OPI'NIONATIVE. adj. [from opinion.] Fond of preconceived notions; stubborn.

Striking at the root of pedantry and opinionative assurance, would be no hinderance to the world's improvement.

One would rather chuse a reader without art, than one ill-instructed with learning, but opinionative and without judgement.

Burnet, The. of the Earth.

OPI'NIONATIVELY. adv. [from opinionative. Stubbornly.

OPI'NIONATIVENESS. n. s. [from opinion-

ative.] Obstinacy.

OPI'NIONIST. † n. s. [opinioniste, Fr. from opinion.] One fond of his own notions. Every conceited opinionist sets up an infallible chair in his own brain. Glanville to Albius.

This was never called into question, till the conceited opinionist Jovinian, among his other paradoxes, ventured to broach the contrary doctrine. Bp. Bull, Works, i. 299.

OPI'PAROUS. adj. [opiparus, Lat.] Sumptuous.

Opi'parously.* adv. [from opiparous.] Sumptuously; abundantly,

The compilers of them were not men meanly bred, or loosely seen in arts, but opiparously accomplished. Waterhouse, Apol. for Learn. (1653,) p. 93.

OPITULA'TION. n. s. [opitulatio, Lat.] An aiding; a helping.

O'PIUM.† n. s. [οπιον, from οπος, Gr. juice. Our old word was opie. "Narcotikes, and opie of Thebes fine." Chaucer.] A juice, partly of the resinous, partly of the gummy kind. It is brought to us in flat cakes or masses, very heavy and of a dense texture, not perfectly dry: its colour is a dark brownish yellow; its smell is of a dead faint kind: and its taste very bitter and very acrid. It is brought from Natolia, Egypt, and the East Indies, produced from the white garden poppy; with which the fields of Asia-Minor are in many places sown. When the heads grow to maturity, but are yet soft, green, and full of juice, incisions are made in them, and from every one of these a few drops flow of a milky juice, which soon hardens into a solid consistence. The finest opium proceeds from the first incisions. What we generally have is the mere crude juice, worked up with water, or honey sufficient to bring it into form. Externally applied it is emollient, relaxing, and discutient, and greatly pro- Oppila'TION. 7 n. s. [oppilation, Fr. from motes suppuration. A moderate dose of opium taken internally, is generally

under a grain, yet custom will make people bear a dram, but in that case nature is vitiated. Its first effect is the making the patient cheerful; it removes melancholy, and dissipates the dread of danger; the Turks always take it when they are going to battle: it afterwards quiets the spirits, eases pain, and disposes to sleep. After the effect is over, the pain generally returns in a more violent manner; the spirits become lower than before, and the pulse languid. An immoderate dose of opium brings on drunkenness, cheerfulness, and loud laughter, at first, and, after many terrible symptoms, death itself. Those who have accustomed themselves to an immoderate use of opium, are apt to be faint, idle, and thoughtless; they lose their appetite, and grow old before their time. Sleep hath forsook and given me o'er

To death's benumbing opium as my only cure.

The colour and taste of opium are, as well as its soporific or anodyne virtues, mere powers depending on its primary qualities, whereby it is fitted to produce different operations on different parts of our bodies. Locke.

O'PLE-TREE. n. s. [opulus, Lat.] A sort of tree; the witch-hazel. Ainsworth. OPOBA'LSAMUM. n. s. [Latin.] Balm

OPODE'LDOC.* n. s. [In medicine.] The name of a plaster; and also of a popular ointment.

OPO'PONAX. n. s. [Latin.] A gum resin in small loose granules, and sometimes in large masses, of a strong disagreeable smell, and an acrid and extremely bitter taste; brought to us from the East, and known to the Greeks; but we are entirely ignorant of the plant which produces this drug.

Opo'ssum.* n. s. An American animal. Here is likewise that singular animal, called the opossum, which seems to be the wood-rat, mentioned by Charlevoix, in his history of Canada.

O'PPIDAN. n. s. [oppidanus, Lat.] A townsman; an inhabitant of a town.

The oppidans, in the mean time, were not wanting to trouble us; and particularly the baillives. A. Wood, Ann. Univ. Ox. in 1528.

O'PPIDAN.* adj. Relating to a town. Touching the temporal government of Rome, and oppidan affairs, there is a pretor, and some choice citizens, who sit on the capitol.

Howell, Lett. i. i. 38. To Oppi'GNERATE. v. a. [oppignero, Lat.]
To pledge; to pawn. Not in use.

The duke of Guise Henry was the greatest usurer in France, for that he had turned all his estate into obligations; meaning that he had sold and oppignorated all his patrimony, to give large donatives to other men.

Ferdinando merchanded with France, for the restoring Roussillion and Perpignan, oppignorated Bacon.

To O'PPILATE. + v. a. [oppilo, Latin; oppiler, Fr.] To heap up obstruction. Cockeram, and Sherwood.

oppilate.] Obstruction; matter heaped together.

Nothing is worse than to feed on many dishes, or to protract the time of meats longer than ordinary: from thence proceed our infirmities; thence, saith Fernelius, come crudities, wind, oppilations. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 71.

The ingredients prescribed in their substance actuate the spirits, reclude oppilations, and mundify the blood.

O'PPILATIVE. † adj. [oppilative, Fr.] Obstructive. Sherwood. OPPLE'TED. adj. [oppletus, Lat.] Filled;

crouded. To OPPO'NE.* v. a. [oppono, Lat.] To oppose. Not in use.

What can you not do Against lords spiritual or temporal,

That shall oppone you? B. Jonson, Alchemist.

OPPO'NENCY.* n. s. [opponens, Lat.] The opening an academical disputation: the proposition of objections to a tenet: an exercise for a degree. See the second meaning of OPPONENT.

Oppo'nent. adj. [opponens, Lat.] Opposite: adverse.

Ere the foundations of this earth were laid, It was opponent to our search ordain'd,

That joy, still sought, should never be attain'd.

OPPO'NENT. n. s. [opponens, Lat.] 1. Antagonist; adversary.

2. One who begins the dispute by raising objections to a tenet, correlative to the defendant or respondent.

Inasmuch as ye go about to destroy a thing which is in force, and to draw in that which hath not as yet been received, to impose on us that which we think not ourselves bound unto; that therefore ye are not to claim in any conference

other than the plaintiff's or opponent's part. Hooker. How becomingly does Philopolis exercise his office, and seasonably commit the opponent with the respondent, like a long practised moderator!

OPPORTU'NE. adj. [opportun, Fr. opportunus, Lat.] Seasonable; convenient; fit; timely; well-timed; proper.

There was nothing to be added to this great king's felicity, being at the top of all worldly bliss, and the perpetual constancy of his prosperous successes, but an opportune death to withdraw him from any future blow of fortune.

Bacon.

Will lift us up in spite of fate, Nearer our ancient seat; perhaps in view

Of those bright confines, whence with neighb'ring arms

And opportune excursion, we may chance Re-enter heav'n. Milton, P. I ..

Consider'd every creature, which of all Most opportune might serve his wiles; and found The serpent subtlest beast of all the field.

Milton, P. L. To Opportu'ne.* v. a. To suit. Not in

The pronoun opportunes us: some copies have vobis, but the most and best have nobis.

Dr. Clarke, Serm. (1637,) p. 483.

OPPORTU'NELY. adv. [from opportune.] Seasonably; conveniently; with opportunity either of time or place.

He was resolved to chuse a war rather than to have Bretagne carried by France, being situate so opportunely to annoy England either for coast or trade. Bacon, Hen. VII.

Against these there is a proper objection, that they offend uniformity; whereof I am therefore opportunely induced to say somewhat.

Wotton, Architecture.

The experiment does opportunely supply the deficiency.

Opportunitas, Lat.] Fit time; fit place; time; convenience; suitableness of circumstances to any end.

A wise man will make more opportunities than he finds. Men's behaviour should be like their apparel, not too strait, but free for exercise.

Opportunity, like a sudden gust, Hath swell'd my calmer thoughts into a tempest.-

Accursed opportunity ! That work'st our thoughts into desires, desires To resolutions; those being ripe and quicken'd, Thou giv'st them birth, and bring'st them forth

Denham. Though their advice be good, their counsel wise, Yet length still loses opportunities. Denham. I had an opportunity to see the clouds descend, and after it was past, to ascend again so high as

.to get over part of the mountain. Brown, Trav. Neglect no opportunity of doing good, nor check thy desire of doing it, by a vain fear of what may Atterbury

All poets have taken an opportunity to give long descriptions of the night.

Oppo'sAL.* n. s. [from oppose.] Opposition. The castle gates opened, fearless of any further

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 81. opposal. To OPPO'SE. v. a. [opposer, French;

oppono, Latin.]

To act against; to be adverse; to hinder; to resist.

There's no bottom, none In my voluptuousness: and my desire All continent impediments would o'erbear, Shakspeare, Macbeth That did oppose my will.

2. To put in opposition; to offer as an antagonist or rival.

If all men are not naturally equal, I am sure all slaves are; and then I may, without presumption, oppose my single opinion to his.

3. To place as an obstacle. Since he stands obdurate, And that no lawful means can carry me Out of his envy's reach, I do oppose My patience to his fury. Shaksp. Merch. of Ven.

I through the seas pursu'd their exil'd race, Engag'd the heavens, oppos'd the stormy main; But billows roar'd and tempests rag'd in vain. Dryden.

4. To place in front; to place over against. Her grace sat down In a rich chair of state; opposing freely The beauty of her person to the people. Shaksn

To OPPO'SE. v. n.

1. To act adversely. A servant, thrill'd with remorse, Oppos'd against the act, bending his sword
To his great master.

Shakspeare, K. Lear. To his great master. He practised to dispatch such of the nobility as

were like to oppose against his mischievous drift, and in such sort to encumber and weaken the rest, that they should be no impediments to him. Hayward.

2. To object in a disputation; to have the part of raising difficulties against a tenet supposed to be right.

Oppo'seless. adj. [from oppose.] Irresistible; not to be opposed.

I could bear it longer, and not fall To quarrel with your great opposeless wills. Shakspeare.

OPPO'SER. n. s. [from oppose.] One that opposes; antagonist; enemy; rival.

Now the fair goddess Fortune

Fall deep in love with thee, and her great charms Misguide thy *opposers*' swords: bold gentleman! Prosperity be thy page.

Shakspeare, Corio Shakspeare, Coriol. Brave wits that have made essays worthy of im-

mortality; yet by reason of envious and more.popular opposers, have submitted to fate, and are almost lost in oblivion.

I do not see how the ministers could have continued in their stations, if their opposers had agreed about the methods by which they should be ruined.

A hardy modern chief, A bold opposer of divine belief. Blackmore.

O'PPOSITE. adj. [opposite, Fr. oppositus, Lat.]

1. Placed in front; facing each other. To the other five,

Their planetary motions and aspects, In sextile, square, trine, and opposite, Of noxious efficacy. Milton, P. L.

2. Adverse; repugnant.

Nothing of a foreign nature, like the trifling novels, by which the reader is misled into another sort of pleasure, opposite to that which is designed in an epick poem.

This is a prospect very uneasy to the lusts and passions, and opposite to the strongest desires of flesh and blood.

3. Contrary.

In this fallen state of man religion begins with repentance and conversion, the two opposite terms Tillotson. of which are God and sin. Particles of speech have divers, and sometimes

almost opposite significations. Locke.

O'PPOSITE. n. s. Adversary; opponent; antagonist; enemy.

To the best and wisest, while they live, the world is continually a froward opposite, a curious observer of their defects and imperfections; their virtues it afterwards as much admireth. Hooker.

He is the most skilful, bloody, and fatal opposite that you could have found in Illyria.

Shakspeare, Tw. Night. The knight whom fate or happy chance Shall grace his arms so far in equal fight, From out the bars to force his opposite,

The prize of valour and of love shall gain.

O'PPOSITELY. adv. [from opposite.] 1. In such a situation as to face each

The lesser pair are joined edge to edge, but not oppositely with their points downward, but up-

2. Adversely.

I oft have seen, when corn was ripe to mow, And now in dry, and brittle straw did grow, Winds from all quarters oppositely blow

May, Virg. O'PPOSITENESS. n. s. [from opposite.] The

state of being opposite. Opposition. † n. s. [opposition, Fr. oppo-

sitio, Lat.] 1. Situation so as to front something op-

posed; standing over against. 2. Hostile resistance.

Virtue, which breaks through all opposition, And all temptation can remove,

Most shines, and most is acceptable above. Milton, S. A.

He considers Lausus rescuing his father at the hazard of his own life, as an image of himself when he took Anchises on his shoulders, and bore him safe thro' the rage of the fire and the opposition Dryden, Dufresnoy. of his enemies.

3. Contrariety of affection. They who never tried the experiment of a holy life, measure the laws of God not by their intrinsical goodness, but by the reluctancy and opposition which they find in their own hearts. Tillotson.

4. Contrariety of interest; contrariety of measures.

When the church is taken for the persons making profession of the christian faith, the catholick is often added in opposition to hereticks and schismaticks. Pearson.

5. Contrariety of meaning; diversity of meaning.

The parts of every true opposition do always both concern the same subject, and have reference to the same thing, sith otherwise they are but in shew opposite, not in truth. Hooker.

The use of language and custom of speech, in

all authors I have met with, has gone upon this rule, or maxim, that exclusive terms are always to be understood in opposition only to what they are opposed to, and not in opposition to what they are not opposed to. Waterland

6. Inconsistency; contradiction.

Reason can never permit the mind to reject a greater evidence, to embrace what is less evident, nor allow it to entertain probability in opposition to knowledge and certainty.

The collective body of members of both houses of parliament who oppose the ministry, or the measures of govern-

He has never omitted a fair occasion, with whatever detriment to his interest as a member of opposition, to assert the very same doctrines which appear in that book.

O'PPOSITIVE.* adj. [from opposite.] Capable of being put in opposition.

Here not without some oppositive comparison; not Moses, not Elias, but This: Moses and Elias were servants; This, a son.

Bp. Hall, Contempl. B. 4.

To OPPRE'SS. v. a. [oppressus, Lat.] 1. To crush by hardship or unreasonable

severity. Israel and Judah were oppressed together, and

all that took them captives held them fast, they refused to let them go. Alas! a mortal most opprest of those

Whom fate has loaded with a weight of woes. Pope.

2. To overpower; to subdue. We're not ourselves,

When nature, being oppress'd, commands the mind To suffer with the body. Shakspeare, K. Lear. In blazing height of noon,

The sun oppress'd, is plung'd in thickest gloom.

Oppression. n. s. [oppression, Fr. from oppress.]

1. The act of oppressing; cruelty; severity.

If thou seest the oppressions of the poor, marvel not at the matter, for he that is higher than the Eccles. v. 8. highest regardeth.

2. The state of being oppressed; misery. Famine is in thy cheeks;

Need and oppression stare within thine eyes, Contempt and beggary hang upon thy back.

Shakspeare. Cæsar himself has work, and our oppression Exceeds what we expected. Shaksp. Ant. & Cleop.

3. Hardship; calamity. We are all subject to the same accidents; and

when we see any under particular oppression, we should look upon it as the common lot of human 4. Dulness of spirits; lassitude of body.

Drousiness, oppression, heaviness, and lassitude, are signs of a too plentiful meal.

Arbuthnot on Aliments.

OPPRE'SSIVE. adj. [from oppress.]

1. Cruel; inhuman; unjustly exactious or

2. Heavy; overwhelming.

Alicia, reach thy friendly arm, And help me to support that feeble frame, That nodding totters with oppressive woe, And sinks beneath its load, Rowe, Jane Shore. To ease the soul of one oppressive weight, This quits an empire, that embroils a state. Pope.

OPPRE'SSIVELY.* adv. [from oppressive.] In an oppressive or severe manner.

Her taxes are more injudiciously and more oppressively imposed, more vexatiously collected. Burke on the State of the Nation, (1769.)

OPPRE'SSOR. n. s. [oppresseur, Fr. from One who harasses others oppress.] with unreasonable or unjust severity.

I from oppressors did the poor defend, The fatherless, and such as had no friend. Sandys. The cries of orphans, and th' oppressor's rage, Had reach'd the stars. Power when employed to relieve the oppressed,

and to punish the oppressor, becomes a great blessing.

OPPRO'BRIOUS. adj. [from opprobrium, Lat.

1. Reproachful; disgraceful; causing infamy; scurrilous.

Himself pronounceth them blessed, that should for his name sake be subject to all kinds of ignominy and opprobrious malediction.

They see themselves unjustly aspersed, and vindicate themselves in terms no less opprobrious than those by which they are attacked.

Addison, Freeholder.

2. Blasted with infamy. I will not here defile

My unstain'd verse with his opprobrious name.

Daniel.

Solomon he led by fraud to build His temple right against the temple of God, On the opprobrious hill. Milton, P. L.

OPPRO'BRIOUSLY. adv. [from opprobrious.] Reproachfully; scurrilously. Think you, this little prating York

Was not incensed by his subtle mother, To taunt and scorn you thus opprobriously? Shakspeare, Rich. III.

OPPRO'BRIOUSNESS. n. s. [from opprobrious. Reproachfulness; scurrility.

OPPRO'BRIUM.* n. s. [Latin. We had formerly the harsh English word opprobrie, which is in Sherwood's dictionary. Opprobrium has long been in use, though Dr. Johnson has overpassed it; and continues to be. Dr. Johnson himself too has used the word opprobry.] Disgrace; infamy.

He there saith, among other opprobries put upon Luther, that he could not have committed a sin

of higher nature.

Hayne's Life of Luther, (1644,) p. 62. Whoever presumes to give check to our insolence, is sure to be made the mark of our malice, and to be persecuted with all the reproach and opprobrium that the most inveterate rancour can invent.

Scott, Serm. before the Lord Mayor, (1683,) Works, ed. fol. ii. 37.

Patch was in old language a term of opprobry. Dr. Johnson, Note on Shaksp. M. N. Dream.

O'PPROBRY.* See the preceding word. To OPPU'GN. + v. a. [oppugner, old Fr. oppugno, Lat.] To oppose; to attack; to resist.

Not so subtle to invent false matters to oppugne | OPTI'CIAN. † n. s. [from optick,] the truth.

Martin, Marr. of Priests, (1554,) sign. B. i. b. For the ecclesiastical laws of this land we are led by a great reason to observe, and ye be by no necessity bound to oppugn them. Hooker. This is to oppugn nature, and to make a strong

body weak. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 227. They said the manner of their impeachment they could not but conceive did oppugn the rights

of parliament. Clarendon.

If nothing can oppugn love, And virtue envious ways can prove,

What cannot he confide to do

That brings both love and virtue too? Hudibras. The ingredients reclude oppilations, mundify the blood, and oppugn putrefaction.

OPPU'GNANCY. n. s. [from oppugn.] Opposition.

Take but degree away, untune that string, And hark what discord follows, each thing meets

In meer oppugnancy. Shakspeare, Troil. and Cress. Oppu'GNANT.* adj. [oppugnans, Latin.] Opposing; resisting; repugnant.

It is directly oppugnant to the laws established. Darcie's Annals of Q. Eliz. p. 36. OPPUGNA'TION.* n. s. Fold Fr. oppugna-

Resistance. Huloet. Which being done by way of tithes in those countries wherein they obtain, there is just cause of thankfulness to God for so meet a provision, none for a just oppugnation.

Bp. Hall, Cases of Consc. D. 3. C. 7.

OPPU'GNER. † n. s. [from oppugn.] One who opposes or attacks.

I know these sports have many oppugners.

Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 272. He was a strong oppugner of the Pelagian he-Selden on Drayton's Polyolb. S. 4. In words the fathers, but in their deeds the opjugners, of the truth.

Milton, Apol. for Smectymnuus.
The modern and degenerate Jews be, upon the score of being the great patrons of man's free will, not causelessly esteemed the great oppugners of God's free grace. Boyle.

Opsi'mathy.† n. s. [δψιμαθία.] Late education; late erudition.

Opsimathie, which is too late beginning to learn, was counted a great vice, and very unseemly amongst moral and natural men.

Hales, Rem. p. 218. Opsona'tion. n. s. [opsonatio, Latin.] Catering; a buying provisions. Dict. O'PTABLE. † adj. [optabilis, Latin.] Desirable; to be wished.

To O'PTATE.* v. a. [opto, Lat. opter, Fr.] To choose; to wish for; to desire. Not in use. Cotgrave, and Sherwood.

OPTA'TION.* n. s. [optatio, Latin.] The expression of a wish. Obsolete.

To this belong - optation, obtestation, inter-

Peacham, Gard. of Eloquence, (1577,) sign. P. iii. O'PTATIVE. † adj. [optativus, Lat.]

1. Expressive of desire.

This optative infinity in the soul of man. W. Mountague, Dev. Ess. P. i. (1648,) p. 196.

2. Belonging to that mood of a verb which expresses desire. The verb undergoes in Greek a different form-

ation to signify wishing, which is called the opta-

O'PTICAL. adj. [owlinos.] Relating to the science of opticks.

It seems not agreeable to what anatomists, and optical writers deliver, touching the relation of the two eyes to each other. Boyle.

1. One skilled in opticks.

How it is that, by means of our sight, we learn to judge of such distances, opticians have en-deavoured to explain in several different ways.

A. Smith on the External Senses. 2. One who makes or sells optick glasses. Opticians have daily experience of the truth of these observations. Adams on Vision.

O'PTICK. adj. [owling, Gr.; optique, Fr.] 1. Visual; producing vision; subservient to vision.

May not the harmony and discord of colours arise from the proportions of the vibrations propagated through the fibres of the optick nerves into the brain, as the harmony and discord of sounds arise from the proportions of the vibrations of the Newton, Opt.

2. Relating to the science of vision.

Where our master handleth the contractions of pillars, we have an optick rule, that the higher they are, the less should be always their diminution aloft, because the eye itself doth contract all objects, according to the distance.

O'PTICK. n. s. An instrument of sight; an organ of sight.

Can any thing escape the perspicacity of the eyes which were before light, and in whose opticks there is no opacity?

Our corporeal eyes we find Dazzle the opticks of our mind. You may neglect, or quench, or hate the flame, Whose smoke too long obscur'd your rising name, And quickly cold indifference will ensue,

When you love's joys through honour's optick view.

Why has not man a microscopick eye? For this plain reason, man is not a fly. Say what the use, were finer opticks given,

T' inspect a mite, not comprehend the heaven? Pope. O'PTICKS. n. s. pl. [δπ/ική.] The science

of the nature and laws of vision. No spherical body of what bigness soever illuminates the whole sphere of another, although it illuminate something more than half of a lesser, according unto the doctrine of opticks.

Brown, Vulg. Err. Those who desire satisfaction must go to the admirable treatise of opticks by Sir Isaac Newton.

Cheyne. O'PTIMACY.† n. s. [optimates, Latin.] Nobility; body of nobles; men of the highest rank.

The government of every city in time becomes corrupt: principality changeth into tyranny; the optimacy is made the government of the people; and the popular estate turns to licentious disorder.

Ralegh, Arts of Emp. ch. 26. Sometimes an optimacy of a few, all prime, coequal in their power; and sometimes a democracy, or popular state, a whole Egypt full of locusts in one breast. Hammond, Works, iv. 529.

In this high court of parliament there is a rare co-ordination of power, a wholesome mixture betwixt monarchy, optimacy, and democracy. Howell.

O'PTIMISM.* n. s. [from optimus, Lat.] The doctrine that every thing in nature is ordered for the best.

Voltaire has, in many parts of his works, besides his Candide and his Philosophical Dictionary, exerted the utmost efforts of his wit and argument to depreciate and destroy the doctrine of optimism, and the idea that "The eternal art educes good from ill." Dr. Warton, Ess. on Pope.

OPTI'MITY. n. s. [from optimus, Lat.] The state of being best.

O'PTION. † n. s. [optio, Lat.]

1. Choice; election; power of choosing.

Transplantation must proceed from the option of the people, else it sounds like an exile; so the colonies must be raised by the leave of the king, and not by his command. Racon.

He decrees to punish the contumacy finally, by assigning them their own options. Hammond. Which of these two rewards we will receive, he

hath left to our option. Smalridge. 2. Wish. Cockeram. I shall conclude this epistle with a pathetick op-

tion, O that men were wise!

The Layman's Def. of Christ. (about 1730,) p. 23. 3. A choice of preferment belonging to the patronage of suffragans, made by

the archbishops of Canterbury and York, on the promotion of the person to a

bishoprick.

The archbishop of Canterbury hath a right, upon the promotion of every bishop in his grace's province, [and so has the archbishop of York, except with regard to the see of Durham,] to choose any one ecclesiastical preferment, prebend, or benefice, in the gift of such bishop, which is called the archbishop's option; which is even at the disposal of the executors of the archbishop, if the bishop that is promoted doth not die before the option becometh vacant. Nelson, Life of Bp. Bull, p. 357.

O'PTIONAL.* adj. [from option.] Leaving somewhat to choice.

Original writs are either optional or peremptory. Blackstone,

O'PULENCE.] n. s. [opulence, Fr.; opu-O'PULENCY.] lentia, Lat.] Wealth;

riches; affluence.

It must be a discovery of the infinite flatteries that follow youth and opulency. Shakspeare, Tim. After eight years spent in outward opulency, and inward murmur that it was not greater; after vast sums of money and great wealth gotten, he died unlamented. Clarendon.

He had been a person not only of great opulency, but authority. Atterbury.

There in full opulence a banker dwelt,

Who all the joys and pangs of riches felt; His side-board glitter'd with imagin'd plate, And his proud fancy held a vast estate.

O'PULENT. adj. [opulent, Fr.; opulentus, Lat.] Rich; wealthy; affluent.

He made him his ally, and provoked a mighty and opulent king by an offensive war in his quarrel.

To begin with the supposed policy of gratifying only the rich and opulent. Does our wise man think, that the grandee whom he courts does not see through all the little plots of his courtship? outh.

O'PULENTLY. adv. [from opulent.] Richly; with splendour.

OR. + conjunc. [oden, Sax.]

1. A disjunctive particle, marking distribution, and sometimes opposition.

Inquire what the ancients, thought concerning this world, whether it was to perish or no; whether to be destroyed or to stand eternally?

He my muse's homage should receive,

If I could write, or Holles could forgive. Garth. By intense study, or application to business that requires little action, the digestion of foods will soon proceed more slowly, and with more uneasi-Blackmore

Every thing that can be divided by the mind into two or more ideas, is called complex.

Watts, Logick. 2. It corresponds to either; he must either fall or fly.

At Venice you may go to any house either by Addison land or water.

3. It sometimes, but rather inelegantly, stands for either.

For thy vast bounties are so numberless, That them or to conceal, or else to tell, Is equally impossible.

4. Sometimes for whether, or whether it be. Whatever draws me, Or sympathy, or some connatural force

Milton, P. L.

5. Or is sometimes redundant, but is then more properly omitted.

How great soever the sins of any unreformed person are, Christ died for him because he died for all; only he must reform and forsake his sins, or else he shall never receive benefit of his death.

6. [On, or æpe, Sax.] Before. Or and ere were formerly indiscriminately used. Then or ever, or e'er, combined; a form ORA'CULAR.† adj. [from oracle.] has pronounced it obsolete. spirited lines from a modern poem, now cited, exhibit the application of it.

Or we go to the declaration of this psalm, it shall be convenient to shew who did write this Bp. Fisher.

The dead man's knell Is there scarce ask'd for whom, and good men's

Expire before the flowers in their caps,

Dying or e'er they sicken. Shakspeare, Macbeth. Learn before thou speak, and use physick or ever thou be sick. Ecclus. xviii. 19. The shepherds on the lawn,

Or e'er the point of dawn,

Sat simply chatting in a rustick row. Milton, Ode Nativ.

Awake, for shame! or e'er thy nobler sense Sink in the oblivious pool of indolence! Must wit be found alone on falsehood's side, Unknown to truth, to virtue unallied? Arise, nor scorn thy country's just alarms; Wield in her cause thy long-neglected arms.

Poetry of the Anti-Jacobin.

OR. n. s. [French.] Gold. A term of heraldry.

The show'ry arch With listed colours gay, or, azure, gules, Delights and puzzles the beholders' eyes. Philips.

O'RACH. n. s. [atriplex.] There are thirteen species; garden orach was cultivated as a culinary herb, and used as spinach, though it is not generally liked by the English, but still esteemed by the French.

O'RACLE. n. s. [oracle, Fr.; oraculum, Lat.

1. Something delivered by supernatural wisdom.

The main principle whereupon our belief of all things therein contained dependeth, is, that the Scriptures are the oracles of God himself. Hooker.

2. The place where, or person of whom the determinations of heaven are enquired. Why, by the verities on thee made good,

May they not be my oracles as well, And set me up in hope? Shakspeare, Macbeth. God hath now sent his living oracle

Into the world to teach his final will, And sends his spirit of truth henceforth to dwell In pious hearts, an inward oracle,

To all truth requisite for men to know. Milton, P. R.

3. Any person or place where certain decisions are obtained.

There mighty nations shall enquire their doom, The world's great oracle in times to come. Pope.

4. One famed for wisdom; one whose determinations are not to be disputed.

To O'RACLE. † v. n. [from the noun.] To utter oracles. A word not received, Dr. Johnson observes; citing only the passage from Milton. But Milton did not introduce this word into the language.

Hence so many corruptions of divine text, because men endeavour to make it speak their own sense; use it as their pleader, not counsellor: if it will speak for us, none so ready to fee it, as it were, with the resignation of our reasons or will; but if it oracle contrary to our interest or humour, we will create an amphiboly, a double meaning where there is none; and make it speak our meaning, or conclude it defective.

Whitlock, Mann. of the Eng. (1654,) p. 254. No more shalt thou by oracling abuse The Gentiles. Milton, P. R.

1. Uttering oracles; resembling oracles. Corycian nymphs and hill-gods he adores, And Themis then, oraculous, implores.

Thy counsel would be as the oracle of Urim and Thummim, those oraculous gems On Aaron's breast, or tongue of seers old Infallible. Milton, P. R.

Here Charles contrives the ordering of his states.

Here he resolves his neighbouring princes' fates; What nation shall have peace, where war be made, Determin'd is in this oraculous shade. Waller.

They have something venerable and oracular, in that unadorned gravity and shortness in the ex-Pope.

The oraculous seer frequents the Pharian coast, Proteus a name tremendous o'er the main. Pope. 2. Positive; authoritative; magisterial;

dogmatical.

Though their general acknowledgements of the weakness of human understanding looks like cold and sceptical discouragements; yet the particular expressions of their sentiments are as oraculous as if they were omniscient. Glanville, Scepsis.

3. Obscure; ambiguous; like the answers of ancient oracles.

As for equivocations, or oraculous speeches, Bacon, Ess. 6. they cannot hold out long. He spoke oraculous and sly,

He'd neither grant the question, nor deny. King.

ORA'CULARLY.† adv. [from oraculous.]

1. In manner of an oracle.

The testimonies of antiquity, and such as pass oraculously amongst us, were not always so exact as to examine the doctrine they delivered. Brown, Vulg. Err.

Hence rise the branching beech and vocal oak, Where Jove of old oraculously spoke. 2. Authoritatively; positively.

An awful judge delivering oracularly the law. Burke, Speech on the Powers of Juries in Libels.

ORA'CULOUSNESS. n. s. [from oracular.]

The state of being oracular.

O'RAISON. + n. s. [oraison, Fr.; oratio, Lat.] Prayer; verbal supplication; or oral worship: more frequently written orison, and accented on the first syllable by our oldest and best poets. Dyer has placed the accent on the second syllable of oraison; and so has Cotton on that of orison, for the sake of his rhyme. See ORISON. Temple uses the French form of the word before us.

They were commonly called the judgements of God, and performed with solemn oraisons, and other ceremonies.

Temple, Intr. Hist. of Eng. (1695,) p. 248.

Here, at dead of night, The pilgrim oft, mid his oraison, hears Aghast the voice of time, disparting towers, Tumbling all precipitate down dash'd.

Dyer, Ruins of Rome.

O'RAL. adj. [oral, Fr.; os, oris, Lat.] Delivered by mouth; not written.

Oral discourse, whose transient faults dying with the sound that gives them life, and so not subject to a strict review, more easily escapes observation. Locke on Education.

St. John was appealed to as the living oracle of the church; and as his oral testimony lasted the first century, many have observed, that by a particular providence several of our Saviour's disciples. and of the early converts, lived to a very great age, that they might personally convey the truth of the gospel to those times which were very remote.

O'RALLY. † adv. [from oral.]

1. By mouth; without writing.

Oral tradition were incompetent without written monuments to derive to us the original laws of a kingdom, because they are complex, not orally traducible to so great a distance of ages.

Hale, Common Law.

2. In the mouth.

The priest did sacrifice, and orally devour it whole Bp. Hall, Epist. D. i. E. 5. That which is externally delivered in the sacra-

ment, and orally received by the communicant.

Abp. Usher, Answ. to the Jesuit Malone, p. 32.

O'RANGE. † n. s. [orange, Fr. The aureum malum, or golden apple of the ancients: low Lat. auranteum, an orange.] The leaves have two lobes or appendages at their base like ears, and cut in form of a heart; the fruit is round and depressed, and of a yellow colour when ripe, in which it differs from the citron and lemon. The species are eight.

The notary came aboard, holding in his hand a fruit like an orange, but of colour between orange-tawny and scarlet, which cast a most excellent odour, and is used for a preservative against infection. Bacon, New Atlantis.

The ideas of orange colour and azure, produced in the mind by the same infusion of lignum nephriticum, are no less distinct ideas than those of the same colours taken from two different

Fine oranges, sauce for your veal,

Swift. The punick granate op'd its rose-like flowers;

The orange breath'd its aromatick powers. Harte.

O'RANGERY. n. s. [orangerie, Fr.] Plantation of oranges. A kitchen garden is a more pleasant sight than

the finest orangery, or artificial green house. Spectator.

O'RANGEMUSK. n. s. A species of pear. O'RANGEWIFE. n. s. [orange and wife.] A woman who sells oranges.

You wear out a good wholesome forenoon in hearing a cause between an orangewife and a fosset seller. Shakspeare.

O'RANGETAWNY. † n. s. [orange and tawny.] A colour so called.

Holding in his hand a fruit of that country, like an orange, but of colour between orangetawny Bacon, New Atlantis. Baronets, or knights of Nova Scotia, are com-

monly distinguished from others by a ribbon of Heylyn.

O'RANGETAWNY.* adj. Of a colour resembling an orange; nearly red.

Usurers should have orangetawny bonnets, because they do judaize. Bacon, Ess. 41. I will discharge it in your straw-coloured beard, your orangetawny beard.

Shakspeare, Mids. N. Dream. Great is my patience to forbear thee thus, -

Uncivil, orangetawny-coated clerk!

B. Jonson, Tale of a Tub. ORA'TION. n. s. [oration, Fr. oratio,

Lat.] A speech made according to the laws of rhetorick; a harangue; a de-

There shall I try, In my oration, how the people take The cruel issue of these bloody men.

Shakspeare, Jul. Cæs. This gives life and spirit to every thing that is spoken, awakens the dullest spirits, and adds a singular grace and excellency both to the person

To Ora'tion.* v. n. [from the noun.] To make a speech; to harangue. Not

They gave answers with great sufficiency touching all difficulties concerning their own law, and had marvellous promptitude both for orationing and giving judgement.

Donne, Hist. of the Sept. p. 80.

O'RATOR. n. s. [orateur, French; orator,

1. A publick speaker: a man of elo-

Poor queen and son! your labour is but lost; For Warwick is a subtle orator.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. As when of old some orator renown'd, In Athens or free Rome, where eloquence Flourish'd, since mute! to some great cause ad-

dress'd. Stood in himself collected; while each part,

Motion, each act, won audience. Milton, P. L. It would be altogether vain and improper in matters belonging to an orator to pretend to strict demonstration.

The constant design of both these orators in all their speeches, was to drive some one particular I have listened to an orator of this species,

without being able to understand one single sen-

Both orators so much renown'd, In their own depths of eloquence were drown'd. Dryden.

Are charming when squeez'd in a pot of brown 2. A petitioner. This sense is used in addresses to chancery. ORATO'RICAL. † adj. [from orator.] Rhe-

torical; befitting an orator. He that hath written the tales of Nereus,

cardinal Baronius's oratorical patron. Favour, Antiq. Tr. over Novelty, (1619,) p. 339.

Running out with much oratorical liberty upon the weakness of those men's arguments.

Clarke, Lett. to Dodwell, p. 50. Where he speaks in an oratorical, affecting, or persuasive way, let this be explained by other places where he treats of the same theme in a doctrinal way.

ORATO'RIAL.* } adj. [oratorius, Latin.]
ORATO'RIOUS. } Rhetorical; befitting

What errour is so rotten and putrid, which some oratorious varnish hath not sought to colour over with shews of truth and piety?

Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 29.
The oratorial part of these gentlemen seldom vouchsafe to mention fewer than fifteen hundred or two thousand people, to be maintained in this hospital, without troubling their heads about the Swift, on Maintaining the Poor.

He [Dr. Bathurst] endeavoured, at the command of the king, to introduce a more graceful and oratorial manner of delivering the public sermons at St. Mary's.

Warton, Life of Bathurst, p. 88.

ORATO'RIALLY.* adv. [from the adj.]
ORATO'RIOUSLY. In a rhetorical man-

Nor do they oppose things of this nature argumentatively, so much as oratoriously.

Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 115. ORATO'RIO.* n. s. [Italian.] A kind

of sacred drama, the subject of it being generally taken from the Scriptures. set to musick.

Sorry I am to accuse the greatest English composer Purcel, and the best adopted one Handel, of being the cause of this innovation. [the mixture of the violin with the organ;] the former by adding violin accompaniments to some of his anthems and services; the latter by erecting an organ on the play-house stage, with a view undoubtedly to difference as much by its dignified form as by its solemn tones, that semi-dramatic species of composition the oratorio from a genuine opera, Mason on Church Mus. p. 73.

O'RATORY.† n. s. [oratoria ars, Lat.] 1. Eloquence; rhetorical expression.

Each pasture stored with sheep feeding with sober security, while the pretty lambs with bleating oratory craved the dams' comfort. When a world of men

Could not prevail with all their oratory

Yet hath a woman's kindness over-rul'd. Shaksp.

When my oratory grew tow'rd end,
I bid them that did love their country's good, Cry, God save Richard. Shakspeare, Rich. III. Sighs now breath'd

Unutterable, which the spirit of prayer Inspir'd, and wing'd for heav'n with speedier flight

Than loudest oratory. Milton, P. L. By this kind of oratory, and professing to decline their own inclinations and wishes, purely for peace and unity, they prevailed over those who were still surprised.

Hammond's subjects were such as had greatest influence on practice, which he prest with most affectionate tenderness, making tears part of his

The former, who had to deal with a people of much more politeness, learning, and wit, laid the greatest weight of his oratory upon the strength of his arguments.

Come harmless characters, that no one hit, Come Henley's oratory, Osborn's wit.

2. Exercise of eloquence.

The Romans had seized upon the fleet of the Antiates, among which there were six armed with rostra, with which the consul Menenius adorned the publick place of oratory. Arbuthnot.

3. [Oratoire, French.] At first it signified a closet; then, a private place, allotted for prayer alone; and also, a place for publick worship.

They should first remove all company from them; and in a secret oratorie, or privy chamber, themselves assemble all the powers of their wits to

remember these seven articles.

Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 85. They began to erect to themselves oratories, not in any sumptuous or stately manner, which neither was possible by reason of the poor estate of the church, and had been perilous in regard of the world's envy towards them.

Do not omit thy prayers for want of a good oratory or place to pray in; nor thy duty for want

of temporal encouragements.

Bp. Taylor, Guide to Devotion.

Christians had oratories, or houses of Christian Mede on Churches, p. 56.

Within these oratories might you see Rich carvings, portraitures, and imagery.

Dryden, Pal. and Arcite. O'RATRESS.* \ n.s. [oratrix, Latin, from orator. Cockeram gives the English oratrix.] A female orator. I see love's oratress pleads tediously to thee.

Warner, Albion's England, (1602,) ch. 9. I fight not with my tongue: this is my oratrix. Trag. of Soliman and Perseda, (1599.)

ORB. n. s. [orbe, Fr. orbis, Latin.]

1. Sphere; orbicular body.

A mighty collection of water inclosed in the bowels of the earth, constitutes an huge orb in the interiour or central parts; upon the surface of which orb of water the terrestrial strata are expanded. Woodward, Nat. Hist.

2. Circular body. They with a storm of darts to distance drive

The Trojan chief; who held at bay from far, On his Vulcanian orb sustain'd the war. Dryden. 3. Mundane sphere; celestial body; light

of heaven. In the floor of heaven There's not the smallest orb which thou behold'st, But in his motion like an angel sings, Still quiring to the young-ey'd cherubims. Shakspeare.

4. Wheel; any rolling body. The orbs

Of his fierce chariot roll'd as with the sound Milton, P. L. Of torrent floods.

5. Circle; line drawn round. Does the son learn action from the father? Yet

all his activity is but in the epicycle of a family : whereas a subject's motion is in a larger orb. Holyday.

6. Circle described by any of the mundane spheres.

Astronomers, to solve the phenomena, framed to their conceit eccentricks and epicycles, and a wonderful engine of orbs, though no such things

With smiling aspect you serenely move In your fifth orb, and rule the realm of love Dryden.

7. Period; revolution of time.

Self-begot, self-rais'd, By our own quickening power, when fatal course Had circled his full orb, the birth mature Of this our native heaven. Milton, P. L.

8. Sphere of action.

Will you again unknit This churlish knot of all-abhorred war, And move in that obedient orb again, Where you did give a fair and natural light?

Shakspeare. 9. It is applied by Milton to the eye, as being luminous and spherical.

A drop serene hath quench'd their orbs, Or dim suffusion veil'd. Milton Milton, P. L.

Truth and Justice then

Will down return to men, Orb'd in a rainbow, and like glories wearing. Milton, Ode Nativ

Our happiness may orb itself into a thousand vagrancies of glory and delight, and with a kind of eccentrical equation be (as it were) an invariable planet of joy and felicity.

Milton, Reas. of Ch. Gov. B. 1. A golden axle did the work uphold, Gold was the beam, the wheels were orb'd with gold.

ORBA'TION. † n. s. [orbatio, Latin.] Privation of parents or children; any privation; poverty. Cockeram.

O'RBED. † adj. [from orb.] Round; cir-

cular; orbicular. See To ORB. VOL. II.

All those sayings will I overswear, And all those swearings keep as true in soul, As doth that orbed continent the fire, That severs day from night.

Shakspeare, Tw. Night.

Fit well his helm, gripe fast his orbed shield. Milton, P. L.

O'RBICK.* adj. [orbicus, Lat.] Circular;

How the body of this orbick frame From tender infancy so big became.

Let each

Bacon, Pan or Nature.

Orbi'cular. adj. [orbiculaire, Fr. orbiculatus, Lat.

1. Spherical.

He shall monarchy with thee divide Of all things, parted by the empyreal bounds, His quadrature from thy orbicular world.

Milton, P. L. 2. Circular; approaching to circularity. The form of their bottom is not the same; for whereas before it was of an orbicular make, they now look as if they were pressed.

Addison, Guardian. By a circle I understand not here a perfect geometrical circle, but an orbicular figure, whose length is equal to its breadth, and which as to sense may seem circular.

Orbi'cularly. adv. [from orbicular.] Spherically; circularly.

ORBI'CULARNESS. n. s. [from orbicular.] The state of being orbicular.

Orbiculatus, Latin.] Moulded into an orb.

Orbicula'tion.* n. s. [orbiculatus, Lat.] State of being moulded into an orb or

It might have been more significantly called orbiculation, seeing this circumfusion makes not only a circle, but fills a sphere.

More, Song of the Soul, Int. Gen. p. 424.

O'RBIT. n. s. [orbite, Fr. orbita, Lat.] 1. The line described by the revolution of

a planet. Suppose more suns in proper orbits roll'd, Dissolv'd the snows, and chas'd the polar cold.

Blackmore. Suppose the earth placed nearer to the sun, and revolve for instance in the orbit of Mercury; there the whole ocean would even boil with extremity of heat, and be all exhaled into vapours; all plants and animals would be scorched. Bentley.

2. A small orb. Not proper. Attend, and you discern it in the fair Conduct and finger, or reclaim a hair; Or roll the lucid orbit of an eye; Or in full joy elaborate a sigh.

To Orb.** v. a. [from the noun.] To O'RBITUDE.† n.s. [orbitudo, and orbitas, O'RBITY.] Latin. The former of Latin. The former of these words occurs in Cockeram's vocabulary; the latter is noticed by Dr. Johnson, with the name of Bacon following an imperfect definition, but without any example.] Loss or want of parents or children; loss of husband or wife; any privation.

Old age and orbity were those two things that emboldened him. Bp. Hall, Balm of Gilead. She's in orbity;

At once receiver, and the legacy.

Donne, Poems, p. 333. Considering the frequent mortality in friends and relations, in such a term of time, he may pass away divers years in sorrow and black habits, and leave none to mourn for himself; orbity may be his Brown, Chr. Mor. iii. 22.

O'RBY. adj. [from orb.] Resembling an orb. Not used.

It smote Atrides orbie targe; but runne not through the brasse. Chapman.

When, now arraid The world was with the spring; and orbie houres Had gone the round againe, through herbs and Chapman.

ORC. † n. s. [orca, Lat. "pvya.] A sea-fish; a species of whale.

Orks, that for their lord the ocean wooe. Drayton, Polyolb. S. 2.

Proteus' herds, and Neptune's orks. B. Jonson, Masques.

An island salt and bare, The haunt of seals and orcs, and sea-mews clang. Milton, P. L.

O'RCHAL. n. s. A stone from which a blue colour is made. Ainsworth. O'RCHANET. n.s. An herb. Ainsworth. O'RCHARD. † n. s. [either hortyard or wortyard, says Skinner; optgeaps, Sax. Junius, and Dr. Johnson. - Hortyard, or ortyard, seems to be the true word; aurtigards, Goth. jurtagard, Icel. It signified formerly a garden in general; urt, Goth. an herb, and gard, a hedge; hortus, Lat. Milton writes the word, orchat; probably from the Greek ὅρχαθος. See HORTYARD.] A garden of fruit-

Planting of orchards is very profitable, as well as pleasurable. Bacon, Advice to Villiers. They overcome their riches, not by making

Baths, orchards, fish-pools. B. Jonson. His parsonage-house from an incommodious ruin he had rendered a fair and pleasant dwelling, with the conveniences of gardens and orchards.

Her private orchards, wall'd on ev'ry side, To lawless sylvans all access deny'd. Pope. O'RCHARDING.* n. s. Cultivation of orchards.

All land is not fit for orcharding.

Evelyn, Pom. ch. 5. Trench grounds for orcharding.

Ib. Kal. Hort. Oct. O'RCHARDIST.* n. s. One who cultivates

orchards. However expert the orchardist may be, much will depend on soil. Trans. Adelphi Soc. xiii. 24. O'RCHESTRE.† n. s. [French; ὁρχής ρα, ORCHE'STRA. from ὀρχείσδαι, to

dance; the Grecian orchestra being the places in which dances were publickly performed; and orchestra (which form of the word is not noticed by Dr. Johnson) was at first used by us in this sense. Sir John Davies published, in 1599, a poem on the antiquity and excellency of dancing, entitled Orchestra.] A place for public exhibition; the place where the musicians are set at a publick show; the band of musicians.

Praise but orchestra, and the skipping art. Marston, Sat. iii. 11.

Devotion, when lukewarm, is undevout; But when it glows, its heat is struck to heaven; To human hearts her golden harps are strung; High heaven's orchestra chaunts Amen to man.

Young, Night Th. 4. He very precipitately made his retreat out of one of the doors under the orchestre.

Student, i. 149.

The different degrees of precision, with which the musick of the orchestre can accommodate itself to each of these diversities, must depend upon the

taste, the sensibility, the fancy, and imagination of A. Smith on the Imit. Arts, P. ii.

When the orchestre interrupts, as it frequently does, either the recitative or the air, it is in order either to enforce the effect of what had gone before, or to put the mind in the mood which fits it for hearing what is to come after,

A. Smith on the Imit. Arts, P. ii.

O'RCHIS.* n. s. A plant, of which several sorts grow wild in England. The flowers of some are thought to resemble

I here saw a great many of the small red and yellow tulip, — and many beautiful kinds of the orchis, some representing bees and flies so naturally as to deceive at first sight.

Swinburne, Trav. through Spain, L. 29.

ORD. † n. s. An edge or sharpness; as in ordhelm, ordbright, &c. and in the Icelandick tongue, ord signifies a spear or

Ord, in old English, signified beginning; whence probably the proverbial phrase odds [ords] and ends, for scraps or remnants, and perhaps orts for waste provision. Dr. Johnson. - Ord is certainly our old word for beginning; and Chaucer uses ord and end. See Lye also in the Saxon Op, ops. But orts have no connection whatever with ord. See ORTS.

To ORDA'IN. v. a. [ordino, Lat. ordonner, Fr.]

1. To appoint; to decree.

Know the cause why musick was ordain'd: Was it not to refresh the mind of man

After his studies, or his usual pain? Shakspeare. Jeroboam ordained a feast. 1 Kings, xii. 32. As many as were ordained to eternal life believed. Acts, xiii. 48.

He commanded us to testify that it is he which was ordained of God to be the Judge of quick and dead.

To souls oppress'd and dumb with grief, The gods ordain this kind relief,

That musick should in sounds convey

What dying lovers dare not say. Waller. The fatal tent.

The scene of death, and place ordain'd for punishment. Dryden.

My reason bends to what thy eyes ordain For I was born to love, and thou to reign. Prior.

2. To establish; to settle; to institute. Mulmutius

Ordain'd our laws, whose use the sword of Cæsar Hath too much mangled. Shakspeare, Cymb. I will ordain a place for Israel. 1 Chron. xvii. 9.

God, from Sinai descending, will himself In thunder, lightning, and loud trumpet's sound, Ordain them laws.

Milton, P. L. Some laws ordain, and some attend the choice Of holy senates, and elect by voice. Dryden

3. To set in an office.

All signified unto you by a man, who is ordained over the affairs, shall be utterly destroyed. Esther, xiii. 6.

4. To invest with ministerial function, or sacerdotal power. Meletius was ordained by Arian bishops, and

yet his ordination was never questioned.

Stilling fleet. ORDA'INABLE.* adj. [from ordain.] That

may be appointed. The nature of man is ordainable to life.

Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 377.

ORDA'INER. n. s. [from ordain.] 1. He who ordains, or decrees.

The performance of wholesome laws must needs bring great commendation to the author and ordainer of them. Barrow, vol. i. S. 5.

2. He who invests with ministerial function, or sacerdotal power.

The ordainer pronounceth by name, when he signeth him, Such a man is consecrated from being presbyter to be a bishop, &c.

Bp. Bedell, Life and Lett. p. 473.

O'RDEAL. n. s. [opoal, Sax. ordalium, low Lat. ordalie, Fr. Dr. Johnson. Serenius deduces the word from the Goth. ordela, dirimere litem, urdela, dijudicare; from ur, ex, and dela, dividere, judicare. See also Kilian, Teut. Dict. in V. Oor-DEEL.] A trial by fire or water, by which the person accused appealed to heaven, by walking blindfold over hot bars of iron; or being thrown, I suppose, into the water, whence the vulgar trial of witches.

Their ordeal laws they used in doubtful cases, when clear proofs wanted. Hakewill on Providence.

In the time of king John, the purgation per ignem et aquam, or the trial by ordeal continued; but it ended with this king.

O'RDER. n. s. [ordo, Lat. ordre, Fr.] 1. Method; regular disposition.

To know the true state of Solomon's house, I will keep this order; I will set forth the end of our foundation, the instruments for our works, the several employments assigned, and the ordinances we observe. Bacon, New Atlantis.

As St. Paul was full of the doctrine of the gospel; so it lay all clear and in order, open to his view

2. Established process.

The moderator, when either of the disputants breaks the rules, may interpose to keep them to order.

3. Proper state.

Any of the faculties wanting, or out of order, produce suitable defects in men's understandings.

Regularity; settled mode.

This order with her sorrow she accords,

Which orderless all form of order brake. Kings are the fathers of their country, but unless they keep their own estates, they are such fathers as the sons maintain, which is against the order of

5. Mandate; precept; command. Give order to my servants, that they take

No note of our being absent.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. If the lords of the council issued out any order against them, or if the king sent a proclamation for their repair to their houses, presently some nobleman published a protestation against those orders and proclamations. Clarendon.

Upon this new fright, an order was made by both houses for disarming all the papists in England; upon which, and the like orders, though seldom any thing was after done, yet it served to keep up the apprehensions in the people of dangers and designs, and to disincline them from any reverence or affection to the queen. Clarendon.

When Christians became a distinct body, courts were set up by the order of the apostles themselves, to minister judicial process. -Kettleworth. I have received an order under your hand for a

thousand pounds in words at length.

6. Rule; regulation.

The church hath authority to establish that for an order at one time, which at another time it may abolish, and in both do well. Hooker. 7. Regular government.

The night, their number, and the sudden act, Would dash all order, and protect their fact.

As there is no church, where there is no order, no ministry; so where the same order and ministry is, there is the same church. Pearson.

A society of dignified persons distinguished by marks of honour.

Elves, The several chairs of order look you scour,

With juice of balm and ev'ry precious flow'r.

Princes many times make themselves desires, and set their hearts upon toys; sometimes upon a building; sometimes upon erecting of an order. Racon.

She left immortal trophies of her fame, And to the noblest order gave the name. Dryden. By shining marks, distinguish'd they appear, And various orders various ensigns bear. Granville.

9. A rank, or class.

The king commanded the high priest and the priests of the second order, to bring forth out of the temple all the vessels. 2 Kings, xxiii. 4. The Almighty seeing,

From his transcendent seat the saints among, To those bright orders utter'd thus his voice.

Millon, P. L. Like use you make of the equivocal word dignity, which is of order, or office, or dominion, or nature; and you artificially blend and confound all together.

10. A religious fraternity.

Find a barefoot brother out. One of our order to associate me,

Here visiting the sick. Shaksp. Rom. and Jul.

11. [In the plural.] Hierarchical state.

If the faults of men in orders are only to be judged among themselves, they are all in some

sort parties. Dryden. Having in his youth made a good progress in learning, that he might dedicate himself more intirely to religion, he entered into holy orders, and in a few years became renowned for his sanctity of life. Addison, Spect.

When Ouranius first entered into holy orders, he had haughtiness in his temper, a great contempt and disregard for all foolish and unreasonable people; but he has prayed away this spirit.

12. Means to an end.

Virgins must remember, that the virginity of the body is only excellent in order to the purity of the soul; for in the same degree that virgins live more spiritually than other persons, in the same degree is their virginity a more excellent state.

Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy.

We should behave reverently towards the Divine Majesty, and justly towards men; and in order to the better discharge of these duties, we should govern ourselves in the use of sensual de-lights with temperance. Tillutson. The best knowledge is that which is of greatest

use in order to our eternal happiness. Tillotson. What we see is in order only to what we do not see; and both these states must be joined together.

Atterbury. One man pursues power in order to wealth, and another wealth in order to power, which last is the safer way, and generally followed. Swift.

13. Measures; care.

It were meet you should take some order for the soldiers, which are now first to be discharged and disposed of some way; which may otherwise grow to as great inconvenience as all this that you have quit us from. Spenser on Ircland. Provide me soldiers,

Whilst I take order for mine own affairs. Shakep. The money promised unto the king, he took no order for, albeit Sostratus required it.

2 Mac. iv. 27. If any of the family be distressed, order is taken for their relief and competent means to live. Bacon. 14. [In architecture.] A system of the; several members, ornaments, and proportions of columns and pilasters; or it is a regular arrangement of the projecting parts of a building, especially those of a column; so as to form one beautiful whole: or order is a certain rule for the proportions of columns, and for the figures which some of the parts ought to have, on the account of the proportions that are given them. There are five orders of columns; three of which are Greek, viz. the Dorick, Ionick, and Corinthian; and two Italian, viz. the Tuscan and Composite. The whole is composed of two parts at least, the column and the entablature, and of four parts at the most; where there is a pedestal under the columns, and one acroter or little pedestal on the top of the entablature. The column has three parts; the base, the shaft, and the capital; which parts are all different in the several orders.

In the Tuscan order, any height being given, divide it into ten parts and three quarters, called diameters. By diameters is meant the thickness of the shaft at the bottom, the pedestal having two; the column with base and capital, seven; and the entablature one and three quarters.

In the Dorick order, the whole height being given, is divided into twelve diameters or parts, and one third; the pedestal having two and one third, the column eight, and the entablature two.

In the Ionick order, the whole height is divided into thirteen diameters and a half; the pedestal having two and two thirds, the column nine, and the entablature one and four fifths.

In the Corinthian order, the whole height is divided into fourteen diameters and a half; the pedestal having three, the column nine and a half, and the entablature two.

In the Composite order, the whole height is divided into fifteen diameters and one third; the pedestal having three and one third, the column ten, and the entablature two.

In a colonnade or range of pillars, the intercolumniation or space between columns in the Tuscan order, is four diameters. In the Dorick order, two and three quarters; in the Ionick order, two and a quarter; in the Corinthian order, two; and in the Composite order, one and a half. Builder's Dict.

To O'RDER. † v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To regulate; to adjust; to manage; to conduct.

To him that ordereth his conversation aright will I shew the salvation of God. Ps. 1. 23. As the sun when it ariseth in the heaven, so is the beauty of a good wife in the ordering of her Ecclus. xxvi. 16.

Thou hast ordered all in measure, number, and Wisd. xi. 20. weight. Bias being asked how a man should order his life? answered, as if a man should live long, or die quickly.

2. To manage; to procure.

The kitchin clerk, that hight digestion, Did order all the cates in seemly wise. Spenser. They spake against God; they said, Can God furnish [in the margin, order] a table in the wilderness?

Psalm lxxviii. 19.

3. To methodize; to dispose fitly. So well instructed are my tears, That they would fitly fall in order'd characters. Milton, Ode on the Passion.

4. To direct; to command.

Build an altar unto the Lord thy God upon the top of this rock, in the ordered place. Judges, vi. 26.

5. To ordain to sacerdotal function.

The book requireth due examination, and giveth liberty to object any crime against such as are to be ordered. Whitsift.

To O'RDER. v.n. To give command; to give direction.

So spake the universal Lord, and seem'd So ordering. Milton, P. L.

O'RDERER. n.s. [from order.] One that orders, methodises, or regulates.

That there should be a great disposer and orderer of all things, a wise rewarder and punisher of good and evil, hath appeared so equitable to O'RDINAL adj. [ordinal, French; ordinalis, men, that they have concluded it necessary. Suckling.

O'RDERING.* n. s. [from order.] position; distribution. These were the orderings of them in their ser-

1 Chron. xxiv. 19. O'RDERLESS. adj. [from order.] Disor-

derly; out of rule. All form is formless, order orderless,

Save what is opposite to England's love. Shaksp.

O'RDERLINESS. n. s. [from orderly.] Regularity; methodicalness.

O'RDERLY. adj. [from order.] 1. Methodical; regular.

The book requireth but orderly reading. Hooker.

2. Observant of method.

Then to their dams Lets in their young; and wonderous orderly, With manly haste, dispatcht his houswifery.

3. Not tumultuous; well regulated. Balfour, by an orderly and well-governed march, passed in the king's quarters without any considerable loss, to a place of safety.

4. According with established method. As for the orders established, sith the law of 2. Observance commanded. nature, of God, and man do all favour that which is in being, till orderly judgement of decision be given against it, it is but justice to exact obedience

A clergy reformed from popery in such a manner, as happily to preserve the mean between the two extremes, in doctrine, worship, and government, perfected this reformation by quiet and orderly methods, free from those confusions and tumults that elsewhere attended it.

O'RDERLY. adverb. [from order.] Methodically; according to order; regularly: according to rule.

All parts of knowledge have been thought by wise men to be then most orderly delivered and proceeded in, when they are drawn to their first original.

Ask him his name, and orderly proceed Shakspeare, Rich. III. To swear bim. Make it orderly and well,

According to the fashion of the time. Shakspeare. It is walled with brick and stone, intermixed Sandys.

How should those active particles, justled by the occursion of other bodies, whereof there is an infinite store, so orderly keep their cells without

any alteration of site? Glanville. In the body, when the principal parts, the heart and liver, do their offices, and all the inferior smaller vessels act orderly and duly, there arises a sweet enjoyment upon the whole, which we call

ORDINABI'LITY.* n. s. [from ordinable.] Capability of being appointed.

Our obedience to God ought to be such, as that it may have, though not a merit of condignity to deserve everlasting bliss, (that being, as I have shewn you, utterly impossible,) yet an ordinability, as a great doctor of our church expresseth it, that is, a meetness, fitness, and due disposition toward the obtaining it. Bp. Bull, Works, i. 367.

O'RDINABLE. † adj. [ordino, Lat.] That may be appointed.

All the ways of economy God hath used toward a rational creature, to reduce mankind to that course of living which is most perfectly agreeable to our nature, and by the mercy of God ordinable Hammond. to eternal bliss.

If we look upon ourselves as men, we are free agents, and therefore capable of doing good or evil, and consequently ordinable unto reward or Pearson on the Creed, Art. 11.

Latin.] Noting order; as, second, third.

The moon's age is thus found: add to the epact the day of the month and the ordinal number of that month from March inclusive, because the epact begins at March, and the sum of those, casting away thirty or twenty-nine, as often as it Holder. ariseth, is the age of the moon.

O'RDINAL ? n. s. [ordinal, old French; ordinale, Latin. A ritual; a book containing orders.

As provost principall To teach them their ordinall.

Skelton, Poems, p. 230. The strict enquiries and admonitions of the church, of which her ordinals most particularly give an account.

Puller, Mod. of the Ch. of Eng. p. 299.

O'RDINANCE. n. s. [ordonnance, French.] 1. Law: rule; prescript.

It seemeth hard to plant any sound ordinance, or reduce them to a civil government; since all their ill customs are permitted unto them.

Spenser on Ireland Let Richard and Elizabeth,

By. Taylor.

The true succeeders of each royal house, By God's fair ordinance conjoin together! Shaksp.

One ordinance ought not to exclude the other, much less to disparage the other, and least of all to undervalue that which is the most eminent.

Appointment. Things created to shew bare heads,

When one but of my ordinance stood up,

To speak of peace or war. Shakspeare, Coriol. 4. A cannon. It is now generally written for distinction ordnance; its derivation is not certain; perhaps when the word cannon was first introduced, it was mistaken for canon, and so not improperly translated ordinance. It is commonly used in a collective sense for more cannons than one.

Caves and womby vaultages of France, Shall chide your trespass and return your mock, In second accent to his ordinance. Shaksp. Hen. V. O'RDINANT. * adj. [ordinans, Latin.] Ordaining; decreeing. Not in use. 6 A 2

Why, even in that was heaven ordinant. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

O'RDINARILY. adv. [from ordinary.]

1. According to established rules; according to settled method.

We are not to look that the church should change her publick laws and ordinances, made according to that which is judged ordinarily, and commonly fittest for the whole, although it chance that for some particular men the same be found inconvenient Springs and rivers do not derive the water which

they ordinarily refund from rain.

Woodward, Nat. Hist.

South.

2. Commonly; usually.

The instances of human ignorance were not only clear ones, but such as are not so ordinarily suspected. Prayer ought to be more than ordinarily fervent

and vigorous before the sacrament, O'RDINARY. adj. [ordinarius, Lat.]

1. Established; methodical; regular.

Though in arbitrary governments there may be a body of laws observed in the ordinary forms of justice, they are not sufficient to secure any rights to the people; because they may be dispensed Addison, Freeholder.

The standing ordinary means of conviction failing to influence them, it is not to be expected that any extraordinary means should be able to do it.

Through the want of a sincere intention of pleasing God in all our actions, we fall into such irregularities of life, as by the ordinary means of grace we should have power to avoid.

2. Common; usual.

Yet did she only utter her doubt to her daughters, thinking, since the worst was past, she would attend a further occasion, lest over much haste might seem to proceed of the ordinary mislike between sisters in law. Sidney.

It is sufficient that Moses have the ordinary

credit of an historian given him. Tillotson.

This designation of the person our author is more than ordinary obliged to take care of, because he hath made the conveyance, as well as the power itself, sacred. Locke.

There is nothing more ordinary than children's receiving into their minds propositions from their parents; which being fastened by degrees, are at last, whether true or false, riveted there.

Method is not less requisite in ordinary conversation than in writing. Addison.

3. Mean: of low rank.

These are the paths wherein ye have walked, that are of the ordinary sort of men; these are the very steps ye have trodden, and the manifest degrees whereby ye are of your guides and directors trained up in that school. Hooker.

Men of common capacity, and but ordinary judgement, are not able to discern what things are fittest for each kind and state of regiment. Hooker,

Every ordinary reader, upon the publishing of a new poem, has will and ill-nature enough to turn several passages of it into ridicule, and very often

in the right place. My speculations, when sold single, are delights for the rich and wealthy; after some time they come to the market in great quantities, and are

every ordinary man's money. You will wonder how such an ordinary fellow as Wood could get his majesty's broad seal. Swift.

4. Ugly; not handsome: as, she is an ordinary woman.

O'RDINARY. n. s.

1. Established judge of ecclesiastical causes.

The evil will Of all their parishioners they had constrain'd, Who to the ordinary of them complain'd. Spenser, Hubb. Tale.

If fault be in these things any where justly found, law hath referred the whole disposition and redress thereof to the ordinary of the place. Hooker.

2. Settled establishment.

Spain had no other wars save those which were grown into an ordinary; now they have coupled therewith the extraordinary of the Valtoline and Palatinate. Bacon.

3. Actual and constant office.

Villiers had an intimation of the king's pleasure to be his cupbearer at large; and the summer following he was admitted in ordinary.

He at last accepted, and was soon after made

chaplain in ordinary to his majesty. 4. Regular price of a meal.

Our courteous Antony, Being barber'd ten times o'er, goes to the feast; And for his ordinary pays his heart For what his eyes eat only.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. 5. A place of eating established at a cer-

tain price.

They reckon all their errours for accomplishments; and all the odd words they have picked up in a coffee-house, or a gaming ordinary, are produced as flowers of style.

To O'RDINATE. v. a. [ordinatus, Latin.]

To appoint. Finding how the certain right did stand,

With full consent this man did ordinate The heir apparent to the crown and land Daniel.

O'RDINATE. adj. [ordinatus, Latin.] Regular; methodical.

Ordinate figures are such as have all their sides and all their angles equal. Ray on the Creation.

O'RDINATE.* n. s. A line drawn perpendicular to the axis of a curve, and terminating the curvilinear space.

Each preceding quantity in such series is as the area of a curvilinear figure, whereof the absciss is z, and the ordinate is the following quantity. Bp. Berkeley, Analyst, § 46.

O'RDINATELY.* adv. In a regular or methodical manner.

If I would apply To write ordinately,

I wot not where to funde

Terms to serve my mynde. Skelton, Poems, p. 237. Necessary studies succeeding ordinately the lesson of poets. Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 80.

ORDINA'TION. n. s. | ordinatio, Latin ; from ordinate.

1. Established order or tendency, consequent on a decree.

Every creature is good, partly by creation, and partly by ordination. Virtue and vice have a natural ordination to the happiness and misery of life respectively. Norris.

2. The act of investing any man with sacerdotal power.

Though ordained by Arian bishops, his ordination was never questioned. Stilling fleet. St. Paul looks upon Titus as advanced to the dignity of a prime ruler of the church, and entrusted with a large diocese under the immediate government of their respective elders; and those

deriving authority from his ordination. O'RDINATIVE.* adj. [ordinatif, Fr.] Directing; giving order.

Cotgrave, and Sherwood.

O'RDNANCE. n. s. [This was anciently written more frequently ordinance; but ordnance is used for distinction.] Cannon; great guns.

Have I not heard great ordnance in the field? And heaven's artillery thunder in the skies?

When a ship seels or rolls in foul weather, the breaking loose of ordnance is a thing very dan-Ralegh.

There are examples of wounded persons that have roared for anguish and torment at the discharge of ordnance, though at a very great dis-Bentley.

ORDO'NNANCE. † n. s. [French.] Disposition of figures in a picture.

In a history-piece of many figures, the general design, the ordonnance or disposition of it, the relation of one figure to another, - are of difficult performance. Dryden, Life of Plutarch.

O'RDURE. † n. s. [ordure, French; from sordes, Lat. Skinner, and Dr. Johnson. - From the ancient French ord, nasty; which Borel derives from the Lat. sordidus, but Serenius from the Icel. aur, or, filth.] Dung; filth.

Gard'ners with ordure hide those roots That shall first spring and be most delicate.

Working upon human ordure, and by long preparation rendering it odoriferous, he terms it zibetta occidentulis. Brown.

We added fat pollutions of our own, T' encrease the steaming ordures of the stage. Dryden.

Renew'd by ordure's sympathetick force, As oil'd with magick juices for the course, Vig'rous he rises. Pope.

ORE. † n. s. [ope, or opa, Saxon; oor, Dutch, a mine. 7

1. Metal unrefined; metal yet in its fossil

Round about him lay on every side Great heaps of gold that never would be spent; Of which some were rude ore not purify'd

Of Mulciber's devouring element. Spenser, F. Q. They would have brought them the gold ore aboard their ships. Ralegh, Apol. A hill not far,

Shone with a glossy scurf, undoubted sign That in his womb was hid metallick ore The work of sulphur. Milton, P. L. Who have labour'd more

To search the treasures of the Roman store, Or dig in Grecian mines for purer ore?

Roscommon. Quicksilver ore of this mine is the richest of all ores I have yet seen, for ordinarily it contains in it half quicksilver, and in two parts of ore, one part of quicksilver, and sometimes in three parts of ore, two parts of quicksilver. Brown. We walk in dreams on fairy land,

Where golden ore lies mixt with common sand. Dryden.

Those who unripe veins in mines explore, On the rich bed again the warm turf lay, Till time digests the yet imperfect ore,

And know it will be gold another day. Dryden. Those profounder regions they explore,

Where metals ripen in vast cakes of ore. Garth. 2. Metal.

The liquid ore he drain'd

First his own tools; then what might else be wrought, Fusile, or grav'n in metal.

Milton, P. L. 3. A coin. Obsolete.

These ores (which was a Saxon coin) are declared to be in value of our money 16d. a-piece; but after, by the variation of the standard, they valued 20d. a-piece. Blount, Anc. Ten. p. 159.

O'READ.* n. s. [from the Gr. 5005, a mountain.] A nymph of the mountains.

Thus saying, from her husband's hand her hand Soft she withdrew, and like a wood-nymph light,

Oread, or Dryad, or of Delia's train, Milton, P. L. Betook her to the grove.

O'REWEED. \ n. s. A weed either growing O'REWOOD. | upon the rocks under high water mark, or broken from the bottom of the sea by rough weather, and cast upon the next by the wind and flood.

Carew, Surv. of Cornwall. O'REGILD.† n. s. [opp-zylb, Sax. rei furto ablatæ pretium. Lye.] The restitution of goods or money taken away by a thief by violence, if the robbery was

O'RERAYS.* n. s. [orfrais, old French; aurifrisium, aurifrigium, low Lat. from aurum fractum.] Fringe of gold; gold embroidery. Obsolete.

Of fine orfrais had she eke Chaucer, Rom. R. 562. A chapilet. orphrese of clothe of sylver, and a running orphrese

embrodered.

Life of Sir T. Pope, by Warton, p. 349.

O'RGAL. n. s. Lees of wine.

O'RGAN. † n. s. [organe, Fr. opyavov.] 1. Natural instrument; as the tongue is the organ of speech, the lungs of re-

spiration. When he shall hear she died upon his words,

The ever lovely organ of her life Shall come apparell'd in more precious habit, Shakspeare. Than when she liv'd indeed.

For a mean and organ, by which this operative virtue might be continued, God appointed the light to be united, and gave it also motion and Ralegh.

The aptness of birds is not so much in the conformity of the organs of speech, as in their atten-

Wit and will

Can judge and choose without the body's aid; Tho' on such objects they are working still, As through the body's organs are convey'd.

2. An instrument of musick consisting of pipes filled with wind, and of stops, touched by the hand. [Orgue, Fr. "instrument de musique fort ancien." Roquefort. "Navarr saith, that the use of organs was not received in Thomas Aquinas's time; who was born in the year 1221. But Bale and Mantuan attribute the bringing in of organs to the pope Vitalian. Then it must be about the year 660. But to make short, the organ is not of the western, but the Orga/NICALNESS. n. v. [from organical.] eastern invention. Aymon saith, that the first organ they had in France was made more Græcorum, - after the year 813. - But Marianus Scotus, Martin Polonus, Platina, the Annals of France, Aventine, and the Pontifical itself, all agree, that the first organ that ever was seen in the west, was sent over into France to king Pepin from the Greek Organiza'Tion. n. s. [from organize.] emperor Constantinus Copronymus, about the year 766. Res adhuc Germanis et Gallis incognita, saith Aventine, instrumentum musicæ maximum; organum appellant; cicutis ex albo plumbo compactum est, simul et follibus inflatur, et manuum pedumque digitis pulsatur. Annal. Boiorum, lib. 3. fol. 300. And so we have the antiquity of organs in

the west. But in the east they cannot ! be less ancient than the Nicene council itself, as appeareth by the emperor Julian's epigram upon the instrument. Είς 'ΟΡΓΑΝΟΝ. 'Αλλοίην δρόφ, &c. Gregory's Posthuma, or Learned Tracts, 1650, p. 49.]

A hand of a vast extension, and a prodigious number of fingers playing upon all the organ pipes in the world, and making every one sound a par-

While in more lengthen'd notes, and slow, The deep, majestick, solemn organs blow. Pope.

committed in the day-time. Ainsworth. To O'RGAN.* v. a. [from the noun.] To

form organically. Not in use.
Would'st thou be treated with in the ineffable dialect of heaven? Alas! fond creature, thou art elemented and organed for other apprehensions, for a lower commerce of perception.

Mannyngham, Disc. (1681,) p. 89.

Item, a faire cope of clothe of golde, with an ORGA'NICAL.] adj. [organique, Fr. orga-ORGA'NICK. [nicus, Lat.]

1. Consisting of various parts co-operating with each other.

He rounds the air, and breaks the hymnick

In birds, heav'n's choristers, organick throats; Which, if they did not die, might seem to be A tenth rank in the heavenly hierarchy. Donne.

He with serpent tongue Organick, or impulse of vocal air, His fraudulent temptation thus began.

Milton, P. L. The organical structure of human bodies, whereby

they live and move, and are vitally informed by the soul, is the workmanship of a most wise, powerful, and beneficent being. Bentley. 2. Instrumental; acting as instruments of

nature or art, to a certain end.

Read with them those organick arts which enable men to discourse and write perspicuously, elegantly, and according to the fitted style of lofty, mean, or lowly. Milton on Education

3. Respecting organs.

She could not produce a monster of any thing that hath more vital and organical parts than a rock of marble.

They who want the sense of discipline, or hearing, are by consequence deprived of speech, not by any immediate organical indisposition, but for Holder.

ORGA'NICALLY. adv. [from organical.] By means of organs or instruments; by organical disposition of parts.

All stones, metals, and minerals, are real vegetables; that is, grow organically from seeds, as well as plants. Locke.

State of being organical.

O'RGANISM. n. s. [from organ.] Organical

How admirable is the natural structure or or-Grew, Cosmol. Sac. ganism of bodies! O'RGANIST. n. s. [organiste, Fr. from or-

gan.] One who plays on the organ. An organist serves that office in a public choir.

Construction in which the parts are so disposed as to be subservient to each

Every man's senses differ as much from others in their figure, colour, site, and infinite other pe-culiarities in the organization, as any one man's can from itself, through divers accidental varia-Glanville, Scepsis.

That being then one plant, which has such an organization of parts in one coherent body, partaking of one common life, it continues to be the same plant, though that life be communicated to new particles of matter, in a like continued orga-

To O'RGANIZE. v. a. [organiser, Fr. from organ. To construct so as that one part co-operates with another; to form organically.

As the soul doth organize the body, and give unto every member that substance, quantity, and shape, which nature seeth most expedient, so the inward grace of sacraments may teach what serveth best for their outward form.

A genial and cherishing heat so acts upon the fit and obsequious matter, wherein it was harboured, as to organize and fashion that disposed matter according to the exigencies of its own na-

Those nobler faculties in the mind, matter organized could never produce. Ray on the Creation. The identity of the same man consists in a participation of the same continued life, by constantly

fleeting particles in succession vitally united to the same organized body.

O'RGANLOFT. n. s. [organ and loft.] The loft where the organ stands.

Five young ladies, who are of no small fame for their great severity of manners, - would go no where with their lovers but to an organlost in a church, where they had a cold treat and some few opera songs. Tatler, No. 61.

O'RGANPIPE. n. s. [organ and pipe.] The pipe of a musical organ.

The thunder,

That deep and dreadful organpipe, pronounc'd
The name of Prosper. Shakspeare, Tempest.

O'RGANY. † n. s. Topgane, Saxon; origanum, Lat. An herb. Ainsworth. Organie healeth scabs.

Gerarde's Herball, (1597,) p. 542.

O'RGASM. n. s. [orgasme, Fr. δργασμος.] Sudden vehemence.

This rupture of the lungs, and consequent spitting of blood, usually arises from an orgasm, or immoderate motion of the blood. Blackmore.

By means of the curious lodgement and inosculation of the auditory nerves, the orgasms of the spirits should be allayed, and perturbations of the mind quieted.

ORGEA'T.* n. s. [French.] A liquor extracted from barley and sweet almonds.

O'RGEIS. n. s. A sea-fish, called likewise organling. Both seem a corruption of the orkenyling, as being taken on the Orkney coast. Ainsworth.

O'RGIES.† n. s. [orgies, Fr. orgia, Lat. τέργια, Gr. from τργή, rage.] Mad rites of Bacchus; frantick revels. I find this word used in the singular.

It would have resembled an orgy to Bacchus. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 118.

These are nights Solemn to the shining rites

Of the fairy prince and knights, While the moon their orgies lights.

B. Jonson. She feign'd nocturnal orgies; left my bed, And, mix'd with Trojan dames, the dances led.

O'RGILLOUS.† adj. [orgueilleux, Fr. Dr.

Johnson.- The modern editors of Shakspeare print this word orgulous, and Mr. Steevens has shewn that it is a very ancient word for proud or disdainful. The Saxons used opgellice in the same manner.] Proud; haughty. Not in use.

From isles of Greece The princes orgillous, their high blood chafed, Have to the port of Athens sent their ships. Shakspeare, Hen. V. Prol.

O'RICHALCH. † n. s. [orichalcum, Lat. from the Gr. 8005, a mountain, and xalxos, brass. Our word is sometimes improperly written aurichalc, as if it were connected with aurum, gold. 7 Brass.

Not Bilbo steel, nor brass from Corinth fet, Nor costly orichalch from strange Phoenice, But such as could both Phoebus' arrows ward, And the hailing darts of heaven beating hard.

Spenser, Muiopotmos. A massy idol of auricalk is placed upon a chariot with eight wheels richly gilded.

Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 345.

O'RIEL.* \ n. s. [oriol, old Fr. "porche, old National of the state of O'RIOL. oriolum, low Latin. Du Cange says, that he knows not the origin of this word.] A little waste room next the hall, where particular persons dine. Such is the description by Coles, Dict. 1685. And the sense of oriolum is much the same in Du Cange. It was a sort of recess. In our ancient vocabulary, the Prompt. Parvulorum, oryel is translated into the Latin cancellus, interdicula. This may serve to explain " the oriel window," which is sometimes found in modern publications.

Oryal, oriolum: — we may justly presume that Oriel or Oryal college, in Oxford, took name from such room, or portico, or cloister.

Cowel, in V. Oryel. O'RIENCY.* n. s. [from orient.] Brightness of colour; strength of colour.

In that they [angels] are sinless, their created power is in its pristine vigour and oriency, immalate. Waterhouse on Fortescue, p. 221. Black and thorny plum tree is of the deepest oriency. Evelyn, B. iii. ch. 4. § 12.

O'RIENT. adj. [oriens, Lat.]

1. Rising as the sun.

Moon that now meet'st the orient sun, now

fly'st With the fix'd stars. Milton, P. L. When fair morn orient in heaven appear'd. Milton, P. L.

2. Eastern; oriental.

3. Bright; shining; glittering; gaudy; sparkling.

The liquid drops of tears that you have shed, Shall come again transform'd to orient pearl; Advantaging their loan with interest,

Oftentimes double gain of happiness. Shakspeare. There do breed yearly an innumerable company of gnats, whose property is to fly unto the eye of the lion, as being a bright and orient thing.

Abbot on the World. We have spoken of the cause of orient colours in birds; which is by the fineness of the strainer. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

Morning light More orient in you western cloud, that draws O'er the blue firmament a radiant white.

Milton, P. L. In thick shelter of black shades imbower'd, [He] offers to each weary traveller

His orient liquor in a crystal glass, To quench the drouth of Phæbus. Milton, Comus. The chiefs about their necks the scutcheons

With erient pearls and jewels powder'd o'er.

Dryden. O'RIENT. + n. s. [orient, Fr.] The east; the part where the sun first appears.

Such schemes as these were usual to the nations | 1. Beginning; first existence.

Mede, Paraphr. of St. Peter, (1642,) p. 22. The greatest and best built city throughout the Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 159.

The star of love, or the sun, makes all the orient Warton, Hist. E. P. iii. 251.

ORIE NTAL. adj. [oriental, Fr.] Eastern; placed in the east; proceeding from the

Your ships went as well to the pillars of Hercules, as to Pequin upon the oriental seas, as far as to the borders of the east Tartary.

Bacon, New Atlantis. Some ascribing hereto the generation of gold, conceive the bodies to receive some appropriate influence from the sun's ascendent and oriental ra-

ORIE'NTAL. n. s. An inhabitant of the eastern parts of the world.

They have been of that great use to following ages, as to be imitated by the Arabians and other orientals.

ORIE'NTALISM. † n. s. [from oriental.] An idiom of the eastern languages; an eastern mode of speech.

Dragons are a sure mark of orientalism.

Warton, Hist. E. P. vol. i. Diss. 1. sign. c. Scholars unacquainted with Hebrew will receive pleasure and instruction from a literal version of orientalisms immediately presented to their eye, without the trouble of referring to a servile Latin translation.

Abp. Newcome, Ess. on the Transl. of the Bib. p. 283.

ORIE'NTALIST.* n. s. [from oriental.] An inhabitant of the eastern parts of the world.

According to the received notion of the orien-Biblioth. Bibl. i. 51. Who can tell how far the orientalists were wont

to adorn their parables? Peters on Job, p. 123. ORIENTA'LITY. n. s. [from oriental.] State

of being oriental. His revolution being regular, it hath no efficacy

peculiar from its orientality, but equally disperseth his beams.

O'RIFICE. n. s. [orifice, Fr. orificium, Lat.]

Any opening or perforation.

The prince of Orange, in his first hurt by the Spanish boy, could find no means to stanch the blood, but was fain to have the orifice of the wound stopped by men's thumbs, succeeding one another for the space of two days. Their mouths

With hideous orifice gap'd on us wide,

Portending hollow truce. Milton, P. L. Ætna was bored through the top with a monstrous orifice. Addison, Guardian.

Blood-letting, Hippocrates saith, should be done with broad lancets or swords, in order to make a large orifice by stabbing or pertusion.

Arbuthnot on Coins. O'RIFLAMB. † n. s. [old Fr. oriflamme; probably a corruption of auriflamma, Lat. or flamme d'or, Fr. in like manner as orpiment is corrupted.] A golden standard. Ainsworth. Yet holy Lewis with his Frenchmen strook

Into the Pagans such deep fright, that they, At his illustrious oriflambes look, Unto his victories gave willing way.

Beaumont, Psyche, (1651,) p. 277. O'RIGAN. n. s. [origan, Fr. origanum, Lat.] Wild marjoram.

I chanc'd to see her in her proper hue, Bathing herself in origan and thyme.

Spenser, F. Q. O'RIGIN. O'RIGIN.] n. s. [origine, Fr. origo, ORI'GINAL.]

The sacred historian only treats of the origins of terrestrial animals. Bentley, Serm.

2. Fountain; source; that which gives beginning or existence. Nature, which contemns its origin,

Cannot be border'd certain in itself.

Shakspeare, K. Lear. If any station upon earth be honourable, theirs was; and their posterity therefore have no reason to blush at the memory of such an original.

Some philosophers have placed the original of power in admiration, either of surpassing form, great valour, or superior understanding. Davenant.

Original of beings! pow'r divine!

Since that I live and that I think, is thine. Prior.

These great orbs,

Primitive founts, and origins of light.

3. First copy; archetype; that from which any thing is transcribed or translated. In this sense origin is not used.

Compare this translation with the original, the three first stanzas are rendered almost word for word, not only with the same elegance, but with the same turn of expression. Addison.

External material things, as the objects of sensation; and the operations of our minds within, as the objects of reflection; are the only originals from whence all our ideas take their beginnings.

4. Derivation; descent.

They, like the seed from which they sprung, accurst

Against the gods immortal hatred nurst; An impious, arrogant, and cruel brood, Expressing their original from blood.

ORI'GINAL. adj. [originel, Fr. originalis, Latin.] Primitive; pristine; first.

The original question was, whether God hath forbidden the giving any worship to himself by an Stilling fleet.

Had Adam obeyed God, his original perfection, the knowledge and ability God at first gave him, would still have continued. Wake, Prep. for Death.

You still, fair mother, in your offspring trace The stock of beauty destin'd for the race; Kind nature, forming them, the pattern took

From heav'n's first work, and Eve's original look.

ORIGINA'LITY.* n. s. [from original.]
Quality or state of being original. Here also hangs the celebrated Madonna del

Pesce of Raphael, one of the most valuable pictures in the world. I do not know how Amiconi came to doubt of its originality.

Swinburne, Trav. through Spain, L. 43. The owners really believed these pictures to be original, and among the best of the respective masters, to whom they were attributed; and it would have been the highest affront to have expressed a doubt of their originality.

ORI'GINALLY. adv. [from original.] 1. Primarily; with regard to the first

cause; from the beginning.

A very great difference between a king that holdeth his crown by a willing act of estates, and one that holdeth it originally by the law of nature and descent of blood.

As God is originally holy in himself, so he might communicate his sanctity to the sons of men, whom he intended to bring into the fruition of Pearson.

A present blessing upon our fasts, is neither originally due from God's justice, nor becomes due to us from his veracity. Smalridge, Serm.

2. At first.

The metallick and mineral matter found in the perpendicular intervals of the strata, was originally, and at the time of the deluge, lodged in the bodies. of those strata. Woodward.

3. As the first author.

For what originally others writ, May be so well disguis'd and so improv'd, That with some justice it may pass for yours. Roscommon.

ORT'GINALNESS. n. s. [from original.] The quality or state of being original.

ORI'GINARY. adj. [originaire, French, from

1. Productive; causing existence.

The production of animals in the originary way, requires a certain degree of warmth, which pro ceeds from the sun's influence. Cheyne, Phil. Prin.

2. Primitive; that which was the first

Remember I am built of clay, and must Resolve to my originary dust. Sandys on Job.

To ORI'GINATE. † v. a. [from origin.] To

bring into existence. The holy story originates skill and knowledge of arts from God.

Waterhouse, Apol. for Learn. (1653,) p. 9. To ORI'GINATE. v. n. To take existence. I consider the address - as originating in the principles of the sermon.

Burke on the Fr. Revolution.

ORIGINA'TION. n. s. [originatio, Lat. from originate.

1. The act or mode of bringing into existence; first production.

The tradition of the origination of mankind seems to be universal; but the particular methods of that origination excogitated by the heathen, were particular. Hale.

This eruca is propagated by animal parents, to wit, butterflies, after the common origination of all

Descartes first introduced the fancy of making a world, and deducing the origination of the universe from mechanical principles.

2. Descent from a primitive.

The Greek word used by the apostles to express the church, signifieth, a calling forth, if we look upon the origination.

ORI'ON.* n. s. [Latin.] One of the constellations of the southern hemisphere. When with fierce winds Orion arm'd

Milton, P. L. Hath vex'd the Red-sea coast.

O'RISON. † n. s. [orison, old French; oraison, modern; oratio, Lat. See ORAISON. When written oraison, the accent is proper on the second syllable; not so, when written orison. Cotton, for the sake of the rhyme, in a burlesque couplet among the following examples, has indeed forced the accent upon the second syllable of orison. The word is usually found in the plural number. Dyer uses oraison in the singular.] A prayer; a supplication.

Nymph, in thy orisons Be all my sins remember'd.

Shaksp. Hamlet. Alas! your too much love and care of me Are heavy orisons 'gainst this poor wretch.

He went into St. Paul's church, where he had orisons and Te Deum sung. Bacon, Hen. VII. My wakeful lay shall knock

At the oriental gates, and duly mock The early lark's shrill orisons, to be An anthem at the day's nativity. Crashaw. His daily orisons attract our ears. Sandys on Job.

Lowly they bow'd, adoring, and began Their orisons, each morning duly paid. Milton, P. L.

So went he on with his orisons, Which, if you mark them well, were wise ones. Cotton.

The midnight clock attests my fervent prayers, The rising sun my orisons declares. Harte.

ORK. † n. s. A sea-fish. See ORC.

O'RLOP. n. s. [overloop, Dutch.] middle deck.

A small ship of the king's, called the Pensie, was assailed by the Lyon, a principal ship of Scotland; wherein the Pensie so applied her shot, that the Lyon's oreloop was broken, her sails and tackling torn; and lastly, she was boarded and

O'RNAMENT. n. s. [ornamentum, Latin; ornement, French.]

1. Embellishment; decoration.

So may the outward shows be least themselves; The world is still deceiv'd with ornament. Shakspeare.

2. Something that embellishes.

Ivorie, wrought in ornaments to decke the cheekes of horse. The Tuscan chief to me has sent

Their crown, and every regal ornament. Dryden.
No circumstances of life can place a man so far below the notice of the world, but that his virtues or vices will render him, in some degree, an ornament or disgrace to his profession.

3. Honour; that which confers dignity.

They are abused and injured, and betrayed from their only perfection, whenever they are taught, that any thing is an ornament in them, that is not an ornament in the wisest amongst mankind. Law.

The persons of different qualities in both sexes are indeed allowed their different ornaments; but these are by no means costly, being rather designed as marks of distinction than to make a figure. Addison on Italy.

To O'RNAMENT.* v. a. [from the noun. Dr. Johnson notices ornamented (without any example) as an adjective, which he thinks a word of late introduction, and not very elegant. Warburton, a little before the Dictionary of Dr. Johnson was published, appears to have employed it; and Shenstone had used it long before.] To embellish; to bedeck; to adorn.

Why droops my Damon, whilst he roves Through ornamented fields and groves?

Shenstone, Prog. of Taste, P. 4. Those august towers of St. James's, which, though neither seemly nor sublime, yet ornament the place where the balances are preserved, which weigh out liberty and property to the nations all Warburton to Hurd, Lett. 60. abroad.

The font, remaining in its old situation near the chief entrance, is large and well ornamented. Warton, Hist. of Kiddington, p. 4.

ORNAME'NTAL. adj. [from ornament.] Serving to decoration; giving embellishment.

Some think it most ornamental to wear their bracelets on their wrists, others about their ancles.

If the kind be capable of more perfection, though rather in the ornamental parts of it than the essential, what rules of morality or respect have I broken in naming the defects, that they may hereafter be amended?

Even the heathens have esteemed this variety not only ornamental to the earth, but a proof of the wisdom of the Creator. Woodward, Nat. Hist.

If no advancement of knowledge can be had from universities, the time there spent is lost; every ornamental part of education is better taught Swift on Religion elsewhere.

ORNAME'NTALLY. adv. [from ornamental.] In such a manner as may confer em-

O'RNATE. adj. [ornatus, Latin. This is an old word in our language; of which Milton seems to have been fond. It is in Huloet's Dictionary. Bedecked; decorated; fine.

Not in rude and old language, but in polyshed and ornate terms.

Pref. to the Boke of Encydos, Caxton, (1490.) Men - ornate with virtue and wisdom.

Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 12. b. A graceful and ornate rhetorick, taught out of the rule of Plato. Milton on Education. What thing of sea or land,

Female of sex it seems, That so bedeck'd, ornate, and gay,

Milton, S. A. Comes this way sailing?

To O'RNATE.* v. a. [orno, Latin.] To adorn; to garnish. This is the exposition of the noble philosopher; which I have written, principally to the intent to

ornate our language with using wordes in their proper signification. Sir T. Elyot, Gov. fol. 200. O'RNATELY.* adv. [from ornate.] Finely; with decoration; with embellishment.

With proper captations of benevolence Ornately pollyshed after your facultie.

Skelton, Poems, p. 35. To utter the mind aptly, distinctly, and ornately, is a gift given to very few.

Sherrye, Figures of Gramm. and Rhet. (1555,) fol. ii. b. O'RNATENESS. n. s. [from ornate.] Finery;

state of being embellished. O'RNATURE. † n. s. [ornature, old French; from ornatus, Latin.] Decoration.

His noble purpose was this: to save precious monumentes of auncient writers, which is a most worthy worke; and so to bring them from darknesse to a lyvely light, to the notable fame and ornature of this land.

Bale, Leland's New Year's Gift, (1549.) A mushroom for all your other ornatures.

B. Jonson, Poetaster. ORNI'SCOPIST. n. s. [σορις and εσκοπα.] One who examines the flight of birds in

order to foretel futurity. ORNITHO'LOGIST.* n. s. [ornithologiste,

French; from ornithology.] One who understands the nature of birds; a describer of birds.

Soon after Mr. Adamson's Voyage to Senegal, Mr. Collinson first in the philosophical translations, and after him, the most eminent ornithologists in Europe, seem to have considered this traveller's having caught four European swallows, on the 6th of October, not far from the African coast, as a decisive proof that the common swallows, when they disappear in Europe, make for Africa during the winter, and return again to us in the spring. Barrington, Ess. 4.

ORNITHO'LOGY. n. s. [ogvis and hoyos.] A discourse on birds.

O'RPHAN. n. s. [ôspavòs; orphelin, Fr.] A child who has lost father or mother,

Poor orphan in the wide world scattered, As budding branch rent from the native tree, And thrown forth until it be withered:

Such is the state of man. Spenser. Who can be bound by any solemn vow

To reave the orphan of his patrimony, To wring the widow from her custom'd right, And have no other reason for his wrong,

But that he was bound by a solemn oath? Shaksp. Sad widows, by thee rifled, weep in vain, And ruin'd orphans of thy rapes complain. Sandys.

The sea with spoils his angry bullets strow, Widows and orphans making as they go. Waller.

Pity, with a parent's mind, This helpless orphan whom thou leav'st behind.

Dryden. Collections were made for the relief of the poor, whether widows or orphans. Nelson. O'RPHAN. adj. [orphelin, French.] Bereft

of parents.

This king, left orphan both of father and mother, found his estate, when he came to age, so disjointed even in the noblest and strongest limbs of government, that the name of a king was grown Sidney.

O'RPHANAGE.† n. s. [orphelinage; Fr.; O'RPHANISM.] State of an orphan. Sherwood. O'RPHANED.* part. adj. [from orphan.]

Bereft of parents or friends.

So wept Lorenzo fair Clarissa's fate; Who gave that angel boy, on whom he doats, And died to give him, orphan'd in his birth.

Young, Night Th. 5. For this orphaned world the Holy Spirit made the like charitable provision. Warburton, Serm. 20. O'RPIMENT. † n. s. [auripigmentum, Lat.;

orpiment, orpin, French.

Orpiment is a compound of sulphur and arsenick. It is lamellar in one direction, and of a yellow colour. See Journal of Science, No. 20, p. 287.

For the golden colour, it may be made by some small mixture of orpiment, such as they use to brass in the yellow alchymy; it will easily recover that which the iron loseth. Bacon.

ΟκρηΑ'NOTROPHY. n. s. [δεφανός and γροφή.]

An hospital for orphans.

O'RPINE. n. s. [orpin, French; telephon, Latin.] Liverer or rose root, anacampseros, Telephum, or Rhodia radis. plant. Miller. Cool violets, and orpine growing still:

Embathed balm, and cheerful galingale. Spenser. O'RRERY. n. s. An instrument which by many complicated movements represents O'RTHOEPY.* n. s. [ὅρθως, right, and ἔπως, a the revolutions of the heavenly bodies. word, Greek.] The art of pronouncing It was first made by Mr. Rowley, a mathematician born at Litchfield, and so named from his patron the earl of Orrery: by one or other of this family almost every art has been encouraged or improved.

O'RRIS. n. s. [oris, Latin.] A plant and flower.

The nature of the orris root is almost singular; for roots that are in any degree sweet, it is but the same sweetness with the wood or leaf; but the orris is not sweet in the leaf; neither is the flower O'RTHOGON. n. s. [ορθος and γωνία.] A any thing so sweet as the root.

O'RRIS. 7 n. s. [old French.] A sort of gold or silver lace. Dr. Johnson. - If such a word as orris, in this sense, exists, (which I doubt,) if can only be a corruption of orfrais. See ORFRAIS.

ORT.* n. s. [See ORTS.] A fragment. It is some poor fragment, some slender ort of

his remainder. Shakspeare, Timon. O'RTHODOX. adj. [όρθος and δοκέω; ORTHOGO/XAL. orthodox, French.] One who small orthodox. Sound in opinion and doctrine; not heretical. Orthodoxal is not now used.

Be you persuaded and settled in the true protestant religion professed by the church of England; which is as sound and orthodox in the doctrine thereof, as any Christian church in the world.

An uniform profession of one and the same orthodoxal verity, which was once given to the saints 2. Relating to the spelling. in the holy apostles' days. White.

Eternal bliss is not immediately superstructed on the most orthodox beliefs; but as our Saviour saith, If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them; the doing must be first superstructed on the knowing or believing, before any happiness can be built on it. Hammond.

Origen and the two Clemens's, their works were originally orthodox, but had been afterwards corrupted, and interpolated by hereticks in some parts Waterland.

O'RTHODOXLY. adv. [from orthodox.] With soundness of opinion.

The doctrine of the church of England, expressed in the thirty-nine articles, is so soundly and so orthodoxly settled, as cannot be questioned without extreme danger to the honour of our re-

O'RTHODOXNESS.* n. s. [from orthodox.] State of being orthodox.

I proceed now to the second thing implied in being faithful: and that is purity, and orthodoxness of doctrine. Killingbeck, Serm. p. 17.

O'RTHODOXY. n. s. [δρθοδοξία; orthodoxie, French; from orthodox.] Soundness in opinion and doctrine.

Basil himself bears full and clear testimony to Gregory's orthodoxy. Waterland.

I do not attempt explaining the mysteries of the christian religion; since Providence intended there should be mysteries, it cannot be agreeable to piety, orthodoxy, or good sense, to go about it.

O'RTHODROMICKS. n. s. pl. [from op Sos and δρόμος. The art of sailing in the arc of some great circle, which is the shortest or straightest distance between any two points on the surface of the globe.

Harris. O'RTHODROMY. n. s. Toodos and dpopos; orthodromie, French. | Sailing in a straight

words properly.

Of orthography, or orthocpy, treating of the letters and their pronunciation.

Greenwood, Ess. on Eng. Gram. (2d ed. 1722,) p. 235. As it has been frequently represented to me, that the unusual, though proper, expression of Elements of Orthoepy, the original title of this work, has prevented many from comprehending its real intention, I have consented to the printing of a new title-page.

Nares, Gen. Rules for the Pron. of the Eng. Lang. (1792,) Adv.

rectangled figure.

The square will make you ready for all manner of compartments; your cylinder for vaulted turrets and round buildings; your orthogon and pyramid for sharp steeples. Peacham.

ORTHO'GONAL. † adj. [orthogonel, French; from orthogon.] Rectangular.

Finding the squares of an orthogonal triangle's Selden, Pref. in Drayton's Polyolbion.

of grammar.

He was wont to speak plain, like an honest man and a soldier; and now he is turn'd orthographer, his words are just so many strange dishes. Shaksp.

ORTHOGRA'PHICAL. adj. [from orthography.

Rightly spelled.

I received from him the following letter, which,

after having rectified some little orthographical mistakes, I shall make a present of to the public. Addison, Spect.

3. Delineated according to the elevation, not the ground-plot.

In the orthographical schemes there should be a true delineation and the just dimensions of each face, and of what belongs to it. Mortimer, Husb.

ORTHOGRA'PHICALLY. adv. [from orthographical.

1. According to the rules of spelling.

2. According to the elevation.

ORTHO GRAPHY. n. s. [δρθος and γράφω; orthographie, French.]

1. The part of grammar which teaches how words should be spelled.

This would render languages much more easy to be learned, as to reading and pronouncing, and especially as to the writing them, which now as they stand we find to be troublesome, and it is no small part of grammar which treats of orthography and right pronunciation.

2. The art or practice of spelling.

In London they clip their words after one manner about the court, another in the city, and a third in the suburbs; all which reduced to writing, would entirely confound orthography.

3. The elevation of a building delineated. You have the orthography or upright of this ground-plot, and the explanation with a scale of feet and inches.

ORTHO LOGY.* n. s. [ορθος, right, and λόγος, a word. Right description of things.

The natural, and as it were the homogeneal, parts of grammar be two; orthology, and orthography: in both which parts of it, God hath had a special hand; as even by the heathen themselves is acknowledged; in the first of them, orthology; in teaching men the right imposition of names: the second of them, orthography; in teaching them the rare invention of letters. Fotherby, Atheom. (1622,) p. 346.

ORTHO PNOEA. n. s. [ορθοπνοια; orthopnée, French.] A disorder of the lungs, in which respiration can be performed only in an upright posture.

His disease was an asthma oft turning to an orthopnæa; the cause a translation of tartarous hu-

mours from his joints to his lungs.

Harvey on Consumptions. O'RTIVE. adj. [ortive, French; ortivus, Latin.] Relating to the rising of any planet or star.

O'RTOLAN. n. s. [French.] A small bird accounted very delicious.

Nor ortolans nor godwits.

ORTS. † n. s. seldom with a singular. [This word is derived by Skinner from ort, German, the fourth part of any thing; by Mr. Lye more reasonably from orda, Irish, a fragment. In Anglo-Saxon, ord signifies the beginning; whence in some provinces odds and ends, for ords and ends, signify remnants, scattered pieces, refuse; from ord thus used probably came ort. Dr. Johnson. - Orts is, throughout all England, one of the most common words in our language; which has adopted nothing from the Irish, though we use two or three of their words, as Irish. Orts is merely the past participle of the Anglo-Saxon verb operan, turpare, vilefacere, deturpare. Oret, ort, means (any thing, something,) made vile

or worthless. Mr. H. Tooke, Div. of Purley, ii. 328.] Refuse; things left or thrown away.

He must be taught, and train'd, and bid go forth:

A barren-spirited fellow, one that feeds

On abject orts and imitations. Shaksp. Jul. Cas. The fractions of her faith, orts of her love. The fragments, scraps, the bits, and greasy reliques Of her o'er-eaten faith, are bound to Diomede.

Much good do't you then; Brave plush and velvet men

Can feed on orts. R. Jonson. Thou son of crums and orts.

B. Jonson, New Inn. The polluted orts and refuse of Arcadias and romances. Milton, Eiconoclast. ch. 1. Like lavish ancestors, his earlier years

Have disinherited his future hours,

Which starve on orts, and glean their former field. Young, Night Th. 3. O'RVAL. n. s. [orvale, Fr. orvala, Latin.]

The herb clary. ORVIE'TAN. n. s. [orvietano, Italian; so

called from a mountebank at Orvieto in Italy.] An antidote or counter poison; a medicinal composition or electuary, Bailey. good against poison. OSCHEO'CELE. R. S. [οσχεον and κηλη.] A

kind of hernia when the intestines break into the scrotum.

To O'SCILLATE.* v. n. [oscillo, Lat.] To move backward and forward.

The axis of oscillation is a right line, parallel to the apparent horizontal one, and passing through the centre; about which the pendulum oscillates. Chambers, in V. Oscillation.

Oscilla'tion. n.s. [oscillum, Lat.] The act of moving backward and forward like a pendulum.

Whose mind is agitated by painful oscillations of the nervous system, and whose nerves are mutually affected by the irregular passions of his Bp. Berkeley, Siris, § 104.

OSCI'LLATORY. adj. [oscillum, Lat.] Moving backwards and forwards like a pen-

The actions upon the solids are stimulating or increasing their vibrations, or oscillatory motions.

O'SCITANCY. n. s. [oscitantia, Lat.]

1. The act of yawning.

2. Unusual sleepiness; carelessness.

If persons of circumspect piety have been overtaken, what security can there he for our wreckless oscitancy? Gov. of the Tongue.

It might proceed from the oscitancy of transcribers, who, to dispatch their work the sooner, used to write all numbers in cyphers. Addis. Spect. O'SCITANT. † adj. [oscitans, Lat.]

1. Yawning; unusually sleepy.

2. Sleepy; sluggish.

His legal justice cannot be so fickle and so variable, sometimes like a devouring fire, and by and by connivent in the embers, or, if I may so say, oscitant and supine.

Milton, Doct. and Disc. of Div. ii. 3. Our oscitant lazy piety gave vacancy for them, and they will now lend none back again.

Decay of Chr. Piety.

O'SCITANTLY. * adv. [from oscitant.] Care-Which those drowsy nodders over the letter of

the Scripture have very oscitantly collected, More, Conj. Cabb. Dedic.

OSCITA'TION. n. s. [oscito, Lat.] The act of yawning.

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I shall defer considering this subject at large, till I come to my treatise of oscitation, laughter, Tatler, No. 63.

O'SIER. n. s. [osier, Fr. vitex.] A tree of the willow kind, growing by the water, of which the twigs are used for basket-

The rank of osiers, by the murmuring stream, Left on your right hand, brings you to the place.

Ere the sun advance his burning eye, I must fill up this osier cage of ours

With baleful weeds and precious-juiced flowers. Shakspeare.

Care comes crown'd with ozier, segs and weeds. Bring them for food sweet boughs and osiers cut,

Nor all the winter long thy hay-rick shut. May, Virgil.

Like her no nymph can willing osiers bend, In basket-works, which painted streaks commend.

Along the marshes spread, We made the osier fringed bank our bed. Pope.

O'SMUND. n. s. A plant. It is sometimes used in medicine. It grows upon bogs in divers parts of England. Miller.

O'snaburgs.* n. s. pl. White and brown coarse linens imported from Osnaburg in Germany. A cloth resembling them is manufactured in Angus in Scotland. See Dr. Jamieson's Scot. Dict.

O'SPRAY. † n. s. [corrupted from ossifraga, Lat. Dr. Johnson. - Serenius derives it from the Goth. os, the mouth of a river, and prey.] A large, blackish hawk, with a long neck and blue legs. Its prey is fish, and it is sometimes seen hovering over the Tweed. Lambe, Notes to the Battle of Floddon. Sir T. Hanmer calls it the sea-eagle; of which it is reported, that when he hovers in the air, all the fish in the water turn up their bellies, and lie still for him to seize which he pleases; a marvel which our old poetry has repeatedly noticed. But Mr. Harris has observed, from Pennant, that the ospray is a different bird from the sea-eagle, though its prey is the same.

I think he'll be to Rome, As is the ospray to the fish, who takes it

By sovereignty of nature. Shakspeare, Coriol. Among the fowls shall not be eaten the eagle, the ossifrage, and the ospray.

To Oss.* v. n. To offer; to try; to essay; to set about any thing. It is thus used in Westmoreland, Lancashire, and Cheshire, and perhaps throughout the north. The origin of it I cannot find.

O'SSELET. n. s. [French.] A little hard substance arising on the inside of a horse's knee, among the small bones; it grows out of a gummy substance which 2. Colourable; plausible. fastens those bones together.

Farrier's Dict. O'SSEOUS.* adj. [osseus, Lat.] Bony; resembling a bone.

To pursue the osseous and solid part of goodness, which gives stability and rectitude to all the Brown, Chr. Mor. iii. 4.

A medullary, and consequently osseous, sub-Biblioth. Bibl. i. 157.

O'ssicle. n. s. [ossiculum, Lat.] A small bone.

There are three very little bones in the ear, upon whose right constitution depends the due tension of the tympanum; and if the action of one little muscle, which serves to draw one of these ossicles, fixt to the tympanum, be lost or abated, the tension of that membrane ceasing, sound is hindered from coming into the ear.

Holder on Speech. Ossi'fick. adj. [ossa and facio, Lat.] Having the power of making bones, or changing carneous or membranous to bony substance. .

If the caries be superficial, and the bone firm, you may by medicaments consume the moisture in the caries, dry the bone, and dispose it, by virtue of its ossifick faculty, to thrust out callus, and make separation of its caries,

Ossifica'tion. n. s. [from ossify.] Change of carneous, membranous, or cartilaginous, into bony substance.

Ossifications or indurations of the artery, appear so constantly in the beginnings of aneurisms, that it is not easy to judge whether they are the cause or the effect of them.

O'ssifrage, fr. s. [ossifraga, Latin; ossi-frague, Fr.] A kind of eagle, whose flesh is forbid under the name of gry-phon. The ossifraga, or ospray, is thus called, because it breaks the bones of animals in order to come at the marrow. It is said to dig up bodies in churchyards, and eat what it finds in bones, which has been the occasion that the Latins call it avis bustaria. Calmet. See, however, OSPRAY.

Among the fowls shall not be eaten the eagle, the ossifrage, and the ospray. Lev. xi. 13.

To O'ssify. v. a. [ossa and facio.] To change to bone.

The dilated aorta every where in the neighbourhood of the cyst is generally ossified.

Sharp, Surgery. Ossi'vorous. adj. [ossa and voro.] De-

vouring bones. The bore of the gullet is not in all creatures

alike answerable to the body or stomach: as in the fox, which feeds on bones, and swallows whole, or with little chewing; and next in a dog and other ossivorous quadrupeds, it is very large. Derham, Phys. Theol.

O'ssuary. † n. s. [ossuarium, Lat.] A charnel house; a place where the bones of dead people are kept.

Notable lamps, with vessels of oils and aromatical liquors, attended noble ossuaries. Sir T. Brown on Urn-Burial, (1686.)

Ost. \ n. s. A kiln, where hops or malt Oust. \ are dried. See Oast. Oste'nsible. \ adj. [ostendo, Lat.] 1. That is proper or intended to be shewn.

I take this opportunity of expressing my surprise, that this ostensible comment of the dumb shew should not regularly appear in the tragedies Warton, Hist. E. P. iii, 361. of Shakspeare.

He had, as dictator, an ostensible right to the custody and command of this; and under pretext of this ostensible, he by force of arms seized it.

Pownall on Antiq. p. 114.

OSTE'NSIVE. adj. [ostentif, Fr. ostendo, Lat.] Showing; betokening.

OSTE'NT. n. s. [ostentum, Lat.] 1. Appearance; air; manner; mien.

Use all the observance of civility, Like one well studied in a sad ostent,

To please his grandam. Shaksp. Merch. of Ven.

2. Show; token. These senses are pe- OSTENTA'TOR, n. s. [ostentateur, Fr. osculiar to Shakspeare.

Be merry, and employ your chiefest thoughts To courtship, and such fair ostents of love As shall conveniently become you there. Shaksp.

3. A portent; a prodigy; any thing ominous.

To stirre our zeales up, that admir'd, whereof a fact so cleane

Of all ill as our sacrifice, so fearfull an ostent Should be the issue.

Latinus, frighted with this dire ostent, For counsel to his father Faunus went: And sought the shades renown'd for prophecy, Which near Albunia's sulphurous fountain lie. Druden.

To OSTE NTATE. * v. a. [ostento, Lat.] To make an ambitious display of; to dis-

play boastingly.

It cannot avoid the brand of arrogancy, as well as hypocrisy, to challenge and ostentate that beauty or handsomeness of complexion as ours, which indeed is none of ours by any genuine right or pro-Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 96. Who is so open-hearted and simple, but they either conceal their defects, or ostentate their sufficiencies, short or beyond what either of them really are? Bp. Taylor, Artif. Handsom. p. 169.

So far I must needs ostentate my reading, as to assure you, that I have viewed with my own eyes, and transcribed from all the originals, whatever I have set down. Fleetwood, Chron. Preliosum, Pref. OSTENTA'TION. n. s. [ostentation, Fr. osten-

tatio, Lat.

1. Outward show; appearance.

If these shows be not outward, which of you But is four Volscians? -

- March on, my fellows ;

Make good this ostentation, and you shall

Divide in all with us. Shakspeare, Coriol. You are come

A market-maid to Rome, and have prevented The ostentation of our love. Shakspeare. 2. Ambitious display; boast; vain show. This is the usual sense.

If all these secret springs of detraction fail, yet a vain ostentation of wit sets a man on attacking an established name, and sacrificing it to the mirth and laughter of those about him. Addison, Spect.

He knew that good and bountiful minds were sometimes inclined to ostentation, and ready to cover it with pretence of inciting others by their example, and therefore checks this vanity: Take heed, says he, that you do not your alms before

men, to be seen. Atterbury. With all her lustre, now, her lover warms; Then out of ostentation, hides her charms. Young.

The great end of the art is to strike the imagination. The painter is therefore to make no ostentation of the means by which this is done; the spectator is only to feel the result in his bosom.

3. A show; a spectacle. Not in use.

The king would have me present the princes with some delightful ostentation, show, pageant, antick, or firework. Shakspeare, Love's Lab. Lost. OSTENTA'TIOUS. adj. [ostento, Lat.] Boastful; vain; fond of show; fond to expose to view.

Your modesty is so far from being ostentatious of the good you do, that it blushes even to have it known; and therefore I must leave you to the satisfaction of your own conscience, which, though a silent panegyrick, is yet the best.

They let Ulysses into his disposition, and he seems to be ignorant, credulous, and ostentatious. Broome on the Odyssey.

OSTENTA'TIOUSLY. adv. [from ostentatious.] Vainly; boastfully.

OSTENTA'TIOUSNESS. n. s. [from ostentatious.] Vanity; boastfulness.

tento, Lat.] A boaster; a vain setter Sherwood.

Oste'ntous.* adj. [from ostento, Lat. See OSTENT.] Fond of show; fond to expose to view.

Sometimes we ought to be thankful for an ene-

my. He gives us occasion to shew the world our parts and piety, which else, perhaps, in our dark graves would sleep and moulder with us quite unknown; or could not otherwise well be seen without the vanity of a light and an ostentous mind.

Feltham, Res. ii. 53. Such rude and imperfect draughts being far better in their esteem, than such as are adorned with more pomp, and ostentous circumstances

Evelyn, Pomon. Pref. Oste'ocolla. n. s. [ός εον and κολλάω; osteocolle, Fr. 7 Osteocolla is frequent in Germany, and has long been famous for bringing on a callus in fractured bones.

Hill, Mat. Med. Osteocolla is a spar, generally coarse, concreted with earthy or stony matter, precipitated by water, and encrusted upon sticks, stones, and other like

OSTEO'COPE. n. s. [ogeov and nowlw; osteocope, French.] Pains in the bones, or rather in the nerves and membranes that

encompass them. Dict. OSTEO'LOGER.* n. s. [from osteology.] A

describer of the bones.

Osteologers have very well observed, that the parts appertaining to the bones, which stand out at a distance from the bodies, are either the adnate or the enate parts. Smith on Old Age, p. 176.

OSTEO'LOGY. n. s. [& for and \(\(\gamma \) yo; osteologie, Fr.] A description of the bones. Richard Farloe, well known for his acuteness in dissection of dead bodies, and his great skill in osteology, has now laid by that practice. Tatler.

O'STIARY. † n. s. [ostium, Lat.]

1. The opening at which a river disembogues itself.

It is received that the Nilus hath seven ostiaries, that is by seven channels disburtheneth itself into

2. Formerly an ecclesiastical officer. [ostiarius, Lat. from ostium.]

The office of the ostiarie was to open and shut the church doors, to look to the decent keeping of the church, and the holy ornaments laid up in the

O'STLER. n. s. [hostelier, Fr.] The man who takes care of horses at an inn.

The smith, the ostler, and the boot-catcher, ought to partake. Swift, Direct. to the Groom. O'STLERY. n. s. [hostelerie, French.] The place belonging to the ostler.

O'STMEN.* n. s. pl. [from eastmen, as coming from a country east of Ireland. Ostmanni, low Latin. V. Du Cange.] Danish settlers in Ireland.

Anlave was chief of the Ostmen in that island, and stiled king of Dublin. Ld. Lyttelton.

O'STRACISM. n. s. [δς ρακισμός; ostracisme, Fr.] A manner of passing sentence, in which the note of acquittal or condemnation was marked upon a shell which the voter threw into a vessel. Banishment; publick censure.

Virtue in courtiers' hearts Suffers an ostracism, and departs; Profit, ease, fitness, plenty, bid it go, But whither, only knowing you, I know. Donne.

Publick envy is as an ostracism, that eclipseth men when they grow too great; and therefore it is a bridle to keep them within bounds. Bacon, Ess.

Hyperbolus by suffering did traduce The ostracism, and sham'd it out of use.

Cleaveland. This man, upon a slight and false accusation of favouring arbitrary power, was banished by ostracism; which in English would signify, that they voted he should be removed from their presence and council for ever.

O'STRACITES. n. s. Ostracites expresses the common oyster in its fossil state.

Hill, Mat. Med. To O'STRACIZE.* v. a. [from ostracism.]

To banish; to expel. Therefore the democratick stars did rise,

And all that worth from hence did ostracise, And. Marvel, Lachrym. Mus. (1650.)

O'STRICH. n.s. [autruche, French; struthio, Latin.] Ostrich is ranged among birds. It is very large, its wings very short, and the neck about four or five spans. The feathers of its wings are in great esteem, and are used as an ornament for hats, beds, canopies: they are stained of several colours, and made into pretty tufts. They are hunted by way of course, for they never fly; but use their wings to assist them in running more swiftly. The ostrich swallows bits of iron or brass, in the same manner as other birds will swallow small stones or gravel, to assist in digesting or comminuting their food. It lays its eggs upon the ground, hides them under the sand, and the sun hatches them. Calmet.

I'll make thee eat iron like an ostrich, and swallow my sword like a great pin, ere thou and I Shakspeare. Gavest thou the goodly wings unto the pea-cock? or wings and feathers unto the ostrich?

Job, xxxix. 13. The Scots knights errant fight, and fight to eat, Their ostrich stomachs make their swords their

Modern ostriches are dwindled to meer larks, in comparison with those of the ancients. Arbuthnot.

OTACOU'STICK.†) n. s. [sita and axiso; OTACOU'STICON. otacoustique, French.] An instrument to facilitate hearing.

Not vouchsafing to see or hear any thing but by perspectives and otacousticks.

Hammond, Works, iv. 933. In a hare, which is very quick of hearing, it is supplied with a bony tube; which, as a natural otacoustick, is so directed backward, as to receive the smallest and most distant sound that comes Grew, Cosmol.

Using some otacousticon, and placing the mouth of it towards the sound. Smith on Old Age, p. 146.

O'THER. † pron. [anthr, Goth. odep, Sax. othar, Alem. autre, French; ετερος, ατερος, Greek.]

1. Not the same; not this; different. In this sense it seems an adjective, yet in the plural, when the substantive is suppressed, it has, contrarily to the nature of adjectives, a plural termination: as, of last week three days were fair, the others rainy.

Of good actions some are better than other some. Hooke

Will it not be received That they have done't? -

- Who dares receive it other ? Shaksp. K. Lear.

their houses, other some in the churches, with floods of tears and lamentable cries, poured forth their prayers to the Almighty, craving his help in that their hard distress.

He that will not give just occasion to think, that all government in the world is the product only of force and violence, and that men live together by no other rules but that of beasts, where the strongest carries; and so lay a foundation for perpetual disorder and mischief, tumult, sedition, and rebellion; things that the followers of that hypothesis so loudly cry out against, must of necessity find out another state of government.

No leases shall ever be made other than leases for years not exceeding thirty-one, in possession, and not in reversion or remainder.

2. Not I, or he, but some one else: in this sense it is a substantive, and has a genitive and plural.

Were I king,
I should cut off the nobles for their lands;

Desire his jewels and this other's house. Shaksy. Physicians are some of them so conformable to the humour of the patient, as they press not the cure of the disease; and some other are so regular in proceeding according to art, as they respect not the condition of the patient.

The confusion arises, when the one will put their sickle into the other's harvest.

Leslie.

Never allow yourselves to be idle, whilst others are in want of any thing that your hands can make for them.

The king had all he crav'd, or could compel, And all was done - let others judge how well. Daniel.

3. Not the one, not this, but the contrary. There is that controlling worth in goodness, that the will cannot but like and desire it; and on the other side, that odious deformity in vice, that it never offers itself to the affections of mankind, but under the disguise of the other. South.

4. Correlative to each. In lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves. Phil. ii. 3. Scotland and thou did each in other live,

Nor would'st thou her, nor could she thee survive.

5. Something besides.

The learning of Latin being nothing but the learning of words, join as much other real know-Locke on Education. ledge with it as you can. 6. The next.

Thy air, Thou other gold-bound brow, is like the first; A third is like the former. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

7. The third part. Bind my hair up: as 'twas yesterday? R. Jonson.

No, nor the t'other day. 8. It is sometimes put elliptically for other thing; something different.

I can expect no other from those that judge by single sights and rash measures, than to be thought fond or insolent.

O'THERGATES. adv. [other and gate, for way.] In another manner.
If sir Toby had not been in drink, he would

have tickled you othergates than he did Shakspeare, Tw. Night.

O'THERGUISE. † adj. [other and guise. This is often pronounced and sometimes written otherguess.] Of another kind. It is a common expression in several parts of England; and in Cheshire forms part of the following proverb: "I have otherguess fish to fry than snigs [eels] without butter:" i.e. my time is better employed, I have something better to do than what you propose.

The dismayed matrons and maidens, some in O'THERWHERE. adv. [other and where.] In other places.

As Jews they had access to the temple and synagogues, but as Christians they were of necessity forced otherwhere to assemble themselves.

His godlike acts, and his temptations fierce, And former sufferings, otherwhere are found. Milton.

O'THERWHILE. At other times.

Some adversities shall follow; and otherwhiles, now one discommodity, now another shall appear. .Homilies, Serm. on Matrimony.

Sometimes he shaves, -- otherwhiles he cauterizes, he scarifies, lets blood.

Milton, Reas. of Ch. Gov. B. 2. Sometimes he was taken forth - to be set in the pillory, otherwhile in the stocks.

Sir G. Buck, Hist. of Rich. III. p. 93. O'THERWISE. adv. [other and wise.]

1. In a different manner.

They only plead, that whatsoever God revealeth, as necessary for all Christian men to do and believe, the same we ought to embrace, whether we have received it by writing or otherwise, which no man denieth.

The whole church hath not tied the parts unto one and the same thing, they being therein left each to their own choice, may either do as others do, or else otherwise, without any breach of duty at all.

The evidences for such things are not so infallible, but that there is a possibility, that the things may be otherwise. Wilkins

In these good things, what all others should practise, we should scarce know to practise other-

Thy father was a worthy prince, And merited, alas! a better fate;

Addison, Cato. But heaven thought otherwise. 2. By other causes.

Sir John Norris failed in the attempts of Lisborn, and returned with the loss, by sickness and otherwise, of eight thousand men.

3. In other respects. It is said wuly, that the best men otherwise, are not always the best in regard of society. Hooker. Men seldom consider God any otherwise than in relation to themselves, and therefore want some extraordinary benefits to excite their attention and engage their love.

O'TTER. n. s. [ocep, Saxon; lutra, Latin.] An amphibious animal that preys upon

The toes of the *otter*'s hinder feet, for the better swimming, are joined together with a membrane, as in the bevir; from which he differs principally in his teeth, which are canin; and in his tail, which is felin, or a long taper: so that he may not be unfitly called putoreus aquaticus, or the water pole-cat. He makes himself burrows on the water side, as a bevir; is sometimes tamed and taught, by nimbly surrounding the fishes, to drive them into the net. Grew. At the lower end of the hall is a large otter's

skin stuffed with hay. Addison, Spect. Would you preserve a numerous finny race? Let your fierce dogs the ravenous otter chase; The amphibious monster ranges all the shores, Darts through the waves, and every haunt ex-

O'VAL. adj. [ovale, Fr. ovum, an egg.] Oblong; resembling the longitudinal section of an egg.

The mouth is low and narrow, but, after having entered pretty far in the grotto, opens itself on both sides in an oval figure of an hundred yards. Addison on Italy.

Mercurius, nearest to the central sun, Does in an oval orbit, circling run;

But rarely is the object of our sight, In solar glory sunk. Blackmore.

O'VAL. n. s.

A triangle is that which has three angles, or an oval is that which has the shape of an egg.

OVA'RIOUS. adj. [from ovum.] Consisting

He to the rocks Dire clinging gathers his ovarious food. Thomson.

O'vary. n. s. [ovaire, Fr. ovarium, Lat.] The part of the body in which impregnation is performed. The ovary or part where the white involveth it,

is in the second region of the matrix, which is somewhat long and inverted. Brown, Vulg. Err.

O'VATE.* adj. [ovatus, Lat.] Of an oval figure; marked ovally.

Two rows on each side of the belly consist of larger scales, ovate and imbricate.

Russell, Acc. of Indian Serpents, p. 7.

Ova'tion. † n. s. [ovation, Fr. ovatio, Lat.] A lesser triumph among the Romans allowed to those commanders who had won a victory without much bloodshed, or defeated some less formidable enemy.

His ovation being the prime of his strength; his noise and report of his victories being the only means to persuade the reader that he hath ob-Hammond, Works, ii. 167. tained them. Ovation was allow'd

For conquest purchas'd without blood.

Hudibras, ii. ii. Rest not in an ovation, but a triumph over thy Brown, Chr. Mor. i. 2. passions.

O'UBAT.] n. s. [eruca pilosa.] A sort of caterpillar; an insect. O'UBUST. S Dict.

Ouch.† n. s. [nusca, nuca, low Latin, fibula; whence perhaps nowch, or nouch, and so ouch. Tyrwhitt.] An ornament of gold or jewels; a carcanet; the collet in which precious stones are set. Dr. Johnson has cited an example from Bacon, in which the word is oes, not ouches. See O.

A Persian mitre on her head She wore, with crowns and owches garnished.

Spenser, F. Q. i. ii. 13. Thou shalt make them to be set in ouches of gold. Exod. xxviii, 11

Ouch of a boar. The blow given by a boar's tusk. Ainsworth.

O'ven. + n.s. [aufn, Goth. ofn, Icel. open, Sax. " Aphah (Heb.) signifieth to bake, and to seethe, and to dress meat: oven seemeth to be derived of this word." Leigh, Crit. Sacra, 1650, p. 15.] An arched cavity heated with fire to bake bread.

He loudly bray'd, that like was never heard,

And from his wide devouring oven sent A flake of fire, that flashing in his beard,

Him all amaz'd. Here's yet in the world hereafter, the kneading, the making of the cake, the heat of the oven, and the baking.

Bats have been found in ovens and other hollow close places, matted one upon another; and there-

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fore it is likely that they sleep in the winter, and | 2. More than a quantity assigned. eat nothing.

O'ver hath a double signification in the names of places, according to the different situations of them. If the place be upon or near a river, it comes from the Saxon oppe, a brink or bank: but if there is in the neighbourhood another of the same name, distinguished by the addition of nether, then over is from the Gothick ufar, above. Gibson's Camden.

O'VER. prep. [ufar, Gothick; oren, Sax.] 1. Above; with respect to excellence or

How happy some, o'er other some can be! Through Athens I am thought as fair as she. Shakspeare.

Young Pallas shone conspicuous o'er the rest; Gilded his arms, embroider'd was his vest.

Dryden. High, over all, was your great conduct shown, You sought our safety, but forgot your own.

The commentary which attends this poem will have one advantage over most commentaries, that it is not made upon conjectures. Pope.

It will afford field enough for a divine to enlarge on, by shewing the advantages which the Christian world has over the heathen. Swift. Swift.

2. Above, with regard to rule or authority. Opposed to under.

The church has over her bishops, able to silence the factious, no less by their preaching than by their authority.

Captain, yourself are the fittest to live and reign not over, but next and immediately under the people. Dryden.

3. Above in place. Opposed to below. He was more than over shoes in love. Shakspeare. The street should see as she walked over head. Shakspeare.

Thrice happy is that humble pair, Beneath the level of all care: Over whose heads those arrows fly, Of sad distrust and jealousy.

Waller.

4. Across; from side to side: as, he leaped over the brook.

ver the Drook, Bessy, to me, Come o'er the brook, Bessy, to me, Shakspeare. She dares not come over to thee.

Certain lakes and pits, such as that of Avennes, poison birds which fly over them.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. The geese fly o'er the barn, the bees in arms Drive headlong from their waxen cells in swarms. Dryden.

5. Through, diffusively. All the world over, those that received not the commands of Christ, and his doctrines of purity and perseverance, were signally destroyed.

6. Upon. Wise governours have as great a watch over

fames, as they have of the actions and designs. Bacon. Angelick quires

Sung heavenly anthems of his victory Over temptation and the tempter proud.

Milton, P. R. 7. Before. This is only used in over night. On their intended journey to proceed, And over night whatso thereto did need.

Spenser, Hubb. Tale. 8. It is in all senses written by contraction

o'er.

O'VER. adv.

1. Above the top.

Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give. St. I.uke, vi. 38.

Even here likewise the laws of nature and reason be of necessary use; yet somewhat over and besides them is necessary, namely human and positive law. Hooker.

When they had mete it, he that gathered much had nothing over, and he that gathered little had The ordinary soldiers having all their pay, and

a month's pay over, were sent into their countries. Hannuard

The eastern people determined their digit by the breadth of barley-corns, six making a digit, and twenty-four a hand's breadth: a small matter over or under. Arbuthnot.

3. From side to side.

The fan of an Indian king, made of the feathers of a peacock's tail, composed into a round form. bound alogether with a circular rim, above a foot

4. From one to another.

This golden cluster the herald delivereth to the Tirsan, who delivereth it over to that son that he had chosen.

5. From a country beyond the sea.

It hath a white berry, but is not brought over with the coral. Bacon, Nat. Hist. They brought new customs and new vices o'er; Taught us more arts than honest men require.

6. On the surface.

The first came out red all over, like an hairy garment.

7. Past. This is rather the sense of an adjective.

Soliman pausing upon the matter, the heat of his fury being something over, suffered himself to be intreated.

Meditate upon the effects of anger; and the best time to do this, is to look back upon anger when the fit is over.

What the garden choicest bears To sit and taste, till this meridian heat

Be over, and the sun more cool decline. Milton. The act of stealing was soon over, and cannot be undone, and for it the sinner is only answerable to God or his vicegerent.

Bp. Taylor, Rule of Living Holy.

He will, as soon as his first sur Prize is over, begin to wonder how such a favour came to be bestowed on him. Atterbury.

There youths and nymphs in consort gay, Shall hail the rising, close the parting day; With me, alas! with me those joys are o'er, For me the vernal garlands bloom no more. Pope.

Let them argue over all the topicks of divine

8. Throughout; completely. Well,

Have you read o'er the letters I sent you?

goodness and human weakness, yet how triffing must be their plea! South, Serm.

With repetition; another time. He o'er and o'er divides him,

Twixt his unkindness and his kindness. Shakspeare. Sitting or standing still confin'd to roar, In the same verse, the same rules o'er and o'er.

Longing they look, and gaping at the sight, Devour her o'er and o'er with vast delight.

Dryden. Thou, my Hector, art thyself alone,

My parents, brothers, and my lord in one: O kill not all my kindred o'er again, Nor tempt the dangers of the dusty plain; But in this tower, for our defence, remain. Dryden.

When children forget, or do an action aukwardly, make them do it over and over again, till they are perfect.

If this miracle of Christ's rising from the dead be not sufficient to convince a resolved libertine, neither would the rising of one now from the dead be sufficient for that purpose; since it would only be the doing that over again which hath been done already, The most learned will never find occasion to

act over again what is fabled of Alexander the Great, that when he had conquered the eastern world, he wept for want of more worlds to con-

He cramm'd his pockets with the precious store, And every night review'd it o'er and o'er. Harte.

10. Extraordinary; in a great degree. The word symbol should not seem to be over Raker.

11. Over and above. Besides; beyond what was first supposed or immediately intended.

Moses took the redemption money of them that were over and above. Numb. iii, 49, He gathered a great mass of treasure, and

gained over and above the good will and esteem of all people wherever he came. L'Estrange.

12. Over against. Opposite; regarding in front.

In Ticinum is a church with windows only from above. It reporteth the voice thirteen times, if you stand by the close end of the wall, over against the door.

I visit his picture, and place myself over against it whole hours together. whole hours together. Addison, Spect.

Over against this church stands a large hospital, erected by a shoemaker. Addison on Italy.

13. To give over. To cease from.

These when they praise, the world believes no

Than when they promise to give scribbling o'er.

14. To give over. To attempt to help no longer: as, his physicians have given him over; his friends, who advised him, have given him over.

15. In composition it has a great variety. of significations; it is arbitrarily prefixed to nouns, adjectives, or other parts of speech in a sense equivalent to more than enough: too much.

Devilish Macbeth, By many of these trains hath sought to win me Into his power: and modest wisdom plucks me From overcredulous haste. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

St. Hierom reporteth, that he saw a satyr; but the truth hereof I will not rashly impugn, or overboldly affirm. Peacham.

These overbusy spirits, whose labour is their only reward, hunt a shadow and chase the wind.

Decay of Chr. Piety. If the ferment of the breast be vigorous, an overfermentation in the part produceth a phleg-Wiseman.

A gangrene doth arise in phlegmons, through the unseasonable application of overcold medica-Poets, like lovers, should be bold and dare,

They spoil their business with an overcare: And he who servilely creeps after sense, Is safe, but ne'er will reach an excellence. Dryden.

Wretched man o'erfeeds His cramm'd desires with more than nature needs.

Bending o'er the cup, the tears she shed, Seem'd by the posture to discharge her head,

O'erfill'd before Dryden. As they are likely to overflourish their own case,

their flattery is hardest to be discovered: for who would imagine himself guilty of putting tricks upon himself? Collier. He has afforded us only the twilight of proba-

bility; suitable to that state of mediocrity he has placed us in here; wherein, to check our overconfldence and presumption, we might, by every day's experience, be made sensible of our shortsighted-

This part of grammar has been much neglected, as some others overdiligently cultivated. It is easy for men to write one after another, of cases and genders.

It is an ill way of establishing this truth, and silencing atheists, to take some men's having that idea of God in their minds, for the only proof of a deity; and out of an overfondness of that darling invention, cashier all other arguments. Locke.

A grown person surfeiting with honey, no sooner hears the name of it, but his fancy immediately carries sickness and qualms to his stomach: had this happened to him by an overdose of honey, when a child, all the same effects would have followed, but the cause would have been mistaken, and the antipathy counted natural.

Take care you overburn not the turf; it is only to be burnt so as may make it break. Mortimer. Don't overfatigue the spirits, lest the mind be seized with a lassitude, and thereby nauseate and grow tired of a particular subject.

The memory of the learner should not be too much crowded with a tumultuous heap of ideas; one idea effaces another. An overgreedy grasp does not retain the largest handful.

Upper. So overleather is O'VER.* adj. upper leather. See Overleather. Her over lippe wiped she so clene,

That in her cuppe was no ferthing sene Of grease, when she dronken had her draught. Chaucer, C. T. Prol.

For these my hands from this my face shall rip, Even with this knife, my nose and over lip.

Mir. for Mag. p. 237.

To O'ver.* v. a. To get over; to get through: an elliptical expression in the north: as, I am afraid he'll not over it, i. e. will not recover from his illness.

Pegge.

To Overabo'und. v. n. [over and abound.] To abound more than enough. Both imbibe

Fitting congenial juice, so rich the soil, So much does fructuous moisture o'erabound.

The learned, never overabounding in transitory coin, should not be discontented. Pope, Lett.

To OverA'CT. v. a. [over and act.] To act more than enough.

Princes courts may overact their reverence, and make themselves laughed at for their foolishness Stilling fleet. and extravagant relative worship. Good men often blemish the reputation of their

piety, by overacting some things in religion; by an indiscreet zeal about things wherein religion is Tillotson. not concerned.

He overacted his part; his passions, when once let loose, were too impetuous to be managed.

Atterbury. To Overa'cr.* v. n. To act more than is

requisite. You overact, when you should underdo:

A little call yourself again, and think. B. Jonson. There while they acted and overacted, among other young scholars, I was a spectator; they thought themselves gallant men, and I thought them fools; they made sport, and I laughed. Milton, Apol. for Smeetymnuus.

To OVERA'GITATE.* v. a. [over and agi-To discuss or controvert too tate.]

much. What is fit to be determined in a business so overagitated, I shall shut up in these propositions. Bp. Hall, Cases of Consc. D. 3. C. 7.

To OverA'RCH. v. a. [over and arch.] To cover as with an arch.

Where high Ithaca o'erlooks the floods, Brown with o'erarching shades and pendant woods.

To OverA'we. v. a. [over and awe.]

keep in awe by superiour influence. The king was present in person to overlook the magistrates, and to overawe these subjects with the terror of his sword. Spenser on Ireland. Her graceful innocence, her every air

Of gesture, or least action, overaw'd

His malice. Milton, P. L. I could be content to be your chief tormentor, ever paying you mock reverence, and sounding in your ears the empty title which inspired you with presumption, and overawed my daughter to com-Addison, Guardian.

A thousand fears

Still overawe when she appears.

To OVERBA'LANCE. To weigh down; to preponderate.

Not doubting but by the weight of reason I should counterpoise the overbalancings of any King Charles. factions. The hundred thousand pounds per annum,

wherein we overbalance them in trade, must be paid us in money.

When these important considerations are set before a rational being, acknowledging the truth of every article, should a bare single possibility be of weight enough to overbalance them? Rogers.

Overba'Lance. n. s. [over and balance.] Something more than equivalent.

Our exported commodities would, by the return, encrease the treasure of this kingdom above what it can ever be by other means, than a mighty overbalance of our exported to our imported com-

The mind should be kept in a perfect indifference, not inclining to either side, any further than the overbalance of probability gives it the turn of assent and belief.

OVERBA'TTLE.† adj. [Of this word I know not the derivation; batten is to grow fat, and to battle, is at Oxford to feed on trust. Dr. Johnson. - The explanation and etymology may be referred to the verb battel, and to the adjective battel; which see, in the present dictionary.] Too fruitful: exuberant.

In the church of God sometimes it cometh to pass, as in overbattle grounds; the fertile disposition whereof is good, yet because it exceedeth due proportion, it bringeth abundantly, through too much rankness, things less profitable, whereby that which principally it should yield, either prevented in place or defrauded of nourishment,

To Overbe'AR. v. a. [over and bear.] To repress; to subdue; to whelm; to bear

What more savage than man, if he see himself able by fraud to over-reach, or by power to overbear the laws?

My desire

All continent impediments would overbear, That did oppose my will. Shakspeare, Macbeth. The ocean over-peering of his list,

Eats not the flats with more impetuous haste Than young Laertes, in a riotous head,

Shakspeare. O'erbears your officers. Our counsel, it pleas'd your highness

Shakspeare, K. John. To overbear. Glo'ster, thou shalt well perceive,

That nor in birth or for authority,

The bishop will be overborne by thee. Shakspeare. The Turkish commanders, with all their forces, assailed the city, thrusting their men into the breaches by heaps, as if they would, with very multitude, have discouraged or overborn the Knolles,

The point of reputation, when news first came of the battle lost, did overbear the reason of war.

Yet fortune, valour, all is overborn, By numbers; as the long resisting bank

By the impetuous torrent. Denham. A body may as well be overborn by the violence of a shallow, rapid stream, as swallowed up in the gulph of smooth water. L'Estrange. Crowding on the last the first impel;

Till overborn with weight the Cyprians fell.

Dryden. The judgement, if swayed by the overbearing of passion, and stored with lubricous opinions instead of clearly conceived truths, will be erroneous. Glanville, Scepsis.

Take care that the memory of the learner be not too much crowded with a tumultuous heap, or overbearing multitude of documents at one The horrour or loathsomeness of an object may

overbear the pleasure which results from its greatness, novelty, or beauty. Addison, Spect.

To Overbe'nd.* v. a. [over and bend.] To stretch too intensely.

Consumptions, upon intemperances and licentiousness; madness, upon misplacing or overbending our natural faculties; proceed from ourselves. Donne, Devot. p. 290.

To Overbi'd. v. a. [over and bid.] To offer more than equivalent.

You have o'erbid all my past sufferings, Dryden, Span. Friar. And all my future too.

To Overblo'w. v. n. [over and blow.] To be past its violence. Led with delight, they thus beguile the way,

Until the blustering storm is overblown. Spenser. All those tempests being overblown, there long after arose a new storm which overrun all Spain.

This ague fit of fear is overblown, An easy task it is to win our own.

Shakspeare, Rich. II.

Seiz'd with secret joy,
Dryden, Virg. When storms are overblown. To Overblo'w. v. a. [over and blow.] To

drive away as clouds before the wind. Some angel that beholds her there,

Instruct us to record what she was here; And when this cloud of sorrow's overblown, Through the wide world we'll make her graces known.

O'VERBOARD. adv. [over and board. BOARD.] Off the ship; out of the ship.

The great assembly met again; and now he that was the cause of the tempest being thrown overboard, there were hopes a calm should ensue.

A merchant having a vessel richly fraught at sea in a storm, there is but one certain way to save it, which is, by throwing its rich lading overboard. South.

The trembling dotard to the deck he drew, And hoisted up and overboard he threw;

This done, he seized the helm. He obtained liberty to give them only one song before he leaped overboard, which he did, and then plunged into the sea. L'Estrange.

Though great ships were commonly bad seaboats, they had a superiour force in a sea engagement: the shock of them being sometimes so violent, that it would throw the crew on the upper Arbuthnot. deck of lesser ships overboard.

To Overbro'w.* v. a. [over and brow.]

To hang over. Strange shades o'erbrow the vallies deep.

Collins, Ode 4. OVERBUI'LT.* part. adj. [over and build.]

On either side Disparted Chaos overbuilt exclaim'd. Milton, P. L. To Overbu'lk. v. a. [over and bulk.] To oppress by bulk.

The feeding pride,

In rank Achilles, must or now be cropt, Or shedding, breed a nursery of like evils, To overbulk us all. Shakspeare, Troil. and Cress.

To Overbu'rthen. v.a. [over and burthen.] To load with too great weight. If she were not cloyed with his company, and

that she thought not the earth overburthened with him, she would cool his fiery grief. Sidney.

To Overbu'y. + v. a. [over and buy.] To buy too dear.

He overbought it upon the false pretence of an appendant commodity.

Bp. Hall, Cases of Consc. D. i. C. 5. He, when want requires, is only wise, Who slights not foreign aids, nor overbuys;

But on our native strength, in time of need, relies.

To Overca'NOPY. * v. a. [over and canopy.] To cover as with a canopy. A bank __

Quite overcanopied with luscious woodbine.

Shakspeare, Mids. N. Dream. Where'er the rude and moss-grown beech O'ercanopies the glade.

To Overca'rry. v. a. [over and carry.] To hurry too far; to be urged to any thing violent or dangerous.

He was the king's uncle, but yet of no capacity to succeed; by reason whereof his natural affection and duty was less easy to be overcarried by ambition. Hayward.

To Overca'st. v. a. part. overcast. [over and cast.]

1. To cloud; to darken; to cover with gloom.

As they past, The day with clouds was sudden overcast. Spenser. Hie, Robin, overcast the night; The starry welkin cover thou anon,

With drooping fogs, as black as Acheron. Shakspeare. Our days of age are sad and overcast, in which

we find that of all our vain passions, and affections past, the sorrow only abideth.

Ralegh, Hist. of the World.

I of fumes and humid vapours made, No cloud in so serene a mansion find,

To overcast her ever shining mind. Those clouds that overcast our morn shall fly, Dispell'd to farthest corners of the sky. Dryden. The dawn is overcast, the morning lours,

And heavily in clouds brings on the day. Addison.

2. To cover. This sense is hardly retained but by needle-women, who call that which is encircled with a thread, over-

When malice would work that which is evil, and in working avoid the suspicion of an evil intent, the colour wherewith it overcasteth itself is always a fair and plausible pretence of seeking to further that which is good. How Their arms abroad with gray moss overcast, Hooker.

And their green leaves trembling with every blast,

3. To rate too high in computation. The king in his accompt of peace and calms, did much overcast his fortunes, which proved full of broken seas, tides, and tempests.

Bacon, Hen. VII. To Overcha' RGE. v. a. [over and charge.] 1. To oppress; to cloy; to surcharge.

On air we feed in every instant, and on meats but at times; and yet the heavy load of abundance, wherewith we oppress and overcharge nature, maketh her to sink unawares in the mid-way. Ralegh, Hist. of the World.

A man may as well expect to grow stronger by 3. To overflow; to surcharge. always eating, as wiser by always reading. Too much overcharges nature, and turns more into disease than nourishment. Collier.

2. To load; to crowd too much.

Our language is overcharged with consonants.

3. To burthen.

He whispers to his pillow, The secrets of his overcharged soul. Shakspeare. 4. To rate too high.

Here's Glo'ster, a foe to citizens, O'ercharging your free purses with large fines. Shakspeare.

5. To fill too full.

Her heart is but o'ercharg'd; she will recover.

The fumes of passion do as really intoxicate, and confound the judging and discerning faculty, as the fumes of drink discompose and stupify the brain of a man overcharged with it.

If they would make distinct abstract ideas of all the varieties in human actions, the number must be infinite, and the memory overcharged to little purpose.

The action of the Iliad and Æneid, in themselves exceeding short, are so beautifully extended by the invention of episodes, that they make up an agreeable story sufficient to employ the memory without overcharging it.

Addison, Spect.

6. To load with too great a charge. They were

As cannons overcharg'd with double cracks.

Who in deep mines for hidden knowledge toils, Like guns o'ercharg'd, breaks, misses, or recoils. Denham.

To Overcli'me.* v. a. [over and climb.] To climb over.

The fatal gin thus overclambe our walls, Stuft with arm'd men.

Ld. Surrey, Tr. of Virg. En. 4. The childhood of the cheerful morn Is almost grown a youth, and overclimbs

Yonder gilt eastern hills. Brewer, Com. of Lingua. To Overclo'ud. v. a. [over and cloud.]

To cover with clouds. The labour of wicked men is to turn blessing itself into a curse, to overcloud joy with sorrow at least, if not desolation. Abp. Laud, Serm. p. 84.

The silver empress of the night, O'erclouded, glimmers in a fainter light. Tickell. To Overclo'v. v. a. [over and cloy.] To

fill beyond satiety. A scum of Britons and base lackey peasants,

Whom their o'ercloyed country vomits forth To desperate adventures and destruction. Shaksp.

To OVERCO'ME. v. a. pret. I overcame; part. pass. overcome; anciently overcomen, as in Spenser. [overcomen, Dutch.

1. To subdue; to conquer; to vanquish. They, overcomen, were deprived Of their proud beauty, and the one moiety

Transform'd to fish, for their bold surquedry. Spenser. This wretched woman, overcome

Of anguish, rather than of crime, hath been.

Of whom a man is overcome, of the same is he brought in bondage. 2 Pet. ii. 19. Fire by thicker air o'ercome.

And downward forc'd in earth's capacious womb, Alters its particles; is fire no more. 2. To surmount.

Miranda is a constant relief to poor people in their misfortunes and accidents; there are sometimes little misfortunes that happen to them, which of themselves they could never be able to Law.

The unfallow'd glebe

Yearly o'ercomes the granaries with stores. Philips. 4. To come over or upon; to invade suddenly. Not in use.

Can such things be, And overcome us like a summer's cloud,

Without our special wonder? Shakspeare, Macbeth. To Overco'ME. v. n. To gain the supe-

That thou mightest be justified in thy sayings, and mightest overcome when thou art judged Rom. iii. 4.

Overco'Mer. † n. s. [from the verb.] He who overcomes.

Great rewards and rich gifts were appointed for the overcomers.

Powell, Hist. of Wales, (1584,) p. 287. Overco'mingly.* adv. [from the part. overcoming.] With superiority: in the manner of a conquerour.

That they should so boldly and overcomingly dictate to him such things as are not fit.

More, Conj. Cabb. (1653,) p. 73. To Overco'unt. v. a. [over and count.] To rate above the true value.

Thou know'st how much

We do o'ercount thee. Shakspeare, Ant. & Cleop. To Overco'ver. v. a. [over and cover.] To cover completely.

Shut me nightly in a charnel-house, O'ercover'd quite with dead men's rattling bones. With reeky shanks and yellow chapless skulls.

Shakspeare. To Overcro'w. tv. a. [over and crow.] To crow as in triumph. Spenser has also written overcraw, for the sake of

the rhyme. So spake this bold breure with great disdain: Little him answer'd the oak again, But yielded, with shame and grief adawed, That of a weed he was overcrawed.

Spenser, Shep. Cal. Feb. A base varlet, that being but of late grown out of the dunghil, beginneth now to overcrow so high mountains, and make himself the great protector of all outlaws.

Shall I, the embassadress of gods and men, Be overcrow'd, and breathe without revenge?

Brewer, Com. of Lingua. To Overda'te.* v. a. [over and date.] To reckon or date beyond the proper period.

Had he redeemed his overdated minority from a pupilage under bishops, he would much less have mistrusted his parliament.

Milton, Eiconoclast. ch. 11. OVERDI'GHT.* part. adj. [over and dight.] Covered over.

Day discover'd heaven's face To sinfull men with darkness overdight.

Spenser, F. Q. To Overdo'. v. a. [over and do.] To do

more than enough. Any thing so overdone is from the purpose of

playing; whose end is to hold the mirrour up to Shakspeare. When the meat is overdone, lay the fault upon

your lady who hurried you. Swift. To Overdo'.* v. n. To do too much.

Nature - much oftener overdoes than underdoes: - you shall find twenty eggs with two yolks for one that has none.

To Overdre'ss. v. a. [over and dress.] To adorn lavishly.

In all, let nature never be forgot; But treat the goddess like a modest fair, Nor overdress, nor leave her wholly bare. Pope. To Overdri'nk.* v. n. [over and drink: | 2. To deluge; to drown; to overrun; | Overfru'itful.* adj. [over and fruitful.] this was a Saxon compound, oren-bnincan. To drink too much; to become drunk.

To Overdri've. v. a. [over and drive.] To drive too hard, or beyond strength. The flocks and herds with young if men should overdrive one day, all will die. Gen. xxxiii. 13.

To Overdry'.* v. a. [over and dry.] To dry too much.

Meats condite, powdered, and overdried. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 70.

OVERE'AGER.* adj. [over and eager.] Too vehement in desire.

I have seen sad examples of extravagance in the more modest and private, but overeager pursuits of these recreations, [games of chance. Goodman, Wint. Ev. Conf. P.i.

Overe'AGERLY.* adv. [from overeager.] With too much haste or vehemence. Pursuing them overeagerly into York, Milton, Hist. of Engl. B. 5.

To Overey'e. tv. a. [over and eye.] 1. To superintend.

My love hath lasted from mine infancy, And still increased, as I grew myself: When did Perseda pastime in the streets, But her Erastus overey'd her sports? When didst thou, with thy sampler, in the sun, Sit sewing with thy feres, but I was by, Marking thy lily hand's dexterity?

Trag. of Soliman and Perseda, (1599.)

2. To observe; to remark.

I am doubtful of your modesties, Lest overeying of his odd behaviour, You break into some merry passion. Shakspeare.

To Overe'mpty. v. a. [over and empty.] To make too empty.

The women would be loth to come behind the fashion in new-fangledness of the manner, if not in costliness of the matter, which might overempty their husbands' purses.

O'verfal. n. s. [over and fall.] Cataract. Tostatus addeth, that those which dwell near those falls of water, are deaf from their infancy, like those that dwell near the overfals of Nilus. Ralegh, Hist. of the World.

To Overflo'AT. tv. a. [over and float.] To cover as with water.

The town is fill'd with slaughter, and o'erfloats,

With a red deluge, their increasing moats. Dryd. To OVERFLO'W. v. n. [over and flow.]

1. To be fuller than the brim can hold. While our strong walls secure us from the foe, Ere yet with blood our ditches overflow. Dryden. Had I the same consciousness that I saw Noah's

flood, as that I saw the overflowing of the Thames last winter, I could not doubt, that I who saw the Thames overflowed, and viewed the flood at the general deluge, was the same self. 2. To exuberate; to abound.

A very ungrateful return to the Author of all we enjoy, but such as an overflowing plenty too much inclines men to make. Rogers.

To Overflo'w. t v. a. The participle overflown is, among the examples, used, we see, by such excellent writers as Swift and Bentley; yet flown is not the participle of flow, but of fly.

1. To fill beyond the brim. Suppose thyself in as great a sadness as ever did load thy spirit, wouldst thou not bear it cheerfully if thou wert sure that some excellent fortune would relieve and recompense thee so as to over-Bp. Taylor. flow all thy hopes?

New milk that all the winter never fails, And all the summer overflows the pails. Dryden. to overpower.

The Scythians, at such time as the northern nations overflowed all Christendom, came down to the sea-coast.

Clanius overflow'd th' unhappy coast. Dryden.

Do not the Nile and the Niger make yearly inundations in our days, as they have formerly done? and are not the countries so overflown, still situate between the tropicks?

Sixteen hundred and odd years after the earth was made, it was overflowed and destroyed in a deluge of water that overspread the face of the whole earth, from pole to pole, and from east to Burnet.

Thus oft by mariners are shewn, Earl Godwin's castles overflown.

O'verflow. n. s. Inundation; more than fulness; such a quantity as runs over; exuberance.

Did he break out into tears? -

In great measure. -

Shakspeare. A kind overflow of kindness. Where there are great overflows in fens, the drowning of them in winter maketh the summer following more fruitful; for that it keepeth the ground warm. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

It requires pains to find the coherence of abstruse writings: so that it is not to be wondered, that St. Paul's epistles have, with many, passed for disjointed pious discourses, full of warmth and zeal and overflows of light, rather than for calm, strong, coherent reasonings all through. After every overflow of the Nile there was not

always a mensuration. Arbuthnot on Coins. The expression may be ascribed to an overflow of gratitude in the general disposition of Ulysses.

OVERFLO'WING. n. s. [from overflow.] Exuberance; copiousness.

When men are young, they might vent the overflowings of their fancy that way.

Denham, Dedic. When the overflowings of ungodliness make us afraid, the ministers of religion cannot better discharge their duty of opposing it.

OVERFLO'WINGLY. adv. [from overflowing.] Exuberantly; in great abundance: A word not elegant nor in use.

Nor was it his indigence that forced him to make the world; but his goodness pressed him to impart the goods which he so overflowingly abounds

To Overfly'. v. a. [over and fly.] cross by flight.

A sailing kite Can scarce o'erfly them in a day and night.

Dryden. Overfo'rwardness. n. s. [over and forwardness.] Too great quickness; too great readiness.

By an overforwardness in courts to give countenance to frivolous exceptions, though they make nothing to the true merit of the cause, it often happens that causes are not determined according to their merits.

To Overfree 1GHT. v.a. pret. overfreighted, part. overfraught. [over and freight.] To load too heavily; to fill with too great

A boat overfreighted with people, in rowing down the river, was, by the extreme weather, Carew.

Grief, that does not speak, Whispers the o'erfraught heart, and bids it break.

Sorrow has so o'erfraught This sinking barque, I shall not live to shew How I abhor my first rash crime.

Too rich; too luxuriant.

Rhyme bounds and circumscribes an overfruit-Dryden, Ess. on Dram. Poesy. To Overge'r. v. a. [over and get.] To reach; to come up with.

With six hours' hard riding, through so wild places, as it was rather the cunning of my horse sometimes, than of myself, so rightly to hit the way, I overgot them a little before night. Sidney.

To Overgi'ld.* v. a. [over and gild.] To gild over; to varnish.

Gold doth men's thoughts to high attempts

And overgilds the danger of the warre.

Mir. for Mag. p. 640. That head doth see Wrong fairly to o'ergild.

More, Life of the Soul, ii. 27. To Overei'rd.* v. a. [over and gird.] To

bind too closely. When the gentle west winds shall open the fruitful bosom of the earth, thus overgirded by

your imprisonment, then the flowers put forth and spring; and then the sun shall scatter the mists, and the manuring hand of the tiller shall root up all that burdens the soil, without thank to your bondage. Milton, Reas. of Ch. Gov. B. i.

To Overgla'nce. v. a. [over and glance.] To look hastily over.

I have, but with a cursory eye, O'erglanc'd the articles. Shakspeare, Hen. V. To Overgo'. v. a. [over and go.]

1. To surpass; to excel.

Thinking it beyond the degree of humanity to have a wit so far overgoing his age, and such dreadful terror proceed from so excellent beauty.

Great nature hath laid down at last, That mighty birth wherewith so long she went,

And overwent the times of ages past, Here to lie in upon our soft content. Daniel. 2. To cover. Obsolete.

All which, my thoughts say, they shall never do, But rather, that the earth shall overgo Some one at least. Chapman.

Overgo'ne.* part. adj. Injured; ruined. See the second sense of GONE.

Sad-hearted men, much overgone with care. Shakspeare, Hen. VI. P. III.

Overgra'ssed.* adj. [over and grass.]
Having too much grass; overgrown with grass. They bene like foule wagmoires overgrast,

That if thy galage once sticketh fast, The more to wind it out thou dost swink, Thou mought aye deeper and deeper sink. Spenser, Shep. Cal. Sept.

To Overgo'rge. v. a. [over and gorge.] To gorge too much.

Art thou grown great, And, like ambitious Sylla, overgorg'd? Shaksn. Overgre'AT. adj. [over and great.] Too

Though putting the mind unprepared upon an

unusual stress ought to be avoided; yet this must not run it, by an overgreat shyness of difficulties, into a lazy sauntering about obvious things. Locke.

To OVERGRO'W. v. a. [over and grow.] 1. To cover with growth.

Roof and floor and walls were all of gold, But overgrown with dust and old decay,

And hid in darkness that none could behold The hue thereof. The woods and desert caves,

With wild thyme and the gadding vine o'ergrown, And all their echoes mourn. Milton, Lycidas. Denham. 2. To rise above.

If the binds be very strong, and much overgrown the poles, some advise to strike off their heads with a long switch.

Mortimer.

To Overgro'w. v. n. To grow beyond the fit or natural size.

One part of his army, with incredible labour, cut a way thorough the thick and overgrown woods, and so came to Solyman.

Knolles, Hist. of the Turks. A huge overgrown ox was grazing in a meadow. L'Estrange.

Him for a happy man I own, Whose fortune is not overgrown.

Swift.

Overgro'with. n. s. [over and growth.] Exuberant growth. The overgrowth of some complexion. Oft breaking down the pales and forts of reason.

Shaksneare. The fortune in being the first in an invention, doth cause sometimes a wonderful overgrowth in

Suspected to a sequent king, who seeks To stop their overgrowth as inmate guests Too numerous. Milton, P. L.

To Overha'le. v. a. [over and hale.]

1. To spread over.

The welked Phœbus gan availe His weary wain; and now the frosty night Her mantle black through heaven gan overhaile. Spenser, F. Q.

2. To examine over again: as, he overhaled my account.

To Overha'ndle. * v.a. [over and handle.] To mention too often.

You will fall again Into your idle overhandled theme.

Shakspeare, Ven. and Adon.

To Overha'ng. v. a. [over and hang.] To jut over; to impend over.

Lend the eye a terrible aspect, Let the brow overwhelm it, As fearfully as doth a galled rock

O'erhang and jutty his confounded base. Shaksp. Hide me, ye forests, in your closest bowers, Where flows the murmuring brook, inviting

dreams, Where bordering hazel overhangs the streams. Gay.

If you drink tea upon a promontory that overhangs the sea, it is preferable to an assembly. Pope. To Overha'ng. v. n. To jut over.

The rest was craggy cliff, that overhung
Still as it rose, impossible to climb. Milton, P. L. To Overha' RDEN. v. a. [over and harden.]

To make too hard. By laying it in the air, it has acquired such a

hardness, that it was brittle like overhardened steel. OVERHA'STILY.* adv. [from overhasty.]

In too great a hurry. Excepting myself and two or three more, that

mean not overhastily to marry. Hales, Lett. to Sir D. Carleton, (1618,) p. 11.

OVERHA'STINESS.* n. s. [from overhasty.]

Precipitation; too much haste. His reply was, that it was well if the duke's overhastiness did not turn to his disadvantage. Reresby, Mem. p. 129.

OVERHA'STY.* adj. [over and hasty.] Too quick; in too great haste.

Not overhasty to cleanse or purify.

Hammond, Works, iv. 505.

To Overha'ul.* v. a. [over and haul.] 1. [A sea term.] To unfold or loosen an assemblage of the tackle.

2. To examine over again. See To OVERHALE.

I have this day received your plain letter. - In it you have overhauled the whole affair, which is already before the public with all its circumstances. Lowth, Lett. iv. to Warburton, (1765.)

OVERHE'AD. adv. [over and head.] Aloft: in the zenith; above in the ceiling. Overhead the moon

Sits arbitress, and nearer to the earth

Wheels her pale course. Milton, P. L. The four stars overhead represent the four children. Addison.

To Overhe'AR. v. a. [over and hear.] To hear those who do not mean to be heard. I am invisible,

And I will overhear their conference. Shakspeare. They had a full sight of the infanta at a mask dancing, having overheard two gentlemen who were tending towards that sight, after whom they

That such an enemy we have who seeks Our ruin, both by thee inform'd I learn, And from the parting angel overheard.

Milton, P. L. They were so loud in their discourse, that a blackberry from the next hedge overheard them. L'Estrange.

The nurse,

Though not the words, the murmurs overheard. Dryden.

The witness, overhearing the word pillory repeated, slunk away privately. Addison.

To Overhe'AT. v. a. [over and heat.] To heat too much.

Pleas'd with the form and coolness of the place, And overheated by the morning chase. Addison It must be done upon the receipt of the wound, before the patient's spirits be overheated with pain

To Overhe'le.* v. a. [over and hele.] To cover over. See To HELE, and To OVERHALE. Thy rude voice, that doth so hoarsely blow,

Thy hair, thy beard, thy wings, o'erhel'd with snow. B. Jonson, Masques at Court.

To Overhe'nd. v. a. [over and hend.] To overtake; to reach. Als his fair leman, flying through a brook,

He overhent, nought moved with her piteous look, Spenser, F. Q.

To Overjo'y. v. a. [over and joy.] To transport; to ravish.

He that puts his confidence in God only, is neither overjoyed in any great good things of this life, nor sorrowful for a little thing.

Bp. Taylor, Guide to Devotion.
The bishop, partly astonished and partly overjoyed with these speeches, was struck into a sad silence for a time. Hayward.

This love-sick virgin, overjoy'd to find
The boy alone, still follow'd him behind. Addison.

OVERJO'Y. n. s. Transport; ecstasy.

The mutual conf'rence that my mind hath had, Makes me the bolder to salute my king With ruder terms; such as my wit affords, And overjoy of heart doth minister.

Shakspeare, Hen. VI. To Overla'Bour. v. a. [over and labour.] To take too much pains on any thing;

to harass with toil. She without noise will over-see

His children and his family; And order all things till he come, Sweaty and overlabour'd, home.

To Overla'de. v. a. [over and lade.] To overburthen.

Dryden.

Thus to throng and overlade a soul With love, and then to have a room for fear, That shall all that controul, What is it but to rear

Our passions and our hopes on high, That thence they may descry

The noblest way how to despair and die? Suckling.

OverLA'RGE. adj. [over and large.] Larger than enough.

Our attainments cannot be overlarge, and yet we manage a narrow fortune very unthriftily.

To OVERLA'SH.* v. n. [over and lash.] To exaggerate. Dr. Johnson calls overlashingly a mean word, not aware that Barrow had used overlash.

We are not accountable for every hyperbolical flash or flourish occurring in the fathers; it being well known that they, in their encomiastic speeches, as orators are wont, following the heat and gaiety of fancy, do sometimes overlash.

Barrow, on the Pope's Supr. iv. § 2.

OVERLA'SHINGLY. adv. [over and lash.] With exaggeration. A mean word, now obsolete.

Although I be far from their opinion who write too overlashingly, that the Arabian tongue is in use in two-third parts of the inhabited world, yet I find that it extendeth where the religion of Mahomet is professed.

To OVERLA'Y. v. a. [over and lay.] 1. To oppress by too much weight or power.

Some commons are barren, the nature is such, And some overlayeth the commons too much.

Not only that mercy which keepeth from being overlaid and opprest, but mercy which saveth from

being touched with grievous miseries. Hooker. When any country is overlaid by the multitude which live upon it, there is a natural necessity

compelling it to disburthen itself, and lay the load upon others. Ralegh. We praise the things we hear with much more willingness than those we see; because we envy

the present, and reverence the past; thinking ourselves instructed by the one, and overlaid by the B. Jonson. Good laws had been antiquated by the course

of time, or overlaid by the corruption of manners. King Charles.

Our sins have overlaid our hopes. King Charles, The strong Emetrius came in Arcite's aid. And Palamon with odds was overlaid. Dryden.

2. To smother with too much or too close covering.

The new-born babes by nurses overlaid. Dryd. To smother; to crush; to overwhelm.

They quickly stifled and overlaid those infant principles of piety and virtue, sown by God in their hearts; so that they brought a voluntary darkness and stupidity upon their minds.

The gods have made your noble mind for me, And her insipid soul for Ptolemy A heavy lump of earth without desire,

A heap of ashes that o'erlays your fire.

The stars, no longer overlaid with weight, Exert their heads from underneath the mass, And upward shoot.

Dryden. Season the passions of a child with devotion, which seldom dies; though it may seem extinguished for a while, it breaks out as soon as misfortunes have brought the man to himself. The fire may be covered and overlaid, but cannot be

entirely quenched and smothered. Addison, Spec. In preaching, no men succeed better than those who trust to the fund of their own reason, ad-

vanced but not overlaid by commerce with books,

4. To cloud; to overcast.

Phœbus' golden face it did attaint, As when a cloud his beams doth overlay. Spenser. 5. To cover superficially.

By his prescript a sanctuary is fram'd Of cedar, overlaid with gold. Milton, P. L.

6. To join by something laid over. Thou us empower'd To fortify thus far, and overlay,

With this portentous bridge, the dark abyss. Milton, P. L.

OVERLA'YING.* n. s. [from overlay.] A superficial covering.

The overlaying of their chapiters [was] of silver, and all the pillars of the court were filleted with Exod. xxxviii. 17.

To Overle'AP. v. a. [over and leap.] To pass by a jump.

A step On which I must fall down or else o'erleap, For in my way it lies. Shakspeare, Macbeth.

In vain did Nature's wise command Divide the waters from the land : If daring ships and men profane

The eternal fences overleap And pass at will the boundless deep.

OVERLE'ATHER. n. s. [over and leather.] The part of the shoe that covers the

I have sometimes more feet than shoes; or such shoes as my toes look through the overleather.

To Overle'Aven. * v. a. [over and leaven.]

1. To swell out too much. What then so swells each limb? Only his clothes have overleaven'd him.

B. Jonson, Epigr. 97.

2. To mix too much with; to corrupt. Some habit, that too much o'erleavens The form of plausive manners. Shaksp. Hamlet.

OVERLI'GHT. n. s. [over and light.] Too strong light.

An overlight maketh the eyes dark, insomuch as perpetual looking against the sun would cause

To OVERLI'VE. v. a. [over and live.] To live longer than another; to survive; to outlive.

Musidorus, who shewed a mind not to overlive Pyrocles, prevailed. Sidney.

He concludes in hearty prayers,

That your attempts may overlive the hazard And fearful meeting of their opposite. Shakspeare. They overlived that envy, and had their pardons

Hayward. afterwards. To Overli've. v. n. To live too long. Why do I overlive?

. Why am I mock'd with death, and lengthen'd out Milton, P. L. To deathless pain?

OVERLI'VER. n. s. [from overlive.] Survivor; that which lives longest. A peace was concluded, to continue for both

the kings' lives, and the overliver of them.

Bacon, Hen. VII.

To Overlo'AD. v. a. [over and load.] To

burthen with too much. The memory of youth is charged and over-

loaded, and all they learn is meer jargon. Felton. Men overloaded with a large estate

May spill their treasure in a nice conceit; The rich may be polite, but, oh! 'tis sad To say you're curious, when we swear you're mad.

Young. Overlo'ng. adj. [over and long.] long.

have transgressed the laws of oratory, in making my periods and parentheses overlong.

To OVERLO'OK. v. a. [over and look.] 1. To view from a higher place.

The pile o'erlook'd the town, and drew the sight, Surpris'd at once with reverence and delight.

I will do it with the same respect to him, as if he were alive, and overlooking my paper while I Dryden.

2. To view fully; to peruse.

Would I had o'erlook'd the letter. Shakspeare. 3. To superintend; to over-see.

He was present in person to overlook the magistrates, and to overawe those subjects with the terror of his sword.

In the greater out-parishes many of the poor parishioners through neglect do perish, for want of some heedful eye to overlook them. 4. To review.

The time and care that are required, To overlook and file, and polish well,

Fright poets from that necessary toil. Roscommon. 5. To pass by indulgently.

This part of good-nature which consists in the pardoning and overlooking of faults, is to be exercised only in doing ourselves justice in the ordinary commerce of life.

Addison.

In vain do we hope that God will overlook such high contradiction of sinners, and pardon offences committed against the plain convictions of con-Rogers.

6. To neglect; to slight.

Of the two relations, Christ overlooked the meaner, and denominated them solely from the more honourable.

To overlook the entertainment before him, and languish for that which lies out of the way, is sickly and servile.

The suffrage of our poet laureat should not be overlooked.

Religious fear, when produced by just apprehensions of a divine power, naturally overlooks all human greatness that stands in competition with it, and extinguishes every other terror

The happiest of mankind, overlooking those solid blessings which they already have, set their hearts upon somewhat they want.

They overlook truth in the judgements they pass on adversity and prosperity. The temptations that attend the former they can easily see, and dread at a distance; but they have no apprehensions of the dangerous consequences of the latter.

OVERLO'OKER. † n. s. [over and look.] The original word signifies an overlooker, or one who stands higher than his fellows Watts. and overlooks them.

The Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, overlookers, and watchmen over the flock of Christ. Bp. of Chichester, Two Serm. (1576,) E. 6.

God then is present, and his angel seeth thee: O wicked and dampned man, if thou contemne such overlookers!

Woolton, Chr. Manual, (1576,) I. i. b.

O'VERLOOP. n. s. The same with orlop. In extremity we carry our ordnance better than

we were wont, because our nether overloops are raised commonly from the water; to wit, between the lower part of the port and the sea. Ralegh. To Overlo've.* v.a. [over and love.]

To prize or value too much.

I cannot so overlove this issue of my own brain, as to hold it worthy of your majesty's judicious Bp. Hall, Dedic.

O'VERLINESS.* n. s. [from overly.] Carelessness; superficialness.

We lament the overliness of preaching; many ministers embasing themselves and their message by trite and impertinent discourses, without method.

Waterhouse, Apol. for Learn. (1653,) p. 221. O'VERLY.* adj. [oueplice, Saxon, negligently. This is also a Scottish adjective; and Dr. Jamieson, noticing it, observes that overly must have been formerly used in English, as Somner mentions it in rendering the Saxon word. I will satisfy him, that it was a very common word; though Dr. Johnson has wholly overpassed it.] Careless; negligent; inattentive; slight.

The courteous citizen bade me to his feast, With hollow words, and overly request.

Bp. Hall, Sat. iii. 3. Not fearing the frowns of that overly host, she thrusts herself into Simon's house to find Jesus. Bp. Hall, Contempl. B. 4.

A kind of overly desire.

Mountagu, App. to Cæs. p. 317. Not to content themselves with a slight and overly examination. Sanderson, Serm. Pref. p. 61.

OVERMA'STED. adj. [over and mast.] Having too much mast.

Cloanthus better mann'd, pursu'd him fast, But his o'ermasted galley check'd his haste.

To Overma'ster. v. a. [over and master.] To subdue; to govern.

For your desire to know what is between us, O'ermaster it as you may. Shakspeare, Hamlet. So sleeps a pilot, whose poor bark is prest With many a merciless o'ermast'ring wave.

They are overmastered with a score of drunkards, the only soldiery left about them, or else comply with all the rapines and violences.

Milton on Education.

To Overma'tch. v. a. [over and match.] To be too powerful; to conquer; to oppress by superior force. Î have seen a swan

With bootless labour swim against the tide, And spend her strength with overmatching waves. Shakspeare.

Sir William Lucy, with me, Set from our o'ermatch'd forces forth for aid. Shakspeare.

Assist, lest I, who erst Thought none my equal, now be overmatch'd.

Milton, P. R. How great soever our curiosity be, our excess is greater, and does not only overmatch, but supplant it. Decay of Chr. Piety.

He from that length of time dire omens drew, Of English overmatch'd, and Dutch too strong, Who never fought three days but to pursue.

It moves our wonder, that a foreign guest

Should overmatch the most, and match the best. Overma'tch. n. s. [over and match.] One

of superior powers; one not to be overcome. Spain is no overmatch for England, by that which leadeth all men; that is, experience and

Bacon. Eve was his overmatch, who self-deceiv'd

And rash, before-hand had no better weigh'd The strength he was to cope with or his own. Milton, P. R.

In a little time there will scarce be a woman of quality in Great Britain, who would not be an overmatch for an Irish priest. Addison, Freeholder.

To Overme'Asure.* v. a. [over and measure. To measure or estimate too

largely. An argument, fit for great and mighty princes

to have in their hand, to the end, that neither by overmeasuring their forces they leese themselves in vain enterprises; nor, on the other side, by undervaluing them, descend to fearful and pusillanimous Bacon, Ess. 29 . OVERME'ASURE, n. s. Fover and measure. Something given over the due measure. To Overmi'x. v. a. [over and mix.] To

mix with too much.

Those things these parts o'er-rule, no joys shall know.

Or little pleasure overmixt with woe. Creech. O'VERMOST. adj. [over and most.] Highest; over the rest in authority. Ainsworth. Overmi'ckle* adj. [over and mickle; Saxon, openmicel.] Overmuch: a com-

mon word in the north of England. OVERMO'DEST.* adj. [over and modest.] Too bashful; too reserved.

It is the courtier's rule, that overmodest suitors Hales, Rem. p. 143. seldom speed.

OVERMU'CH. adj. [over and much.] Too much; more than enough.

It was the custom of those former ages, in their overmuch gratitude, to advance the first authors of any useful discovery among the number of their

An overmuch use of salt, besides that it occasions thirst and overmuch drinking, has other ill effects.

Overmu'ch. adv. In too great a degree. The fault which we find in them is, that they overmuch abridge the church of her power in these things. Whereupon they re-charge us, as if in these things we gave the church a liberty which hath no limits or bounds.

Perhaps I also erred, in overmuch admiring What seem'd in thee so perfect, that I thought No evil durst attempt thee. Milton, P. L. Deject not then so overmuch thyself,

Who hast of sorrow thy full load besides. Milton, S. A. Overmu'ch. n. s. More than enough.

By attributing overmuch to things Less excellent, as thou thyself perceiv'st.

Milton, P. L. With respect to the blessings the world enjoys, even good men may ascribe overmuch to themselves.

OVERMU'CHNESS. n. s. [from overmuch.]

Exuberance; superabundance. A word not used, nor elegant. There are words that do as much raise a style,

as others can depress it; superlation and overmuchness amplifies. It may be above faith, but never above a mean. B. Jonson, Discoveries.

To Overmu'ltitude.* v. a. Fover and multitude.] To exceed in number.

Nature - would be surcharg'd with her own And strangled in her waste fertility;

The earth cumber'd, and the wing'd air dark'd with plumes,

The herds would overmultitude their lords,

Milton, Comus. OVERNI'GHT. n. s. [over and night. This seems to be used by Shakspeare as a noun, but by Addison more properly, as I have before placed it, as a noun with a preposition. Night before bed-

If I had given you this at overnight, She might have been o'erta'en.

Shakspeare. Will confesses, that for half his life his head ached every morning with reading men overnight.

To Overna'me. v. a. [over and name.] To name in a series.

Overname them; and as thou namest them I will describe them. · Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. To Overno'ise.* v. a. [over and noise.] To overpower by noise.

No tide of wine would drown your cares; No mirth or musick overnoise your fears. Cowley.

To Overo'ffice. v. a. [over and office.] To lord by virtue of an office.

This might be the pate of a politician which this Shakspeare, Hamlet. ass overoffices.

OVEROFFI'CIOUS. adj. [over and officious.] Too busy; too importunate.

This is an overofficious truth, and is always at a man's heels; so that if he looks about him, he must Collier on Reason. take notice of it.

To OVERPA'INT. * v. a. [over and paint.] To colour or describe too strongly. Him whom no verse overpaints.

To Overpa'ss. v. a. [over and pass.] 1. To cross.

I stood on a wide river's bank, Which I must needs o'erpass, When on a sudden Torrismond appear'd, Gave me his hand, and led me lightly o'er.

Dryden. What have my Scyllas and my Syrtes done, When these they overpass, and those they shun?

2. To overlook: to pass with disregard. The complaint about psalms and bymns might as well be overpast without any answer, as it is without any cause brought forth. Hooker.

I read the satire thou entitlest first, And laid aside the rest, and overpast, And swore, I thought the writer was accurst, That his first satire had not been his last.

Harington. Remember that Pellean conquerour, A youth, how all the beauties of the east He slightly view'd, and slightly overpass'd.

Milton. P. R.

3. To omit in a reckoning.

Arithmetical progression demonstrates how fast mankind would increase, overpassing as miraculous, though indeed natural, that example of the Israelites, who were multiplied in two hundred and fifteen years, from seventy to sixty thousand able Ralegh.

4. To omit; not to receive; not to comprise.

If the grace of him which saveth overpass some, so that the prayer of the church for them be not received, this we may leave to the hidden judgements of righteousness.

OVERPA'ST. part. adj. [from overpast.] Gone; past.

What canst thou swear by now? -- By time to come. -

That thou hast wronged in the time o'erpast.

Shakspeare. To Overpa'y. v. a. [over and pay.] reward beyond the price.

Take this purse of gold, And let me buy your friendly help thus far,

Which I will overpay, and pay again, Shaksveare. When I have found it. You have yourself your kindness overpaid,

He ceases to oblige who can upbraid. Dryden. Wilt thou with pleasure hear thy lover's strains, And with one heavenly smile o'erpay his pains?

To Overpe'er. v. a. [over and peer.] To overlook; to hover above. It is now out of use.

The ocean overpeering of his list, Eats not the flats with more impetuous haste, Than young Laertes, in a riotous head, Shakspeare, Hamlet. O'erbears your officers. Your argosies with portly sail,

Do overpeer the petty traffickers,

That curt'sy to them, do them reverence. Shaksp. Mountainous error would be too highly heapt, Shakspeare, Coriol. For truth to o'erpeer.

Thus yields the cedar to the axe's edge, Whose top branch overpeer'd Jove's spreading tree, And kept low shrubs from winter's powerful wind.

Shaksneare. They are invincible by reason of the overpeering mountains that back the one, and slender fortifications of the other to landward. Sandys, Journey.

To OVERPE'RCH. v. a. [over and perch.] To fly over.

With love's light wings did I o'erperch these walls,

For stony limits cannot hold love out. Shakspeare. To OVERPI'CTURE.* v. a. [over and picture.] To exceed the representation or picture. She did lie

In her pavilion, (cloth of gold, of tissue,) O'erpicturing that Venus, where we see The fancy outwork nature.

Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. O'VERPLUS. n. s. [over and plus.] Surplus; what remains more than sufficient.

Some other sinners there are, from which that overplus of strength in persuasion doth arise.

Hooker, Ecc. Pol. Pref. A great deal too much of it was made, and the overplus remained still in the mortar. L'Estrange. It would look like a fable to report, that this

gentleman gives away all which is the overplus of a great fortune. To OVERPLY'. v. a. [over and ply.] To

employ too laboriously. What supports me, dost thou ask?

The conscience, friend, to have lost them overply'd, In liberty's defence. Milton, Sonnet.

To Overpo'ise. v. a. [over and poise.] To outweigh.

Whether cripples who have lost their thighs will float; their lungs being able to waft up their bodies, which are in others overpoised by the hinder legs; we have not made experiment.

Brown, Vulg. Err. The scale

O'erpois'd by darkness, lets the night prevail; And day, that lengthen'd in the summer's height, Shortens till winter, and is lost in night. Creech.

OVERPO'ISE. n. s. [from the verb.] Preponderant weight. Horace, in his first and second book of odes,

was still rising, but came not to his meridian till the third. After which his judgement was an overpoise to his imagination. He grew too cautious to be bold enough, for he descended in his fourth by slow degrees. Some overpoise of sway, by turns they share,

In peace the people, and the prince in war. Dryd. To Overpo'lish.* v. a. [over and polish.]

To finish too nicely. A judicious ear would be offended with a style overpolished. Blackwall, Sac. Class. i. 85.

Overpo'nderous.* adj. Fover and ponderous.] Too weighty; too depressing. Neither can I think that, so reputed and so valued as you are, you would, to the forfeit of your own discerning ability, impose upon me an unfit and overponderous argument. Milton on Education.

To Overpo'sr.* v. a. [over and post.] To get quickly over.

You may thank the unquiet time for your quiet o'erposting that action. Shaksp. Hen. IV. P. II.

To Overpo'wer. v. a. [over and power.] To be predominant over; to oppress by superiority.

Now in danger try'd, now known in arms
Not to be overpower'd.

Milton, Milton, P. L. As much light overpowers the eye, so they who have weak eyes, when the ground is covered with

snow, are wont to complain of too much light.

Reason allows none to be confident, but him only who governs the world, who knows all things, and can do all things; and can neither be surprised nor overpowered.

After the death of Crassus, Pompey found himself outwitted by Cæsar; he broke with him, overpowered him in the senate, and caused many unjust decrees to pass against him. Dryden, Ded. to En.

The historians make these mountains the standards of the rise of the water; which they could never have been, had they not been standing, when it did so rise and overpower the earth.

Woodward, Nat. Hist. Inspiration is, when such an overpowering impression of any proposition is made upon the mind by God himself, that gives a convincing and indubitable evidence of the truth and divinity of it. Watts, Logick.

To Overpre'ss. v. a. [over and press.] 1. To bear upon with irresistible force; to overwhelm; to crush.

Having an excellent horse under him, when he was overpressed by some, he avoided them. Sidney. Michael's arm main promontories flung,

And overpress'd whole legions weak with sin. Roscommon.

When a prince enters on a war, he ought maturely to consider whether his coffers be full, his people rich by a long peace and free trade, not overpressed with many burthensome taxes. Swift.

2. To overcome by entreaty; to press or persuade too much.

To Overprize. v. a. [over and prize.] To value at too high price.

Parents overprize their children, while they behold them through the vapours of affection. Wotton. OVERPRO'MPTNESS.* n. s. [over and

promptness.] Hastiness; precipitation. [There is] an overpromptness in many young men, who desire to be counted men of valour and resolution, upon every slight occasion to raise a quarrel, and admit of no other means of composing and ending it but by sword and single combat. Hales, Serm. on Duels, Rem. p. 71.

Overqui'etness.* n. s. [over and quietness.] A state of too much quiet.

To strenuous minds there is an inquietude in overquietness, and no laboriousness in labour.

Brown, Chr. Mor. i. 33. OVERRA'NK. adj. [over and rank.] Too

It produces overnank binds. Mortimer, Husb. To Overra'te. v. a. [over and rate.] To rate at too much.

While vain shows and scenes you overrate, 'Tis to be fear'd, -

That as a fire the former house o'erthrew,

Machines and tempests will destroy the new.

To avoid the temptations of poverty, it concerns us not to overrate the conveniencies of our station, and in estimating the proportion fit for us, to fix it rather low than high; for our desires will be proportioned to our wants, real or imaginary, and our temptations to our desires. Rogers

To OVERRE'ACH. v. a. [over and reach.]

1. To rise above. The mountains of Olympus, Atho, and Atlas, overreach and surmount all winds and clouds.

Ralegh. Sixteen hundred years after the earth was made, it was overflowed in a deluge of water in such excess, that the floods overreached the tops of the highest mountains.

2. To deceive; to go beyond; to circumvent. A sagacious man is said to have

a long reach.

What more cruel than man, if he see himself able by fraud to overreach, or by power to overbear the laws whereunto he should be subject? Hooker.

I have laid my brain in the sun and dried it, that it wants matter to prevent so gross overreach-

Shame to be overcome, or overreach'd, Would utmost vigour raise, and rais'd unite. Milton, P. L.

A man who had been matchless held In cunning, overreach'd where least he thought, To salve his credit, and for very spite

Still will be tempting him who foils him still.

Milton, P. R. There is no pleasanter encounter than a trial of skill betwixt sharpers to overreach one another.

L'Estrange. Forbidding oppression, defrauding and overreaching one another, perfidiousness and treachery.

We may no more sue for them than we can tell a lie, or swear an unlawful oath, or overreach in their cause, or be guilty of any other transgression.

Such a principle is ambition, or a desire of fame, by which many vicious men are overreached, and engaged contrary to their natural inclinations in a glorious and laudable course of action.

Addison, Spect. John had got an impression that Lewis was so deadly cunning a man, that he was afraid to venture himself alone with him; at last he took heart of grace; let him come up, quoth he, it is but sticking to my point, and he can never over-Hist. of John Bull.

To Overre'Ach. v.n. A horse is said to overreach, when he brings his hinder feet too far forwards, and strikes his toes against his fore shoes.

Farrier's Dict. Overre'Acher. n.s. [from overreach.] A cheat; a deceiver.

To Overre'AD. v. a. [over and read.] To

The contents of this is the return of the duke; you shall anon overread it at your pleasure.

To Overre'd. v. a. [over and red.] To smear with red.

Prick thy face and overred thy fear, Shakspeare, Macbeth. Thou lily-liver'd boy.

To Overri'de. * v. a. [over and ride.] 1. To ride over.

The carter overriden by his cart, Under the whele he lay ful low adowne. Chaucer, Kn. Tale.

2. To ride too much: as, the horse was overridden.

To OVERRI'PEN. v. a. [over and ripen.] To make too ripe.

Why droops my lord, like overripen'd corn, Hanging the head with Ceres' plenteous load? Shakspeare.

To Overro'Ast. v. a. [over and roast.] To roast too much.

'Twas burnt and dried away, And better 'twere, that both of us did fast, Since of ourselves, ourselves are cholerick, Than feed it with such overroasted flesh.

To OVERRU'LE. v. a. [over and rule.]

1. To influence with predominant power; to be superior in authority.

Which humour perceiving to overrule me, I Sidney. strave against it.

That which the church by her ecclesiastical authority shall probably think and desire to be true or good, must in congruity of reason overrule all other inferior arguments whatsoever. Hooker

Except our own private, and but probable resolutions, be by the law of publick determinations overruled, we take away all possibility of sociable life in the world.

What if they be such as will be overruled with some one, whom they dare not displease? Whitgift.

His passion and animosity overruled his con-Clarendon.

A wise man shall overrule his stars, and have a greater influence upon his own content, than all the constellations and planets of the firmament.

He is acted by a passion which absolutely overrules him; and so can no more recover himself, than a bowl rolling down an hill stop itself in the midst of its career.

'Tis temerity for men to venture their lives upon unequal encounters; unless where they are obliged by an overruling impulse of conscience and duty. L'Estrange.

A man may, by the influence of an overruling planet, be inclined to lust, and yet by the force of reason overcome that bad influence.

2. To govern with high authority; to superintend.

Wherefore does he not now come forth and openly overrule, as in other matters he is accustomed? Hayward.

3. To supersede: as in law to overrule a plea, is to reject it as incompetent.

Thirty acres make a farthing land, nine farthings a Cornish acre, and four Cornish acres a knight's fee. But this rule is overruled to a greater or lesser quantity, according to the fruitfulness or barrenness of the soil.

Overru'ler.* n. s. [over and ruler.] Director; governour.

Then did proof, the overruler of opinions, make

manifest that all these are but serving sciences. Sidney, Def. of Poesy

To OVERRU'N. v. a. [over and run.]

1. To harass by incursions; to ravage; to rove over in a hostile manner.

Those barbarous nations that overran the world, possessed those dominions, whereof they are now Till the tears she shed,

Like envious floods o'erran her lovely face, She was the fairest creature in the world.

Shakspeare.

They err, who count it glorious to subdue By conquest far and wide, to overrun Large countries, and in field great battles win, Great cities by assault. Milton, P. R. The nine

Their fainting foes to shameful flight compell'd, And with resistless force o'errun the field.

Gustavus Adolphus could not enter this part of the empire after having overrun most of the rest. Addison

A commonwealth may be overrun by a powerful neighbour, which may produce bad consequences upon your trade and liberty. Swift, Miscell.

To outrun; to pass behind.

Pyrocles being come to sixteen, overrun his age in growth, strength, and all things following it, that not Musidorus could perform any action on horse or foot more strongly, or deliver that strength more nimbly, or become the delivery more gracefully, or employ all more virtuously. Sidney.

We may outrun

By violent swiftness, that which we run at, And lose by overrunning. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. Ahimaz ran by the way of the plain, and overran 2 Sam. xviii. 23. Cushi.

Galilæus noteth, that if an open trough, wherein water is, be driven faster than the water can follow, the water gathereth upon an heap towards the hinder end, where the motion began; which he supposeth, holding the motion of the earth to be the cause of the ebbing and flowing of the ocean; because the earth overrunneth the water.

Bacon.

3. To overspread; to cover all over.

With an overrunning flood he will make an utter end of the place.

This disposition of the parts of the earth, shews us the footsteps of some kind of ruin which happened in such a way, that at the same time a general flood of waters would necessarily overrun the whole earth. Burnet.

His tears defac'd the surface of the well, And now the lovely face but half appears, O'errun with wrinkles and deform'd with tears. Addison.

4. To mischief by great numbers; to pester.

To flatter foolish men into a hope of life where there is none, is much the same with betraying people into an opinion, that they are in a virtuous and happy state, when they are overrun with passion and drowned in their lusts. L'Estrange.

Were it not for the incessant labours of this industrious animal, Egypt would be overrun with crocodiles. Addison.

Such provision made, that a country should not want springs as were convenient for it; nor be overrun with them, and afford little or nothing else; but a supply every where suitable to the necessities of each climate and region of the globe. Woodward, Nat. Hist.

5. To injure by treading down.

6. Among printers, to be obliged to change the disposition of the lines and words in correcting, by reason of the insertions.

To Overru'n. v. n. To overflow; to be more than full.

Though you have left me,

Yet still my soul o'erruns with fondness towards

Cattle in inclosures shall always have fresh pasture, that now is all trampled and overrun. Spenser.

OVERRU'NNER.* n. s. [over and runner.] One who roves over in a hostile manner. Vandal o'errunners, Goths in literature,

Ploughmen that would Parnassus new manure. Lovelace, Luc. Posth. (1659,) p. 83.

O'versea.* adj. [over and sea.] Foreign; from beyond seas.

Some far journied gentlemen, at their return home, like as they love to go in forrein apparel. so they will powder their talke with oversea language. Wilson, Arte of Rhet. (1553,) B. S.

To OVERSE'E. v. a. [over and see.]

1. To superintend; to overlook.

He had charge my discipline to frame, And tutors nouriture to oversee.

Spenser. She without noise will oversee

His children and his family. Dryden. 2. To overlook; to pass by unheeded; to

I who resolve to oversee No lucky opportunity,

Will go to council to advise

Which way to encounter, or surprise. Hudibras. OVERSE'EN. part. [from oversee.] Mis-

taken; deceived.

A common received errour is never utterly overthrown, till such times as we go from signs unto causes, and shew some manifest root or fountain thereof common unto all, whereby it may clearly appear how it hath come to pass that so many have been overseen. Hooker.

Such overseers, as the overseers of this building, would be so overseen as to make that which is narrower, contain that which is larger. Holyday.

They rather observed what he had done and suffered for the king and for his country, without farther enquiring what he had omitted to do, or been overseen in doing. & Clarendon. Overse'er. n. s. [from oversee.]

There are in the world certain voluntary overseers of all books, whose censure would fall sharp Hooker on us.

Jehiel and Azariah were overseers unto Co-2 Chron. xxxi. 13. To entertain a guest, with what a care,

Would he his household ornaments prepare; Harass his servants, and as o'erseer stand, To keep them working with a threatening wand. Clean all my plate, he cries.

2. An officer who has the care of the parochial provision for the poor.

The churchwardens and overseers of the poor might find it possible to discharge their duties, whereas now in the greater outparishes many of the poorer parishioners, through neglect, do perish for want of some heedful eye to overlook them.

To Overse'T. v. a. [over and set.]

1. To turn bottom upwards; to throw off the basis; to subvert.

The tempests met,

The sailors master'd, and the ship o'erset. Dryden. It is forced through the hiatuses at the bottom of the sea with such vehemence, that it puts the sea into horrible perturbation, even when there is not the least breath of wind; oversetting ships in the harbours, and sinking them. Woodward.

Would the confederacy exert itself, as much to annoy the enemy, as they do for their defence, we might bear them down with the weight of our armies, and overset the whole power of France.

Addison on the War. 2. To throw out of regularity.

His action against Catiline ruined the consul, when it saved the city; for it so swelled his soul, that ever afterwards it was apt to be overset with Dryden.

To Overse'T. v. n. To fall off the basis; to turn upside down.

Part of the weight will be under the axle-tree, which will so far counterpoise what is above it, that it will very much prevent the oversetting.

Mortimer. To Oversha'de. v. a. [over and shade.] To cover with any thing that causes darkness.

Dark cloudy death o'ershades his beams of life, And he nor sees, nor hears us. No great and mighty subject might eclipse or overshade the imperial power.

If a wood of leaves o'ershade the tree, In vain the hind shall vex the threshing-floor, For empty chaff and straw will be thy store.

Should we mix our friendly talk, O'ershaded in that favourite walk; Both pleas'd with all we thought we wanted.

To OVERSHA'DOW. v. a. [over and

shadow.7 1. To throw a shadow over any thing.

Weeds choak and overshadow the corn, and bear it down, or starve and deprive it of nourishment. Bacon.

Let the damps of thy dull breath Overshadow even the shade. And make darkness self afraid. Crashaw.

Darkness must overshadow all his bounds, Palpable darkness, and blot out three days. Milton, P. L.

2. To shelter; to protect; to cover with superiour influence.

My overshadowing spirit and might, with thee I send along: ride forth, and bid the deep Within appointed bounds. Milton, P. L.

On her should come The Holy Ghost, and the Power of the Highest O'ershadow her. Milton, P. R.

1. One who overlooks; a superintendent. | Oversha' Dower.* n. s. [from overshadow.] One who throws a shade over any thing.

Your nobility in a right distance between crown and people; no oppressors of the people, no over-

shudowers of the crown. Bacon, Lett. to the King, 2 Jan. 1618, Cab. p. 9.

To Oversho'or. v.n. [over and shoot.] To fly beyond the mark.

Often it drops, or overshoots by the disproportions of distance or application. Collier on Reason.

To Oversho'or. v. a.

1. To shoot beyond the mark.

Every inordinate appetite defeats its own satisfaction, by overshooting the mark it aims at.

Tillotson.

Graunt, Bills of Mortality. 2. To pass swiftly over.

High-rais'd on fortune's hill, new Alpes he spies.

O'ershoots the valley which beneath him lies, Forgets the depths between, and travels with his Harte.

3. [With the reciprocal pronoun.] venture too far; to assert too much.

Leave it to themselves to consider, whether they have in this point or not overshot themselves : which is quickly done, even when our meaning is most sincerei

In finding fault with the laws, I doubt me, you shall much overshoot yourself, and make me the more dislike your other dislikes of that governent. Spenser on Ireland. For any thing that I can learn of them, you

have overskot yourself in reckoning. Whitgifte.

O'versight. n. s. [from over and sight.] 1. Superintendence.

They gave the money, being told, unto them that had the oversight of the house.

2 Kings, xii. 11. Feed the flock of God, taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly. 1 Pet. v. 2.

2. Mistake; errour.

Amongst so many huge volumes, as the infinite pains of St. Augustine have brought forth, what one hath gotten greater love, commendation, and honour, than the book wherein he carefully owns his oversights, and sincerely condemneth them?

Hooker, Pref. They watch their opportunity to take advantage of their adversaries' oversight. Kettlewell. Not so his son, he mark'd this oversight, And then mistook reverse of wrong for right.

Pope. To Oversi'ze. v. a. [over and size.]

To surpass in bulk.

Those bred in a mountainous country, oversize those that dwell on low levels. Sandys, Journey.

2. [Over and size, a compost with which masons cover walls.] To plaster over. He, thus o'ersiz'd with coagulate gore,

Old grandsire Priam seeks. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

To Overski'P. v. a. [over and skip.]

1. To pass by leaping.

Presume not, ye that are sheep, to make yourselves guides of them that should guide you; neither seek ye to overskip the fold, which they about you have pitched. Hooker.

To pass over.

Mark if to get them she o'erskip the rest, Mark if she read them twice, or kiss the name.

Donne. 3. To escape.

When that hour o'erskips me in the day, Wherein I sigh not, Julia, for thy sake; The next ensuing hour some foul mischance Shakspeare, Two Gent. of Ver. Torment me!

Who alone suffers, suffers most i'the mind; But then the mind much sufferance does o'erskip, When grief hath mates and bearing fellowship.

To Oversle'ep. v. a. [over and sleep.]
To sleep too long.

To Oversli'r. v. a. [over and slip.] To pass undone, unnoticed, or unused; to neglect.

The carelessness of the justices in imposing this rate, or the negligence of the constables in collecting it, or the backwardness of the inhabitants in paying the same, overslipped the time.

Carew, Surv. of Cornwall.

He that hath overslipt such opportunities, is to bewail and retrieve them betimes. Hammond.

It were injurious to overslip a noble act in the duke during this employment, which I must celebrate above all his expences. Wotton.

To Overslo'w,* v. a. [over and slow.] To render slow; to check; to curb.

Means — able to trash or overslow this furious

driver.

Hammond, Works, iv. 563.

To OVERSNO'W.† v. a. [over and snow.]

To cover with snow.

For never-resting time leads summer on To hideous winter, and confounds him there; Sap check'd with frost, and lusty leaves quite

Beauty o'ersnow'd, and bareness every where.

Shakspeare, Sonn. 5.

These I wielded while my bloom was warm,

These I wielded while my bloom was warm,

Ere age unstrung my nerves, or time o'ersnow'd

my head.

Dryden, En.

Overso'ld. part. [from over and sell.]
Sold at too high a price.
Life with ease I can disclaim,

And think it oversold to purchase fame. Dryden. Overso'on. adv. [over and soon.] Too

The lad may prove well enough, if he oversoon think not too well of himself, and will bear away that he heareth of his elders.

Sidney.

To Overso'rrow.* v. a. [over and sorrow.] To afflict with too much sorrow.

The much wronged and oversorrowed state of matrimony. Milton, Doct. and Disc. of Div. Pref.

To OVERSPE'AK.* v. a. [over and speak.]
To say too much; to express in too
many words: with the reciprocal pro-

Describing a small fly,—he extremely overworded and overspake himself in his expression of it; as if he had spoken of the Nemean lion.

Overspe'nt. part. [over and spend.] Wearied; harassed; forespent. The verb overspend is not used.

Thestylis, wild thyme, and garlick beats, For harvest-hinds, o'erspent with toil and heats.

To Overspre'Add. v. a. [over and spread.]
To cover over; to fill; to scatter over.
Whether they were Spaniards, Gauls, Africans,
Gothes, or some other which did overspread all
Christendom, it is impossible to affirm. Spenser.
Of the three sons of Noah was the whole earth
overspread.

Gen. ix. 19.

Darkness Europe's face did overspread,
From lazy cells, where superstition bred. Denham.
Not a deluge that only over-run some particular
region; but that overspread the face of the whole
earth from pole to pole, and from east to west.

Burnet.

To OVERSTA'ND. v. a. [over and stand.]
To stand too much upon conditions.
Hers they shall be since you refuse the price;

What madman would o'erstand his market twice?

Dryden.

To Oversta're. v. n. [over and stare.]
To stare wildly.

Some warlike sign must be used; either a slovenly buskin, or an overstaring frounced head.

To OVERSTO'CK. v. a. [over and stock.]
To fill too full; to croud.

Had the world been eternal, it must long ere this have been werstocked, and become too narrow for the inhabitants. If raillery had entered the old Roman coins,

we should have been overstocked with medals of this nature. Addison. Some bishop, not overstocked with relations, or

Some bishop, not overstocked with relations, or attached to favourites, bestows some inconsiderable benefice.

Swift.

Since we are so bent upon enlarging our flocks, it may be worth enquiring what we shall do with our wool, in case Barnstaple should be ever overstocked. Swift.

To Oversto're. v. a. [over and store.]
To store with too much.

Fishes are more numerous than beasts or birds, as appears by their numerous spawn; and if all these should come to maturity, even the ocean itself would have been long since overstored with fish.

Hale, Orig. of Mankind.

To OVERSTRA'IN. v. n. [over and strain.]
To make too violent efforts.

Crassus lost himself, his equipage, and his army, by overstraining for the Parthian gold. Collier, He wished all painters would imprint this lesson deeply in their memory, that with overstraining and earnestness of finishing their pieces, they often did them more harm than good. Dryd. Dufresnoy.

To Overstra'in. v. a. To stretch too far.

Confessors were apt to overstrain their privileges, in which St. Cyprian made a notable stand against them.

Ayliffe.

To Overstre'w.* v. a. [over and strew.]
To spread over.

The bottom poison, and the top o'erstraw'd
With sweets. Shakspeare, Ven. and Adon.
With all which several medicines the body of
the earth is so every where replenished, yea and
the surface of it so every where overstreved.
Fotherby, Atheom. p. 254.

To Overstri'ke.* v. a. [over and strike.]
To strike beyond.

For as he in his rage him overstrooke, He, ere he could his weapon backe repair, His side all bare and naked overtooke.

To Overswa'y. v. a. [over and sway.]
To over-rule; to bear down.

When they are the major part of a general assembly, then their voices being more in number, must oversway their judgements who are fewer.

Great command o'ersways our order. Shaksp.
Some great and powerful nations oversway the
rest. Heylin.

To Overswe'll. v. a. [over and swell.]
To rise above.

Fill, Lucius, till the wine o'erswell the cup; I cannot drink too much of Brutus' love. Shaksp. When his banks the prince of rivers, Po, Doth overswell, he breaks with hideous fall.

O'VERT. adj. [ouvert, Fr.] Open; publick; apparent.

To vouch this, is no proof,
Without more certain and more overt test,
Than these thin habits and poor likelihoods.

Shakspeare.

Overt and apparent virtues bring forth praise; but there be secret and hidden virtues that bring forth fortune; certain deliveries of a man's self.

My repulse at Hull was the first overt essay to be made how patiently I could bear the loss of my kingdoms.

K. Charles.

The design of their destruction may have been projected in the dark; but when all was ripe, their enemies proceeded to so many overt acts in the face of the nation, that it was obvious to the meanest.

Swift.

Whereas human laws can reach no farther than to restrain the *overt* action, religion extends to the secret motions of the soul.

Rogers.

To OVERTA'KE. v. a. [over and take.]

1. To catch any thing by pursuit; to come up to something going before.

We durst not continue longer so near her confines, lest her plagues might suddenly overtake us before we did cease to be partakers with her sins.

Hooker.

If I had given you this at overnight,
She might have been o'ertaken; and yet she writes
Pursuit would be but vain.

I shall see

I shall see

The winged vengeance overtake such children.

The enemy said, I will pursue, I will overtake,
I will divide the spoil.

My soul, more earnestly releas'd,

Will outstrip hers, as bullets flown before
A later bullet may o'ertake, the powder being

A later bullet may o'ertake, the powder being more.

Donne.

To thy wishes move a speedy pace,
Or death will soon o'ertake thee in the chase.

Dryden.

How must he tremble for fear vengeance should overtake him, before he has made his peace with

God!

Rogers.

2. To take by surprize.

If a man be overlaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual restore such an one in the spirit of meekness.

Gal. vi. 1.

If it fall out, that through infirmity we be overtaken by any temptation, we must labour to rise again, and turn from one sin to God by new and speedy repentance. Perkins.

To OVERTA'SK.† v. a. [over and task.] To burthen with too heavy duties or injunctions.
To find out that, good shepherd, I suppose,

In such a scant allowance of star-light,
Would overtask the best land-pilot's art,
Without the sure guess of well-practis'd feet.

Milton, Comus.

That office is performed by the parts with difficulty, because they were overtasked.

Harvey on Consumptions.

To Overta'x. v. a. [over and tax.] To tax too heavily.

Overre'Dious.* adj. [over and tedious.]
Too slow; too tedious.

There is a little suspicion, a little imputation, laid upon overtedious and dilatory counsels.

Donne, Devotions, (1624,) p. 520.

To OVERTHRO'W. v.a. [over and throw; preter. overthrew; part. overthrown.]

preter. overthrew; part. overthrown.

1. To turn upside down.

Pittacus was a wise and valiant man, but his wife overthrew the table when he had invited his friends.

Bp. Taylor.

2. To throw down.

The overthrown he rais'd, and as a herd

Drove them before him.

Milton, P. L.

Drove them before him.

3. To ruin; to demolish.

When the walls of Thebes he overthrew,

His fatal hand my royal father slew. Dryden.
4. To defeat; to conquer; to vanquish.

Our endeavour is not so much to overthrow them with whom we contend, as to yield them reasonable causes.

Hooker.

To Sujah next your conquering army drew, Him they surpris'd, and easily o'erthrew. Dryden. 5. To destroy; to subvert; to mischief; 2. Pervicaciously; perversely. to bring to nothing.

She found means to have us accused to the king, as though we went about some practice to overthrow him in his own estate. Here's Glo'ster,

O'ercharging your free purses with large fines, That seeks to overthrow religion. Shaksp. Hen. VI. Thou walkest in peril of thy overthrowing.

Eccl. xiii, 13. God overthroweth the wicked for their wicked-

O loss of one in heav'n, to judge of wise, Since Satan fell, whom folly overthrew.

Milton, P. L. OVERTHRO'W. n. s. [from the verb.]

1. The state of being turned upside down.

2. Ruin: destruction.

Of those christian oratories the overthrow and ruin is desired, not by infidels, pagans, or Turks, but by a special refined sect of Christian believers.

They return again into Florida, to the murther and overthrow of their own countrymen. Abbot. I serve my mortal foe,

The man who caus'd my country's overthrow.

3. Defeat; discomfiture.

From without came to mine eyes the blow, .Whereto mine inward thoughts did faintly yield; Both these conspir'd poor reason's overthrow; False in myself, thus have I lost the field. Sidney.

Quiet soul, depart; For I have seen our enemies' overthrow. From these divers Scots feared more harm by victory than they found among their enemies by

Hayward. their overthrow. Poor Hannibal is maul'd, The theme is given, and straight the council's call'd, Whether he should to Rome directly go,

To reap the fruit of the dire overthrow. Dryden. Degradation.

His overthrow heap'd happiness upon him; For then, and not till then, he felt himself, And found the blessedness of being little.

Shakspeare. OVERTHRO'WER. n. s. [from overthrow.]

He who overthrows.

OVERTHWA'RT.† adj. [over and thwart.] 1. Opposite; being over against.

We whisper, for fear our overthwart neighbours Should hear us, and betray us to the government.

2. Crossing any thing perpendicularly. 3. Perverse; adverse; contradictious;

Withoute benygnyte, traitouris, overthwarte. Wicliffe, 2 Tim. iii. Alas, what ayle you to be so overthwart?

Skelton, Poems, p. 18. Two or three acts disposed them to cross and oppose any proposition; and that overthwart humour was discovered to rule in the breasts of

many. Clarendon. OVERTHWA'RT.* n. s. A cross or ad-

verse circumstance. Obsolete. A heart, well stay'd, in overthwartes deep

Hopeth amends. Ld. Surrey, Songs and Sonnets. OVERTHWA'RT. prep. Across; as, he laid a plank overthwart the brook. This is the original use.

To OVERTHWA'RT.* v. a. To oppose. All the practice of the church rashly they break

Stapleton, Fort. of the Faith, (1565,) fol. 127.

OVERTHWA'RTLY. adv. [from overthwart.] 1. Across; transversely

The brawn of the thigh shall appear, by drawing small hair strokes from the hip to the knee, shadowed again overthwart. Peacham on Drawing.

OVERTHWA'RTNESS. r. s. [from overthwart.]

1. Posture across.

2. Pervicacity; perverseness.

My younger sister indeed might have been married to a far greater fortune, had not the overthwartness of some neighbours interrupted it. Ld. Herbert, Life, p. 53.

To OVERTI'RE.* v. a. [over and tire.] To subdue with fatigue.

He his guide requested As overtir'd to let him lean awhile

With both his arms on those two massy pillars. Milton, S. A.

To Overti'tle.* v. a. [over and title.] To give too high a title to.

Overtitling his own quarrels to be God's cause. Fuller, Holy War, p. 250.

Openly. O'VERTLY.† adv. [from overt.] Good men are never overtly despised, but that they are first calumniated.

Dean Young, Serm. ii. 389.

OVERTO'OK. pret. and part. pass. of over-

To OVERTO'P. v. a. [over and top.] 1. To rise above; to raise the head above.

Pile your dust upon the quick and dead, T' o'ertop old Pelion or the skyish head Shakspeare, Hamlet. Of blue Olympus. In the dance the graceful goddess leads The quire of nymphs, and overtops their heads. Dryden.

2. To excel; to surpass.

Who ever yet Have stood to charity, and display'd the effects Of disposition gentle, and of wisdom O'ertopping woman's power.

Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. As far as the soul o'ertops the body, so far its pains, or rather mournful sensations, exceed those of the carcase.

3. To obscure; to make of less importance by superiour excellence.

Whereas he had been heretofore an arbiter of Europe, he should now grow less, and be over topped by so great a conjunction. Bacon, Hen. VII. One whom you love,

Had champion kill'd, or trophy won, Rather than thus be overtopt,

Would you not wish his laurels cropt? To Overto'wer.* v. n. [over and tower.]

To soar too high. This miscarriage came very seasonably to abate their overtowering conceits of him.

Fuller, Holy War, p. 83. To OVERTRI'P. v. a. [over and trip.] To trip over; to walk lightly over.

In such a night,

Did Thisbe fearfully o'ertrip the dew, And saw the lion's shadow ere himself, And ran dismay'd away.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. To Overtro'w.* v. n. [opentpupan, Sax.]

To be over confident; to think too highly. See To Trow. I am no thing overtrowynge to myself. Wicliffe, 1 Cor. iv.

To Overtru'st.* v. a. [over and trust.] To place too much reliance on.

Some there are that do so overtrust their leaders' eyes, that they care not to see with mei own. Bp. Hall, Cases of Consc. D. 3. C. 9.

O'VERTURE. † n. s. [overture, French.]

1. An opening; an aperture; an open place. This is the primary sense, which Dr. Johnson has overpassed.

The wastefull hills unto his threat

Spenser, Shep. Cal. July. Is a plaine overture. In the center of the earth there is nothing but perfect darkness; nearer the upper region of that great body, where any overture is made, there is a kind of imperfect twilight. Bp. Hall, Rem. p. 36. The foundations, the walls, the apertions or

Wotton on Architecture. overtures. Under its base there is an overture, Which summer weeds do render so obscure.

The careless traveller may pass, and ne'er Cotton, Wonders of the Peak. Discover-

2. Opening; disclosure; discovery. I wish

You had only in your silent judgement try'd it, Without more overture. Shakspeare, Wint. Tale.

Proposal; something offered to consideration.

Mac Murugh moved Henry to invade Ireland, and made an overture unto him for obtaining of the sovereign lordship thereof. Davies on Ireland.

All these fair overtures, made by men well esteemed for honest dealing, could not take place. Hayward.

We with open breast Stand ready to receive them, if they like Our overture, and turn not back perverse.

Milton, P. L. Withstand the overtures of ill, and be intent and

The earl of Pembroke, who abhorred the war, promoted all overtures towards accommodation with great importunity. Clarendon.

If a convenient supply offers itself to be seised by force or gained by fraud, human nature persuades us to hearken to the inviting overture. Rogers. Suppose five hundred men proposing, debating,

and voting according to their own little or much reason, abundance of indigested and abortive, many pernicious and foolish overtures would arise. 4. A musical composition played at the

beginning of an oratorio, concert, or

The overture disposes the mind to that mood, which fits it for the opening of the piece.

A. Smith on the Imit. Arts, P. ii. Before the opening of the overture, it [the organ] gives that pitch-note in full, which always leads me to expect a succession of more solemn sounds than in reality succeed it.

Mason on Church Musick, p. 81.

To OVERTU'RN. v. a. [over and turn.]

1. To throw down; to topple down; to subvert; to ruin.

He is wise in heart and mighty in strength which removeth the mountains, and overturneth them in his anger.

These will sometimes overturn, and sometimes swallow up towns, and make a general confusion in

This he obviates, by saying we see all the ideas in God; which is an answer to this objection, but such an one as overturns his whole hypothesis, and renders it useless and as unintelligible, as any of those he has laid aside.

But he comes round about again, and overturns every stone that he had laid. Leslie. If we will not encourage publick works of be-

neficence, till we are secure that no storm shall overturn what we help to build, there is no room left for charity. Atterbury.

A monument of deathless fame, 'A woman's hand o'erturns. Rowe.

2. To overpower; to conquer.

Pain excessive overturns all patience. Milton. OVERTU'RN.* n. s. State of being turned

upside down; an overthrow. No awkward overturns of glasses, plates, and

Ld. Chesterfield, Lett.

OVERTU'RNABLE.* adj. [from overturn.] That may be overturned.

Sir W. Petty gave an account of a commodious land carriage he had lately contrived, - far more secure than any coach; not being overturnable by any height, on which the wheels can possibly move. Hist. Royal Soc. iv. 323.

OVERTU'RNER. n. s. [from overturn.] Sub-

I have brought before you a robber of the publick treasure, an overturner of law and justice, and the destruction of the Sicilian province. Swift.

To Overva'lue. v. a. [over and value.]

To rate at too high a price.

We have just cause to stand in some fear, lest by thus overvaluing their sermons they make the price and estimation of Scripture, otherwise notified, to fall.

To overvalue human power is likewise an argument of human weakness. Holyday.

To OVERVEI'L. + v. a. [over and veil.] To cover.

The day begins to break, and night is fled; Whose pitchy mantle overveil'd the earth. Shakspeare. Thou mak'st the night to overveil the day; Then savage beasts creep from the silent wood: Then lions' whelps lie roaring for their prey,

And at thy powerful hand demand their food. Sir H. Wotton, Ps. 104. Rem. p. 886.

To Overvo'TE. v. a. [over and vote.] To conquer by plurality of votes.

The lords and commons might be content to be overvoted by the major part of both houses, when they had used each their own freedom.

King Charles.

To Overwa'TCH. v. n. [over and watch.] To subdue with long want of rest.

Morpheus is dispatch'd; Which done, the lazy monarch overwatch'd, Down from his propping elbow drops his head, Dissolv'd in sleep, and shrinks within his bed. Dryden.

OVERWA'TCHED. adj. Tired with too much watching.

While the dog hunted in the river, he had withdrawn himself to pacify with sleep his overwatched

Sidney, Arc. b. 2. OVERWEA'K. adj. [over and weak.] Too

weak; too feeble. Paternal persuasions, after mankind began to forget the original giver of life, became in all overweak to resist the first inclination of evil; or after,

when it became habitual, to constrain it. Ralegh, Hist. of the World. To Overwea'ry. v. a. [over and weary.]

To subdue with fatigue. Might not Palinurus fall asleep and drop into

the sea, having been overwearied with watching? Dryden.

To OVERWEA'THER. v. a. [over and To batter by violence of weather.

How like a younker or a prodigal, The skarfed bark puts from her native bay, Hugg'd and embraced by the strumpet wind! How like the prodigal doth she return, With overweather'd ribs and ragged sails, Lean, rent, and beggar'd by the strumpet wind!

Shaksneare To OVERWE'EN. v. n. [over and ween.] To think too highly; to think with ar-

rogance.

To reach beyond the truth of any thing in thought; especially in the opinion of a man's self. Hanmer. Oft have I seen a hot o'erweening cur

Run back and bite because he was withheld.

Shakspeare.

My master hath sent for me, to whose feeling sorrows I might be some allay, or I o'erween to think so. Shakspeare.

Lash hence these overweening rags of France, These famish'd beggars, weary of their lives.

Shakspeare. My eyes too quick, my heart o'erweens too much,

Unless my hand and strength could equal them.

Take heed of overweening, and compare Thy peacock's feet with thy gay peacock's train; Study the best and highest things that are, But of thyself an humble thought retain. Davies. They that overween,

And at thy growing virtues fret their spleen, No anger find in thee. Milton, Sonnet. Satan might have learnt

Less overweening, since he fail'd in Job, Whose constant perseverance overcame Whate'er his cruel malice could invent.

Milton, P. R. No man is so bold, rash, and overweening of his own works as an ill painter and a bad poet. Dryden. Enthusiasm, though founded neither on reason nor revelation, but rising from the conceits of a

warmed or overweening brain, works more powerfully on the persuasions and actions of men than either or both together. Locke.

Men of fair minds and not given up to the overweening of self-flattery, are frequently guilty of it: and, in many cases, one with amazement hears the arguings, and is astonished at the obstinacy, of a worthy man who yields not to the evidence of rea-

Now enters overweening pride, Swift. And scandal ever gaping wide. Overwee'ningly.† adv. [from overween.]

With too much arrogance; with too high an opinion.

Till he himself had been infallible, like him whose peculiar words he overweeningly assumes.

Milton, Eiconoclast. ch. 26. To OVERWEIGH. v. a. [over and weigh.]

To preponderate. Sharp and subtile discourses of wit procure many times very great applause, but being laid in the balance with that which the habit of sound experience delivereth, they are overweighed. Hooker. My unsoil'd name, the austereness of my life,

Will so your accusation overweigh, That you shall stifle in your own report.

Shakspeare. OVERWEI'GHT. n. s. [over and weight.] Preponderance.

Sinking into water is but an overweight of the body, in respect of the water. Bacon, Nat. Hist.

To OVERWHE'LM.† v. a. [over and whelm.

1. To crush underneath something violent and weighty.

What age is this, where honest men, Plac'd at the helm,

A sea of some foul mouth or pen, Shall overwhelm?

B. Jonson. Back do I toss these treasons to thy head, With the hell hated lie o'erwhelm thy heart.

How trifling an apprehension is the shame of being laughed at by fools, when compared with that everlasting shame and astonishment which shall overwhelm the sinner, when he shall appear before the tribunal of Christ! Rogers. Blind they rejoice, though now, even now they

Death hastes amain; one hour o'erwhelms them all

2. To overlook gloomily. Let the brow o'erwhelm it,

As fearfully as doth a galled rock O'erhang and jutty his confounded base. Shakspeare.

An apothecary late I noted, In tatter'd weeds with overwhelming brows, Culling of simples. Shakspeare, Rom. and Jul. 3. To put over.

Then I overwhelm a broader pipe about the first. first. Dr. Papin, Hist. R. Soc. iv. 288.

OVERWHE'LM.** n. s. The act of overwhelming. Not received.

An overwhelm Of wonderful on man's astonish'd sight.

Young, Night Th. 9. Overwhe'lmingly. adv. [from overwhelming.] In such a manner as to overwhelm. Inelegant, and not in use.

Men should not tolerate themselves one minute in any known sin, nor impertinently betray their souls to ruin for that which they call light and trivial; which is so indeed in respect of the acquest, but overwhelmingly ponderous in regard of the pernicious consequents. Decay of Chr. Piety. To OVERWI'NG. * v. a. [over and wing.] To

outreach the wing of an army; to out-

Agricola, doubting to be overwinged, stretches out his front, though somewhat of the thinnest. Milton, Hist. of Eng. B. 2.

OVERWI'SE. adj. [over and wise.] Wise to affectation.

Make not thyself overwise. Eccl. vii. 16. Overwiseness.* n. s. [from overwise.]
Pretended wisdom; "science falsely so

Tell wit how much it wrangles In tickle points of nicenesse; Tell wisedome, she entangles Herselfe in overwisenesse. And if they do reply,

Straight give them both the lye. Sir W. Ralegh, Song in Percy's Rel. B. 3. S. 4.

To Overwo'rd.* v. a. [over and word.]
To say too much. See To Overspeak. To Overwo'rk.* v. a. [over and work.]

It is such a pleasure as can never cloy or over-

work the mind. South, Serm. Overwo'rn. part. [over and worn.] 1. Worn out; subdued by toil.

With watching overworn, with cares opprest, Unhappy I had laid me down to rest. Dryd

2. Spoiled by time. The jealous o'erworn widow and herself,

Are mighty gossips in this monarchy. Shakspeare. To Overwre'stle.* v. a. [over and wres-

To subdue by wrestling. Life recover'd had the raine,

And overwrestled his strong enimy.

Spenser, F. Q. i. vii. 24.

OVERWROU'GHT. part. [over and wrought.] 1. Laboured too much.

Apelles said of Protogenes, that he knew not when to give over. A work may be overwrought, as well as underwrought: too much labour often takes away the spirit, by adding to the polishing; so that there remains nothing but a dull correctness, a piece without any considerable faults, but with few beauties. Dryden, Dufresnoy. 2. Worked all over.

Of Gothick structure was the northern side, O'erwrought with ornaments of barbarous pride.

3. It has in Shakspeare a sense which I know not well how to reconcile to the original meaning of the word, and therefore conclude it misprinted for overraught; that is, overreached or cheated.

By some device or other, The villain is o'erwrought of all my money They say this town is full of cozenage. Shaksp. OVERYEA'RED. adj. Fover and year. 7 Too |

Among them dwelt A maid, whose fruit was ripe, not overyeared. Fairfax.

Overze'ALED.* adj. [over and zeal.] Ruled by too much zeal. Not in use.

Thus was this good king's judgement overzealed.

Fuller, Holy War, p. 214.

OVERZEA'LOUS. adj. [over and zealous.] Too zealous.

It is not of such weighty necessity to determine one way or the other, as some, overzealous for or against the immateriality of the soul, have been forward to make the world believe.

OUGHT. † n. s. [aphic, that is, a whit, Sax. This word is therefore more properly written aught. See Aught. The difference has arisen, as Mr. Tyrwhitt has observed, merely from the different usages of writing a or o for one: Saxon, ophit, oht. See also Nought.] Any thing; not nothing.

For ought that I can understand, there is no part but the bare English pale, in which the Irish have not the greatest footing. Spenser on Ireland.
He asked him if he saw ought. St. Mark, viii. 23.

To do ought good never will be our task; But ever to do ill our sole delight. Milton, P. L. Universal Lord! be bounteous still To give us only good; and if the night Have gather'd ought of evil, or conceal'd, Disperse it, as now light dispels the dark.

Milton, P. L.

Ought. + verb imperfect; in the second person oughtest. [This word the etymologists make the preterite of owe, but it has often a present signification.]

1. [Preterite of owe.] Owed; was bound to pay; have been indebted.

Apprehending the occasion, I will add a continuance to that happy motion, and besides give you some tribute of the love and duty I long have ought you. This blood which men by treason sought,

That followed, sir, which to myself I ought. Dryden.

2. [Preterite of owe, in the sense of own.] Had a right to. Where is the booty, -

And where is eke your friend which halfe it ought ? Spenser, F. Q. vi. vii. 16.

The knight, the which that castle ought. Spenser, F. Q. vi. iii. 2.

3. To be obliged by duty.

Know how thou oughtest to behave.

1 Tim. iii, 15. Speak boldly as I ought to speak. Ephes. vi. 20. She acts just as she ought,

But never, never reach'd one gen'rous thought.

Judges ought to remember, that their office is to interpret law, and not to make or give law.

We ought to profess our dependance upon him, and our obligations to him for the good things we We ought to publish to the world our sense of his goodness with the voice of praise, and tell of all his wondrous works. We ought to comfort his servants and children in their afflictions, and relieve his poor distressed members in their manifold necessities, for he that giveth alms, sacrificeth praise.

4. To be fit; to be necessary.

These things ought not so to be. James, iii, 10. If grammar ought to be taught, it must be to one that can speak the language already. Locke.

5. Applied to persons it has a sense not

easily explained. To be fit, or necessary that he should.

Ought not Christ to have suffered? 6. Ought is both of the present and past tenses, and of all persons except the second singular.

O'VIDUCT.* n. s. [ovum and ductus, Lat.] A passage for the egg from the ovary to

the womb.

Its [the torpedo's] ovarium is near the liver and double oviduct and womb, wherein the young ones swim free, and have no communication with the Hist. R. Soc. iii. 498. womb.

O'VIFORM. adj. [ovum and forma, Lat.] Having the shape of an egg.

This notion of the mundane egg, or that the world was oviform, hath been the sense and language of all antiquity.

Ovi'Parous. adj. [ovum and pario, Lat.] Bringing forth eggs; not viviparous.
That fishes and birds should be oviparous, is a

plain sign of providence.

More, Ant. against Atheism. Birds and oviparous creatures have eggs enough at first conceived in them to serve them for many

Ou'mer.* n. s. [ombre, Fr. umbra, Lat.] The shade. A northern word.

Grose and Craven Dialect. Ounce. n. s. [once, Fr. uncia, Latin.] name of weight of different value in different denominations of weight. In troy weight, an ounce is twenty pennyweights; a penny-weight, twenty-four grains.

The blood he hath lost, Which I dare vouch is more than that he hath

By many an ounce, he dropt it for his country.

A sponge dry weigheth one ounce twenty-six grains; the same sponge being wet, weigheth fourteen ounces six drams and three quarters. Bacon.

Ounce. n. s. [once, French; onza, Span.] A lynx.

The ounce, The libbard, and the tiger, as the mole Rising, the crumbled earth above them threw In hillocks. Milton, P. L. OU'NDED.* adj. [ondé, Fr. from unda, OU'NDING. Lat.] Waving; imitating waves. Not in use, except perhaps in the heraldick term oundy for wavy.

Her owndid hair, that sunnish was of hew, Chaucer, Tr. and Cress. iv. 736. She rent. Endenting, or barring, ounding, paling, wind-

Chaucer, Pars. Tale. OUPHE. n. s. [alf, Teutonick.] A fairy; a goblin.

Nan Page, - and my little son, we'll dress Like urchins, ouphes, and fairies, green and white. Shakspeare.

Ou'phen. adj. [from ouph.] Elfish. Fairies, black, gray, green, and white,

Ye moon-shine revellers and shades of night, You ouphen heirs of fixed destiny,

Attend your office. Our. † pron. poss. [Sax. pe, nos, us; quasi weer, ure, vor, oppe, our, noster. Lye.]

1. Pertaining to us; belonging to us. You shall Lead our first battle, brave Macduff, and we

Shall take upon us what else remains. Shaksp. Our wit is given Almighty God to know, Our will is given to love him being known; But God could not be known to us below, But by his works which through the sense are shown.

So in our little world this soul of ours

Being only one, and to one body ty'd, Doth use on divers objects divers powers, And so are her effects diversify'd. Davies. Our soul is the very same being it was yesterday, last year, twenty years ago.

2. When the substantive goes before, it is written ours.

Reattie.

Edmund, whose virtue in this instance, So much commands itself, you shall be ours.

Thou that hast fashion'd twice this soul of ours, So that she is by double title thine. Davies. Be ours, whoe'er thou art,

Forget the Greeks. Denham. Taxallan, shook by Montezuma's powers, Has, to resist his forces, call'd in ours. Dryden. The same thing was done by them in suing in

their courts, which is now done by us in suing in Kettleworth. Reading furnishes the mind only with materials of knowledge, it is thinking makes what we read ours: it is not enough to cram ourselves with a great load of collections; unless we chew them

over again, they will not give us strength. Locke. Their organs are better disposed than ours, for receiving grateful impressions from sensible ob-Atterbury.

OURANO GRAPHY.* n.s. Γούρανος and γράφω, Gr.] A description of the heavens.

The ingenious Mr. Hooke, in his animadversions on Hevelius's ouranography, had omitted the chief objection Hevelius makes against these kind Hist. R. Soc. iv. 272.

Ourse'Lves. reciprocal pronoun. [the plural of myself.

1. We; not others: it is added to we by way of emphasis or opposition.

We ourselves might distinctly number in words a great deal farther than we usually do, would we find out but some fit denominations to signify them by.

2. Us; not others, in the oblique cases. Safe in ourselves, while on ourselves we stand, The sea is ours, and that defends the land, Druden.

Our confession is not intended to instruct God, who knows our sins much better than ourselves do, but it is to humble ourselves, and therefore we must not think to have confessed a right till that be done. Wh. Duty of Man.

Ourse'lf is used in the regal stile. To make society

The sweeter welcome, we will keep ourself Till supper-time alone. Shakspeare, Macbeth. We ourself will follow

In the main battle. Shaksneare. Not so much as a treaty can be obtained, unless we would denude ourself of all force to defend us.

Ouse. n. s. Tanners' bark; rather oose. Ainsworth.

Ou'sel. n. s. [orle, Sax.] A blackbird. The merry lark her matins sings aloft,

The thrush replies, the mavis descant plays, The ousel shrills, the ruddock warbles soft;

So goodly all agree, with sweet consent, To this day's merriment. Spenser, Epithal. The ousel cock so black of hue,

With orange-tawny bill. Shakspeare. Thrushes and ousels, or blackbirds, were com-

monly sold for threepence a-piece. Hakewill on Providence.

Ou'sen.* n. s. pl. [Teut. ossen.] Oxen.

Common in the north. Grose, Craven Dial. and Brockett.

To OUST. v. a. [ouster, ôter, French.] 1. To vacate; to take away.

Multiplication of actions upon the case were rare formerly, and thereby wager of law ousted, which discouraged many suits.

2. To deprive; to eject.

Though the deprived bishops and clergy went out upon account of the oaths, yet this made no schism. No, not even when they were actually deprived and ousted by act of parliament. Leslie.

OU'STER.* n. s. [from oust.] Dispossession. Ouster, or dispossession, is a wrong or injury that carries with it the amotion of possession.

OU'STER le main.* n. s. [old Fr. In true French, it should be la main. Cowel.] Livery.

When the male heir arrives at the age of twentyone, or the heir female to the age of sixteen, they might sue out their livery or ousterlemain, that is, the delivery of their lands out of their guardian's hands.

OUT. † adv. fur, Sax. uyt, Teut. ut, M. Goth. extra; "apertâ omnium linguarum Septentr. similitudine." Serenius.]

1. Not within.

The gown with stiff embroid'ry shining, Looks charming with a slighter lining; The out of Indian figures stain, The inside must be rich and plain.

2. It is generally opposed to in.

That blind rascally boy, that abuses every one's eyes because his own are out, let him be judge how deep I am in love.

3. In a state of disclosure.

Fruits and grains are half a year in concocting; whereas leaves are out and perfect in a month. Racon.

4. Not in confinement or concealment. Nature her custom holds.

Let shame say what it will; when these are gone, The woman will be out. Shakspeare.

5. From the place or house.

Out with the dog, says one; what cur is that? says another: whip him out, says the third. Shakspeare.

6. From the inner part.

This is the place where the priests shall boil the trespass offering; that they bear it not out into the utter court, to sanctify the people. Ezek. xlvi. 20.

7. Not at home: as, when you called I was out.

8. In a state of extinction.

It was great ignorance, Gloster's eyes being out, To let him live; where he arrives he moves Shakspeare, K. Lear.

This candle burns not clear; 'tis I must snuff it, Shakspeare, Hen. VIII. Then out it goes.

Bid thy ceremony give thee cure Think'st thou the fiery fever will go out With titles blown from adulation?

Shakspeare, Hen. V.

Her candle goeth not out by night. Prov. xxxi. 18.

9. In a state of being exhausted. When the butt is out we will drink water, not

a drop before; bear up and board them. Shakspeare, Tempest.

Large coals are properest for dressing meat and when they are out, if you happen to miscarry in any dish, lay the fault upon want of coals. Swift.

10. Not in employment; not in office.

So we'll live and hear poor rogues Talk of court news, and we'll talk with them too, Who loses, and who wins; who's in, who's out. Shaksneare.

11. Not in any sport or party.

The knave will stick by thee: he will not out, Shakspeare, Hen. IV. he is true bred. I am not so as I should be;

Shakspeare, Ant. & Cleop. But I'll ne'er out. VOL. II.

I never was out at a mad frolick, though this is |2. It has sometimes upon after it. the maddest I ever undertook. Dryden.

12. To the end.

Hear me out;

He reap'd no fruit of conquest, but these blessings.

You have still your happiness in doubt, Or else 'tis past, and you have dream'd it out. Dryden.

The tale is long, nor have I heard it out; Thy father knows it all. Addison, Cato.

13. Loudly; without restraint.
At all I laugh, he laughs no doubt; The only difference is, I dare laugh out.

14. Not in the hands of the owner.

If the laying of taxes upon commodities does affect the land that is out at rack rent, it is plain it does equally affect all the other land in England

Those lands were out upon leases of four years, after the expiration of which tenants were obliged to renew. Arbuthnot.

15. In an errour.

As he that hath been often told his fault, And still persists, is as impertinent, As a musician that will always play, And yet is always out at the same note.

Roscommon. You are mightily out to take this for a token of esteem, which is no other than a note of infamy. This I have noted for the use of those who, I

Kettlewell. think, are much out in this point. According to Hobbes's comparison of reasoning with casting up accounts, whoever finds a mistake in the sum total, must allow himself out, though after repeated trials he may not see in which Swift. article he has misreckoned.

16. At a loss; in a puzzle.

Like a dull actor now I have forgot my part, and I am out,

Even to a full disgrace. Shakspeare, Coriol.

This youth was such a mercurial, as the like hath seldom been known; and could make his own part, if at any time he chanced to be out. Bacon, Hen. VII.

17. With torn cloaths. The parts being out, that is, not covered.

Evidences swore;

Who hither coming out at heels and knees, Dryden. For this had titles.

18. Away; so as to consume.

Let all persons avoid niceness in their cloathing or diet, because they dress and comb out all their opportunities of morning devotion, and sleep out the care for their souls. Bp. Taylor. 19. Deficient; as out of pocket, noting

Upon the great Bible, he was out fifty pounds, and reimburst himself only by selling two copies.

20. It is used emphatically before alas.

Out, alas / no sea, I find,

Is troubled like a lover's mind. 21. It is added emphatically to verbs of discovery.

If ye will not do so, be sure your sin will find Numb. xxxii. 23. you out.

Out. interject.

1. An expression of abhorrence or expulsion.

Out on thee, rude man! thou dost shame thy mother. Out, variet, from my sight. Shaksp. K. Lear.

Out, you mad-headed ape! a weazel hath not such a deal of spleen. Shakspeare, Hen. IV. Out of my door, you witch! you hag!
Out, out, out. Shakspeare, M. Wives of Windsor.

Out, out, hyena; these are thy wonted arts, Milton, S. A. To break all faith.

Out upon this half-fac'd fellowship.

Shaksp. Out upon it, I have lov'd Three whole days together;

And am like to love three more, If it prove fair weather, Suckling.

Our of. prep. [Of seems to be the preposition, and out only to modify the sense of of.

1. From: noting produce. So many Neroes and Caligulas,

Out of these crooked shores must daily rise.

Those bards coming many hundred years after, could not know what was done in former ages, nor deliver certainty of any thing, but what they feigned out of their own unlearned heads.

Spenser on Ireland. Alders and ashes have been seen to grow out of steeples; but they manifestly grow out of clefts.

Juices of fruits are watry and oily: among the watry are all the fruits out of which drink is expressed; as the grape, the apple, the pear, and cherry.

He is softer than Ovid; he touches the passions more delicately, and performs all this out of his own fund, without diving into the sciences for

2. Not in; noting exclusion, dismission, absence, or dereliction.

The sacred nymph Was out of Dian's favour, as it then befel.

Spenser, F. Q.

Will speak, though tongues were out of use.

The cavern's mouth alone was hard to find, Because the path disus'd was out of mind. Dryden.

My retreat the best companions grace,

Chiefs out of war, and statesmen out of place. Pope. Does he fancy we can sit, To hear his out of fashion wit?

But he takes up with younger folks, Who for his wine, will bear his jokes.

They are out of their element, and logick is none of their talent. Baker on Learning.

3. No longer in.

Enjoy the present smiling hour; And put it out of fortune's power.

Not in: noting unfitness.

He is witty out of season; leaving the imitation of nature, and the cooler dictates of his judge-Thou'lt say my passion's out of season,

That Cato's great example and misfortunes Should both conspire to drive it from my thoughts.

5. Not within: relating to a house.

Court holy water in a dry house, is better than the rain waters out of door. Shakspeare, K. Lear.

6. From: noting copy.

St. Paul quotes one of their poets for this saying, notwithstanding T. G.'s censure of them out of Horace. Stilling fleet.

7. From: noting rescue.

Christianity recovered the law of nature out of all those errors with which it was overgrown in the times of paganism. Addison, Freeholder.

8. Not in: noting exorbitance or irregularity.

Why publish it at this juncture; and so, out of all method, apart and before the work? Using old threadbare phrases will often make you go out of your way to find and apply them.

9. From one thing to something different. He that looks on the eternal things that are not seen, will, through those opticks, exactly discern

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the vanity of all that is visible; will be neither frighted nor flattered out of his duty.

Decay of Chr. Piety. Words are able to persuade men out of what they find and feel, and to reverse the very impressions of sense.

10. To a different state from; in a different

That noble and most sovereign reason,

Like sweet bells jangled out of tune and harsh; That unmatch'd form and feature of blown youth, Blasted with ecstasy. Shakspeare, Hamlet.

When the mouth is out of taste, it maketh things taste sometimes salt, chiefly bitter, and sometimes loathsome, but never sweet, Bacon.

By the same fatal blow, the earth fell out of that regular form wherein it was produced at first, into all these irregularities in its present form.

Burnet on the Earth. They all at once employ their thronging darts, But out of order thrown, in air they join, And multitude makes frustrate the design. Dryd.

11. Not according to.

That there be an equality, so that no man acts or speaks out of character.

Broome, View of Ep. Poem.

12. To a different state from: noting separation.

Whosoever doth measure by number, must needs be greatly out of love with a thing that hath so many faults: whosoever by weight cannot chuse but esteem very highly of that wherein the wit of so scrupulous adversaries hath not bitherto observed any defect, which themselves can seriously think to be of moment.

If ridicule were employed to laugh men out of vice and folly, it might be of some use; but it is made use of to laugh men out of virtue and good sense by attacking every thing solemn and serious. Addison, Spect.

13. Beyond.

Amongst those things which have been received with great reason, ought that to be reckoned which the antient practice of the church hath continued out of mind. Hooker.

What, out of hearing gone? no sound, no word?

Alack, where are you? Shakspeare. I have been an unlawful bawd, time out of mind. Shaksneare.

Few had suspicion of their intentions, till they were both out of distance to have their conversion attempted

With a longer peace, the power of France with so great revenues, and such application, will not encrease every year out of proportion to what ours will do. Temple.

He shall only be prisoner at the soldiers' quarters, and when I am out of reach he shall be re-Dryden. leased.

We see people lulled asleep with solid and elaborate discourses of piety, who would be transported out of themselves by the bellowings of enthusiasm.

Milton's story was transacted in regions that lie out of the reach of the sun and the sphere of the

day.

Women weep and tremble at the sight of a moving preacher, though he is placed quite out of their hearing. Addison.

The Supreme Being has made the best arguments for his own existence, in the formation of the heavens and the earth, and which a man of sense cannot forbear attending to, who is out of the noise of human affairs. Addison.

14. Deviating from: noting irregularity. Heaven defend but still I should stand so, So long as out of limit, and true rule,

You stand against anointed majesty!

15. Past; without: noting something worn out or exhausted.

I am out of breath. - How art thou out of breath, when thou hast

breath To say to me that thou art out of breath?

Shakspeare. Out of hope to do any good, he directed his course to Corone. Knolles.

He found himself left far behind, Hudibras. Both out of heart and out of wind. I published some fables which are out of print. Arbuthnot.

16. By means of.

Out of that will I cause those of Cyprus to mutiny. Shakspeare.

17. In consequence of: noting the motive or reason.

She is persuaded I will marry her, out of her own love and flattery, not out of my promise. Shakspeare, Othello.

The pope, out of the care of an universal father, had in the conclave divers consultations about an Bacon, Hen. VII. holy war against the Turk. Not out of cunning, but a train

Of atoms justling in his brain,

As learn'd philosophers give out. Cromwell accused the earl of Manchester of having betrayed the parliament out of cowardice. Clarendon.

Those that have recourse to a new creation of waters are such as do it out of laziness and ignorance, or such as do it out of necessity.

Burnet, Th. of the Earth. Distinguish betwixt those that take state upon them, purely out of pride and humour, and those that do the same in compliance with the necessity of their affairs. L' Estrange.

Make them conformable to laws, not only for wrath, and out of fear of the magistrate's power, which is but a weak principle of obedience; but out of conscience, which is a firm and lasting principle. Tillotson.

What they do not grant out of the generosity of their nature, they may grant out of mere impa-

Our successes have been the consequences of a necessary war; in which we engaged, not out of ambition, but for the defence of all that was dear Atterbury.

18. Out of hand; immediately: as that is easily used which is ready in the hand. He bade to open wide his brazen gate,

Which long time had been shut; and, out of hand, Proclaimed joy and peace through all his state. Spenser.

No more ado, But gather we our forces out of hand,

And set upon our boasting enemy. Shaksneare. To Our. + v. a. [ucian, Saxon.] To de-

prive by expulsion. The members of both houses who withdrew, were counted deserters, and outed of their places

in parliament. K. Charles. The French having been outed of their holds.

So many of their orders as were outed from their fat possessions, would endeavour a re-entrance against those whom they account hereticks. Dryd.

Out, in composition, generally signifies something beyond or more than another; but sometimes it betokens emission, exclusion, or something external.

To OUTA'CT. v. a. [out and act.] beyond.

He has made me heir to treasures, Would make me out-act a real widow's whining.

To OUTBA'LANCE. v. a. [out and balance.] To overweigh; to preponderate. Let dull Ajax bear away my right,

When all his days outbalance this one night. Dryden.

To OUTBA'R. v. a. [out and bar.] To shut out by fortification.

These to *outbar* with painful pionings, From sea to sea he heap'd a mighty mound.

To Outbi'd. v. a. [out and bid.] overpower by bidding a higher price. If in thy heart

New love created be by other men, Which have their stocks entire, and can in tears In sighs, in oaths, in letters outbid me,

This new love may beget new fears, Donne. For Indian spices, for Peruvian gold, Prevent the greedy, and outbid the bold. Pope.

OUTBI'DDER. n. s. [out and bid.] One that outbids.

OUTBLO'WED. adj. [out and blow.] flated: swoln with wind.

At their roots grew floating palaces, Whose outblown bellies cut the yielding seas.

Dryden. To OUTBLU'SH.* v. a. [out and blush.] To exceed in rosy colour.

Each rose did in native scarlet appear, Yet every rose was outblushed by her. Shipman, Trag. of Hen. III. of France, (1678.)

The sun which gives your cheeks to glow, And outblush (mine excepted) every fair. Young, Night Th. 3.

Ou'TBORN. adj. [out and born.] Foreign; not native.

OU'TBOUND. adj. [out and bound.] Destinated to a distant voyage; not coming

Triumphant flames upon the water float, And outbound ships at home their voyage end.

To Outbra've. v. a. [out and brave.] To bear down and defeat by more daring, insolent, or splendid appearance.

I would out-stare the sternest eyes that look, Outbrave the heart most daring on the earth, To win thee, lady. Shakspeare. Here Sodom's towers raise their proud tops on

The towers, as well as men, outbrave the sky.

We see the danger, and by fits take up some faint resolution to outbrave and break through it. L'Estrange.

To Outbra'zen. v. a. [out and brazen.] To bear down with impudence.

OU'TBREAK. n. s. [out and break.] That which breaks forth; eruption.

Breathe his faults so quaintly, That they may seem the taints of liberty, The flash and outbreak of a fiery mind.

Ou'tbreaking.* n. s. [out and break.] That which breaks forth; powerful appearance.

Instead of subjecting her, he is by the fresh outbreaking of her beauty captivated. Sir T. Herbert, Trav. p. 47.

To Outbrea'the. v. a. [out and breath.]

1. To weary by having better breath. Mine eyes saw him

Rendering faint quittance, wearied and outbreath'd, To Henry Monmouth. Shakspeare. 2. To expire.

That sign of last outbreathed life did seem.

To Outbu'd.* v. n. [out and bud.] To sprout forth.

That renowmed snake, -Whose many heads outbudding ever new Did breede him endlesse labor to subdew.

Spenser, F. Q.

To OUTBUI'LD.* v. a. [out and build.] To | 3. A publick sale; an auction. exceed in durability of building; to build more durably.

Virtue alone outbuilds the pyramids; Her monuments shall last, when Egypt's fall.

Young, Night Th. 6.
To OUTBU'RN.* v. a. [out and burn.] To exceed in burning or flaming. Amazing period, when each mountain-height

Outburns Vesuvius; rocks eternal pour Their melted mass. Young, Night Th. 9.

OUTCA'ST. part. [out and cast. It may be observed, that both the participle and the noun are indifferently accented on either syllable. It seems most analogous to accent the participle on the last, and the noun on the first.

1. Thrown into the air as refuse, as un-

worthy of notice.

Abandon soon, I read, the caitive spoil Of that same outcast carcass. Spenser.

2. Banished; expelled.

Behold, instead Of us outcast, exil'd, his new delight Mankind created. Milton, P. L.

Outca'st. n. s. Exile; one rejected; one expelled.

Let's be no stoicks, nor no stocks,

Or so devote to Aristotle, As Ovid, be an outcast quite abjur'd. Shakspeare.

O blood-bespotted Neapolitan,

Outcast of Naples, England's bloody scourge! Shakspeare.

For me, outcast of human race, Love's anger only waits, and dire disgrace. Prior. He dies sad outcast of each church and state! And harder still flagitious, yet not great.

OUTCE'PT.* conj. Except; changing the Latin ex into the English out. Obsolete. Out-take was another and better form of except, as being all English. See Out-TAKE.

Look not so near, with hope to understand, Out-cept, sir, you can read with the left hand.

B. Jonson, Underwoods.

To Outcli'mb.* v. a. [out and climb.] To climb beyond.

They must be sever'd, or like palms will grow, Which, planted near, outclimb their native height. Davenant, Gondibert, B. 3. C. 1.

To Outco'mpass.* v. a. [out and compass.] To exceed due bounds.

If such be the capacity and receipt of the mind of man, it is manifest that there is no danger at all in the proportion or quantity of knowledge how large soever, lest it should make it swell and outcompass itself. Bacon, Adv. of Learning, B. 1.

To OUTCRA'FT. v. a. [out and craft.] To excel in cunning.

Italy hath outcrafted him,

And he's at some hard point. Shaksp. Cymbeline.

clamour.

These outcries the magistrates there shun, since they are readily hearkened unto here.

Spenser on Ireland. So strange thy outcry, and thy words so strange Thou interposest, that my sudden hand, Milton, P. L. Prevented, spares.

I make my way Where noises, tumults, outcries, and alarms Denham.

I heard. 2. Clamour of detestation.

There is not any one vice, incident to the mind of man, against which the world has raised such a loud and universal outcry, as against ingratitude.

That my lords, the senators, Are sold for slaves, their wives for bondwomen, Their houses and fine gardens given away, And all their goods under the spear at outcry B. Jonson, Catiline.

Can you think, sir, In your unquestion'd wisdom, I beseech you, (The goods of this poor man sold at an outcry His wife turn'd out of doors, his children forc'd To beg their bread) this gentleman's estate By wrong extorted can advantage you?

Massinger, City Madam.
The populace by outcry to be sold. Southerne. To OUTDA'RE. v. a. [out and dare.] To venture beyond.

Myself, my brother, and his son,

That brought you home, and boldly did outdare Shakspeare. The dangers of the time.

To Outda'te. v. a. [out and date.] antiquate.

Works and deeds of the law, in those places, signify legal obedience, or circumcision, and the like judaical outdated ceremonies; faith, the evangelical grace of giving up the whole heart to Christ, without any such judaical observances. Hammond.

To Outpo'. v. a. [out and do.] To excel; to surpass; to perform beyond another. He hath in this action outdone his former deeds doubly. Shakspeare.

What brave commander is not proud to see Thy brave Melantius in his gallantry? Our greatest ladies love to see their scorn Outdone by thine, in what themselves have worn.

Heavenly love shall outdo hellish hate, Giving to death, and dying to redeem, So dearly to redeem, what hellish hate

So easily destroy'd. Milton, P. L. Here let those, who boast in mortal things, Learn how their greatest monuments of fame, And strength, and art, are easily outdone

By spirits reprobate. Milton, P. L. An impostor outdoes the original. L'Estrange. Now all the gods reward and bless my son; Thou hast this day thy father's youth outdone.

Dryden. I must confess the encounter of that day Warm'd me indeed, but quite another way; Not with the fire of youth, but generous rage, To see the glories of my youthful age

So far outdone. The boy's mother despised for not having read Locke. a system of logick, outdoes him in it.

I grieve to be outdone by Gay, In my own humourous biting way. Swift.

To Outdri'nk.* v. a. [out and drink.] To exceed in drinking. To outdrink the sea, to outswear the gallant.

Donne, Sat. 2. Outdrink a Dutchman draining of a fen.

Cleaveland, Poems, p. 20.
To Outdwe'll. v. a. [out and dwell.] To stay beyond.

He outdwells his hour, Ou'TCRY.† n. s. [out and cry.]

1. Cry of vehemence; cry of distress;

OU'TER. adj. [from out.] That is with-

out: opposed to inner. The kidney is a conglomerated gland only in

the outer part: for the inner part, whereof the papillæ are composed, is muscular. Grew, Cosmol. OU'TER.* n. s. [from out.] Dispossession.

A verdict was found, that a copyholder of the king's was put out of possession, and during this outer the copyholder made a surrender to the lessor of the plaintiff. Clayton's York Reports, (1651,) p. 1.

Ou'TERLY. adv. [from outer.] Towards the outside.

In the lower jaw, two tusks like those of a boar, standing outerly, an inch behind the cutters. Grew, Mus. OU'TERMOST. adj. [superlative, from outer.] Remotest from the midst.

Try if three bells were made one within another, and air betwixt each; and the outermost bell were chimed with a hammer, how the sound would differ from a single bell.

The outermost corpuscles of a white body, have their various little surfaces of a specular nature.

Many handsome contrivances of draw-bridges I had seen, sometimes many upon one bridge, and not only one after, or behind another, but also sometimes two or three on a breast, the outermost ones serving for the retreat of the foot, and the middle for the horse and carriages. Brown, Trav. To OUTFA'CE. v. a. [out and face.]

1. To brave; to bear down by shew of magnanimity; to bear down with im-

pudence. We shall have old swearing

That they did give the rings away to men; But we'll outface them and outswear them too. Shaksneare. Dost thou come hither

To outface me with leaping in her grave? Be buried quick with her, and so will I. Shaksp. Be fire with fire;

Threaten the threatener; and outface the brow Shakspeare, K. John. Of bragging horrour. They bewrayed some knowledge of their persons, but were outfaced. Wotton.

2. To stare down.

We behold the sun and enjoy his light, as long as we look towards it circumspectly: we warm ourselves safely while we stand near the fire; but if we seek to outface the one, to enter into the other, we forthwith become blind or burnt. Ralegh.

To OUTFA'WN. v. a. [out and fawn.] To excel in fawning.

In affairs of less import,

That neither do us good nor hurt, And they receive as little by, Outfawn as much and out-comply; And seem as scrupulously just

Hudibras. To bait the hooks for greater trust. To OUTFE'AST.* v. a. [out and feast.] To

exceed in feasting.

He hath outfeasted Anthony or Cleopatra's luxury. Bp. Taylor, Serm. (1653,) p. 201. To OUTFE'AT. * v. a. [out and feat.] surpass in action or exploit.

Moses could not prevail upon Pharaoh, till he

had orafeated his magicians.

Waterhouse, Apol. for Learn. (1653,) p. 116. Ou'TFIT.** n. s. [out and ftt.] A naval term, signifying the equipment of a ship for her voyage.

To OUTFLA'NK.* v. a. [out and flank.] To outreach the flank or wing of an army.

To OUTFLY'. v. a. [out and fly.] To leave behind in flight.

His evasion wing'd thus swift with scorn, Cannot outfly our apprehensions.

Horoscope's great soul, Rais'd on the pinions of the bounding wind, Outflew the rack, and left the hours behind. Garth.

To Outfo'ol.* v. a. [out and fool.] To exceed in folly.

In life's decline, when men relapse Into the sports of youth, The second child outfools the first, And tempts the lash of truth.

Young, Resign. P. ii. OUTFO'RM. n. s. [out and form.] External appearance.

Cupid, who took vain delight In meer outforms, until he lost his sight, Hath chang'd his soul, and made his object you. B. Jonson, Epigr. 114.

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To OUTFRO'WN. v. a. [out and frown.] To | frown down: to overbear by frowns.

For thee, oppressed king, am I cast down, Myself could else outfrown false fortune's frown. Shakspeare.

OU'TGATE. n. s. [out and gate.] Outlet; passage outwards.

Those places are so fit for trade, having most convenient outgates by divers ways to the sea, and ingates to the richest parts of the land, that they would soon be enriched.

To Outge'neral. * v. a. [out and general.] To exceed in military skill or manœuvre. I believe a Russian colonel would outgeneral Ld. Chesterfield.

To Outgi've. v. a. [out and give.] To surpass in giving.

The bounteous play'r outgave the pinching lord. Dryden.

To OUTGO'. v. a. pret. outwent; part. outgone. [out and go.]

1. To surpass; to excel.

For frank, well ordered and continual hospitality, he outwent all shew of competence. Carew. While you practised the rudiments of war, you outwent all other captains; and have since found none but yourself alone to surpass. Where they apply themselves, none of their neighbours outgo them. Locke on Education.

2. To go beyond; to leave behind in going. Many ran afoot thither out of all cities, and outwent them, and came unto him.

St. Mark, vi. 33.

3. To circumvent; to overreach. Mollesson

Thought us to have outgone Denham. With a quaint invention.

Outgo'ing.* n. s. [from outgo.] 1. The act of going out; the state of going

Thou makest the outgoings of the morning and evening to rejoice. Ps. lxv. 8.

The outgoings of the eastern morn.

More, Immort. of the Soul, ii. i. 12. 2. In the plural, disbursement; cost; what is laid out. A common colloquial ex-

To Outgro'w. v. a. [out and grow.] To surpass in growth; to grow too great or

too old for any thing. Much their work outgrew

The hands' dispatch of two gardening so wide. Milton, P. L. When some virtue much outgrows the rest,

It shoots too fast and high. This essay wears a dress that possibly is not so

suitable to the graver geniuses, who have outgrown all gaieties of stile and youthful relishes.

Glanville, Scep. Pref. The lawyer, the tradesman, the mechanick, have found so many arts to deceive, that they far outgrow the common prudence of mankind. Swift.

Ou'TGUARD. n. s. [out and guard.] One posted at a distance from the main body, as a defence.

As soon as any foreign object presses upon the sense, those spirits which are posted upon the out-guards, immediately scowre off to the brain. South.

You beat the outguards of my master's host. Dryden. These outguards of the mind are sent abroad.

And still patrolling beat the neighb'ring road, Or to the parts remote obedient fly, Keep posts advanc'd, and on the frontier lie.

Ou'THOUSE.* n. s. [out and house.] A barn, stable, coachhouse, cowhouse, or any other convenience, attached or belonging to a dwelling house.

To OUTJE'ST. v. a. [out and jest.] To overpower by jesting. The fool labours to outjest

Shakspeare, K. Lear. His heart-struck injuries.

Ou'TING.* n. s. [from out.] A going from home. Cheshire Dialect. Wilbraham. An airing. Craven Dial. Grose gives outen, as a northern word, for out of

To Outju'ggle.* v. a. [out and juggle.]

To surpass in juggling. [He] might verily think, that I could outlie the

legends, and outjuggle a jesuit. Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Marr. Clergy, p. 21.

To Outkna've. v. a. [out and knave.] To surpass in knavery.

This world calls it outwitting a man, when he's only outknaved. L'Estrange.

OU'TLAND.* adj. [utlænde, Saxon; Foreign. advena, a stranger.]

The little lamb Nurs'd in our bosoms -

The outland pagans have depriv'd us of.

Strutt, Q. Hoo Hall. Outla'nder.* n. s. [utlænbe, Saxon.] A foreigner; one of another country.

William Twisse, written and called by some outlanders, and others, Twissius and Tuissius. A. Wood, Ath. Ox. ii. 40.

Outla'ndish.† adj. [utlænbirc, Saxon.] Not native; foreign.

Even him [Solomon] did outlandish women cause to sin. Neh. xiii. 26. Yourself transplant

A while from hence: perchance outlandish ground Bears no more wit than ours; but yet more scant Are those diversions there, which here abound.

Tedious waste of time to sit and hear So many hollow compliments and lies,

Milton, P. R. Outlandish flatteries. Upon the approach of the king's troops under general Wills, who was used to the outlandish way of making war, we put in practice passive obe-Addison.

To OUTLA'ST. v. a. [out and last.] To surpass in duration.

Good housewives, to flake their candles burn the longer, lay them in bran, which makes them harder; insomuch as they will outlast other candles of the same stuff, almost half in half.

Bacon, Nat. Hist. Summer's chief honour, if thou hadst outlasted Bleak winter's force that made thy blossoms dry. Milton, Ode.

The present age hath attempted perpetual motions, whose revolutions might outlast the exemplary mobility, and outmeasure time itself. Brown. What may be hop'd,

When not from Helicon's imagin'd spring, But sacred writ, we borrow what we sing This with the fabrick of the world begun,

Elder than light, and shall outlast the sun. Waller.

OU'TLAW. n. s. [utlaza, Saxon.] One excluded from the benefit of the law. A robber: a bandit.

An outlaw in a castle keeps. Shaksp. Hen. VI. Gathering unto him all the scatterlings and outlaws out of the woods and mountains, he marched forth into the English pale.

As long as they were out of the protection of the law; so as every Englishman might kill them, how should they be other than outlaws and enemies to the crown of England? Davies on Ireland.

You may as well spread out the unsunn'd heaps Of misers treasure by an outlaw's den,

Danger will let a helpless maiden pass.

And tell me it is safe, as bid me hope

Milton, Comus. A drunkard is outlawed from all worthy and creditable converse: men abhor, loath, and despise

To Ou'TLAW. + v. a. [utlagian, Saxon.] To deprive of the benefits and protection of the law.

I had a son

Now outlaw'd from my blood; he sought my life. Shakspeare.

He that is drunken, Is outlaw'd by himself: all kind of ill

Did with his liquor slide into his veins. Herbert. Like as there are particular persons outlawed and proscribed by civil laws, so are there nations that are outlawed and proscribed by the law of nature and nations. Bacon.

All those spiritual aids are withdrawn, which should assist him to good, or fortify him against ill; and like an outlawed person he is exposed to all that will assault him. Decay of Chr. Piety.

OU'TLAWRY. n. s. [from outlaw.] A decree by which any man is cut off from the community, and deprived of the protection of the law.

By proscription and bills of outlawry, Octavius, Antony, and Lepidus,

Have put to death an hundred senators. Shaksp. Divers were returned knights and burgesses for the parliament; many of which had been by Richard III. attainted by outlawries.

Bacon, Hen. VII.

To OU'TLEAP. v. a. [out and leap.] To pass by leaping; to start beyond.

OU'TLEAP. n. s. [from the verb.] Sally; flight; escape.

Since youth must have some liberty, some outleaps, they might be under the eye of a father, and then no very great harm can come of it.

Locke on Education,

Ou'TLET. n. s. [out and let.] Passage outwards; discharge outwards; egress; passage of egress. Colonies, and foreign plantations, are very ne-

cessary, as outlets to a populous nation. The enemy was deprived of that useful outlet.

So 'scapes the insulting fire his narrow jail, And makes small outlets into open air. Dryden.

Have a care that these members be neither the inlets nor outlets of any vices; that they neither give admission to the temptation, nor be expressive of the conception of them.

Ou'TLICKER.* n. s. A naval word: a small piece of timber fastened to the top of the poop.

To OUTLI'E.* v. a. [out and lie.] To surpass in lying.

He might verily think that I could outlie the legends. Bp. Hall, Hon. of the Marr. Clergy, p. 21. With royal favourites in flattery vie,

And Oldmixon and Burnet both outlie.

Pope, Sat. 4.

OU'TLIER.* n. s. One who lies not, or is not resident, in the place with which his office or duty connects him.

I expect by so much a greater change at the act, by how much such outliers, as should pretend then, will have been longer absent from the university. Dr. Frewen, Abp. Laud's Rem. ii. p. 187.

The party - sent messengers for all their outliers within 20 miles of Cambridge to come at their election. Bentley, Lett. p. 259.

OU'TLINE. n. s. [out and line.] Contour; line by which any figure is defined; extremity.

Painters, by their outlines, colours, lights, and shadows, represent the same in their pictures.

To OUTLIVE. v. a. [out and live.] To live beyond; to survive.

Will these mossed trees, That have outliv'd the eagle, page thy heels, Shakspeare. And skip when thou point'st out? Die two months ago, and not forgotten,

Yet then there is hopes a great man's memory May outlive his life half a year. Shaksp. Hamlet. · He that outlives this day, and comes safe home, Will stand a tiptoe when this day is nam'd. Shaksp.

His courage was so signal that day, that too much could not be expected from it, if he had Clarendon. outlived it.

Thou must outlive Thy youth, thy strength, thy beauty, which will

change To wither'd, weak, and gray. Milton, P. L. Time, which made them their fame outlive,

To Cowley scarce did ripeness give. The soldier grows less apprehensive, by computing upon the disproportion of those that outlive a battle, to those that fall in it. L'Estrange. Since we have lost

Freedom, wealth, honour, which we value most, I wish they would our lives a period give;

They live too long who happiness outlive. Dryden. It is of great consequence where noble families are gone to decay; because their titles outlive their estates. Pray outlive me, and then die as soon as you

Swift please. Two bacon-flitches made his Sunday's chear;

Some the poor had, and some outliv'd the year.

OUTLI'VER. n. s. [out and live.] A sur-

To Outlo'ok. † v. a. [out and look.] 1. To face down; to browbeat.

I cull'd these fiery spirits from the world, To outlook conquest, and to win renown,

Ev'n in the jaws of danger and of death. Shaksp. Fictions, and mormoes, too weak to outlook a brave glittering temptation.

Hammond, Works, iv. 519.

2. To look out; to select. Away to the brook;

All your tackle outlook; Here's a day that is worth a year's wishing: See that all things be right;

For it would be a spight, To want tools when a man goes a fishing.

Cotton, Poems, (1689.)

Ou'TLOOK.* n. s. Vigilance; foresight. In colloquial language, view; prospect. From nobler recompence above applause, Which owes to man's short outlook all its charms. Young, Night Th. 8.

OU'TLOPE.* n. s. [out and loopen, Dutch, to run.] An excursion. Not in use.

Outlopes sometimes he doth assay,

But very short. Florio, Tr. of Montaigne, (1618,) p. 228.

To OUTLU'STRE. v. a. [out and lustre.] To excel in brightness.

She went before others I have seen, as that diamond of yours outlustres many I have beheld. Shakspeare, Cymbeline.

OUTLY'ING. part. adj. [out and lie.] in the common course of order. Removed from the general scheme.

The last survey I proposed of the four out-lying empires, was that of the Arabians. We have taken all the out-lying parts of the Spanish monarchy, and made impressions upon the very heart of it. Addison.

To OUTMEA'SURE. v. a. [out and measure.] To exceed in measure.

The present age hath attempted perpetual motions and engines, and those revolutions might out-last the exemplary mobility, and out-measure time itself. Brown.

To Outnu'mber. v. a. [out and number.] To exceed in number.

The ladies came in so great a body to the opera, that they outnumbered the enemy.

Addison, Spect. To OUTMA'RCH. v.a. [out and march.] To leave behind in the march.

The horse out-marched the foot, which, by reason of the heat, was not able to use great expedition.

Clarendon. Ou'TMOST. adj. [out and most.] Remotest

from the middle. Chaos retir'd,

As from her outmost works a broken foe. Milton, P. L.

If any man suppose that it is not reflected by the air, but by the outmost superficial parts of the glass, there is still the same difficulty. Newton, Opticks.

The generality of men are readier to fetch a reason from the immense distance of the starry heavens, and the outmost walls of the world.

To Outna'me.* v. a. [out and name.] To exceed in naming or describing.

Thou hast rais'd up mischief to this height, And found out one to outname thy other faults. Beaumont and Fl. Maid's Tragedy.

To OUTPA'CE. v. a. [out and pace.] To outgo; to leave behind.

Orion's speed Could not outpace thee; or the horse Laomedon did breed. Chapman, Iliads.

To OUTPA'RAMOUR.* v. a. [out and paramour.] To exceed in keeping mis-

tresses. Wine loved I deeply; dice dearly; and in woman, out-paramour'd the Turk. Shaks. K. Lear.

OUTPA'RISH. n. s. [out and parish.] Parish not lying within the walls.

In the greater outparishes many of the poorer parishioners, through neglect, do perish for want of some heedful eye to overlook them. OUTPA'RT. n. s. [out and part.] Part

remote from the centre or main body. He is appointed to supply the bishop's jurisdiction and other judicial offices in the outparts of his diocese.

To Outpoise.* v. a. [out and poise.] To outweigh.

If your parts of virtue, and your infirmities, were cast into a balance, I know the first would much outpoise the other. Howell, Lett. i. v. 11. Outpo'rch,* n.s. [out and porch.] An entrance.

Coming to the bishop with supplication into the salutatory, some outporch of the church.

Millon, of Ref. in Eng. B. 2. OUTPO'RT.* n. s. [out and port.] A port at some distance from the city of Lon-

OU'TPOST.* n. s. [out and post.]

1. A military station without the limits of the camp, or at a distance from the main body of the army.

2. Men placed at such a station. To Outpou'r. v.a. [out and pour.] To

emit; to send forth in a stream. He look'd, and saw what numbers numberless The city gates outpour'd, light-armed troops In coats of mail and military pride. Milton, P. R. To OUTPRA'Y. * v. a. [out and pray.] To

exceed in earnestness of prayer.

Mean time he sadly suffers in their grief, Outweeps a hermit, and outprays a saint.

Dryden, Ann. Mir. To Outpre'ach.* v.a. [out and preach.] To exceed in the power of preaching.

You would be very eloquent : able to outpreach all the orators you ever heard from the pulpit, to write more pathetical descriptions of the madness of a carnal life than from any more innocent speculator could be hoped for.

Hammond, Works, iv. 517.

To Outprize. v. a. [out and prize.] To exceed in the value set upon it.

Either your unparagon'd mistress is dead, or She's outprized by a trifle. Shakspeare, Cymbeline.

OU'TRAGE. † n. s. [outrage, French. At first oultrage, both in old French and English; ultragium, low Latin, from ultra, beyond. This word also had formerly the accent on either syllable: it is now constantly on the first.]

1. Open violence; tumultuous mischief. He toke quarrell of his oultrage.

Gower, Conf. Am. B. 2. He wrought great outrages, wasting all the country where he went. Spenser on Ireland.

He doth himself in secret shrowd, To fly the vengeance for his outrage due. Spenser. In that beastly fury

He has been known to commit outrage, And cherish factions. Shakspeare, Timon. Uncharitably with me have you dealt,

And shamefully my hopes by you are butcher'd; My charity is outrage. Shakspeare, Rich. III.

2. This word seems to be used by Philips for mere commotion, without any ill import, contrary to the universal use of writers.

See with what outrage from the frosty north, The early valiant Swede draws forth his wings In battailous array.

To OU'TRAGE. v.a. [outrager, French.] To injure violently or contumeliously; to insult roughly and tumultuously.

Ah heavens! that do this hideous act behold, And beavenly virgin thus outraged see How can the vengeance just so long withhold!

Snenser. The news put divers young bloods into such a fury, as the English embassadors were not without peril to be outraged. Bacon, Hen. VII.

Base and insolent minds outrage men, when they have hope of doing it without a return.

This interview outrages all decency; she forgets her modesty, and betrays her virtue, by giving too Broome. long an audience.

To OU'TRAGE. v. n. To commit exorbitancies. Not in use.

Three or four great ones in court will outrage in apparel, huge hose, monstrous hats, and garish

Outra'Gious. † adj. [outrageux, French.] It should, I think, be written outrageous; but the custom seems otherwise. Dr. Johnson. - So far from custom being otherwise, I find the ancient form of the word to be with eous, and not ious. Milton writes it both ways; in the passage cited, outrageous. See also OUTRA-GIOUSLY, and OUTRAGIOUSNESS, where the termination of eous is abundantly shewn. Our old lexicography has also this form.

1. Violent; furious; raging; exorbitant; tumultuous; turbulent.

Tyrannye is seygnorye vyolent and oultrageous. Caxton, Boke of Good Maners, (1486,) f. ii. b. Under him they committed divers the most outragious villanies, that a base multitude can imagine.

As she went her tongue did walk, In foul reproach and terms of vile despight, Provoking him by her outragious talk, To heap more vengeance on that wretched wight.

They view'd the vast immeasurable abyss, Outrageous as a sea, dark, wasteful, wild.

Milton, P. L.

When he knew his rival freed and gone, He swells with wrath: he makes outragious moan: He frets, he fumes, he stares, he stamps the ground;

The hollow tow'r with clamours rings around.

2. Excessive; passing reason or decency. The outragious decking of temples and churches with gold and silver.

Homilies, Serm. against Idolatry, P. i. My characters of Antony and Cleopatra, though they are favourable to them, have nothing of outragious panegyrick. Dryden, Dufresnoy.

3. Enormous; atrocious. Think not, although in writing I preferr'd The manner of thy vile outragious crimes, That therefore I have forg'd. Shakspeare, Hen. VI.

Outra'Giously. * adv. [from outragious.] 1. Violently; tumultuously; furiously.

That people will have colour of employment given them, by which they will poll and spoil so outragiously, as the very enemy cannot do worse. Spenser on Ireland. In labour of her grief outrageously distract.

Drayton, Polyolb. S. 6. Let lust burn never so outrageously for the present, yet age will in time chill those heats. South.

I am not one of those who think that the people are never in the wrong: they have been so, frequently and outrageously, both in other countries and in this. Burke on the Cause of Discontents.

2. Excessively.

Dispende not too outrageously, nor be not too scarce, so that thou be not bounde to thy tresour. Have therin attempraunce, and mesure, whiche in all thynges is prouffytable.

Ld. Rivers, Dictes and Sayings, sign. B. vii.

OUTRA'GIOUSNESS. † n. s. [from outragious.] Fury; violence.

Outrageousness is not enduryng.

Ld. Rivers, Dictes, &c. sign. F. viii. It would bridle the outragiousness of the flesh, Homilies, Serm. on the Passion, P. ii.

Virgil, more discreet than Homer, has contented himself with the partiality of his deities, without bringing them to the outragiousness of Druden.

To OUTRA'ZE.* v.a. [out and raze.] To root out entirely.

Yet shall the axe of justice hew him down. And level with the root his lofty crown: No eye shall his outraz'd impression view, Nor mortal know where such a glory grew.

Sandys, Paraphr. of Job.

OUTRE'.* adj. [French.] Extravagant; overstrained. A most affected and needless introduction of modern times.

As Dr. South was a severe satirist, we must make some allowance for this description, which he has made somewhat outré to answer his purpose. Granger, Biog. Hist. 2d ed. (1775,) p. 217. Although this panegyric be somewhat outré, I

am willing to subscribe to it.

Dr. Geddes, Lett. to the Bp. of London, (1787.)

To Outre'Ason.* v. a. [out and reason.] To excel in reasoning; to reason beyond.

They step forth men of another spirit, great linguists, powerful disputants, able to cope with the Jewish Sanhedrim, to baffle their profoundest Rabbies, and to outreason the very Athenians.

South, Serm. vii. 35. To OUTRE'ACH. v. a. [out and reach.] To go beyond.

This usage is derived from so many descents of ages, that the cause and author outreach remem-

Our forefathers could never dream so high a crime as parricide, whereas this outreaches that fact, and exceeds the regular distinctions of mur-

To Outre'ckon.* v. a. [out and reckon.] To exceed in assumed computation.

The Egyptian priests pretended an exact chronology for some myriads of years; and the Chaldeans and Assyrians far outreckon them. Pearson on the Creed, Art. 1.

To Outrei'Gn.* v. a. [out and reign.] To reign through the whole of.

In wretched prison long he did remaine, Till they outreigned had their utmost date.

Spenser, F. Q. ii. x. 45. To OUTRI'DE. + v. a. [out and ride.] To pass by riding.

It boots not to persuade your majesty to betake yourself to your chariot, to outride the shower.

Bp. Hall, Way of Peace, Ded. to the King. If you will send me to the farthest sea To fetch you pearls, the sun shall not outride My restlesse course; nor any jewels be Treasur'd so deep in the profoundest main, But I will dig them thence, and come again. Beaumont, Psyche, (1651,) p. 11.

This advantage age from youth hath won, As not to be outridden, though out-run. Dryden.

To Outri'de.* v.n. To travel about on horseback, or in a vehicle.

By distance of place being rendered incapable of paying our respects to him, I am become a suitor to you to constitute an outriding lion, or (if you please) a jackall or two, to receive and remit our homage in a more particular manner than is hitherto provided. Addison, Guard. No. 118.

OUTRI'DER. † n. s. [from out and rider.]

1. A summoner whose office is to cite men before the sheriff. 2. One who travels about on horseback or

in a vehicle. There is needful to be an outrider, or riding

surveyor, whose business should be to visit the ports and fleets.

Maydman, Naval Speculat. (1691,) p. 119.

Outri'gger.* n. s. A naval word, signifying both a strong beam of timber fixed on the side of a ship to secure the mast in the act of careening, and a small boom occasionally used on the tops.

OUTRIGHT. adv. [out and right.]

1. Immediately; without delay.

When these wretches had the ropes about their necks, the first was to be pardoned, the last hanged outright. Arbuthnot.

2. Completely.

By degrees accomplish'd in the beast, He neigh'd outright, and all the steed exprest.

Addison. To Outri'val.* v. a. [out and rival.] To surpass in excellence.

There have been finer things spoken of Augustus than of any other man, all the wits of his age having tried to outrival one another upon that Addison, Guard. No. 138.

Ou'TROAD. n. s. [out and road.] Excursion.

He set horsemen and footmen, to the end that, issuing out, they might make outroads upon the ways of Judea. 1 Mac. xv. 41.

To Outro'AR. v.a. [out and roar.] To exceed in roaring.

O that I were Upon the hill of Basan, to outroar

The horned herd! Shakspeare, Ant. and Cleop. To Outro'or. v. a. [out and root.] To

extirpate; to eradicate. Pernicious discord seems

Outrooted from our more than iron age; Since none, not ev'n our kings, approach their

temples With any mark of war's destructive rage, But sacrifice unarm'd. Rowe, Amb. Stepmother.

To OUTRU'N. v.a. [out and run.]

1. To leave behind in running.

By giving the house of Lancaster leave to breathe, It will outrun you, father, in the end. Shakspeare,

The expedition of my violent love

Outruns the pauser reason. Shakspeare, Macbeth. We may outrun,

By violent swiftness, that which we run at.

Shakspeare. When things are come to the execution, there is no secrecy comparably to celerity, like the motion of a bullet in the air, which flieth so swift as it outruns the eye.

This advantage age from youth hath won, As not to be out-ridden, though outrun. Dryden.

2. To exceed.

We outrun the present income, as not doubting to reimburse ourselves out of the profits of some future project.

To Outsa'il. v. a. [out and sail.] To leave behind in sailing.

She may outsail me; I am a carvel to her.

Beaum. and Fl. Wit without Money. The word signifies a ship that outsails other Broome.

OUTSCA'PE. n. s. [out and scape.] Power of escaping.

It past Our powres to lift aside a log so vast, As barr'd all outscape.

To Outsco'RN. v. a. [out and scorn.] To bear down or confront by contempt; to despise; not to mind.

He strives in his little world of man t' outscorn The to and fro conflicting wind and rain.

Shakspeare.

To Outse'll. v. a. [out and sell.] 1. To exceed in the price for which a thing is sold; to sell at a higher rate

than another. It would soon improve to such a height as to

outsell our neighbours, and thereby advance the proportion of our exported commodities. Temple. 2. To gain a higher price.

Her pretty action did outsel her gift,

And yet enrich'd it too. Shakspeare, Cymb. Ou'TSET.* n. s. [out and set.] Opening;

beginning. These masters, at least in the outset of their strains, were careful to preserve air.

Mason on Ch. Musick, p. 140.

To Outshi'ne. v. a. [out and shine.]

1. To emit lustre.

Witness, my son, now in the shade of death; Whose bright outshining beams thy cloudy wrath Hath in eternal darkness folded up.

Shakspeare, Rich. III.

To excel in lustre. By Shakspeare's, Jonson's, Fletcher's lines, Our stage's lustre Rome's outshines.

Beauty and greatness are so eminently joined i in your royal highness, that it were not easy for any but a poet to determine which of them outshines the other. Dryden.

Homer does not only outshine all other poets in the variety, but also in the novelty of his cha-

We should see such as would outshine the rebellious part of their fellow-subjects, as much in their gallantry as in their cause.

Addison, Freeholder. Such accounts are a tribute due to the memory of those only, who have outshone the rest of the world by their rank as well as their virtues.

Atterbury

Happy you! Whose charms as far all other nymphs outshine, As other's gardens are excell'd by thine. Pope.

To Outsho'ot. v. a. [out and shoot.]

1. To exceed in shooting. The forward youth

Will learn to outshoot you in your proper bow. Dryden.

2. To shoot beyond.

Men are resolved never to outshoot their forefathers' mark; but write one after another, and so the dance goes round in a circle.

To Outshu't.* v. a. [out and shut.] To exclude.

He outshuts my prayer.

Donne, Div. Poems, ch. 3.

OUTSI'DE. n. s. [out and side.]

1. Superficies; surface; external part. What pity that so exquisite an outside of a head should not have one grain of sense in it.

L'Estrange. The leathern outside, boisterous as it was Gave way and bent.

2. Extreme part; part remote from the

middle. Hold an arrow in a flame for the space of ten pulses, and when it cometh forth, those parts which were on the outsides of the flame are blacked and turned into a coal.

3. Superficial appearance. You shall find his vanities forespent

Were but the outside of the Roman Brutus, Covering discretion with a coat of folly.

Shaksneare The ornaments of conversation, and the outside of fashionable manners, will come in their due

Created beings see nothing but our outside, and can therefore only frame a judgment of us from

Addison, Spect. our exterior actions.

4. The utmost. A barbarous use. Two hundred load upon an acre, they reckon the outside of what is to be laid. Mortimer, Husb.

5. Person; external man.

Fortune forbid, my outside have not charm'd Shaksneare, Your outside promiseth as much as can be ex-

pected from a gentleman. What admir'st thou, what transports thee so? An outside? fair, no doubt, and worthy well

Thy cherishing and thy love. Milton, P. L. 6. Outer side; part not inclosed.

I threw open the door of my chamber, and found the family standing on the outside. Spectator.

To Outsi'n.* v. a. [out and sin.] To sin

beyond. If upon that presumption we go on, we may

outsin that season of grace and repentance, and become hardened therein.

Killingbeck, Serm. (1730,) p. 229. To Outsi't. v. a. [out and sit.] To sit

beyond the time of any thing. He that prolongs his meals, and sacrifices his luxury, how quickly does he outsit his pleasure!

To Outski'p.* v. a. [out and skip.] avoid by flight.

Thou lost thyself, child Drusus, when thou thought'st

Thou could'st outskip my vengeance, or outstand The power I had to crush thee into air.

B. Jonson, Sejanus. Ou'TSKIRT.* n.s. [out and skirt.] Suburb;

It [the plague] appeared to be only in the out-skirts of the town, and in the most obscure alleys. Ld. Clarendon, Life, ii. 476.

To Outsle'er. v. a. [out and sleep.] sleep beyond.

Lovers, to bed; 'tis almost fairy time:

I fear we shall outsleep the coming morn. Shakspeare.

To Outso'AR.* v. a. [out and soar.] soar beyond.

Let them clog their wings with the remembrance of those who have outsoared them, not in vain opinion, but true worth.

Gov. of the Tongue, § 9. To Outso'und.* v. a. [out and sound.] To exceed in sound.

The hammers and melody of the instruments

might outsound the din within him. Hammond, Works, iv. 634.

To Outspe'ak. v. a. [out and speak.] To speak something beyond; to exceed.

Rich stuffs and ornaments of houshold I find at such proud rate, that it outspeaks Possession of a subject. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

To Outspo'rt. v. a. [out and sport.] To sport beyond.

Let's teach ourselves that honourable stop Not to outsport discretion. Shakspeare, Othello.

To OUTSPRE'AD. v. a. [out and spread.] To extend: to diffuse.

With sails outspread we fly.

To Outsta'nd. v. a. [out and stand.] 1. To support; to resist.

Each could demolish the other's work with ease enough, but not a man of them tolerably defend his own; which was sure never to outstand the first attack that was made. Woodward.

2. To stand beyond the proper time. I have outstood my time, which is material

To th' tender of our present. Shakspeare, Cymb. To Outsta'nd. v. n. To protuberate from

the main body. To Outsta're. v. a. [out and stare.] To face down; to browbeat; to outface

with effrontery. I would outstare the sternest eyes that look,

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven. To win thee, lady. , These curtain'd windows, this self-prison'd eye, Outstares the lids of large-lookt tyranny. . Crashaw.

OUTSTRE'ET. n. s. [out and street.] Street in the extremities of a town.

To Outstre'tch. v. a. [out and stretch.] To extend; to spread out.

Make him stand upon the mole-hill, That caught at mountains with out-stretched arms. Shakspeare

Out-stretched he lay on the cold ground and oft Cursed his creation. Milton, P. L. A mountain, at whose verdant feet

A spacious plain, out-stretch'd in circuit wide, Lay pleasant. Milton, P. R. Does Theseus burn,

And must not she with out-stretch'd arms receive him? And with an equal ardour meet his vows? Smith.

time, as well as his other conveniences, to his | To OUTSTRI'DE.* v. a. [out and stride.] To surpass in striding.

Outstriding the colossus of the sun.

B. Jonson, Masques at Court. To Ou'TSTRIP. + v. a. [This word Skinner derives from out and spritzen, to spout, German. I know not whether it might not have been originally out-trip, the s being afterward inserted. Dr. Johnson. - It can hardly have been out-trip; and I should think the derivation of Skinner, plausible as it is, might give place to out and the Saxon rppican, to shoot out, to sprout, and thence to spring forward, or beyond, might easily be adopted.] To outgo; to leave behind in a race.

If thou wilt out-strip death, go cross the seas, And live with Richmond from the reach of hell.

Do not smile at me, that I boast her off; For thou shalt find she will out-strip all praise, And make it halt behind her. Shaksp. Tempest. Thou both their graces in thyself hast more

Out-stript than they did, all that went before. B. Jonson.

My soul, more carnestly releas'd, Will out-strip hers; as bullets flown before A later bullet may o'ertake, the powder being

A fox may be outwitted, and a hare outstript. L'Estrange.

He got the start of them in point of obedience, and thereby out-stript them at length in point of knowledge.

With such array Harpalice bestrode Her Thracian courser, and out-strip'd the rapid Dryden.

To Outswea'r. v. a. [out and swear.] To overpower by swearing.

We shall have old swearing, But we'll outface them, and outswear them too. Shaksneare.

To Outswe'eten. v. a. [out and sweeten.] To excel in sweetness.

The leaf of eglantine, which not to slander, Out-sweeten'd not thy breath. Shakspeare, Cymb.

To Outswe'll.* v. a. [out and swell.] To overflow. A sad text in a sadder time; in which the rivers

of Babylon swelled not so high with inundation of water in the letter, as the waters in the metaphor, outswelling and breaking down their banks, have overflown both our church and state. Hewyt, Serm. (1658,) p. 185.

OUTTA'KE.* prep. [out and take.] Except. Obsolete.

Of every witte somewhat he can, Outtake that hym lacketh rule

His own estate to guyde. Gower, Conf. Am. B. 5. All was golde men myght se,

Outtake the fethers and the tre. Chaucer, Rom. R. To OUTTA'LK. v. a. [out and talk.] To

overpower by talk. This gentleman will outtalk us all. Shakspeare.

To Outto'Ngue. v. a. [out and tongue.] To bear down by noise.

Let him do his spite, My services which I have done the signiory Shall outtongue his complaints. Shaksp. Othello.

To Outto'r.* v. a. [out and top.] To

overtop; to make of less importance; to obscure. The treasurer began then to outtop me; and

appeared to my thoughts likely enough, by his daring and boldness, in time to do as much to

Ld. Keeper Williams, Lett. (1624), Cab. p. 94.

To Outva'lue. v. a. [out and value.] To transcend in price.

He gives us in this life an earnest of expected joys, that outvalues and transcends all those momentary pleasures it requires us to forsake. Boyle.

To Outve'nom. v. a. [out and venom.]
To exceed in poison.
'Tis slander;

Whose edge is sharper than the sword, whose

tongue
Outvenoms all the worms of Nile.

Shakspeare, Cymb.

To Outvi'E. v. a. [out and vie. Dr. Johnson. - Bp. Hurd has made the following sound observation upon Addison's use of this word. "To vye is to contend with; to out-vye, to out-do any one, in vyeing with him. But the word seems to be of an ill composition, and should not, I think, be used thus absolutely. If employed at all it should be in some such way as this: 'in the affectation of pomp and pageantry he outvied others, i. e. in this respect, he strove or contended beyond them.' I know not if Addison had any authority for the use of it: he had, perhaps, done better to use the common word outstrip." Note on Addison's Remarks on Italy.] To exceed; to surpass; to outstrip. For folded flocks on fruitful plains,

Fair Britain all the world outvies.

One of these petty sovereigns will be still endeavouring to equal the pomp of greater princes, as well as to outvie those of his own rank. Addison.

To Outvi'llain. v.a. [out and villain.]
To exceed in villany.

He hath outvillain'd villainy so far, that the rarity redeems him. Shakspeare, All's Well.

To Outvoi'ce.† v. a. [out and voice.] To out-roar; to exceed in clamour.

The English beach

Pales in the flood with men, with wives and boys,
Whose shouts and claps out-voice the deep-mouth'd
sea.
Shakspeare.

Nothing but thunder could out-voice him.

Allestree, Serm. (1684,) p. 217.

To OUTVO'TE. v. a. [out and vote.] To

conquer by plurality of suffrages.

They were out-voted by other sects of philosophers, neither for fame, nor number less than themselves.

South.

To Outwa'lk. v. a. [out and walk.]

1. To leave one in walking.

2. To exceed the walking of a spectre. See the 5th sense of To Walk.

Have I ——— outwatch'd, Yea, and outwalked any ghost alive In solitary circle, worn my boots, Knees, arms, and elbows out!

B. Jonson, Fortunate Isles.

Outward next of a huilding

Outward part of a building.
 Superficial appearance.

For confirmation that I am much more
Than my outwall, open this purse and take
What it contains.

Shakspeare, K. Lear.

OU'TWARD. adj. [ucpeans, Saxon.]

1. Materially external.

2. External; opposed to inward: visible.

If these shews be not outward, which of you
But is four Volscians? Shakspeare, Coriol.
Oh what may man within him hide,
Though angel on the outward side! Shakspeare,

His calls and invitations of us to that repentance, not only outward, in the ministry of the word, but also inward, by the motions of the spirit.

Wh. Duty of Man.

He took a low'ring leave: but who can tell
What outward hate might inward love conceal?

3. Extrinsick; adventitious.

Princes have their titles for their glories,
An outward honour, for an inward toil. Shaksp.
Part in peace, and having mourn'd your sin
For outward Eden lost, find paradise within.

Dryden.

4. Foreign, not intestine.

It was intended to raise an outward war to join with some sedition within doors. Hayward. 5. Tending to the out-parts.

The fire will force its outward way,

Or, in the prison pent, consume the prey. Dryden. 6. [In theology.] Carnal; corporeal; not

`spiritual.

When the soul being inwardly moved to lift itself up by prayer, the outward man is surprized in some other posture; God will rather look to the inward motions of the mind, than to the outward form of the body.

Duppa.

We may also pray against temporal punishments, that is, any outward affliction, but this with submission to God's will, according to the example of Christ.

Ou'TWARD. n. s. External form.
I do not think

So fair an outward, and such stuff within, Endows a man but him. Shakspeare, Cymbeline. Ou'TWARD. adv.

 To foreign parts: as, a ship outward bound.

2. To the outer parts.

OU'TWARDLY. adv. [from outward.]

Externally: opposed to inwardly.
 That which inwardly each man should be, the church oxtwardly ought to testify. Hooker.
 Griev'd with disgrace, remaining in their fears:

However seeming outwardly content, Yet th' inward touch their wounded honour bears.

2. In appearance not sincerely.

Many wicked men are often touched with some inward reverence for that goodness which they cannot be persuaded to practise; nay, which they outwardly seem to despise.

Sprat.

Ou'TWARDS. adv. Towards the outparts.

Do not black bodies conceive heat more easily

from light than those of other colours do, by reason that the light falling on them is not reflected outwards, but enters the bodies, and is often reflected and refracted within them until it be stifled and lost?

Newton, Opt.

To Outwa'tch.* v. a. [out and watch.]
To surpass in watchfulness.

Have I — outwatch'd,

Yea, and outwalked any ghost alive!

B. Jonson, Fort. Isles.

Or let my lamp at midnight hour
Be seen in some high lonely tower,
Where I may oft out-watch the Bear
With thrice-great Hermes.

Milton

With thrice-great Hermes. Milton, Il Pens. To Outwe'AR.† v.a. [out and wear.]

1. To wear out.

He -

To live, and to encrease his race, himself outwears.

Donne, Progr. of the Soul.

2. To pass tediously.

By the stream, if I the night out-wear,
Thus spent already how shall nature bear
The dews descending and nocturnal air.

Pope.

3. To last longer than something else.

To Outwe'ed. v.a. [out and weed.] To extirpate as a weed.

rath is a fire and incla

Wrath is a fire, and jealousy a weed:
The sparks soon quench, the springing weed outweed.

Spenser.

To Outwe'er.* v. a. [out and weep. To exceed in weeping.

Meanwhile he sadly suffers in their grief, Outweeps a hermit, and outprays a saint.

Dryden, Ann. Mir.
His cries outwept his widest wound.
Davenant, Gondibert, B. ii. C. 2.

To Outwe'igh. v. a. [out and weigh.]

1. To exceed in gravity.

These instruments require so much strength for the supporting of the weight to be moved, as may be equal unto it, besides that other super-added power whereby it is outweighed and moved.

Wilkins, Math. Magick.

2. To preponderate; to excel in value or influence.

If any think brave death *out-weighs* bad life, Let him express his disposition.

Shakspeare, Coriol.

All your care is for your prince I see,

Your truth to him out-weighs your love to me.

Dryden.

Whenever he finds the hardship of his slavery out-weigh the value of his life, it is in his power, by resisting the will of his master, to draw on himself the death he desires.

Locke.

The marriage of the clergy is attended with the poverty of some of them, which is balanced and out-weighed by many single advantages. Atterbury.

To Outwe'll. v.a. [out and well.] To pour out. Not in use.

As when old father Nilus gins to swell,

With timely pride about the Ægyptian vale, His fattie waves do fertile sline outwell, And overflow each plain and lowly dale. Spenser.

Outwe'nt.* See To Outgo.

To Outwi'n.* v. a. [out and win.] To get out of.

It is a darksome delve far under ground,
With thorns and barren brakes environd round,
That none the same may easily outwin;
Yet many waies to enter may be found,
But none to issue forth when one is in.

Spenser, F. Q. iv. i. 20.
To Outwi'nd.* v. a. [out and wind.] To

extricate; to unloose.

When shalt thou once outwind
Thyself from this sad yoke?

More, Life of the Soul, ii. 71.
To Outwi'ng.* v. a. [out and wing.] To

outstrip; to outgo.

His courser springs

O'er hills and lawns, and even a wish outwings.

Garth, Ov. Met. 14.

My song the midnight raven has outwing'd.

Young, Night Th. 9.

To Outwi't. v. a. [out and wit.] To cheat; to overcome by stratagem.

The truer hearted any man is, the more liable he is to be imposed on; and then the world calls it out-witting a man, when he is only out-knaved.

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L'Estrange.

Justice forbids defrauding, or going beyond

our brother in any manner, when we can overreach and out-wit him in the same. Kettlewell. After the death of Crassus, Pompey found himself out-witted by Cæsar and broke with him.

Nothing is more equal in justice, and indeed more natural in the direct consequence of effects and causes, than for men wickedly wise to out-wit themselves; and for such as wrestle with Providence, to trip up their own heels. South.

To OUTWORK. 7 n. s. [out and work.] Parts of a fortification next the enemy; any

work raised outwardly to fortify or de-

Take care of our out-work, the navy royal, which are the walls of the kingdom; and every great ship is an impregnable fort; and our many safe and commodious ports as the redoubts to secure them.

Racom.

When the soul is beaten from it first station, and the mounds and outworks of virtue are once broken down, it becomes quite another thing from what it was before.

South, Serm. ii. 369.

Death hath taken in the out-works,
And now assails the fort; I feel, I feel him,
Gnawing my heart-strings.

Denham.

Outwo'RN. part. [from outwear.] Consumed or destroyed by use.

Better at home lie bed-rid, idle,

Inglorious, unemploy'd, with age outworn.

Milton, S. A.

To Outwo'rth. v. a. [out and worth.] To excel in value.

A beggar's book
Outworths a noble's blood. Shakspeare, Hen. VIII.

To Outwre'st. v. a. [out and wrest.] To extort by violence.

The growing anguish

Rankled so sore and fester'd inwardly,
Till that the truth thereof I did outwrest. Spenser.

Outwrou'ght. part. [out and wrought.]
Outdone; exceeded in efficacy.

In your violent acts,
The fall of torrents and the noise of tempests,
The boyling of Carybdis, the sea's wildness,
The eating force of flames, and wings of winds,
Be all outwrought by your transcendent furies.
B. Jonso

To OutzA'NY.* v. a. [out and zany.] To exceed in buffoonery.

O, run not proud of this: yet, take thy due: Thou dost outzany Cokely. B. Jonson, Epigr. 130.

To OWE. v. a. [eg aa, I owe, or I ought, Icelandick.]

To be obliged to pay; to be indebted.
 I owe you much, and, like a witless youth,
 That which I owe is lost.

Shakspeare, Merch. of Ven.

Let none seek needless causes to approve

The faith they ove. Milton, P. L.

A son oves help and honour to his father: and is a subject less indebted to the king. Holyday.

All your parts of pious duty done,

Dryden.
Thou hast deserv'd more love than I can show,
But 'tis thy fate to give, and mine to owe.

You owe your Ormond nothing but a son.

If, upon the general balance of trade, English merchants owe to foreigners one hundred thousand pounds, if commodities do not, our money must go out to pay it. Locke.

2. To be obliged to ascribe; to be obliged

By me upheld, that he may know how frail His fall'n condition is, and to me owe All his deliverance, and to none but me.

Milton, P. L.

3. To have from any thing as the consequence of a cause.

O deem thy fall not ow'd to man's decree, Jove hated Greece, and punish'd Greece in thee

4. To possess; to be the right owner of. For owe, which is, in this sense, obsolete, we now use own.

Thou dost here usurp
The name thou ow'st not, and hast put thyself
Upon this island as a spy. Shakspeare, Tempest.
YOL. II.

Fate, shew thy force; ourselves we do not owe; What is decreed must be; and be this so.

Shaksneare.

Nor poppy nor mandragora,

Not all the drowsy sirups of the world,

Shall ever med'cine thee to that sweet sleep

Which thou owed'st yesterday. Shakspeare, Othello.

If any happy eye

This roving wanton shall descry, Let the finder surely know Mine is the wag; 'tis I that owe

The winged wand'rer.

To Owe.** v.n. To be bound or obliged.

The riche man oweth of dutye to do his mercy

upon the poore creature. Bp. Fisher, Ps. p. 14. O'wing, part, [from owe. A practice has long prevailed among writers, to use owing, the active participle of owe, in a passive sense, for owed or due. Of this impropriety some writers were aware, and having no quick sense of the force of English words, have used due, in the sense of consequence or imputation, which by other writers is only used of debt. We say that money is due to me; they say likewise, the effect is due to the cause.]

1. Consequential.

This was owing to an indifference to the pleasures of life, and an aversion to the pomps of it.

Atterbury.

2. Due as a debt. Here due is undoubtedly the proper word.

You are both too bold;
I'll teach you all what's owing to your queen.

Dryden.

The debt, owing from one country to the other, cannot be paid without real effects sent thither to that value.

3. Imputable to, as an agent.

If we estimate things, what in them is owing to nature, and what to labour, we shall find in most of them $\frac{99}{100}$ to be on the account of labour. Locke.

The custom of particular impeachments was not limited any more than that of struggles between nobles and commons, the ruin of Greece was owing to the former, as that of Rome was to the latter.

OWL.† n. s. [ule, Saxon; hulote, Fr. O'WLET.] and Scottish. Dr. Johnson.—Icel. yla, or ylgia, an owl, from yla, to cry out. See To Howl.] A bird that flies about in the night and catches mice.

Adder's fork, and blind worm's sting,
Lizard's leg, and owlet's wing
For a charm.

Shakspeare, Macbeth.

Return to her!

No! rather I abjure all roofs, and chuse

To be a comrade with the wolf and owl. Shaksp. 'Twas when the dog-star's unpropitious ray Smote ev'ry brain, and wither'd every bay; Sick was the sun, the owl forsook his bower.

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} Pope, & Dunciad.\\ Then lady Cynthia, & mistress of the shade,\\ Goes, & with the fashionable owls, to bed. & Young.\\ \end{tabular}$

OWL-LIGHT.* n. s. [owl and light.] Glimmering light; twilight.

Church history making an important part of our theologic studies, the antiquarian, who delights to solace himself in the benighted days of monkish owl-light, sometimes passes for the divine.

Warburton, Charge to the Clergy, (1761.)

OWL-LIKE.* adj. Resembling an owl in look or quality.

Now like an owl-like watchman he must walk.

Donne, Sat. 2

At this deep Sidrophel look'd wise; And, staring round with owl-like eyes, He put his face into a posture Of sapience, and began to bluster.

Hudibras, ii. iii.

O'wler. n. s. One who carries contraband goods: in the legal sense, one that carries out wool illicitly. Perhaps from the necessity of carrying on an illicit trade by night: but rather, I believe, a corruption of wooller, by a colloquial neglect of the w, such as is often observed in woman, and by which goodwife is changed to goody. Wooler, ooller, owler.

By running goods, these graceless owlers gain.

Swift.

We understand, by some owlers, old people die

O'wling.* n. s. An offence against publick trade.

Offences against publick trade are felonious, or not felonious. Of the first sort is owling, so called from its being usually carried on in the night, which is the offence of transporting wool or sheep out of the kingdom.

Blackstone.

O'wLISH.* adj. [from owl.] Resembling an owl.

Every one, while it lasted, was very gay and busy in the morning, and very owlish and very tipsy at night.

Gray to Dr. Wharton, (1749.)

OWN.† n. s. [azen, Saxon; eygen, Dutch. Dr. Johnson. — M. Goth. aigin, aihn; Icel. aigan, from eigia, possidere. Serenius. Thus own from the obsolete owe, to possess.]

1. This is a word of no other use than as it is added to the possessive pronouns, my, thy, his, our, your, their. It seems to be a substantive; as, my own, my peculiar: but is, in reality, the participle passive of the verb owe, in the participle owe or own: my own; the thing owned by, or belonging to me.

Inachus in his cave alone,
Wept not another's losses, but his own. Dryden.

2. It is added generally by way of emphasis or corroboration.

I yet never was forsworn, Scarcely have coveted what was my own.

Every nation made gods of their own, and put them in high places. 2 Kings, xvii. 29. For my own share one beauty I design,

Engage your honours that she shall be mine.

It is conceit rather than understanding, if it must be under the restraint of receiving and holding opinions by the authority of any thing but their own perceived evidence, Locke.

Will she thy linen wash, or hozen darn,
And knit thee gloves made of her own spun yarn.

Passion and pride were to her soul unknown,
Convinc'd that virtue only is our own. Pope

 Sometimes it is added to note opposition or contradistinction; domestick; not foreign: mine, his, or yours; not another's.

These toils abroad, these tumults with his own, Fell in the revolution of one year. Daniel.

There's nothing sillier than a crafty knave outwitted, and beaten at his own play. L'Estrange.

Donne, Sat. 2. To Own. v. a. [from the noun.]

1. To acknowledge; to avow for one's

When you come, find me out,

And own me for your son. Druden, Cleom.

2. To possess; to claim; to hold by right. Tell me, ve Trojans, for that name you own;

Nor is your course upon our coasts unknown.

Others on earth o'er human race preside, Of these the chief, the care of nations own, And guard with arms divine the British throne.

3. To avow.

Nor hath it been thus only amongst the most civilized nations; but the barbarous Indians likewise have owned that tradition. Wilkins.

I'll venture out alone, Since you, fair princess, my protection own.

Dryden,

4. To confess; not to deny.

Make this truth so evident, that those who are unwilling to own it may yet be ashamed to deny it. Tillotson

Others will own their weakness of understanding. Locke.

It must be owned, that, generally speaking, good parents are never more fond of their daughters,

than when they see them too fond of themselves.

O'wnership. n. s. [from owner.] Property; rightful possession.

In a real action, the proximate cause is the property or ownership of the thing in controversy. Ayliffe, Parergon.

O'WNER. n. s. [from own.] One to whom any thing belongs; master; rightful pos-

A bark

Stays but till her owner comes aboard. Shakspeare. It is not enough to break into my garden, Climbing my walls in spight of me the owner, But thou wilt brave me,

Here shew favour, because it happeneth that the owner hath incurred the forfeiture of eight years' profit of his lands, before he cometh to the knowledge of the process against him.

They intend advantage of my labours With no small profit daily to my owners.

Milton, S. A. These wait the owners last despair, And what's permitted to the flames invade.

A freehold, though but in ice and snow, will make the owner pleased in the possession, and stout in the defence of it. Addison, Freeholder.

That small muscle draws the nose upwards, when it expresses the contempt which the owner of it has upon seeing any thing he does not like. Addison, Spect.

Victory hath not made us insolent, nor have we taken advantage to gain any thing beyond the honour of restoring every one's right to their just Ouners. Atterbury.

What is this wit, which must our cares employ? The owner's wife, that other men enjoy.

Owre. n. s. [urus jubatus, Lat.] A beast. Ainsworth.

Ox. † n. s. plur. oxen. [oxa, Saxon; oxe, Danish. Dr. Johnson. - "M. Goth. auhs: Icel. oxe, uxe, taurus; Cambr. ych, bos; ab Icel. aka, Sueth. aeka, currum agere. Sic Sueth. ock, jumentum; Icel. oke, jugales; ab aukan; Sueth. oeka, augere, ut sit quasi multiplicator gregis. Wacht.' Serenius. - "Videri possunt affinia Græco ἄυξω vel ἀυξάνω, augeo; quòd proavi nostri, quorum opes in gregibus potissimum atque armentis consistebant, rem | suam familiarem ex frequentiore bubuli pecoris foeturâ ingens incrementum capere judicarent. Ex auhs (Goth.) interim factum est ox; nam hs (Goth.) plerumque mutatur in x." Junii Goth. Gloss.]

1. The general name for black cattle.

The black ow hath not trod on his foot. Camden. Sheep run not half so tim'rous from the wolf Or horse or oven from the leopard,

As you fly from your oft-subdued slaves.

I saw the river Clitumnus, celebrated by the poets for making cattle white that drink of it. The inhabitants of that country have still the same opinion, and have a great many oxen of a whitish colour to confirm them in it. Addison.

A castrated bull.

The horns of oxen and cows are larger than the bulls'; which is caused by abundance of moisture.

Although there be naturally more males than females, yet artificially, that is, by making geldings, oxen, and wethers, there are fewer. Graunt. The field is spacious I design to sow,

With oven far unfit to draw the plough. Dryden.

The frowning bull And ox half-raised. Thomson, Summer.

Ox-LIKE.* adj. Resembling an ox in look or quality.

I made the might elephant, Who, ox-like, feeds on every herb and plant. Sandys, Paraphr. of Job.

With ox-like eyes. Pope, Dunciad. OXBA'NE. n. s. [buphonos.] A plant.

Ainsworth. O'xeye. † n. s. [buphthalmus.] A plant. Miller.

Bring corn-flag, tulips, and Adonis' flower, Fair oxeye, goldy-locks, and columbine.

B. Jonson, Masque. O'XEYED.* adj. [ox and eye.] Having large or full eyes, like those of an ox.

Homer useth that epithet of oxeyed, in describing Juno, because a round black eye is the best. Burton, Anat. of Mel. p. 472.

O'XFLY. n. s. [from ox and fly; tabanus, Latin. A fly of a particular kind.

O'xgang of land. † n. s. Ordinarily taken for fifteen acres. It is sometimes called oxgate; and in the north, corruptly osken.

A carucate of land contains 100 acres; eight oxgangs make a carucate; and every oxgang contains fifteen acres.

Kelham, Domesday Book Illustr. p. 169. O'XHEAL. n. s. [hellebori nigri radix.] A plant. Ainsworth.

O'xlip. † n. s. [Sax. oxan-rhppa, primula veris. This word should therefore be written oxslip; though Dr. Johnson, overpassing the Saxon word, has given it oxlip; as the editors of Shakspeare also have.] The same with cowslip, a vernal flower.

A bank whereon the wild thyme blows, Where oxlip and the nodding violet grows.

Shakspeare. The cowslip then they couch, and th' oxslip, for Drayton, Polyolb. S. 15. her meet,

O'XSTALL. n. s. [ox and stall.] A stand for oxen.

O'xTER.* n. s. Foxcan, Saxon, probably from the Lat. axilla. The arm-pit. Common in the north of England.

O'xTONGUE. n. s. [buglossa.] A plant. Ainsworth.

O'XYCRATE. n. s. [δξύκραλον, oxycrat, Fr. όξὸς and κεράω.] A mixture of water and vinegar.

Apply a mixture of the same powder, with a compress prest out of oxycrate, and a suitable bandage.

O'xygen.* n. s. [δξύ; and γείνομαι, Gr.; oxygene, Fr.] A principle existing in the air, of which it forms the respirable part, and which is also necessary to combustion. Oxygen, by combining with bodies, makes them acid; whence its name, signifying generator of acids.

O'xygon.* n. s. Tokis and ywwa, Gr.; oxygone, Fr.] A triangle having three acute angles.

O'XYMEL. † n. s. [oxumelle, Saxon; oximel, old French; δξύμελι, Gr. δξὸς, and μέλι.] A mixture of vinegar and honey.

In fevers, the aliments prescribed by Hippocrates, were ptisans and decoctions of some vegetables, with oxymel or the mixture of honey and vinegar.

ΟΧΥΜΟ RON. † n. s. [ὀξύμωρον.] A rhetorical figure, in which an epithet of a quite contrary signification is added to any word.

Some elegant figures, and tropes of rhetorick. biting sarcasms, sly ironies, strong metaphors, lofty hyperboles, paranomasies, oxymorons, lie very near upon the confines of jocularity.

Barrow, vol. i. S. 14.

ΟΧΥ'RRHODINE. n. s. Γοξυβρόδεινον, οξός and ρόδον. A mixture of two parts of oil of roses with one of vinegar of roses.

The spirits, opiates, and cool things, readily compose oxyr-rhodines. Floyer on the Humours.

O'YER. n. s. [oyer, old French, to hear.]
A court of oyer and terminer, is a judicature where causes are heard and determined.

Oye's [oyez, hear ye, Fr.] Is the introduction to any proclamation or adver-tisement given by the publick criers both in England and Scotland. It is thrice repeated.

Fairies, black, grey, green, and white, Attend your office and your quality. Crier hobgoblin make the fairy O yes. Shakspeare. O yes ! if any happy ey

This roving wanton shall descry; Let the finder surely know Mine is the wag.

YLETHOLE. n. s. See EYELET. [It may be written oylet, from oeillet, French;

but eyelet seems better.] Distinguish'd slashes deck the great,

As each excels in birth or state; His oyletholes are more and ampler, The king's own body was a sampler.

Prior. O'YSTER. † n. s. [ortpa, ortpe, Saxon;

oystre, old French.] A bivalve testaceous fish.

I will not lend thee a penny -- Why then the world's mine oyster, which I with Shaks. M. Wives of Windsor. sword will open.

Rich honesty dwells like your miser, sir, in a poor house; as your pearl in your foul oyster.

Shakspeare. Another mass held a kind of oyster shell, and her bivalves. Woodward on Fossils. other bivalves.

Other bivaives,

There may be many ranks of beings in the invisible world as superior to us, as we are superior to all the ranks of beings in this visible world; though we descend below the oyster to the least animated atoms discovered by microscopes.

Watts, Improv. of the Mind.

Where oyster tubs in rows Are rang'd beside the posts, there stay thy haste.

O'YSTERWENCH. †) n. s. [oyster and wench, O'YSTERWIFE. or woman.] A wo-O'YSTERWIFE. is to sell oysters. Proverbially, a low

Off goes his bonnet to an oysterwench. Shaksp.

Who can despair to see another thrive By loan of twelve-pence to an oysterwife? Bp. Hall, Sat. iv. 2.

The oysterwomen lock'd their fish up, And trudg'd away to cry, No bishop. Hudibras.

Oze'nA. n. s. [ὄζαινα, from ὅζω, Greek; ozene, French.] An ulcer in the inside of the nostrils that gives an ill stench.

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